

Samplings

June 2011 Enhancing Value, Improving Marketability



Calendar

June 18-22 ASTA Annual Meeting, Huntington Beach, CA

June 23-24 MCIA Board Meeting, Lanesboro

July 4 MCIA Office Closed

July 13 NPSAS Field Day, Estelline, SD

July 20-22 NSTA Annual Mtg, Fargo, ND

July 24-27 AOSCA Annual Mtg, St. Louis, MO

University of MN Summer Field Days

June 21 Agronomy Field Tour, Waseca

July 7 -Crop Mgmt Day, Rochester

Organic Field Day, Lamberton July 7 -

July 8 -Summer Center Day, Morris

July 21 -Field Day, Crookston

Field Signs

Looking for a field sign to promote your public variety? Clay County Crop Improvement has them. Contact Tom Livdahl 218-585-4621.

MCIA Directory Advertising

Are you interested in advertising in the 2011 MCIA Directory? Watch the mail for more information in early July or contact MCIA.



Field Inspection Application Deadlines

If you had trouble meeting a deadline below and still intend to submit a field application, please send it in as soon as possible or contact the MCIA office if you have questions.

- June 7 Small grains, corn, sunflowers and other crops not listed below
- June 7 or 3 weeks after planting (whichever is first) Soybean post spray inspections
- June 7 Soybean bloom inspections
- 4 weeks prior to each cutting Noxious Weed Seed Free Forage & Mulch
- July 15 Soybeans (pre-harvest inspection only)
- Year of Seeding Perennials and native grasses & forbs

New Variety Descriptions

All new variety descriptions are due at the same time as field inspection applications. Forms are available online at www.mncia.org or contact the office to request forms by mail or fax. Remember, a \$25.00 fee will be assessed if your fields are inspected without a complete description, and seed certification cannot be completed without a description. Please contact the office if you need assistance or have any questions.

ISU Seed Conditioning and Quality Workshops

Iowa State University (ISU) is offering a series of workshops on seed conditioning and quality testing procedures this summer. These are small group sessions that feature a mix of classroom and "hands on" equipment operation at the ISU Seed Science Center. Additional details can be found at www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/ seedscience/home or call 515-294-6821 for more information.

- June 20-23 Seed Corn Conditioning
- June 29-30 Seed Treatment
- July 11-14 Soybean & Small Grain Seed
- July 25-28 Soybean & Small Grain Seed
- August 2 or 4 Gravity Separation
- August 8 11 Seed Corn Conditioning
- August 17 18 Seed Quality

Minnesota State Fair Certified Seed Show

Save your certified seed samples for the State Fair. Entry closing dates for Farm Crops will be Friday, August 12. The Ag-Hort-Bee Rule and Premium book can be found online at www.mnstatefair.org, by looking under the competition banner or call the State Fair Office at 651-288-4417. Prepare your samples now for entry to the fair.

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