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TIPA honoring industry leaders

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Leaders of the Texas produce industry will be honored Jan. 24 at the [Texas International Produce Association](#)'s Hall of Fame Banquet. The Texas Produce Hall of Fame was established in 1988 and has since presented 150 living and posthumous awards and 24 Scott Toothaker Awards to men and women who have contributed a large part of their lives to the betterment of the produce industry throughout Texas.

The inductees to be honored as leaders among the farming or sales industry of fresh produce in Texas will be the Wiesehan Family, including John F., Raymond, Richard, Kenneth, George, John and Roger. A posthumous award will also be given to Abel Salazar of Salazar Farms.

Scott Fletcher and Harold Wilkins will be honored as the 2022 recipients of the Scott Toothaker Award for their dedication and service as partners to the industry. The Scott Toothaker Award was established in 1989 for those individuals who are not directly involved in production agriculture, but who have made immense contributions nonetheless.

The Hall of Fame is considered one of the most treasured events, and is held every other year by the Texas International Produce Association for the last 34 years. This banquet provides the opportunity for today's industry members to pay tribute to the leaders and role models who paved the way for future generations in the produce industry.

In addition, the banquet also serves as a fundraiser for the William E. Weeks Agricultural Scholarship; established to encourage future generations to carry on the hard work of our past leaders and pursue education in the field of specialty crop agriculture.

If you are interested in more information regarding the Texas Produce Hall of Fame, contact the Texas International Produce Association offices at 956/581-8632.

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