



Montana Grain Elevator Association

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To: Valued MGEA Member

From: Jayson Hauer, MGEA President

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Thank you for your support of the Montana Grain Elevator Association! With a year like 2023 it is more important than ever for our members to work together to create a stable business environment. The end of year review that is conducted by the board of directors reflects on a challenging yet rewarding year. Your MGEA board of directors is committed to continuing to serve members and asks your continued involvement in YOUR association--the only one committed to representing you in Montana regulatory and legislative grain issues and to being a voice for the Montana grain industry when needed and appropriate. MGEA is a valuable and necessary partner for everyone involved in the grain business in Montana. No other association has the focus we provide on grain issues in this state.

Throughout the last year MGEA accomplished a lot including:

- Advocating for MGEA member interests with executive branch agencies.
- Continuing to provide scholarships to MGEA members' dependents. In 2023, \$13,000 was awarded to deserving individuals.
- Providing monthly e-newsletters to members on current events, safety topics, issues directly impacting your businesses, and upcoming events MGEA will be hosting or participating in.
- Onboarding a new Executive Director to advocate on behalf of all MGEA members.

We hope that you will continue to see the value in your membership in MGEA and continue to support the association. The cost of membership in MGEA remains less than in neighboring states, and we are hopeful that you are seeing a good return on your investment.

Please mark any inaccuracies on your contact information on the attached invoice and return with your payment. Additionally, if you have concerns or suggestions regarding our activities as a board, or as an association, please take a moment to contact us either email (director@mtgrain.com) or MGEA 283 Thomas Ct., Helena, MT 59602.

We look forward to receiving your continued membership!