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## **SENATOR TAMMY BALDWIN AND REPRESENTATIVE SEAN DUFFY RECOGNIZED FOR SUPPORT OF WISCONSIN CRANBERRY GROWERS**

WISCONSIN RAPIDS, Wis. – The Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers Association (WSCGA) Board of Directors today announced that it has selected Senator Tammy Baldwin and Representative Sean Duffy to receive the 2017 WSCGA Service to Industry Award. The award is the highest recognition provided by the organization.

“Senator Baldwin and Representative Duffy have worked in a bipartisan way to provide support for cranberry growers nationally by securing funding for research programs, addressing labeling issues and supporting the USDA’s purchases of cranberry products for distribution through school lunch and other food programs,” said WSCGA President Tom Gardner. “We are appreciative of their leadership in the Cranberry Congressional Caucus and their work to bring members of the Senate and House together to support the cranberry industry. This award recognizes that leadership.”

The award will be presented to Senator Baldwin and Representative Duffy during the 2017 Wisconsin Cranberry School, WSCGA Winter Meeting and Trade Show, which will be held January 18-19 at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point.

“This event is a premier educational program for cranberry growers in North America,” said WSCGA Executive Director Tom Lochner. “We anticipate that over 400 growers will participate in the two-day event.”

Educational sessions will be conducted in cooperation with UW Extension and UW CALS over the course of the event, and a trade show on January 18 will feature more than 85 exhibitors. During the WSCGA Winter Meeting on January 18, growers will elect three members to the Board of Directors and will hear updates on association activities. Registration information is available by contacting the WSCGA Office at 715-423-2070 or online at [www.wiscran.org](http://www.wiscran.org).

WSCGA was founded in 1887 and is committed to developing and implementing programs that will assist growers in doing a better job of growing cranberries and strengthening the public support for the industry in Wisconsin. For more information, visit [www.wiscran.org](http://www.wiscran.org), Like WSCGA on [Facebook](#) and Follow on [Twitter](#).

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