

2025



OREGON SEED LEAGUE

Annual Meeting and Trade Show

DECEMBER 8-9, 2025

SALEM CONVENTION CENTER



FEATURED PRESENTATION:

ROB SHARKEY

Rob Sharkey is a risk taker and out-of-the-box thinker. Better known by his digital alias, The SharkFarmer, Rob is an Illinois grain farmer, owner of a whitetail deer hunting outfitter, podcast & radio show host, and host of multiple TV shows on RFD-TV and PBS.



Known for his authentic and honest storytelling on his podcast, Rob isn't afraid to address controversial topics or share the struggles of being a modern farmer and business owner. His unfiltered words resonate with almost a million listeners weekly around the world.

- Industry Speakers
- Educational Sessions
- Trade Show
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- Reception (Included with admission)

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

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PRINGLE ROOM - ALL DAY

LEAGUE LOUNGE

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CROISAN CREEK ROOM

7:00-9:00 a.m. **2-HR CORE PESTICIDE BLOCK**

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WILLAMETTE B, C & FOYER

8:00 a.m. **REGISTRATION**

8:00 a.m. **EXHIBITS & COFFEE**

WILLAMETTE A & D

9:00 a.m. **CONFERENCE**

Alex Duerst, Moderating

Opening Remarks

Alex Duerst, OSL President

9:00 a.m. **Domestic and International Market Update**

Brandon Bishop, International/Domestic Sales
and Marketing Manager, Ioka Farms, Silverton

9:30 a.m. **Oregon Labor Laws - Updates and A Walk Through
of Complex Legal Considerations**

David Briggs, Employment Law, Litigation
Saalfeld Griggs, Salem

WILLAMETTE B, C & FOYER

10:00 a.m. **BREAK AND COFFEE**

WILLAMETTE A & D

10:20 a.m. **CONFERENCE**

Alex Duerst, Moderating

10:20 a.m. **Safety and Compliance Update**

Eric Lloyd, Owner
Oregon Risk Management Solutions
Mt. Angel

10:50 a.m. **The Expansive Nature of Cover Crops in the Midwest
– What We Know and Issues to Consider**

John Pike, Agronomy Consultant
Marion, Illinois



11:35 a.m. **Oregon vs. Minnesota,
Are We Talking Football
or Grass Seed?**

Mike Baker, Owner/Manager
NORAM Seed Consultants and New Seed II
Lake Oswego

CROISAN CREEK ROOM

12:05 p.m. **LUNCHEON**

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**A Family Conversation
About Succession**

Rob and Emily Sharkey
Sharkey Outfitters LLC
Bradford, Illinois

WILLAMETTE A & D

1:45 p.m. **CONFERENCE**

John Peters, Moderating

1:45 p.m. **Sharks Don't Swim Backwards**

Rob Sharkey, SharkFarmer
Sharkey Outfitters LLC
Bradford, Illinois

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3:15 p.m. **The Oregon Legislature –
A Look Back at 2025 and Ahead to 2026**

Ryan Krabill, Government Affairs Manager
Oregon Farm Bureau, Salem

3:45 p.m. **Seed Council Update**

Megan Chuinard, Executive Director
Oregon Seed Council

4:05 p.m. **ADJOURN to Reception**

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An Opportunity to Meet with Sponsors and Exhibitors
(included with registration)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

PRINGLE ROOM - ALL DAY

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8:00 a.m. **EXHIBITS & COFFEE**

WILLAMETTE A & D

8:00 a.m. **CONFERENCE**

Lucas Rue, Moderating

8:00 a.m. **Regulatory and Chemical Registration Update**

*Steve Salisbury, Research and Regulatory Coordinator
Oregon Grass Seed Industry*

9:00 a.m. **The Search for Effective Solutions to
Vole Management: Expanding Research
and a Road Map for the Near Future**

Josh Twining, Oregon State University, Corvallis

9:30 a.m. **Navigating Global Export Markets, Tariffs
and Issues to Consider**

*Adam Hollowell, Senior Trade Policy Specialist
Bryant Christie Inc., Sacramento, California*

WILLAMETTE B, C & FOYER

10:00 a.m. **BREAK AND COFFEE**

WILLAMETTE A & D

10:30 a.m. **CONFERENCE**

Lucas Rue, Moderating

10:30 a.m. **Current State of the Climate
During Growing Season**

*Rod Hill, KGW-TV and Chief Meteorologist for
portlandweather.com*

11:00 a.m. **Ag Economists Look at Oregon's Farmland
Market and the Cost of Regulatory Compliance**

**Part One: Recent Trends in Oregon's
Farmland Market**

Dan Bigelow, Oregon State University, Corvallis

**Part Two: The Cost of Regulatory Compliance
on Oregon Farms**

Tim Delbridge, Oregon State University, Corvallis

11:45 a.m. **Annual Business Meeting**

Alex Duerst, OSL President

- **Election of Directors**
- **A Word from Our Sponsor**

CROISAN CREEK ROOM

12:00 p.m. **LUNCHEON**

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Winter Outlook

*Rod Hill, KGW-TV and Chief Meteorologist
for portlandweather.com*

WILLAMETTE A & D

1:30 p.m. **CONFERENCE**

Zach Halligan, Moderating

2-HR PESTICIDE CREDIT BLOCK

1:30 p.m. **Rodenticide Bait Trials for Gray-Tailed
Vole Management**

*Christy Tanner,
Oregon State University, Corvallis*

2:00 p.m. **Sod Webworm Management -
History and Current Trends**

Navneet Kaur, Oregon State University, Corvallis

2:30 p.m. **Biology and Management of Seed Gall Nematodes
in Annual Ryegrass Seed Production**

Hannah Rivedal, USDA/ARS, Corvallis

3:00 p.m. **Spot Spraying Weeds in Grass Seed Fields Using
Aerial Imagery and Artificial Intelligence**

Pete Berry, OSU, Oregon State University, Corvallis

3:30 p.m. **Prizes and Grand Prize Drawing**

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	SINGLE/DOUBLE
Deluxe King	\$ 159.00
Deluxe Double Queen	\$ 159.00

Extra person charge \$20.00 per night for each additional adult.



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seedleague.org

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Salem Convention Center & The Grand Hotel Parking Guide:

- 1) Salem Convention Center/The Grand Hotel in Salem – Access from Liberty Street
- 2) Pringle Parking Garage – Access off High Street (Top level only)



PRE-REGISTRATION ■ DEADLINE NOVEMBER 21, 2025 (Registration at the meeting is \$100)

NAME OF PERSON REGISTERED	MEETING		PRE-MEETING		MONDAY		TUESDAY		TOTAL
	PRE-REGISTRATION	2-HR CORE	LUNCHEON	LUNCHEON	LUNCHEON	LUNCHEON			
	\$90 per person (includes spouse)	PESTICIDE BLOCK (Must pre-register to attend)	\$24 per person	\$24 per person	\$24 per person	\$24 per person	\$24 per person	\$24 per person	
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4	\$	Attending: ☐ Yes ☐ No	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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Total Due:									\$

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SAVE BY PRE-REGISTERING Registration at meeting will be \$100

NO WAITING! If Pre-Registered, you may pick up your packet and tickets at the Registration Desk.

No pre-registration refunds after November 21, 2025

Company or Farm Name: _____

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