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TO: Peanut Buying Point Managers & Supporting Industry Leaders
FROM: National Peanut Buying Points Association Board of Directors & Staff
RE: **2026 ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE**

DATE/LOCATION

February 12-15, 2026 - - The Galt House, Louisville, KY

It's time to get together again! You, your staff and family are invited to attend the 2026 Annual Winter Conference of the National Peanut Buying Points Association. The Conference will be on **February 12-15, 2026** at **The Galt House in Downtown Louisville, KY**.

Welcome to The Galt House: Louisville's Premier Hotel & Event Destination. On 4th & Main, the Galt House is where guests come to experience, immerse and delight in Louisville's winning spirit. No other hotel can grant guests access to the city like we can, from our central location in the heart of the business community, museum district, cultural center and Urban Bourbon Trail, to our unique waterfront location. Our status as the "official hotel" of all that matters makes us Louisville's always-iconic hotel and ultimate lifestyle destination, reflective of Louisville's energy, excitement and contemporary spirit.

The 2026 conference theme is **"FROM SETBACK TO COMEBACK: THE POWER OF THE PEANUT INDUSTRY."** After seasons of uncertainty, we've got to chart a new course, fueled by grit, growth and the shared belief that our industry's best days are ahead. We will focus on the resilience, innovation and determination that defines our industry. In the face of challenges, from shifting markets to unexpected disruptions, we continue to adapt, persevere and emerge stronger.

As an added bonus, the **National Farm Machinery Show** will also be going on at the Kentucky Expo Center in Louisville, from February 11-14, 2026.

REGISTRATION

A **Conference Registration Form** is enclosed. Registration includes ALL Conference functions and meals (Welcome Reception, Breakfasts, Breaks, General Sessions and Great Cash Giveaway Reception). Registration is \$400 per person and \$750 per couple for members. If your spouse or guest plans to attend any receptions, please register as a couple. **Registration can also be done online at www.peanutbuyingpoints.org.**

ROOM RESERVATIONS

Room rates are \$239 per night, plus taxes. Our guaranteed room rate expires on **Wednesday, January 21, 2026** so please go ahead and reserve your rooms by **calling the hotel's reservation department at (800) 843-4258** or **by going online to <https://tinyurl.com/NPBPA2026>**. This link can also be found on our website. Callers must identify themselves with the National Peanut Buying Points Association in order to receive the discounted rate. **PLEASE RESERVE YOUR ROOM NOW – the room block will fill up!**

EXHIBITS

Table-top exhibits (6 ft) will be available to companies interested in presenting their goods and services to buying point members. Exhibits will be displayed during conference general sessions. Check the

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box on the Registration form if you wish to exhibit. **Cost for a tabletop exhibit is \$250.**

SPONSORS

Sponsors are the key to our Conference's success. If your company is interested in sponsorship, please contact Angela Elder or Tyron Spearman (229) 386-1716 or spearmanagency@friendlycity.net.

SCHEDULE

Thursday, February 12, 2026 – ATTENDEE TRAVEL DAY

2 - 5 pm: Registration Open; Exhibit Set Up
4:30 - 6 pm: Welcome/President's Reception (drop in)
Dinner on your Own

Friday, February 13, 2026

7:30 am: Continental Breakfast Available
8 am: Registration & Exhibits Open
9 am – 1 pm: General Session #1
10 am – 12 pm: Women's Program - Hatitude
Lunch/Afternoon/Dinner on your Own

Saturday, February 14, 2026

8 am: Exhibits Open
8 am: Prayer Breakfast/Annual Awards (Spouses Encouraged to attend)
9:30 am – 12 pm: General Session #2
Lunch/Afternoon on your Own
4:00 pm: Great Cash Giveaway Reception & Live Auction
6:30 pm: Dinner on your Own

GREAT CASH GIVEAWAY

The **Great Buying Point Cash Giveaway** raised over \$39,000 in 2025 for legislative activities. Proceeds from the Giveaway will go towards the Peanut Buying Points PAC, as we continue our legislative efforts and we need them now more than ever. Donations of \$150 will secure a ticket for the "Reverse Raffle Drawing." A total of 290 tickets will be pre-sold. At least 200 tickets will pre-drawn prior to the reception on Sunday evening. 10 Auction tickets will then be added to the remaining pre-sold tickets for a LIVE drawing and auction. The final ticket drawn will **WIN \$10,000 CASH**, plus second and third place also receiving a cash prize. Special Door Prizes will be given to certain numbers drawn out during the evening. Tickets can be purchased from Association Board Members or by calling the NPBPA office at (229) 386-1716.

WOMEN'S PROGRAM

This year, we are offering a fun, interactive Women's Program on Friday, February 13 from 10 am until Noon. This will be during the General Session. Hatitude, a program of the Kentucky Derby Museum, will be on-site at the hotel to allow attendees to create their own Derby hat! This program has been dubbed the "most fun convention activity ever!" The cost is **\$25 per person** and includes everything you need to make your own hat: from large bring hats to fascinators and more. Don't miss out on the fun!



WHAT'S AHEAD?

Together, let's explore how collaboration, technology, research and forward-thinking leadership are shaping a powerful comeback for shellers, buying points and growers alike. Let's use this time to connect, learn and celebrate how far we've come and where we are headed next. See you in Louisville!