



Fall 2010 IT Conference
October 6 – 8, 2010



HOSTED BY:
**Southwest Tennessee
Electric Membership Corporation**

In the ever-changing world we live in, where technology is changing faster than the speed of sound, it is crucial that we stay current on what is going on around us and what works for others. This is a perfect opportunity to join forces with others in the utility business facing the same issues you do everyday.

STEMC welcomes you to Tupelo. Located in the hills of Northeast Mississippi, Tupelo charms visitors the world over with a unique blend of fascinating history, interesting attractions, diverse recreation, and a variety of shopping venues. Known as the Birthplace of Elvis Presley, Tupelo is the headquarters to the scenic Natchez Trace Parkway, the incredible Tupelo Automobile Museum exhibiting over 100 antique and classic cars, and the family-friendly Tupelo Buffalo Park & Zoo that showcases exotic animals from around the world. Other historical attractions promote the region's history, honor our men and women's military dedication and describe Tupelo's involvement in Civil War.

With quality accommodations, an exciting regional mall and historic downtown district and over 100 restaurants offering a selection of cuisines from down home cooking to ethnic foods to the finest of dining, Tupelo offers visitors the best in service.

So whether you are here for work, with a group or on a relaxing trip, Tupelo will deliver an exciting and memorable experience. Check out the Tupelo, MS area by clicking on the following link.

<http://www.tupelo.net>

Look over the attached agenda for two and a half days packed full of useful information. You will enjoy great networking, good food and a friendly atmosphere while in Tupelo. If the topics in this conference agenda do not directly pertain to your job duties, please pass this information packet on to someone who will benefit from these topics. Also please forward this to other IT professionals in the utilities industry.

Please visit our website for information about UTA, our current members, past conference information and much more. www.utilitytechnology.org

REGISTRATION

Conference Fee: \$100 for utility members - \$150 for vendors - \$150 for vendors' booths.

Note: Lunch on Wednesday and Thursday and evening meal Thursday night are included with your paid conference fee. The hotel provides a breakfast buffet for \$8.95.

If you have questions concerning registration forms you can contact Mike Fawbush at 423-317-6208. You can send your registration fee in (preferred) or you may bring your fees with you to the meeting, there will be a registration table set up to accept your fees and provide you with a receipt.

Regardless of how you send in your fees please pre-register so we will know ahead of time how many attendees to expect. Any questions or concerns about this conference please contact the host Sara Simmons at 731-772-6606 x574 or ssimmons@stemc.com

Hotel Accommodations



Hilton Garden Inn

363 East Main Street • Tupelo, Mississippi 38801
Phone: (662) 718-5500 • Fax: (662) 718-5550
Toll Free: 1-877-STAY-HGI

Rooms are being held in the group name of UTA. Prices available for rooms for this event are \$115.00 per night plus taxes (or bring your company's tax exemption certificate). These rates will be honored until September 5, 2010 at which time their regular rates will apply. You may call the toll free number above to make your reservations. ***Don't forget to mention you are with UTA to get this special room rate.

*****All conference attendees are asked to bring a door prize
(1 per company) not to exceed \$25. ******

Tuesday Evening Arrivals

For those arriving in town on Tuesday evening, we will have an early registration table set up in the lobby area of the hotel from 4-6 PM.

Wednesday –Friday Sessions

There will be several interesting topics on the agenda including a motivational speaker, utility spotlights, and TVA. CSA a vendor associate of UTA, will be sponsoring a networking event on Wednesday evening.

Thursday Evening Event

Our Thursday night gathering will be dinner & a tour of the Tupelo Automobile Museum. Check out their place by clicking on the link. <http://www.tupeloauto.com>

Your registration fee for the conference covers the cost for you to attend the evening meal and entertainment. If you wish to bring a guest that evening the cost for the guest will be \$25. When

you register please specify how many will be attending with you.

We look forward to seeing you at the UTA Conference in Tupelo, MS!

If you have any questions please call Sara Simmons at:

Office - 731-772-6606 x574

Cell –731-780-5574

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Vendors

We value the relationship we have with our vendors and we appreciate your continued support. Space will be available for vendors to setup displays to showcase their products and services. If you are interested in having a booth at this event please contact Sara Simmons for more details as soon as possible as spaces are limited. Fees for vendors are \$150 per person and \$150 for the booth space.

Airport Information

Memphis International Airport, 2491 Winchester Rd. Suite 113, Memphis, TN 38116 (901) 922-8000

Tupelo Regional Airport, 2704 W Jackson St, Tupelo, MS 38801, (662) 841-6570