

Thursday, January 4, 2018: 1:30 PM-5:15 PM
Salon A (Marriott Rivercenter Hotel)

- 1:30 PM** Quality of 2017 Cotton Crop
Robbie L Seals, USDA, AMS Cotton and Tobacco Program, Memphis, TN
- 1:45 PM** Current University and USDA Lab Cotton Contamination Research
Derek P. Whitelock, USDA-ARS Cotton Ginning Research Laboratory, Mesilla Park, NM
- 2:00 PM** Panel - Contamination Issues and Prevention
Vikki B. Martin, Cotton Incorporated, Cary, NC
- Panel - Contamination Issues and Prevention 2
George Hargrove, Barnhardt Manufacturing Company, Charlotte, NC
- Panel - Contamination Issues and Prevention 3
David Sasso, Buhler Yarns, Jefferson, GA
- Panel - Contamination Issues and Prevention 4
Dahlen Hancock, Cotton Inc., Chairman, Ropesville, TX
- Panel - Contamination Issues and Prevention 5
Darryl Earnest, USDA-AMS, Memphis, TN
- 3:00 PM** Detecting Plastic Trash in a Cotton Field with a UAV
Robert G. Hardin, USDA-ARS Cotton Ginning Research Unit, Stoneville, MS
- 3:15 PM** The Cost of Ginning Cotton: 2016 Survey Results
Thomas D. Valco, Retired - USDA-ARS, Stoneville, MS
- 3:30 PM** Break
- 4:00 PM** Update on Cherokee's Product Line
Michael Greene, Cherokee Fabrication, Salem, AL
- 4:15 PM** New Product Developments from Lummus
Mark D Cory, Lummus Corporation, Savannah, GA
- 4:30 PM** Signode GinFast Update
David Duke, Signode, High Point, NC
- 4:45 PM** Weighing Round Modules
Bill Lipsey, Lipsey GinTech, Inc., Indianola, MS
- 5:00 PM** John Deere Precision Cotton Harvesting Technology
Christopher Murray, John Deere, Des Moines Works, De Moines, IA

Friday, January 5, 2018: 8:15 AM-10:15 AM
Salons A-B (Marriott Rivercenter Hotel)

- 8:15 AM** A Study of Cotton Color Drift from Cotton Bales Stored for Making the USDA Upland Grade Standards
James L Knowlton, USDA, AMS, Cotton & Tobacco Program, Memphis, TN
- 8:30 AM** Field Evaluation of Lummus Gin Machinery: 2017
Ross D Rutherford, Lummus Corporation, Lubbock, TX
- 8:45 AM** Implications of Ultra-Low Gossypol Cottonseed
Greg A. Holt, USDA ARS Cotton Production and Processing Research Unit, Lubbock, TX
- 9:00 AM** New Tools for Managing Cotton Modules
John D. Wanjura, USDA ARS Cotton Production and Processing Research Unit, Lubbock, TX
- 9:15 AM** Bio-Generation™ - A Solution to Gin Waste Disposal
Joe W. Thomas, Lummus Corporation, Savannah, GA
- 9:30 AM** Effect of Gin Process Parameters on Drying Efficiency
Robert G. Hardin, USDA-ARS Cotton Ginning Research Unit, Stoneville, MS
- 9:45 AM** Fuel Use Patterns in Cotton Gins
Paul A. Funk, USDA-ARS Cotton Ginning Research Laboratory, Mesilla Park, NM
- 10:00 AM** Student Paper Competition Awards
Robert G. Hardin, USDA-ARS Cotton Ginning Research Unit, Stoneville, MS