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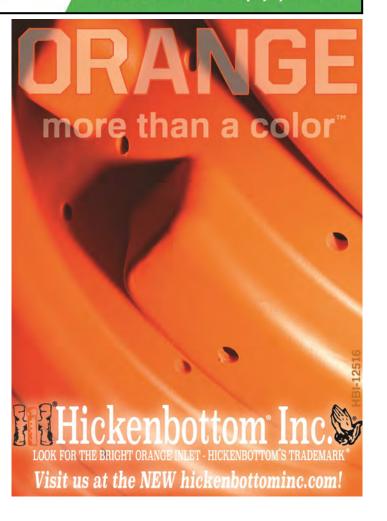
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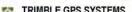
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As the strong December wind blows hard tonight, I sit back thinking over the day where I spent a good portion of it channeling my inner Wes Litwiller as I zipped back and forth with the crawler end loader. Zipping being a relative term with a crawler end

loader. We don't put many hours on the beast in relation to our other machines, but sometimes the job calls for its particular virtues. As we all know, you do the job best with the right tool. While you can drive a nail with an open-end wrench, it is not the best tool. Everyone knows driving nails works best with a hammer and your finger to cushion the blow, so you don't damage the head of the nail.

Let's get back to that idea of the best tool for the job. Some of the readers will know just what I meant by channeling my inner Wes, as you have been to shows we have done. For those that don't know, Wes was often there with his Cat crawler end loader moving some dirt here, some gravel there, doing what an end loader does best. I want to include LICA as the best tool for the job of becoming a better contractor, operator, business operator, and even, dare I say it, perhaps a better person. This doesn't happen because you write a check made out to ILICA. It happens when you take advantage of the benefits, attend the workshops and convention, serve on the board or a committee, and get to know the other members.

That time is soon approaching for the convention in Spring-field in February. I do hope that you make plans to attend and not to just show up but to get know others and to renew friendships that have suffered under the draconian touch of government. There will be education sessions, a trade show, members' meeting, and, of course, fun activities including our first ever Cash Bash where you have the chance to win money as you also support the association. I do hope you make plans to attend.

I will leave you with a Merry Christmas and may the coming year be better than the last.

Sincerely,

Steve Anderson

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BOARD & MEMBERS' MEETING SCHEDULE

Unless changed by the Board during the year, the ILICA business meetings are scheduled as follows:

Feb. 5, 2022 - Board/Members' Mtg. (Annual Conv.): Crowne Plaza, Springfield

March 10, 2022 - Regular Meeting of the Board: TBD

Exact location, meeting times & other details will be published in the ILICA News and sent to members via mail and/or email.



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ILICA Ladies Pag

Valentine's Day should be a day that you surprise your friends with a gift. Remember the excitement of getting Valentine's cards from your friends Repurposed Sweater and classmates in elementary school? think we should still share that excitement with our friends now that we're just a little older. Giving a cuddly repurposed sweater pillow is the perfect Valentine's gift.

Valentine's Pillow This year, I knew I wanted to make cuddly sweater pillows for a friend. She was having a rough year, and I thought that something cuddly would be just the right gift. I stopped by the thrift store and found these perfect Valentine's colored sweaters. They were in excellent condition. I got the pink one for only \$1.50 and it's 100%

Magically it's 100% soft and cuddly wool so it's perfect for a pillow. I washed the sweaters well, Mom, so they're sweet smelling and fresh.

I took the sweaters with me to the craft store to find a pillow form that would fit each sweater. There were two of these green pillows on sale for about 1/3 the cost of an actual pillow form. So that was an easy decision to make.

I laid the sweater out on my cutting mat and laid the pillow on top of the sweater to measure where to cut the sweater. I left about 1 inch extra to turn under for seams.

The pink sweater was a little shorter in length, so I had to cut the sleeves a little to be able to have enough of the body of the sweater to use. I cut the sleeves so that the seam remained with the sleeve, that way I can keep the sleeves for a future project without them unraveling. The sweater was wide enough that I'd only be using the center portion of the sweater and that angled area under the arms would end up hidden in the side seams.

I sewed the seams on my sewing machine. I sewed two seams close together to make the seams a little stronger. Those of you who are talented seamstress-

> es probably know a better way to do this, but it worked fine for my purposes.

> I used the bottom finished edges of each sweater to make one of the seams. The finished edges were quickly sewn shut by hand. This allowed me to mush the pillow (a technical term) and stretch the sweater while I was sewing so that it looks nice and smooth when it's finished.

The pink pillow looks much better in person. It received 2 out of 2 teenage daughter thumbs up. And those were unsolicited positive comments, so they mean much more. Both of my daughters commented on how much they like the texture and pattern on the pillow.

As I was hand-sewing the red pillow shut, I had a light bulb moment. Bing. I added a monogram for my dear friend, "C."

I took two strands of white yarn and twisted them together. I laid the yarn out in a shape that I liked and then sewed it down with small stitches.

Now I have to look for more sweaters to surprise my daughters since they liked the pillows so much. I have 3 weeks. Cross your fingers for me.

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UPDATE:

THE ILLINOIS NUTRIENT LOSS REDUCTION FIELD LABORATORY - A UNIQUE SOLUTION TO A WIDESPREAD PROBLEM



By Dr. Laura Gentry,
Director of Water Quality Research,
IL Corn Growers Association

In the Fall of 2016, a team of contractors and tile drainage specialists from The IL Land Improvement Contractors Association (ILICA) and other drainage industry experts from across IL met at a harvested soybean field in Macon County, IL, outside the

town of Blue Mound, on the family farm of Pete Pistorius, to complete a project that had begun over a year before. The project had come to be called the IL Corn Growers Field Laboratory, but, in reality, this world class research infrastructure was only made possible as a result of this team of land improvement specialists' devotion to the agricultural industry. The ILI-CA team, along with technical assistance from University of IL agricultural engineer, Dr. Richard Cooke, and administrative assistance from the Illinois Corn Growers Association, worked steadily through the preceding fall and winter months of 2015 thinking through the siting and drainage requirements needed to measure the effectiveness of various in-field agricultural practices for reducing the nitrate-N and phosphorus loads leaving fields through tile drainage systems. After sifting through dozens of potential field sites across the state, ILICA members selected the Macon County site and, in September 2016, the ILICA team brought together tile drainage contractor members, a fleet of equipment, and truckloads of material through the contributions of a number of ILICA associate members. The team spent the next two days installing the subsurface pattern-tile drainage system according to the design of ILICA member, Seevers Farm Drainage, Inc., to represent real-world tile drainage industry standards while also incorporating research design elements and monitoring capabilities that meet the demands of the most rigorous peer-reviewed scientific journals. The result was 37 independently monitored lateral tiles placed alternately with non-monitored "buffer laterals," requiring over 110,000 feet of drainage tile on 40-foot spacings, and fitted with Agri Drain water level control structures to access the drainage water for monitoring.

The partnerships and innovative drainage design were not the only one-of-a-kind components of this field laboratory. Typically, university research-led studies depend on technician and student labor to collect and test samples. However, this re-

search site is located over an hour's drive from the University of IL or the IL Corn Growers office. It was apparent that yearround water quality monitoring would require a different approach. The field lab team turned to Waterborne Environmental, Inc. to provide a monitoring solution. After consideration of various approaches, the Waterborne team, led by Senior Agricultural Engineer, Greg Goodwin, devised a novel instrumentation design. The fully automated pass-through design included electric water pumps, thousands of feet of protected underground tubing, water level sensors, nitrate sensors, radio and cellular telemetry communications, a weather station as well as a tipping bucket rain gauge. In addition to instrumentation design and installation, Waterborne's team of engineers, technicians, and data analysts have performed site maintenance (which has ranged from typical upkeep and instrument calibration to "rodent management") as well as statistical analysis for treatment assignment and summaries of tile flow rates, nitrate concentrations, and nutrient loads.



Drone image of fall 2016 drainage design. Image courtesy of Waterborne Environmental.

Why a Field Laboratory?

The substantial planning and effort that went into the creation of this research infrastructure was all in response to the release of the Illinois Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy (NLRS) in July 2015. At that time, the IL Corn Growers Association (ICGA) committed to identifying the most effective and cost-efficient practices to address nitrogen (N) and phosphorus (P) losses

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from agricultural fields. There was a general, but largely unspoken, understanding that farmers were losing N through tile drainage systems, but "how much?" and "when?" were far less understood. Aside from applying stabilizers to fall-applied N and not applying manure or fertilizers to frozen and/or snow-covered ground, there was little else farmers knew to do to reduce N and P losses in a practical way.

At the time that the NLRS was released in 2015, cover crops were gaining awareness as a good soil health practice and one that was effective at reducing soil erosion. Newer research from Midwest Land-Grant Universities, including the University of IL, was also finding that overwintering cover crops could be very effective at reducing N and P losses from agricultural fields, making them a slam dunk solution from a water quality and soil health perspective. However, cover crops also added labor, costs, and risk. Farmers said again and again that there were a lot of issues related to growing cover crops that simply had not been sufficiently researched in IL.

The other set of in-field management changes farmers could employ to reduce their N losses to meet the objectives of the NLRS were to adjust their N fertilizer management. Nitrogen fertilizer application may seem like a straightforward and well-understood system but, actually, there are many facets to consider and decisions to make – factors like N application rate, timing, placement, and type of N fertilizer all contribute to how much N ends up in a corn plant versus runoff and drainage water. These challenges – agriculture's footprint on water quality and farmers' options for addressing it – were the motivation for the partnerships that resulted in the creation of the Illinois Corn Growers Field Laboratory.

Field Lab Research

In Spring 2018, Pete Pistorius planted corn across half of the field lab; he would plant soybean across the other half later that week. Six weeks later, he side-dressed N fertilizer across the corn according to a most curious application map provided to him by the field lab's first research team led by Dr. David Bullock, an agricultural economist from the University of IL. Laid out on the computer screen inside Pete's tractor cab, Dr. Bullock's map looked less like your normal variable rate fertilizer application map than your great grandmother's patchwork quilt. Pete used his fertilizer sprayer to apply anhydrous ammonia across 8 corn rows, going just 30 feet at a time before the equipment changed to a different rate; the rates varied by over 100 lbs N/a creating dozens of "rate stamps" across the field that would help determine the soil's capacity to provide N to the corn plant naturally. The point of the research was to develop a N fertilizer response curve for the field that would

generate a customized N fertilizer application map for future years that considered the soil's natural ability to provide N, thereby reducing excessive N fertilization and minimizing N losses from the field, increasing N fertilizer use efficiency.

Among the other distinctions of this facility's research design structure, it should also be noted that the field has provided research opportunities to additional research teams. Dr. Bullock's team opened up the field lab to the research teams led by Dr. Andrew Margenot, a soil scientist, and Dr. Nico Martin, a bioinformatics professor. These two researchers bring new questions about soil health and remote sensing that they layer on top of Dr. Bullock's nitrogen fertilizer management treatments. The results have the potential to bring even greater understanding of the impacts of nitrogen management on corn fields across the U.S. Dr. Margenot explains his research below:

"We are evaluating how soil health relates to water quality and yield in the Illinois corn context. Current soil health indicators were developed for different cropping-climate conditions, and thus may not necessarily be applicable to Illinois conditions. Furthermore, water quality outcomes of soil health practices are largely unknown, though we know that farmers in the Midwest conceptualize a clear positive link of soil health with improved water quality. And — of course — this must be grounded in agronomic outcomes: yield and farm financial return. We're working with ICGA to integrate these three goals of Illinois corn production systems."

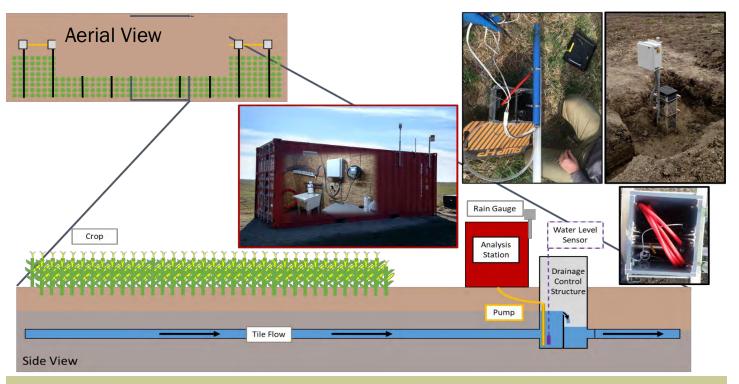


Fall 2016 field lab installation demonstrating telemetry and pump controls, as well as the underground tubing system designed to transport water samples from the control structures to the nutrient sensor. The equipment allows for a fully automated pass-through sampling system, a first-of-its-kind in the country for field agricultural research. Image courtesy of Waterborne Environmental.

Field Lab Outcomes

To date, the field laboratory has provided 4 growing seasons of data on crop yield, soil health-related changes, and tile nitrate

UPDATE: THE ILLINOIS NUTRIENT LOSS REDUCTION FIELD LABORATORY (CONT.)



Schematics of how tile drainage water samples are transported from drainage control structures to belowground tubing and directed to the nitrate sensor.

Images courtesy of Waterborne Environmental.

losses in response to different nitrogen fertilizer rates for corn. The Data-Intensive Farm Management project team led by David Bullock are still analyzing the full data set, but their preliminary analysis suggests that site-specific N management strategies could increase farm profits. The 2018 growing season, for instance, was a year when the most profitable N application rate was approximately 50 pounds per acre lower than the grower's usual N rate. There was also some statistical evidence that a site-specific application strategy would lower total N application on the field. The Margenot and Waterborne research teams have generated 2 posters and have submitted for peer-review a manuscript detailing the impacts of nitrogen application rates on soil health indicators in a corn rotation. The posters were presented at the American Society of Agronomy annual meetings in 2019 (titled, "Evaluating Nitrogen Effects on Current Soil Health Metrics for Illinois Maize Production") and the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers in 2020 (titled, "A Novel Approach for Estimating Flow During Submerged Tile Conditions"). We anticipate additional research findings and educational outcomes based on the Bullock team's research which, in addition to the field laboratory, included nitrogen rates experiments across the country and in other key corn-production countries, within the next two years.

The future for the field laboratory is promising and exciting. Beginning this fall, staff from the Illinois Fertilizer and Chemical Association will be partnering with IL Corn Growers staff and Pete Pistorius to measure the effects of cover crops and nitrogen management on crop yields, tile nitrate losses, and net farm return. The expectation is that this research will be ongoing for at least 4 growing seasons and will produce practical, much-needed information for farmers in Illinois and across the Midwest related to cover crop and nitrogen fertilizer management. Stay tuned!

Dr. Gentry has served as Director of Water Quality Research for the IL Corn Growers Association and IL Corn Marketing Board since 2014. She also maintains an adjunct faculty position in the Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences at the U of IL in Urbana-Champaign (UIUC). Dr. Gentry received her Ph.D. in Soil Science from N.C. State University in 2005 and worked in academia from 2006-2013 before joining IL Corn. In 2016, Dr. Gentry helped established the 160-acre agricultural research facility called the IL Corn Growers Field Laboratory to monitor nutrient losses from tile-drained corn and soybean fields under various agronomic management scenarios. Dr. Gentry also established a farmer service program called Precision Conservation Management (PCM) in 2015 that assists farmers with adopting conservation practices in a way that minimizes financial and management risks to the farming operation.

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Convention Agenda

Wednesday, February 2

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Registration

2 pm; 4:00 pm; 4:30 pm

Convention, Nomination, Awards Comm. Mtgs.

Thursday, February 3

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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10:00 am - 10:30 am

Morning Break

10:30 am - 11:30 am

National LICA Benefits Update

Be sure to catch this session to get an update on all of the National LICA benefits and programs available to you as a LICA member. Allison Hack, LICA Director of Communications, shares the details about these exclusive benefits specifically designed to save you time, money, & resources.

Thursday, February 3 (Continued)

12:00 pm

Welcome Luncheon

Convention committee chairman welcome and new member recognition. Partner reports from National LICA & Illinois Association of Drainage Districts.

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Ladies Activity

Join the ILICA Ladies for in-house crafts and activities.

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Trade Show

Visit over 35 industry vendors and chat with Associate members to check out all the latest equipment, technology, and product offerings.

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Afternoon Break

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Hospitality Hour

Speculate over the 2021 award recipients with a drink and enjoy some up-close magic from mentalist Jym Elders.

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Awards Banquet

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8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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Friday, February 4

7:30 am - 8:00 am

Devotions

Jump start your morning with scripture, testimony, and hymns.

8:00 am - 11:00 am

Registration

8:00 am - 11:30 pm

Trade Show

Take advantage of your last opportunity to visit over 35 industry vendors and Associates to check out all their latest equipment, technology, and product offerings.

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Ladies Activity

Join the ILICA Ladies for in-house crafts & activities

10:00 am - 10:30 am

Morning Break

11:30 am

Associates Committee Meeting

12:00 pm

Luncheon

Partner reports from Agricultural Drainage Management Coalition & Natural Resources Conservation Service

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

CASE STUDY: Jacking & Boring Under Railroad Rights-of-Way

Learn about the procedures & processes involved to complete projects within a railroad right-of-way in this case study from Jon Seevers, Seevers Farm Drainage, Inc.

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

JULIE Basics

Learn about the one-call basics including design & planning tickets from Brian MacKenzie, JULIE Damage Prevention Manager, and view Drain Tile Safety Coalitions new documentary film "Three Seconds Later."

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Afternoon Break

Grab a sweet treat at the ice cream social.

Friday, February 4 (Continued)

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Taxes, Accounting & Employee Retention

Get all the latest tax & accounting updates and employee retention business tips from Dustin Courson, Courson & Associates.

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Mix & Mingle

Eat, drink, and be merry with mix & mingle appetizers, a carving station, and cash bar as the Cash Bash gears up to provide one lucky member BIG MONEY!

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Cash Bash & Silent Auction

A reverse raffle where even a single ticket gives you the chance to win BIG MONEY, the Cash Bash is wildly entertaining. With only 200 tickets sold (\$50 each), the last ticket drawn could win \$2,500! Five (5) cash prizes will be awarded in addition to the BIG MONEY (1:33 chance of doubling your money; need not be present to win). Enjoy the many games of chance and a silent auction going on at the same time! (Be sure to bring some extra cash even if you're not after the BIG MONEY to participate in other games of chance.)

9:00 pm - 1:00 am

Associate Hospitality Rooms

Whether you are looking to unwind after a long day or merely looking for a brief night cap, check out the 3 Associate hospitality rooms for refreshments, snacks, and games.

Saturday, February 5

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Devotions

Jump start your morning with scripture, testimony, and hymns.

9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Ladies Activity

Join the ILICA Ladies for in-house crafts & activities.

9:00 am - 9:15 am

Final Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, February 5 (Continued)

9:15 am - 12:30 pm

Members' Meeting

All attendees are encouraged to participate. Members will be given updates from our various committees, as well as have the opportunity to guide Illinois LICA through 2022.

10:45 am - 11:00 am

Morning Break

12:30 pm

Luncheon & Convention Committee Meeting

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Board Members Orientation Training

Board members (new & old) and future leaders are strongly encouraged to complete this orientation which explores non-profit governance, outlines directors' roles and responsibilities, and looks at Association risk management. Training facilitated by Ryan Arch, ILICA, and Amber Bosma, Prins Insurance.

Hotel Info

The Crowne Plaza Springfield is offering a room rate of \$123 per night for a standard king or a double queen, plus applicable state and local taxes. To take advantage of this block room rate, please visit: Crowne Plaza Springfield Reservations - https://tinyurl.com/sbk3f85h

Or call 1-800-227-6963 and simply ask for the IL Land Improvement Contractors Association room block. This rate will expire on **January 7, 2022**, so reserve your room as soon as possible.



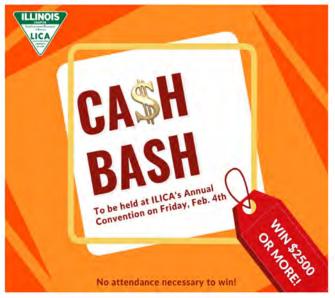


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New View for 2022

Illinois LICA's Annual Convention & Members' Meeting February 3-5, 2022

Crowne Plaza Springfield 3000 S. Dirksen Dr., Springfield, IL 62703

Early Bird Registration

Full Participation	One Day	One Day Participation			
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Reservation deadline: January 7, 2022

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Contractor Training Store and Illinois LICA are partnering to host a training that will offer 3 CEU's required for the renewal of Illinois Septic Licenses during ILICA's Annual Convention at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield, IL.

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2022 NATIONAL LICA WINTER CONVENTION TENTATIVE AGENDA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

San Antonio Rodeo

OR 12:00 am

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

10:00 am - 5:30 pm Fredericksburg/Museum

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Executive Committee

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:00 am - 1:00 pm Seminars (TBA)

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Executive Directors

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Associates' Night

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

8:00 am Opening Breakfast

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Committee Meetings

12:00 pm Lunch

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:00 am Breakfast

9:30 am - 10:30 am Delegates' Meeting

10:45 am - 12:00 pm Board Meeting

12:00 pm Lunch

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Caterpillar Awards Banquet

ASSOCIATES' NIGHT THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

We had a "Fiesta" and dressed like "Cowboys", now it's time to go back - to the 80's! Come with your big hair, shoulder pads, colorful sweaters to Associates' Night and visit with our exhibitors. One of the biggest questions of the decade was, "Who Shot J.R.?" So in honor of the tv show "Dallas", Members can join in the Murder Mystery game: "Who Shot J.B.?"



NATIONAL LICA COMMITTEES

When LICA members, come together it's an opportunity to exchange ideas, techniques and more. Every attendee at the Winter Convention is welcome to join any committee. The knowledge gained in committees is invaluable. Speaking directly with other contractors and sharing successes and pitfalls is one of the "intangible benefits" from being a LICA Member.

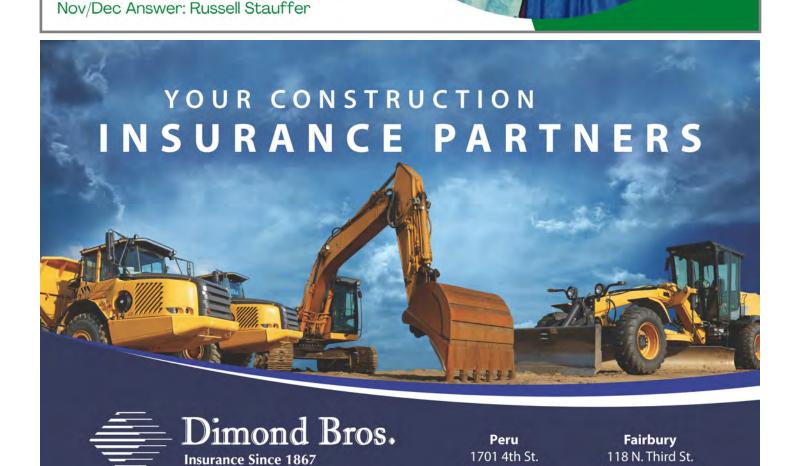


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FEATURED ILICA BENEFIT: FREE CONVENTION REGISTRATION FOR NEW CONTRACTOR MEMBERS

Are you a new contractor member that just joined the Association in 2021/2022? If so, you are eligible to receive a FREE full convention registration. That's right, all 3 days of meals, activities, and entertainment included! The Illinois LICA Annual Convention and Members' Meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Springfield on February 3-5, 2022 (see pages 14-19 for event details). Come for the trade show, education, entertainment, and hospitality Thursday through Saturday...or just come on whichever day works best for your schedule! Bring your spouse or partner along and have lunch and dinner on us! We look forward to seeing you there.



Illinois LICA 2022 Annual Convention

This card entitles a new active contractor member (or his/her company designee) to one (1) FREE full participation at the 2022 ILICA Convention: \$205 value!

Return this card with the convention registration form included in mailing by January 17, 2022.

Additional registrations may apply:

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Employees or partners:

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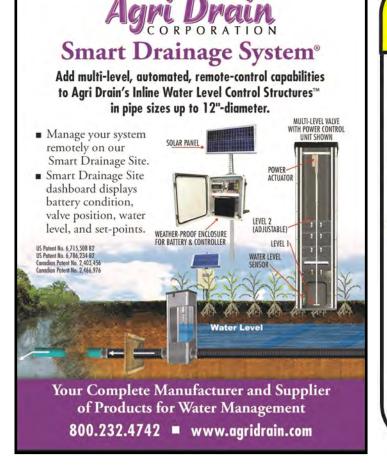
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