ARIZONA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

74th Annual Meeting January 29-30, 2007 Francisco Grande Hotel & Golf Resort 26000 Gila Bend Highway, Casa Grande, AZ

INVITATION REMINDER

Please join us for the activities of the 74th Annual Meeting of ACIA. Take advantage of this annual opportunity to renew acquaintances and meet new people in our industry. The 2007 meeting program will again feature a golf tournament on the Francisco Grande Golf Resort course on Monday, January 29 and Continuing Education Unit presentations for pesticide applicator requirements on Tuesday, January 30. The traditional hosted reception will be held at the hotel on Monday evening and the annual ACIA business meeting will convene after the CEU presentations on Tuesday. The tentative program is shown on the back of this invitation and the final program will be sent later. So, make your plans! Time is getting short!!

HOTEL INFORMATION

Call the Francisco Grande Hotel (520-836-6444) and ask for room reservations under the Arizona Crop Improvement Association group rate. Rates will be \$69 single/double occupancy for Courtyard rooms and \$104 single/double occupancy for Tower rooms (all plus tax.) These rates will apply January 28 - 31, based on availability. The rooms and rates are being held through January 12, 2007. Call the ACIA office after this date if you are unable to secure a room at the Francisco Grande.

SECOND ACIA "Yank the Off-Type" OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

We are getting more serious about this Monday afternoon affair! It'll be a four-person scramble with a shotgun start so that we can finish by nightfall. Teams can be formed by groups wanting to play together and by individuals who sign up for a potluck teaming with other individuals. Both men and women are welcome. Prizes will be presented for both gross and net scoring (net determined by a secret handicap formula.) The hosted buffet will serve as the award banquet. Space is limited; signups and entry fees are due by Friday, January 19, 2007. Use the enclosed entry form.

PESTICIDE APPLICATOR CONTINUING EDUCATION UNIT PROGRAM "Seed Treatment Technologies and Applicator Considerations"

We have secured 2.0 CEU credits for a program that covers seed treatment technologies and application considerations for protection of crops from diseases, nematodes and insects. This program will be offered at no charge to ACIA members and their employees, while non-members can take advantage of the program for a modest fee. **Persons interested in attending this program are requested to return the annual meeting response form enclosed.**

- How seed treatments complement other production inputs
- •Features of modern seed treatment delivery
- •Standards targets for seed treatment fungicides
- •Relationship of dose rate to fungal diseases controlled
- •Relationship of seed treatment applications to crop kind
- •Effects of regulatory environment on seed treatment use
- •Potential new targets for seed treatments insecticides
- •Physical form of seed treatments pellets, dressings, coatings
- •Fundamentals of controlled release strategies

- label requirements for proper application
- •Interpretation of warranties
- •Definition of accuracy of application rate
- •Changes in product labeling
- •Components of good seed treatment application
- •Operator and equipment considerations
- •Mixing accuracy considerations
- •Basics of seed treatment formulations
- •Liability considerations

MONDAY EVENING HOSTED RECEPTION AND TUESDAY LUNCH

The meeting's meal functions are complimentary for meeting attendees and guests, courtesy of sponsors and ACIA. Please help us plan efficiently by completing the meal function notification form enclosed or by contacting the ACIA office. Return this information to the ACIA office by Friday, January 19, 2007.

2007 ACIA Annual Meeting Reservations Person Attending CEU Monday **Tuesday** Program* Reception Lunch Person submitting information Please provide this information to the ACIA office by Friday, January 19, 2007. Mail to ACIA, 2120 E. Allen Rd., Tucson, AZ 85719. Call 520-318-7271. Fax 520-318-7272. E-mail: Carrel@ag.arizona.edu. * Credits applied for. Non-members of ACIA may attend upon submitting \$15 with this response. Persons must attend the entire program to receive CEUs. Second ACIA "Yank the Off-Type" Open Golf Tournament Entry Form (Entry due Friday, January 19, 2007) \$200 Group entry - Includes <u>four</u> green fees, cart, range balls and cart prize(s) \$55 Individual entry - Includes one green fee, cart, range balls and cart prize(s) Cart Prize Donation (Describe - 40 required) Group or Individual Name Address Name of Group Contact Phone_____E-Mail___ Names of golfers to play on Group teams:

Conditions of competition:

- 1. Entry fees must accompany this application or be submitted **before** playing on January 29. Registrants for group entries are liable for \$200 regardless of the number of golfers they bring.
- 2. Golfers must wear appropriate attire while on the course.
- 3. Golfers are responsible for their own lunch and food or beverages while on the course.
- 4. This is a **team** scramble format; prizes will be awarded for gross and net team scores.

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Program Schedule

Monday, January 29 - Second ACIA "Yank the Off-Type" Open Golf Tournament and hosted reception

12:30 PM Registration at Francisco Grande golf shop for shotgun start at 1:00 PM SHARP

6:00 Hosted reception at Francisco Grande Hotel & Golf Resort (2 hours)

<u>Tuesday, January 30</u> - ACIA Annual Meeting with CEU Presentations, Business Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting

7:30 AM Continental breakfast available

Register for CEU credits (No charge for ACIA members; \$15 for non-members)

8:00 CEU Presentations (2.0 credits awarded)

Seed treatment technologies and applicator considerations for protection of crops from diseases, nematodes and insects

Tom Harris, Syngenta Seed Treatments, Peoria, AZ Chuck Gullord, Bayer CropScience, Visalia, CA

10:00 Break

10:30 ACIA Annual Meeting

- Minutes and proceedings of the 73rd Annual Meeting (2006)
- Treasurer's report
- President's report
- Executive Vice President's report
- Foundation seed report
- Citrus program report
- Arizona Department of Agriculture report
- University of Arizona College of Agriculture and Life Sciences report
- Features of an integrated seed certification and regulatory program Fawad Shah, Seed Program Manager, Washington State Department of Agriculture
- Committee meetings and reports

12:30 PM Hosted lunch for ACIA members and guests

1:30 ACIA Board of Directors meeting