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CUPRAP Honors Alan Janesch for Service to Organization

HERSHEY, PA— Alan Janesch, director of the Penn State Grassroots Network, is the 2008 recipient of the CUPRAP Don Hale Award.

Janesch was honored during the annual CUPRAP spring conference, held in Hershey March 5-7.

The Don Hale Award, named for one of CUPRAP's co-founders who is now vice president for public affairs at The University of Texas at Austin, is presented annually to a CUPRAP member who has significantly contributed to the organization.

Janesch joined CUPRAP in 1994 and has served as the organization's treasurer, vice president and president, as well as spring conference co-chair, nominating committee chair, communications committee chair and newsletter editor.

He also played an important role in arranging to house CUPRAP's archives at the Pattee/Paterno libraries at Penn State's University Park campus.

Janesch has been director of the Penn State Grassroots Network since January 2005. The Grassroots Network is a legislative education and advocacy group sponsored by the Penn State Alumni Association. Its more than 35,000 volunteer members have joined forces to advocate for Penn State's future.

A two-time Penn State alum, earning a BA in English in 1976 and a master's degree in English in 2000, his background includes stints on Capitol Hill, in higher education communications at Penn State and Bucknell and as a newspaper reporter. Janesch resides in Lewisburg, PA.

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