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Annual ISA Golf Tournament

The Annual Iowa Seed Association Golf Tournament benefits the ISA scholarship fund. ISA provides undergrad and graduate scholarships for students interested in pursuing a career in agriculture.

The 2015 ISA Golf Tournament will begin with a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. at the Tournament Club of Iowa in Polk City, Iowa. Golfer check-in begins at 11:00 a.m. with lunch being served at 11:30 a.m.

NOTE: TCI is a SPIKELESS course

The format will again be a four-person "best ball" which usually means low scores and a lot of fun. For the tournament we are encouraging golfers to create their own foursome team. If you are not in a foursome, you will be placed into a foursome.

The registration fee of the golf tournament is \$90 per player. Registration and payment must be received by Tuesday, June 23, 2015. Registration fee includes lunch, green fees for

18 holes, 1/2 of a golf cart, & drink tickets. Awards ceremony and light snacks will follow immediately after the completion of golf.

Even if you are not a great golfer, please come to enjoy the experience and camaraderie of the Iowa Seed Association members.

Please get registration forms in early so plenty of golf carts can be reserved! Call the Iowa Seed Association office to pay by phone or for more information: 515-262-8323.

What: ISA Golf Tournament

When: June 23, 2015
Lunch - 11:30 AM
Shotgun Start - 12:30 PM

Where: Tournament Club of Iowa,
Polk City ([Directions](#))

Cancellation Policy: All registrations must be confirmed and paid one week prior to the event. No cancellations will be accepted and no refunds will be given after that date.

Registration fee include:

Lunch, Green Fees for 18 holes, 1/2 of a Golf Cart, & Drink Tickets



Iowa Seed Association Annual Golf Tournament

Tuesday, June 23, 2015
Tournament Club of Iowa - Polk City



2015 ISU Seed Workshop Schedule

Iowa State University is once again offering a series of workshops on seed conditioning and quality testing procedures this summer. The workshop dates are rapidly approaching, so we are sending this brief reminder in the event either you or a co-worker might be interested in the program. The 2015 workshop schedule is listed below and on the registration website listed below. These are small group sessions that feature a mix of classroom and “hands on” equipment operation in our pilot plant at the ISU Seed Science Center.

Food Grade Bean Conditioning.....	May 11-14
Color Sorting – Satake (ScanMaster II).....	June 1-2
Color Sorting – Satake (Evolution).....	June 3-4
Color Sorting – Buhler Sortex (Z+).....	June 9-10
Seed Corn Conditioning.....	June 15-18
Seed Treatment.....	June 24-25
Soybean & Small Grain Seed Conditioning.....	July 6-9
Seed Conditioning.....	July 14-16
Soybean & Small Grain Seed Conditioning.....	July 20-23
Gravity Separation.....	July 28
Gravity Separation.....	July 30
Seed Corn Conditioning.....	August 3-6
Seed Corn / Soybean Quality Testing.....	August 11-13

There are several program revisions for 2015. The food grade bean program is being offered again this year and has been extended to four days to accommodate expanded program content. The past Satake programs have been duplicate sessions intended to help minimize group size but the second session will focus primarily on their new Evolution machines.

Routine workshop registration is handled by our staff in Conference Planning and Management. Additional details, including a PDF version of the workshop brochure and on-line registration can be found on the [ISU Extension web site](#).

Routine registration questions may be directed to Extension using the following contact information:

**Iowa State University
Registration Services**
1601 Golden Aspen Drive, Suite 110
Ames, IA 50010

Or
Phone: 515-294-6222
Fax: 515-294-6223
Email: registrations@iastate.edu

Register for the ASTA 132nd Annual Convention

The 132nd Annual Convention convenes all sectors of the seed industry in Washington, D.C., June 17-20. The event begins with an opportunity to "Make Your Voice Heard" as you participate in ASTA's Storm the Hill efforts on the afternoon of June 17 and the morning of June 18.

Join over 100 of your seed industry colleagues to advocate for the needs of your business and our industry with legislators and regulators. During the convention, you'll gain first-hand knowledge of the inner working of the democratic process as you learn about the legislative and regulatory issues facing the seed industry and

agriculture, nationally and internationally. The convention also includes new twists on the traditional favorites among ASTA special events, including the 5K Fun Run, the Welcome Reception, Gala Banquet and opportunities for fun in the DC area for spouses and families. Don't miss this exclusive opportunity to have ASTA guide you through the advocacy process and help shape the future of our industry.

Visit the [ASTA Members Site](#) for prices and schedule.
Jun 17, 2015 07:30 am - Jun 20, 2015 05:00 pm EST



Iowa Nutrient Research & Education Council

Monday, April 6, the Iowa Nutrient Research & Education Council (INREC) held their first official board meeting at the Agribusiness Association of Iowa (AAI) Headquarters in Des Moines, Iowa.

During unprecedented actions, the INREC organization was developed as a result of AAI's Nutrient Management Task Force which was appointed by the AAI Board of Directors in September, 2013. The organization has a very specific mission and program objectives which have the potential to have a huge impact on the farmer adoption of new products and management practices, all of which will work to support the voluntary and science based Nutrient Reduction Strategy.

The communication and collaboration of these organizations, in this formal setting, is the only one of its kind in Iowa. AAI is very appreciative

of the organizations that are willing to spend significant time and resources for this effort.

During the meeting on April 6, the Board of Directors were officially seated, and officers for the Council were elected. Dave Coppess, Heartland Co-op, representing Iowa agronomy retailers was elected Chair, Craig Hill, President of Iowa Farm Bureau, was elected as Vice Chair, Mark Mueller representing the Iowa Corn Growers as Secretary, and Dave Struthers, President of the Iowa Pork Producers as Treasurer. Joel Brinkmeyer, AAI CEO, was also confirmed as CEO of INREC. The atmosphere and opinions of the attendees at the April 6 meeting were very positive.

The INREC Board is confident in the direction of the Council and it's mission. For questions on the INREC organization please call the AAI Headquarters at 515-262-8323 or email aai@agribiz.org.

Des Moines Water Works Lawsuit Updates

The development of the Agricultural Legal Defense Fund was in response to the Sixty-day Notice of Intent to Sue submitted by the Board of Water Works Trustees of the City of Des Moines, Iowa (DMWW) on January 9, 2015.

The intent to sue is against three Iowa Drainage Districts for the discharge of "pollutants" (Nitrate) into the Raccoon River in violation of the Clean Water Act (CWA). The DMWW board of trustees voted to proceed with a citizens suit on March 10. According to the [Iowa Drainage District Association](#), "This suit is the biggest threat to landowner drainage rights that has ever been posed."

U.S. Ag Secretary Tom Vilsack says he cannot comment on the [Des Moines Water Works lawsuit](#) alleging boards of supervisors in three northwest Iowa counties failure to manage ag drainage districts has contaminated central Iowa's drinking water supply.

"But it is appropriate for me to talk about conservation and the role of USDA in all of this and I think what might surprise...many Iowans is how much conservation is actually taking place today in Iowa," Vilsack says. Since January of 2011, the U.S.D.A. has awarded over \$2.2 billion to Iowa farmers to help finance conservation projects to reduce nitrogen and phosphorus run-off into rivers and streams.

New Middle School Curriculum with Seed-Based Information

Attention Teachers! Take your middle school science lessons to the next level with Planting The Seed, a standards-based curriculum that not only cultivates an understanding of seeds and their impact on society, but gives teachers the opportunity to integrate 21st century skills into science, social studies, English and technology classes. There are four lessons, downloadable and ready to use, and all FREE.

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Iowa Seed Association Reminders & Events

- June 17-20, 2015 ASTA 132nd Annual Convention, Washington D.C.
- June 23, 2015 Annual ISA Golf Tournament, TCI - Polk City
- February 9, 2016 Seed Forum & Annual Meeting
- February 9-10, 2016 SAVE THE DATE! - Agribusiness Showcase & Conference

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