



The Seed Source

NEWSLETTER OF THE KANSAS CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

March 2010

Important Dates

March 15

Applications for Summer Field Inspections Due

May 1

Payment for Certification of Summer-Inspected Crops Due

May 31-Memorial Day

KCIA office Closed

Other Significant Dates

March 14 - Daylight Saving Time Begins

March 20 - First Day of Spring!!!!!!

April 4 - Easter

May 9 - Mother's Day

Thank You

Steve Schuler wishes to thank everyone for their kind expressions of condolence at the loss of his father, Fred G. Schuler.

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Dan Sharp 2009 Premier Seed Grower

Dan Sharp, President of Sharp Bros. Seed, Healy, was honored as the 2009 recipient of the Kansas Crop Improvement Association Premier Seed Grower award. The award is given by their peers to members of the Association in recognition of service to seed certification, community, and the Kansas seed industry. Dan received the award at the joint annual meeting of KCIA and the Kansas Seed Industry Association, held February 10th in Manhattan, KS.



Sharp attended Healy High School and is a graduate of Fort Hays State University with a bachelor's degree in Marketing. He is a third generation seedsman and manages the daily operations of a 100-year-old multi-state family-owned seed business as well as the partnership's farm operations.

He has served on both the Kansas Crop Improvement Association and the Kansas Seed Industry Association board of directors. Having served on committees and boards of various other seed related organizations he is currently serving as Vice Chair of the Farm Seed Division of ASTA. He is a member of the Society for Range Management and the National Rifle Association and has served as a local scoutmaster. The most important thing he does, according to Dan, is to keep family time a priority in his life.

Since its inception in 1930, 155 Premier Seed Grower awards have been presented. Recipients are selected by ballot with previous year's honorees casting the votes. The award presentation is sponsored by the High Plains Journal.

2010 Board of Directors Are Ready To Roll

The 2010 KCIA Board of Directors is in place. Tim Oborny will continue to serve as President while Darrin Delange and Roger May will continue to serve as Vice-Presidents of Research Support and Standards, respectively. Bob Bunck steps down after nine years on the Board to be replaced by John Kramer, Junction City, as the Northeast Director.

Likewise, Dean Fouts steps down after nine years to be replaced by Sam Datterri, Erie, who is now the Southeast Director. The other members of the Board are: Roger May, Oberlin, Northwest; Tim Oborny, Bison, Central; Tom Pauly, Conway Springs, South Central; Calvin Bohnert, Jewell, North Central; Maurice Miller, Garden City, Southwest; Mike Baxa, Belleville, Central-at-large; Darrin Delange, Girard, East-at-large; Darwin Ediger, Meade, West-at-large; Herb Mattson, Colby, KSIA Representative; and Ex-officios Gary M. Pierzynski and James Pat Murphy representing KSU Agronomy and KSU Extension. Your Board of Directors are here to represent your member interests. Be sure to help keep them informed and let them do their job.

Noteworthy Items

- Form A/C due date is March 15 for summer inspected crops – Please apply now for all certifiable fields (you can always cancel on your Form B).
- We will begin sending out Form B statements for summer inspected crops in mid-March. Payment is due by May 1 but we will gladly accept payment early.
- Lab reports are available by email. If you would like your results immediately upon completion in .pdf format, please make your request to efkcia@kansas.net.



Nancy Urbaur (sitting) and Ardyce Kuhn welcome attendees.



Tim Oborny (L) stands with Bob Bunck who holds a plaque commemorating nine years of Board service.



Glimpes of the 2010 KCIA/KSIA Annual

Mike Baxa (front) won the "name that old tool" contest and won a very large adjustable wrench. Other prize winners were (L to R): Calvin Bohnert, Grant Corley, John Blankenship, and Steve Rinck.



Daryl stands with recipients of the KSIA/ASTA scholarships Nathan Keep(L), Jessie Zimmerman (C), and Ben Meyer. Kelly Yunghans (not shown) represented the KSU Crops Team which was also honored at the awards luncheon.



Eric Fabrizius (center) and Tim Oborny (right) recognize Daryl Strouts service to KCIA .



Tim presents Daryl with a plaque commemorating 26 years of service to KCIA.

We Also Wish To Thank

- Eric Atkinson, KSU - Luncheon M.C.
- Dr. Laszlo J. Kulcsar, KSU - Speaker
- Stacey Seibel, Seibel Law, LLC -Speaker

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