

VLA 2026 Program (*In-Progress*)

August 6 – 9, 2026

Thursday August 6

- Registration Setup
- Exhibitors Setup
- Boatd Meeting – 6:30 pm with Secretary Katie Frazier

Friday August 7

- 9 – 11 am -- Legal Workshop – Friday morning Setliff Law
- Registration – all day
- Exhibitors Setup

Presentations 1 to 5 pm:

- Frank Myers, President's Welcome
- Katie Frazier, Secretary of Ag & Forestry Welcome/Overview of Administration
- Rocky Goodnow, Forest Advisors
- Blake Taylor, FCB, Economic Trends Impacting the Logging Industry
- Sharon Crabbe, FCB, Fraud Prevention for Business Owners
- Ralph (Ed) Thomas, USFS, Research Scientist - Appalachian Hardwood Roundwood Market

VLA Legislators' Reception & banquet evening 6 to 11pm:

- Reception – 6 to 7 pm
- Banquet – 7 pm
- Guest Speaker – Congressman John McGuire on his legislative efforts to bring logging into the spotlight in Congress.
- Recognition of Legislators

Live Auction Immediately Following Banquet Events

- Kathryn Ryan, King's Daughters Children's Miracle Hospital Opening Remarks
- Auction conducted by Auctioneers Blaine Reese & Stacy Reel

Saturday August 8

Presentations 8 am to noon

- Terry Lasher – State Forester
- Scott Dane – accomplishments, next steps, rebuilding
- Stephen Setliff Legal matters
- Scott Barrett, VT CNRE, Supply Chain
- Doug Douglas, BofA, Economy's Impact on the Timber Industry in VA/NC
- Toni McAllister, VP McMannus Timber Co & Executive Director Louisiana Loggers Association

9 – 11 am – Spouses Workshop

- Rita Hyatt – Leader of Creative Creations

9 – 11 am Youth Workshop

1 – 3pm - SHARP Logger Required

President's Reception & Banquet 6 to 11pm:

- Reception – 6 pm
- Banquet – 7 pm
- Guest Speaker Toni McAllister
- Setliff / VLA Safety Award
- Sponsors' Recognition
- Entertainment & Networking– *Colonial DJs*

Sunday, August 9

- Church Service 8:30 – 9:30 am - Pastor Shawn Fulks
- Check out – 10 am