



# INSIDER

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## A Letter From Our New President

**S**o much has happened since the last Newsletter, where to begin? First, as your newly elected president, may I say thanks for your Vote of confidence. What a great Association to be a part of! The PAA has an excellent Executive Committee and I look forward to working with them over the next nine months. The Executive Committee welcomes newly elected VP Bud Platt, Directors Ed Lulai and Sam Thornton, together with those listed on the inside of the front cover, we look forward to serving you.

**BIG THANKS** to the Colorado LAC for providing a great place to hold our Annual Meeting, along with wonderful tours for our non-delegates, in such a beautiful surroundings. The trip to the top of Pikes Peak on the Cog Railway was enjoyed by many. Could the site at 14, 000+, have given us a new perspective for the Association? So many positive things happened during the annual business meeting. Maybe it was the thin air? Thanks again to the Colorado LAC of Rob, Susie, Rick, Tina, Barbara, the Sponsors and all others, for your time and energy in hosting the annual meeting. I know this message speaks for ALL who attended the *84<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the PAA in Colorado.*

As incoming President, special thanks to Past President Steve Love for his service to the Association this past year. Steve performed the monumental task of dealing with more than 21 Action items during the Annual Business meeting, and finishing ahead of schedule. With his leadership the Association moved into the new century very quietly and without any fan fare. Great job Steve!

As mentioned earlier, the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting was very positive. During two Executive Committee meetings and Annual meeting, only one dissenting vote was cast to

my knowledge, and that was by the proxy treasurer during a vote on an expenditure item. Thanks Mr. Treasurer for keeping the Association aware of our unbalanced budget. Yes, the Finance Committee presented the Association with a budget showing an \$18,000 deficit. That is not necessarily all bad, just reality. The Bylaws direct the Association to maintain a one-year operating budget, and we are within that amount for 2000/2001.

One of the highlights of the Annual meeting was the announcement of the special Graduate Student Endowment, in honor of Dr. Frank Haynes. Ed Plissey will cover more about the special endowment in this Newsletter. The next Newsletter will have more about the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting.

The Association's next meeting will be held in Florida, on April 22-26, 2001, only nine months after the Colorado meeting! Please turn your calendar ahead to October 2000. Yes, that is where we should be right now as you read this newsletter! The last time we met that early was in 1978. Normally the annual meetings are held in July or August. Please pay particular attention to the call for HLM, and call for papers. Pete Weingartner and his LAC are planning for an excellent meeting. The Theme for that meeting will be devoted to potato diseases. Since we only have nine months to accomplish twelve months work, let me encourage all Committees to work diligently to be prepared for the 2001 meeting. The biggest job will be for Lori Wing, our Administrative Assistant, Steve James, our Secretary, and Pete Weingartner to meet all expected deadlines.

## Dates

### October

**25-26:** 51st Annual WPVGA Industry Show, Portage County Highway Facility, Plover, WI. Contact: Stacy Steckbauer, (715) 623-7683

**27-31:** Produce Marketing Association Summit 2000, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, CA. Contact: (302) 738-7100

### November

**8:** Washington State Commission on Pesticide Registration Meeting. Ellensburg, WA. Contact: Alan Schreiber, (509) 543-9757

**9-10:** Montana Seed Seminar. Bozeman, MT. Contact: (406) 994-3150

**16:** South Dakota Growers Annual Meeting, Clark, SD. Contact: (605) 532-3311

**17-18:** Red River Valley Potato Growers Annual Meeting. Contact: Tammey Schwartzman (218) 773-3633

**Nov. 29-Dec. 2:** 2000 Seed Seminar, Monte Carlo Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, NV. Contact: Laurel Stamm, ICIA, E-mail: lstamm@idahocrop.com,

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## Inside Information

### News From Headquarters

For those of you who made the meetings in Colorado in July, it was great seeing everyone I'd met in the past and nice to put some names on new faces.

For those who weren't able to attend, you missed a great meeting. A lot of new things are going to be happening with the PAA. Many of these you will be reading about in this newsletter, some later in the Journal and others at our web site.

One thing we're hoping to do is to increase both our Sustaining and Individual Memberships. If you know of any organization or person you feel might be interested, please contact Duane Preston at [218-773-9614 or E-mail: dpreston@mes.umn.edu] for sustaining members and Rikki Sterrett at [757-414-0724 x12 or E-mail: vators@mail.vt.edu] for individual memberships.

It is vital to the Association that we continue to bring in funds to keep the PAA operating at its fullest potential.

**Lori (E-mail Lady) Wing**

## PAA Establishes Frank L. Haynes Graduate Student Award Endowment Fund

**O**rono, ME - The Potato Association of America (PAA) has established a permanent graduate student award fund honoring the late Dr. Frank L. Haynes, long time professor of Potato Breeding and Genetics at North Carolina State University. The Haynes Endowment fund was initiated by his wife Dr. Kathy Haynes, USDA-ARS Potato Breeder at Beltsville, MD and family with a \$5,000 initial bequeath to the PAA Endowment and presented at the organization's annual meeting held July 27<sup>th</sup> in Colorado, Springs, CO.

The Potato Association of America has been making the Graduate student cash awards honoring outstanding student research presentations given during paper presentation sessions at the organizations annual meeting. The Dr. Haynes Endowment, when fully funded, will perpetuate the PAA Graduate Student Awards program.

Dr. Frank L. Haynes was born in Alabama and earned his BS at Auburn University and his PhD at Cornell. He began his career as potato breeder at North Carolina State University in 1951. In 1960 he became part of a USAID potato development mission to Peru that led over time to the creation of the International Potato Center (CIP) at Lima, Peru. Dr. Haynes maintained a long time association with CIP and helped initiate many of its international development efforts. During his career, Dr. Haynes brought new technology to diploid potato variety breeding and guided many graduate students to careers in potato

development. His greatest pleasure was in helping young scientists develop skills, confidence, and achievement through his guidance and encouragement. He served on many academic, industry, and technical committees holding numerous leadership roles. He retired from North Carolina State University in 1987 but continued to work for discovery of new potato germplasm and advancement of potato breeding technology until his death in June, 2000. In recognition of his outstanding career in potato development, he was posthumously awarded Honorary Life Membership in the PAA at its annual meeting in Colorado Springs.

Dr. James Bryan, a fellow Honorary Life Member of PAA and a long-time associate of Dr. Haynes at CIP, has made an additional \$1,000 grant to the Haynes Graduate Student Award Endowment. It is estimated that \$15,000 is needed to fully fund the Haynes Graduate Student Awards. Other friends and associates of Dr. Frank L. Haynes and supporters of the objectives of the PAA are encouraged to mail their contributions to The Potato Association of America Endowment Fund indicating a contribution for the graduate student award fund. Checks may be sent to Lori Wing, Administrative Assistant, Potato Association of America, 5715 Coburn Hall, Room 6, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04769-5715, U.S.A.

Ed Plissey  
Endowment Fund Chair

## Current Donors to The PAA Endowment Fund

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As President, I would be remiss not to mention the our financial concerns for the operating period of July 2000 – June 2001. As mentioned earlier, we are experiencing a cash flow problem. The newly elected Executive Committee discussed this concern in some detail after the Annual Business meeting. Many positive items were discussed as to how the Association might achieve financial balance. The Membership Committee is working very hard to increase the individual and sustaining membership. Please support this Committees effort in increasing the membership – Thanks.

The Vision 2000 report last year and again this year encouraged more exposure of the PAA at the National and International level. Two things soon will be happening, following those suggestions. First, the National Potato Promotion Board has invited your President to speak at the Annual Meeting of the State/National Potato Organization Staff Workshop, to be held this September. The topic will be "Partnering with the PAA". What a great opportunity to begin building a solid working relationship with this segment of the potato industry. Second, this Association will be meeting with the International Horticulture Society at its meeting in Toronto, Ontario, Canada in August 2002. Plans are well underway in coordinating our meeting with the IHC, thanks to the efforts of Richard Tarn, Chairman of the liaison committee for the PAA. The NPPB meeting together with the IHC comes just as the Vision 2000 Committee is encouraging more global exposure. More on vision 2000 next time.

Oscar Gutbrod  
 PAA President 2000-2001

## A Letter From our Past President

I want to express my thanks to all members of PAA as I complete my term as president. We are still an association in flux, with many changes occurring as we attempt to modernize. This can be frustrating and in some cases costly. However, during these past several years we have taken some significant steps forward. The thing that has impressed me during this period is the loyalty and dedication the members have for this association. When suggestions for improvement are made, they are made with an eye towards making the association better. When opposition to changes are voiced, they are expressed for the purpose of preserving the positive aspects of the society. When members have such strong feelings about the society, they are willing to work without remuneration to keep it strong. I have seen this dedication during my tenure as president and it has been fun to watch. I thank you each for your inspiration to me.

I feel that I am leaving the association in good hands. Our new president, Oscar Gutbrod, is well organized, has experience with successfully mediating complex issues, and has some good ideas for keeping the association in the ranks of the elite. I am looking forward to another good year in PAA.

In conclusion, I feel that I need to find the answer to one more disturbing question. "Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?" If you know the answer, feel free to give me a call. Have a successful year. See you in Florida in April 22-26, 2001 (abstracts due on January 10, 2001).

Stephen L. Love  
 1999-2000 PAA President

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# Washington State Potato Commission Proposals

The Washington State Potato Commission (WSPC) is soliciting proposals for research to be conducted during the 2001 growing season. This Request for Proposals and other WSPC research information can be found on our web site: <http://www.potatoes.com/wspc/research.htm>.

All researchers interested in the potato industry of the Pacific Northwest are welcome to submit proposals. Also, if you know anyone who is not a part of this list, and who might be interested in submitting a proposal, please forward this information to them as well! The deadline is November 13, 2000.

Contact me at the commission office with questions/  
 comments:

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# Eighty-fifth Annual Meeting of The Potato Association of America

April 22-26, 2001  
World Golf Village  
St. Augustine, Florida USA

“Potato Plant Health into the New Millennium” is the theme of PAA 2001.

This is the first announcement of the 2001 PAA meetings. The World Golf Village (WGV) and St. Johns County Convention Center will be the PAA 2001 Conference headquarters. The WGV, home of the World Golf Hall of Fame, is a new hotel/convention center with state of the art meeting facilities. The meeting site includes three restaurants, three golf courses, fitness center, swimming pool, and numerous other amenities. The facility is within minutes of the north Florida potato region and St. Augustine’s beaches and historic district. There are two outlet malls within five miles and a large mall 20 minutes from the convention center.

The meetings will open with the President’s Reception, Sunday, April 22 at 6:30 pm and will close with the annual Awards Banquet Thursday evening, April 26. Technical presentations will be initiated Monday, April 23 with a symposium entitled “Impact of Emerging Diseases and Technologies on

Potato Seed Certification.” Additional details will be available at the PAA website.

The WGV is easily accessed from I-95 by taking exit 95A. The nearest airport is Jacksonville International Airport located 40 miles north of WGV. Shuttle service to WGV is available at the airport. Although there is no official airline for the meetings, Jacksonville is serviced by several major airlines including American, Delta, United, Northwest, US Air, and Southwest.

Please make room reservations directly with the World Golf Village. Indicate that you are with The Potato Association of America. The hotel has blocked 165 rooms at a special rate of \$109/night for single or double occupancy. The same rates will be in effect for three days before and three days after the conference. The room blocks will be held until March 23, 2001. In order to secure the convention rate, please make your reservations before that time by calling 1-904-940-8000.

Pete Weingartner  
Chair, PAA 2001

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM, 85<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PAA MEETING

April 22-26, 2001

World Golf Village

St. Augustine, FL

### SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2001

12:00 Noon      Registration (until 6 p.m.)  
 1:00 p.m.        Executive Meeting  
 6:30 p.m.        President's Reception

9:00 a.m.        Family/Friends Activities  
                       Executive Committee Meeting  
 Noon              Lunch  
 1:30 p.m.        Concurrent Paper Sessions  
 6:00-9:00 p.m. Posters/Reception

### MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2001

All Day          Poster Session Set Up  
 All Day          Slide Previewing  
 7:30 a.m.        Continental Breakfast  
 8:30 a.m.        Delegate Opening Session  
 9:00 a.m.        Symposium  
 9:30 a.m.        Family/Friends Activities  
 Noon              Lunch  
 1:30 p.m.        Concurrent Paper Sessions  
 5:00 p.m.        Section Meetings  
 7:00 p.m.        Section Meetings

### TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2001

All Day          Slide Previewing  
 All Day          Poster Session Set Up  
 7:30 a.m.        Continental Breakfast  
 8:30 a.m.        Concurrent Paper Sessions

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2001

7:30 a.m.        Morning Refreshments  
 8:30 a.m.        Delegate and Family/Friends  
                       Tours  
 6:00 p.m.        Barbeque

### THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2001

All Day          Slide Viewing  
 7:30 a.m.        Continental Breakfast  
 8:30 a.m.        Concurrent Paper Sessions  
 Noon              Lunch  
 1:30 p.m.        Annual Business Meeting  
                       New Executive Committee  
                       Meeting following Business  
                       Meeting  
 6:00 p.m.        Social Hour  
 7:00 p.m.        PAA Awards Banquet

# First Calls for PAA 2001

REMINDER - PAPERS MUST BE IN BY JANUARY 10, 2001

## Nominations for Honorary Life Membership

One of the highlights of each annual meeting of PAA is the recognition of persons who have contributed to the betterment of the potato industry. This recognition is made by awarding Honorary Life Memberships (HLM) in The Potato Association of America. This is the highest award bestowed by PAA.

Members of PAA are encouraged to nominate candidates for Honorary Life Membership which will be awarded at the 2001 Annual Meeting in St. Augustine, Florida. Honorary Life Memberships are awarded to individuals who have made significant contributions to the potato industry and/or to The Potato Association of America. Contributions may be for activities related to research, extension/education, production, processing, marketing, utilization or any other facet of the potato industry.

Nominations must be submitted on the official HLM nomination form, which is available from the PAA Secretary.

Nomination information should include details of the nominee's education, career highlights, contributions to the potato industry and any participation in PAA. In addition, nomination information must include letters of recommendation from five supporters of the nominee. These letters must be submitted with the HLM Nomination Form. Supporters of the nominee may not be immediate associates of the individual. Selection of individuals for Honorary Life Membership will be made by the Honorary Life Membership Committee. This committee is composed of the PAA President, President Elect, Vice President, the PAA Directors and the two most recent, living Past Presidents. The immediate Past President serves as chairperson.

This is the FIRST CALL for Honorary Life Memberships. Completed HLM

Nomination Forms (signed by the Nominator) and supporting letters must be submitted, no later than January 10, 2001, to:

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Aberdeen Research & Extension Ctr.  
College of Agriculture, Univ. of ID  
1693 S 2700 W, P.O. Box AA  
Aberdeen, ID 83210-0530  
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## Papers

This is the FIRST CALL for papers to be presented at the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of The Potato Association of America. This meeting will be held April 22-26, 2001 at World Golf Village, St Augustine, Florida.

The PAA invites the submission of papers dealing with all facets of the potato industry. Members may present papers either orally or as poster papers. Researchers, extension and industry persons are invited to participate. Graduate students are also encouraged to enter the Graduate Student Awards Competition (see announcement for submission guidelines).

Authors are required to submit abstracts for papers they wish to present, whether orally, as poster papers or in the Graduate Student Awards Competition. Abstracts can be submitted through the PAA website (<http://www.ume.maine.edu/PAA>), as an e-mail attachment or, if necessary, as a hardcopy through the postal service.

Prior to submitting your abstract, please carefully read and follow the formatting guidelines published on the PAA website. The body of the abstract should be no more than 1200 characters or 250 words (regardless of font type or size) not including the title and author by-line. All abstract submissions should include the title, authors,

presenter, presentation method, section (breeding, pathology, etc.) and if it is to be included in the graduate student competition. Submit email abstracts as an attachment to [steven.james@orst.edu](mailto:steven.james@orst.edu) and list "PAA Abstract" as the e-mail subject. There is no longer an official form for hardcopy abstract submissions. Mail your complete abstract to the PAA Secretary at the address below.

The abstract should agree with the paper presented and should not be written until data collection, analysis and interpretation have been completed. The abstracts for all papers (oral, poster and Graduate Student Competition) presented at the Annual Meeting will be published in a post-meeting issue of the *American Journal of Potato Research*. Abstracts of papers listed in the meeting program, but not presented, will not be published in the AJPR.

At the Annual Meeting, all oral paper presentations will be of a uniform 15-minute length. Authors should plan a 12 to 15-minute presentation with the balance of time devoted to questions. Overhead, carousel and electronic projectors will be available. Appropriate display boards will be provided for the poster papers. Please contact the PAA Secretary if other equipment is needed.

The deadline for receiving abstracts is January 10, 2001. Abstracts received after that date will be returned because of the time required to organize the program prior to the meeting.

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### Graduate Student Competition Papers

This is the first call for papers to be entered in the Graduate Student Awards Competition to be held at the 85th Annual Meeting of The Potato Association of America. This meeting will be held April 22-26, 2001 in St. Augustine, Florida.

The purpose of the Graduate Student Awards Competition is to promote graduate student participation in The Potato Association of America through presentation of research papers at the Annual Meeting. Participants are also encouraged to submit manuscripts for publication in the *American Journal of Potato Research*.

#### General Information

1. The author must be a current (or recent) graduate student at the time the

abstracts are due (January 10, 2001).

2. First place winners from previous PAA meetings are not eligible to participate.
3. Research reported must have been done while a graduate student.
4. The paper must be orally presented. Poster papers and symposium presentations do not qualify for the Graduate Student Awards Competition.
5. The paper must be submitted to the PAA Secretary as outlined in the First Call for Papers. Author must indicate discipline and that the paper is entered in the Graduate Student Awards competition. Abstract deadline is JANUARY 10, 2001.
6. Winners will be announced and honored at the Annual Banquet. Free banquet tickets will be provided by PAA for all graduate students par-

ticipating in the Graduate Student Awards Competition.

#### General Criteria for Judging

Papers and presentations will be judged on the following basis.

1. Quality of research and content - 60%
2. Effectiveness of presentation - 40%

#### Awards

Five awards will be presented in the amounts of \$350 for first place, \$250 for second place, \$100 for third place, \$100 for fourth place, \$100 for fifth place.

For more information, contact:

Dr. Kathy Haynes, Chair  
PAA Graduate Student Awards  
Competition  
USDA/ARS: Vegetable Laboratory  
10300 Baltimore Avenue  
Beltsville, MD 20705  
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## Plans for 2002 with the IHC

**A**ugust 11-17, 2002 - Toronto, Canada. Our joint meeting with the International Horticultural Congress where PAA will be one of the major participating Societies (see our April 2000 Newsletter, p.5). The second announcement for the Congress is included with this Newsletter.

There was much discussion about this meeting at Colorado Springs and the input received by your Congress liaison committee was much appreciated. Already I can report progress on a number of the issues.

For our members this will be a meeting within a meeting with the events that we expect: Section meetings, Graduate Student Paper Competition (IHC accepts our proposal to run these oral presentations in two evening workshop sessions), annual meeting and banquet. We also plan to have a \*PAA home room\*. For many members it will be an opportunity to take in

presentations on other crops - after all, many of us work on more than potatoes.

The Congress program includes Colloquia (see announcement), more than 20 multi-day Symposia, and over 50 Workshops. Among the Symposia is a four-day potato Symposium. At our Colorado Springs meeting members endorsed the title "Potatoes - Healthy Food for Humanity: International developments in breeding, production, protection and utilization," with four daily themes: (1) Breeding potatoes: evolving objectives, technologies and products, (2) Producing potatoes: balancing biological, ecological and economic realities, (3) Protecting potatoes: new tools; new biological, social and political realities, and (4) Utilizing potatoes: processes and products for the future. Convener of the symposium is Dr. Rickey Yada, Chair of the Food Science Dept., University of Guelph, Canada. Submitted papers will be screened and some selected for

presentation in the Symposium. Others will be recommended for Posters. Posters are considered the main vehicle for scientific information exchange at the Congress. PAA will make its presence felt in the evening Workshops since each Section has agreed to organize a Workshop.

Congress planning is based on about 2,250 participants. Registration should not exceed \$500 (US). For students there will be a reduced registration and lower cost accommodation.

Registration includes the proceedings of the Congress in *Acta Horticulturae*, a full-day tour to Niagara and the Congress Banquet. Our own Local Arrangements Committee will be looking after specific PAA events including our banquet.

For more information please check the IHC website (By the time you read this there will be a direct link from our PAA home page.)

Richard Tarn, Chair,  
PAA-IHC Liaison Committee

## PAA Background

### PAA Executive:

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# Position Announcements

## University of Maine Cooperative Extension Crops Specialist Position #64 - REOPENED

We are seeking an Extension Crops Specialist, for a full-time, fiscal year position to be housed in the Presque Isle Extension office located on Aroostook Research Farm of the University of Maine Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station on U.S. Rt. #1 in Presque Isle. The individual will develop and conduct educational programs throughout State with an emphasis on Aroostook County. An Extension Crops Specialist works with other Extension faculty, county Executive Committee members, advisory boards and volunteers to offer off-campus programs addressing the educational needs of the Maine Potato Industry and related agricultural industries. Qualifications: Earned Ph.D. in an area of plant science required. Strong academic background in agronomy or plant physiology desired. Experience working in agricultural crop production is desired. Experience with crop water management systems desired. Familiarity with computers and knowledge of the Extension educational process is desirable. Demonstrated positive interpersonal skills for working with coworkers, employer, and constituents of the community. Travel both in- and out-of-state usually requiring a valid driver license with reimbursement at the current contract rate. This position requires: excellent verbal communication skills, a commitment to serving diverse audiences and supporting civil

rights, equal opportunity, and affirmative action policies, be licensed in Maine as a pesticide applicator within six (6) months of hire. Have the ability to travel; usually requiring a valid driver's license, both in- and out-of-state, with reimbursement of current contract rate. Work Environment: Work site may change in the future. This position may affiliate with the Maine Agricultural Center and the potential for a split teaching/research appointment may be explored in the future. This position requires a flexible schedule with some evening and occasional weekend work throughout the State. This position may require work in adverse weather conditions. An annual Plan-of-Work serves as the framework for performance evaluation with flexibility built in to respond to changing and unanticipated client needs. This position is expected to work independently and in team settings. Salary: Commensurate with training, experience, and demonstrated ability. Additional qualifications both required and preferred are listed in the complete job description available from Sandra Vaillancourt at 5741 Libby Hall, Orono, ME 04469-5741, 207-581-3191 (phone), 207-581-3325 (fax), [sandyv@umext.maine.edu](mailto:sandyv@umext.maine.edu) (email) or on the UM web page at <http://www.umaine.edu/hr/jobs/umce>. Application review will begin in October 2000. A complete application consists of a letter of application, vitae, all transcripts (copies accepted), and names, addresses and phone numbers of four references.

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## PAA Members in the news

Andy Hornbacher of the University of Idaho is a recipient of the 2000-2001 National Potato Council's academic scholarship. Andy is from American Falls, Idaho where he grew up working on his Father's farm. He received a B.S. degree in Soil Science from the University of Idaho in 1999 and is currently working on a M.S. degree in Plant Science. His graduate

program includes a potato research project that is evaluating individual seed performance of five cultivars. After completing graduate school, Andy wishes to continue work in the potato industry by working as an agronomic consultant, seed-production agronomist, or a post-harvest potato storage specialist.

From the National Potato Council News

