



## ASFMRA, AgPro magazine and Syngenta Open Nominations for Farm Manager of the Year Award

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**May 3, 2017** - The American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers® (ASFMRA®), AgPro magazine and Syngenta are now accepting nominations for the 2017 Farm Manager of the Year Award. Visit [www.farmmanageroftheyear.com](http://www.farmmanageroftheyear.com) to nominate an individual or team.

The Farm Manager of the Year Award recognizes farm managers whose dedication and commitment to agriculture has benefited their clients, the American consumer and our most precious commodity – the land. Since 1986, ASFMRA, AgPro and Syngenta have worked together to recognize an outstanding farm manager or farm management team and showcase their accomplishments and dedication during an awards ceremony at the ASFMRA Annual Conference - AgroNomics. This year the awards ceremony will be held on November 15, 2017, at the Savannah International Trade and Convention Center in Savannah, Georgia.

Individuals or teams that receive this prestigious award are selected by a panel of judges, based upon the number of clients and the retention rate of those clients; innovative crop production practices, including soil and water conservation; average crop yields; marketing success; involvement in service organizations and their community; and their ability to adapt to ever-changing economic conditions facing agriculture. To be eligible, a farm manager or farm management team must have at least five years of farm management experience and be a member in good standing of ASFMRA.

“ASFMRA is proud to partner with AgPro magazine and Syngenta to recognize an outstanding farm manager. So many of our members give not only to their profession, but to their community and certainly to their clients. That is one of the reasons that ASFMRA members are considered to be *The Most Trusted Rural Property Professionals*,” explained Brian Stockman, Executive Vice President/CEO of ASFMRA.

Brent Rockers, district sales manager for Golden Harvest and Syngenta echoed those thoughts, “ASFMRA members are on the cutting-edge of innovative crop production and we are proud to recognize those individuals and their accomplishments.”

"AgPro is proud to help recognize outstanding professionals in the field of farm management. These are key influencers and advisors in the agricultural industry," says Rhonda Brooks, editor AgPro.

Nominations for the 2017 Farm Manager of the Year are open and the honoree of the award will receive complimentary travel, registration, transportation and lodging to attend AgroNomics 2017: Changes, Challenges and Opportunities, as well as a personalized plaque and a \$1,000 donation to a non-profit ag group of their choice.

Nominations are due by May 26, 2017.

### **About ASFMRA**

The American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers® (ASFMRA®) is the largest professional association for rural property land experts, boasting over 2100 members in 31 chapters throughout the United States. Over 40 percent of ASFMRA's members hold a designation as an Accredited Farm Manager (AFM), Accredited Rural Appraiser (ARA), Real Property Review Appraiser (RPRA) or Accredited Agricultural Consultant (ACC). ASFMRA truly represents *The Most Trusted Rural Property Professionals* and is *the* organization for individuals who provide management, consultation, and valuation services, as well as real estate services on rural and agricultural assets. The land experts who hold membership in ASFMRA work under a professional code of ethics, which includes continuing education requirements. You can rest assured that if you're working with someone who is an accredited member of the Society, you are truly working with a competent land expert and agricultural professional who can assist you with all of your property, land and asset needs.

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