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NAICC WSSA FARM TOUR

NAICC WSSA Farm Tour Update

By James Todd, Chair NAICC Governmental Affairs Committee



Members of NAICC, WSSA, EPA, and FWS

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HAPPENINGS ON THE HILL

Agency Actions and the Farm Bill

by Keith Jones



Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C.

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Registration is OPEN!

2025 NAICC Annual Meeting and AG PRO EXPO

January 20-24, 2025 Monterey, CA

[Register Here](#)

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

Thank you for your support and dedication to NAICC, we hope to continue that through 2025!

Through each of you supporting NAICC, we can continue to work for the advancement of crop and research consultants and QA professionals. **The 2025 Membership Directory will be made available in January 2025.** In order for your listing to be included, you must renew your NAICC membership by end of day **November 1st**.

As a reminder, \$10 of dues from Voting, Associate and Provisional Members is automatically allocated to the Crawfish Boil on the Hill (CBOH) fund. On the renewal form there is a place to increase that dollar amount for the CBOH and also the opportunity to contribute to other worthy programs by entering an amount on your renewal form. If you would like more information on any of these programs, please click on the corresponding links:

[NAICC Leadership Fund](#)

[Foundation's General Fund](#)

[Richard L. Jenson, Ph.D. Memorial Scholarship Fund](#)

[Ray Young Memorial Scholarship Fund](#)

Renew now



2025 CONSULTANT OF THE YEAR

Nominate a Consultant, Researcher or Quality Assurance Member to Receive the Consultant of the Year Award. Since 1993, when the Consultant of the Year (COTY) award was established, NAICC has sought to honor a few crop consultant members each year who have illustrated leadership within and outside the organization. In 2022, the COTY was expanded to also include Research Consultants and Quality Assurance Professionals. There will be one award for each of the three categories: a CCOTY (Crop Consultant of the Year), a QAPOTY (Quality Assurance Professional of the Year), and a RCOTY (Research Consultant of the Year).

Please send nominations to Marketing Committee Chair Kenzie Bickhart at kbickhart@cmsagresearch.com or AllisonJones@naicc.org.

Visit our [Awards Page](#) for more information.

SCAM ALERT!

NAICC is not affiliated with scammers trying to book your hotel room or sell attendees lists. We do not sell our list to third parties. If you do not want your information made public on the meeting website, click the box indicating your preference when registering.

We will not call you and if the email doesn't come from
@NAICC.ORG IT IS NOT FROM US!

NAICC INTERN CONNECTION

Attention Consultants and Researchers!!

Do you have a hard time finding eager, knowledgeable summer interns?

INTRODUCING the NAICC Intern Connection!!

The FEAE will have a form for you to fill out to help us build a database for students to find internships available to them! Watch for an email on the Intern Connection coming soon.



FEAE Scholarships

Attention students!!! The Foundation for Environmental Agriculture Education is pleased to be awarding 7 scholarships for the 2025 calendar year to deserving students pursuing graduate and undergraduate degrees in agriculture. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2024.

Please visit the [FEAE](#) website for more information on how to apply.

2025 Regulatory Update

Get Involved in the Regulatory Update!

Do you have questions for the EPA, USDA, or Standards Council of Canada? This is your opportunity to engage directly with these regulatory agencies.

Questions submitted for the annual meeting must be reviewed and provided to the agencies beforehand. Do not miss your chance to have your questions considered. Please fill out the Google Form [here](#).

New Member Spotlight

Welcome Eduardo Neves!

By Chrystal Johnson

We are thrilled to welcome Eduardo Neves of Glades Crop Care to the NAICC community.

Eduardo's journey began on his family farm in west-central Brazil, where his grandparents grew coffee and raised cattle. His passion for agriculture drives him to work to strengthen the industry continually. However, Eduardo stated one of the challenges he faces is hiring help that shares his dedication and expertise.

Eduardo, NAICC is delighted to have you!

Farm Safety Month - September 2024

September Farm Safety Month

By Kim Bourgeois

This month, we spotlight National Farm Safety Month.

We have all witnessed the consequences of not being observant of our surroundings or the equipment we use. As farmers, we often become comfortable with our equipment and tend to let our guard down, which is when accidents occur. According to the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety, “The 2021 data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates that the agricultural sector remains the most dangerous in America, with 453 fatalities.” Unfortunately, most of these accidents can be avoided by maintaining constant vigilance.

When working on equipment, ensure it is not in gear, all moving parts are in the off position, and always have an exit strategy in case of an emergency. While we may believe we can handle everything independently, experience has shown the importance of teamwork; you never know when you might need assistance. With advancements in technology, we must remain mindful of the new dangers that accompany each innovation.



Picture courtesy of Jake Sisson, Lange Research and Consulting, Inc., Moberly MO.

Fall Auction Alert!



EQUIPMENT CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

Mark Your Calendars!
Our Auction Returns
November 22, 2024



Watch your email for more information

Past President Throwback Photos

William "Billy" McLawhorn

NAICC President 1997

My first jobs included hauling tobacco from the field to the barns with mules, spraying cotton for boll weevils with a Farmall Super A, picking vegetables, and working cattle when I was in elementary school. My first off-the-farm job was working at a cucumber buying station, grading cucumbers in 1969, when I was 14, making \$1.30 per hour.

During and after college, I continued to work on our family's farm, taking business courses in an M.B.A. program at night. In the winter of 1982-83, my wife and I started an independent agronomic consulting business.



Pictured, Billy McLawhorn is teaching our own Allison Jones how to map a cotton plant.

Past Presidents, do you want to take part in the fun? Send us your throwback photos to Membership@NAICC.org



[NAICC Academy Webinars](#)

Click on the links below or go to <https://naicc.org/naicc-academy> to sign up!

2022 On-Demand Webinars

[Basic GLP Training](#) – \$250

[Carbon Markets 101](#) – \$75

[Inside Out – What Goes on Inside the Mind of an Auditor?](#) – \$75

[New Technologies in Agriculture](#) – \$75

Free Videos

Worker Protection Standards:

[How to Comply](#)

[WPS Training Videos](#)

2021 On-Demand Webinars

[2021 Hot Topics in Midsouth Ag](#) – \$25

[2021 Hot Topics in Midwest Ag](#) - \$25

[Efficacy Research Workshop](#) – \$100

[GAIAC Presents: Fall Armyworm/Precision Ag/Business Management](#)– \$75

[Nutrient and Carbon Trading](#) – \$25

[Virtual Auditing – Sponsor and CRO Perspective](#) – \$50

[What's the Deal with GLP Equipment?](#) – \$50

Become an NAICC Academy Sponsor

NAICC is looking for 2022 Academy Sponsors. Gain exposure for your business by having the opportunity to showcase your Company's name and products/services in front of over 700 independent crop, researcher, and quality assurance consultants. This is a great way to make the most of your advertising dollars while giving back to our organization and allowing members alike to further educate themselves on our great industry other professional development topics.



Trivia

Answer the following question for a chance to win a \$50 Visa

Gift Card: Where was the first Constitutional Convention

held in 1849? **Submit your answer** [HERE](#)



**Last Month's
Answer:**

Debra Stroschein



**Congratulations to last
month's winner:**

Michelle Hoffman

**You are the winner of a
\$50 VISA Gift Card**

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