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NEWS RELEASE

Subject: **Three new directors join the CFFO Executive Board**

Guelph, February 2004. Three new directors are joining the Executive Board of the Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario.

Joining the CFFO board are Clarence Nywening, Terry Kuipers and Peter Payne. Jane Kapteyn, an incumbent director, was also returned to the Board. All were elected during a recent meeting of the CFFO's Provincial Board, a gathering of farmers from 22 district associations across Ontario.

Clarence Nywening, a 40-year-old broiler-breeder operator and cash-cropper from Thamesville, will be serving his first term on the CFFO board. Nywening has been actively involved in the Federation, serving as a district association president and as a member of several Federation provincial committees. Nywening has also been active in his municipality through involvement in the Chatham-Kent Agricultural Task Force Committee.

Terry Kuipers, a 45-year-old layer and pullet grower from Alymer, will also be serving his first term on the CFFO board. In addition to serving as a zone counsellor for the Ontario Egg Producers Marketing Board, Kuipers has served as a CFFO district association president and as a member of several Federation provincial committees.

Peter Payne, a 62-year-old cow-calf farmer from Reaboro, is also serving his first-term on the CFFO board. Serving in the Canadian Armed Forces for 25 years, Payne spent two decades teaching a wide range of courses at Sir Sandford Fleming College. Payne has also been active in 4-H and as a Wolf Cub leader.

Jane Kapteyn, a 48-year-old dairy, veal and cash-crop farmer from Coburg, returns for her fourth term on the CFFO board. Actively involved in Federation provincial committees and with her local district association, Kapteyn has also served as a CFFO representative to various farm community coalitions.

The four directors join incumbent director Jack Kroes from Clinton. Rounding out the CFFO board are President John Kikkert, from Smithville, Vice Presidents Jenny Denhartog, from Arthur, and Henry Stevens, from Palmerston. Kikkert, Denhartog and Stevens were elected late last year at the annual CFFO convention in Cambridge.

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