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Fall Newsletter 2019

WINTER MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020 OSU - CH2M HILL ALUMNI CENTER 7:00AM TO 3:00PM

What's happening at the 2020 NGS Winter Meeting Two raffle drawings!

- The Role of Genomics in the Hazelnut Breeding Program
- The Public Affairs Counsel represents Hazelnut Growers in Salem
- The Hazelnut Industry responds to the Tariff Situation
- The Hazelnut Stewardship Program Proof Positive of Excellent Production Practices
- The Importance of Nutrition to Tree Growth, Yield and Your Bottom Line
- Over 40 vendors at the Trade Show to make connections and have conversation

USDA Market Facilitation Program - Deadline December 6, 2019

Sign-up for Market Facilitation Program (MFP) funds are now open. Applications must be submitted to local Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices by December 6, 2019. In May 2019, Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced the USDA would be administering \$14.5 billion in direct payments to growers through the MFP.

Payments are based on a grower's 2019 acreage; in addition to hazelnuts, specialty crop growers who produce almonds, walnuts, pistachios, macadamia, pecans, ginseng, sweet cherries, grapes and cranberries are eligible.

Key notes for those interested in applying:

- *Grants are administered by the USDA Farm Service Agency and applications are available at county FSA offices or by visiting farmers.gov/manage/mfp
- *Payments are limited to a combined \$250,000 for specialty crop producers
- *Eligible applicants must also have an average adjusted gross income for tax years 2015, 2016 and 2017 of less than \$900,000 or 75% of the person's or legal entity's average AGI for those tax years must have been derived from farming and ranching
- ~Growers who were ineligible under AGI guidelines in 2018 may now be eligible and may reapply *Applicants must also comply with the provisions of the Highly Erodible and Wetland Conservation regulations

Further information, including downloadable application forms can be found at farmers.gov/manage/mfp. You may also contact your local FSA office.

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OREGON HAZELNUT INDUSTRY OFFICE



NGS 2020 Dues Invoice

The Nut Growers Society Board encourages all our members to pay the 2020 dues of \$100

What are the benefits of being a NGS Member?

- Annual Summer Tour of Orchards, BBQ lunch and Trade Show (two guests plus yourself)
- Annual Winter Meeting, lunch and Trade Show (two guests plus yourself)
- Quarterly newsletters
- Growers Corner website page your connection to current industry research and resources
- Yearly Growers Handbook summary of previous Summer Tour and Winter Meeting
- Included on the Growers Handbook membership roster (optional), sponsorship, vendor and ad opportunities

If you prefer not to renew your membership online, fill out the info below and mail the page with a check for \$100 to NGS - 21595 A Dolores Way NE Aurora, OR 97002

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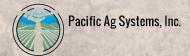
































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NGS 2020 Dues - pay on-line at www.oregonhazelnuts.org or with enclosed invoice

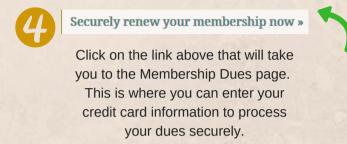






If you haven't logged into your account before - your "user name" is the number on this newsletter address label on the top right.

Your password is "Nutgrower1".



When you are done with the payment process and sign out of your account - you will be automatically registered for the Winter Meeting. Your name tag will be generated and can be picked up at the registration table at the Winter Meeting beginning at 7:00am, January 16, 2020.

Please call the Hazelnut Industry Office if you have questions or difficulty with the on-line invoice process at 503-678-6823

Oregon Hazelnut Research & Extension Fund

It's not too late to contribute to the Oregon Hazelnut Research & Extension Fund for a strong push to close out 2019! Since its inception in 2016, the fund has grown to \$444,110. By contributing to the fund, you are helping to ensure the cutting edge research in all areas of hazelnut production as well as the world renowned breeding program at OSU. These funds will propel the industry into the prominent position it deserves for a robust future.

Your investment to the OSU Foundation fund is considered a charitable contribution and can be an important part of your year-end tax planning. Please consult your tax advisor about how your contribution will fit into your specific tax situation.

For contributions - make checks payable to the OSU Foundation/Oregon Hazelnut Research & Extension Fund

Send to Nut Growers Society - 21595-A Dolores Way NE, Aurora, OR 97002

Thank you! Your contribution is an important investment in the future of the industry.

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Upcoming Events



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Save the Date

January 16, 2020 (7:00am - 3:00pm)

NGS Winter Meeting - OSU CH2M Hill Alumni Center

2020 NGS Membership

Annual dues information enclosed

Industry Calendar

December 6-8, 2019 - Mt. Angel Hazelnut Fest & German Holiday Market

December 3, 2019 - Oregon Hazelnut

Commission Annual Meeting 8:30am - OSU Foundation Building 4238 Research Way SW, Corvallis OR 97333

August 12, 2020 - NGS Summer Tour @ Lane County Fair Grounds - Eugene

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