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## A Message From the Chief Executive Officer—Tim Carson



the while the agriculture industry is throwing themselves into high gear in order to beat the icy grip of winter. There really is no down time these days is there?

It has been a busy summer for the staff here at AAAS. Lisa and I have been crisscrossing the Province providing workshops and sessions for our members, doing our best to stay connected to the issues and success stories for Ag Societies here at home as well as those across the country. Our counter parts in other Provinces echo the fact that

Welcome to fall. The summer fairs and festivals are all wrapped up, rodeo season is winding down and hockey and curling facilities are making ice. All

Ag Societies everywhere have had a busy summer. AAAS continues to be a partner in the continued success of Open Farm Days. This has been a terrific Province wide initiative with more members getting involved each year. More information will be available during the upcoming Regional meetings.

The fall round of regional meetings is set to kick off in mid October. There is always great information from AAAS and the Ag Societies that attend these vital meetings. Please check out the AAAS website at [www.albertaagsocieties.ca](http://www.albertaagsocieties.ca) for information on a regional meeting near you. Please remember all members are welcome to any regional meeting. Pick one that is most convenient for you and a friend to attend. Then register with the AAAS office. 780-427-2174. I look forward to seeing you there.

While on our website under the Regional

community on safety for the farm. Use your imagination and provide a unique forum to ensure everyone gets home to their families safely every day. If you've not received an information package for your Ag Society or you would like to discuss and idea your organization has come up with, please give me or Lisa Hardy a shout at the AAAS office.

We can't wait to hear from you.

Fall also marks the time of year when most of our members will be having their annual general meetings. I realize that not everyone looks forward to the work necessary to be ready for this important event. The AGM can be a real highlight to your organizations success. Give the fact that this is the one time we must bring our members together we should really take advantage of the moment. Inform the community of your organizations compelling story. Whether there were challenges or everything is "steady as she goes" this is the moment to let your community know how important the Ag Society and its volunteers are. So take the time to be prepared. Get your reports down in on paper. Make sure you and the rest of your Board understands the process to follow. Develop a package of material you can share with your current members and be used to attract new folks. Extend personal invitations to people you know so they can come and learn who and what your Ag Society is all about, what you stand for and where you're going. Even if the challenges have been somewhat overwhelming be sure to be positive in you delivery and actually be working on improving for the future. You might be surprised at the positive effect a well run AGM can have on members, partners, supporters and you.

"Ag Societies, *The greatest stories never told*" is the theme for the 2017 annual AAAS convention. AAAS would like to thank Region 2 for hosting this year's event which will take place on February 3, 4, and 5, 2017. The 2017 convention looks to be the best one yet. Make sure you mark the date in your calendars and plan to attend. More information will be come as it is available. Watch your mail box, the AAAS web page, the AAAS app, AAAS Facebook page and twitter for details on how to register. We look forward to seeing everyone there. It's going to be a story to tell.

**Tim Carson,**  
**Chief Executive Officer**



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meetings tab you will find the registration for the annual Leadership Summit. This event is for anyone wanting to develop their leadership skills both for themselves as well as the organization. Leaders from across our membership will converge in Calgary on November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> to learn, share information and discuss issues. The event is well worth the time you invest in attending. For more information make sure you give the office a call. As many of you already know AAAS has money available for Farm Safety projects and events. (As much as \$10,000 per Ag Society per event) AAAS members are encouraged to find partners and "Collaborate to Educate" your com-

## Changes announced to CFEP & CIP Grant

Across the province, Alberta nonprofits are meeting the needs of Albertans with programs and services, and through the development of public-use facilities. That is why our government continues to support organizations across the province with matching grants through the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) and the Community Initiatives Program (CIP).

Following an extensive internal program review and discussions with sector partners and past grant recipients, we are moving forward with changes that will help organizations by streamlining access to funding and clarifying the criteria projects are evaluated against. These changes will be implemented using existing resources.

I am pleased to share the highlights of the program changes that will come into effect December 15, 2016. Implementing the new changes for the December 15 application date will allow applicants to fully benefit from the positive changes, such as increased hourly rates for donated labour.

CFEP supports the acquisition, construction and renovation of public-use community facilities. Two new grant streams have been created within the CFEP:

### **Small Funding and Large Funding.**

**The Small Funding Stream provides a maximum of \$125,000 in project support.**

**The Large Funding Stream provides a maximum of \$1 million in project support.**

Organizations are encouraged to use the new application forms; however, the old CFEP application form will be accepted for the December 15 deadline.

CIP supports projects, programs, and services developed and delivered by community-based nonprofits. A new grant stream, Major Cultural and Sport Events (MCSE), has been created within CIP, which is intended to help support national and international sanctioned events with significant community benefit, such as positive impact on local business and aiding in tourism growth. A maximum grant of \$250,000 will be available to eligible applicants.

Nonprofits will continue to have access to a maximum of \$75,000 in funding for smaller, community-based events and activities through the CIP Project-based grant stream.

Albertans have consistently shown their support of humanitarian projects in developing nations around the world. Annual funding of CIP's International Development grant stream has been increased to assist Alberta-based nonprofits involved in international development projects.

This increase is reflective of the financial contributions of Albertans in support of international development efforts around the world and to address growing demand in the program.

To further assist nonprofits, improve access to grant programs, and reflect current industry rates, the values of in-kind donations provided in lieu of cash to meet the match-

ing component of grant programs have been increased. Effective December 15, rates for unskilled labour will be valued at \$20 per hour, skilled labour at \$35 per hour, and donations of heavy equipment (with operator) will be assessed a value of \$70 per hour.

As noted, Community Grant program streams will continue to be funded using existing resources within the CFEP and CIP budgets. Changes to both CFEP and CIP will help ensure the funding reallocation will better meet the needs of nonprofits by addressing funding gaps, streamlining and providing clarity to the grants process. For Albertans, these changes mean greater transparency, accountability, and effective use of resources and a greater return on public dollars.

Full details including new program guidelines and Frequently Asked Questions are available online at: <http://culture.alberta.ca/community/community-grants/>. Community Grants staff are also available to answer any questions you may have. Please visit the [Community Grants](#) webpage for contact information and full program details.

Best Regards,  
Ricardo Miranda  
Minister of Culture and Tourism

## Alberta Farm Safety Program

Are you looking for ideas or resources for a farm safety program in your community? The Alberta Farm Safety Program with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry has some great ideas, resources and contacts for you!  
Website: [www.agriculture.alberta.ca/farmsafety](http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/farmsafety) or Call/Email an Alberta Agriculture & Forestry Farm Safety Coordinator:

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## Award Program and School Scholarships

### Honor Roll Nomination:

Do you know of someone who has made a valuable and noteworthy contribution to the development and advancement of agricultural societies in Alberta?

The Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies invites agricultural societies to nominate a member of their association for their outstanding contribution to the development and advancement of agricultural societies in Alberta. Two members will be awarded the Honorary Life Memberships. Winners will be recognized at the 2017 AAAS Convention on February 3rd, 2017. This prestigious award recognizes outstanding volunteers for their dedication to local, regional and provincial levels of agriculture.

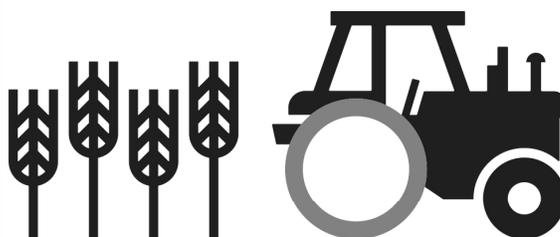
The nominating agricultural society will be notified if their nominee is chosen and it is the nominating society's responsibility to ensure the recipient is in attendance to accept the award. AAAS will provide two complimentary dinner tickets for the recipient and one guest. All other ticket requirements must be purchased in advance. **Deadline for nominations is December 31st, 2016.**

Go to our website for the Honour Roll Nomination Form or call the AAAS office at 780-427-2174.

### Student Scholarships:

Nominate a student who has demonstrated leadership! This will be the fifth year that the Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies has partnered with Calgary Stampede and Northlands Park to offer two \$1500 awards that will be given to outstanding post-secondary students continuing their education, who have volunteered their time and energy to their communities and agricultural societies. Please consider individuals in your community who could benefit from receiving this award. Applicants must be nominated by their local Agricultural Society. **Deadline for applications is December 31st 2016**

Go to our website for the Agriculture Award and General Award Nomination Forms or call the AAAS office at 780-427-2174.



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## Agricultural Societies – Protecting livestock on your site

Any location that has livestock, even temporarily, is required to have a Premises Identification (PID) Number. By having a PID Number, you will be notified if there is an emergency that could affect the health of the animals on your site.

This is just one part of livestock traceability -- a crucial component to an effective animal health and food safety system. Traceability in Alberta relies on three pillars which include: premises identification, animal identification and animal movement tracking. Traceability systems provide the ability to trace an animal throughout the production cycle and helps protect the health and safety of Alberta's animals.

PID is a tool that government and industry use to trace animals in the event of an animal health emergency such as a disease outbreak. PID in

Alberta became mandatory in 2009 and is a requirement if you own animals (except pets and wildlife) or operate a commingling site with livestock. Commingling sites, which may include sites operated by agricultural societies, are locations where animals owned by different people are kept together either temporarily or permanently. Since animals are mixing, there is an increased opportunity for animals to come into contact with infectious diseases.

Having animal locations and other key information in one system allows for quick, accurate and cost-effective emergency response. By having a PID Account, agricultural societies will be quickly notified of an animal health event and informed about the risks and disease control procedures. Agricultural societies can further notify the users of their site so that they can take any necessary precautions.

Traceability in Alberta presented at the 2016 AAAS Spring Regional Meetings where they answered questions on how to apply for PID Accounts, obtain PID Numbers and what an agricultural society's responsibilities are in terms of traceability. To learn more about Traceability in Alberta, please visit [www.agriculture.alberta.ca/traceability](http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/traceability).

For more information on the PID Program or to determine if premises identification applies to your organization, call the Alberta Ag-Info Centre at 310 – FARM (3276) or visit Alberta Agriculture's website [www.agriculture.alberta.ca/premises](http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/premises) to apply online or download the application forms.

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# Traceability in Alberta

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[www.agriculture.alberta.ca/traceability](http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/traceability)



[www.agriculture.alberta.ca/TraceabilityConnects](http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/TraceabilityConnects)

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## Alberta's Nonprofit Sector and Alberta's New Carbon Tax Levy

We have been receiving some questions from our membership on how the Carbon Tax Levy will be impacting Agricultural Societies as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

At the suggestion of one of our Colleagues, AAAS has been identified as an organization representing a subsector of the nonprofit sector. As a result, we were contacted by a consultant who is with the working group consisting of Ministry officials and representatives from nine nonprofits from across the Province, to understand the potential impact the Carbon Tax Levy will have on Agricultural Societies.

We have done our best to convey the possible challenges, concerns, and impacts that the levy will have on our membership, and as we receive further information we will be sure to pass it along to our members. Information on the carbon levy pricing can be found here: <http://www.alberta.ca/climate-carbon-pricing.aspx>

Below is the last update we have received from the working group;

*"Dear Colleague,*

*In our last update regarding the Alberta Climate Change Leadership Plan and Alberta's new carbon levy, we reported that Environment and Parks Minister, Shannon Phillips, agreed to our request to form a working group to look more closely at the issue of the carbon levy. Specifically, we have urged the Province to investigate whether there are areas within the nonprofit sector where the transition into a carbon pricing era will have a material impact on organizational finances and where organizations will, in the short term, struggle to absorb or otherwise pass on the increased costs. Of course, the theory behind a carbon levy, and the accompanying energy efficiency programming, is that the costs of the levy are mitigated by reduced energy consumption. However, we know that opportunities to realize such savings, either through practices or infrastructure upgrades, are not the same across the nonprofit sector.*

*Over the past few months, a working group consisting of Ministry officials and representatives from nine nonprofits from across the province have had three meetings to discuss this issue.*

*Additionally, the facilitators asked CCVO, ECVO and Volunteer Alberta to recommend organizations with whom they should meet one-to-one. You may have been contacted for this purpose. The Working Group will be providing a verbal report to the Energy Efficiency Advisory Panel this Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. We are told the Working Group's findings will be incorporated into the Advisory Panel's report to the Minister.*

*In the interim, CCVO has established a set of recommendations aimed at ensuring provincial programs to support energy efficiency, as well as micro and community-scale generation of renewable energy, are relevant and accessible to the nonprofit sector. We also recommended the Province establish a fund to support nonprofits and charities substantially affected by the introduction of Alberta's carbon levy. "*

*A copy of the CCVO submission can be accessed <http://www.calgarycvo.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/CCVO-Energy-Efficiency-Advisory-Panel-2016.pdf>.*

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### Workshop Description

The Canadian Association of Fairs & Exhibitions has acquired funding from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada to coordinate a national project on prevention of contamination by E.coli and other enteric pathogens at fairs.

Our new project began on April 1, 2015 with a Research Component which is being undertaken in conjunction with scientists at the Lethbridge Agricultural Research Station, and will culminate with workshops being presented in each province in the fall and winter of 2016-17. This will be an important opportunity for participation by all fairs and any other organizations that deal with animal human contact.

Over the years there have been out-

breaks of E.coli and various other pathogens at fairs and petting zoos in Canada and the US. Thankfully there have been few fatalities. Undoubtedly your ag society wants to protect its attendees from becoming sick – or worse – but you also need to protect your organization. If you find yourself in the newspaper, named as the source of an E.coli outbreak, your event will suffer from a bad reputation and lower attendance for years to come. Or you could find yourself the victim of litigation...also something you can do without!

The E.coli Prevention Workshop will be a full day long, and will provide critical information on what E.coli (and other dangerous pathogens) are, how they can affect and even kill people, how they can be transferred at a fair or livestock/animal event, how you can avoid con-

tamination, how to protect your organization from litigation if someone does get E.coli, how to create traffic patterns at your fair to keep your guests safer, signage, etc.

Workshops will be presented by experts from IAFE (International Association of Fairs & Exhibitions) who present on this topic across North America

And it's all FREE! Participants will go away with a binder of resources as well as an educational DVD.

However you should come prepared to provide your own supper.

**For more info or to register call CAFE at 204-571-6377**

# AAAS Wins 2016 Communication Awards at IAFE

AAAS was honored to win the Website Category and tie for 1st in the Unique Program Category (Off The Cuff DVD) of the 2016 State and Provincial Association Communications Awards at the International Association of Fairs and Expositions Conference in December.



We would also like to congratulate Amanda Frigon (Northlands), and Lisa Hardy (Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies) for being part of the 2016 Institute of Fair Management Graduating Class also recognized at the IAFE conference in December.



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For more information on our centennial events, merchandise, and tons of history visit

[www.4hab100.ca](http://www.4hab100.ca).

Any questions please contact Cameron Horner, 4-H Specialist, at: [Cameron.horner@gov.ab.ca](mailto:Cameron.horner@gov.ab.ca) or 1-780-968-3519.

## Grant or Funding Opportunities

### Alberta Agricultural Society Farm Safety Grant Program

Over the next 3 years AAAS will distribute \$900,000.00 to Agricultural Societies across Alberta for Farm Safety programming. This initiative is funded by the Government of Alberta, through Alberta Agriculture and Forestry.

The purpose of this program is to provide farm safety awareness, education and programming that will be delivered in diverse ways across Alberta, influencing behavioral changes on family farms and in the agriculture community.

Regional projects with partnerships with other Agricultural Societies are encouraged (but not required) with a maximum application of up to \$10,000 per Ag Society that is a partner on the project. Events that have already been held since April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 are eligible to apply for their event if it meets the program criteria.

We have partnered with Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® to allow for additional Safety Days to be provided in Alberta and as a result the costs to host are eligible for this grant. As part of the qualifications of hosting this type of event a representative from your organization must attend the 1 day in person training course for the year they are participating. The training course will be offered on the Friday of our 2017 AAAS Annual Convention but requires pre-registration by January 17, 2017. Other training sessions in Alberta will not be available until fall of 2017.

Every member of AAAS should have received the Alberta Agricultural Society Farm Safety Grant Program guidelines and application in the mail. If you require another copy or would like to discuss an idea please contact the AAAS office. [AAAS@gov.ab.ca](mailto:AAAS@gov.ab.ca) or 780-427-2174.



### Progressive Agriculture Safety Days®

Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® are one day events, run by local communities, that teach children safety lessons that can keep them and those around them safe at home or on a farm or ranch. Each year, the Progressive Agriculture Foundation supports more than 400 Safety Days across the U.S., Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and American Samoa. These Safety Days reach more than 100,000 children and adults annually.

The program is designed to reach 8 to 13-year olds. However, there are separate materials that can be used to reach 4 to 7 year olds. Most Progressive Agriculture Safety Days® are planned for 100 to 200 participants. However, some that are well-planned and well-staffed have effectively reached 1,300 participants. Safety Days can be conducted for specific schools or school classes or they can be open to the entire community.

#### What topics are covered at a Safety Day?

At Safety Day, youth are divided into small groups where specific topics are covered. Lessons provided to coordinators cover the following topics:

ATV's	Farm Equipment	Hand Tool Safety	Meth Awareness
Animal Safety	Firearms	Water Safety	PTO Safety
Bicycle Safety	Fire Safety	Healthy Lifestyles	Railroad Safety
Chemical Safety	First Aid	Home Alone	Sun Safety
Disability Awareness	Food Safety	Knife Safety	Tractor Safety
Electrical Safety	Grain Safety	Lawn Equipment	Underground Utilities

#### How do I Apply?

Individuals interested in conducting a Progressive Agriculture Safety Day® for their community must complete an application each year that they participate in the program. Applications are due to AAAS for Safety Days that will be conducted in 2017. AAAS staff will approve your application and communications regarding trainings will come from The Progressive Agriculture Foundation.

**Application Deadlines/Trainings:** The training date for hosting a Progressive Agriculture Safety Day® in the Spring, Summer or Fall of 2016 is Feb 3, 2017, In Edmonton during the AAAS Convention. **Deadline to apply is January 17, 2017.**

**E-Mail:** [safetyday@progressiveag.org](mailto:safetyday@progressiveag.org) **Phone:** (888) 257-3529 **Website:** [www.progressiveag.org](http://www.progressiveag.org)

## Service Members

Company Name	Contact Phone #	Website	Description
Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development		<a href="http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca">www.agriculture.alberta.ca</a>	Government Ministry
Alberta Community & Co-operative Association	(780)963-3766	<a href="http://www.acca.coop">www.acca.coop</a>	Some of ACCA's services include The ACCA Co-operative Youth Leadership Programs held at Gold-eye Centre in Nordegg, Career Focus Internship Program, Co-operative development for new and existing co-operatives in areas like energy, housing, health care etc., and Adult courses including some in the areas of board procedures and finances.
Alberta Recreation and Parks Association	(780)644-6976	<a href="http://www.arpaonline.ca">www.arpaonline.ca</a>	ARPA is a non profit association that advocates for recreation and leisure as part of quality of life.
Atco Electric	(780)420-3419	<a href="http://www.atcoelectric.com">www.atcoelectric.com</a>	Albertans count on ATCO Electric for the safe, reliable delivery of electricity to Alberta.
Atco Gas	(780)420-3419	<a href="http://www.atcogas.com">www.atcogas.com</a>	ATCO Gas is focused on customer service through the safe and reliable delivery of natural gas.
Canadian Reptile Encounters	(877)857-6253	<a href="http://www.canadianreptileencounters.com">www.canadianreptileencounters.com</a>	Take a journey around the world with a reptile world tour! Reptile Encounters Interactive stage show features live reptiles and focuses on conservation and care of these amazing animals.
CIMCO Refrigeration	(780)468-1490	<a href="http://www.cimcorefrigeration.com">www.cimcorefrigeration.com</a>	CIMCO Refrigeration specializes in the engineering, design, manufacture, installation and service of industrial, process cooling and recreational refrigeration systems.
Cooper Studios	(780)417-5526		We are a vocal & development school that showcases all of Canada with our students.
ENMAX Competitive Energy	(403)514-2798	<a href="http://www.enmax.com/solar">www.enmax.com/solar</a>	Provider of solar PV and retailer of competitive electricity and natural gas products across Alberta.
Exhibit Installation Services Inc.	(780)922-4966	<a href="http://www.exhibitinstallation.ca">www.exhibitinstallation.ca</a>	Turnkey, tailored exhibit and event solutions for all indoor and outdoor display challenges.
FaveQuest	(613)799-6300	<a href="http://www.myeventapps.com">www.myeventapps.com</a>	MyEventApps (a FaveQuest company) is an affordable turnkey mobile app service for the event market. Our team delivers fully branded apps and do the heavy lifting which includes: a dedicated project manager, custom graphics, data entry and sponsorship support. Some of our secret sauce includes software that can pull content directly from your event website just like magic - no double data entry, no worries.
FlatBroke	(780)666-5407	<a href="http://www.flatbroke.ca">www.flatbroke.ca</a>	FlatBroke is a musical performing duo with a blend of great vocal harmonies and unique musical abilities. We play the music you remember and the tunes that you thought you forgot and instantly recognize as soon as you hear them. Playing as a two or three piece band with instruments and backing tracks, we can give you the full band sound and show. Depending on your budget, we can also perform with a full 5 piece live band.

## Service Members

Company Name	Contact Phone #	Website	Description
Flyin' Bob Entertainment	(403)597-5523	<a href="http://www.flybob.com">www.flybob.com</a>	Flyin' Bob is a one man three ring circus. Comedy variety juggling and tightwire walking. We direct circus camp programs in communities and schools across Western Canada, and provide high quality Face and Body Painting for events as Mia's Face-painting.
Foster Park Brokers Inc.	(780)930-2950	<a href="http://www.fpb.ca">www.fpb.ca</a>	Since 2004, FPB has been working with Agricultural Societies to ensure that they have a strong and economical Insurance program. Over 140 Agricultural Societies choose to purchase their insurance through FPB each year.
Fused Logic	(780)640-9339	<a href="http://www.fusedlogic.com">www.fusedlogic.com</a>	Fused Logic handles social media marketing, search engine optimization, website development and mobile apps.
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Image Signs	(780)496-7426		Changeable copy signs/LED Signs/Sign Installation.
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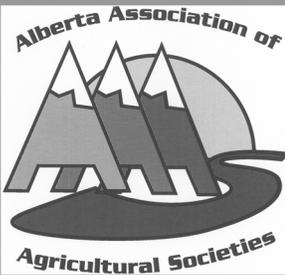
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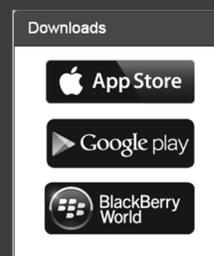


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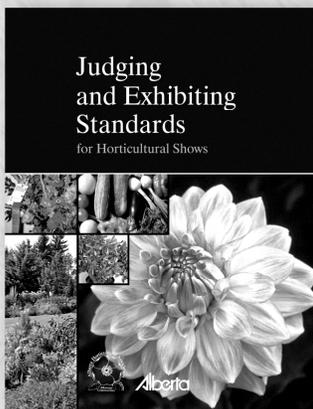
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