

# Samplings

June 2012 Enhancing Value, Improving Marketability



## Calendar

Jun 18-19 MCIA Board Meeting, Alexandria Jun 20-23 ASTA Mtg, National Harbor, MD Jun 21 SROC Field Tour, Waseca Jun 24-27 AOSCA Mtg, Sun Valley, ID MCIA Office Closed July 4

July 11 U of MN Organic Field Day,

Lamberton

July 25-26 Field School for Ag Professionals,

U of MN, St. Paul Campus

www.Extension.umn.edu/agprofessionals

# 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 2013 MCIA Directory? Watch your mail for more information in July or contact MCIA.

### MCIA Website

Remember to check out our new website at www.mncia.org and let us know what you think!



## **Field Inspection Applications** It's Not Too Late to Apply!

Applications for small grains, corn, sunflowers, soybean post spray & bloom inspections are still being accepted. Contact MCIA if you have any questions. Other applications deadlines:

- Noxious weed seed free forage & mulch 4 weeks prior to each cutting
- 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. 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.

## 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 10. 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.

# **Iowa State Seed Conditioning Workshops**

ISU is again offering a series of workshops on Seed Conditioning this summer. These are small group sessions that feature a mix of classroom and "hands on" equipment operation in the pilot plant at the ISU Seed Science Center. The workshops are suitable for training new personnel or as a refresher course for experienced operators. Workshop fee includes a box or catered lunch each day.

Seed Treatment	June 27-28
Soybean & Small Grain Seed	July 9-12
Specialty Seed	July 17-19
Soybean & Small Grain Seed	July 23-26
Gravity Separation	July 31
Gravity Separation	August 2
Seed Corn Conditioning	August 6-9

For more information about the Seed Science Center at Iowa State University or to register, visit www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/seedscience/home.html or call 515-294-6222

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