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A five-minute summary of industry activities for members of the largest state agribusiness association in the nation
The Agribusiness Association of Iowa

Last Chance to Advertise in the 2008 AAI Member Directory!

There are still a few positions open for advertising in the 2008 AAI Member Directory. If agribusiness is your audience, AAI's annual Membership Directory is your vehicle! The directory is distributed to over 700 members. These are the companies and businesses that have a need for your products or utilize your services on a regular basis. If you are interested in advertising please fill out the attached Directory Prospectus and fax it in to the AAI office at 515-262-8960 ASAP! **Contract agreement, buyer's guide listings, and ads must be in by August 10, 2007**, but you do not have to pay until September! Prices are reasonable and comparable to other state associations. Please contact Jodi at 515-262-8323 or 800-383-1682 if you have any questions.

AAI Foundation 3rd Annual Motorcycle/Classic Car Run

August 24-25, 2007 marks the 3rd Annual AAI Foundation Motorcycle/Classic Car Run. Riders will congregate in Dike, IA and ride to Prairie Du Chien, WI. The following day will be a scenic ride down the Mississippi river. Proceeds go to scholarships for students going into agriculture. For more information and registration, please see the attached flyer.

AASA Retail Facility Inspections Begin Again

The American Agronomic Stewardship Alliance (AASA) inspectors will be working in Iowa again this summer. AASA has developed a single checklist and schedule (once every three years) for inspecting agricultural retail facilities, which is intended to enhance stewardship and increase efficiency. The program replaces the duplicative bulk inspections of facilities previously conducted by individual manufacturers. Approximately 1,600 facilities will be inspected this year in the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Iowa, Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Nebraska, South Dakota and Tennessee. Since the inception of the program in 2004, approximately 5,000 U.S. facilities storing bulk and packaged crop protection products have been inspected. Facility managers will be contacted by AASA in advance of the inspection. For more information visit AASA on the web at www.aginspect.org

AAI Foundation Announces Scholarship Recipients

AAI Foundation is proud to announce the recipients of the Winton Etchen and Robert Skinner scholarships for the 2007-08 school year. Andrew Schneider of Le Mars is this year's Winton Etchen. Andrew will attend Iowa State University and is planning to major in agronomy. Winton Etchen scholarship applicants are required to have an AAI member sponsor and this year Andrew's application was supported by Le Mars Agri-Center. Iowa State University senior Chad Yoder is this year's recipient of the Robert Skinner Scholarship. Chad is originally from Lone Tree and is majoring in animal science at ISU. AAI members will have a chance to meet both scholarship recipients at the Annual Meeting in January. For more information about the Foundation's scholarship efforts, visit the Foundation portion of the AAI website.

DHS Site Security: Chemical List Delayed Until August

The Department of Homeland Security has announced that it now expects to release the final list of chemicals related to the "Chemical Facility Anti-terrorism Standards Rule" in late August. The department had previously said it would release the final list by the end of July, but officials have informed Congress that the list is currently awaiting the approval of the White House Office of Management and Budget. The only way to know if a facility is impacted by this rule is to consult the finalized list of chemicals and their corresponding threshold limits. If a facility possesses a listed chemical in an amount that exceeds the threshold, a facility manager will have 60 days to register and complete a top screen assessment. In order to complete the online top screen assessment, facility managers must first register with DHS and receive a username and password. AAI continues to closely monitor this rulemaking process and will notify the membership as soon as the final list is published. For more information access the DHS http://www.dhs.gov/xprevprot/programs/gc_1169503302924.shtm.