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Iowa Farm Broadcaster Wins The Doan

PLATTE CITY, Missouri (March 15, 2016) – Farm broadcasters connect with U.S. farmers and ranchers daily, delivering a variety of agriculture-related topics important to a farm operation. Topics range from commodity markets, weather, agriculture policy, and many times the stories also connect with audiences on a personal, raw level. The winning entry does that, as it explores the dangers of corn grain accidents from a survivor's point of view. The Doan, Honoring Excellence in Reporting Agriculture, was awarded to Ben Nuelle, Farm Broadcaster with Iowa Agribusiness Radio Network, Des Moines, Iowa.

Ben's winning entry titled "Buried To The Neck" provides a first-person perspective on surviving a horrific grain bin entrapment. All farmers know the danger of becoming entrapped in grain, and very few survive. Ben Nuelle interviewed survivor Dennis Schneider of Corder, Missouri for the news story. Dennis Schneider's mission moving forward is to educate on grain bin safety and help prevent this from happening to others. Click Here To Listen To The Story

The Doan was presented during National Ag Day Celebrations, March 14, 2016, and presented by the NAFB Foundation, through a gift from Agri-Pulse Communications, Inc. The Doan is named after Stewart Doan, a farm broadcaster and senior editor at Agri-Pulse, who passed away suddenly in May 2012. He was known for his passion for politics and determination for delivering breaking farm and rural policy news. Doan's reporting on issues affecting farmers and consumers is missed by the entire agriculture community. He served as NAFB president in 1998.

"Steward Doan helped Agri-Pulse build our Washington policy coverage with a series of weekly and daily broadcasts on www.Agri-Pulse.com – a tradition that continues to this day. Agri-Pulse is honored to celebrate his tremendous legacy as well as the important role that all broadcasters play in educating the American public about farming, food, and rural issues," said Agri-Pulse CEO and founder Sara Wyant. "The Doan Award is a great way to recognize excellence in broadcasting."

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