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Warehousemen's Conference

The 42nd Annual Warehousemen's Conference is right around the corner! This is a GREAT time to showcase your Company to our other members, all you have to do is sign up for a booth at our Trade Show!! Call Becky today and ask about our low booth fees. (503) 227-0234

Please take a moment to check out this list of companies who make the big events possible:

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Warehousemen's Conference

Below is our Tentative Agenda, if all goes well, we are scheduled to have about 9 credits in Idaho, Oregon & Washington and probably 12 CCA Credits.

Thursday, February 12th

9:00 - 10:00 am

Bob Kolva, The McGregor Company
Current Trends in Seed Protection Technology:
Dividend Extreme, Raxil XT, Charter, Cruiser,
and Gaucho 600

10:15 - 11:00 am

Bill Hickman, Colfax Chief of Police
Effects of Methamphetamine on Agriculture
& People

11:00 - Noon

Doug Deschamp, Syngenta
What's New In the World of Seed Treating

Noon - 1:00 pm LUNCH

1:00 - 2:00 pm

George Hunt, Pestcon Systems
Phosphine Update and Gas Detection
Equipment

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Sherm Takatori, Idaho Dept. of Agriculture
Basic ALP Characteristics & Fumigant
Management Plans

3:10 - 4:10 pm

Randy Scott, Central Life Sciences
Using Diacon as a Part of an IPM Approach to
Stored Grain Insect Management

6:00 - 7:00 pm

Reception in Trade Show Area

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Dinner Banquet

Friday, February 13th

7:30 - 8:30 am

Breakfast will be served to Delegates

9:00 - 10:00 am

Allan Felsot, Washington State University

10:00 - 11:00 am

Sherm Takatori, Idaho Dept. of Agriculture
Pesticide Label Refresher Training

11:10 - 12:10 pm

Jeff Weier, Sprague Pest Solutions
Powerful Solutions for Rodents

12:10 - 1:10 pm LUNCH

1:10 - 2:10 pm

Nate Andersen, Bayer Crop Science
New Innovations in Seed Treatment:
Primarily Raxil, Gaucho & Storcide II

2:10 - 3:10 pm

Bob Johnston, Wilbur-Ellis Company
Stored Grain Insect Pest Management: The
Use of Diasource DE, Storecide & Aluminum
Phosphide Fumigants to Control Pests in Grain
Elevators, Flat Houses & Seed Plants

3:10 - 4:00 pm

Don Potts, WSDA Grain Inspection Program
Grain Quality & Grading

**(This Schedule is subject to change.
The only thing not subject to change
is the ending time on Friday.)**

Trade Show at Warehousemen's

Our Trade Show will run both days of the Warehousemen's Conference. We will take all our breaks in the Trade Show area and have our Reception on Thursday night in this area. After the Reception wraps up, we will head over to a WONDERFUL Dinner Banquet.

Trade Show hours for Thursday will be from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. Then it will open back up for the Reception from 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm.

Trade Show hours for Friday will be from 8:00 am until lunch time.

Spouse Event at Warehousemen's

In years past we have done some wine tasting from Oregon vineyards. This year we will be sampling some of the fine wines produced in Walla Walla, Washington. With over 100 wineries in the area, this should be a real treat.

The Spouse Event will run from 11:30 until 2:30 pm. The wine tasting will take place in the

Jaeger penthouse suite and the luncheon will be on the 7th floor served by Beverly's Restaurant.

We will have door prizes, yummy wine and a FABULOUS Luncheon.

You won't want to miss the fun!

Planning Committee:

John Cranor — Northwest Grain Growers — Chair

Keith Becker — Pacific Northwest Farmers Co-Op

Mike Dunlap — Inland Empire Oilseeds LLC

Marty Hughes — H & S Services

George Johnstone — Whitgro, Inc.

2009 PNWGFA Event Schedule:

Country Elevator Council

April 23 & 24, 2009

The Marcus Whitman Hotel
Walla Walla, WA

For Reservations Call
1-866-826-9422

Room Rates:
\$129/night + tax

Annual Convention

June 29 & 30, 2009

Campbell's Resort
Chelan, WA

For Reservations Call
1-800-533-8225

Room Rates:
Traditional \$114/night + tax
Deluxe \$158/night + tax

Idaho Trout Fry & Golf

September 24, 2009

Clear Lake Country Club-
Buhl, Idaho

Washington Pet Food Tax



The Washington State Legislature is currently trying to pass a bill that would create the companion animal spay/neuter assistance program. Our Board President and Washington Legislative Chairman, Kevin Whitehall (Central Washington Grain Growers) is currently working with the National Grain & Feed Association and other Industry leaders to oppose this tax. For more information on the Bill, follow the link below. I will let you know what action we take and what happens with the Bill.

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=5329&year=2009>

Washington ~ Elevator Program



Jack Day,
Chief Elevator
Inspector

Maintenance Control Program compliance coming in 2009

Beginning Jan. 1, 2009, all new elevators will be required to have a Maintenance Control Program (MCP) prior to public use. Existing elevators will be required to have the MCP upon our annual inspection visit.

All elevators, escalators, and conveyances are required to have a MCP. A maintenance log is not a sufficient substitute for an MCP.

Building owners are required by law to keep a MCP. The vertical transportation of a building is a substantial investment, and if it doesn't work properly, there is the potential to impact tenants due to lost time, inconvenience and possibly safety. Complaints or even the loss of tenants may be the result. Additionally, elevator personnel will find the MCP useful because they will know the past performance of the conveyance and will recognize how to proceed and plan the future work.

As an owner with an MCP, you can compare elevator companies' MCPs, and you will be able to make a more informed decision on what you are getting for your dollar spent. The MCP will standardize the process. If there is a substantial difference in the maintenance price, all should be able to see why. Is one company's MCP better, worst, equivalent? Did a company produce as you paid them to? The MCP remains with a building for the life of the conveyance. The MCP will explain how well a conveyance was maintained and historical problems associated with it. For those who took good care of the conveyance, this adds value when selling the building. For those who are buying a building, it's a welcome resource.

Watch for a new installation form

An updated installation form is coming soon. This form will help minimize the number of re-inspections needed. It is intended to help you avoid some of the most common mistakes and increase communication between the general contractor and the elevator companies regarding the final inspection of a new conveyance.

This information and much more can be found on their quarterly NewsLetter:
www.ini.wa.gov/news/NewsLetters/QuarterlyReport/08Fall.asp#elevators

Ethanol Plant to be Auctioned in March



Our friends at BioFuels Journal sent us the following information that was posted on the Farm Futures website:

VeraSun will be selling 7 of its 16 ethanol plants, at auction, in March. For more information on this, follow the link below:

www.farmfutures.com/ME2/dirmod.asp?sid=CD26BEDECA4A4946A1283CC7786AEB5A&nm=News&type=news&mod=News&mid=9A02E3B96F2A415ABC72CB5F516B4C10&tier=3&nid=E646B0130D4945FBA62B4F1269EBA42

Low-Carbon Network in California



Our friends at BioFuels Journal also sent us information on the launch of a statewide low-carbon ethanol and biodiesel fuel network in California.

For all the details, follow this link:

www.biofuelsjournal.com/articles/Propel_Fuels_Launches_Statewide_Low_Carbon_Ethanol_and_Biodiesel_Fuel_Network_in_California-69878.html