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APRIL 2022

2022 SPRING SECTION MEETING

IN-PERSON MEETING

Tuesday, April 19th

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

3:30 pm: Tour of Ag-Bag by RCI

208 RIVER KNOLL DRIVE MAYVILLE, WI

MEETING LOCATION

*MAYVILLE GOLF COURSE & THE MEETING PLACE
325 S GERMAN ST MAYVILLE, WI*

5:00 pm: Social and Registration

5:30 pm: Technical Session

DEANNA KOVAR – VP AT JOHN DEERE

NOTHING RUNS LIKE A DEERE – AUTONOMOUSLY

6:00 pm: Dinner

6:40 pm: Short Business Meeting

6:50 pm: Awards Ceremony

Click Here to [Register](#)

Registration ends Monday, April 11th.

APRIL 19TH MEETING DETAILS

TOUR INFORMATION



In November of 2019, Ag-Bag was acquired by RCI Engineering in Mayville, WI from CNH Industrial (New Holland). Ag-Bag for over 40 years has been a clear leader in the silage bagging industry. RCI Engineering continues this tradition with more than just the Ag-Bag name. RCI Engineering has made significant investments to surround the Ag-Bag products with technology, from design and engineering, through manufacturing and testing.

The WI Section will tour the Ag-Bag production facility and talk with RCI owner Randy Clark about the acquisition of the Ag-Bag product line as well as the changes made to the design and marketing of the product.

Tours will last 20 – 30 minutes, beginning at 3:30 pm and running consecutively. Last tour will begin no later than 4:45 pm.

TECHNICAL SESSION SPEAKER INFORMATION



Ms. Deanna Kovar
Vice President, Production & Precision Ag Production Systems at John Deere

Ms. Kovar leads a global team focused on identifying opportunities to unlock sustainable value for global corn, soy, small grains, cotton, and sugarcane customers. She was instrumental in the development of the John Deere 8R autonomous tractor recently introduced and available in Fall 2022. Deanna has been with John Deere for 22 years starting as a Marketing Representative and climbing through 12 positions in her career. Deanna has Wisconsin roots as she grew up on a WI dairy farm and graduated from UW in 2000 with a BS in Agricultural Business Management. She was a member of Associated Women in Agriculture while at UW.

Secretary's Report

April 2022

The past year has been filled with virtual meetings which has been a successful way for our section to continue hearing informative presentations and conducting business meetings. One advantage to these virtual meetings is the ease of including multiple sections and increasing the reach of a single presentation. We have been able to participate in meetings between Wisconsin, Iowa, Quad Cities, Chicago, and the Central Illinois sections.

We look forward to meeting back in person this April!

Kindly Submitted,

Nolan Lacy

ASABE Wisconsin Section Secretary

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

We have not met in-person since the pandemic lock-down started in the spring of 2020. In that time, we have had three (!) WI Section award cycles. Unfortunately, we have not been able to recognize our award winners in-person. The Wisconsin Section Officer Team wanted to ensure that our award winners are properly recognized for their accomplishments, so we have planned a belated awards ceremony as part of our April meeting. Our award winners who will be recognized are:

BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING GRAD-STUDENT OF THE YEAR:

Parker Williams (2020)
David Pintens (2021)
Keagan Blazer (2022)

BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING STUDENT OF THE YEAR:

Laura Rodriguez Alvarez (2020)
Nick Hovel (2021)
Jordon Main (2022)

AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY STUDENT OF THE YEAR:

No award given in 2020 or 2021.
Kyle Leis (2022)

CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:

Kevin Shinnars (2020)
Neal Stoffel (2021)
Scott Mueller (2022)

YOUNG ENGINEER AWARD:

Brian Luck (2020)
Matthew Digman (2021)
Shane Williams (2022)

WAYNE G. RUSSEL AWARD:

Larry Johnson (Posthumous) (2020)
Robert Fick (2022)

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