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Greetings;

Preparations are continuing for the Tree Farm national convention to be held August 9-11, 2011, at the Hyatt Regency Tamaya Resort and Spa at Santa Ana Pueblo just north of Bernalillo.

Thanks to all the Tree Farmers who have volunteered their time to help with the preparations. Thanks also to the Project Learning Tree (PLT) folks who are helping out. PLT is a sister organization to the Tree Farm System. PLT works with teachers in elementary and secondary schools to bring nature and forests to the classroom. This is a critical need now-a-days. They have even coined a phrase, nature deficit disorder, to describe children who have almost forgotten the joys of the great outdoors. PLT is working with the Tree Farm convention committee to design programs at the convention that will be for kids.

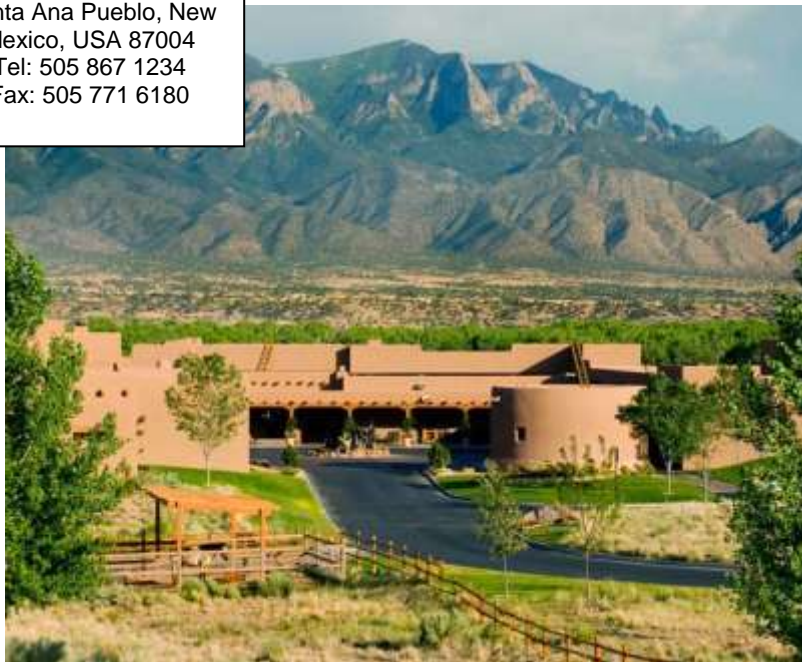
The highlight of the convention is the field day where participants will visit Starfire Day Camp in the Manzanos for a full day of activities. Tree Farmers, Bob and Shirley Sallach, owners of Starfire ran a children's camp there for many, many years and still host children's groups there. There will be plenty to do for all at the field day.

Another group that is helping out with convention activities is the Backyard Tree Farm group in the East Mountains. Backyard Tree Farms are less than 10 acres (the minimum for being a Tree Farm). The group in the East Mountains is the only Backyard Tree Farm group in the nation. They have been very successful over the years in being active and taking a role in educating people about trees and nature. Starfire Day Camp has hosted Backyard Tree Farm activities in the past. They will be helping out during the field day.

We are expecting about 500 people at the convention. They will be coming from throughout the nation to visit New Mexico. I hope that you will consider attending. We want to have a good turnout of our New Mexico Tree Farmers. It is always interesting to be able to compare notes with forest landowners from other parts of the country. Look for registration information in the March/April edition of Tree Farmer Magazine. Be sure to check [www.treefarmssystem.org](http://www.treefarmssystem.org) for the most up to date information. Hope to see you there!

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**2011 National  
Tree Farmer Convention**



*Albuquerque, NM*

**Land of  
Enchanting Forests**

**CONFERENCES & BANQUETS**

- A total of 21,650 square feet of function space, 2,250 square feet of prefunction space and over 50,000 square feet of outdoor function space
- Some meeting rooms and the prefunction ballroom space have adjoining terraces to facilitate outdoor breaks and luncheons
- Abundant outdoor venues available
- 12,000 square-foot Tamaya Ballroom production friendly with numerous hang points
- State-of-the art multimedia support
- Six meeting rooms, and executive board room
- High-speed Internet available
- The Cottonwoods, 8,000 square feet of outdoor function space along the Rio Grande
- On-site audio visual department
- On-site business center
- On-site destination management company

**RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**

- Nationally ranked Twin Warriors 18-hole championship golf club
- Preferential access to nearby Santa Ana's Golf Club's 27-hole golf course
- Award winning 16,000 square foot Tamaya Mist Spa and Salon featuring 12 treatment rooms and private courtyards
- Full-service salon
- Fitness center
- Two tennis courts
- Three outdoor heated pools
- Camp Hyatt® activities for kids
- Horseback riding, hot air ballooning and nature trails
- Family and Cultural activities

**POINTS OF INTEREST**

- Tamaya Cultural Museum & Learning Center
- Nearby Santa Ana Star Casino
- Skiing at Sandia and Santa Fe mountains
- Historic Santa Fe
- Albuquerque Old Town
- Coronado State Monument
- Numerous galleries and museums

**ACCOMMODATION**

- 350 guestrooms, including 23 suites / parlors, 158 kings, 169 double / doubles, and 15 accessible rooms available; All accommodations offer:
- Private patios or balconies (most), featuring southwestern style décor
- High-speed wire and wireless Internet available
- Two-line telephone and dataport
- Desk
- In-room safety-deposit box
- Quality toiletry items
- Hairdryer
- Plush bathrobes (Upon request)
- Vanity
- Coffee maker
- Refrigerator
- Iron / ironing board
- Check-in Time: 4pm. Check-out Time: noon.

**SERVICES & FACILITIES**

- In-room dining
- Concierge
- The Trading Post, a general store complete with deli, drinks, snacks, and toiletry articles
- Multilingual staff
- Assistive devices for persons with disabilities
- Safe deposit boxes at front desk
- Laundry / dry cleaning
- Valet parking
- Valet service
- Galleria Tamaya
- Pro Shop at Twin Warriors
- Ice machines

**RESTAURANTS & BARS**

- Corn Maiden—fine dining
- Santa Ana Cafe—Southwestern
- Rio Grande Lounge—casual fare
- Trading Post—light fare
- Plaza Poolside Bar & Grille—seasonal pool grill
- Atush—golf course grill