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Glen Duck Named Executive of the Year

SPRINGFIELD, MO — December 5, 2016 — At the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) 126th Annual Convention, held Nov. 27-30, at the Paris Hotel in Las Vegas, Glen Duck of the Saskatchewan Association of Agricultural Societies & Exhibitions (SAASE) was named the State and Provincial Associations of Fairs Executive of the Year. The Executive of the Year Award goes to an association executive who has been in this position for at least five years. They have to be recommended by their association and are judged on their participation and involvement in their local, state, and the State and Provincial Associations of Fairs.

Duck has served in the fair industry for more than 30 years. He began at the Regina Exhibition (now EVRAZ Place) as manager of the Regina Agridome (now Brandt Centre) in Regina, Saskatchewan in 1986. He served at the Moose Jaw Exhibition in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan from 1992-2000. While in Moose Jaw, in partnership with the city, he helped implement a municipal composting program using waste from the barns, as well as establishing the Saskatchewan Burrowing Owl Interpretative Centre on the Moose Jaw Exhibition grounds. He began his current position as executive director at SAASE in 2005.

He has been an active member of the Canadian Association of Fair and Exhibitions (CAFE). Since 2005, he has served on the CAFE Provincial Association. He has served as provincial director for CAFE for the past three years.

During his time with SAASE, Duck has been instrumental in the development of funding programs and grant programs for Saskatchewan agricultural societies, helped enhance the Farm Safety Program for youth, developing mobile agriculture awareness displays, and much more.

In his spare time, Duck enjoys wood carving and collecting music and hockey memorabilia. His wife and best friend for 31 years Jocelyn have two grown children: Michael and Gregory.

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