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DECEMBER

- 13-14** Prairie Grains Conference, Grand Forks, ND
- 25-26** MCIA Office Closed
- 29** MCIA Office Closed

JANUARY

- 1** MCIA Office Closed
- 11-12** Minnesota Organic Conference, St. Cloud
- 15** MCIA Office Closed
- 17-18** Minnesota Ag Expo, Mankato
- 24** **MCIA Annual Meeting, St. Cloud**
- 25-27** NPSAS Winter Conference, Aberdeen, SD

Order Foundation Seed Soon

Foundation seed order information was recently mailed to all approved and registered seed growers. To receive priority, please return your order form by December 29

Test Before Conditioning

We recommend that seed producers consider a preliminary germination test before conditioning seed. A test by the MCIA Seed Laboratory will help you assess seed quality and identify potential problem lots. If you have questions or need sample bags or sampling reports, please contact MCIA.

View Minnesota Variety Trials

Interested growers can view 2023 University of Minnesota variety trials results on the MAES website: varietytrials.umn.edu.

PLAN TO ATTEND

MCIA Annual Meeting, January 24, 2024

NEW LOCATION: Holiday Inn & Suites, St. Cloud

This **free**, one-day event will begin in the morning and conclude in the afternoon. It will include our official business meeting and board election, an awards luncheon, informational presentations, and a trade show. Invitations and registration forms have been mailed to MCIA members. **Please register by January 3, 2024.** For additional information, please visit the Annual Meeting page of the MCIA website: www.mncia.org/annual-meeting.

Call for Resolutions and Agenda Items: 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 MCIA President/CEO Fawad Shah at 612-625-7766 or 800-510-6242 or fawad.shah@mncia.org.

Exhibitors and Sponsors Welcome: If you would like to participate in the trade show or be a sponsor of the Annual Meeting, please contact Administration & Certification Assistant Selena Nelson by December 15 at 612-625-7766 or 800-510-6242 or selena.nelson@mncia.org. Registration forms with information regarding sponsorship levels are available on the Annual Meeting page of the MCIA website: www.mncia.org/annual-meeting.

Board of Directors Nominations: To date, nominees for the January 24, 2024, board election include Gabel Hoseth, District 2; Kelsey Henke, District 3 (incumbent); and Anthony Cortilet, Related Industry. To nominate someone, or to inquire about serving on the board yourself, please contact Fawad Shah at 612-625-7766 or 800-510-6242 or fawad.shah@mncia.org.

Happy Holidays from the MCIA staff!

We appreciate the opportunity to work with you each and every year.
We wish you a productive and prosperous New Year!

- Fawad Shah * Jody Prudhomme * Alan Makinen * Janet Daninger
Selena Nelson * Kris Folland * Seth Dagoberg * Dan Krenz * Keith Marti
Carl Anfinson * Michelle Menken * Diane Collins * Shauna Ilse
Sarah Lindblom * Lauren Martin * Rose-Marie Odell * Tessa Parks
Wendy Paulsen * Chase Mowry * Claire Chapman Biel * Kate Sinnott*

Please join us for the MCIA Annual Meeting, January 24, 2024!

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