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AMES BUSINESS CHOSEN FOR STATEWIDE SBDC AWARD

Martin Gross chosen for Small Business of the Month Award

AMES, Iowa – America's SBDC Iowa (SBDC) is pleased to announce that Gross-Wen Technologies, Ames, is the winner of the SBDC's statewide Business of the Month Award.

Gross-Wen Technologies has revolutionized hundreds of thousands of individuals' lives by creating a sustainable water treatment system. Martin Gross and his professor, Dr. Wen, found a way to utilize algae to remove impurities in waste water, and have successfully sold their nitrogen based system as a supplement to fertilizer. With a cost of less than half of what the typical water purifying system for a community is, Gross-Wen Technologies is expanding rapidly and hopes to become the premier algae water treatment system in the state of Iowa, and eventually in the United States.

Ted Bair, director of the Iowa State University SBDC, said, "I thoroughly enjoyed working with Martin; he put in an incredible amount of work and passion into making sure his business was being run as smoothly and efficiently as possible. Martin truly deserves this award."

For more information on this special business visit www.worthbrewing.com or www.facebook.com/worthbrewing/.

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