**AAC Awards**

**Distinguished Service Award - Representative Bradley Byrne**

Elected to Congress in 2014 to represent Alabama’s First Congressional District, Representative Byrne has been a fierce advocate for Alabama agriculture and has supported legislation to roll back regulations on Alabama’s farmers. Representative Byrne serves on the House Armed Services Committee and on the Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces and Subcommittee on Strategic Forces as well as the House Education & Labor Committee and as a Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections. Representative Byrne is serving his final term in Congress.

**Representative Martha Roby**

Elected to Congress in 2010, Representative Roby is serving her final term representing Alabama’s Second Congressional District. Roby has fought tirelessly for Alabama agriculture throughout her entire career in Congress. Roby was tapped early to serve on the House Agriculture Committee when first elected to Congress and has been committed to the industry throughout her career. Roby currently serves on the House Committee on Appropriations serves on the State and Foreign Operations Subcommittee, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee, and the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice and Science as well as the House Judiciary Committee. She is currently Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.

**Heritage Award - Duncan Roberts**

Duncan Roberts graduated from Auburn University in 1967 with a degree in Accounting. After serving in the Army, Duncan went to work for Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. in Pace, FL. Duncan was transferred into the Fertilizer Marketing/Sales Department during the fertilizer shortage of 1974. Duncan then became a Products Manager for UAN selling Ammonium Nitrate across the Southeast and then became Manager of Air Products’ fertilizer business. Air Products ceased to sell Ammonium Nitrate and negotiated a contact with Mississippi Chemical Corporation where Duncan became a Large Account Salesperson. Duncan became involved with the Alabama Agribusiness Council in 2002 while with Mississippi Chemical, serving as President in 2006 and he remained active with the organization until his retirement from Yara North America.

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**COVID-19 Disclaimer**

The Alabama Agribusiness Council and the Perdido Beach Resort are working together to monitor developments with COVID-19 and will communicate with AAC Members in the event the meeting must be postponed and rescheduled. Registration fees will be transferred to the future meeting unless a written request is made no less than 14 days ahead of the rescheduled meeting date. Registration fees will be refunded if the 2020 Annual Meeting is cancelled outright. All existing hotel reservations at Perdido Beach Resort will be honored and transferred to the new meeting date with no action needed. Questions? Please contact Leigha Cauthen, Executive Director.
**Agenda**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21**

4:00-5:00  Registration  
5:00-6:00  Welcome to the Beach Reception  
6:00  Dinner on Your Own

**MONDAY, JUNE 22**

6:00-8:30  Breakfast on Your Own  
Coupons provided for use at Latitude30  
8:30  AAC General Session  
9:00  Commissioner Rick Pate, AL Department of Agriculture & Industries  
9:30  State and Federal Affairs Panel, Invited Panelist Hassey Brooks- AL Department of Agriculture & Industries and Mitt Walker-Alabama Farmers Federation  
10:30  Break  
10:45  Are We There Yet? Max Runge, Alabama Cooperative Extension System  
11:30  Adjourn  
1:00  Scholarship Golf Outing/ Back Bay Fishing  
6:30  Beachside Dinner  
Paradise Point

**TUESDAY, JUNE 23**

6:00-8:30  Breakfast on Your Own  
Coupons provided for use at Latitude30  
8:30  AAC General Session  
Salon ABCD  
8:30  Estate Planning for Landowners  
Robert Tufts, Alabama Cooperative Extension System  
9:15  Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program  
Frank Boyd & Dr. Dale Nolte, USDA Wildlife Services  
Updates on the USDA National Feral Swine Control Program and the two candidate feral swine toxicants and research and registration status; along with the provisions in the 2018 Farm Bill for feral swine control and resulting projects in Alabama.  
10:00  The Port of Mobile and Potential for Services and Dr. Dale Nolte, USDA Wildlife Program, Frank Boyd, USDA Wildlife Program  
10:45  Break  
10:30  Adjourn, AAC Board Meeting

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**Speakers & Topics**

**Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program**

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**Estate Planning for Landowners**

*Robert Tufts, Alabama Cooperative Extension System*

The typical Will leaves all to the surviving spouse if they survive; otherwise, to the children equally. This creates joint ownership. In other words if there are 300 acres and 3 children, each child does not get 100 acres but a one-third undivided interest in the entire property. If the children do not agree on the management of the land, each child has the legal right to force the partition of the property. Partition means dividing if the children agree; otherwise the property is sold and the money is divided. Using a business entity or trust can prevent partitioning and provide other benefits that will be discussed during the presentation.

**The Port of Mobile and the Potential for Alabama Agriculture and Forestry**

*Max Runge, Alabama Cooperative Extension System*

The Port of Mobile is one of the nation’s fastest growing container seaports and has an economic impact of $2.24 billion. The Port Authority, its partners and the federal government have recently invested over $1.2 million combined in further shore-side and channel improvements to service growth in the region’s mining, manufacturing, agriculture and retail distribution industries. This opens up more opportunities for agriculture and forest products to expand into new markets and promote Alabama products internationally. Learn more about the improvements being made and potential opportunities for agriculture and forestry.

**“Are We There Yet?” Economic Considerations for the Agricultural Sector Going Forward**

*Max Runge, Alabama Cooperative Extension System*

The emergence of COVID-19 has altered the way that our food is produced, procured, distributed, prepared, and consumed. Are we at the “new” normal or will we return to pre-Covid-19? This presentation will look at some economic considerations for the agricultural sector going forward.

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**Conference Events**

**WELCOME TO THE BEACH RECEPTION**

Reconnect with fellow AAC Members from 5 - 6 p.m. for light snacks and refreshments as we kick off this year’s Summer Meeting.

**BEACHSIDE RECEPTION AND DINNER**

Join us Monday night for dinner out on Paradise Point overlooking Alabama’s gorgeous gulf coast. Enjoy a beautiful sunset and take advantage of the opportunity to visit with meeting attendees in a relaxing setting. Bring the kids along, everyone’s welcome!

**SCHOLARSHIP GOLF**

Make the most of your free afternoon and join fellow AAC Members for an exciting round of golf to support the AAC Foundation Scholarship Fund ($100)

*Four man teams determined day of play, 1 p.m. tee time.*

**INSHORE FISHING**

Spend your free afternoon fishing the back bay. This 4 hour trip is a great way to connect with attendees and enjoy a great afternoon on Alabama’s Gulf Coast! Trip includes rod, reel, bait and tackle.

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**Registration Information**

Online Registration and Payment Now Available!

- General Registration - $295
- $250 for Each Additional Employee
- Spouse/Guest - $95
- Children 12 and Under Free
- Scholarship Golf - $100
- Inshore 4 Hour Fishing Trip - $150
- Prepay for Scholarship Raffle Tickets - $10 each

Visit: [www.alagribusiness.org](http://www.alagribusiness.org) to register online.