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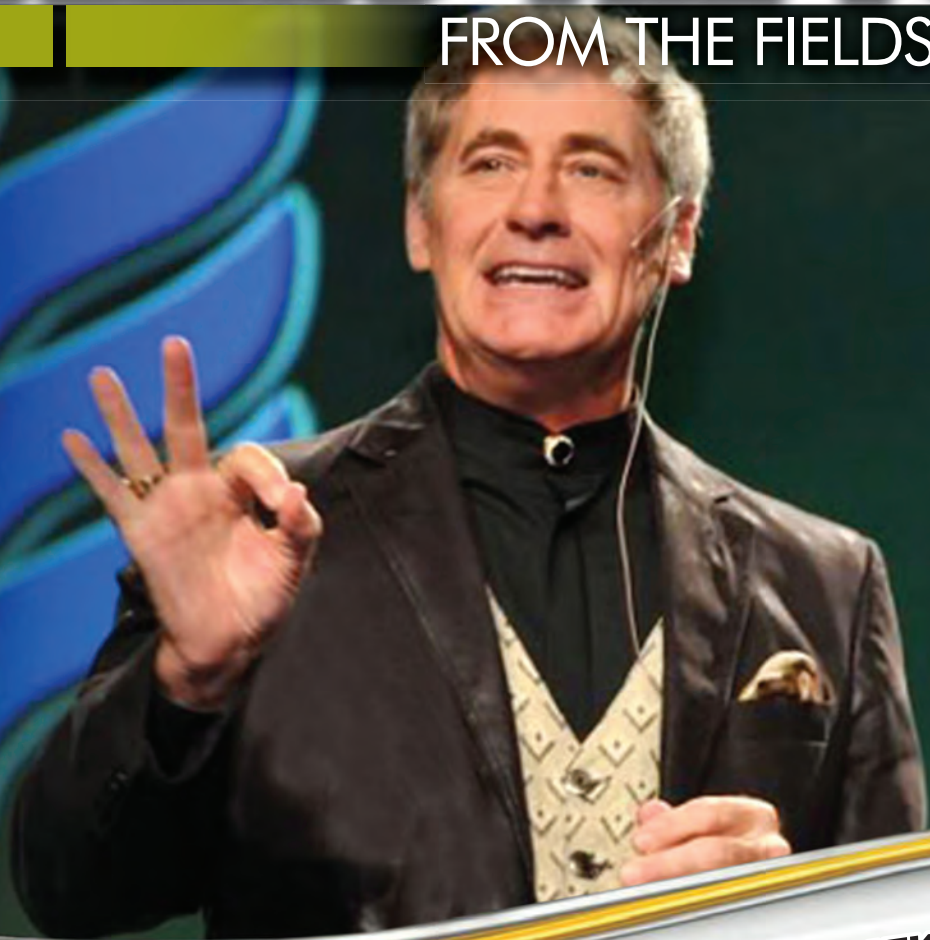
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CORNVENTION 2014:

FUELING THE FUTURE

FROM THE FIELDS TO THE PUMPS



Mark Mayfield, Emcee

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■ 2014 CORNVENTION

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6:00 – 11:30 P.M.

Join us for a night of socializing at the Holiday Inn poolside rooms.
This social is hosted jointly with the North Dakota Soybean Growers.

FEBRUARY 19, 2014

7:00 – 8:00 A.M.

Enjoy breakfast and visit vendors

8:00 – 8:15 A.M.

Welcome – Mark Mayfield

8:15 – 9:15 A.M.

Market update – Ray Grabanski, Progressive Ag

9:15 – 10:15 A.M.

Vendor recognition and visit vendors

10:15 – 11:45 A.M.

PANEL DISCUSSION: FUTURE OF ETHANOL & E-15

- Pam Keck, National Corn Growers Director of Biofuels
- Dean Drake, Automotive Industry Expert
- Ron Lamberty, American Coalition of Ethanol
- Kent Satrang, CEO Petro Serve USA

11:45 A.M. – 1:15 P.M.

LUNCH

- Introduction of 2013 State yield contest winners
- Introduction of NDCGA scholarship recipients
- Annual Corn Growers meeting

1:15 – 2:00 P.M.

Visit vendors

2:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Gaining yield advantage through your planter settings – Kevin Kimberley

5:30 – 6:30 P.M.

Social hour with cash bar

DRAWING FOR GRAND PRIZE!

TWO PLANE TICKETS, LODGING AND TWO TICKETS TO 2014 NASCAR
RACE (TBD) VALUE = \$3,000

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6:30 P.M.

Banquet featuring Mark Mayfield

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FEBRUARY 20, 2014

7:00 – 8:00 A.M.	Enjoy breakfast in Harvest Hall
8:00 – 8:15 A.M.	WELCOME – Greg LaPlante , Director of Research ND Corn
8:15 – 10:00 A.M.	RESIDUE MANAGEMENT - Harvesting to Spring Tillage – Kevin Kimberley
10:00 – 10:15 A.M.	BREAK
10:15 A.M. – 12:15 P.M.	TILLAGE MANAGEMENT - Don't treat your soil like Dirt! – Kevin Kimberley
12:15 – 1:00 P.M.	LUNCH - Special Recognitions
1:00 – 2:00 P.M.	TECHNOLOGY - Current State of Reality in Satellite, UAV and Field Sensor Technology – John Nowatzki, NDSU/Kris Paulson, Farm Intelligence
2:00 – 3:00 P.M.	PANEL DISCUSSION: WORLD OF NITROGEN - Corn Nitrogen Recommendations – Dave Franzen, NDSU - Nitrogen Loss Research – Joel Ransom, NDSU
3:00 – 3:30 P.M.	BREAK
3:30 – 4:00 P.M.	MAJOR LONG TERM RESEARCH PROJECT - NDSU SHARE FARM – Abbey Wick, NDSU Soil Science
4:00 – 4:15 P.M.	NDSU PLANT SCIENCES MOBILE APP - Angela Kazmiercza, NDSU Weed Science
4:15 – 4:30 P.M.	NDSU CORN GROWERS PRODUCTION SURVEY - Andrew Friskop, NDSU Plant Pathologist
DRAWING FOR GRAND PRIZE!	
KEVIN KIMBERLEY PLANTER TUNE-UP VALUE = \$2,500	
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 18, 2014
CornVention Social, Holiday Inn Fargo

FEBRUARY 19, 2014
CornVention, Holiday Inn Fargo

FEBRUARY 20, 2014
CornKnowledge, Holiday Inn Fargo

FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 1, 2014
Commodity Classic, San Antonio, TX

MARCH 4 - 7, 2014
Living Ag Classroom, West Fargo Fairgrounds

MARCH 18 - 19, 2014
Quarterly Corn Board Meeting, Fargo

MARCH 20, 2014
District 4 Elections, Carrington

MARCH 21, 2014
District 3 Elections, Devils Lake

APRIL 4, 2014
Ag in the Classroom, Lisbon

MEET THE 2014 CORNVENTION SPEAKERS

MARK MAYFIELD



The North Dakota Corn Growers are pleased to announce Mark Mayfield as Emcee for the 2014 CornVention.

Known as "The Corporate Comedian," Mayfield has merged together his corporate and comedian background to create an extremely unique presentation

style. He has received rave reviews and has shared the stage with a wide variety of celebrities like Paul Newman, Peter Frampton, Colin Powell and Bob Newhart. He has also had the privilege of introducing the President of the United States on a live, nationwide television broadcast.

Raised on a farm in Caney, Kansas, Mayfield served as National President of the Future Farmers of America. He has spent time as a high school teacher, a corporate lobbyist, partner of an innovative golf instruction facility, worked as a professional model and spokesperson in print and television commercials and owned a top rated nightclub. He obviously struggled with holding down a job.

Mayfield is author of the popular book, "Mom's Rules," a comedic yet poignant look at those things Mom said to us as kids. He also makes nearly 100 presentations annually to a wide variety of corporations, conventions and trade associations. He has received two degrees magna cum laude from Kansas State University and is a recipient of the "Certified Speaking Professional" designation from the National Speakers Association of which he has been inducted into their "Speaker Hall of Fame."

Mayfield is happily married to Terry, Grandpa to Delaney, Archer, Reid, and Everett, and the proud father of two amazing daughters, Leah and Lindsay. His hobbies are golf, basketball, and music. He was also voted as one of the top five funniest people in his family.

Mayfield is emcee and the featured speaker at the 6:30 p.m. banquet

KEVIN KIMBERLEY



The North Dakota Corn Growers are excited to bring Kevin Kimberley, Owner/President of Kimberley Ag Consulting, to CornVention.

Kimberley's presentation kicks off at 2 p.m. with the second half of his presentation featured at CornKnowledge on February 20.

Kimberley is a highly successful ag-producer with a long and rich history in the agricultural field. As a producer for 37 years, he owned, operated and managed up to 3,500 acres in the Heartland of America. He now devotes his time to presenting professional seminars to the agri-business market. Kimberley travels throughout the Midwest, delivering lively, interactive presentations on a myriad of ag-related topics while sharing results of comparative studies, side-by-side trials and research through professional, hands-on experience.

Kimberley has made extensive contributions in the areas of farm management/operations, state-of-the-art farming practices, consulting, on-farm visits and troubleshooting; he possesses a solid grasp of the challenges, changes and trends facing the agri-business market. His knowledge of strategies and systems to produce higher yields and generate improved annual profits is shared with producers and companies from coast-to-coast.

Kimberley has built strong working relationships with equipment manufacturers, agronomists, producers, and design engineers. He has been featured in numerous agricultural publications, such as Successful Farming, Top Producer, Iowa Farmer Today, and is a patent holder of an anhydrous tube. Kimberley was invited to serve as a member of the Ag Innovation Group, an annual symposium comprised of the nation's top producers, who share ideas with leading researchers and executives from five major agri-business firms.

Kimberley will present at both CornVention and CornKnowledge

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DEAN DRAKE



Dean Drake received a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering degree from General Motors Institute (now Kettering University) and a Master of Business Administration degree from Michigan State University. He retired from General Motors in 1999 following 34 years of service, most of which was in

Corporate Public Policy.

During his career at GM, Drake initiated the first formal policy dialogue between GM and an environmental group (the GM-EDF dialogue), developed guidelines for one of the first "cash for clunkers" programs, and co-invented the Emissions Sensor.

Drake worked with California to include an emissions averaging and trading approach in their proposed low-emission vehicle emission standards (an approach later incorporated into the Clean Air Act).

In 1989, Drake initiated and planned the GM Conference on Global Warming, positioning the corporation to be a leader in this emerging issue. Dean also represented GM on the President's Council on Sustainable Development (PCSD), the Center for Strategic and International Studies Enterprise for the Environment study, and the Yale University Next Generation Environmental Management conference.

Drake founded the Defour Group (now Defour Group LLC) in 2007. Clients of the Defour Group include the Minnesota Corn Growers Association, Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers and the National Automobile Dealers Association. The Group is currently studying the national vehicle fuel economy standards, the renewable fuel standard and the potential of mid-level ethanol blends in advanced vehicles.

Drake, Keck, Lamberty and Satrang
will present at CornVention as part of
the Panel Discussion on the Future of
Ethanol & E15

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MEET THE 2014 CORNVENTION SPEAKERS

PAM KECK



Pam Keck, Ph.D. is the Director of Biofuels at the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA), a membership organization representing more than 40,000 active growers from 28 affiliated state corn organizations.

Keck has more than 20 years experience working in industry, academia and not-for-profit institutions. Keck began her career at Monsanto, an agricultural leader in crop seeds and traits, where she cloned and evaluated gene products for human-health and crop improvement. She then transitioned into academia as a chemistry professor and worked as a consultant for the Missouri Botanical Garden. Keck then led the development of training programs for ethanol production and investigated methods to convert corn kernel fiber into ethanol at the National Corn to Ethanol Research Center in Edwardsville, Illinois. Pam holds a Ph.D. in Bio-Organic Chemistry from Pennsylvania State University.

KENT SATRANG



Kent Satrang, CEO of Petro Serve USA has Business and Management Degrees from both NDSU and UND. He has worked with North Dakota's political leaders, with petroleum dealers and with the N.D. Corn and Soybean Growers Associations to help partner the massive oil fields of western North Dakota

with the corn and soybean fields of rural North Dakota.

Petro Serve USA is a diversified retail petroleum cooperative that operates a bulk dealership and a chain of 21 convenience stores in Minn. and N.D. PS-USA leads the nation with owning 65 bio-blender pumps and operates all six E15 stations in N.D. ACE awarded PS-USA with the prestigious Paul Dana Marketing Vision Award for its "Helping America Fuel Better" campaign.

Satrang is a long time partner and past "Industry Member" on the N.D. Corn Growers Board of Directors.

RON LAMBERTY



Ron Lamberty is Senior Vice President for the American Coalition for Ethanol (ACE).

Lamberty spent the first 20 years of his career in the convenience store and petroleum wholesale distributing business and has a long history as a marketer and supporter of ethanol. He continues to be involved in the petroleum industry, owning and operating a gas station in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Lamberty directs ACE's efforts to provide logistical and marketing information to petroleum marketers who want to begin selling ethanol-enriched gasoline, as well as those who already sell ethanol and are trying to find a way to improve sales of the product. Lamberty was instrumental in providing a fueling station for the first E85 vehicles in South Dakota, and later opened the first retail E85 fueling site in the nation.

RAY GRABANSKI



Ray Grabanski bought grain for Benson Quinn, was a farm management consultant and served as a farm management specialist for North Dakota State University. Ray has been the lead analyst for Progressive Ag and a recognized industry leader in risk management approaches for 21 years.

For the past several years, Progressive Ag has been ranked in the top two marketing firms by Top Producer for corn and soybeans and has topped all advisory firms for the most recent ranking in 2012 for both corn and soybeans.

Grabanski holds a B.S. and M.S. in Agricultural Economics from NDSU, and recently earned a Juris Doctorate degree in Law from UND, and is now a practicing attorney in N.D.

**Grabanski will give a market update at
CornVention**

MEET THE 2014 CORNKNOWLEDGE SPEAKERS

NDSU RESEARCHERS

NDSU Researchers will be discussing current research and programs funded by the North Dakota Corn Council.



JOHN NOWATZKI, Agricultural Machine Systems Specialist

Current State of Reality in Satellite, UAV and Field Sensor Technology



DAVE FRANZEN, Extension Soil Specialist

Corn Nitrogen Recommendations



JOEL RANSOM, Small Grains and Corn

Nitrogen Loss Research



ABBEY WICK, Assistant Professor of Soil Health-Extension

NDSU Soil Health & Ag Research Extension (SHARE) Farm



ANGELA KAZMIERCZA, Research Specialist

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ANDREW FRISKOP, Plant Pathologist

NDSU Corn Growers Production Survey



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2013 CORN PRODUCTION SURVEY

Working collaboratively with the North Dakota Corn Growers Association, North Dakota State University Extension Specialists are organizing a corn production survey that invites growers to help identify production problems in North Dakota.

The mission of this survey is to more efficiently understand the needs and problems facing corn growers. The survey is designed to cover several scientific disciplines including agronomy, weed science, soil science, entomology and plant pathology. The information obtained will help develop and advance research efforts at NDSU. However, this effort is only as good as the input we receive.

We encourage growers to complete the 10-15 minute survey at: <http://bit.ly/1cOTWdb>.

Preliminary results of the 2013-14 survey will be presented February 20 at CornKnowledge.

Your input is vital to shape research for your farm's future!

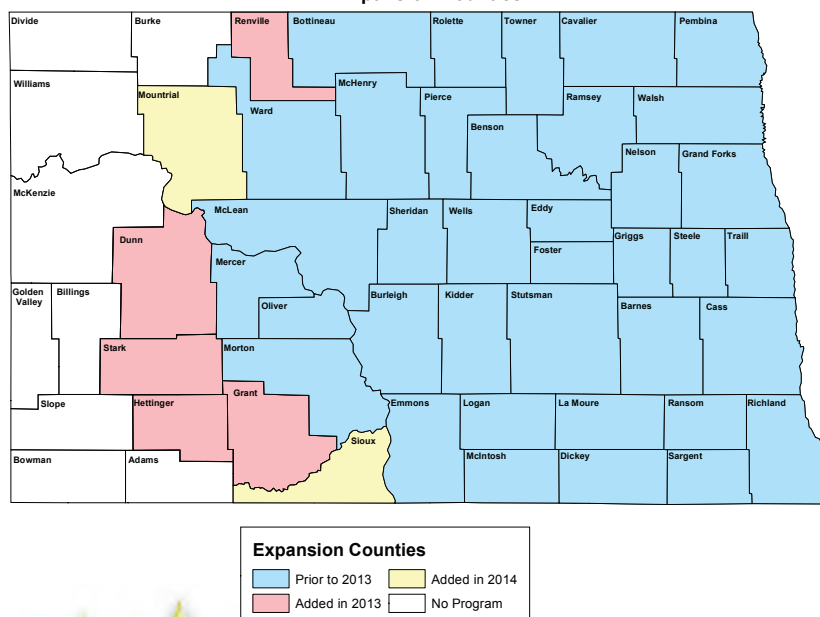


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2013-14 NON IRRIGATED CORN EXPANSION COUNTIES

North Dakota 2013 and 2014 Non Irrigated Corn Expansion Counties



Acres continue to move north and west in the state as genetics improve. Because of this fact, it is imperative that the Risk Management Agency (RMA) authorize counties to allow farmers to grow corn without having to obtain written agreements. During the past 11 years, many counties have been added in the western and northern regions of the state. Currently in 2014, Mountrail and Sioux counties have been added to the list of counties available for regular crop insurance coverage. This allows farmers in these counties to plan in advance of the year for purchasing crop inputs and selling grain without having to wait for approval from the regional RMA office. The N.D. Corn Growers have been continually working with RMA to get more counties added. The graphic to the right depicts the expansion for 2013-14, we are very pleased with the results of our efforts.

VALUE ADDED SUMMIT SHOWCASED EXPERTS

Neil C. Doty, Ph.D., N.C. Doty & Associates, LLC

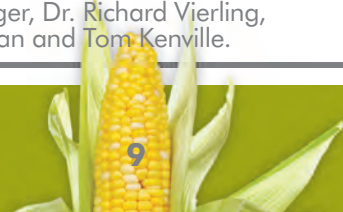
The North Dakota Corn Utilization Council hosted its first Value Added Summit in Fargo on December 18, 2013. The Value Added Summit was held to advance new value added corn related ideas along with research and development to increase the in-state utilization of North Dakota's corn crop. The Summit's objective was to provide a practical forum for North Dakota manufacturers, entrepreneurs, researchers and business developers to obtain information on the steps necessary to assist corn-based, value added businesses in North Dakota.

The Council's Executive Director, Tom Lilja, kicked off the Summit with an overview of current corn production and utilization in North Dakota. Representatives of corn processing and manufacturing facilities in North Dakota reported on the State's ethanol, corn sweetener and corn-based feed production industries. NDSU and UND representatives provided information on idea generation and innovation processes used to spawn new products and processes.

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Presenters above are listed from left to right: Bill Patrie, Bob Humann, Dr. David Wells, Dr. David Ripplinger, Dr. Richard Vierling, Dr. Vern Anderson, Jasper Schneider, Jennifer Wagner-Lahr, John Mittleider, Ryan Thorpe, Scott Stofferhan and Tom Kenville.



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As growers continue to develop cropping plans throughout the winter and then turn those plans into action in spring and summer, it is always important to consider ways to squeeze more grain out of every acre. Those plans involve both agronomic decisions and economic decisions. These decisions are especially important with the current market situation we live in today.

Every agronomic decision that you make potentially influences crop canopy development and the capacity of your corn crop to intercept sunlight. The hybrid you grow, planting population rate, row width, irrigation, soil fertility, weed control, and planting date, all influence yield potential (with the help of mother nature of course). But from an agronomic perspective, it comes down to building the best crop canopy that you can and maximizing the number of ears per acre under that canopy.

Planting population is a tool that we should continue to consider to help increase yield and profitability on the farm. I'm sure it would be no surprise to tell you that a strong correlation between higher yield potential and higher populations has been seen over the last 100 years. It gets down to this ... most modern germplasm has more consistent ear size under variable environmental conditions, less barrenness, and can maintain better stalk quality compared to older germplasm. These improvements can be attributed to great advances in plant breeding as well as agronomic practices such as fertilization and improved weed control. A lot of research has been done on population recommendations at the public and private industry level. Most data would support that corn growers lose more yield by not planting enough plants per acre, than by planting too much.

When considering higher populations, remember that each hybrid will handle stress differently. It is important to know how the grain per ear of each hybrid will be affected at different populations and try to maximize it while carefully weighing other factors such as root and stalk quality. These conversations are most appropriate to be had with a local agronomist familiar with the geography and the hybrids suitable for it.

Of course there are some economic considerations to upping your planting rates, as seed costs are factors in your cost of production and profitability. A small scale testing over your acres could give you some data points on your farm that could help you make a larger scale decision for the future. Consider increasing the planting rate by 10% on the first 2 rounds of all of your corn fields this year. Many planters now have the ability to change rates in the cab and yield mapping software in the combine should be able to pick out the differences. This makes for an easy trial and captures data on the several hybrids that you may have on your farm.

Maybe some of you experimented with planting populations this past year, but didn't see any differences. Could the dry weather, shortened growing season, or fertility influenced by a wet spring impact results? Certainly. How would an extra inch last July or a week earlier planting date have impacted yield potential on a couple of thousand extra plants? Pretty significantly.

In theory, simply increasing plant populations 2,000 plants per acre could gain you a potential of over 13 bushels when you do the math ((# rows X # kernels long X population)/90,000 kernels per bushel). This increase is substantial and definitely worth exploring on your farm, when you consider that the average genetic gain in corn is 1.5 -2 bushels/ year.

Agronomic and economic decisions go into every crop that we produce. Finding the balance between the two are critical in maximum profit per acre.



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LETTERS SENT TO THE EPA



On December 31, 2013, the North Dakota Corn Growers Association mailed approximately 8,300 letters. These letters urged all N.D. corn growers, members, corporate sponsors, researchers and friends to send a signed letter to us, postage paid. We are pleased to announce that we received more than 1,400 signed letters! This ensures N.D. corn growers' voice was heard with regards to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's proposed rule on draft renewable volume obligation (RVO) numbers for 2014.

Thank you N.D. corn growers and friends for supporting this effort in keeping the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) strong. We will provide updates about the EPA's decision on our website at www.ndcorn.org.

ARMOUR JOINS STAFF AT ND CORN

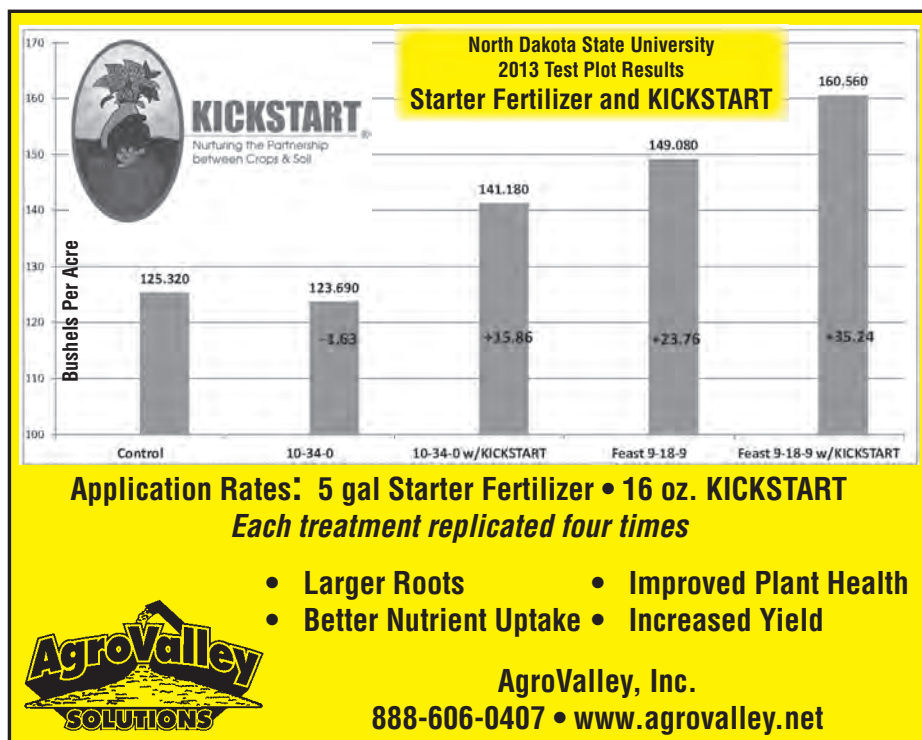


The North Dakota Corn Growers and Corn Utilization Council welcomes Betsy Armour as manager of communications. Armour graduated from Minnesota State University Moorhead with a bachelor's degree in mass communications concentrating in public relations. She has more than 13 years experience in marketing/communications which includes working for governmental, environmental and agricultural sectors.

Armour is originally from Fergus Falls, Minn. and currently resides in Moorhead, Minn. with her husband, Chris and two children Emma and Nash. Her hobbies include digital photography, embroidery and hiking.

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Dr. Richard Vierling, director of research and new uses for the National Corn Growers Association, gave a presentation on the potential to develop a National Agricultural Genotyping Center, which has promise for opportunities for genotyping corn in North Dakota. Greg LaPlante, director of research for the North Dakota Corn Utilization Council, provided an overview of corn-based current value added activities in North Dakota. LaPlante discussed the importance of accelerating the development of new corn-based manufacturing industries and the expansion of current corn-based manufacturers in North Dakota.

A team of business development professionals discussed the importance of conducting feasibility studies and business planning when embarking on value-added projects. Examples of studies and plans used in the Biofuels and Bioproducts industries were discussed. Representatives of the banking and finance industry in North Dakota provided an outline of programs available to the state's value added start-up and operating entities as sources of financial expertise when developing corn-based, value added entities.

The Council's Value Added Summit was attended by a number of corn-based manufacturers, corn product researchers, interested entrepreneurs, business development professionals and legislators. The Council will continue to be engaged in corn-based, value added development projects with the aim of increasing the percentage of North Dakota-raised corn for manufacturing purposes within the state. North Dakota possesses sizeable ethanol, corn sweetener and feed industries. With increased efforts, the Council will continue to sponsor corn-based, value added research and development for the benefit of North Dakota corn growers.

About the author:



Neil C. Doty is president of N.C. Doty & Associates, LLC, a company that helps build organizations. Doty has been actively involved in business development since 1994, with a focus on rural economic development through agricultural and agri-processing, strategic and business planning.

Doty brings a broad spectrum of technical, financial and operational knowledge and expertise for the successful planning and establishment of rural, agricultural and agri-processing enterprises of all types and sizes. Doty has provided strategic and business planning expertise in cereal grain, oilseed, vegetable and fruit-based foods. He also has expertise in intermediate and finished food, feed, fuel and fiber products processing and distribution. Doty earned

a Ph.D. in Cereal Chemistry and Technology from North Dakota State University, Fargo, and an MBA degree from Minnesota State University, Moorhead. He has been involved in business investment and chief executive management roles with Global Electric Motorcars, LLC, Fargo, N.D. and Sonne Labs, Inc., Wahpeton, N.D. Early in his career, Neil gained valuable business development and manufacturing experience as the director of product development for General Nutrition Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pa. Doty has enjoyed providing value added, corn-based research and development advice for the North Dakota Corn Utilization Council.

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A: Non-Irrigated

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*	Donna Frauenberg	Lamoure	Pioneer	P9917	260.37
#1	Mark Gorder	Wahpeton	Pioneer	P9917	243.22
#2	Travis/Shannon Bergh Farm	Havana	DEKALB	DKC49-29RIB	235.98
*	Sundale Farm	Milnor	DEKALB	DKC46-20	234.15
#3	Jamie Gorder	Wahpeton	Pioneer	P9917	227.26

*: Multiple entries under one membership number are only allowed awards in one category. Donna Frauenberg and Sundale Farm were winners in the Irrigated class, but their entries are noted here.

C: A No-Till/Strip-Till Non-Irrigated

Rank	Name	City	Hybrid	Number	Yield
#1	Frauenberg Farms #1	LaMoure	DEKALB	DKC42-72	260.70
#2	Bobby Frauenberg	Lamoure	DEKALB	DKC43-48	259.91
*	Cody Frauenberg	Lamoure	DEKALB	DKC43-10RIB	258.79
#3	Chase Carlson	Oakes	DEKALB	DKC46-20RIB	235.82

*: Multiple entries under one membership number are only allowed awards in one category. Cody Frauenberg was winner in the No-Till/Strip-Till Irrigated class, but his entry is noted here.

I: Irrigated

Rank	Name	City	Hybrid	Number	Yield
#1	Donna Frauenberg	LaMoure	DEKALB	DKC46-20	263.18
#2	Sundale Farm	Milnor	DEKALB	DKC50-77	255.16
#3	H&K Farm	Oakes	Pioneer	P9917AMX	237.34

E: No-Till/Strip-Till Irrigated

Rank	Name	City	Hybrid	Number	Yield
#1	Cody Frauenberg	Lamoure	DEKALB	DKC46-20	266.02
*	Frauenberg Farms #1	Lamoure	Pioneer	P9917	265.14
*	Bobby Frauenberg	Lamoure	Pioneer	P9305AM	260.13
#2	Ralph Mewes	Hope	DEKALB	DKC43-10RIB	203.08
#3	Randy Mewes	Hope	DEKALB	DCK43-10RIB	202.11

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■ NCGA POLICY AND PRIORITY CONFERENCE

North Dakota Corn Growers Association President Kim Swenson, Chairman Paul Belzer and Executive Director Tom Lilja attended the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) Policy and Priority Conference in St. Louis, Mo. on January 15 -16, where all corn states set priorities for the 2014 year. North Dakota's priority recommendations for National Corn in the upcoming year are:

1. Defend Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS)
2. Work to improve Farm Bill and Crop Insurance safety net to be more in line with costs of production
3. Work to lessen burdensome EPA regulations on farms
4. Image and activism from growers to show the positive benefits of GMO's and modern farming practices
5. Keep \$500,000 depreciation schedule and \$5 million estate tax exemption



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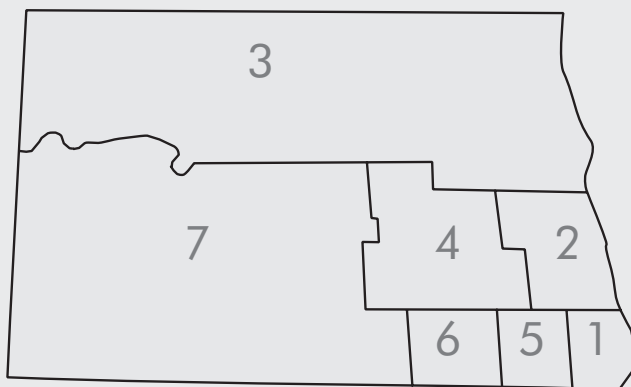
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A photograph of a cornfield with tall, dry stalks under a clear blue sky. The stalks are golden-brown and some have broken, showing the inner structure. The sky is a pale, clear blue. The image is oriented vertically but appears to be a horizontal shot rotated 90 degrees clockwise.



A John Deere tractor is shown in a cornfield during sunset. The tractor is green and yellow, with "JOHN DEERE" visible on its side. It is positioned on the left side of the page, moving through the corn. The background is a warm, orange-hued sky. On the right side of the page, there is a section titled "CORNKNOWLEDGE NOTES:" followed by 20 horizontal lines for writing. In the bottom right corner, there is a small illustration of a yellow corn cob with green husks.

A photograph showing a person in a white shirt working in a cornfield. In the foreground, a large, dark, treaded wheel of a tractor is visible on the left. The person is standing among tall, dry corn stalks. The background is a hazy, overcast sky.



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