



The Seed Source

NEWSLETTER OF THE KANSAS CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

December 2018

Important Dates

November 22-23 - KCIA office closed for Thanksgiving Holiday.

December 15 - Small Grains Distribution Summaries due.

Bulk Retail Facility Summaries due.

December 24, 25 - KCIA office closed for Christmas Holiday.

December 26 thru 31 - KCIA office limited hours

January 1, 2019 - New Year's Day, KCIA office closed

Other Important Dates

Dec. 21- Winter Begins

**2019 Seed and Crops Conference
February 19-20, 2019**

**KCIA
Annual Business Meeting
February 20, 2019**

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If you would like to receive "The Seed Source" via email, please contact us at kscrop@kansas.net

Erica Miller Joins KCIA Staff as Administrative Assistant

We are excited to welcome Erica Miller to our KCIA office staff! Erica began as our Administrative Assistant on Nov. 14th. You will likely be hearing from her soon as she will be handling our phones and other office duties, as well as membership and seed certification records as she gets up to speed.

Erica previously worked as an administrative assistant, an office manager, and before that as a florist, all here in Manhattan, KS. She graduated from Chadron State College in Nebraska with a degree in Environmental Biology and a minor in Plant Sciences, but moved to Kansas with her husband in 2006. They are currently in the process of adopting through the Kansas foster system.



When she's not sitting at a computer or filing records, Erica likes to read, work in her vegetable and native plant gardens, and train her Chesapeake Bay Retriever, Nova.

Please make her feel welcome.

Distribution Reports and Bulk Retail Facility Reports Due December 15th

Distribution reports are due December 15. This is a hard deadline and penalties may be incurred for late filing. This is the filing deadline for Bulk Retail Facilities.

Distribution reports are important because they allow us to reconcile your activity with our records and therefore fulfill the requirement for accountability and traceability. It is the final step in closing out the current year in preparation for the New Year. Certification in 2019 cannot proceed until records are finalized for the current year.

The distribution report is located on the back of the Certificate of Inspection. KCIA requires only the amount sold as certified seed, amount used for own use, amount sold as grain and the amount to be carried over for next year. It is not necessary to list every sale, though doing so during the selling season will assist you in completing the distribution report.

Be sure to include the office copies of bulk sales certificates.

If there is any sales activity after you have submitted your reports, simply call KCIA to update your records. Please do not postpone submitting your distribution reports on the chance there may be sales activity after submittal.

This is a period of heavy record activity for KCIA, so your efforts to submit complete and accurate distribution reports are greatly appreciated.

As always, don't hesitate to call us if assistance is needed.

2019 Seed and Crops Conference February 19-20, 2019

We are in the process of finalizing plans for our upcoming conference and expect to mail out registration in the next week or so. We will also post information at kscrop.org, including a link to the Hilton Garden Inn to make room reservations.

We are changing things around a little bit to enhance attendee experience. AGSECO and KWA meetings will be moved to Tuesday afternoon, followed by a speaker session and the trade show mixer. We will have another speaker session Wednesday morning followed by the KSIA and KCIA annual business meetings, lunch and the Limagrain Cereal Seeds associate meeting. Additional programs may be added Wednesday afternoon.

Please plan to attend this very important gathering of your seed industry peers. Your participation is very important to us.

We will have a few more exhibitor spaces than in the past and if your company is interested in participating as an exhibitor, the additional spaces will be available on first apply, first served basis.

If you are interested in an exhibitor booth, please call us at 785-532-6118.

We, the staff of KCIA wish all our members, friends and associates a wondrous and safe Holiday Season and a prosperous and Happy New Year.

Thank you for letting us serve you in 2018, and may we serve you well in 2019.

"I am grateful for what I am and have. My thanksgiving is perpetual". Henry David Thoreau

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