

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Agenda is subject to adjustments prior to the convention.

O Optional Event with separate registration fee; see registration form for fees.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7th

TRI-STATE COMMUNITY GIVING at the MID-OHIO FOOD BANK *Be part of Team Tri-State* from **1:30 pm to 4:00 pm** at the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. We'll meet at the Food Bank, located 15 minutes south of the convention hotel directly off the interstate. *Sign-up on the Tri-State Registration form. Directions will be included with your registration confirmation.*

3:00 pm REGISTRATION CENTER OPEN

6:00 pm WELCOME RECEPTION

Join our hosts from **ITG Brands** for cocktails, light snacks and conversation until 7:30 pm.

Looking for a great place for dinner with friends and colleagues? Stay in at the Sheraton's **Plaza Restaurant and Lounge** overlooking the Statehouse or a few downtown favorites are listed on the convention website, www.tobaccocandyconvention.com.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8th

7:30 am REGISTRATION CENTER OPEN
Reopens from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

BREAKFAST AT YOUR LEISURE

Complimentary Buffet Breakfast at the Sheraton's **Plaza Restaurant**. Breakfast service begins at 7:00 am.
Tickets will be included in Registration packets.

TRI-STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT **O**

Pinnacle Golf Club, one of central Ohio's top private clubs, challenges golfers of all levels. The course is an easy 15-minute drive from the hotel. **9:00 am shotgun start**. Lunch and prizes at the club after golf.

NOT GOLFING? Explore Columbus

and see why it's one of the top get-away cites in the Midwest. Try a bike or scooter or take the free *Cbus Circulator* to the shops, galleries and restaurants in German Village and the Short North. Or walk across the river to honor our military at the new National Veterans Memorial Museum and check out the Center for Science & Industry. Or take a free tour of the Ohio Statehouse, located across from the hotel. Check out www.experiencecolumbus.com for more great things to do in downtown Columbus!



--- German Village: The Book Loft has 32 rooms of bargain books

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6:00 pm TRI-STATE CIGAR DINNER

The favorite evening of the Convention, the Tri-State Cigar Dinner begins with a cocktail reception followed by dinner, presentation of the Garry Adams Tri-State Memorial Award and fine cigars provided by our sponsor, **Swisher International**.

Who goes home with the Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky themed Tri-State Gift Baskets?

Find out at the Tri-State Cigar Dinner!

Cigar Dinner Ticket is entry ticket for the Tri-State Gift Baskets.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9th

7:30 am REGISTRATION CENTER OPEN

8:00 am BREAKFAST and STATE MEETINGS

Don't miss your state association meeting where you'll hear about state-specific politics and policies impacting the industry and your business.

The **Tri-State Deal Book** is an easy way for manufacturers and brokers to offer deals without the hassle and expense of shipping exhibits and samples. **The Deal Book will be given to every wholesaler representative attending the Convention.**

9:00 am BUSINESS and INDUSTRY ISSUE SESSIONS to 1:00 pm

- **Food Safety Modernization Act ...** A refresher course with updates about facility registration, incident logs, employee training, sanitary transport, audits and resources for overall compliance.
- **Don't Miss Out on CBD ...** There is great market and profit potential in the hemp/CBD category but state and federal laws/regulations are confusing. Hear from experts about the hemp/CBD category, current and pending laws/regulations and what to consider when looking at products for your inventory.
- **What's Happening and What's Next for Tobacco, Vapor and Nicotine Policy ...** Our expert panel will give in-depth information and analysis about federal, state and local issues impacting the industry, the range of categories, business models and profitability.

10:00 am B - I - N - G - O for SPOUSES and GUESTS

Plenty of fun and great prizes are always part of the **Altria Group Distribution Company** sponsored Bingo.

LUNCH AT YOUR LEISURE

The Tri-State Convention concludes after the Business and Industry Sessions but before departing, enjoy a complimentary lunch at the Sheraton's **Plaza Restaurant**.
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