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**NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ELECTED TO CENTRAL WASHINGTON  
FAIR ASSOCIATION BOARD**

Members of the Central Washington Fair Association recently elected three new members to the Board of Directors that oversee operations of the Association. The new board members are Don Whitehouse, Ignacio Marquez and Tom Stokes. Each have been elected to a three year term.

Whitehouse is a Yakima native who recently retired after 38 years with the Washington State Department of Transportation, including the last several years as the Region Administrator for the South Central Region of WSDOT.

Marquez is a lifelong Yakima Valley resident and helps with setting policies and works as a state community liaison for the Washington Department of Agriculture.

Stokes is a Selah resident and community volunteer and recently retired as the CEO/President of Tree Top, Inc.

Members of the Association also elected new officers for 2016-17. They are: local civic leader and fruit grower Sid Morrison, Chairman; Yakima businessman David Hargreaves, Vice Chairman; Lower Valley grower Lon Inaba, Secretary; Yakima businessman Trent Marquis; Treasure.

The Central Washington Fair Association and its board of directors operate the Central Washington State Fair and State Fair Park under a long-term lease with Yakima County.

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