



THE ASSOCIATION & VOICE OF THE US SEWN PRODUCTS INDUSTRY

## Spring Networking Conference

Grandover Resort and Spa

Greensboro, NC

April 29 – May 1, 2026

### Agenda

#### WEDNESDAY, 4/29/26

8:00AM – 3:00PM	Golf Tournament - Grandover Golf Club
11:00AM – 12:00PM	WOVEN (Women Optimizing Vision, Excellence, & Networking): SEAMS Women's Walk and Talk
6:00PM – 8:00PM	Networking Reception

#### THURSDAY, 4/30/26

##### TOUR ORIGIN MFG

7:45AM – 8:00AM  
8:30AM – 10:45AM  
10:45AM – 11:15AM

##### NETWORKING LUNCH

##### GENERAL SESSION

1:00PM – 1:15PM  
1:15PM – 2:15PM

2:15PM – 2:45PM  
2:45PM – 3:05PM  
3:05PM – 4:00PM

4:00PM – 5:00PM  
6:00PM – 7:00PM  
7:00PM – 9:00PM  
9:00PM –

##### 7:45AM – 11:15PM

Load Buses & Depart  
Tour Origin Mfg.  
Return to Hotel

##### 11:45AM – 12:45PM

##### 1:00PM – 5:15PM

Welcome: Brent Jones & Will Duncan  
Steve Lamar, AAFA:  
**"Threading the Needle: Policy Pressure, Sourcing Shifts, and What Comes Next"**  
Company Introductions  
Networking Break  
Fireside Chat: Justin Hershoran, Apteon, Will Duncan:  
**"A Discussion Regarding the State of Manufacturing Technology"**  
Al Carey, UNIFI: **"Servant Leadership"**  
Networking Reception  
Networking Dinner (business casual)  
After Party



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**FRIDAY, 5/1/26**

7:00AM – 8:30AM

Networking Breakfast

**GENERAL SESSION 8:30AM – 12:00PM**

8:30AM – 8:45AM

Day 2 Opening: Will Duncan

8:45AM – 9:45AM

Amy Bircher Bruyn, MMI Textiles:

***“From Fiber to Future: Leadership in a Changing Textile Industry”***

9:45AM – 10:15AM

Networking Break

10:15AM – 11:15AM

Denim Panel: Moderator - Xochil Herrera, Chicago Pattern Maker, Victor Lytvinenko, Raleigh Denim Workshop, Kristie Rhodes, Cotton Inc, Paige Mullis, White Oak Legacy Foundation

11:15AM – 11:45AM

Tanya Wade, Manufacturing Solutions Center (MSC)

11:45AM – 12:00PM

Wrap-up: Brent Jones