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North Central Soybean Research Program Elects Officers

The North Central Soybean Research Program (NCSRP) recently announced its newly elected directors at its December board meeting.

Ed Cagney of Kalamazoo County, Mich., was elected president. Cagney has been with NCSRP since 2006. He raises soybeans, corn, wheat, oats, snap beans and sweet corn on his fourth generation farm. He has been appointed to the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee since 1997 and was also president of the Kalamazoo County Farm Bureau for five years.

“I’m honored to be elected president of NCSRP,” Cagney said. “I look forward to helping drive the collaboration of the 12 states involved in the program. NCSRP is important because it deals strictly with production issues at the farm level in a collaborative way. Any time you combine efforts and pool resources, you have a more efficient process.”

Trevor Glick of Columbus, Ind., was elected vice president. Glick is chair of the Indiana Soybean Alliance’s Research and Uses Committee. In a partnership with his brother, he raises soybeans, corn and wheat, and he was a member of the 2006 American Soybean Association/DuPont Young Leader class.

“I’m very proud to be part of NCSRP,” Glick said. “I am looking forward to working with this organization that makes sound returns on the soybean farmer’s checkoff funds.”

Mike Cerny of Sharon, Wis., was elected secretary treasurer. He runs an operation of corn, soybeans and winter wheat. Cerny is currently president of the Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board, a member of his local township planning and zoning board, and a member of the University of Wisconsin's Integrated Pest and Crop Management Technical Advisory Committee. Cerny has been with NCSRP for four years.

"I look forward to continuing the great working relationship with all the states involved in NCSRP," Cerny said. "It is truly a unique opportunity to work together as a group of soybean growers on issues that affect our growing region. The work that has been done by this board is remarkable and a great benefit to all involved."

NCSRP also had two directors, along with former president Jerry Wyse from Haven, Kan., retire this year. Wyse has been with NCSRP for over 10 years and said he looks forward seeing more achievements from the program.

"Over the years, I've been most proud of the culture of cooperation fostered in the research community and the 12 North Central states," Wyse said. "We get work done when we work together."

John Buck, former NCSRP vice president of Bloomington, Ohio, agrees with Wyse. "NCSRP has become a national leader in soybean research and education. I'm proud to have been involved with an organization that promotes leadership as well as soybean research."

Also retiring is long-time board member Gregg Fujan from Weston, Neb. "Fujan's leadership was essential to NCRSP's success," Wyse said.

To learn more about NCSRP, visit its Web site at www.ncsrp.com.

The Plant Health Initiative represents a cooperative partnership between soybean checkoff boards and land grant universities from 12 north central states. The initiative's goal is to act as a resource that collects and dispenses valuable management information on a variety of soybean pests and diseases. The Plant Health Initiative receives its funding through soybean checkoff dollars, and is administered by the North Central Soybean Research Program (NCSRP), its primary sponsor.