Key 2018 Highlights: GFN now over 180 farmers from 50+ countries and 6 continents.

- GFN Board of Directors held meetings with several ambassadors and international representatives during annual meeting in Washington, DC.
- 2018 Kleckner Award recipient Gina Gutierrez from Mexico, social media savvy dairy farmer.
- Collaborated with Washington, DC-based publication The Hill for multiple requested farmer op-eds.
- GFN members spoke at multiple events in Rome, Netherlands, Oxford, Paris, Poland, Nairobi, South Africa, Ghana, Nigeria, New Delhi, Calgary, Boston, Washington, DC and many more locations across the globe.
- Global Farmer Roundtable included Communications Masterclass training and a press conference co-hosted with US State Department broadcast on Facebook Live.

Coming in 2019:

- Addition of Advisory Council to help strengthen strategic overview and vision.
- Identify partners and implement plans for first Regional Global Farmer Roundtable outside the US.
- Increased collaboration with the FAO, World Economic Forum, International Agri-Food Network, etc.
- Implement GFN Portrait Program, capturing digital and video vignettes of GFN members on their farms, creating a catalogue to tell and enhance GFN message outreach and influence.

Website Activity 2018: visitors from 198 countries; Asia had 7 of top 10 spots with India taking the top spot for visitors with United States now in 3rd. Female visitors represented 52% of visitors to 48% for Male.

Social Media Growth: steady, sustained growth from 2014 through 2018:
Media Activity: samples that utilized GFN or contain items of interest on Global Farmer Network members.
ABC News, Australian Broadcasting Corporation (Australia) - "Trump trade war overshadows plight of Australia's chickpea farmers" quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Mar 12.

ABC News Rural (Australia) - "Farmers hoping Prime Minister Scott Morrison can secure a free trade deal with Indonesia" quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Aug 29.

ABC News, The World Today (Australia) - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) interviewed in “Agricultural lobby groups reject calls for review into glyphosate” Oct 8.

AFP, Agence France-Presse - Hope Pjesky (GFN, US-Oklahoma) quoted in “US farmers stressed, angry at trade wars” ran in numerous international outlets including France 24 June 16, Daily Mail (UK) June 15, Business Times (Singapore) June 16, El Espectador (Colombia) June 16...

Africanews / Reuters - "Mali; technology to boost agriculture and fight climate change” Feb 15 on Amadou Sidibe (GFN, Mali).


Afrique La Tribune - “Clash USA/Rwanda sur le textile : Kigali réussira-t-elle à tenir?” Mar 31 cited The Hill column by Pierre Munyura (GFN, Rwanda).


Ag News Daily - Mary Boote interviewed about the Global Farmer Roundtable and how it came to be Oct 10.


AG Week - As tariffs are announced, ND producers meet with Secretary Ross on trade June 15 includes Terry Wanzek (GFN Board, US-North Dakota).

AG Week - “Barley: Crop faring well, but prices, exports are worrisome” quotes Doyle Lentz (GFN, US-North Dakota) June 18; also in West Fargo Pioneer (N. Dakota) on June 18 and Capital Journal (S. Dakota) June 19.

AG Week - “Going with the grain: Barley becomes specialty crop to adapt to changing beer demands” quotes Doyle Lentz (GFN, US-North Dakota) May 27.


AgPro - Farm Journal publication used quotes from Apr 26 column by Dan Kelley (GFN Board, US-Illinois) in “USDA Puts Breeding on the Fast Track” May 10.


AgriPost (Canada) - Les Kletke (GFN, Canada) authored “Canadian Farm Groups Ready for New Markets” in Mar 30 edition.

AgriPost (Canada) - Les Kletke (GFN, Canada) authored “Trade Deal Nears Ratification” Feb 23.


Agri-Pulse - “International session for farmers pleads for biotech remedies worldwide” May 31 on Cornell University-sponsored farmer communication training week in Illinois, collaborated with Global Farmer Network, quoted GFN members including V. Ravichandran (GFN Board, India), Andrew Osmond (GFN, UK) and Liem Pham Quoc (GFN, Vietnam).

Agri-Pulse - “CRISPR conference assesses promises of pitfalls of gene editing” June 6 - Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe).

AgriTalk - Tim Burrack (GFN Vice Chair, US-Iowa) on radio show Nov 9, and Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) on Nov 16 and on Nov 2 and mentioned the Global Farmer Network as an important and impactful collaborator on issues like biotech acceptance.

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AgriTalk - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) regularly appears, including Aug 24 on “NAFTA sunset clause with Mexico”.

AgriTalk - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) on the Aug 1 show discussing “Canada’s Possibly Strongest Lentil Yields” and Tim Burrack (GFN Board, US-Iowa) appeared on the radio show Aug 3.

AgriTalk After the Bell - Tim Burrack (GFN Board, US-Iowa) appeared on the July 20 show (also scheduled for Aug 3).

AgriTalk - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) is a regular appearing on the ‘Friday Free For All’ show including July 27 and July 13.

AgriTalk - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) appeared on “AgriTalk Free For All: A Lot of Coals in the Fire” on June 22 and “Even the Canadians Seem Angry” June 1.

AgriTalk - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) appeared on “AgriTalk Friday Free For All: So Much to Cover, So Little Time” May 11 and “AgriTalk: What’s Holding Up the Farm Bill?” May 18.
AgriTalk, AgWeb/Farm Journal - “AgriTalk: Paying More at the Pump? There is a Reason Why” includes Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) Apr 20.
AgriTalk - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) on radio show “Nothing Important to Talk About At All Today #Sarcasm” Mar 23.
AgriTalk / AgWeb - “Farm Groups to Trump: Don’t Touch the RFS” Feb 26 references Pam Johnson (GFN-US, Iowa) radio appearance on AgriTalk Feb 23 (audio).
Agro (Denmark) - [translated] “He will puncture the mystique about GMO” on Knud Bay-Smidt (GFN, Denmark) in Oct edition.
Agro-Business (Romania) - Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) quoted in “Romanian farmers do not yet know what the new CAP will bring” Apr 19.
Agrofly News (Argentina) - posted Heather Baldock (GFN, Australia) column as [translated] “An Australian producer says that the future of wheat is in Argentina” Dec 14.
Agro Verdad (Argentina) - [translated] “...Not having a new Law of Seeds was equivalent to the losses of the last drought” has quotes from Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) and David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) Oct 12.
AgroNotizie (Italy) - Marco Aurelia Pasti (GFN, Italy) quoted in “Agriculture, between tradition and innovation” Oct 31.
AgroPortal (Ukraine) - “Top 5 foreigners who influenced the Ukrainian agro-industrial complex” includes Kees Huizinga (GFN, Ukraine) Jan 17.
AgWeb / MILK - “Farmers React to Trump’s State of the Union Trade Comments” quotes Tim Burrack (GFN Board, Iowa) Jan 31.
Alto Aragon (Spain) - Jose Luis Romeo (GFN, Spain) profiled in [translated] “Monte Odina opens the market in Denmark with its “Valentina” Dec 12.
The Australian - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) quoted in “China hits back with barley sales probe” Nov 19, also quoted in similar stories including in FarmOnline publications Nov 19 and 20.
The Australian Financial Review - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) quoted in “Nufarm, grains group at odds with Australia’s biggest exporter over glyphosate” Nov 23.
Australian Financial Review - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) quoted in “Key grower group warns to GrainCorp takeover bid” Dec 5.
Bartlesville Examiner-Enterprise (Oklahoma) - “Pjesky” Farmers have much in common” profile on Hope Pjesky (GFN, US-Oklahoma) Aug 31.
BBC Radio 4, Farming Today - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) appeared May 4 in “Problems with the Basic Payment Scheme...”.
Bendigo Advertiser (Australia) - “Ripon MP Louise Staley [GFN, Australia] appointed shadow treasurer in Coalition cabinet” story on Dec 14.
Bichos de Campo (Argentina) - Roberto Peiretti (GFN Board, Argentina) interviewed in “Veteranos: Roberto Peiretti cuenta como se fundo Bioceres, justo cuando De la Rua se iba en helicoptero” Dec 11.
Bichos de Campo (Argentina) - [translated] interviews during Aapresid with [Maria] "Pilu Giraudo [2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina]: “Making soybeans on soybeans can be tempting, but the soil accuses them right away” Aug 28 and “Pedro Vigneau [GFN, Argentina]: “In the future we will realize that agriculture today is very improvable” Aug 30.
BIO BUZZ - “The First Lady of Farming - Spotlight on Ruramiso Mashumba” June 6 in publication that covered BIO convention.
BIOtechNOW - “Food, Health and Environmental Future Day: Biotechnology Drives Sustainability” June 6 includes Joanna Lidback (GFN Board, US-Vermont) who was on panel at 2018 BIO International Convention in Boston.
BIOtechNOW - “Agricultural Innovation in New England To Be Highlighted at 2018 Convention” May 24 on panel for 2018 BIO International Convention June 4-6 in Boston that includes Joanna Lidback (GFN Board, US-Vermont).
Bismarck Tribune (N. Dakota) - Doyle Lentz (GFN, ND) in “New farm bill increases barley disease research funding” Dec 24.
Bloomberg - Gerrid Gust (GFN, Canada) quoted at the start of “Italy’s strict pasta rule has wheat used in spaghetti piling up in Canada” - used at the Toronto Star on Nov 1 and others such as El Pais (Spain) Nov 4.
Bloomberg - Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) quoted Sept 3 in “Embattled Argentina Turns to Farmers With ‘Really Bad’ Tax”.
Bloomberg / Perfil - Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) in “Argentine soybean pressers are outraged by Macri’s measures” Aug 15.
Update of article Sept 3 “Embattled Argentina Turns to Farmers With ‘Really Bad’ Tax”.
BrasilAgro - “Argentina seeks new markets for wheat” quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) Feb 1.
Brownfield Ag News - alert on Brownfield Anchor/Reporter Tom Steever to be at Global Farmer Roundtable/WFP on Oct 10.
Brownfield Ag News - “Kleckner Award Winner’s Farm Blogging Began With Leg Injury” on Gina Gutierrez Oct 19.
Brownfield Ag News - “After years of observing, Iowa farmer participates in Global Farmer Roundtable” on Larry Sailer Oct 18.
Brownfield Ag News - “International Farmers Discuss Shared Challenges” Jan 23.
Canal Agrositio (Argentina) - David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) interviewed “The producer must know how to defend the price in wheat for quality” [translated] Dec 12.
CanalAgrositio, Radio 910 AM la red rural (Argentina) - July 16 interview with “Maria Beatriz Giraudo - presidente honoraria de Aapresid” (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina).
Canal Rural television (Brazil) - David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) appeared on the program Mercadovision Jan 23.
Cargill - story on Global Farmer Roundtable participants site visit to corn mill and biorefinery last October, “Cargill brings together global farmers to find common ground in Iowa” Dec 3.
Carve 850 AM (Uruguay) - Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay) quoted in “Agricultura de precisión: “base” para “la competitividad” que implica “más neuronas por hectárea”” Nov 16.

Capital Press (Washington state) - “Canadian grower helps farmers answer tough questions” Nov 15 on Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) speaking at workshops in Spokane County Washington (also Nov 12 article prior to events).

CBC, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation - Jake Leguee (GFN, Canada) in “Point-Counterpoint - Can a sustainable farmer be a
profitable farm? A conventional farmer and an organic farmer weigh in” Nov 20.

CBC, Canadian Broadcasting Corp. - Jake Leguee (GFN, Canada) in “To spray or not to spray? 2 farmers weigh in on the pesticide vs. organic debate” Aug 23.

Chacra Magazine (Argentina) - Interview with David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) “We took a leap forward, but we want to go for more” in January edition.

Chacra TV Magazine (Argentina) - David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) interviewed Dec 13.

Chacra TV Magazine (Argentina) - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) interview at 26th Aapresid Congress May 23.


Chinchilla News (Australia) - Jeff Bidstrup (2008 Kleckner Award, Australia) quoted in “Warra chickpeas scaled back” May 22.

Chinchilla News (Australia) - “Tariff sets pulses falling” quotes Jeff Bidstrup (2008 Kleckner Award, Australia) Jan 18.

Chronicle (Zimbabwe) - Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe) quoted in “Oil expressers in bid to boost soya bean output” Oct 16.

CIMMYT - Patience Koku quoted in “To feed the world, take the science to the farmer” Oct 25.

The Citizen (Tanzania) - “Songwe residents urged to capitalise on good infrastructure, minerals to make money” Jan 28 includes Charles Chenza (GFN, Tanzania).

CKOM 650 AM Radio (Saskatoon, Canada) - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) interviewed on “the shift in attitudes towards farming over the past few decades and what producers are doing to rebuild trust with the public” July 18.

Clarin (Argentina) - Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) in “Nueva biotecnologia Sarquis aseguró que el trigo resistente a sequia traería mayor producción” Nov 19.

Clarin (Argentina) - [translated] “Value chains - Argentina and Australia, together for agriculture” Nov 7 mentions David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) speaking at event in Perth, Australia on Nov 16.

Clarin (Argentina) - “A path was opened to recognize seed patents” [translated] quoted Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) June 23.

Clarin / AgroTV (Argentina) - Mar 27 interview with Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) the president of Aapresid.


Clarin (Argentina) - “‘Sustentología’: the new concept that will sound strong in Córdoba” on Aapresid mentions Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) and Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) May 21.

Clarin (Argentina) - “Ejes para consolidar el desarrollo de toda la cadena triguera” quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) May 21.

Clarin (Argentina) - “Podríamos incrementar la superficie en esta campaña” quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) Apr 26.

Cornell Alliance for Science - videos of Gina Gutierrez (2018 Kleckner Award, Mexico), AD Alvarez (GFN, Philippines) and Patience Koku (GFN, Nigeria) included with “Farmers from around the world share ideas on World Food Day” Oct 16.

Cornell Alliance for Science - Andrew Osmond (GFN, UK) in “Brexit could spell exit from stringent anti-GMO rules” Sept 6.

Cornell Alliance for Science - “Nigerian farmer Patience Koku is global advocate for agricultural innovation” Aug 22 on Patience Koku being selected to attend 2018 Global Farmer Roundtable.

Cornell Alliance for Science - Motlatsi Musi (2017 Kleckner Award, S. Africa) and Tepsy Ntseoane (GFN, S. Africa) mentioned in column “South Africa’s success shows anti-GMO propaganda is baseless” June 18.


Cornell Alliance for Science - “Witnessing India’s GMO cotton revolution” with Balwinder Singh Kang (GFN, India) Jan 18.

Cornell Alliance for Science - “Mesut Cetin: Passionate about feeding the world” profile on Mesut Cetin (GFN, Turkey) Jan 25.

Cornell Alliance for Science - profile of 2017 Kleckner Award recipient “Motlatsi Musi: Farming after the fall of apartheid” Jan 31.

Counterpoints (France) - posted Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) column as “Témoignage d’agriculteur : l’interdiction du glyphosate peut me ruiner” Nov 3.

CPM, Crop Production Magazine - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) quoted in “Clarity needed to prepare businesses for Brexit” Nov 14.

Crop Biotech Update, ISAAA - Francois Traore (GFN, Burkina Faso) quoted in “Burkina Faso Farmers Call for Return of Bt Cotton” Sept 19.

CropLife International - "Global Farmer Network: Lili Duan" profile on GFN member from China on Mar 7.

Dagblad van het Noorden (Netherlands) - translated "The most luxurious bacon steak comes from the frisky stall in Beerta" on farm of Annewich ten Have Mellema (GFN, Netherlands) Oct 23, and in Boerderij as "Hamletz pork available in 50 supers" Oct 23.

Daily Asset (Nigeria) - interview with Mary Boote (GFN, CEO) "Farmers need access to technology for higher yield - Boote" June 4.


Daily Graphic (Ghana) - "Yara supports women farmers with fertilisers" Oct 24 quotes Lydia Sasu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana).

Daily Nation (Kenya) - Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya) quoted in "Farmers speak on what they want in 2019" Dec 28.

Daily Nation (Kenya) - "Erratic weather hits farmers the hardest" has Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya) Sept 1 and Kenyan Digest Aug 31.

Daily Nation (Kenya) - Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya) quoted in "Farmers in North Rift stare at losses as cheap maize floods market" Aug 29.

Daily News (Kenya) - "Farmers Say EU, Others, Frustrating Access to Agricultural Biotechnology" June 4.

Daily Times (Pakistan) - used USA Today op-ed by Carol Keiser (GFN Board, Florida) "Will Trump end U.S.-Korea trade his red-state supporters count on?" Feb 12.

Darlington & Stockton Times (UK) - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) in "Farmer cuts crop establishment costs by more than £100/ha without compromising yield" Dec 14.


Des Moines Register - "Let’s put an end to the false tale about how the dairy industry treats animals" by GIna Gutierrez (2018 Kleckner Award, Mexico) Oct 3.

Des Moines Register - "Trade wars will be painful for Iowa agriculture" by Bill Horan (GFN Board, US-Iowa) Mar 11.

Detik News (Indonesia) - [translated] "Know purple rice, Korean rice cultivated by Purworejo residents" Jan 30 has Arie Sulistyani (GFN, Indonesia).

Dhaka Tribune (Bangladesh) - Patience Koku (GFN, Nigeria) quoted in "The tech fix that won't secure food supplies" (via SciDev.Net) Dec 1.

Diario La Manana (Argentina) - article on "Pedro Vigneau [GFN, Argentina] realizó gestiones en Sudáfrica" Nov 12.


Djursland Landboforening (Denmark) - "Farmer gets caught up in worldwide networks" [translated] Apr 24 profile on Knud Bay-Smidt (GFN, Denmark) attending the 2017 Global Farmer Roundtable.

Djursland Posten (Denmark) - "Landmand bliver optaget i verdensomspaendene netvaerk" May 1 profile on Knud Bay-Smidt (GFN, Denmark) attending the 2017 Global Farmer Roundtable; also appeared in LandbrugsAvisen (Denmark) May 3.

The Download - "Fibre and Wireless - Driving the Future Together" Mar 29 cites Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand).

Drovers - "Rural America's Economy Relies On Farmers" quotes Pam Johnson (GFN - US, Iowa) Feb 26.

East Anglian Daily Times (UK) - "New insurance idea 'could help farmers cope with price volatility'" Feb 8 on Sentry Farming conference chaired by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).

Edge Davao (Philippines) - "Biotech corn in jeopardy" story on counterfeit seeds being sold includes Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) and Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines) July 15.

Egypt Daily News - "50% of Agrofood production is organic, Europe’s weak production strengthens exports: Hegazy" cites Salah Hegazy (GFN, Egypt) Oct 21.

El Campo la Industria Verde (Argentina) - Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) interviewed on Dec 20 television program.

El Economista (Mexico) - Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico) quoted in "Government supports the creation of Mexican beef certification" June 6.

El Economista (Mexico) - "Mexico and Denmark boost agro-food sector" quotes Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico) Apr 22.

El Heraldo de Chihuahua (Mexico) - "Livestock Director of SAGARPA meets with producers" on Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico) on Feb 13.

El Observador (Uruguay) - Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay) in “Uruguayans learned about the Australian cattle experience” Oct 1.

El Observador (Uruguay) - “Irreversible damage in agriculture” quotes Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) Feb 23.

El Pais Rurales (Uruguay) - Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay) interviewed for “Competitiveness is something that moves or grinds you” Sept 1.

El Universal (Mexico) - Francisco Trevino (GFN, Mexico) quoted in “Ovine culture, among the best in the world” May 6.

Espectador (Uruguay) - Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) interviewed in “Mientras la Canola mejora los rendimientos por hectárea, comienza a sembrarse la soja de primera” Nov 12.

Espectador (Uruguay) - “Australia es avance tecnológico e innovación permanente”, aseguró el Director de ADP” quotes Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay) Sept 11.

Espectador (Uruguay) - “The USA is synonymous with the technological revolution in agriculture” with Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) Aug 29 on tour of Uruguayan farmers through the US (including visit to GFN office).

Espectador (Uruguay) - “Mar 1 interview with Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) “Regional drop: Drought hits soybeans, which compromises agriculture” [translated].

Espectador (Uruguay) - “M. Guigou: “In complicated times you have to be efficient, but careful with investments”” Mar 3 interview with Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay).

Express Business (France) - [translated] “After the removal of subsidies, this country has become a real world champion of agriculture” Aug 28 based on Aug 16 column by Craige Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand).

Farm Futures - “Here’s what happened when these farmers ran for office” includes Terry Wanzek (GFN Board, N. Dakota) Oct 18.

Farm Journal, AgWeb - Tim Burrrack (GFN Board, US-Iowa) quoted in “Precision Cover Crops Bring Savings” Sept 25.

Farm Journal’s AgPro - “FSA’s Fordyce Rises to the Challenge” Aug 31 story on Richard Fordyce (GFN, US-Missouri).


Farm Weekly (Australia) - “Safe farming tools are needed” by Bill Crabtree (GFN, Australia) Nov 6.

Farm Weekly (Australia) - “Producers need data to improve lamb’s’ coverage” of Kelly Manton-Pearce (GFN, Australia) Aug 17.

Farm Weekly (Australia) - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) quoted Feb 3 in “Concession on Indian 30pc grain tariff”.

Farmbiz Africa - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) quoted in “Tariff delivers big blow for pulse industry” Jan 17.

Farmbiz Africa - “Combining creamy milk from Ayrs with Friesian increases farmer’s income” story about Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya) Oct 31.

Farmer.pl (Poland) - “Evaluate the state of your canola plantation” [translated] video Mar 24 with Roman Warzecha (GFN, Poland).

Farmer.pl (Poland) - “Agriculture sensitive to weather anomalies” Jan 22 includes mention of Dr. Roman Warzecha (GFN, Poland) receiving recognition for promoting modern ag at meetings with farmers and in the press.

Farmers Guardian (UK) - “Rock & Roll Farming #58: Featuring pioneering farm manager Jake Freestone” (GFN, UK) Apr 25.


Farmer’s Weekly (S. Africa) - Strong opposition to expropriation at Grain SA congress” has Derek Mathews (GFN, S. Africa) Mar 7.

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Farmers Weekly (UK) - “Good sheep handling: Why it matters and how to improve it” included “Case study - Jake Freestone [GFN, UK], Overbury Farms, Gloucester” Dec 9.

Farmers Weekly (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) column “Opinion: Farmers must make the most of any positive publicity” Oct 19.

Farmers Weekly (UK) - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) quoted in “Why wheat is £10/l cheaper to produce with no-till approach” July 3.

Farmers Weekly (UK) - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) profiled in “How one OSR grower is benefitting from companion crops” June 27.

Farmers Weekly (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) June 29 column “Opinion: Farmers must stay connected with consumers”.

Farmers Weekly (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) column “Opinion: Leaky pipe highlights the need for good record keeping” May 19.

Farmers Weekly (UK) - “5 alternative ways to hold an Open Farm Sunday event” mentions Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) Apr 4.

Farmers Weekly (UK) - Feb 24 Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) column “Talking is the best remedy for mental illness”.


Farmers Weekly (UK) - “Open Farm Sunday sees big surge in first-time hosts” Jan 11 on annual event several GFN members are active with including one of its principals Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).

Farm For Tomorrow (Canada) - “Hope On The Horizon” May 1 feature on Grant Dyck (GFN, Canada) and his wife Colleen.

FarmOnline (Australia) - “Feed grain sector a big winner in Indonesian FTA” quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Sept 4.

FarmOnline (Australia) - “Keep growers involved with research” quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Sept 18.

FarmOnline (Australia) - “China drinking a whopping 45.6 billion litres of beer a year” June 7 Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).

FarmOnline (Australia) - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) quoted in “Grain prices still internationally competitive” May 22.

FarmOnline (Australia) - “Speculation of Indian ban on Australian pulse imports ‘unproven’” quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Apr 3.

FarmOnline (Australia) - “US farmers attack Trump over tit-for-tat trade war’s farm harm” Mar 19 cites column by Bill Horan (GFN Board, US-Iowa). Appeared in multiple FarmOnline publications including Farm Weekly and North Queensland Register.

FarmOnline (Australia) - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) in “Record crop could lose 4.65mt according to estimate” Jan 17.

Farming First - “The Future of Farming: Hi-Tech Solutions for Ongoing Challenges” coverage of the UN Committee on World Food Security (CFS) meeting in Rome and includes Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) Oct 25.
Farming First - #FillTheGap! Empowering female agripreneurs in Zimbabwe Mar 14 on Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe).
Farms.com - “Bayer grower insights: improving operations on-farm” quotes Grant Dyck (GFN, Canada) May 14.
Farms.com - “Carbon taxes do not work for ag,” says APAS president Apr 26 quotes Levi Wood (GFN, Canada).
FarmWeekNow - used Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) column as “Powerful farmer stories prove invaluable” Dec 21.
FarmWeekNow - republished Tim Burrack column (initially appeared at The Hill) “Tariff turmoil in times of abundance” Sept 14.
FarmWeekNow (Illinois Farm Bureau) - “Global Farmer Network expanding its reach” quotes Mary Boote (GFN, CEO) and Dan Kelley (GFN Board, US-Illinois) Aug 28. Kelley was also interviewed on his farm Aug 8 about his July 27 column at The Hill.
FarmWeekNow - Illinois Farm Bureau outlet used Dan Kelly (GFN Board, US-Illinois) April column used as “Technology gets CRISPR” May 18.
FarmWeekNow (Illinois Farm Bureau) - “Winter Olympics shed light on agricultural trade” op-ed by Carol Keiser (GFN Board, Florida) Feb 23 and “NAFTA is American farmers’ lifeline” by Terry Wanzek (GFN Board, N. Dakota) Feb 16.
FarmWeekNow (Illinois Farm Bureau) - “Farmers can’t afford to lose NAFTA” column Jan 26 by Daniel Kelley (GFN Board, Illinois).
Feed Nourish Thrive - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) GLP BTS III column “When a Farmer and a Dietitian are the Same Person: Telling Stories to Counter Misinformation About Biotechnology” reposted Nov 27.
Feedstuffs - Joanna Lidback (GFN Board, US-Vermont) column appeared as “Proposed rule puts BE on food labels” May 21.
The Finder (Ghana) - Lydia Sasu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana) quoted in “Fish processors cry for extension officers” Sept 11.
Folha De S.Paulo (Brazil) - Richard Dijkstra (GFN, Brazil) in “Get to know six properties that stand out for their practices” Nov 30.
FoodTank - Feb 24 interview with Jennifer Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) “A Farmer’s Perspective: Climate Change, Soil Degradation, and Sustainability”; Schmidt also spoke at group’s event Feb 28 in Washington, DC.
Forbes Italia - [translated] Feb 16 editorial “Has Italy lost the GMO train?” includes Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy).

Fort Dodge Messenger (Iowa) - Bill Horan (GFN Board, US-Iowa) mentioned as moderator for event in “Fort Dodge forum to host Republican ag secretary candidates” May 6.
Fort Dodge Messenger (Iowa) - “Horan to Trump: More E15 will help farmers” on Bill Horan (GFN Board, US-Iowa) Apr 12.
A Fresh Look - “Organic, Conventional or GMO? This Farming Mom Tested Them All” column in Aug by Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland).
Ganadera (Mexico) - “Mexican livestock goes in a high-speed lane: Francisco Gurria Trevino” (GFN, Mexico) Mar 22.
Gazeto de Toledo (Brazil) - Richard Dijkstra (GFN, Brazil) cited in “Ferramentas de controle de pragas reduzem em 50% uso de inseticidas” Sept 14 (page 16).
Genetic Literacy Project - “When a Farmer and a Dietitian are the Same Person: Telling Stories to Counter Misinformation About Biotechnology” Aug 7 by Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland).
GFN News Conference Video at WFP posted Oct 24.
Ghana News Agency - “Closed-season has boosted oyster production” quotes Lydia Sasu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana) July 19.
Global News - Gerrid Gust (GFN, Canada) quoted in “After record year, Saskatchewan soybean acres see pull back” July 26.
Globo Rural (Brazil) - Eduardo Sekita (GFN, Brazil) on cover of the magazine’s June edition and article “Produtor brasileiro envia pergunta e rei da cebolinha responde do Japão” and associated video on June 21.
Grain SA (South Africa) - “Celebrating 20 years of an asset well looked after” in Jan edition includes Derek Mathews (GFN, South Africa) who is a trustee of the Maize Trust.
The Guardian (Australia) - Sarah Sammon (GFN, Australia) featured in “Sarah blooms in relay” Feb 22.
GW Today (George Washington Univ) - “Food Tank Summit Focuses on the Future of Farming” Mar 1 on conference Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) was a panelist on in Washington, DC.
Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - “Farm Technology is Getting CRISPR” by Daniel Kelley (GFN Board, US-Iowa) Apr 18.

The Hill - “Farmers like me are reaping short-term benefit of Trump’s trade war -- but we fear long-term cost” by Ted Sheely (GFN Board, US-California) May 23.

Hampton Chronicle (Iowa) - “Franklin Co. farmer tabbed as global roundtable U.S. rep” on Larry Sailer Oct 10.

Iowa Farmer Today / Bloomington Pantagraph - “Neighbors bring in harvest for grieving family of a good guy” Sept 18 includes Dan Kelley (GFN Board, US-Illinois) and others harvesting for the family of a neighbor that unexpectedly died. Well done, Dan!

The Hindu Business Line - “Little drops of water can raise a good crop, find Cauvery Delta farmers” features V. Ravichandran (GFN Board, India) June 21 and he’s quoted in “How cotton is comforting Cauvery delta farmers” quotes June 1.

High Plains / Midwest Ag Journal - “Cotton Council international elects 2018 officers” Apr 14 includes Ted Sheely (GFN, US-California) elected as treasurer of organization.

The Hill - Tim Burrack (GFN Vice Chair, US-Iowa) column “EPA just tossed farmers a lifeline to protect crops” Nov 6.

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - “Research Funding and Crop Insurance Safety Net the Focus of NAFTA Fly-In” Feb 19 includes Mark Wagener (GFN Board, US-Washington).


High Plains / Midwest Ag Journal - “Fields of gold: Enjoying what’s left of sunflower season” includes The Pop Up Farm and Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) Aug 23.

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IISD Reporting Services - Craigie Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) included in “COP24 Acton Agriculture” Dec 10-12.

Imburi Phare - “Clash USA/Rwanda on textiles: Will Kigali succeed”? Apr 1 cites Pierre Munyura (GFN, Rwanda) The Hill column.

InfoAgro (Uruguay) - Mar 3 radio interview with Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay) “Intensifying agriculture must be the way”. InfoCampo (Argentina) - Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) and Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) cited it “Diez años después, las retenciones vuelven a confrontar al Gobierno y la Mesa de Enlace” May 24; similar story May 24 in AgroVoz.

Informatore Zootecnico (Italy) - [translated] “Intelligent data collection, plus benefits for the breeder” July 8 print and television interview with Giuseppe Elias (GFN, Italy).

InkOnline, Univ. of Regina School of Journalism (Canada) - “Crop infection troubling Saskatchewan farmers” quotes Gerrid Gust (GFN, Canada) Mar 19.

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - A.D. Alvarez (GFN, Philippines) and Larry Sailer (GFN, US-Iowa) both cited during October’s Global Farmer Roundtable in “Other countries are thankful for Iowa-raised meat too” Nov 20.

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - Tim Burrack (GFN Vice Chair, US-Iowa) column appeared as “Technology provides weed-control options” Nov 12.

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - “Tariff turmoil in times of abundance” Aug 27 reprint of Tim Burrack column from The Hill.


Iowa Farmer Today - “Roundtable brings farmers together from across the world” Feb 25 feature on Global Farmer Roundtable.

Jakarta Post (Indonesia) - Rosalie Eliasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) in “GMO in times of shrinking land” Jan 24.


KCTV 9 ABC & WHO TV, 13 NBC (Des Moines, Iowa) - “Farmer from Nigeria Advocates for Agriculture Technology” interview with Patience Koku (GFN, Nigeria) aired Nov 20 on KCRG and also Nov 20 on WHO.

KCTV 9 ABC & WHO TV, 13 NBC (Cedar Rapids & Des Moines, Iowa) - “Seed Cost Barrier for Farmer in Philippines” interview with AD Alvarez (GFN, Philippines) aired Nov 13 and Nov 14.

KCTV (Cedar Rapids) - “Farmer from Kenya works to make agriculture profitable” on Rodney Kili (GFN, Kenya) Oct 30.

KCTV (Cedar Rapids) - “Farmer from Mexico speaks on ag challenges” on Gina Gutierrez (2018 Kleckner Award) Oct 23.


Kglo News - “Farmers from around the world talk about the industry at World Food Prize event” Oct 18.

La Capital (Argentina) - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) in “Encuentro nacional de mujeres rurales” Nov 10.

La Nacion (Argentina) - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Arg.) in “Una jornada en el campo” Nov 3.


La Nacion (Argentina) - “Direct sowing: a seal for sustainable production” Mar 3 on Aapresid Aapresid Certificaciones program quotes Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina).

La Nacion (Argentina) - “Aapresid relaunched a program to promote sustainable systems in production” quotes Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) Feb 28.

La Nacion (Argentina) - “Technological change offers the country a historic opportunity” by Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) Jan 20.

La Stampa (Italy) - [translated] “In the world, GM fields are growing, Italy has destroyed them” July 19 on the Italian Ministry of Agriculture destroying six hectares of biotech corn grown by Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy). See also in ltrialvivieneziaglia -“Ministry of Agriculture against GMOs: the transgenic crops at Vivaro have been demolished” July 10; Udine Today editorial July 10.

“Giorgio Fidenato’s GMO corn fields were demolished again in Fruili” Apr 6.

La Verdad (Mexico) - “Es sector agroalimentario mexicano seguro y reductible de inversión: SAGARPA” quotes Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN Board, US-N. Dakota) quoted in “Cramer debate comment downplayed importance of China trade to ND” Oct 31.

LandbrugsAvisen (Denmark) - “Midtjysk farmer is admitted to worldwide networks” [translated] Apr 24 profile on Knud Bay-Smidt (GFN, Denmark) attending the 2017 Global Farmer Roundtable.

Le Soir (Belgium) - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) quoted in “Walloon farmers do not face the inevitable decline of their land” [translated] Apr 24.

Leapsmag - Terry Wanzek (GFN Board, US-N. Dakota) and Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) both in “Technology’s Role in Feeding a Soaring Population Raises This Dilemma” Apr 6.

Les Echos (France) - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) quoted in “France: Farmers in Mined Fields” [translated] Apr 12.

Lethbridge Herald (Canada) - “Tiffin Conference tackles misinformation in ag industry” mentions Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) who spoke on building up the public trust and how to fight misinformation by groups opposed to ag practices Jan 19.

Ludhiana Tribune (India) - “Coloured wheat may replace traditional variety for its health benefits” coverage and picture of PPS Pangli (GFN, India) Aug 19.

Manila Bulletin (Philippines) - Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines) quoted in “NFA to undertake importation of 300,000 metric tons of com” Oct 10.

The Manila Times (Philippines) - “Sugar prices up” quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines) June 25.

Manitoba Co-operator (Canada) - Lei Wood (GFN, Canada) quoted in “Agriculture an also-ran in federal budget” Mar 8.

Mason City Globe Gazette (Iowa) - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) letter to the editor “Keep fighting DC for biofuels printed Dec 14.

Mattel Canada, Inc. Press Release - Oct 11 release “Barbie And Toys “R” U (Canada) Ltd. Partner to Celebrate Inspirational Girls and Women for Brands 60t Anniversary Celebrations” includes Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) who is being highlighted as a role model this coming year.

Messaggero Veneto (Italy) - [translated] “GM corn, no health risk. Fidenato: “I will sue the state”” Feb 15 about Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy).

Mexico Ganadero - Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico) in Dec 2017-Jan 2018 edition “Homero Garcia de la Llata, Secretario de la CONAG, acude a la inauguración del Parque Ganadero de Queretaro”.

Milenio (Mexico) - Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico) quoted Mar 21 in “Sagap highlights advances in NAFTA negotiation.”

MyndNOW, KX-TV (North Dakota) - “Farmers say technology has greatly improved the farming process” interview with Aapresid Aapresid Certificaciones program quotes Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina).


New Zealand Herald - “Tararua big winner from latest regional growth fund announcement” quotes Mel Poulton (GFN, NZ) Nov 17.


New Zealand Herald, The Country - Jane Smith (GFN, New Zealand) on the Aug 30 radio show to discuss irrigation and more.


New Zealand Herald - “Shining Green light on farms” includes Craige and Roz Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) July 13.

New Zealand Herald, The Country - “Amy Adams walks into digital storm in Dannevirke” quotes Mel Poulton (GFN, New Zealand) July 20 about broadband and connectivity issues faced by rural areas.


Niverville Citizen (Canada) - Grant Dyck (GFN, Canada) featured in “Industrial Rail Loop Proposed for Niverville” Dec 23.


Noticias Agrícolas (Brazil) - Richard Dijkstra (GFN, Brazil) interviewed in [translated] “Carambei (PR) has a digital farmer, Richard Dijkstra. Find out what he gets out of it…” Nov 23. - see video.


NPR, National Public Radio - both Tim Burrack (GFN Vice Chair, US-Iowa) and Bill Horan (GFN Board, US-Iowa) both talked to reporter May 10 to give background for a story on the trade impact of Chinese tariffs.

National Public Radio, NPR / WBUR Radio Boston - Doyle Lenz (GFN, US-N Dakota) was a guest on the ‘On Point’ show Jan 11 discussing President Trump’s speech to the American Farm Bureau annual meeting.


Ontario Grain Farmer Magazine (Canada) - “Building healthy soils - A Nuffield scholar lifelong lesson” profile of Sarah Singla (GFN, France) in June edition.

Palam (Canada) - “Les pois chiches : une source de protéines bonne pour l’environnement” article about chickpeas quotes Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) Aug 16.


Philippine Inquirer - “Prices of meat, poultry products expected to rise” quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines) June 23.

Pig Progress - “6 reasons why Uganda’s pig business will grow” Apr 25 includes photo of Bruno Matovu (GFN, Uganda).


Politico - “Trump, in speech to farmers today, aims to shore up rural support” quotes Doyle Lenz (GFN, US-N Dakota) Jan 7.

Politico Pro Canada Preview - Levi Wood (GFN, Canada) quoted in the Oct 2 update on grain grading between US and Canada.

Purworejo Sorot (Indonesia) - “Creative, Genkid Farmer Group 

Quad City Times - “Farmers from around the world talk about the industry at World Food Prize event” Oct 18.

RAI News, TGR (Italy) - [translated] “Fidenato and GMO corn: “Welcome fines, now the real attack can start”’ on Giorgi Dijkstra. Find out what he gets out of it…” Nov 23 - see video.

Radio Iowa - “FromThe Front Lines Of NAFTA, More Relief Than Rejoicing” quote by Tim Burrack (GFN Vice Chair, US-Iowa) on the “On Point” show Jan 11 discussing President Trump’s speech to the American Farm Bureau annual meeting.

Reistaadigarm (Iceland) - “Creating, Genkid Farmer Group Among the largest in Brazil” feature on Mar 26.

Regenera LeaderPost - “Extreme winter drought has farmers planning and praying” includes Alanna Koch (GFN, Canada) Jan 21.

Republica (Italy) - Giorgi Fidenato (GFN, Italy) quoted Feb 15 in “GMO maize, the Italian study: no evidence of health risk”.

Reto Diario (Mexico) - “SAGARPA supports ‘livestock pride’ program to promote productivity” with Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico) Jan 19.

Reuters - Ruaramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe) quoted in “Young entrepreneurs lend glamor to African agriculture” Oct 18.

Reuters - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) quoted in “Sonny’s roadshow: How Trump’s Ag chief sells a trade war to farmers” Sept 13.

Reuters - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) quoted in “USDA to give details of farm aid package on Monday afternoon” Aug 27 and used in other outlets including CNBC Aug 27.

Reuters - “Brazil books 25,000 tonnes of Russian wheat -sources” quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) July 5.

Reuters - “Bumper wheat harvest may ignite Argentina economy” quotes Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) July 19.

Reuters - “Brazilian farmers lured to Mexico to discuss corn supplies” quotes Sergio Bortolozzo (GFN, Brazil) July 24.

Reuters - “Trade spat with Mexico speeds U.S. decline as global wheat supplier” quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) July 26.

Reuters - “Heavy rains complicate harvest of Argentina’s drought-hit soy” and May 8 and “Farmers Worldwide Struggle with Rising Fuel Costs” May 18 quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).


Reuters - “As drought bakes Argentina soy and corn, wheat outlook improves” quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) Mar 6 as does editorial “Returns of rains in next month’s improves panorama for planting wheat Argentina” [translated] also Mar 6.

Reuters - Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) quoted Mar 26 in “Hope for Argentine soy recovery dashed by scant weekend rains”.

Reuters - “Argentina soy planting pushed by drought into mid-January” quotes Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) Jan 8.

Reuters - “ Argentine soy, corn yields seen affected by persistent dryness” quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) Jan 22.

Revista Fermierului (Romania) - [translated] “Agricultural Lesson with Lucian Buzdugan” (GFN, Romania) June 27.

Revista Ganadero (Mexico) - Gina Gutierrez (2018 Kleckner Award, Mexico) will be the first female columnist for publication.

Romania Libera - [translated] “Although there is a tendency in the world to give up GMOs, there is lobbying in Romania” quotes Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) Oct 1.

SABC News (S. Africa) - Derek Mathews (GFN, S. Africa) television interview “N West farmers exceed their maize target” July 22.

Sanatatea Plantelor (Romania) - Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) in [translated] “100 Years of Agriculture in Romania” Dec 16.


SeedWorld - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) in “Run for Cover: Cropping Up Better Soil” Nov 20.


The Standard (Australia) - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) interviewed for “Glyphosate ban ‘disastrous’” Aug 22.

The Standard (Kenya) - “How a farmers’ revolt changed a sleepy town” includes Alfred Ndertu (GFN, Kenya) Aug 29.

The Star-Democrat (Maryland) - “Local farmers plan for potential trade war” includes Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) and USDA Under Secretary Bill Northey (GFN Board Emeritus) Apr 16.

Startup VNExpress (Vietnam) - [translated] “9 years of pursuit of clean agriculture by 8x CEO” with Pham Quoc Liem (GFN, Vietnam) Oct 5.

SteinbachOnline.com - Grant Dyck (GFN, Canada) quoted in “Loop Track Proposed in Niverville” Nov 21.

Stock Journal (Australia) - "Guest speakers to share GM crop experiences" includes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Aug 29.

Stuff (New Zealand) - Craigie Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) included in “How technology is changing the face of our farming” Dec 12.

Stuff / New Zealand Farmer - Craigie Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) quoted in “Eighty per cent of farmers aren’t employing technology to be productive in the 21st century” May 3. Also appeared as “Tech-savvy farmers surge ahead” in Otago Southland Farmer May 11.


Sunshine Radio (UK) - “Ian Pigott tells NFU Cymru Monmouthshire members that education is vital” Jan 30 (Ian Pigott, 2014 Kleckner Award, UK).

Super Campo (Argentina) - “An Agriculture that cares for the future” quotes Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) Mar 18.

Top Producer - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) in "How to partner with the supply chain without compromising" Mar 30.

The Tribune (India) - Gurjeet Singh Mann (GFN, India) quoted in "Stubble burning unabated, 2,921 incidents by date" Oct 25.

The Tribune (India) - "SC must protect intellectual property rights of farmers, say researchers" July 14 based on column by PPS Pangli (GFN, India).

The Tribune (India) - "Protest hits common man as farmers in no mood to retreat" quotes PPS Pangle (GFN, India) June 2.

The Tribune (India) - "Weed gives sleepless nights to wheat growers" quotes Vijay Kapoor (GFN, India) Jan 9.

Trust in Food - Feb 12 interview with Jennifer Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) "Why Organic Farming Isn‘t Always Sustainable" that was a follow-up to 2018 Trust in Food Symposium held January in Chicago.

Udine Today (Italy) - [translated] "GMO maze, no evident of health risks" Feb 15 editorial and "Fidenato attack: Ready to sow GMO corn in spring" Feb 20 editorial on Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy).


USA Today - Carol Keiser (GFN Board, Florida) Feb 9 op-ed “Will Trump end U.S.-Korea trade his red-state supporters count on?”

Viagora (Brazil) - [translated] “Sergio Bortolozzo [GFN, Brazil] is sworn in as Acting President of the FAEP” July 3.

Valor Economico (Brazil) - "Argentina seeks new markets for wheat" quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) Jan 31.


Wallaces Farmer / Farm Progress - "Celebrating a century - Agriculture and Iowa have changed immensely since Iowa Farm Bureau was formed in 1918" included a brief tribute to role played by the late Dean Kleckner (GFN Chairman Emeritus) Dec 13.

Wallaces Farmer - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) quoted Mar 15 in "Sharing his farm with the world" about Gordon Wassener who has hosted the Global Farmer Roundtable attendees on several occasions.


Washington Ag Network - "Nagel: All Farmers Must Advocate" Feb 20 radio interview with Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada).


Waterloo-Cedar Falls Falls Iowa) - Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) letter to the editor on E15 Renewable Fuel printed Dec 10.

WCAX TV CBS 3 (Burlington, Vermont) - Joanna Lidback (GFN Board, US-Vermont) appeared on television interview "Vermont farmer weighs in on tariff relief plan" July 24.

This Week in AgriBusiness - Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN, US-Wisconsin) interview Mar 24 about the USFRA mobile app.

The Weekly Times - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) in "Barley exports going ballistic amid Chinese demand surge" July 31.

The Weekly Times (Australia) - "Free Trade fears for canola growers" quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) May 30.

The Weekly Times (Australia) - "TPP return: Caution from cattle, grain industries over US backflip" Apr 17 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).

The Weekly Times (Australia) - "Indian import tariffs: Growers advised to ride out the worst of it" features Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Mar 14.

The Weekly Times (Australia) - "Reaping the benefits of weed control in new canola era" features Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Mar 21.

The Weekly Times (Australia) - Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) quoted in "New minister banking on ag’s capital gain" Jan 16.

The West Australian (Australia) - "China’s frothy thirst for boost for barley growers" includes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) June 14.


The Western Producer (Canada) - Levi Wood (GFN, Canada) quoted in "Seed royalty proposal divides farmers" Dec 13.

The Western Producer (Canada) - Levi Wood (GFN, Canada) quoted in "More groups weigh in on seed royalty proposal" Nov 30.

The Western Producer (Canada) - Levi Wood (GFN, Canada) quoted in "Farm groups balk at CGC’s plan to spend surplus" Aug 9.

The Western Producer (Canada) - "Farm groups urge back-to-work” legislation at CP” quotes Levi Wood (GFN, Canada) Apr 20.

The Western Producer (Canada) - “‘Yes and yes’: Cargill successfully embraces both science and non-science” Feb 1 includes Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada).

The Western Producers (Canada) - "Farmer input wanted on best way to fund future pulse research” quotes Gerrid Gust (GFN, Canada) Feb 15.

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WHO Radio, The Big Show - Gina Gutierrez (2018 Kleckner Award, Mexico) appeared Oct 17, the Big Show is one of the leading farm radio shows and airs weekdays from 11am to 1 pm on WHO and WMT Radio out of Des Moines and Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

WHO TV (Des Moines) - "Farmer from Kenya works to make agriculture profitable" on Rodney Kili (GFN, Kenya) Oct 30.

WIRED.IT (Italy) - "Omg, e se anche in Italia sicottivaseta transgenico?" quotes Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy) Apr 27.

WZFG Radio (North Dakota) - Terry Wanzek (GFN Board, US-N. Dakota) interviewed Aug 29 “How Have Recent Trade Deals Impacted ND Agriculture Community”.


Xinhua News Agency (China) - "U.S. farmer feels relieved after China-U.S. trade consensus" May 25 based on Tim Burrack (GFN Vice Chair, US-Iowa) op-ed May 23 at The Hill. Used in numerous Chinese and Asian publications including China Daily May 25, Asia Pacific Daily May 25, Sina May 24 and others.

The Yorkshire Post (UK) - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) quoted in "Ambitious new farm policy has to fit with Whitehall resources’ July 9.

YourStory (India) - Rajesh Kumar (2012 Kleckner Award, India) featured in "Founders of two growing SMEs from two different sectors find answers to diverse challenges with this one single programme" June 8.
Zagroda (Poland) - Roman Warzecha (GFN, Poland) authored “Maize production in 2018 - comparison to previous years” Dec 6.

Zetland (Denmark) - “GM crops have helped South African Motlatsi Musi out of poverty. Europe’s skepticism dmages Africa, he believes” story on 2017 Kleckner Award recipient Dec 11 which Knud Bay Simidt (GFN, Denmark) helped orchestrate.

ZF (Romania) - “Arabs from Al Dahra want to produce 1 million tonnes of grain in Romania by 2022” quotes Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) Sept 25.

ZF (Romania) - “Farmer subsidies may drop due to Brexit” quotes Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) Jan 5.

**Other links, blogs, Tweets, posts, etc:** samples that utilized GFN or items of interest on GFN members.

- **Aapresid** (Argentina) - Aapresid is distinguished as Soil Conservation Champion by FAO (multiple GFN members)
- **AEGIC**, Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre - A hard-earned Chinese thirst...138 billion big cold beers (Andrew Weidemann)
- **AFDB Food Cuisine** (Africa) - Women Wednesday Profile of the Week - Rumamiso Mashumba - Zimbabwe [GFN]
- **AgNewsFeed** - Russia vs. GMOs (Tim Burrack column)
- **Agrarfond (Germany)** - Farmer and genetic engineering activist sows GMO corn again [translated] (Giorgio Fidenato-GFN, Italy)
- **Agriforum** (Netherlands) - The development of a new brand of pork: Hamletz (Annechien Ten Have Mellaer-GFN, Netherlands)
- **Aquiland** (UK) - Farmer and former MEP reappointed to AHDB board (Paul Temple-GFN, UK)
- **Agri-Pulse** - Farm Hands on the Potomac-Shelby looks likely to be next chair of Senate Appropriations Committee (Carol Keiser-GFN Bd, US-FL)
- **Agri-Pulse** - Trump suggests more E15, RIN cap as biofuel impasse remains (Bill Horan-GFN Bd, US-Iowa)
- **Agroamintando** (Spain) - Challenges, opportunities, regulation of new genomic editing techniques in the EU (Jose Luis Romeo)
- **AgroNews** - Non-GMO canola causes stir among farmers (quotes Cherilyn Nagel-GFN Bd, Canada)
- **Agroperal** (Portugal) - Syngenta presented innovative farming technologies and results... at Agroglobal (Gabriela Cruz-2010 Kleckner Award)
- **Agraveo** (France) - Two opposing worldviews of tomorrow (John Rigelizzio, Jr. column)
- **Alex Reports blog** - International Farmers to Discuss Global Ag Concerns At Illinois Event (GFN, Cornell Alliance for Science)
- **allAfrica** - Capitol Hill Reception to Launch US Roadshow Tour, Announce Partnership on Africa Investment Forum (GFN partnered)
- **allAfrica** - Tanzania: Songwe residents urged to capitalise on good infrastructure... (Charles Chenza-GFN, Tanzania)
- **American Council on Science and Health** - Activism Imperils Potential of Golden Rice (V. Ravichandran quoted)
- **Armstrong for US Congress** - Armstrong Names Agriculture Advisory Committee (named Terry Wanzek-GFN Board, US-N Dakota)
- **Association Nacional dos Productores de Alho** (Brazil) - 31st National Meeting of Garlic Producers... (Eduardo Sekita-GFN, Brazil)
- **Bivis** (Vietnam) - How are Japanese Wagyu cows expensive [translated] (GFN sourced)
- **BASF** - Real results 50 profile - Andrew Osmond (GFN, United Kingdom)
- **Bay Times and Record Observer** (Maryland) - Hope is message at MD Commodity Classic (Jennie Schmidt-GFN, US-Maryland)
- **BBC, Hereford and Worcester** (UK) - Yields of wheat shedded in heat (Jake Freestone-GFN, UK quoted)
- **Bichos de Campo** (Argentina) - Maria Pilu Giraudo [GFN]: “We have to take care of all the things we do not do well”
- **BIO Food & Ag Weekly Newsletter** - March 30-April 5, 2018 - Impact of Chinese Trade War... (The Hill, Tim Burrack column)
- **BIO Food & Ag Weekly Newsletter, April 13-19, 2018** - Farm Technology Is Getting CRISPR... (The Hill, Daniel Kelley column)
- **BIO Food & Ag Weekly (Oct 5-11)** - CLI, Devex to Livestream “Future of Farming” Panel at World Food Prize... (Mudukuti, Koku)
- **BioFuel News** - Revived Calif plant celebrates low-carbon biodiesel production (Bill Horan-GFN Bd, Iowa)
- **Bismarck Tribune** (N Dakota) - Farmers are being sacrificed in war (Letter-To-Editor response to Terry Wanzek column)
- **BlackSeaGrain.net / UkrAgroConsult** - Rising corn cost jacks up price of meat, poultry products (Roger Navarro-GFN, Philippines)
- **The Brazilian Conf. of Ag, and Livestock** (CNA) - CNA works to defend national production of garlick and onion (Eduardo Sekita)
- **Business Mirror** (Philippines) - Ompong seen hiking farm-gate price of corn (Roger Navarro-GFN, Philippines)
- **The Canadian Farm Learning Centre** - The Home Quarter - Webinar: Real Dirt on Farming (Cherilyn Nagel-GFN Bd, Canada)
- **Cereal News** (Canada) - Global hunger projects bridge rural-urban divide to help end world hunger (Grant Dyck-GFN, Canada)
- **Capitol Buzz** (Washington state House Republicans) - link to The Seattle Times (Mark Wagoner op-ed)
- **Capital Press** - North Dakota researchers examine alfalfa bee disparitity in US (Mark Wagoner quoted)
- **Cedar Republican** (Missouri) - National Agricultural Day honors nation’s food producers (by Richard Fordyce-GFN, US-Missouri)
- **CJME 880 AM Radio** (Canada) - Snow a mixed blessing for Sask. farmers (Jake Leguee-GFN, Canada)
- **CJWW Radio** (Canada) - CP Rail Strike Ends With Negotiated Settlement (Levi Wood quoted)
- **Cotton Farming** - Pink Bollworm No Longer An Economic Threat (Tedd Sheely cited)
- **Corn Corps Blog, Illinois Corn** - reposted GFN website feature as “Meet A New Zealand Farmer: Jane Smith!”
- **Corn Corps Blog, Illinois Corn** - Learning By Doing Helps Indian Agriculture Thrive (R. Madhavan-GFN, India column)
- **The Courier** (Australia) - Rail freight is back on the Maryborough-Ararat line (Louise Staley-GFN, Australia)
- **CropLife International** - Paul Temple [GFN, UK] on Promoting Biodiversity - webpage and video
- **CSINewsNow** (N. Dakota) - Wanzek joins White House Conference (Terry Wanzek)
- **The Delmarva Farmer** - Md. grape growers hold annual summer field day (Jennie Schmidt-GFN, US-Maryland venue host)
- **The Dickinson Press** (N. Dakota) - ND ag leaders gather as farm bill nears passage (Doyle Lentz-GFN, US-N. Dakota quoted)
- **Dirt to Dinner** - What is NAFTA? (Tim Burrack column cited)
- **Dirt to Dinner** - Is Glyphosate Safe? (cites and quotes Jake Leguee-GFN, Canada)
- **Dorchester Star** (Maryland) - Maryland Farm Bureau holds annual convention (Dan Kelley spoke)
- **Doug Cook, RD** - The Gut and Brain Guy - Movie Screening: “Food Evolution” & Interview... (Motlatsi Musi)
- **DTN/ The Progressive Farmer** - RFS Talk settles at White House (Bill Horan-GFN Bd, US-Iowa)
- **Economia Hoy** (Mexico) - Mexican pork congers the European and Chinese market (Francisco Guiria Trevino-GFN, Mexico)
- **Ellinghamuyen** - Food is the ultimate weapon (Bill Horan column via AgWeb)
- **European Papers** - Emergency Measures Against GMO Between Harmonizing and De-harmonizing... (Giorgio Fidenato-GFN, Italy)
- **Eurolarma** (Romania) - “Poor agriculture” [translated] broadcast Apr 29 (Interviewed Lucian Buzdugan-GFN, Romania)
- **Espectador.com** (Uruguay) - Soja: “el clima nos dio la espalda”, aseguran agricultores (Gabriel Carballal interviewed)
Western Canadian Wheat Growers… Support Signing of Comprehensive and Progressive TPP (Levi Wood-GFN, Canada)

The Western Producer (Canada) - ‘Yield trouble subdues soybeans’ prairie party (Gerrid Gust-GFN, Canada)

Yankee Farm Credit - Short Term Strategies for Surviving Poor Cash Flow (by Joanna Lidback-GFN Board, US-Vermont)

YourFortDodge.com (Iowa) - Fort Frenzy Hosts Secretary of Ag Candidates (Bill Horan-GFN Bd moderated event)

YouTube, Agricology - Cover Crops - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK)

YouTube, Anniechien ten Have Mellema (GFN, Netherlands) - Dartelstal Beter Leven twee steren varkens

YouTube, BichosDeCampo (Argentina) - Miembro fundador de Bioceres (Roberto Peiretti-GFN Board, Argentina)

YouTube, BichosDeCampo - Pedro Vigneau - Ex presidente de Aapresid (GFN, Argentina)

YouTube, BichosDeCampo - Maria Beatriz ‘Pili’ Giraudo - Ex presidente de Aapresid (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina)

YouTube, The Cornell Alliance for Science - Farming as a noble profession (Georgina Gutierrez - GFN, Mexico)

YouTube, The Science Media Production Center at Cornell - Ken Kamiya [GFN] on Emergence of Papaya Ringspot Virus in Hawaii

YouTube, CropLife - Testimonials: Why Does Innovation Matter (Paul Temple-GFN, UK)

YouTube, Embrapa - MIP soja é eficiente mesmo em grandes áreas; interview with Richard Dijkstra (GFN, Brazil)

YouTube, Food Evolution panelist discussion at the Univ of Waterloo (Canada) - (Motlatsi Musi-2017 Kleckner Award, S Africa)

YouTube, Groundswell Agriculture - UK No-Till Farmer’s Present: Jake Freestone [GFN, UK] and Clive Bailye at Groundswell 2018

YouTube, Growing Farmers Around the Globe (Conversation at 2018 Food Tank DC Summit) (Jennie Schmidt-GFN US-Maryland)

YouTube, Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) - documenting Harvest 2018… check it out!

YouTube, Kamiya Papaya: A Family Farm (Kenneth Kamiya, Joni Rose-Kamiya - GFN, US-Hawaii)

YouTube, Messaggero Veneto (Italy) - [translated] The Forestry tears down the plants of GMO of [Giorgio] Fidenato-GFN, Italy)

YouTube, Monitor - Della Tierra (Uruguay) - Entrevista a Marcos Guigou, director de ADP [GFN, Uruguay]

YouTube, RFI Romania - [translated] RALF 2018, Big Farmers Forum, guest Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania)

YouTube, United Soybean Board - High oleic soybeans are a big deal around little ‘ol Sudlersville (Jennie Schmidt)

YouTube, Weaver ant Vietnam (Liem Pham Quoc-GFN, Vietnam)

YouTube, World Food Prize Ceremony 2017, congratulations Dr. Adesina (Kaahwa Jean-GFN, Uganda)
Organizational & Other Activity: events, panels, speaking engagements, and more of GFN members.
**2018 Kleckner Award, Gina Gutierrez** - the Mexican dairy farmer was honored Oct 16 as the 12th honoree of the award.

**2018 Global Farmer Roundtable** - 11 farmers met Oct 15-17 in Des Moines during the World Food Prize, including the first participant from Japan.

- Argentina - Mr. Edgard Ramirez
- Australia - Mr. Bill Crabtree
- India - Mr. Malwinder Singh Malhi
- Ireland - Ms. Cheryl Hazenberg
- Japan - Ms. Atsumi Goto
- Kenya - Mr. Rodney Kili
- Mexico - Ms. Gina Gutierrez
- Nigeria - Ms. Patience Koku
- Nigeria - Mr. Chibuike Emmanuel
- Philippines - Mr. A.D. Alvarez
- United States, Iowa - Mr. Larry Sailer

One of Mexico's few woman dairy farmers reaches out to nearly 30,000 followers a day on Facebook. It all began for the Kleckner Award winner because of a twisted ankle.

**2018 AAPRESID Congress** - multiple GFN members involved, including Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) and Pedro Vigneau (GFN, Argentina) as speakers, and Gina Gutierrez (GFN, Mexico) as part of the start with women in agriculture -- at Argentinian no-till association annual event Aug 8-10 in Cordoba, Argentina. “GFN was an institutional sponsor for event.

AAPRESID (Argentina) - Mar 26 AAPRESID Certificaciones announcement, “Agreement with Aapresid will boost sustainable production” with “representatives of the Ministry of Econ Development and Production and the direct sowing organization agreed on joint actions for projects on Good Agricultural Practices, Sustainable Productive Systems and Integrated Landscape Management.”

See also Expogro news Mar 16.

**Africa Investment Rising Roadshow 2018** - GFN was an organizational partner for Initiative for Global Development (IGD) event that ran Apr 18 to May 1, with stops in Washington, DC, New York, Des Moines, and Houston (May 3 press release).

**Ag in Motion, Western Canada’s Outdoor Farm Expo** - Alanna Koch (GFN, Canada) spoke July 19 at Cultivating Connections Brunch, an event designed to connect young ag professionals with experienced agribusiness mentors.

**Agribusiness Leadership Program 2018** - William Bulo (GFN, Indonesia) graduated from the program under the auspices of the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation June 29 at a ceremony in Sydney.

**AgriTech 2018** - V. Ravichandran (GFN Board, India) attended the 20th International Agricultural Technology Exhibition held May 8-10 in Tel Aviv, Israel.

**Agri-Tech East (UK)** - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) in the “REAP 2017 report: Today’s knowledge meets tomorrow’s technology” from the Nov 2017 event she spoke at; report can be accessed through this Feb 4 post.

**13th Agro Tech India 2018** - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) invited to speak at event Dec 1-4 in Chandigarh.

**Role of Agrochemicals for Sustainable Agriculture** - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) on panel Sept 7 at event hosted by the Indian Chemical Council, the India Ministry for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and the Government of India in Chandigrah.

**Agri Con 2018 (India)** - V. Ravichandran (2018 Kleckner Award & GFN Board, India) spoke on “Doubling farmers income - a farmer’s perspective” at Mar 16 event in Chennai.

**AgroWorld 2018 / International Conference on Eco Agriculture** - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) was a speaker and panelist Oct 26 at events held Oct 25-27 in New Delhi, India.

**AgVocracy Forum** - Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN, US-Wisconsin) did a grower perspective video for the Feb 25-26 event in Anaheim.

**Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Annual Meeting** - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) invited to inaugural session held Feb 27 in New Delhi, India.

**The Association of Alberta Agricultural Fieldmen** - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) spoke on Consumer Trust in Food and Ag at event Dec 4 in Calgary, Canada.

**National Australian Bridal Awards** - Simply Rose Petals started by Sarah Bloom (GFN, Australia) won first place for its category.
at the event June 19. Congratulations!

**Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre**, AEGIC - David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) spoke on “Wheat Farming in Argentina” Nov 16 in Perth, Western Australia.

**2018 Beef Cattle Conference, Auburn University** - Carol Keiser (GFN Board, US-Florida) invited to speak at annual event hosted by the University’s Department of Animal Sciences on Aug 18 in Auburn, Alabama.

**2018 BIO International Convention** - Joanna Lidback (GFN Board, US-Vermont) panelist for "Biotech in Our Backyard Panel: New England’s Booming Food and AgTech Innovation Ecosystem" – the event was in the Modern Ag Innovation track on “Food, Health, and Environmental Future Day” June 5 in Boston, Massachusetts. (Below)

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**BIO Africa Convention** - Motlatsi Musi (2017 Kleckner Award, South Africa) on panel “Barriers to Biotech for Food Security in Africa” and Tepsy Ntsoane (GFN, South Africa) invited Aug 26-29 in Durban, South Africa.

**7th Annual National Biosafety Conference** (Kenya) - V. Ravichandran (GFN Board, India) invited to speak on his experience with Bt cotton at event “The Role of Biotechnology and Biosafety towards Realizing “The Big Four” Action Plan” Aug 14-17 in Nairobi.

**Book Presentation:** “Genetically Modified - Journey in the Biotechnology World” (Italy) [translated] - Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy) spoke at event held Dec 17 in Lodi, Italy.

**Borlaug Farmers Association for South Asia** (India) - the organization currently led by PPS Pangli (GFN, India) hosted a celebration for the birthday of the late Norman Borlaug on Mar 25 with several hundred people in Ludhiana District, Punjab.

**Business Leaders Association, ADE** (Argentina) - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) received a special recognition award in December for her “outstanding work as an entrepreneur and her support and impulse to the agrarian sector of our country.”

**Canada’s Farm Progress Show, Farm Progress Forum** - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) spoke on “Turn Up the Volume: How farmers can rebuild consumer trust in food” June 22 event in Regina, Saskatchewan - [YouTube video] - and Alana Koch (GFN, Canada) was the Master of Ceremonies for June 22 ‘Empowering Women Conference’ portion of the event...

**Canada’s Outstanding Young Farmers Program** - Grant Dyck (GFN, Canada) was co-chair of 2018 National Recognition Event held Nov 27-Dec 2 in Winnipeg.

**Canadian Agri-Marketing Association** (CAMA) - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) spoke on “Earning Public Trust” Apr 26-28 in Winnipeg.

**Canadian Association of Farm Advisors** (CACA) - Les Kletke (GFN, Canada) was the master of ceremonies at the Manitoba Farm Business Update Oct 4 in Winnipeg.

**CANDWE, California Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Webinar Education** - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) spoke at “Pesticides and Food: A Farmer’s Approach to Managing Pests, Diseases, Residues and Health” on Feb 27.

**Cereals, The Arable Event** - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) and Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) on Farmer Advisory Board of event June 13-14 in Cambridgeshire, UK.

**9th National Coffee Conference** (Tanzania) - Trevor Gifford (GFN, Zimbabwe) gave a presentation for the Tanganyika Coffee Growers Association Mar 23 in Dodoma, Tanzania.

**Commonwealth Agriculture Conference 2018** - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) was a plenary session speaker of the 28th edition of conference held this year in Edmonton, Alberta Nov 5-8.

**Congreso Maizar 2018** - Pedro Vignea (GFN, Argentina) moderated a panel discussion May 22 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

**XIV Congress of Economics of Fundación Libertad** (Argentina) - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) on a panel dedicated to women and entrepreneurship Sept 19 in Rosario.

**COP24, United Nations Climate Change Conference** - Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) panelist/speaker at event held Dec 2-14 in Katowice, Poland.

**2018 Cornell Alliance for Science Leadership Course for Farmers** - intensive course in strategic communications collaborated with GFN included several GFN members farmers nominated by members held May 21-25 in Rock Island, Illinois. The event included a Facebook livestream at the end of the week with several farmers talking about tech and global agricultural challenges.


**CPC, Consolidated Pastoral Co.** (Australia) - William Bulo (GFN, Indonesia) received ‘The People Developer Award’ at the organization’s annual conference during February in Darwin, Australia.

**CRISPRcon 2018** - Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe) on panel “What’s at Stake? Diverse perspectives on the promise and perils gene editing” June 4-5 in Boston, Massachusetts. Additionally, Mary Boote (GFN CEO) lead a roundtable discussion “The Importance of Farmer Engagement” during the Ideas Marketplace.

**CRISPRcon 2018** - a summary of the June 4-5 event in Boston, Massachusetts “Conversations on Science, Society, and the Future
of Gene Editing’ included a picture and quote of Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe).

**Cropping Systems Conference** - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) spoke **Jan 9-10** in Kennewick, Washington.

**CropLife International and Devex - The Future of Farming: Access to Innovation to Achieve Food Security** – co-hosted **Oct 17** panel discussion event during World Food that included Nyasha Mudukuti (GFN, Zimbabwe) and Patience Koku (GFN, Nigeria).

**Delaware Academy of Nutrition and Dietetic’s Annual Conference** - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) spoke at event **Apr 27** at Delaware State University.

**16th National Meeting on Direct Planting** (Brazil) - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) on panel “Women from Agro in the Direct Planting System - Experiences in Sustainable Agriculture” at event **Aug 1-3** in Sorriso, [translated]

**Dodge County Farmers Healthy Soil-Healthy Water Field Day** - Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN, US-Wisconsin) hosted “Covers and Climate” field day at family farm in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin on **Aug 3**.

**Dutch Trade Mission to Ukraine** - during **June 25-27** mission the group visited farm operation of Kees Huizinga (GFN, Ukraine). National Round Table on ECO Agriculture (India) - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) spoke at event **May 25** in New Delhi.

**EIP-AGRI Workshop** - Knud Bay-Smidt (GFN, Denmark) participated at ‘Enabling Farmers for the Digital Age: The Role of AKIS [Ag Knowledge and Innovation Systems]** Apr 26-27 in Jurmala, Latvia.

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**124th Exhibition of Livestock, Farm, Industry and Commerce** (Argentina) - Maria Beatriz Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) on panel “Rural Women” **Sept 29**.

**FAFDL Ask a Farmer Facebook** - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) participated in event **Feb 23**.

**Farm Service Agency (FSA)** - Richard Fordyce (GFN, US-Missouri) was announced as the administrator of the USDA’s Farm Service Agency on **May 11**. Congratulations!

**Farmers Weekly Arable Horizons** - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) involved with event **Dec 6** in York, UK.

**Farmers Weekly Awards** (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) is a judge for the upcoming 2018 Ag Student of the Year.

**FarmTech 2017** - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) spoke on “Turning up the volume - Rebuilding consumer trust in food and farming” **Jan 30-Feb 1** in Edmonton, Canada.

**FAO, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations** - Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe) spoke at “Youth Employment in Agriculture as a Solid Solution to ending Hunger and Poverty in Africa” **Aug 20-21** in Kigali, Rwanda.

**FAO International Symposium on Agricultural Innovation for Family Farmers** - several GFN members were panelists, speakers at event **Nov 21-23** in Rome, Italy. Included were Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines), Gilbert arap Bor (2011 Kleckner Award, Kenya), Maria Piliu Girauedo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina), Motlatsi Musi (2017 Kleckner Award, South Africa) and Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay), PPS Pangli (GFN, India).

  - **Innovation and Agroecology: A Path to Sustainability** - Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) panelist on event co-hosted by Int’l Agri-Food Network and Nigeria in Rome on **Nov 21**.

**FAO Second International Symposium on Agroecology** - Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) participating **Apr 3-5** in Rome, Italy.

**Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry** (FICCI) - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) invited to present on “Farmer distress and impact on crop protection chemicals” Apr 2 in New Delhi.

**Farmers Weekly Arable Horizons** - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) involved with event **Dec 6** in York, UK.

**Fertilizer Latino Americano 2018** - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) spoke **Jan 22-24** in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

**Food and Agriculture: A Global Conversation** - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) on panel **Apr 24** at Univ California Davis, “What is Sustainable Farming, and What Practices are Used on Your Farm to Make it Sustainable?”

**Food & Nutrition Conf. & Expo, FNCE 2018** - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) on panel ‘Farming with RDNs’ **Oct 20-23** in Washington, DC.

**Food & Science Festival** - Marco Pasti (GFN, Italy) [introduced the screening] of the film ‘Food Evolution’ at the **May 18-20** festival in Motovu, Italy.

**Food Tank Summit** - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) took part in “Cultivating the Next Generation of Young Food Leaders” **Feb 28** in Washington, DC. [Video]

**Four States Ag Expo** - Tossie Lewis (GFN, US New Mexico) involved at event **Mar 15-17** in Cortez, Colorado.


**Global Agribusiness Forum 2018** - Sergio Bortolozzo (GFN, Brazil) and Pam Johnson (GFN, US-Iowa) with MAIZAL spoke at event **July 23-24** in Sao Paulo, Brazil.
Global Farmer Network Annual Board Meeting - held July 23-25 in Washington, DC and meetings also took place with representatives from the Embassies and countries of Argentina, Canada, China, Mexico, and New Zealand (pic below). Global Farmer Panel Discussion, Cornell Alliance for Science - V. Ravichandran (GFN Board, 2013 Kleckner Award, India) and Andrew Osmond (GFN, UK) took part on the panel discussion during the May training session in Rock Island, Illinois (YouTube link). Global Farmer Roundtable - 2018 edition hosted by Global Farmer Network held Oct 14-19 in Des Moines; and Global Farmer Network Press Conference held Oct 19.

Global Forum for Innovations in Ag, GFIA Europe - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) spoke June 20-21 at Utrecht, Netherlands. GMO Beyond the Science III - the multi-week series thru Aug on challenges facing modern farming around the world at the Genetic Literacy Project features Global Farmer Network Members - debuted June 12 with a column by Mary Boote (GFN, CEO) and was followed by Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand), Jake Freestone (GFN, UK), Gilbert Arap Bor (2011 Kleckner Award, Kenya) and Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland).

Grain Market Outlook Conference 2018, AHDB (UK) - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) involved as chair of group Oct 16 in London. Groundswell 2018 - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) served as a moderator for “UK no-till farmer’s experiences” and Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) is a speaker for event June 27-28 near Baldock, Hitchin and Stevenage, UK.

Hum’s, des hommes & des sols (France) - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) involved with group providing agronomy training; upcoming dates promoted in Sky Agriculture YouTube video “Formation VIVEA "Couverts Végétaux" avec Sarah Singla” Apr 21. IFT18 (Institute for Food Technologists) - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) took part in the session “Embracing Agricultural Coexistence: Organic, Conventional, and Biotechnology,” July 15-18 in Chicago, Illinois USA. Schmidt also provided an expert response for a question posed at event to GMO Answers.

Univ. of Illinois - Spring Symposium on Revalorizing Extension: Evidence and Practice - Isidro Matamoros (GFN, Honduras) on panel ‘Extension for Improved Nutrition’ with regards to ‘A Pilot Project to Re-Establish a Dairy Extension Program in Honduras’ Apr 2-5 at event hosted by AgReach at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

IndAgra Show - Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) was on the Industry Panel “Perspective on Food & Water Security” Nov 1 as part of the U.S. Agribusiness opportunities forum of the show held Oct 31-Nov 4 in Bucharest, Romania.

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) asked to present on “Farmer distress and impact on crop protection chemicals” Apr 2 in New Delhi.

Innovative Farmers Network Day 2018 - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) involved May 9 at Sheepdrove Farm, Berks, UK. Irish Tillage and Land Use Society - Jim McCarthy (2009 Kleckner Award, Ireland) involved with 2018 Study Tour to Romania - June 25 to July 1.

Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) - Jaipal Reddy Solleti (GFN, India) received an IARI Innovative Farmer Award Mar 16-18 at the national agricultural fair (Krishi Unnati Mela 2018: Doubling Farmers Incomes by 2022) in New Delhi. Congratulations!

2nd Festival della Cultura della Liberta (Italy) - Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy) spoke on “GMO and the freedom of enterprise” in Piacenza, Italy Jan 27-28.


International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) - Lydia Sasu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana) participated at a farmer forum during April in Morocco.

Jornadas Agrícolas FERMA 2018 (Spain) - Jose Luis Romeo (GFN, Spain) spoke on Crispr technology and the future of corn genetics at the 57th annual event Aug 24-26 in Barbastro, Spain.


Monmouthshire County Conference (Wales, UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) spoke Jan 23.

2nd MycoKey Technological Workshop - Marco Aurelio Pasti (GFN, Italy) speaking June 7-8 in Bucharest, Romania on mycotoxin management for maize in East Europe.
New Zealand Institute for Agriculture and Horticultural Science - Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) spoke on 'Water in Canterbury - our vital resource' on Oct 24.

NFU, National Farmers Union - “Farming industry celebrates the thousands of #PeopleInFarming” on Mar 20 includes video done by Jake Freestone (GFN, UK).

Northwestern Univ, Center for Genetic Medicine - Silverstein Lecture Series - Jennie Schmidt (GFN, US-Maryland) spoke May 2-3 in Chicago and Evanston.

No-Till on the Plains Winter Conference, 22nd Annual - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) spoke Jan 30-31 in Wichita, Kansas.

Nuffield International Contemporary Scholars Conference - Gina Gutierrez (GFN, Mexico) was invited to attend event Mar 10-16 in De Eemhof, Netherlands.

Olds College (Canada) - Cherlyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) spoke at her alma mater to Agriculture Management and Agribusiness students Nov 23.

Ontario Agri-Food Technologies - Motlatsi Musi (2017 Kleckner Award, S. Africa) panelist Jan 16-17 for "GMOs": Facts and Misconception in Toronto and Waterloo, Canada.

Ontario Agri-Food Technologies (Canada) - “Panelist Discussion from GMOs: Facts and Misconceptions in Waterloc” posting on Feb 4 includes video after screening of the movie “Food Evolution” which includes Motlatsi Musi (2017 Kleckner Award, South Africa).

Open Farm Sunday - congratulations to GFN members in the United Kingdom who took part in another successful Open Farm Sunday event last June 10, and especially to Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) one of the event founders and recipient of the prestigious OBE in 2016 for that effort - it is an “honour given to an individual for a major local role in any activity such as business, charity or the public sector. OBE stands for Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.” See more on the website or @OpenFarmSunday and #ofs18 and The Pop Up Farm.

The Oxford Farming Conference, OFC 18 - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) spoke at 'Embracing Changes' Jan 3-5 at Oxford University, UK [video].

Oxford Real Farming Conference - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) spoke on panel ‘Regain your power in the food system’ Jan 4-5 at Oxford Town Hall, UK.

New Opportunities in Pig Farming (Netherlands) - Annechien Ten Have Mellem (GFN, Netherlands) and family hosted symposium on their farm July 18.

Meeting with the Agricultural Counsel of the US Embassy (Poland) - Roman Warcheza (GFN, Poland) involved May 8 at IHAR (Plant Breeding and Acclimatization Institute) in Radzików, Poland.

POLITICO Agriculture & Food Summit - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) spoke at event Nov 27 in Paris, France.

The Pop Up Farm - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) started project last year to “deliver a different way for people to learn about farming” and incorporating social media. Initially pumpkins were picked in the fall, but sunflowers were added this Summer of 2018 and also sweetcorn when read. They are adding events, including a Sweetcorn, Sunflower and Sausage Festival on Sept 8-9.


14th International Conference on Precision Agriculture - Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) was a keynote speaker on “Our Social License to Operate and the Benefits of Precision Ag” and took part on several panels at International Precision Agriculture Society (ISPA) hosted event June 24-27 in Montreal, Canada. [Link to Webinar]

Ill Precision Agriculture Practical Workshop (Spain) - Jose Luis Romeo Martin (GFN, Spain) spoke; Asaja Huesca collaborates with AGPME ITAGA for event held Feb 22 within the framework of FIMA.

Primer Encuentro de Mujeres Rurales (Meeting of Rural Women) - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) spoke Oct 26 on "Rural women and their roles in productivity, environmental and social achievements” [translated] in Egaña, Argentina.

11th Progressive Farmers Meet - Modern Kheti Agro Society - the Borlaug Farmers Association for South Asia, PPS Pangli (GFN, India) is president of the organization, along with Modern Agriculture monthly magazine organized two events at Confederation of Indian Industry in Chandigarh located in N. India: (1) Mar 5 - Sustainable Agriculture Sector by promoting Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs); (2) Mar 6 - Farm Mechanization in India by promoting Custom Hiring Centers (CHCs).

Punjab State Farmers’ Policy Meeting - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) participated in deliberations July 19 in New Delhi, India.
Relations Between Science, Politics and Society in Relation to Scientific and Technological Progress (Italy) - Marco Aurelio Pasti (GFN, Italy) spoke on “The crisis of the Italian maize industry” in Florence Oct 29 at event hosted by the Georgofili Academy.

Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS) - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) invited to participate at roundtable Feb 26 in New Delhi on “Overview of Argentina’s G20 Presidency”.

5th International Rice Congress - V. Ravichandran (GFN Board, India) was a speaker and panelist at Oct 15-17 event in Singapore. His comments were titled “Evaluation of GFG mitigation potential of climate resilient intervention: A case study of IAMWARM Project in Tamil Nadu”.

Scale Up Conference, Innovations in Agriculture: Scaling Up to Reach Millions - Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe) is a Young African Entrepreneur at event Sept 25-27 at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana, US.


The Sentry Farming Conference (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) was chairman of the event Feb 7 at Newmarket.

International Spokane Conservation District (Washington) - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN Board, Canada) spoke Nov 12-13 at three workshops “Turning up the volume” to help give farmers a voice in delivering their message and story to the public.


Ukrainian Agro-Industrial & Food Forum - Kees Huizinga-GFN, Ukraine) spoke May 31 in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Universidad de Belgrano, Argentina - David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) spoke on the “Value in Wheat” June 23 in Buenos Aires.

UN FAO CFS (Committee on World Food Security) - Craig Mackenzie (GFN Board, New Zealand) participated at event Oct 15-19 in Rome, Italy.

2018 USDA Agricultural Outlook Forum - Reg Clause (GFN Chair, US-Iowa), Mary Boote (GFN CEO) and Paul Temple (GFN, UK) attended Feb 22-23 in Washington, DC.

U.S. Department of State - Mary Boote (GFN, CEO) represented the GFN at a “Women Who Lead” Lecture Series May 18 in Washington, DC. She is speaking at the opening panel of the “Women Who Lead: Agriculture Edition” on “Giving Women Farmers a Voice”.

Water for Food International Forum - Amandou Sidibe (GFN, Mali) participated in “Bringing it all together” session on how to set up and run a successful farm in “Farmer-Led Irrigated Agriculture: Seeds of Opportunity” Jan 29-30 in Washington, DC. The event is a collaboration of The Daugherty Water for Food Global Institute at the Univ. of Nebraska, The World Bank, USDA and USAID.

Western U.S. Agricultural Trade Association - Livestock and Forage Trade Mission, WUSATA - Tossie Lewis (GFN, US-New Mexico) traveled to the Chengdu, China area June 23-July 1 working to open international trade avenues for Native American tribes.

Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum (UK) - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) spoke at “Beyond the CAP - the future for UK agriculture post-Brexit” July 5 in London.

Having a Seat at the Table: Women in Agriculture (South Africa) - Tepsey Ntseane (GFN, S. Africa) panelist on “Importance of New Technologies for Farmers and How It Positively Impacts Women” Aug 8-9 in Pretoria.

Workshop on Sustainable Pathways to Revitalize Punjab Agriculture: Challenges and Opportunities (India) - PPS Pangli (GFN, India) panelist on “Crop Residue Burning in Punjab: An Emerging Challenge” at event Jan 30-31 at Chandigarh.


World Economic Forum - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina), Roberto Peiretti (GFN Board, Argentina) and perhaps another GFN member participating at “The New Vision for Agriculture: Mobilizing Country-led Transformation in Latin America” Mar 13 Sao Paulo, Brazil.

World Food Prize Laureate, Dr. Sanjay Rajaram (India) - Dr. Rajaram visited the farm of Vijay Kapoor (GFN, India) on Mar 17.

7th World Sustainability Forum - Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN, US-Wisconsin) participating at event Sept 19-22 in Beijing, China.

2nd International Youth Forum on Soil & Water Conservation - Roberto Peiretti (GFN Board, Argentina) involved with Aug 27-31 in Moscow, Russia.