

## Midwest Poultry Federation

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Pete Rothfork of MN Turkey Research & Promotion Council Elected President of MPF**

(Buffalo, MN) Pete Rothfork, Melrose, MN, has been elected the 2009-2010 President of the Midwest Poultry Federation (MPF). Rothfork, who raises turkeys with his family and also operates a feed mill in Melrose, represents the Minnesota Turkey Research and Promotion Council on the MPF Board.

Rothfork replaces outgoing president Dr. Louis Arrington, a retired poultry researcher at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Arrington, who represents the Wisconsin Egg Producers Association on the MPF Board, will serve as Past President on the MPF Executive Committee.

Elections were held during the 2009 Midwest Poultry Federation Convention, March 18-20, in St. Paul, Minnesota. Approximately 1,700 people attended this year's show, which featured an exhibit floor with approximately 200 exhibiting companies and 11 educational workshops with over 40 speakers from across the country.

Other officers elected during this same time were:

#### ***1<sup>st</sup> Vice President***

David Holmgren, Butterfield Foods, Butterfield, MN, will serve as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the organization. Holmgren represents the Broiler and Egg Association of Minnesota on the Board.

#### ***2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President***

Randy Olsen, Best Veterinary Solutions, Willmar, MN will serve as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. Olsen is an Allied Director on the Board.

#### ***Secretary / Treasurer***

Allen Behl, Behl Turkey Farm, Watertown, WI, was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Board. Behl represents the Wisconsin Turkey Federation on the Board.

The 2010 MPF Convention will be held March 16-18 at the Saint Paul RiverCentre in St. Paul, MN. For more information on the MPF, please contact Lara Durben at (763) 682-2171, e-mail [lara@midwestpoultry.com](mailto:lara@midwestpoultry.com) or visit [www.midwestpoultry.com](http://www.midwestpoultry.com).

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#### **About MPF:**

The Midwest Poultry Federation's primary purpose is to host an annual regional convention emphasizing on-farm poultry production. The convention's goal is to offer cutting-edge information to attendees through a balanced offering of exhibits and educational workshops. The Midwest Poultry Federation (MPF) was formed in 1971 and held its first convention in Minneapolis in 1972. The MPF's membership consists of 14 state poultry organizations, representing 8 states. [www.midwestpoultry.com](http://www.midwestpoultry.com)

*Photo outline: From left, Secretary-Treasurer Allen Behl; President Pete Rothfork; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Randy Olsen and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President David Holmgren.*