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CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 23** Minnesota State Fair **opens** (runs through September 3), St. Paul
- 28** Sustainable Farming Assoc.: Dirt Rich—Building Soil Health Experts, Red Lake Falls
- 29** Sustainable Farming Assoc.: Dirt Rich—Building Soil Health Experts, Lake Park

SEPTEMBER

- 3** MCIA Office Closed
- 3** Minnesota State Fair **closes**, St. Paul

Seed Lab Reminders

- ✓ New crop rye, triticale, and winter wheat may require extra germination time due to prechill requirements. Be sure to include the year of production on the sampling report.
- ✓ Loose smut tests can be conducted on each barley field at the time of harvest, eliminating the need for a smut test on every lot. Loose smut results must be included on the bulk sales certificate or seed tag.

State Fair: Aug. 23–Sept. 3

When you visit the Minnesota State Fair, look for our display in the Agriculture Horticulture Building, next to the crop art and scarecrows. Stop by and say hello to Roger Wippler and Paul Mickelson. They will be at the Certified Seed Show booth to educate fairgoers about seed and agriculture.

REMINDER: Soybean Inspection

The season for soybean field inspection will be here soon. If you have not yet submitted your field inspection application please get it in as soon as possible. This will allow field inspectors to plan for an efficient and timely inspection season.

MCIA Directory

Carryover Seed Listing: The 2019 MCIA *Directory* will include a listing of carryover seed. If you have seed you want to list, please submit the application form that was included in your field inspection information packet, which we sent out in May. You may also access the form on the MCIA website or you can simply send MCIA the following information:

• *Crop Variety* • *Name* • *Address* • *Telephone Number*

Advertise: Are you looking for opportunities to promote your business? If so, consider advertising in the 2019 edition of MCIA's *Directory*! You'll reach seed buyers, producers, conditioners, wholesalers, retailers, and other ag-related businesses. The *Directory* will go to press this fall and will also be available on-demand at the MCIA website.

Send us your ad or we can design one for you. We have price points that fit every budget. Limited color advertising space is available. Call Alan Makinen at the MCIA office for more information or to reserve your ad space by August 31.

Winter Wheat and Rye

Foundation Seed: Growers interested in ordering Foundation winter wheat, triticale, and rye seed should contact MCIA. We will help you obtain seed from neighboring states. Order early for best availability.

Winter Grain Directory Published: For a list of Minnesota Registered and Certified producers of rye, and winter wheat visit www.mncia.org or contact the MCIA office.

Labeling Certified Forage and Mulch

Remember: Bales are not certified until a certification label is securely attached to each bale prior to delivery to the buyer. Misuse of certification tags may result in loss of certification privileges.

MCIA Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars for MCIA's 116th Annual Meeting, January 9, 2019, at the Bigwood Event Center in Fergus Falls.

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