

THE ASSOCIATION & VOICE OF THE US SEWN PRODUCTS INDUSTRY

# **AATCC/SEAMS Annual Networking Conference**

Westin Savannah Harbor Golf & Spa Savannah, GA Oct 5-7, 2025

# **Agenda**

## **SUNDAY, 10/5/25**

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7:30AM -		SEAMS Golf Tournament and Networking
		The Club at Savannah Harbor
1:00PM -	3:00PM	<b>AATCC Herman and Myrtle Goldstein Graduate Student</b>
		Paper Competition
3:00PM -	5:00PM	Cocktail Networking Social
6:00PM -	9:00PM	Riverboat Dinner Cruise

## **MONDAY, 10/6/25**

7:45AM - 8:30AM Morning Coffee and Pastries/Breakfast Sandwiches

## GENERAL SESSION 8:15AM - 5:15PM

8:15AM – 8:45AM	Welcome and Opening Remarks
8:45AM - 9:45AM	Keynote: Kim Glas, President, NCTO
	"The Global Trade Shakeup: What It Means for U.S. Textiles Now"
9:45AM - 10:45AM	Roger Tutterow, Professor of Economics, Kennesaw State University
	"On the Economic, Political and Business Climate"
10:45AM – 11:15AM	Morning Networking Break
11:15PM – 12:15PM	Bill Amos, NW Alpine Gear
	"Reshoring the Summit: A Vision for a Made in USA Outdoor Industry"
12:15PM - 1:45PM	Networking Lunch
1:45PM - 2:45PM	Nicole Bevins Collinson, Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A.
	"Trying to Untangle the Trade Tariffs: An overview of Trade Policy"
2:45PM - 3:15PM	Afternoon Networking Break
3:15PM - 3:45PM	SPEAKER - TBD
4:15PM - 5:15PM	AATCC & SEAMS Awards Program
6:00PM - 9:00PM	Alphabet Soup Reception
9:00PM -	After Party



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## Tuesday, 9/13/24

7:30AM - 8:00AM Morning Coffee and Pastries/Breakfast Sandwiches

### GENERAL SESSION 8:00AM - 12:00PM

8:00AM – 8:15AM Opening Remarks

8:15AM – 9:15AM Keynote Presentation: The Future Textiles Council: An Alliance for

Industry Revitalization—Karl Aspelund, University of Rhode Island

and Michael Woody, Trans-Tex LLC

### **CONCURRENT TRACKS: ONE AND TWO**

(Feel free to alternate between tracks.)

#### TRACK ONE

12:00PM - 12:30PM

THACK ONE	
9:15AM - 9:45AM	Carol Revels, Walmart
	Advancements in Color Development and Approval
9:45AM - 10:00AM	Morning Networking Break
10:00AM - 10:30AM	Keith Hoover, Black Swan Textiles LLC
	Challenges in Fabric Formation
10:30AM - 11:00AM	Thomas Braun, Swisstex
	Textile Dyeing Process Developments and Challenges
11:00AM - 11:30AM	Ashok Shrivastava, Darlington Fabrics
	Eco-Friendly Plasma Surface Treatment for Textile Finishing: A Comprehensive Review
11:30AM – 12:00PM	Roundtable Discussion, Track One Speakers
TRACK TWO	
9:15AM - 9:45AM	Gregg Woodcock, AATCC Executive Director
	Importance of Colorfastness and Physical Properties
9:45AM - 10:00AM	Morning Networking Break
10:00AM - 10:30AM	Karen Leonas, North Carolina State University
	Closing the Loop: Innovations and Trends Driving Circularity in the Textile and Apparel Industry
10:30AM - 11:00AM	Michelle Singh, Hohenstein
	Navigating Obstacles in Circularity and Sustainability
11:00AM - 11:30AM	Shane O'Toole, Red Wolf Innovations
	The Perfect Fiber: Natural or Synthetics?
11:30AM – 12:00PM	Roundtable Discussion, Track Two Speakers

Recap of Tracks One & Two and Closing Remarks