

# 2019 AGRIBUSINESS CONFERENCE FOCUS

## The 25th annual Arkansas State University Agribusiness

**Conference** will focus on farm management, the economics and politics of trade and farm policy, and the commodity and credit markets.

The **morning general session** features four speakers and a panel discussion.

**Ted Glaub**, founder of Glaub Farm Management, LLC, will discuss the **challenges and opportunities he sees in farming**.

Agricultural policy and political analyst **Jim Wiesemeyer** will discuss the **impact of the 2018 election on agriculture and the rural economy**.

**Amanda Countryman**, a professor of agricultural economics at Colorado State University, will review the theory and history of **U.S. trade policy and the implications for farmers and agribusiness**.

Mississippi State University economist **Keith Coble** will give an update on the **lessons learned from the 2018 farm bill debate**.

Conference director **Bert Greenwalt** will lead the **discussion panel of General Session speakers**.

The **luncheon program** will feature **Tyne Morgan**, host of the *U.S. Farm Report* television news program.

The **afternoon program** features four concurrent sessions.

**Terry Harris** and **Grayson Daniels** from Riceland Foods, Inc. will discuss **rice and grain market issues**. Graduate students **Hunter Biram** and **Grant Wilson** will present their agricultural policy research.

**Jeff Johnson** from Allenberg Cotton Co. and **Gary Adams**, CEO of the National Cotton Council, will discuss **cotton industry issues** with University of Arkansas economist **Scott Stiles**.

**Marvin Childers** and **Holly Rogers** from The Poultry Federation and **Michelle Bufkin** and **Cody Burkham** from the Arkansas Cattlemen's Association will discuss **poultry and beef industry issues** with A-State economist **Mark Jordan**.

A session on **credit, tax, and legal issues for producers and agricultural lenders** will feature presentations by **Joe Verser** and **James Pierce** of Arvest Bank, **Charlott Jones, CPA** with Jones & Company, Ltd., and **R. Seth Hampton** of Quattlebaum, Grooms & Tull PLLC.