

**North Dakota Grain Dealers Association
97th Annual Convention & Industry Show
January 18-20, 2009 -- Holiday Inn, Fargo, ND**

REGISTRATION:

Sunday - 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Holiday Inn Club Room III

Monday - 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Holiday Inn Club Room III

Persons who have pre-registered can pick up their registration packets at the PRE-REGISTERED table in Club Room III on Sunday or Monday.

EMERGENCY: Phone 911

TRANSPORTATION: The Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitors Bureau will provide complimentary van service between major motels and the headquarters Holiday Inn during convention. For more information call 282-2700 ext 7331 and ask for the Grain Dealers Transportation Service.

PROGRAM: Holiday Inn is headquarters. Exhibits are located in the front lobby, Harvest Hall, Dakota Hall, Press Room & Atrium. Hospitality suites are poolside. Program events, including breakfast, luncheons, Association Banquet, and workshops will be held in the Great Hall of the Holiday Inn. The Great Hall is divided into the Embassy, Royale, Crowne & Sterling rooms.

THE LADIES LUNCHEON & PROGRAM will be held at 11:45 a.m. on Monday the 19th in the Crowne & Sterling rooms of the Holiday Inn. Register in Club Room III for **Spa at the Inn** being held in Mezzanine Suite I & II on Monday January 19. Buses will leave for the West Acres Shopping Center after the luncheon.

DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS-Monday evening: Your Association will be sponsoring 3 - \$75 cash prizes to be drawn from those pre-registered. An additional 3 - \$75 cash prizes will be drawn from among all registrants. Drawings held at the Monday evening dance. Be sure to deposit your Grand Prize ticket in the elevator. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS-Tuesday brunch: Your Association will be sponsoring 3 - \$75 cash prizes at the Tuesday brunch. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

BE A GOOD EGG: Your North Dakota Grain Dealers Educational Foundation will be taking tax-deductible contributions at the convention. Association Directors and wives will be operating an exhibit booth for this purpose. Be a Good EGG (Educational Gift Giver) and buy a Good EGG button. Monies collected are used to provide agricultural scholarships and equipment grants at seven North Dakota institutions of higher learning. Our goal this year is \$5,000.

RESOLUTIONS FOR VOTING DELEGATES: Copies of resolutions submitted by the 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 19 deadline and approved by the Resolutions Committee will be available for voting delegates later that day at the Educational Foundation Good EGG booth.

RAILROAD MEETING ROOMS

CP, DMVW & NP - 215; RRVW - 287; BNSF - 172.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2009

12:30 p.m. - Board of Directors luncheon - Mezzanine Suite III

1 p.m. - Board of Directors meeting - Mezzanine Suite IV

6 p.m. - Board of Directors, staff, convention committee, and past presidents social and banquet - Mezzanine Suites I & II

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2009

8 a.m. - 12 noon - Exhibitor setup

11 a.m. - 6 p.m. - Registration, Holiday Inn Club Room III

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Exhibitors' hors d'oeuvres - NFL Conference Championships on Big Screen TVs

12 noon - 5 p.m. - Flavored coffees & cookies in registration area courtesy Holiday Inn

12:30 - Exhibits open - NFL Conference Championships on Big Screen TVs - Grazing food and beverages in the exhibit area

1:30 p.m. - Legislative Committee meeting in Mezzanine Suite II

2 p.m. - Safety/Health/Environmental Committee Meeting in Mezzanine Suite III

2:30 p.m. - Transportation Committee meeting in Mezzanine Suite IV

Support your Educational Foundation by purchasing a GOOD EGG button.

3 p.m. - Hospitality Center opens, Poolside Holiday Inn. Afternoon and evening - grain companies, hospitality and banquets. The following schedule was available at press time.

CARGILL **Holiday Inn - Embassy Room**
Convention Kickoff Cocktail Party 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

CHS **Holiday Inn - Crowne and Royale Rooms**
Social & Hors d'oeuvres 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

F.G.D.I. **Holiday Inn - Sterling Room**
Social 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Dinner 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

ADM-BENSON QUINN **Ramada Plaza Suites**
Banquet (by invitation only)

MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 2009

7 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Registration, Holiday Inn Club Room III

7:30 a.m. - Breakfast - Great Hall
(Serving through to 8:10)

*Sponsored in part by Red River Valley & Western Railroad,
North Dakota Grain Inspection Service, Fargo and North Dakota Farm
Credit
Services*

Entertainment - Concordia Jazz Band

Presiding - President Clyde Krebs

Invocation - Kim Alberty, Fargo, ND

Presentation of colors - West Fargo Jr. ROTC

The Star Spangled Banner - John and Jane Olson

Welcome - Cole Carley, Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitor's Bureau

Introduction of head table & Association Directors

Speaker - Rev. Ernie Mancini - "Why Not??"

Announcements

Break - Visit Exhibits

*Coffee in exhibit area courtesy North Dakota Wheat Commission and
North Dakota Barley Council.*

- **Support your Educational Foundation by being a GOOD EGG.** -

10 a.m. - noon - Ladies - Spa at the Inn - Mezzanine Suite I & II
(pre-register in Club Room III)

*Spa at the Inn courtesy of the Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitors
Bureau and North Dakota Grain Dealers Association.*

10 a.m. - noon Workshop 1 - Great Hall, Embassy & Royale Rooms

TOPIC 1: Managing Volatility with a Master Trade Agreement

SPEAKER: David Barrett, Attorney at Law

TOPIC 2: Managing Financing and Commodity Market Volatility

SPEAKERS: Preston Kranz & Milt Lund, CoBank

Ami Heesch, Country Hedging

Mike Kvistad, ADM-BQ

11:00 a.m.- Resolutions Committee meeting, Room 422 Holiday Inn

Break - Visit Exhibits

11:45 a.m. - Ladies Luncheon - Great Hall, Sterling and Crowne Rooms

Join us for a delicious lunch, bingo for prizes, and door prize drawings.

Luncheon sponsored in part by North Dakota Soybean Council

Punch courtesy of the Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitors Bureau.

12 noon - Men's Walkaround Luncheon in Exhibit Area. Different foods in Dakota Hall, Harvest Hall and lobby.

Sponsored in part by North Dakota Soybean Council and Northern Plains Grain Inspection.

Break - Visit Exhibits

Coffee in exhibit area courtesy North Dakota Barley Council and North Dakota Wheat Commission

1:30 - 4 p.m. Ladies - Spa at the Inn - Mezzanine Suite I & II (pre-register in Club Room III)

Spa at the Inn courtesy of the Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitors Bureau and North Dakota Grain Dealers Association.

2-4 p.m. Workshop 2 - Great Hall, Embassy & Royale Rooms

TOPIC 3: Consolidation in the Seed Industry

SPEAKERS: Leland "Judge" Barth, Dakota Pride Cooperative

Jeremy Frie, Monsanto

TOPIC 4: Ethanol - Fortunes, Misfortunes, Foul-ups and the Future

SPEAKER: David Swenson, Economics Dept., Iowa State University

4:00 p.m. - Break - Visit Exhibits

5:15 p.m. - Social Hour - Holiday Inn poolside

6:30 p.m. - Banquet - Great Hall

Recognitions and Awards

ENTERTAINMENT: Dave Malmberg

Speaker sponsored in part by Canadian Pacific Railway, Dakota Missouri Valley & Western Railroad and Minot Grain Inspection.

9 p.m. - Association Dance - Great Hall
Dance to The Roosters

Sponsored in part by Michigan Millers Mutual Insurance Co. and Busch Ag Resources

- Prize drawings (must be present to win) -

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2009

8:15 a.m. - Voting delegate check-in and Annual Business Meeting

District 1 - Embassy A

District 2 - Embassy B

District 3 - Embassy B

Districts will caucus separately to elect Directors, followed by mass meeting for reports, resolutions & election announcements

10 a.m. - Brunch - Great Hall

Sponsored in part by BNSF Railway

ENTERTAINMENT: Rodney Nelson, Cowboy Poet and Humorist

- Prize drawings (must be present to win) -

11:30 a.m. - Convention adjourns

12:30 p.m. - Board Reorganization Meeting, Mezzanine Suite III