

COUNTRY ELEVATOR CONFERENCE



Schedule as of 10/14/16

Sunday December 11, 2016

11:00 am – 7:00 pm Registration Open

8:00 am - 1:30 pm Leadership Conference for State/Regional Associations

Affiliated with NGFA (By invitation only)

1:30 pm - 4:00 pm Country Elevator Committee Meeting (Open to NGFA Members)

Committee members provide overviews of their region's crop production, grain quality and marketing conditions. Discussion on topics impacting country elevators

(agenda forthcoming).

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Trade Show Open

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm Reception in Trade Show

Monday December 12, 2016

7:00 am – 6:30 pm Registration Open

7:00 am – 8:15 am American Breakfast Buffet - Trade Show Open

8:30 am - 9:45 am Opening General Session

GS | Welcome to Chicago

 Mitch Dawson, Director of Grain Operations, MFA Incorporated, Columbia, Missouri; Member, NGFA Board of Directors, Chairman, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

GS | NGFA Priorities for 2017

 John Heck, Senior Vice President, The Scoular Company, Omaha, Nebraska; Chairman, NGFA

GS | Connecting the Macro Environment to Your Strategy: Trend vs. Cycle

 Michael Swanson, Senior Vice President and Agricultural Economist, Wells Fargo & Company, Bloomington, MN

Moderator: Eric Wilkey, President, Arizona Grain Inc., Casa Grande, Arizona; First Vice Chairman, NGFA

9:45 am - 10:15 am Break

10:15 am - 11:30 am Breakout Sessions – Round 1

Breakout Room 1 Session A | Tales from the Crypt – Comeback Stories on Merchandising and

Operations

Keywords: Merchandising; Operations

- Dustin Toberman, District Manager, Bunge North America, St. Louis, Missouri
- Kevin Greene, Operations Manager, Bunge North America, Vicksburg, Mississippi

Moderator: Jason Klootwyk, Vice President, Director of Interior Assets, Bunge North America, St. Louis, Missouri, Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

Breakout Room 2

Session B | OTC Markets – Creative Risk Management for Merchandising Opportunities

Keywords: Merchandising; Management

- Richard Jelinek, Vice President Global Education, INTL FCStone Financial, Inc., Chicago, Illinois
- Jake Moline, Risk Management Consultant, INTL FCStone Financial, Inc., West Des Moines, Iowa
- Matt Zeman, Vice President of Grain, Cooperative Farmers Elevator, Ocheyedan, Iowa

Moderator: Brian Gordon, Chief Executive Officer, Ritzville Warehouse Co., Ritzville, Washington; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

Breakout Room 3

Session C | Contracting Pitfalls that Lead to Disputes

Keywords: Merchandising; Management; Legal

- Randy Broady, General Manager, CHS; Shipman, Illinois; Past Chairman, NGFA Country Elevator Committee
- Doug Johns, Vice President Grain River, ADM, Decatur, Illinois; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee
- Steve Lucas, President, Jayhawker Consulting Co. LLC, Trumbull, CT

Moderator: Travis Antonsen, Producer Marketing Manager, South Dakota Wheat Growers Association, Aberdeen, South Dakota; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Trade Show Open - Walk Around Lunch

1:30 pm – 2:45 pm

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Moderator: Rango Springer, Merchandising Manager, Stratford Grain Company, Stratford, Texas; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

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Moderator: Chad Nagel, Manager of Trading, Nagel Farm Service Inc., Wye Mills, Maryland; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

2:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Break

3:15 to 4:30 pm:

Breakout Sessions – Round 3

Breakout Room 1

Session D | Buying and Selling with Purpose

Keyword: Merchandising; Management

- Jeff Hainline, Chairman, Advance Trading Inc., Bloomington, IL
- Carl Strubhar, Commercial Merchandising Consultant and Vice President, Advance Trading Inc., Bloomington, IL
- Lance Adams, Merchandiser, Team Marketing Alliance, Moundridge, KS

Moderator: Jeremy Raley, Grain Manager, Big River Rice & Grain, Epps, Louisiana; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

Breakout Room 2

Session E | Those Who Know...Know

Keywords: Merchandising; Management; Operations

Part I. The Big Picture - Grain

 Greg Beck, Vice President, Grain Division, CGB Enterprises Inc., Mandeville, Louisiana; Member, NGFA Executive Committee, Board of Directors and Country Elevator Committee

Part II. What a Grain Handler Needs to Know about Feed Processing and the Food Safety Modernization Act

• David Fairfield, Senior Vice President of Feed Services, NGFA

Moderator: Robert Geers, Grain Merchant, Michigan Agricultural Commodities, Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

Breakout Room 3

Session F | Town Hall on the Current Lending Environment

Keywords: Management; Financial

Speakers TBD

Moderator: Jim Dell, Senior Vice President of Grain, Cooperative Producers, Inc., Hastings, Nebraska; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

4:30 pm – 6:30 pm Trade Show Open – Walk Around Reception

9:00 pm - 10:00 pm NextGen Mixer

Tuesday December 13, 2016

7:00 am - 8:00 am: American Breakfast Buffet

8:00 am - 9:15 am Breakout Sessions Reconvene – Round 4

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Breakout Room 3 Session G | Safety Tips and Technology Enhancements

Keywords: Management; Operations

Part I. A Safety Journey

 Jason Meyer, Commercial Leader - Rivers Region, Cargill Inc., Wayzata, Minnesota, Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

Part II. Grain Elevator Technology – Where it's Been and Where It's Going!

 Dennis Inman, Director of Strategic Asset Management, Land O'Lakes, Shoreview, Minnesota, Member

Moderator: Mike Schon, Grain Department Manager, Pro Cooperative, Pocahontas, Iowa; Member, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

9:30 am - 12:00 pm

General Session Reconvenes

Ballroom

GS | Thriving Across Generations - Why Embracing Generational Differences is the Key to Agribusiness Success

- Mark Jewell, Creator of the Millennial Mastermind, Omaha, Nebraska
 - o Panelists: Mitch Dawson, Chad Nagel and Lacey Seibert

GS | CBOT Delivery Process

• Tom Coyle, General Manager, Nidera US LLC, Chicago, Illinois

GS | Gain a Handle on the Grain You Handle: A Biotechnology Primer

• Dr. Bernice Slutsky, Senior Vice President Domestic and International Policy, American Seed Trade Association, Arlington, Virginia

Moderator: David Baudler, President, Cargill AgHorizons, Wayzata, Minnesota; Second Vice Chairman, NGFA

GS | Closing Remarks, Announcement of Foundation Raffle Winner and Photography Contest Winner

 Mitch Dawson, Director of Grain Operations, MFA Incorporated, Columbia, Missouri; Member, NGFA Board of Directors, Chairman, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

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