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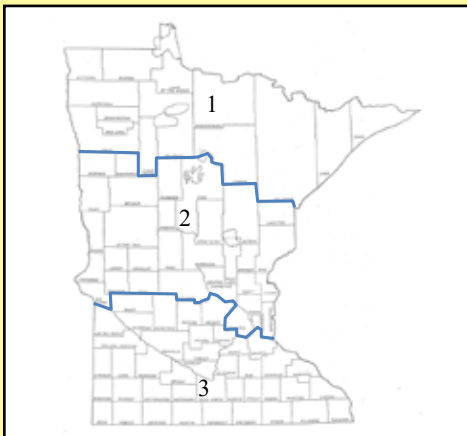
NOVEMBER

- 3–4** ASTA Lawn & Seed Conference, virtual
- 4–5** Minnesota Ag and Food Summit Hosted by Agri-Growth, virtual
- 5–7** South Dakota Local Foods Conference, Zoom meeting
- 19** MCIA Board Meeting, St. Paul
- 26–27** MCIA Office Closed

Seeking Board Candidates

MCIA is seeking candidates for three positions on the MCIA Board of Directors. The following seats are open: Kurt Flegel, District 3; Nat Forster, District 3; Denise Thiede, related industry. Forster and Thiede are eligible for re-election; Flegel is not eligible for re-election. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone to serve, contact MCIA President/CEO Fawad Shah at 1-800-510-6242 or by e-mail at fawad.shah@mncia.org.

MCIA Board Districts



Plan on a Virtual Annual Meeting: January 13, 2021

The MCIA Annual Meeting will be held January 13, 2021. Unlike previous years, the 2021 annual meeting will be held virtually. The meeting will have a short format: official proceedings, the business meeting, and informational presentations will be covered in a couple of hours. No trade show is planned. Instructions on how to attend the meeting, along with an agenda, will be provided to MCIA members later this year. This information will also be available to the general public and media via MCIA's website, www.mncia.org.

Royalty and Variety Development Fund Fees

Variety assessment fee billing has been mailed to the appropriate members; payment is now due. If you haven't yet done so, please complete and return the forms to MCIA no later than October 31st. Remember, even if you discarded or carried over seed and the balance due is \$0.00, please return the forms to MCIA, indicating the disposition of the seed.

2021 MCIA Directory

Watch your mailbox for delivery of the 2021 MCIA *Directory* in November. If you need additional copies, please contact the MCIA office. A digital version will be available on our website, www.mncia.org. If you notice any incorrect information, please contact MCIA.

Recognize a Deserving MCIA Member!

MCIA members are encouraged to submit nominations for the Honorary Premier Seedsman, Premier Seedsman, and Achievement in Crop Improvement awards, which will be presented during the MCIA Annual Meeting in January. If you know a producer, seed conditioner, or supporter of MCIA deserving of recognition, or if you have questions about nomination requirements, please contact Roger Wippler at 1-800-510-6242 or by e-mail at wippl002@umn.edu.

Call for Resolutions

A draft of any resolution to be considered by the MCIA Legislative and Public Affairs Committee and forwarded to the floor of the annual meeting should be received by MCIA 14 days prior to the meeting. To propose agenda items or resolutions for the annual meeting please contact Fawad Shah at fawad.shah@mncia.org or call the MCIA office.

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