

## **NOW is the Time to Apply for SDABA's 2019 TAL (Tomorrow's Ag Leaders) Class**

The Tomorrow's Ag Leaders (TAL) program is a leadership development program sponsored by the South Dakota Agri-Business Association (SDABA) and designed to improve leadership skills of South Dakota men and women working in agri-business.

The class is limited to 10 participants and the application deadline is November 1, 2018. Class and registration information can be found online at <https://www.sdaba.org/tomorrow-s-ag-leaders>.

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## **SDABA Board of Directors joins the VOTE NO ON W Coalition**

A growing coalition opposing Constitutional Amendment W is warning that its passage would grow government and saddle citizens with a powerful, unrestrained ethics tribunal.



“Amendment W adds an entirely new Article to the South Dakota Constitution that claims to be superior to all other Articles of the existing Constitution. It creates an unelected ethics tribunal that has the power to pass rules that cannot be altered by any other branch of government and that may not be referred to a vote of the people as are laws passed by the legislature,” said David Owen, chairman of the W is Wrong coalition, [www.wiswrong.com](http://www.wiswrong.com).

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## **Everything You Need to Know about the November 6th General Election**

SDABA 2018 Voter's Guide is available for you to print or email so it can be shared with employees on our website by going to [www.sdaba.org](http://www.sdaba.org), or [clicking here](#).

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## Planning for Ag Expo 2019 is Underway



Mark your calendars for January 16-17, 2019 for the best tradeshow and conference in the upper Midwest. The theme has been selected, the Exhibitor forms have been sent and speakers are confirmed!

Go online to learn more at [www.agexpo-sd.org](http://www.agexpo-sd.org)! New information added often!

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## Addressing Lights on Nurse Wagons

Work continues after a federal law required manufacturers of nurse wagons to include lights on any trailer manufactured after June 2017. Jean Payne and John Rebholz with the Illinois Fertilizer and Chemical Association (IFCA) recently made a presentation at the annual meeting of the American Society of Ag & Biological Engineers (ASABE) in Detroit to explain the issue and propose alternatives to the new requirement. IFCA has been working with the Agricultural Retailers Association (ARA) and ASABE to seek more flexibility on this standard. The presentation resulted in the formation of a small working group to come up with a resolution. Our thanks to John Rebholz for volunteering to be on the subcommittee! This comes with good timing as input can also be given as the group is considering requiring brakes on nurse wagons in the future. While we are already seeing the problems of the inability to hook the light terminals up to older toolbars or when nurse tanks are pulled in combinations, the addition of brakes would greatly compound maintenance issues as these trailers are used in the field of application. *Source: Asmark*

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## The Fertilizer Institute Now Accepting 4R Advocate Nominations

Farmers across the United States, working closely with their fertilizer retailer partners, are working to implement fertilizer best management practices, known as 4R Nutrient Stewardship, to improve economic return and decrease environmental impact. The Fertilizer Institute (TFI) is now accepting nominations for the 2019 4R Advocate program to recognize these farmers and retailers for their commitment to nutrient stewardship.

Nominations are due by October 31, 2018. Applying is easy; submit details and supporting materials about your 4R efforts online. Program details and online application form are available at [nutrientstewardship.org/advocates/become-an-advocate/](http://nutrientstewardship.org/advocates/become-an-advocate/).

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## Congratulations to South Dakota's Newest Certified Facilities



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- Nutrien Ag Solutions - Meckling, SD
  - Nutrien Ag Solutions - Vermillion, SD
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### Calendar

#### OCTOBER

9-10 - TAL Class Session Three, Sioux Falls, SD

12 - [Ag Expo Booth Application Deadline](#)

#### NOVEMBER

1 - [Tomorrow's Ag Leaders](#) Application Deadline

15 - SDABA Board of Directors Meeting, Brookings

#### DECEMBER

4 - Governor's Budget Address, Pierre

12 thru 13 - [Agronomy Conference](#), Sioux Falls Convention Center

### 2019

#### JANUARY

8 - 2019 SD Legislative Session Opens, Pierre

15 - SDABA Board of Directors Meeting, Sioux Falls  
16-17 - [Ag Expo 2019](#), Sioux Falls Convention Center

**MARCH**

13 - Last day of the main run of the 2019 SD Legislative Session  
29 - VETO day for the 2019 SD Legislative Session

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