Bryan Harvey – College 1960 Honorary Life Member 2015

Bryan was born in Wales and emigrated to Saskatoon. He completed a B.S.A. and M.Sc. at the U of S and earned a Ph.D. at the University of California Davis. He returned to the U of S in 1966. During his M.Sc. research, he developed the "half seed" technique to study oil quality and worked on erucic acid inheritance in rapeseed, the first step in the development of Canola. He and colleagues have developed over 60 barley varieties including Harrington, Stein, CDC Kendall and CDC Copeland. Harrington allowed Canada to become a world player in the malting barley market and has resulted in billions of dollars in returns.

He oversaw the merger of the Crop Science and Plant Ecology Departments, and as head of Horticulture paved the way for its amalgamation into Plant Sciences. Bryan built a centre of excellence in plant breeding and graduate student enrolment tripled in Plant Sciences. He then served as University Coordinator of Agricultural Research and later as University Vice-President of Research where he co-authored the University's strategic plan for research intensiveness, the basis for its current research success.

During his professional life, Bryan served on a multitude of national and international boards, delegations, marketing missions, conference organizations, regulatory bodies, and registration committees. On many of these he was the chair and thus spent more time on these than would other members.

In recognition of these national and international contributions, Bryan has received many medals and awards. Some of these include Officer of the Order of Canada, the Saskatchewan Order of Merit, Queens Jubilee Medal, Saskatchewan Centennial Medal, induction into the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame, The Entrepreneurial Hall of Fame and the Bedford Road Wall of Honor. He is a Fellow of the Agricultural Institute of Canada, the American Society of Agronomy and the Canadian Society of Agronomy. He holds Honorary Life Membership in the Sask. Seed Growers Assoc. and the Crop Science Society of America. He received the Canadian Seed Trade Association and the Master Brewers Association awards for service to the industry. He was awarded the U of S Alumni Achievement Award, the Sask. Institute of Agrologists award for Outstanding Agrologist and the Presidents' Award from the Crop Science Society of America (only two awarded annually).

On the local scene, he is the Charter President of the Crohn's and Colitis chapter. past president of Nutana Rotary and the University Alumni Association, vice-president of the Nutana Curling Club and president of Wildwood Men's Golf. Bryan and his wife Eileen (nee Pfeifer) have two sons and two grandchildren.