

Alan Tiemann of Seward has been elected to serve as chairman of the Nebraska Corn Board (NCB) for the 2009-2010 term. Tiemann is a farmer who raises corn and soybeans. In addition to serving as chairman, he will serve on NCB's Research and Executive committees. He is also completing the second year of a two-year term on the board of directors of the U.S. Grains Council.

Dennis Gengenbach (District 6) of Smithfield was re-elected as vice-chairman of NCB. Gengenbach produces corn and soybeans and operates a cow-calf business. In addition to being vice-chairman, Gengenbach will serve on NCB's Research and Executive committees. Gengenbach is a graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a degree in animal science. He also has a Ph.D. in reproductive physiology from Cornell University.

Tim Scheer of St. Paul was elected to serve as secretary/treasurer. Scheer will also serve on NCB's Government Affairs and Executive committees. Scheer raises corn and soybeans and has recently added a cattle backgrounding enterprise to his cow/calf operation. Scheer is a LEAD XXIV graduate, and he graduated with honors from the University of Nebraska Lincoln with a degree in agribusiness.

Gengenbach, along with Jon Holzfaster (District 8) from Paxton, and David Merrell (District 7) of St. Edward have been re-appointed by the Governor to serve on the Nebraska Corn Board for three-year terms from 2009 to 2012.

Holzfaster raises corn, wheat and soybeans and operates a backgrounding feed yard on the family farm based in Perkins County. Holzfaster is a LEAD XIII graduate and majored in ag economics at the University of Nebraska. In addition to serving as past-chairman, Holzfaster will serve on NCB's Government Affairs and Executive committees. He is currently vice-chair of the National Corn Grower Association's Ethanol Committee.

Merrell raises corn, soybeans and has a diversified livestock operation. Merrell is a LEAD XXIV graduate and majored in mechanized agriculture at the University of Nebraska. Merrell will serve on the NCB's Market Development Committee.

The Nebraska Corn Board is a self-help program, funded and managed by Nebraska corn farmers. Producers invest in the program at a rate of ¼ of a cent per bushel of corn sold. Nebraska corn checkoff funds are invested in programs of market development, research and education.