

2023 Annual Meeting

The Stephen F. Austin Royal Sonesta Hotel | Austin, TX
September 13 – 14, 2023

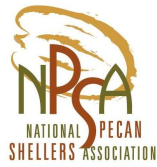
Schedule of Events

Wednesday, September 13

- 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **NPSA Board Breakfast and Meeting** (*Lunch open*)
- 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. **PETC Meeting** (*PETC Members Only*)
- 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. **Open Member Forum**
- 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. **Welcome Reception**

Thursday, September 14

- 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. **Group Breakfast**
- 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **General Session, Exhibits & Board Election**
- **Welcome & Introductions** (9:00 a.m.)
Steve Zaffarano, NPSA Board Chair, National Pecan/Diamond Foods
 - **Shelf-Life Research Study Presentation** (9:15 a.m.)
Dr. Ronald Pegg, University of Georgia
- BREAK** (10:30 – 10:45 a.m.)
- **Advancements in Pecan Shelling and Cracking Research at UGA** (10:45 a.m.)
Dr. Beshoy Morkos, University of Georgia
 - **Research Plans to Increase Pecan Shelling Safety and Meet Shellers Needs** (11:15 a.m.)
Dr. Cameron A. Bardsley, USDA-ARS Fruit, and Tree Nut Research Unit
 - **Caucus/Board Election** (11:45 a.m.)
- 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. **Group Lunch**
- 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. **General Session & Exhibits (cont.)**
- **American Pecan Council (APC) and American Pecan Promotion Board (APPB) Updates** (1:30 p.m.)
TBD
 - **National Pecan Federation (NPF) Updates** (2:00 p.m.)
Bob Redding, National Pecan Federation
- BREAK** (2:30 - 3:00 p.m.)



- **Global Update** (3:00 p.m.)
Dan Zedan, Pecan Grove Farms
- **Report on Other Tree Nuts** (3:30 p.m.)
Evo Soria, John B. Sanfilippo & Son, Inc.
- **Annual Crop Forecast** (3:45 pm)
Facilitated by Chris Harrell, Southern Roots Nut Co., LLC

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Closing Reception & Dinner
*with Lifetime Achievement Award
ceremony honoring Dan Zedan,
Pecan Grove Farms.*

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