

"A River Basin of Opportunity, A Century Plus of Commitment"



**53rd ORVA ANNUAL CONVENTION**

**AUGUST 29-30, 2018**

**HILTON GARDEN INN  
WEST MONROE, LA**

**THEME:**

**"ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE OUACHITA RIVER BASIN"**

**AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY-AUGUST 29, 2018 - HILTON GARDEN INN-WEST MONROE, LA**

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| 1:00 pm      | Registration Opens   |
| 1:30-2:45 pm | Navigation Committee Meeting<br><br>Jay McDaniels, Chairman, Navigation Committee<br><br>Pat Hall Hemphill, Deputy District Engineer, Planning, Programs & Project Management Division, Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers, FY18/FY19 Ouachita River Basin Budget<br><br>Joel Brown, Chief, Navigation Branch, Operations Division, Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers-Corps Operations on the Ouachita River<br><br>Lanny Barfield, Chief, Foundations and Materials Branch, Vicksburg District, Corps of Engineers- Columbia Lock Repair |
| 2:45-3:15 pm | BREAK  |
| 3:15-5:00 pm | ORVA Board of Directors/Membership Meeting   |
| 6:00-7:00 pm | ORVA Reception-Hilton Garden Inn   |
| 7:00-8:30 pm | ORVA Dinner Banquet – Welcome - Randy Denmon, President, ORVA and Mayor Staci Mitchell, City of West Monroe (speaker TBD)  |

**THURSDAY-AUGUST 30, 2018 - HILTON GARDEN INN-WEST MONROE, LA**

7:00-7:45 am	Breakfast –Continued Registration
8:00-8:05 am	Welcome - Randy Denmon, President, ORVA
8:05-8:45 am	Dr. Mike Strain, Commissioner, LA Dept. of Agriculture & Forestry
8:45-9:15 am	Col Robert Hilliard, Deputy Commander, Mississippi Valley Division, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers
9:15-9:45 am	Col Michael DeRosier, Commander, Vicksburg District, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers
9:45-10:15 am	BREAK
10:15-10:45 am	John Jones, Senior Vice President, Policy and Government Relations, CenturyLink Corp., Monroe, LA
10:45-11:15 am	Dr. Shawn Wilson, Secretary, LA DOTD
11:15-11:45 am	Rayford Wilbanks, Executive Director, ORVA
12:00-1:30 pm	Luncheon Speaker, Congressman Dr. Ralph Abraham, 5 <sup>th</sup> District-LA
1:30-1:35 pm	Closing Comments, Rayford Wilbanks, Executive Director, ORVA