

North Dakota Crop Improvement & Seed Association  
PO Box 5607-University Station  
Fargo, ND 58105

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NDCISA is a non-profit organization supported by county dues, certified seed grower membership and check-offs from the seed increase program. NDCISA works closely with the Experiment Stations, State Seed, and the Extension Service to promote general crop improvement practices and increase varieties best adapted to the state, and to make the seed easily available to the farmers of the state.

NDCISA actively supports research, extension and educational programs at NDSU and throughout the state. We encourage the development and implementation of practical and scientific crop production practices. We serve as a communication link for North Dakota crop producers in legislative matters relating to production and marketing of their commodities. We sponsor youth activities such as the 4-H crops judging contest at the North Dakota Winter Show.

NDCISA has been instrumental in the production and distribution of new varieties. We coordinate with the Foundation Seedstocks project and county Crop/Ag Improvement Associations during new variety releases and increases. Through certified seed promotional money, we encourage the use of quality seed with an advertising campaign, promotional give-aways, and crop shows.

By position, the President of NDCISA is placed on several committees. He is a member of the Seed Commission, the Variety Release Committee, and the North Dakota Ag Coalition, and the Spring Wheat Quality Advisory Committee, and an auxiliary member of the Northern Crop Institute. The board is often called on in an advisory capacity by other committees and policy makers.

Each member county of NDCISA is given four voting delegates at their district and state meeting. Each vote plays a vital role in policy decision making. The votes and members have considerable influence on the Board of Directors who subsequently have an influence on North Dakota agriculture. By being a member of NDCISA, you and your county have a "voice" in several groups involved in North Dakota agriculture.

In these changing times, the agricultural community needs to remain unified and strong, NDCISA is a strong, supportive group that will fight for the North Dakota farmer.

#### **Acknowledgements**

The North Dakota Crop Improvement & Seed Association would like to thank all of our speakers, and others involved for their cooperation and assistance in the planning and implementation of the conference. Special thanks to the Bismarck community for their warm welcome.

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**57th  
Annual  
Conference**  
*(held in conjunction with  
the "Best of the Best")*



**February 12-13, 2009**

**Doublewood Inn  
1400 E. Interchange Ave.  
Bismarck, North Dakota**

The North Dakota Crop Improvement & Seed Association Conference is open to all interested farmers, seedsmen, elevator managers and agribusinessmen.

**NDCISA Conference Program**

**Thursday, February 12, 2009**

- 9:00 am**     **Dakota Select Seed Meeting**  
Room 114
- 2:00 pm**     **Board of Directors Meeting**  
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- 5:30 pm**     **Board of Directors Dinner**  
**-Award Presentations**
- 7:30 pm**     **New Variety Allocation Committee**  
Room 114

**Friday, February 13, 2009**

- 7:30-8:15 am**     **Meeting Registration**  
Lobby
- 8:15-9:00 am**     **Committee Meetings**  
-Certified Seed Committee  
Room 114  
-Research and Extension Committee  
Room 106  
-Resolutions Committee  
Room 206
- 9:00-10:15 am**     **Business Meeting**  
Assembly Hall  
*Presiding—Brian O’Toole, NDCISA President*

**“Best of the Best in Wheat Research and Marketing”(10:30 am—4:00 pm)**

- Topics Include:**
- Wheat in ND—Looking back and looking forward  
*-ND Wheat Commission*
  - Spring wheat variety development: update and prospects  
*-Mohamed Mergoum*
  - Keys to successful winter wheat production  
*-Blake VanderVorst*
  - Marketing wheat in 2009—tips and tools  
*-Frayne Olson*

- Lunch—Sponsored by:  
*-ND Crop Improvement & Seed Assn.*  
*-ND Wheat Commission*  
*-ND Grain Growers*
- Hands-on demos  
*-Protein in wheat-why it matters, Brian Sorenson*  
*-Weed ID, Roger Ashley*  
*-Precision ag equipment options, John Nowatski*  
*-Herbicide injury symptoms, Brian Jenks*
- Managing tan spot, septoria, and wheat streak mosaic virus  
*-Marsha McMullen*
- Sawfly, cutworms, midge and stem maggot - thresholds for management  
*-Jan Knodel*
- Read the signs—Make some profit  
*-Roger Ashley*
- ND Grain Growers in Action  
*-Dan Wogsland*
- Weather predictions for 2009 growing season  
*Adnan Akyuz*

**2008-2009 NDCISA Officers  
Directors & Coordinators**

- Brian O’Toole, NE -President (Outgoing).....Crystal
- Wayne Johnson, NW-Vice-President (Outgoing).....Stanley
- Mark Birdsall, NW Director.....Berthold
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- Paulette Neva, Executive Secretary.....Fargo

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- Mark Birdsall, Chairman.....Berthold
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- John Schatz.....Napoleon
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- Del Gates.....Mohall
- Art Dohrmann.....Bismarck
- Steve Sebesta.....NDSSD
- Dr. Dale Williams.....NDSU
- Elroy Haadem.....Bismarck

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- Jay Fisher.....Minot
- Kendall Nichols.....Hillsboro
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- Dr. Joel Ransom.....NDSU

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**Hotel Accommodations**

Convention rates are available at the Doublewood Inn. Please make your reservations directly with the hotel as soon as possible, indicating you are with the Crop Improvement Conference. The telephone number of the Doublewood Inn is 1-800-554-7077 or 1-701-258-7000..

Room Rates:     \$55.00 Single  
                           \$65.00 Double

**Conference Registration**

**Registration is free, but pre-registration is requested for meal planning and seating**  
**Pre-register by filling in the form below or by calling:**  
**701-231-8067 or 1-866-871-3442**

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