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SAVE THE DATE! ANNUAL SEED FORUM & ANNUAL MEETING

The Iowa Seed Association Annual Meeting and Seed Forum will be held at the Varied Industries Building on Wednesday, February 13 - 9am to Noon.

Partnering with the Agribusiness Showcase & Conference (ASC) will allow ISA to once again expand the education and networking opportunities available at our Seed Forum and Annual Meeting.

The 2019 ASC is the nation's largest indoor field-day was held which filled the Varied Industries Building on the Iowa State Fairgrounds. The partnership with the ASC, ISA members will have the opportunity to attend a wider variety of workshops and network with all facets of

the ag industry. The Seed Forum workshops are dedicated solely to information pertinent to the seed industry. Registration includes educational materials, 2-day admission to the Showcase exhibit floor, admission to the All Industry Reception on Tuesday, and luncheon on Wednesday.

Seed Forum Agenda Wednesday, February 13, 2019

9:00 AM	ISA Annual Meeting
	Recognition of Honorary Member
9:15 AM	ASTA Update & Iowa Legislative Update - Speaker TBA
9:45 AM	Morning Speakers
-Noon	& ISA Forum Only Raffle

JOIN US TO RECOGNIZE THE ISU SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Each year we recognize the Iowa State University students who received the Iowa Seed Association scholarships for the current academic year.

This year's recipients will be recognized at the All Industry Luncheon during the Agribusiness Showcase & Conference (ASC) in Des Moines on Wednesday, February 13, 2018.

All who attend the 2019 ASC are invited to eat lunch and watch the ISA scholarship winners being recognized. This (luncheon tickets are included with ISA forum registration, floor only tickets are available to those who do not

attend the forum. Floor only tickets start at \$25 before Jan 29, 2019 and \$50 day of event.) The ISA scholarships recognition is held on the Showcase Stage at 11:45 am.

The 2019 ASC is hosted at the Varied Industries building on the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines, Iowa. The ASC is a two-day event with a full trade show floor and learning session

Pre-register by Jan 29, 2019 for \$100. Visit AgribizShowcase.com for seed forum details more information including agendas, speaker information, and exhibitor layout maps.



THANK YOU TO RENEWING 2019 MEMBERS!

Thank you to all that have renewed your 2019 ISA membership. We look forward to serving all of you. Membership packets were mailed that included a membership invoice and ISA sponsorship form. If you have not done so, please return to the ISA office.

Be sure to look over your company contact information, indicate changes before returning your forms. Each company is allowed to have up to five additional contact, which will receive correspondence from ISA. To insure the best possible

service please provide accurate information on all additional contacts. Dues payments for the 2019 membership year need to be received by December 31, 2019.

If you have a referral or know of anyone who is interested in becoming an ISA member, please let us know! Call the office at 515-262-8323. **Questions about your dues packet or sponsorship? Contact the office or email joano@agribiz.org. See member information online www.iowaseed.org.**

SECOND HALF OF FARMER TRADE PAYMENTS DELAYED

A second round of payments for farmers hurt by the trade war with China are still on hold. U.S. Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Steve Censky was in Iowa on Thursday to talk with agriculture leaders and farmers. He says the top issues they discussed were trade and the Market Facilitation Program (MFP).

The first round of the nearly \$12 billion in payments doled out \$1.65 a bushel for soybeans, a cent per bushel for corn, and eight dollars a head for hogs. Capped at \$125,000 per farmer.

The USDA has delayed revealing any updates since early December. But with farmers planning for the next crop year,

there is a need to know if the second half of payments will be available.

Censky says, "We know that farmers are going to start to visit with their bankers, talk about financing for their next year coming up. Either right now or after the first of the year so the time is now to make that announcement and make those payments made"

Article from: <https://whotv.com/2018/12/17/second-half-of-farmer-trade-payments-delayed/>

DON'T SLEEP ON WATERHEMP

Palmer amaranth is the pigweed species that rightfully earns the most consternation from Midwest farmers. But don't forget that waterhemp can be just as invasive and contains many of the same characteristics as Palmer.

Waterhemp emerges throughout the growing season, and is prone to herbicide resistance. Even if growers use a residual herbicide, or post application, the weed emerges and thrives

in the summer months. The difference between the two weeds are subtle. Waterhemp has longer, narrower leaves than Palmer's leaves, which are wider at the base. Palmer has petioles longer than the leaf blade.

Article from: <https://www.agriculture.com/agronomy-insider/dont-sleep-on-waterhemp>



2018 IOWA SEED CORN COVER CROP INITIATIVE EVENTS OVERVIEW

During the fall of 2018 the Iowa Seed Corn Cover Crop Initiative hosted four field days in Iowa. A three-day series “Ensure Your Success: Where Cover Crops and Crop Insurance Meet” that covered “Why I use cover crops” by three different host farmers, an update on Crop Insurance Program by Matt Lechtenberg from IDALS, Water Quality and Cover Crops by Theo Gunther of the Iowa Soybean Association, Edge of Field Practices by the NRCS, and a discussion on Earthworms and Cover Crops by the Iowa Learning Farms.

The three-day tour attracted nearly 100 industry professionals, growers, and others to listen and learn to what farmers have to say about their successes in cover crops. These events were made possible by the Iowa Farmers Union, Practical

Farmers of Iowa, the Soil Health Partnership, the Iowa Seed Association and Iowa Seed Corn Cover Crop Initiative program, the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Clean Water Initiative, Iowa Corn, Iowa Learning Farms, Iowa Soybean Association and the Iowa Agriculture Water Alliance.

The ISA board and staff would like to say a very big THANK YOU to the Iowa Farmers Union for handling all registrations, and making sure our events went off with out a hitch. These events were arranged by the ISA Cover Crop coordinator. To view more about the Iowa Seed Corn Cover Crop Initiative, please visit:

<https://www.sustainableseedcorn.org/>



RECEPTION AFTER DISCUSSION AT THE WATERLOO FIELD DAY



HUXLEY LEARNING CENTER PANEL OF FARMERS



FULL HOUSE OF PARTICIPANTS DURING THE NOVEMBER FIELD DAY IN ALGONA AT THE KOSSUTH COUNTY AG MUSEUM.



RAINFALL SIMULATOR AT ALGONA FIELD DAY

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IOWA SEED CORN COVER CROP INITIATIVE PHOTOS



TALL CEREAL RYE RESIDUE CAN ELIMINATE POST EMERGE HERBICIDE PASS



HI-BOY RYE RADISH AND PEAS GRAZING MIX, TAMA COUNTY 2016



CEREAL RYE IN MARCH 2017, LOUISA COUNTY OVER 11 INCHES TALL



PLANTING SOYBEANS INTO CEREAL RYE, BLACK HAWK COUNTY, MAY 2017



HI-BOY OATS AND RADISH COVER CROP, MARSHALL COUNTY, AUGUST 2017



PURPLE TOP TURNIP COVER CROP



SOYBEAN PLANTER TRACKS THROUGH TERMINATED CEREAL RYE, CENTRAL IOWA, MAY 2017



COVER CROP IN FAYETTE COUNTY FALL 2017

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