

# Newsletter

June 2023

## FIELD DAY & PLOT TOUR

**AUGUST 7, 2023**

This year's plot tour begins at 6:00pm. We will meet in Alma City Park and board the bus to visit the plots.

Immediately following the tour, we welcome you to stay and enjoy a meal in the park!

### Silent Auction

Once again we will offer the Seed Dealer's Silent Auction during Field Day. Bid on your choice of seed throughout the evening. Funds raised support FFA activities and Scholarships for the year ahead.

The winning bidders will receive credit with the seed dealer or seed next Spring.

## MFA Grant awarded to SFAL

Advisor - Brittany Hemme

If you get the local newspaper (Santa Fe Times), you may have recently seen my picture on the front, receiving a check from Chris Zumbrunnen, manager of Mid-Mo MFA, on behalf of our organization for an MFA Foundation grant that we received. Grants are incredible resources that organizations like ours rely on in order to continue hosting events throughout the year. We are fortunate to be surrounded by companies like MFA who recognize the good events like the Mo Ag Stewardship Conference can do for our community and farmers from near and far.

After the success of the 2nd Annual Mo Ag Stewardship Conference we

hosted this past January, I did not waste time tracking down a keynote speaker for the next Conference. No doubt you've seen his face if you are subscribed to Farm Journal; Russell Hedrick is a first-generation farmer who resides in Catawba County, North Carolina. In 2022 he shattered the 20 year standing record for dryland corn yield by harvesting 459.1 bushel corn from one of his fields. (He plants AgVenture in case you were curious.) Russell also broke the record soybean yield in 2021 with 117 bushel beans. We are excited to welcome him to our part of Missouri on January 25, 2024 in Concordia. He is a witty and entertaining speaker who isn't

afraid to give away all his secrets to attaining high yields.

Until January rolls around though, there is still plenty we can offer to our members. We hope to see you at the Alma 4th of July Celebration where we will again be partnering with Community Club to offer concessions for the Thursday night Washer Tournament and Fish Dinners on Friday & Saturday night. And we welcome you to put together a team for our 13th Annual Golf Classic on July 28 at Indian Foot-hills in Marshall. We will hold the Plot Tour and Field Day event on August 7, and invite you to join us in the park for a great meal. We hope to see you soon!

## Meet the 2023 SFAL Scholarship Recipients!

The Santa Fe Agri Leaders Scholarship Committee received almost a dozen applications from Lafayette County high school seniors. The Scholarship Committee had four outstanding applications

that they could not narrow down. The Scholarship Committee chose to split a Scholarship between two seniors.

We wish these graduates the best of luck this fall!

**Evan Finkeldei**  
-Santa Fe (\$500)

**Jason Tebbenkamp**  
-Santa Fe (\$500)

**Kenzie Lee**  
-Higginsville (\$1000)

**Emma Johnson**  
-St. Paul (\$1000)

## MATTERS FROM THE MINUTES

The board met on June 5, 2023

- Brittany announced receipt of a \$2,000 grant from MFA Foundation as a new sponsor for the Mo Ag Stewardship Conference that will be held January 25, 2024 in Concordia
- Corn & Bean Test Plot have been planted
- AgPower Raffle will be held again this year, 3 Raffle items TBD
- Community Club will partner with SFAL again to provide Fish Dinners at Alma 4th of July Celebration
- Trophies for Kids Pedal Tractor Pull are ready/updated
  - Golf Classic is set for July 28
  - Field Day date to be set
- Silent Auction for seed corn will take place again during Field Day
- Board approved donation to the 4-H Lafayette County Fair

Alma 4th of July Celebration

Thursday, June 29

*served throughout the Washer Tournament*

**Cheeseburgers**

**Brats**

**Sauerkraut**

Friday, June 30 and Saturday, July 1

*served from 5pm - 8pm*

Fried fish, German potato salad, baked beans, and bread

*Also available each night:*

**Rawhack**

**Beef Sticks**

**Chips**

**Soda & Water**

If you are willing to work a shift Friday or Saturday evening, let Brittany know ASAP by calling the office at 660-674-2220



## **13th Annual Santa Fe Agri Leader Golf Classic**

**Friday, July 28, 2023**

Indian Foothills Golf Course, Marshall, Missouri

**3 PERSON SCRAMBLE**

**\$255 per team**

**\$300 per hole sponsor**

**\$425 per team + hole sponsor**

Check-In begins inside the Club House at 8:30am

Shotgun Start at 9:00am

**REGISTER YOUR TEAM ONLINE :**

**[www.santafeagrileaders.org](http://www.santafeagrileaders.org)**

**Follow us on Facebook for more details!**

**\*food will be provided to all golfers**