

# Samplings

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#### Calendar

Nov 3-4	Western Seed Assn,	
	Kansas City, MO	
Nov 5	MN Agri-Growth Council Annual	
	Mtg & Speakers Conf., Mpls	
Nov 22	MCIA Board Mtg, St. Paul	
Nov 28-29	MCIA Office Closed - Holiday	
Dec 10-13	ASTA Seed Expo, Chicago, IL	
Dec 11-12	Prairie Grains, Grand Forks, ND	
Dec 24-26	MCIA Office Closed - Holiday	
Jan 1	MCIA Office Closed - Holiday	
Jan 8-9	MN Ag Expo, Mankato	
Jan 10-11	MN Organic Conf, St. Cloud	

Jan 14-15 MCIA Annual Mtg, Fergus Falls



#### **Board of Director Nominations**

Nominations are open for the MCIA Board of Directors - contact MCIA or email Ben Lang at ben.lang@mncia.org. The following seats are open - David Boehm, Related Industry; Brent Benike, District 1; Craig Damstrom, District 2 and Paul Kjolhaug, Related Industry. Craig and Paul are both eligible for re-election. Send all nominations to: MCIA, 1900 Hendon Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108.

#### 2014 MCIA Annual Meeting

The 111th Annual Meeting, will take place January 14 and 15, at the Bigwood Event Center in Fergus Falls. Mark your calendars and plan to attend! Contact Ben Lang at MCIA if you have agenda items that should be addressed at the Annual Meeting.

## Help Recognize a Deserving MCIA Member!

We highly value the input of our members. Is there someone you do business with or someone who has been a longtime supporter of MCIA and the seed industry who deserves recognition? Nominate them today! MCIA members are invited to nominate individuals for the Achievement in Crop Improvement Award and the Premier and Honorary Premier Seedsman Awards. Not sure if someone has previously been recognized? Contact Roger Wippler at the MCIA office for more information.

## **Royalty and Variety Development Fund Fees**

Billing for the various variety assessment fees were mailed to the appropriate members and were due October 1. Please complete the forms and return to MCIA as soon as possible. As a reminder, even if you have discarded or carried over seed and the balance due is \$0.00, please indicate the disposition of the seed and return the forms to MCIA.

### 2014 MCIA Directory

Watch your mail for the latest MCIA Directory this month. If you need additional copies please contact the MCIA office. The online version will be available on our website at www.mncia.org. Please contact MCIA if you notice any incorrect information.

## **Early Order Deadline**

The deadline for early orders of Foundation Seed is December 15, 2013. Contact MCIA if you have any questions about variety availability from MCIA and/or other states.

#### Please join us for the MCIA Annual Meeting, January 14-15, 2014, in Fergus Falls, MN

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