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Alabama's Food Industry Finest Luncheon Agenda

Welcome Attendees

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Association Chairman, Alabama Grocers Association

Opening Remarks/Master of Ceremonies

Bill Davis, A&R Super Markets
Committee Chairman, Alabama's Food Industry Finest

Guest Speakers

Mr. Jeremiah Castille, Former Alabama Defensive Back

Senator Del Marsh, President Pro Tempore and
Presiding Officer, Alabama State Senate, District 12

Speaker Mac McCutcheon, Alabama House of
Representatives, District 25

Lunch

Year Award Presentations

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Mr. Jeremiah Castille

Keynote Speaker



Jeremiah Castille, born to Joseph and Mary Castille in Columbus, Georgia is the 8th of 9 children. Growing up with older siblings gave Jeremiah the opportunity to learn from their mistakes and gave him the ability to recognize how to make the right decisions with his life at a very early age. Jeremiah also credits his good decision making with his choice to attend a Catholic school for his early education.

In 1979, Jeremiah received a football scholarship to the University of Alabama. Jeremiah played for Coach Bryant who instilled courage, discipline, vision, leadership, character, class and humility in midst of success which tremendously impacted his life. In the 1983 NFL Draft, Jeremiah was drafted by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the dream he had shared with Sister Veronica had come true. Jeremiah's first year in the NFL allowed him to go back to the University of Alabama and finish his undergraduate degree in Broadcast Communications.

Jeremiah ministered to the players during his four years at Tampa Bay and two years at the Denver Broncos. He always saw football as a means to witness to his teammates. While Jeremiah loved football, he loved God more and after six years in the NFL, God called him out of the game. Because of his love for God Jeremiah was able to walk away from something he loved and dreamed of since the second grade with no regrets. In 1995, Jeremiah moved to Birmingham to coach and teach at Briarwood Christian High School. The experience God gave him coaching and teaching helped prepare him for his ongoing ministry.

In 1999, Jeremiah was ordained as a minister at The Church at Brook Hills and he and Jean founded Jeremiah Castille Foundation with Isaiah 61:1-4 as the foundational scripture. In 2001, Jeremiah became the chaplain for the University of Alabama football team and continues to serve in that capacity today. Jeremiah feels privileged and honored to serve the team and coaches at his alma mater, and where the dreams of a second grader came to fruition.

Speaker Mac McCutcheon

Alabama House of Representatives

Representative Mac McCutcheon was elected to the Alabama House of Representatives in 2006 and serves the communities of Madison City, Huntsville, Capshaw, Monrovia and East Limestone. He is a native of Madison County and lives in Monrovia.



Representative McCutcheon was elected to Speaker of the House on August 15, 2016.

He has a A.S. Degree in Criminal Justice from Calhoun Community College and a B.S. Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Trinity University.

Representative McCutcheon has been a farmer and is a retired law enforcement officer from the City of Huntsville.

He is a member of the American Legion, Fraternal Order of Police, Alabama Peace Officers, North Alabama Emmaus Community, Tennessee Valley Smallmouth Bass Club and City of Madison Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to his assignments to House Standing Committees, Representative McCutcheon serves as Chairman of the Joint Transportation Committee, the Department of Senior Services Advisory Board, and ATRIP.



Representative McCutcheon and his wife Debbie are the parents of two children. They have a granddaughter and a grandson.

Senator Del Marsh

President Pro Tempore, Alabama State Senate



Senator Del Marsh is a Republican State Senator who represents Senate District 12 consisting of all of Calhoun County, a portion of Talladega County and a portion of Clay County.

He was elected the Senate President Pro Tempore on December 10th and pursuant to the constitutional provision again on January 11, 2011, for the 2011-2014 Quadrennium. He was again elected for the 2015-2018 Quadrennium. Senator Marsh is currently the Presiding Officer of the Alabama Senate. He is in his fifth term in the senate and has been a member of the Alabama Senate since 1998, having served as Chairman of the Fiscal Responsibility & Accountability Committee.

Today Senator Marsh serves as President Pro Tempore and the Presiding Officer of the Alabama State Senate. He also serves on the Agriculture Conservation and Forestry Committee, the Country and Municipal Government Committee, Education and Youth Affairs Committee, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee, Local Legislation Committee and is Chairman of the Tourism and Marketing Committee. He also serves on the Local Legislation Committee for Jefferson County, Madison County, Mobile County and Shelby Count.

Senator Marsh is a successful business man and past owner of Industrial Plating Company and Aerospace Coatings. He and his wife, Ginger, are graduates of Auburn University.



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2017 Retailer of the Year

Mr. Darwin Metcalf

Western Markets

Darwin started his career at 9 years old shopping and delivering groceries for his elderly neighbors from the local A&P on the Southside of Birmingham for 15 cents a trip. At age 10, he worked as a local paperboy making \$7 a week. He continued this route until he was old enough to be hired at the local Winn-Dixie bagging groceries. In 1967, Mr. Stanley Virciglio saw Darwin bagging groceries at Winn-Dixie and offered him a job at the Western Highlands.



Through the 50 years working at Western, Darwin has been a night manager, produce manager, assistant store manager, store manager, director of operations and executive vice president. Early in his career with Western he set a goal for himself, to be president. In 2007, that goal was achieved when he was named President/Chief Operating Officer. When asked what was his favorite job, other than his current role, he quickly responded night manager for the stock crew. He loved the fast pace and competition on who could stock the best and fastest among the 4-person crew. Darwin has always been a hardworking, always willing to do any task given to him with the attitude that, “the reward for a job well done is the opportunity to do more.”

Darwin joined the Alabama Grocers Association Board of Directors in 1998, served as Chairman in 2003 and won the Retailer of the Year award in 2004.

Darwin is involved with numerous charities but the one that he is the most passionate about is the Assistance League, which help to clothe children in low income families. Each child receives 2 sets of clothes and a hygiene kit. Many of these children would go without, if it was not for this organization.

Darwin and Adrienne celebrated their 42-year Anniversary in August. They have 4 sons, 7 grandchildren and 4 grand dogs. Darwin claims his greatest personal achievement is his grandchildren and spending time with them.

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2017 Wholesaler of the Year

Mr. Delma Craft

Piggly Wiggly Alabama Distributing

Delma started in the grocery business in 1978 at Piggly Wiggly Southern in Vidalia, Georgia as a produce selector and loading trucks for delivery. In 1988, Piggly Wiggly Vidalia was sold to RFS out of California and ran the operation until Bruno's Supermarkets of Birmingham bought the warehouse in 1990. In 1994, Delma was relocated to Birmingham, Alabama where he was a buyer and category manager for Bruno's.



Delma went to work for Piggly Wiggly Alabama Distributing Company in September of 1998 as a grocery buyer. He worked through the ranks to his current position of Vice President & Director of Procurement. He also buys commodities and works with the Piggly Wiggly operators on a daily basis.

Delma learned his dedicated work ethic from his father. He always told him no matter what, do what you say you are going to do, show up and give it all you got. Growing up in Lyons, Georgia on his grandparent's farm gave him a great insight to a hard day's work and he has taken these life lessons to heart. Over the years he has earned the respect from the co-ops and his co-workers. His knowledge of grocery procurement and his experience has made him a great ambassador for the Piggly Wiggly Alabama Distributing Company and the grocery industry.

Delma met his wife of 22 years, Judy on a blind date and it was love at first sight. He has two step-children, Trey, 33 and Brandi, 31. In his spare time, Delma enjoys cooking, working in his yard and playing golf.

Very involved in his community, he has served on the United Way Board of Directors for 7 years and loves helping with the St. Jude Charity event in Mobile, Alabama.

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2017 Vendor of the Year

Mr. Eddy Quinley

Advantage Solutions

Eddy was born and raised in Mobile, Alabama. He graduated from Citronelle High School and studied Health Education at Faulkner University. He started his working career at Liberty National Life Insurance Company in 1977. After a few years with Liberty, Eddy started his grocery career as a direct retail sales representative with the Campbell Sales Company, followed by opportunities at The Hershey Chocolate Company and The Harper Sales Company. In 1989, Eddy started with Advantage Solutions Company in Mobile and is currently Business Development Manager calling on Associated Grocers of the South, Mitchell Grocery Corporation and Piggly Wiggly Alabama Distributing Company.



Eddy has been involved in the Alabama Grocers Association for over 12 years and joined the Board of Directors in 2013. Eddy has received numerous awards and recognition for the work he has done in the food industry. He was awarded the Merit award from Campbell Sales Company in 1981 and 1987; and in 2009 received the Vendor of the Year award from the Associated Grocers of the South, the Broker of the Year from the Alabama Grocers Association and the Chairman's Award from Advantage Sales & Marketing.

Eddy has been married to his wife Donna for 39 years. They have 2 daughters, Rachel Cain & Brooke Cortopassi and 3 gorgeous grandchildren, Destiny, Maddie & Kara.

When not working he enjoys traveling in their RV and being involved in the Ministry of Music at Shady Grove Baptist Church. Eddy directs the Choir and the congregation in Old Gospel Songs. He is also the Chairman of Deacons.

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