

WSCIA

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Seed Buzz

FALL 2011

Longtime Field Inspector Jim Stratton Passes Away

Jim A. Stratton passed away Friday, July 1, 2011 at his home in Spokane Washington. He is survived by his two sons Trevor and Troy and their mother Janice and Jim's mother Charlotte and sister Tina.. Services were held at the Heritage Funeral Home in Spokane on July 16th 2011.



For the past 23 years Jim had inspected fields for WSCIA from Spokane to the Walla Walla area. Jim was getting ready for another year of field inspection with Crop Improvement when he passed away.

Jim was an avid, sometimes rabid fan of the local Spokane sports teams. He dearly loved the Indians, Chief and Shock as well as the Seattle Mariners and Seahawks. Seeing Jim adorned in a team jersey was always a welcome and familiar sight. He also had a reputation for throwing the biggest and best Super Bowl parties.

Jim will be sorely missed and never forgotten - Thank you Jim for your many years of service -

**2011 WSCIA/WNISA ANNUAL MEETING—SPOKANE, WA
NOVEMBER 14-16th**

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WSCIA OFFICES REORGANIZED

Earlier this summer Louise Burkhartsmeier resigned from her position at WSCIA to pursue other opportunities in California. With Louise leaving it was decided to consolidate the WSCIA Foundation Seed office and the main WSCIA Business/Certification office. This consolidation should make for a more efficient and streamlined organization with both Foundation Seed and Certification in the same office. You can still reach the FSS seed plant at (509) 335-4365 but to contact Darlene Hilkin or Ron Whittum to order seed or to get information on seed please call the main office at (509) 335-8250. All the e-mail addresses remain the same so please continue to use those addresses listed at the left on this Seed Buzz.

As far as the business office or certification, nothing has changed other than Darlene will now answer the phone for the entire office. As always please do not hesitate to contact the office if you have any question or concerns.

Many thanks for your support this past year and have a safe and bountiful harvest.

FALL 2011 SEED ORDER FORM/LIST

Please note the Foundation Seed Fall 2011 order form enclosed in this Seed Buzz. Pricing has been increased by two cents per pound due to the overwhelming demand for an increased rate of Cruiser® insecticide. Standard seed treatment for fall grain will be CruiserMaxx® 1.0, an increase of the insecticide by one-half ounce. If you wish to order Foundation Seed please complete the form and mail, e-mail, fax, or phone your completed order. See enclosed order form for more details.

SEED TREATMENT AND BAGS—FALL 2011

The new CruiserMaxx® Cereal Custom Blend 1.0 (Div. Xtrm, Rancona, Cruiser & Apron XL) will be used to treat all fall planted seed sold by the WSCIA-FSS Program, with the recently introduced Proceed™ w/ Gaucho® continuing to be used for all spring crops. This combination of seed treatments for fall and spring planting will provide customers with the best available seed protection for their crops.

The inclusion of Cruiser® or Gaucho® seed applied insecticides will now be a standard part of our treatment package. **The addition of other seed additives or starter fertilizers on a custom basis will no longer be available.** These changes are being made to control costs of your Foundation seed purchases.

To help prevent any delays please give the Foundation Seed Program at least 24 Hours notice for picking up seed orders.

Don't forget we now offer 1-ton tote bags as well as the normal 60 pound (1 bushel) bags. If this is an option you would like, call the WSCIA-FSS office and let us know as soon as possible since we try to bag ahead of time to prevent any delays in shipping.

UNTREATED SEED

WSCIA-FSS's standard practice is to treat most species of seed to reduce the risk of loss or failure caused by insect and pathogen attack during germination and stand establishment. While we will provide customers with untreated seed at their request, FSS does not accept liability for failure to establish a stand in any case and even more so when untreated seed is used. In order to clearly communicate the affects of untreated seed on stand establishment, customers requesting untreated seed of species normally treated will be required to sign a waiver or release, prior to shipment.

NEW VARIETIES

MARY (OR2040726) Soft White Winter Wheat
Open release with PVP pending primarily adapted to Dryland and Irrigated production areas of NC and NE Oregon, SE and SC Washington in areas where Stephens or Westbred 528 are commonly grown. Mary is short in stature moderately early in maturity and has superior straw strength. **Strengths** are improved winter hardiness compared to Stephens, good for late seeding dates, short stature, moderately resistant to stripe rust similar to Stephens. **Weaknesses** are that it is not recommended for early seedings, susceptible to strawbreaker foot rot C Stripe, Fusarium crown rot and Septoria leaf blotch similar to Stephens.

NEW VARIETIES

ARS 9602771 (proposed name AMBER)

Release is being requested for fall 2012 release to growers with YIA orders with WSCIA FSS being taken fall 2011.

ARS9062771 is targeted to the intermediate to high rainfall production zones to replace Tubbs 06 and complement Xerpha. **Description:** Intermediate height semi-dwarf with awned lax spikes and white chaff with kernel being soft white. Excellent resistance to stripe rust and excellent end use grain quality.

ADVANCE AGREEMENTS FOR FALL 2012

The WSCIA Foundation Seed Service accepts Year-In-Advance (YIA) agreements for all varieties. The YIA agreements are firm commitments to purchase seed at an agreed upon price. These agreements are offered so that you can reserve specific varieties for future planting. A discount of \$0.05 per pound is also a benefit in signing a YIA agreement, offered on all varieties except those within two years of release. Please note in the Fall 2011 Seed Order Form that any item “crossed-out” for 2011 can be made available to you in 2012 by use of the YIA agreement. Simply enter the pounds you want in the “2012 YIA POUNDS” column, fax or mail it to us and an agreement/document will be mailed to you!

For pricing on seed please contact:

WSCIA Foundation Seed Services
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**2011 WSCIA/WNISA ANNUAL MEETING
 SPOKANE, WA
 Mirabeau Park Hotel & Convention Center**

**Please plan on attending the Annual WSCIA
 WNISA Joint Meeting—November 14-16th of
 this year. We have set aside a block of rooms
 with the following rates Deluxe Single/Double at
 \$92.00 and the Deluxe Triple/Quad at \$112.00.**

**These rates are being held until 10/13/2011
 To make your room reservations call the hotel at
 (509) 924-9000 and tell them you are part of the
 WSCIA/WNISA group.**

**We will have a complete list of programs and
 schedules in the very near future so please plan
 on attending as this should be another great
 meeting .**

▲ CEREAL GRAIN SEED VARIETY POSTER ▲

As most of you know Marilyn Laughlin passed away in 2009. She was near and dear to all of our hearts for many reasons and one of them was for the Cereal Grain Seed Variety poster that she created and maintained. We have missed this poster so this year WSCIA recreated it.

The new poster has over 300 varieties and will be updated as needed. We welcome you to stop into our office and pick up the poster(s) for FREE or you can send a check for \$5.00 to cover the cost of the mailing tube and postage. We also take Visa and Mastercard if you call the office at 509-335-8250.

State Bird: Willow Goldfinch
 State Flower: Coast Rhododendron
 State Fruit: Apple
 State Tree: Western Hemlock
 State Grass: Bluebunch Wheatgrass
 State Fish: Steelhead Trout
 State Vegetable: Walla Walla Sweet Onion



Founded: November 11, 1889 (42nd State)
 Population: 6,724,540
 Nickname: Evergreen State
 Number Counties: 39
 Number Farms: 39,500 (35% of total WA acreage)
 Size: 71,303 square miles, 18th largest State
 Mean Elevation: 1,700 feet above sea level

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Washington State Crop Improvement Association, Inc., is a non-profit organization working with Washington State University, Washington State Department of Agriculture and Washington seed growers and conditioners to develop, produce and distribute certified seed in order to improve crop yields in the state of Washington. WSCIA was incorporated in 1953. It is governed by a Board of Directors and an Executive Committee. Directors are elected by their county crop improvement associations.

The Association has an active membership of over 500 members. Anyone (person or organization) interested in quality seed in general is encouraged to become a member of the Association. Membership in the Association provides the member information relative to the seed industry such as new developments, technical information, and sources and availability of seed, etcetera.

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