

The Update

Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association

WINTER 2019

LEAD Alumni Annual Conference — 2020 Vision for the Future



Join us for a look into the Future of Agriculture
Discussion on Alternative Agriculture,
and Tours of local Agricultural Production.

Register Today to Attend the LEAD Alumni Conference: 2020 Vision for the Future!

Saturday, February 1, 2020 – 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM
Case IH Plant (3445 Stolley Park Road, Grand Island)

Registration at: www.eventbrite.com

Keywords: Nebraska LEAD Alumni Conference: 2020 Vision for the Future
\$100 for Primary Registration - \$50 for Guest Registration

Program:

8:30 AM: Registration Opens

9:00 AM: Ag Technology Update with Mr. Vishal Singh of Quantified Ag

9:45 AM: The Future of the Industrial Hemp Industry in Nebraska

10:30 AM: Advanced Global Ag Focus Program in Lincoln with Nate Blum, Coalition for 21st Century Innovation in Education

11:15 AM: Alternative Ag Panel, Moderated by Mr. Alex McKiernan of Robinette Farms

12:00 PM: Lunch and Nebraska LEAD Alumni Annual Meeting

1:00 PM: Case IH Plant Tours

2:30 PM: Afternoon Bus Tours to The Grain Place and Prairie Hills Vineyard

6:00 PM: Dinner and Keynote Speaker at the Case IH Plant in Grand Island

Rooms available under “Nebraska LEAD Alumni Conference” at:
Ramada Midtown 1-308-384-1330, 2503 South Locust St., Grand Island, Nebraska 68801

LEAD Alumni Annual Meeting Notice

When: February 1, 2020, during lunch at annual conference

Where: Case IH Building in Grand Island NE

Why: The Alumni Association will have several proposals to discuss and vote on - your voice is needed!!

See you in Grand Island!!!

Board Showcases Dan McKeon



*Dan McKeon
DDM Land Management LLC*

I grew up on a farm west of Ravenna and graduated from Ravenna High School in 1984. I received my Bachelor degree in Ag Ed from UNL in December 1989. I have moved a few times since graduating from UNL. I have done agronomy work in the Gothenburg, North Platte, and now the Kearney area of Nebraska. I have been married almost 25 years to Traci S. Richards from Kearney. We have four children ages 22, 20, 16 and 14 (two girls and two boys). We now reside in Odessa, Nebraska.

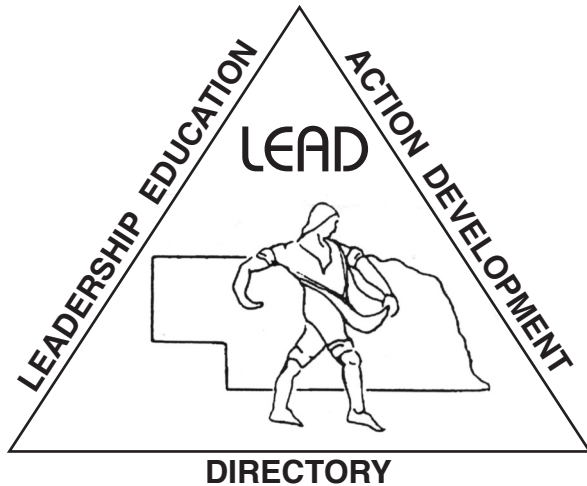
The majority of my professional career has been working with area producers as a crop consultant. My company is DDM Agronomics. In the winter months I have been blowing the whistle for 30 years on the wrestling mats. I have also had the privilege to be active in several organizations such as Boy Scouts of America, Prince of Peace Catholic Church, Catholic Encounter Christ (CEC), NICCA - Nebraska Independent Crop Consulting Association, Farm Bureau, Western Nebraska Wrestling Officials, Kiwanis Club, AGS Alumni Association and the Knights of Columbus.

I had friends that were in LEAD or had been in previous years that highly recommended that I fill out my application. I knew that I wanted to advance my leadership knowledge so I decided to go for it. It was one of the best decisions I ever made. I was in Class XIII. I really enjoyed the time spent in LEAD. Our international travels took us to Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore and South Korea. The study travels really opened my eyes to the global economy and how agriculture effects everything besides my community.

I have some advice for anyone interested in the LEAD program. "If you love your ag profession, the LEAD program will only help you be a better advocate for your ag industry and improve your skills as a leader in your community." Take time to visit with your friends and neighbors and encourage them to apply.

In closing, I would like to say that we all are blessed with talents. We just need to figure out how to utilize them to the best of our ability. Life is all about relationships and it's up to you how you want to leave your legacy.

ALUMNI DIRECTORY UPDATE



The membership directory is one of the member benefits for Nebraska LEAD Alumni. Every three years we publish an updated edition, and this will happen in 2020. I'll get right to the point: we need your help! If you have changed your mailing or email address, phone or have any other changes, please let us know.

Your LEAD Alumni directory is a handy guide for networking with fellow alumni. Every graduate of the program is listed by class in the front of the directory. However, the bulk of the directory is a listing that includes names (with spouses), phone number and address, and an email address for those alumni. If that individual is a Lifetime member, we make a note of that by highlighting their name in bold print.

As you leaf through the current copy, you will see some folks missing some or all of their information. Sometimes, people move or change their phone number or email address. When preparing to publish the directory, we work hard to provide an accurate edition. Nancy and I began this process right after we published the last directory in 2017. As members received their copies, some folks let us know about the errors to their entries and we corrected them.

As each new LEAD Class graduates, we are provided their information. As these new alumni become members, they often provide updated information, which we note.

Another source of corrections occurs when annual members pay their dues and include their updated information on the membership slip. When newsletters go out, some are returned from the Post Office because they were undeliverable. Nancy will try to track down those involved in an attempt to update her files and mine. Sadly, we are generally informed as members pass away. We note their passing in the class lists and remove their personal information from the detailed listing.

Each year, class representatives will contact their classmates to encourage membership in the Alumni – if they're not already members. This often leads toward updates that we note. Since we are now working on the directory, we will be asking your class reps to review their lists and make a few phone calls so that we have the most current information for publication.

Nancy and I will review all of the updates. By mid-February we will send the print-ready pages to be published at Service Press in Henderson. Our goal is to have fresh copies to share with the graduating LEAD Class in March, and to mail copies to all dues-paid members at that same time.

If you have an update, please let us know! Thank you for your help in this endeavor.

Tim Graff, Executive Treasurer
graffx@me.com

National and International Travel Study Seminars Visited



*Pat Heyen, LEAD Alumni
National and International
Travel Study Coordinator*

Hello Alum!

Winter is officially here, at least for most of the state of Nebraska. We spent Thanksgiving in Chadron with my parents and watched the snow fly and the wind blow for most of the weekend. Somewhere after the 8-10" mark, we wondered if we would make it back home to Ceresco in time for work on Monday morning!!

As we look forward to our International Travel Seminar to Ireland in August 2020, I thought I would share with you the complete list of National and International Travel Study Seminars since the Alumni group started taking these adventures.

Here are the destinations and the year of travel. You might remember traveling to one or more of these places. Or maybe you hope to travel with us some time in the future. Enjoy reminiscing with us.

California

Feb. 7-11th, 2005 (5 days)

Total number of travelers - 23

Meet with the California LEAD Alumni Chapter

JD Heiskel Feed Mill

Tour Innovative Dairy Operation

Tour Fulton Valley Farm Poultry Operation – Foster

Poultry and Commodity Buyers

Tour Frito Lay Chip Manufacturing Plant

Meet with California Department of Agriculture

Meet with California Energy Commission

Meet with California Farm Bureau

Tour Specialty Farm

Tour NAPA Valley Vineyards

Alcatraz Tour

Mexico & Costa Rica

Feb. 4 – 10th, 2007 (7 days)

Total number of travelers - 15

Mexico Highlights –

Tour Historic Guadalajara

Tour Agropecuaria Trigon Poultry Farm & Feed Plant

Tour grain storage facility & farm tour

US Embassy

Tour Industrias Gosa S.A. DE C.V. Soybean oil extraction

Tour Silos Tysa – shuttle receiving facility

Costa Rica Highlights –

Visit Roberto Federspiel Facility – Andalusia Horse Breeder

4 Visit Hacienda Solimar – Brahma Cattle

Visit Orchids Experimental Station

Visit Cooperative Dos Pinos R.L. – Dairy Facility

Visit CINDE – Costa Rican Investment Promotion Agency – overview of Economics-Import-Export)

Visit EARTH University

Visit Arenal Volcano

Hawaii

Feb. 1-11, 2009 (11 days)

Total number of travelers - 33

Honolulu Highlights –

Visit with members of the Hawaii Farm Bureau

Pearl Harbor

Punchbowl National Cemetery

Diamond Head, Pali Lookout, Hanauma Bay and Hana Point Blow Hole

Visit Dan Dudden (LEAD 5) for BBQ

Visit Organic Nolo Farms (Sugar Beet Farm) and Wildlife Sanctuary

Waimea Valley and Waimea Falls Park

Polynesian Cultural Center

Big Island Highlights –

Kona Blue Water Farms – Kona Blue Fish Hatchery

Mauna Kea – Parker Ranch, historic cattle ranch

Hawaiian Homestead Lands – Honopua Farm Lei maker

Visit State operated master permitted ocean science and technology park

Kalapana Tropicals, Inc. certified orchid nursery

Volcano National Park

Hilo Coffee Mill

Green Point Nursery

Maui Highlights –
Day on own – Road to Hana
Whale Watch Tour

Spain and Portugal

Feb. 26 – March 9, 2011 (12 days)

Total number of travelers – 18
Walking tour of Madrid’s Historic Quarter
Visit Bodegas Osborne and Ranch – Vineyards and wine making process
Meeting with Ministry of Agriculture, Rural & Marine Department
National Center of Irrigation Technology - Madrid
Visit with representative of the Andalucian Committee of Ecological Agriculture – Sevilla
Hacienda Guzman – Olive Farm and Andalucian Horse breeding site
Sevilla’s Historic Quarter
Council of Agriculture and Fishing Industry of La Junta of Andalucia – Sevilla
Ag visits
Visit IVIA – Valencia Institute of Agriculture Research Facilities – Moncada
Tour of City
Guided tour of the Old Town – Historical Quarter – Valencia
Valencia City Hall – Reception with the Mayor of Valencia
Tour of Valencia Agricultural Foundation
Walking tour of Barcelona’s medieval and Historic Quarter
Day excursion to the Valley of Penedes – Tour of two established Catalan Bodegas of Wine & Cava
Guided tour of Barcelona

Lousiana – Cancelled

2013

Not enough interest

China

March 5-16th, 2015 (12 days)

Total number of travelers – 36 – Sold Out
Meet with Nebraska agriculture liaisons
Full day Beijing Tour, Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City
Tour Reinke Irrigation Manufacturing Co Ltd
Great Wall of China
Pengcheng Food Processing Factory
Summer Palace – Beijing

Terra Cotta Warriors – Xian
Silk weaving workshop – Shanghai
Sunqiao Modern Agricultural Zone
Greenhouse and Hydroponics Planting section
Huangpu River Cruise
Zhuiaijiao Water Town with boat ride
Yu Garden
US Agricultural Trade Office – Hong Kong
Drive by Kwai Chung Container Port and visit wet food market
Hong Kong Island Tour

Alaska

August 19-29, 2017 (11 days)

Total number of travelers – 40 - Sold Out
Best of Juneau Tour – Humpback Whale watch and Mendenhall Glacier
Tour of Macaulay Salmon Hatchery
GoldStar Dome Class Train Anchorage to Seward
Kenai Fjords National Park Tour – Glacier Cruise
Musk Ox Farm
Havemeister Dairy Farm
Mananuska Experiment Farm
Stockwell Farm
VanderWeele Farm
Reindeer Farm
Alaska State Fair
2 nights inside Denali National Park at Kantishna
Roadhouse with guided tours and activities

Peru

February 15–24, 2018 (9 days)

Total number of travelers – 38 - Sold Out
Lima Historic Tour
National Institute of Agrarian Innovation
Cuyo Farm (guinea pigs)
Cusco and Sacred Valley
Center on the preservation of Peruvian native art of weaving
Center focused on Aimicea Zea Mays (The Giant White Corn of Cusco)
Fortress of Ollantaytambo
Huiloc Community
Kinsa Qocha Potato Park
Andes Ecolodge El Mangal
Train from Ollantaytambo to Aguas Calientes along the scenic Urubamba River
Machu Picchu 2.5 hour Tour of Solar Clock, Incas
Princess Palace and Three Windows

Machu Picchu Optional Hikes – Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain “Montana”
Tour of the Imperial City of Cusco
San Pedro Produce Market

California (Wine Country)

February 17-24, 2019, (8 days)

Total number of travelers – 30

Visit Sausalito

Muir Woods – Redwoods

Napa Valley

Long Meadow Ranch Rutherford Estate

Rutherford Hills Winery

Russian River Valley

Stemple Creek Ranch

Francis Ford Coppola Winery

Parmelee Hills Vineyards

Toluma Creamery and Cheese Farm

McEvoy Ranch Olive Farm

San Francisco – Hop on Hop Off Bus with Union

Square, Fisherman’s Wharf & SOMA District

Alcatraz

Ireland & Northern Ireland Farm Tour

August 11-22, 2020 (12 days, 10 nights)

Total number of travelers – 46 - Sold Out

Belfast City Tour

Queens Botanical Gardens

Titanic Belfast

Giants Causeway

Beef Cattle Farm with Belgian Blue & Herford Herds

Bushmills Distillery

Dairy Farm with Tailormaid Holsteins

Armagh Bramley Apple Orchards

Londonderry walking tour

Westport Dairy Farm

Croagh Patrick Mountain

Kylemore Abbey

Abalone Farm

Cliffs of Moher

Ring of Kerry

Shepherding Demonstration

Cow Calf Operation

Blarney Woolen Mills

Small Scale Dairy Farm

Visit Cahir Cattle Market

Cereal Crop Farm

Dublin City Tour

Trinity College



I enjoy traveling with the LEAD Alumni. The members are such an amazing group to be with. Wouldn't it be fantastic to fill every Study Travel Seminar!

Have a very Merry Christmas everyone. May your New Year be filled with blessings.



Thankful for the LEAD Alumni Organization



Dennis Nun, President, LEAD Alumni

We celebrated Thanksgiving last week and welcomed a new grandson into our family. It seems like the perfect time to enumerate the many things for which I am grateful.

At the top of the list for me, as well as for many of you involved in production agriculture or related businesses, is the end of a long and challenging 2019. Whether you were affected by the floods, just a little too much rain, the hail or winds, the challenges of a difficult and protracted harvest, or lousy commodity prices, the end of 2019 and the hope of better circumstances in 2020 is the how we survive, to thrive in better times. That's what farmers and every leader does.

This is my final article as the president of the LEAD Alumni Association. I am very proud to be a member of this organization and it has been a pleasure to serve the nearly 1,100 alumni of the Nebraska LEAD Program and to work along-side so many outstanding individuals. It goes without saying that our executive secretary Nancy Eberle (XII) and executive treasurer Tim Graff (XX) keep this organization organized, informed and financially responsible month-in and month-out. We also have some exceptionally engaged officers and board members that I have really appreciated as your President.

Our Vice President Matt Dolch (XXXIII), Secretary Nicole Bohuslavsky (XXXIV) and Treasurer Cindy Zimmerman-Jaynes (XXIV) have served this organization well. In addition, Gerald Claussen (I), Nate Blum (XXXVI), Troy McCain (XX), Pat Heyen (XIV) our Study Travel Coordinator and the rest of your board have been amazing to work with. I have truly enjoyed the past two years of being able to serve in this role.

Our harvest season pushed back our plans for some regional gatherings for our alumni in November and December. But, we're continuing to plan for regional meetings across the state of Nebraska in January and February. In my last two months in this position, I'll continue to be calling on some of you to assist in this effort. If there is a location in your area that you think would be suitable to host an event and you would be willing to help in hosting one of our regional meetings, please contact me at DennisLNun@gmail.com and let's talk about the possibilities.

Watch for announcements of the dates and locations. These events are being planned for the purpose of social connection among our members, supporters and potential LEAD XL candidates, networking among our LEAD Alumni and to provide an update on our activities. I hope to meet many of you at these events!

Our board will be meeting in Aurora on Saturday, January 18th, exactly two weeks prior to our annual meeting to address the business of the association to be presented at our annual meeting in Grand Island on Saturday, February 1st that will include some great networking and educational experiences being planned for us by LEAD XXXVI. We look forward to seeing all of you there! Register today! Until then, ... Lead on.

So, where have we been lately?

In October Patty & I had the opportunity to visit a UNL graduate school classmate, who's now a three-term governor in the Kumamoto Prefecture of southern Japan. Ikuo Kabashima was a gracious host and welcomed us along with our friends from Columbus, Nebraska, Richard & Barbara McPhillips. Pictured here at the governor's mansion are Patty Nun, Richard & Barbara McPhillips, Governor Kabashima and his wife along with Kumamon who has been designated by the Governor as the "Sales Director of the State of Kumamoto". The Governor was proud to be named by our Governor Pete Ricketts as an Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska, the credentials which we presented to him in Kumamoto.



lead-er-ship

noun

1. the action of leading a group of people or an organization.

Do you know a past Nebraska LEAD Alumni member that exemplifies the definition of leadership? If so, please take a few minutes to nominate them for selection as the 2020 Outstanding LEAD Alumni Member. The Outstanding Nebraska LEAD Alumni Committee is now seeking nominations for consideration.

Your investment of time in this nomination is appreciated as we look to build upon the legacy of previous award winners. We look forward to recognizing the hard work, leadership, and citizenship that members deliver each day in our communities throughout the state. Nominations are due no later than January 15, 2020.

Matt Dolch

Chair, Outstanding LEAD Alumni Committee

Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association OUTSTANDING LEAD ALUMNI AWARD

Each of you are aware of someone deserving of this award. We hope you will take a few minutes to write a paragraph or two about the reason the nominee is a great candidate to consider. Previous award winners are listed below.

Award Purpose:

To provide public recognition of a Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association member who has achieved notable success in using the skills learned through the Nebraska LEAD Program and through other means to become a leader in their chosen field of agriculture.

Award Nomination Criteria:

1. Nominee **MUST BE** a current paid member of the Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association.
2. Nominee has demonstrated leadership qualities deserving of the Outstanding LEAD Alumni Award.

Deadline for nomination documents: **January 15, 2020**

Nomination documents must be mailed or e-mailed to:

Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association
c/o Nancy Eberle, Executive Secretary
520 Road 20
Bradshaw, NE 68319
neberle@mainstaycomm.net

Or E-mailed to:
matt.dolch@syngenta.com

3. Nominations (not including past winners) from the previous two years will be included in the current year's selection process.
4. Notification of selection committee results to the nominator will be made two weeks after nomination deadline.

Award Recipient Information:

1. The Outstanding LEAD Alumni Award will be presented during the Annual LEAD Alumni Conference
2. The Outstanding LEAD Alumni Award recipient will receive public recognition and a plaque sponsored by the Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association.

Award Winners:

1991 – Don Hutchens

1992 – Larry Hudkins

1993 – Dennis Baack

1994 – Larry Sitzman

1995 – Gary Bergman

1996 – Ceclia Grevson

1997 – Mike Bauerle

1998 – Kate Sullivan

1999 – Mary Pat-Finn Hoag

2018 – J.D. Alexander

2000 – Tom Baker

2001 – Gerald Schmidt

2002 – Craig Buescher

2003 – Doug Boisen

2004 – John Miller

2005 – Fred Meyer

2006 – Nancy Eberle

2007 – Robert Rikli

2008 – Mark Jagels

2019 – Fred Bruning

2009 – Jerry Stahr

2010 – Steve Kruger

2011 – Todd Schroeder

2012 – Deb Fischer

2013 – Dan Duncan

2014 – Lisa Lunz

2015 – Dennis Kahl

2016 – Willow Holoubek

2017 – Tom Schwarz

2020 – **Your Nominee!**

Nancy's Notes



Nancy Eberle, Executive Secretary



Happy Holidays everyone! At this very busy time of the year, it's good to sit back and think about all the things we are thankful for. I made my top ten list of items for our Alumni Association that I would like to share with you in this newsletter:

1. The network of over 650 phenomenal people - all LEAD Alumni Members!
2. The great work the Alumni board and staff have accomplished over all the years we have been organized. (Since 1983)
3. Alums who are always willing to help on committees, with the annual conference and all our other offerings.
4. Our continued support of and work with the NE LEAD program.
5. The accomplishments of all our alumni which are amazing in many ways i.e. national, international boards and committees, public policy, local boards and committees, and fundraising support for the LEAD program.
6. The ability of the alumni to help continue your "LEAD experience" in the way of leadership development, travel studies, networking and more.
7. The opportunities we all collectively receive because of our association with the LEAD program.
8. The NALC Board members and the NE LEAD Alumni board members, current and past, who have given expertise, time and effort to their organizations.
9. The supporters and contributors to the LEAD program, Ag Adventure Tour and annual conference.
10. And last, but certainly not least, my thankfulness for the amazing people I have been privileged to work with through the association these past 25 years. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Until next time LEAD on

Dollars & Sense



*Tim Graff, Treasurer
NE LEAD Alumni*

As the 2019 crop year winds down, I imagine farmers like me are pulling together their records and comparing what was earned with what was projected. With a shrug or a smile, we look to the next year and create a cash flow that we – and our lenders – find sensible. As your LEAD Alumni Executive Treasurer, that’s also what I’m doing right now for the Association.

At the Annual Alumni meeting coming up on February 1, I will share how the Association performed compared to the 2019 Budget. I will also give a report on the state of our investment accounts and share a proposed budget for 2020. What does it all mean?

The Alumni Association was established to provide a connecting place for graduates of the Nebraska LEAD Program. The Alumni Association’s stated purpose was to provide agricultural educational and leadership opportunities for their members, and to provide continued support for the LEAD Program itself.

Money comes into our budget from membership dues and from income generated from our investment portfolio. The other source of funds comes to us from the efforts of the class hosting our annual conference. That’s pretty much it. That’s where our money comes from.

Where does it go? The Association makes a substantial donation to the LEAD program each year and also provides the special class pins that Fellows receive at their graduation. The alumni also prints a quarterly newsletter that goes to dues paid and lifetime members, with one newsletter that goes to all of the graduates of the program. Every third year, an updated directory of alumni of the Nebraska LEAD program is published and distributed to dues paid members. We also host a website that allows all stakeholders the opportunity to stay current with the activities and programs of the LEAD alumni.

Programs? We are offering study/travel opportunities every year for alumni that have been sold-out experiences for the past few years. We host the “Ag Adventure Tour” – an opportunity for alumni and urban participants to climb aboard a bus and tour ag and ag-related industries in Nebraska. Along the way, they learn more about the issues we face in our industry, and everyone walks away with a greater understanding of Nebraska. The best part is that this tour has become self-funding.

There’s a certain amount of overhead necessary with an organization of this size. While board members don’t receive compensation, there are costs associated with some of the meeting locations. We do compensate our staff: Nancy as our Executive Secretary, Pat as our Study Travel Coordinator, and me as the Executive Treasurer. We are looking for a Social Media Coordinator and an Annual Alumni Conference Coordinator, both of whom would receive a stipend.

Through the efforts of the Strategic Planning Committee, several ideas were put forward on where to take the Nebraska LEAD Alumni into the future. I haven’t seen the final report, but several of these steps include a greater need for cash coming into the Association. I encourage you to attend the Annual Conference to voice your opinion. I’ve talked about the dollars so I close with some sense. The best way you can show your support to the Nebraska LEAD Alumni is by paying your annual dues or becoming a Lifetime member, and by attending the Annual Conference.

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By now, those of you who are paying annual memberships or have not yet joined our organization should have received the membership mailing a couple of weeks ago. Please do consider joining the 650+ of us already part of this alumni association. As mentioned in Tim’s article, we do financially support the LEAD program through dues paid and sponsorships received. Your continued support helps us in that effort as well as allowing us to continue our offerings such as the newsletters, travel study tours and the ag adventure tour. Please note that we have initiated SQUARE into our alumni website so that dues and deposits can be collected electronically. Of course dues can still be submitted through snail mail directly to me to the address included on the membership form, but if you feel comfortable with online payments, check out our new offering!!!

## Call to Action:



*Eric Dam LEAD XV*

Grand Island Regional Involvement- LEAD Alumni in the Grand Island region who are interested in broadening their network, getting caught up with LEAD Alumni involvement and activities, and socializing with other LEAD Alumni are invited to get involved with an inaugural meeting to be held on Saturday, January 11th in Grand Island. Anyone from the Grand Island area including the towns of Aurora, Hastings, St. Paul, Shelton and others who are interested can contact Eric Dam (LEAD XXV) for more details. Eric's number is 402-657-4637.

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~ CLASS NOTES ~

Congratulations to Dave Englund (Lead XIV) who has been elected President of Farmers National Company effective January 1, 2020. Farmers National is the leading Ag Services company in the US with services ranging from Farm and Ranch Management, Real Estate Sales, Oil and Gas Management, Appraisal, Insurance, Hunting Lease Management, Conservation and Recreation Services.

Double congratulations go to Nate Blum (LEAD XXXVI) who has been asked to serve as an advocate for the National Small Business Association (NSBA) in Nebraska's First Congressional District. NSBA is a non-partisan, business-owner led and solution-based organization striving to work with policy-makers for the benefit of small business, which forms the backbone of our nation's economy. Also, earlier this year, Nate was also asked to join the US Global Leadership Coalition (USGLC) as an Advisory Committee Member. USGLC advocates for the maintenance of the 1% of the federal budget which accounts for foreign aid. Make us proud Nate!

Kudos to Lisa Lunz (LEAD XVII) for being named the 2019 Ag-Ceptional Woman of the Year! Lisa is a fantastic advocate for agriculture and has been a great CommonGround volunteer for many years.

To stay in touch with the happenings of the Alumni Association, please go to the website: <http://www.neleadalumni.com/> Click on the "Subscribe to our Site" on the left hand side of the page and enter your contact info. You will receive periodic updates and information through this subscription.

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NETWORK!

Keep the spirit of the
Nebraska LEAD
Program ALIVE!

Update

Update is the official newsletter
of the Nebraska LEAD Alumni
Association. The purpose of
the publication is to keep you, a
vital part of the LEAD network,
linked with fellow alumni!