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CALENDAR

JULY

- 20** Ancient Grains Conference
Oliver Kelly Farm,
Elk River
- 20** NWROC Crop & Soils Day
Northwest Research
& Outreach Center,
Crookston
- 21** Kernza Field Day
Kurt Kimber Farm,
Castle Rock
- 22** UMN Extension Small Grain
Plot Tour: Jim Kukowski
Farm, Strathcona
- 31** Marbleseed On-farm Field
Day: Kilimo Minnesota,
Lino Lakes

AUGUST

- 20** Marbleseed On-farm Field
Day: Gitigaaning Farm,
Cloquet
- 25** Minnesota State Fair: *open
through Sept. 5*, St. Paul
- 27** Marbleseed On-farm Field
Day: Naima's Farm,
Alexandria

Order Winter Wheat and Rye Foundation Seed

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

Variety Assessment Fees & Royalties

You will be receiving forms for reporting your variety assessment fees and royalties. Take time now to complete your sales records, which will help you respond in a timely manner. Thank you!

REMINDER: Field Inspection

Be sure your small grain seed field is inspected before you harvest! If you do not have a field inspection report, contact your field supervisor. Do not harvest unless you are sure it has been inspected. **We can still accept applications for small grain field inspections.** If you need to add a field, contact the MCIA office or your field supervisor.

Spring Wheat Survey

The Minnesota Wheat Research and Promotion Council is conducting their annual Spring Wheat Survey. The information gathered will help Dr. Jim Anderson, University of Minnesota Spring Wheat Breeder, with his selection of new varieties. Please take some time to complete the survey, which is accessible online: <https://mnwheat.org/council/2022-spring-wheat-survey>.

List Your Carryover Seed in the Directory

The 2023 MCIA *Directory* will include a listing of carryover seed. If you have seed you want to list, please submit the Directory Carryover Seed Inclusion form that was included in your field inspection information packet. You may also access the form from the Client Resources page of the MCIA website. Or simply send MCIA the following information about your carryover seed: **crop variety, your name, address, and telephone number.**

Prepare for the Minnesota State Fair

Prepare your samples now for entry in the Minnesota State Fair's farm crops competitions! Samples from the 2021 crop year may be shown. Be sure to include a certification report for the samples you are submitting. The closing date for farm crops entries is August 12 (the new corn closing date is September 1). For entry forms, rules, premiums, and other information, visit <https://www.mnstatefair.org/competitions/ag-hort-bee/farm-crops/> or call the State Fair office at 651-288-4417.

Advertise in the 2023 Directory

Advertising in MCIA's *Directory* is a great promotional opportunity for members. Expect to receive an informational mailing soon regarding *Directory* advertising. For more information, or to reserve ad space, email Alan Makinen at alan.makinen@mncia.org or call Alan at the MCIA office on Thursday mornings, 612-625-7766.

Meet Field Supervisor Keith Marti

Keith Marti is MCIA's new field supervisor for District 3, southeastern Minnesota. He started working with MCIA on June 1. Keith is a graduate of St. John's University, where he earned a B.A. in accounting. Most recently, Keith served as operations manager for feed sales at Central Region Cooperative. He was also their point person for matters related to MDA. His work experience also includes over ten years at Del Monte Foods, where his responsibilities as field supervisor included helping growers with harvest, inventory, and sweet corn and pea seed production logistics. Keith enjoys working with growers and field crop production. In his spare time, he enjoys outdoor recreational activities.

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