The Davey Tree Expert Company will be hosting the Council of Eastern Forestry Technology Schools (CEFTS) in Kent Ohio Mon., July 29 – Thurs., Aug 1, 2019.

2019 CEFTS Annual Meeting and Conference

Monday, July 29

3:00 – 5:30 pm  Airport shuttle from Cleveland (late afternoon-TBD)
6:00 pm  Check at Kent State University Hotel
7:00-8:30 pm  CEFTS Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 30

7:30 am  Breakfast provided at hotel
8:15 – 9:30 am  Shawn Fitzgerald, Technical Advisor – The Davey Institute
Walking Tour of the Davey Tree Expert Company’s corporate campus
Presentation of Davey Tree’s green resources associated with their corporate campus. Including plant selection, maintenance, and tree preservation.

9:30 – 10:00  Break in the courtyard
10:00 – 11:00  Forest Technician Programs and the Accreditation Process– CEFTS members Craig Houghton and Brad Jones, and Carol Redelsheimer, SAF

12:00 – 12:45 Lunch (included in registration)

12:15-12:45  Greg Ina – Executive Vice President, Davey Institute.
New Corporate Campus Development and Planning. How Davey is developing a cutting-edge facility to lead industry training and research for decades to come.

1:00 – 2:30  CEFTS Business Meeting

2:30 – 5:00  Speakers from the Davey Tree Expert Company

2:30 – 3:00  Sandra Reid - Vice President, Corporate Communications and Strategic Planning Administration
Social Media and our Industry. A brief Davey history, followed by details on how Davey uses various social media platforms, best management practices, and strategies associated with using each individual platform.

3:00-4:15  The Davey Resource Group

Beetle Busting - How Davey works to survey, map, assess, treat, and eradicate invasive pests from our urban and community forests

4:15-5:00  Dr. Daniel Herms, Vice President, Research and Development
The Status and Management of Emerald Ash Borer - The current status of EAB within the United States, as well as the management practices that have proven effective over the past decade.
Wednesday, July 31

7:15 – 7:45 am Breakfast provided at hotel

7:45 – 11:45 Field Tours

8:00 – 9:15 Dr. Richard Rathjens, Technical Advisor, Davey Institute
   *Air Spade Demonstration* - a comprehensive demonstration of how to best utilize an air spade for
   root and soil care for our urban trees.

9:30 – 10:15 Kodi Riedel, MPH – Diagnostician
   *Tour of the Diagnostic Lab at the Institute*
   Tree insect and disease concepts.

10:30 – 11:45 Boyd Moore - Shop Supervisor
   Tour of the Kent Fleet Service Shop/Warehouse
   How a billion-dollar, international tree care company manages its fleet of tree care equipment to
   minimize production delays, maintain branding, and maintain safety.

12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch at the Davey Institute (included in registration) –

12:00-1:00 Brigitte Orrick – Director, Recruiting and Employee Development
   *Recruiting and Workforce Shortages* – Highlighting industry trends relating to our work force, and
   how Davey is working in the present, and looking to the future, to fill our organizations needs for
   growth.

1:30 – 5:00 Forest Tours

1:45 – 3:00 Christine Balk, M.S. – Technical Advisor, Plant Pathology
   *The Urban Impact of Decay Fungi – A Walking Field Tour.* Tour of the historic Standing Rock
   Cemetery, or the Oak Knolls Golf Course, to observe examples of various fruiting bodies, and the
   affects the decay has on the health and structure of our urban trees. Christine will emphasize
   stressors unique to our urban landscapes.

3:45 – 5:15 Cuyahoga Valley National Park
   CEFTS Instructors and NPS Staff - Examine active projects such as:
   - Removal of the concrete diversion dam to restore a more natural flow to the river, improve
     water quality, improve safety of recreational use of the river and allow for migration of
     native aquatic species.
   - Installation of sub-surface containment cells that will collect and hold run-off from the
     parking area and allow for greater recharge, reduce discharge of stormwater run-off directly
     to river and improve water quality.
   - Realigning a drainage pattern established with the historic road construction so that
     stormwater runoff is redirected to an established wetland eliminating a discharge directly to
     the river.
   - Evaluation and mitigation of contamination and contaminated soils that currently exist on
     the site and environs of the historic Jaite Paper Mill.
   - Removal of debris from the historic canal trace to better preserve the historic alignment and
     improve water movement.

6:00 pm Dinner at Laziza (order off menu – on your own) and Social Event

Thursday, August 1

Breakfast provided at hotel
Registration Form

Location: The Conference will be held at the Davey Corporate Headquarters in Kent Ohio.

Travel: Those flying in should plan to arrive at the Cleveland Airport. An afternoon shuttle will be provided. Time will be late afternoon, and will arrive at the Kent State Hotel by 5:00. Time will be determined based on flight times. Travel during the conference will be by van.

Accommodations: A block of rooms are being held at the Kent State Hotel. Use the reservation identification “CEFTS” when making your reservations. The hotel is located at 215 South Depeyster Street, Kent, OH, 44240. Guest Reservation number (330) 346-0100. Room cost will be $109.00 per night (single room), including taxes. A breakfast is provided by the hotel each morning.

Registration: Conference fee will be $80.00. Please make checks to Davey. Payment can be made at the door, or mailed in prior to the meeting. If you would like a billing for accounting purposes, please contact Katie (contact information below).


Registration:

Please respond prior to 19 July. Forward the information below to:

Mary Schaefer mary.schaefer@davey.com
The Davey Institute
1500 N. Mantua St.
Kent, OH 44240

Name (s): _______________________

Total number included in this pre-registration: _____

T-shirt sizes for each registrant: _____________ (indicate S,M,L, XL)

Phone & Email: _______________________

College/University: _______________________

Are you planning to arrive by airplane? ______________. Please identify arrival time. (airport shuttle pick-up is scheduled at approximately 3:30)