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Abstract

Over the past week, I have had calls and e-mails regarding anthracnose top dieback in corn. First, a word of caution: Not all top dieback is caused by the anthracnose pathogen. Death of top leaves may be due to one or more of several factors that include hybrid characteristics, environmental stress, and corn borer damage. Bob Nielsen at Purdue University discusses these various factors in an article titled [Top Leaf Death in Corn](#).

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Tevis receives I-CASH Hall of Fame award

by Keven E. Arrowsmith, *Extension Communications and Marketing*

Iowa's Center for Agricultural Safety and Health (I-CASH) has named Cheryl Tevis of Pilot Mound, Iowa, the 2007 recipient of its Agricultural Safety and Health Hall of Fame Award. A writer and editor with *Successful Farming* magazine since 1979, Tevis serves as senior farm issues editor for the magazine. Founded in 1902, *Successful Farming* is one of the most successful and recognizable publications in agriculture, reaching 1.2 million readers each month.



Cheryl Tevis received the I-CASH Hall of Fame award during the WOI Midday radio show at the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines. Shown with Tevis at the Iowa State University Extension booth is Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey (center) and Midday host

Tevis received the award during the WOI Midday radio show on Wednesday, August 15. Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey made the award presentation at the Iowa State University Extension booth during the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines. Throughout her professional career, Tevis has worked to improve the public's knowledge of farm safety and health issues, especially those that affect rural children.

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Tevis devotes considerable time to farm health and safety issues beyond her journalistic duties. She volunteers with her local 4-H club, and she serves on the Boone County Extension Council. Tevis also has served several terms on the board of directors and helped develop programming for Farm Safety 4 Just Kids, an Iowa-based organization that promotes farm safety awareness among children through educational resources and training programs to individuals and communities.

Tevis grew up on a 320-acre grain and livestock farm near Sioux City, Iowa. She received a bachelor's degree at Morningside College in Sioux City and a master's degree in journalism in 1975 at the University of Missouri.

Prior to joining *Successful Farming*, she was an associate editor for *Farm Wife News* at Reiman Publications in Milwaukee. Her husband, Stan Lingren, farms near Pilot Mound and the couple has two daughters.

I-CASH created the Hall of Fame Award in 2002 as a lifetime achievement award for individuals or organizations that have made significant and lasting contributions to agricultural safety and health in Iowa. Tevis joins Charlotte Halverson, rural health training coordinator at the National Educational Center for Agricultural Safety and Rural Health; L.W. (Pete) Knapp, University of Iowa professor emeritus; Marilyn Adams, founder and president of Farm Safety 4 Just Kids; Carolyn Sheridan, clinical director of AgriSafe Network, Inc.; and Charles Schwab and Janis Stone, Iowa State University professors.

Based in the University of Iowa College of Public Health, I-CASH is a joint venture of the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, the Iowa Department of Public Health, and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.

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