NCGA Elects New Board Leaders

ST. LOUIS, Mo. - The National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) has elected a new slate of corn growers to lead the organization into the next century. Elections were conducted during the recent National Corn Congress Aug. 5-6 in Washington, D.C.

Moving to the helm as NCGA President is Lynn Jensen, who with his wife Jodi grows corn, soybeans, edibles, and alfalfa in Lake Preston, S.D. A farmer for 19 years, Jensen has been active in his state and national corn growers associations for more than seven years. As an NCGA Corn Board member, he served as a liaison to the Customer and Business Development Action Team.

Leland Klein, who with his wife Sharon raises corn, soybeans, rye, alfalfa and hay in Battle Creek, Neb., was ratified by Corn Congress as president-elect. Klein, who also manages a cow/calf oper-

ation, has held many leadership positions at various state and local organizations, and most recently served on NCGA's Corn Board.

Roger Pine of Lawrence, Kan., moves from president of NCGA to chairman of the board. Pine and his wife, Sue, grow corn, soybeans and sod in Lawrence. An active member of his state and national organizations for 14 years, Pine previously served as president. At the state level, he has served as president and vice president of the Kansas Corn Growers Association.

Newly elected corn growers to the NCGA Corn Board are:

• Greg Guenther, Belleville, Ill. - Guenther and his wife Nancy grow corn and soybeans on their farm in Belleville. He has served as president of the St. Clair Service Company for eight years and as director of the St. Clair County Fair Bureau for nine years. On the state level, he has served as field services, market development and legislative chairman for the Illinois Corn Growers Association. He is involved in several local and state organizations, and has served as St. Mark Lutheran Church president and vice president.

• Bill Horan, Rockwell City, Iowa - Bill and Pamela grow corn and soybeans in Rockwell City. Bill has served for eight years as a board member and president of the Growers Corn Iowa Association. At the national level, he has spent seven years as an NCGA board member and is a member of NCGA's Public Policy Action Team. Horan is also a board member of the U.S. Grains Council, representing the Iowa Farm Bureau. He was selected by Iowa's governor and is serving on that state's Value-Added Growth Foundation. Horan served in the U.S. Marine Corps and is



a Vietnam veteran.

Peterson, Richard Minn. Mountain Lake, Richard and Kathy Peterson own a farming operation where he and his brother Eugene raise corn, soybeans, hogs, and sheep. Peterson has served NCGA and the Minnesota Corn Growers Association in many leadership positions. He was field services chairman when NCGA membership reached a record 30,000 members. In addition, he is a member of the American and Minnesota soybean growers associations, the Minnesota Pork Producers, Minnesota Union, Farmers Minnesota Farm Bureau.

• Kyle Phillips, Knoxville, Iowa - Phillips, his wife Sue, and his father grow corn and soybeans in Knoxville. He recently ventured into special crop production by planting an identity preserved specific corn hybrids and a white corn for human consumption. Phillips is president of the Iowa Corn Growers Association and serves on the Marion County Farm Bureau Board.

 Fred Yoder, Plain City, Ohio - Fred and Debbie Yoder grow corn, soybeans, and wheat in Plaine City, where they also operate a retail seed business. Yoder also handles farm machinery sales with a local dealer. Yoder serves as president of the Ohio Corn Growers Association and has also served as vice president and has been an NCGA delegate for several years. He most recently served on the NCGA Production Stewardship Action Team.



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