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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Since this is the first newsletter of 1975 may I first of all extend sincere wishes that this year be happy and pleasant for all of you.

I come to the role of President of the S.A.G.A. at a time when our organization has never been in a healthier state — thanks to the dedicated and diligent work of others. In particular the move to consolidate reunion activities into a weekend format seems to have involved many more grads., with a corresponding jump in enthusiasm.

Nevertheless, our Ag. Grads Association will ultimately only remain dynamic if participation is forthcoming from all members. We are still a long way from having the number of members we should. Can you sign up anyone? Our news editor is always looking for items about Ag. Grads. How long since you sent in a news item? We usually try to have one or two projects on the go. Do you have any suggestions? Be an active member and the S.A.G.A. will always be the envy of other alumni groups.

SASKATCHEWAN AGRICULTURAL GRADUATES ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE 1975

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Irving Carlson (65) of Melville has declined to seek the NDP nomination for the Yorkton Constituency. Irving is the present MLA for Yorkton.

Glen Farrell (59) of Saskatoon will be taking up residence in Victoria this summer. Glen has accepted a position as Associate Director of the Division of Continuing Education, University of Victoria. Glen is presently Associate Professor of Continuing Education, Extension Division, University of Saskatchewan. Glen's many Ag. Grads. wish him, Leone and family the very best and good curling Glen. Have they any ski hills on the Island?

A most enjoyable Ag. Grad Bonspiel was held during the reunion weekend. The Rutherford trophy for the main event was won by the Petruic Rink which consisted of John Petruic, skip; Glen Farrell, third; Bob Brack, second; and Dave Wooff, lead. The trophy was presented by members of the 1915 class, namely Wiklund, Stueck, Osler and Smith.



Pontus Wiklund, Ralph Stueck, Mickey Osler, Spike Smith, John Petruic, Glen Farrell, Bob Brack, Dave Wooff

The **Hutcheon Event** was won by Doug Wilkinson, Bill Ewert, Paul Saum and Art Sawatsky.

The **Kirk Event** winners were Jim Turner, Ken Evans, Harley Olson and Ken Rosaasen.

The **Graham Trophy Event** winners were Jack Wartman, Ian Rushmer, Ken Tuplin and Dave Morgan.

The **White Event** winners were Don Lambie, Howard Simpson, Kurt Sawatsky and Jack Quick.

NOTE: The White Trophy presented by W.J. "Bill" White replaces the Con Skelley trophy which was retired in 1974.

A feature of curling is the Smoker and Smokette on the Friday evening. An indication of what goes on is depicted in the following pictures.



"The Smokette" Recognize anyone?"

The membership in our Association doesn't seem to grow very quickly. Almost static for the last ten years. The 1973 and 1974 are as follows:

	Honorary Life Members	Life Members	Annual Members	Total
1973	49	521	497	1,067
1974	51	561	471	1,083

Your Association needs more members. Where are the other 2,000 grads? Check with fellow grads when you meet them, see if they have a membership. If not extract \$2.00 from them or better still a life membership and send the membership fee to Box 320, Sub. P.O. no. 6, Saskatoon, S7N 0W0.

Ed McElroy (72) of Kindersley has now entered into a partnership with the IHC dealership in that town.

Ernie Spencer (65) of Regina is now Director of the Production and Marketing Division of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture.

John T. Kyle (46), Commissioner of Works and Operations for the City of Winnipeg has been named Assistant Deputy Minister of Highways for the Alberta Department of Highways and Transport and will be based in Edmonton.

Michael Peach (30) is now emeritus Professor of Soil Science at Cornell University in the New York State College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Ed Penner (51) is head of the geotechnical section of the National Research Council. **Bob Oberg** (51) is in Paraguay with the seismograph crew. **Irving Perkins** (49) has been appointed to the Board of Governors at the University of Saskatchewan.



"The Smoker" Who is winning it all? Finlay, Rathwell, Gullet, Baldwin, Driver, Braidek

Gus Peesker (61) is located in London, Ontario where he is National Sales Manager for Lawn and Garden Products for Canadian Industries Limited.

Bill Robertson (65) has set up home in Lethbridge and serves as Lands Supervisor for the Alberta Department of Agriculture.

C.U.S.O. has **Wayne Gosselin** (71) in Ghana for two years at the Wiaga Agricultural Station. **John Buswell** (72) recently returned from Ghana but **Cliff Trowell** (73) remains there, under C.U.S.O. arrangements.

Lorne Christopherson (69) of Weldon, **Bill Craddock** (62) of Winnipeg, **John Rutledge** of Carrievale, and **Ivan McMillan** of Craik were elected to the Board of the Palliser Wheat Growers' Association at their recent annual meeting. Ivan McMillan is the Association President.

Glenn Flaten (56) of Regina was re-elected President of the Saskatchewan Federation of Agriculture at their January meeting in Regina. **Lorne Hehn** (58) of Markinch and **George Richardson** (48) of Semans were elected Directors.

Ron Dalglish (65) of Regina was appointed Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Saskatchewan. Ron was previously Director of the Marketing and Economics Branch.

Lin Boyes (48) of Minnedosa, Manitoba received a special "Bull Shipper" award at a recent meeting of the Western Manitoba Branch of MIA. Lin is the Agricultural Representative for Minnedosa. The award was in recognition of Lin's ability to communicate effectively with farmers, farm wives, and other staff through his regular newsletter. We all congratulate Lin upon receiving this award. It is justly earned. May the fine, clean stories continue.

Art Delahey (52) of Saskatoon, our Past President and with Interprovincial Co-ops was elected to the Directorship of the Canadian Agricultural Chemicals Association at their recent annual meeting.

Jack Braidek (51), Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, Regina, stepped down this year as Chairman of the Western Canada Weed Committee. **Henry Friesen** (43) of Lacombe CDA Research was re-elected to direct research planning for the Western Canada Weed Committee.

Lloyd Johnston (71), Regional Dairy Specialist from Fairview sends along news of other Ag. Grads in the "Peace" country. **Roland Witte** (70) and **Bill Rayner** (71) are DA's, Spirit River; **Dave Spencer** (68) D.A. and farmer at Fort Vermillion; **Nancy Lidster** (73) Rural Resources, Fairview; **Don Lidster** (72), Regional Economist, Fairview; **Al Reimer** (48), Regional Director, Fairview; **Peter Ignatiuk**, Loans Officer, Agricultural Development Corporation, Grande Prairie; **Dale Holmgren** (67) and **Don Walker** (73) Instructors in Alberta Farm Management Courses. We thank you Lloyd for this information on our members. This is the kind of material we need to make a letter more meaningful. We appreciated including the year of graduation, it save the news editor a lot of time. We have invested your \$6.00 wisely. Thanks. Keep up sending us more news of grads.

Patrick Zentner (72) of Langenburg is buying grain for the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool at MacNutt.

Harvey Giles (67) writes from Petrolia, Ontario where he is presently employed. Harvey sends along a cheque for \$35.00 for a life membership. He states that he enjoys getting the Ag. Grad. Newsletter. Nice to hear from you Harvey. Send along news of other Agro. Grads.

Ian Boyes (47) of Kelvington, **Bill Heenan** (49) of Regina, **Hal Lewis** (28) of Gray and **E.N. Johnson** (50) of Regina were all re-elected or appointed to the Board of the Saskatchewan Branch of the C.S.G.A. at their annual meeting in Saskatoon.

Larry Bingham (70) of Cut Knife and his wife Rosanne

spent some time in France last fall looking over Maine-Anjou breeding stock. Larry purchased a \$6,800.00 heifer for their farm. Add an equal amount for their trip and shipping of the heifer to Canada puts a fair price on the beast. Good luck, Larry. May all the offspring be twins, triplets and females.

Archie Campbell (35) the breeder of fine mink of Saskatoon sends along a full report of 40th Reunion of the Agro Class of 1935. —

January 9th the Class of 1935 met at the home of Audrey and Howard McDonald, Chairman for the get-together. Howard had contacted all the members and the following were present: Clarence and Olive Elliott from Winnipeg, Bob and Mary Anderson from Melfort, Bill and Gwen Janzen from Saskatoon, Ed Howe of Altona, Manitoba and Archie and Vivian Campbell of Saskatoon. Fred Quinke, retired and living in Star City wrote from Texas where he was wintering. Bob Arnold, living at the Coast, sent his regrets and best wishes. Adam Winisky living in Saskatoon was not able to attend. Peter Hogg wrote from Mississippi that he could not make it but sent greetings.

It was a night of good food and fellowship when many interesting stories were exchanged. We thank Howard for his work in contacting everyone. We all greatly appreciate Audrey and Howard's hospitality in having us to their home. Clarence Elliott retires in July as Treasurer of Great West Life but will continue as a Consultant. Howard McDonald retired two years ago from the Dominion Entomology, Saskatoon, of which he was in charge. Bob Anderson is retired from the Melfort Research Station and farms and raises horses at Melfort. Bill Janzen retires in July from the Institute of Pedology, University of Saskatchewan. Ed Howe is a retired Ag. Rep living in Altona, Manitoba. Archie Campbell is still mink ranching after 38 years in the business, but on a smaller scale.

Thanks Archie for the news of your classmates.

Two special features highlighted the annual meeting of the S.A.G.A. **Mrs. Pauline Van Vliet** unveiled a plaque to officially dedicate and name the Van Vliet Library in the Department of Agricultural Economics in memory of her husband the late Hadley Van Vliet.



Pauline Van Vliet and Phil Thair [42], Agricultural Economics Department Head



Sol Sinclair, Harold Moss, Howard McDonald

Sol Sinclair (32) of Winnipeg, along with **Harold Moss** (24) of Saskatoon and **Howard McDonald** (35) of Saskatoon unveiled a plaque to commemorate the founding meeting of your Association. The plaque has been placed on the wall in the Administration Building (former College Building) by Room 104 where the meeting was held on May 10, 1935. The President was **John Mitchell**, Sol was the Vice-President and **Vic Graham** was Secretary-Treasurer.

MEMO TO ALL AG. GRADS.

The A.S.A. would like your help in compiling a book on "Agro History". We would like Agros who took part in any hell-raising, pranks, or stunts over the years on campus to write up a short story and send them to us. We are interested in learning about things like how our trophies got named, or even the origin of the Ag-Bag Drag. We want to preserve college spirit and learn more about our great Agro heritage. Please send your information to Cal Kelly, c/o A.S.A., 311A Crop Science Bldg., University of Saskatchewan.

Your Association is pleased to hear from **Brian Harvey** (60) of Saskatoon and now on leave in Kenya. Here's Brian's Letter:

"I just wanted to inform you that we are off to Nairobi next week after having spent a very worthwhile 6 months at the Plant Breeding Institute here in Cambridge. I will be assisting in their graduate training program in the crop science department at the University of Nairobi. We have had a very pleasant visit with **Art Westlund** (66) and his wife Francis and **Jim McWilliams** (66) (both Agros) who have been in England on vacation. I hope to visit **Grant Milne** (57) while I am in Africa. It seems that one runs into Agros wherever one goes."

Clark Anderson (71) of Springside is active in farming and is also travelling eastern Saskatchewan during the winter months for Chipman Chemicals as Tech. Sales Representative. Nice to hear from you Clark and pleased to have you back in Saskatchewan.

Gordon Stephenson (69) Secretary-Manager of the Canadian Chianina Association, Calgary passes on information of their 5-year class reunion which was held last summer. Gordon Says:

"You may be interested in knowing that I did organize a 5-year reunion for the class of 1969, at Waskesiu, over the long weekend in July.

We had about 20 couples to the Reunion and we played ball, golfed and rented the paddlewheeler on the lake.

It was a coincidence that Dr. White, our former Dean was also on the golf course at Waskesiu that weekend and so was able to join our Reunion in a round of golf. We all had a great time and it was pleasing to see that nobody has changed a bit, except around the waist line.

The group that was able to attend, felt that such reunions should be held more often than 5 years and so I hope to plan another reunion at Waskesiu in a couple of years. You may wish to mention this in one of your future newsletters."

Maurice Akister (72) of Melville was recently appointed Area Manager for the Whitewood Farm Service Area. Prior to the appointment, Maurice was Supervisor of the Melville-Yorkton Farm Service Area. Our congratulations to Maurice.

Gerry Gartner (62) of Regina has been appointed Deputy Minister of the Provincial Industry and Commerce Department. Gerry has been with the Executive Council since 1972.

Patrick Clift (67) of Guelph was recently promoted to Acting Group Leader, Farm Accounting, Research and Development Services, Canfarm Data System at Guelph.

Paul Cann (71) of Edmonton, formerly from Toronto with Agriculture Canada is now with the Department in Edmonton. Paul informs us that:

Bob Rugg (71), Bon Accord, Alberta is working with the Farm Management Branch of Alberta Agriculture in Edmonton;

Gerald Coutts (72) transferred from Edmonton to Vancouver with Lucerne Foods;

Ed Kells (70) and **Bill Laing** (72) transferred from Edmonton to Winnipeg with Lucerne Foods;

Vic Phillips (71) transferred from Winnipeg back to Toronto to the Commodities Section, Wood Gundy.

Thanks a million for the news items, Paul.

Neil Cory (67) of Grand Centre, Alberta (near the CFB Cold Lake) writes from his Veterinary Clinic. Neil completed his D.V.M. in 1973. Nice to hear from you Neil and thanks for your life membership fee.

John Turnbull (25) of Regina told of some of his travels in a letter to **Lindsay Blair** (25) of Lanigan. John and Mrs. Turnbull visited in France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Northern Italy last fall. In 1973 the Turnbells visited in Japan, in 1972 in Sweden, Denmark and Norway, in 1971 to New Zealand, Fiji Islands and Australia, the Omeromaga Passion Play in 1970 and the United Kingdom in 1969. The Turnbells are really world travellers since John's retirement in 1968. Wonderful to see Agros enjoying themselves. Keep us posted on this year's travels — sounds great!

H.R. Clark (45) of Saskatoon wishes to correct an error in the last newsletter. Dean Rutherford was the first Dean of Agriculture and not **A.M. Shaw**.

The Flax Growers' Western Canada has an Executive that reads Whose Who? in Ag. Grads. The new found organization has a President, **Bill Farley** (50), Grand Coulee; Vice-President is **Roy Levee** (57) of Radville; Directors include **Bill McNally** (47) of Rowatt; **Bill Heenan** (49) of Grand Coulee, **Tom Jackson** (57) of Indian Head; and **Russ Campbell** (50) of Eston. The organization should thrive with all that weight and power. Good luck gentlemen.

Ken Dean (53) of Saskatoon has become the first Canadian from Western Canada and the second Canadian to serve on the Board of Directors of the Farm Equipment Wholesalers Association of North America in its 30-year

history. Our congratulations to Ken on this recognition.

Greg Martin (69) of Herschel gets things the easy way or else carries a rabbit foot in each pocket because he recently won a G.E. color TV in a Rosetown Furniture Store draw.

Herman Austenson (46) informs us that the 12th International Grasslands Conference held in Russia in 1974 attracted him, **Bob Knowles** (41) and **Dave Heinrichs** (38). The Conference included a tour through the Ukraine. Just before the Conference **Tom Lawrence** (50) of Swift Current and **Bob Savage** (41) of Ottawa had been to Russia on a seed trade mission and tour.

Another group of soils people also visited Russia during 1974 to attend the International Soil Science Society meetings. These included **Jim Ellis** (49), **Mike Zwarich** (51), **Ed Spratt** (58), **Ed Halstead** (61), **Bob Soper** (53), **Laurie Farstad** (36) and **Gus MacKenzie** (54).

Al Martin (49) of Winnipeg informs us that **Don Forsberg** (49) is with the Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation and is living in Winnipeg. Thanks Al for the info.

Where the action is there will be Agros. **Elwood Hart** (59) Manager, Saskachimo Pioneer Days decided the only way to get talent for the 1975 Grandstand Show was to go to Las Vegas. Nice work if you can do it! Next Year **Murray Riddell** will likely go with Elwood and take **Bud Smith** (48), second Vice-President along in order to carry some weight and for good measure. **Ben Blacklock** (46), first Vice-President will assist them. Boy! What a Crew!

Don Rugg (66) writes from Ottawa with information on **Bob Savage** (41) who has retired from the Department of Trade and Commerce January 1, 1975. Bob and Edith, according to Don, plan on some travel and then likely settle in B.C. Don states that he is taking up skiing and girl watching on the slopes. (What's new for Agros?) Good to hear from you Don, we did miss you at reunion week.

Jim Morris (70) of Saskatoon began his duties recently as Acting General Manager of the Saskatchewan Hog Marketing Commission.

Don Lidster (72) and **Nancy** (73) nee Huffman of Fairview have taken out a joint life membership in the Ag. Grads. Association. Thanks Don. Nice to hear from you. Almost as many Ag. Grads. in the Peace River country as is the case in Brandon. Don says they really enjoy the Peace River country.

Jim Harren (65) has won the Master Salesman Award from Monsanto in a North American competition. The Award resulted in a substantial cash prize and trip to St. Louis for Jim and Jean in January. Our congratulations to Jim and Jean.

J.D. McFarlane (16) who began his university studies in 1912 and participated in the first 60-year reunion was spinning a couple of tales at the reunion. It seems that when J.D. was a wee lad he attended the same school in Stirling, Scotland as did former president J.S. Thomson. Thomson's father was a butcher and J.D. often caught rabbits which were sold in the Thomson shop. Later, after the MacFarlanes came to Canada, J.D. played hockey with **Ralph Steuck** (15) against Eddie Shore. J.D. missed a year of University during World War I due to service in the Royal Flying Corps and he also put in some time looking after the W.R. Motherwell farm at Abernethy. J.D. was approached to assist at the Abbotsford flying school during World War II but the decision was made that he could offer a greater contribution by maintaining his large farming interests at Nipawin.

The annual Reunion Weekend January 12 - 13, 1975 had to be one of the best. The Weekend belonged to the Class of 1915, really great to think that **Spike Smith** had six of the 60-

year reunion class back for the gala celebrations. What a great time they had. Special gifts designed by Bob McKercher were presented to the class. Proof of the reunion, for which we are all very proud, is the following picture. Congratulations you old timers!



Leonard and Mrs. Bryan, Tugaskie; Spike Smith and Joanne Smith [daughter-in-law], Saskatoon; Ralph and Mrs. Stueck, Abernethy; Mickey and Mrs. Osler, Wolseley; Pontus and Mrs. Wiklund, Melfort; J.D. and Mrs. MacFarlane, Nipawin

Vic Beaulieu (49) of Indian Head; **Orest Mysak** (48) of Canora; **Doug Grant** (49) of Regina; **Bob May** (49) of North Battleford; and **Gordon Parker** (64) of Assiniboia of the Regional Extension Services, SDA attended the winter school in Tucson, Arizona. Nice going fellows. Sure hope you had a good time studying.

Don Murphy (67) of Neville was recently elected Vice-President of the Saskatchewan Shorthorn Association at their annual meeting in Saskatoon. **George Cooper** (44) of West Bend is also on the Shorthorn directorship.

Agro Grads on the Executive of the Saskatchewan Hereford Breeders' Association include **Don Lees** (57), Arcola; **John Blacklock** (72), Saskatoon; **Tom Dorrance** (53), Wawota; and **Ron Pitchford**, Melfort; and **Roy Wudrick** (57), Saskatoon.

Dennis Wobeser (61) of Lloydminster was elected President of the Alberta Cattle Feeders Association at their annual meeting in Edmonton. **Garnet Altwasser** (62) of Brooks is a Director of the Association.

Our best wishes to **Walter Brice** (40) and **Velma**, also **Tori Tollefson** (42) and **Marg** all of Saskatoon upon the retirement of the men from the staff of VLA, January 1, 1975.

Your Association received a letter from **Geoffrey Shepherd** (24) graduation class. It is printed here in recognition of all Agro Grads. who are or have been on foreign assignment. "It was a pleasure to get your letter of March about the 1924 50th Class Reunion. We had planned to attend this Reunion, but late last year we were offered a year and a half of work as an Ag. Marketing Consultant with the government here, and came here early in January this year.

We are enjoying the work here and expect to stay for the year and a half. This country is so far from Saskatoon that I guess we will not be able to attend the Reunion after all. We would like to have met our classmates, particularly those in agriculture, but it is unlikely now that we will be able to do so. I am in charge of a team of 5 men, including an engineer,

and we find Paraguay a very interesting place to work. The people are straight-forward and friendly, and Iguassu Falls, several times larger than Niagara, is truly impressive.

I am 75 years old now, but my memories of the U of S are as strong and pleasant as ever.

Perhaps my brother George could represent us. In any case, we send our best regards to you and all our other classmates."

A brief note from **Bill** (52) and **Hazel Miner** of Ottawa regret that they were unable to attend the Annual Reunion and Lecture Series in January. Bill states that he really enjoys getting the old newsletter. The Miners were planning a 3-month holiday in Florida after the New Year. Imagine putting Florida over a reunion week in Saskatoon in January.

Four grads of the 30-year class reunion were on hand to help the younger set enjoy the weekend festivities. They included the **Phil Blakeleys** of Lethbridge, **Art Bristols** of Regina, **Peder Myhr** of Swift Current and the **Herb Clarks** of Saskatoon. Other grads of 1945 heard from but who were unable to attend were **Bob Hedlin**, Winnipeg, **Bill Gilmer**, Melfort; **Stan Barber**, Lafayette, Indiana, **Les Krasa**, Montreal; **Hobart Peters**, Ottawa; and **Murdock Nelson**, Moose Jaw.

Ted Turner (48) of Regina was re-elected President of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool at their November 1974 meetings.

Dave Kimber (56) of Abbey and **Gerry Payant** (68) of Assiniboia presented papers at a Sheep Symposium held in Saskatoon in December.

Bill Wilson (40), Saskatoon passes on information of Agro Grads. **Don Rugg** (66) of the Products Division, Industry, Trade and Commerce, Ottawa was on a recent mission to Japan. **Frank Payne** (47), Director of Livestock, CDA, Ottawa, met recently with representatives of the sheep industry. Hope they didn't pull the wool over your eyes, Frank. **Ken McGowan** (74) returned to farming at Tisdale in the summer of '74 but is now on staff of the Feed Department, Federated Co-Operatives, Saskatoon. Thanks we Willie for the news. The more the merrier!

John McConnell (51), Ottawa was a visitor to Farm and Home Week. John was recently elected President of the Eastern Ontario Institute of Agrologists.

Frank Faber (62), Carlyle and **John Blacklock** (72), Saskatoon were elected to the Board of Directors of the Saskatchewan Chianina Association.

D.G. Devine (67), Saskatoon has been appointed an Associate Professor of Agricultural Economics, University of Saskatchewan. Grant will complete his requirements for a Ph.D. from Ohio State University this spring. We welcome Grant back to Saskatchewan and Saskatoon.

J.R.D. [Dale] Partridge (60), Winnipeg who is now a Soils Specialist with the Manitoba Department of Agriculture, visited Glen Hass and your news editor this month. We extracted an annual fee from Dale, next will be a life membership. Dale and Caroline have a family of four, 2 boys and 2 girls. Dale has his classes completed toward a Ph.D. from the University of Manitoba. Dale and **Bob Hedlin** (45), University of Manitoba were back on Campus to a Soils Fertility Workshop.

Harley Olson (72), Regina is with the Planning and Research Secretariat of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture as a Research Economist.

Jim Howse (50), Carragana received an outstanding service award from the Canadian Seed Growers' Association on January 8, 1975. Congratulations Jim!

Keith Colborn (48), Delisle was in Ottawa in mid-January to assist in settling the egg surplus problem.

Wonder how Keith got scrambled into that basket?

Chuck Peifer (52) of Nipawin was elected President of the Saskatchewan Dairy Association at their 66th Annual Meeting in Regina in February.

Honorary Life Memberships in the Association were presented to **Howard McDonald** (35) of Saskatoon and **Sol Sinclair** (32) of Winnipeg. The recipients were introduced by **Bill White** (32), Saskatoon and **Phil Thair** (42) of Saskatoon.

Howard McDonald (35) of Saskatoon is now the owner of some real estate in British Columbia. The McDonalds recently purchased a plot of land at Sorrento which is presently being developed into a residential area. Sorrento is 35 miles east of Salmon Arm and is on the Trans Canada highway. Guess Bill White and others will have a place to stay when the ski season is in full swing.

Cal Kelly, the student representative on our ASA passes on the following information: The ASA has donated the McLean-Gramiak Trophy at the U of S for top sport standing in the third division. The trophy was donated in memory of **Brian McLean** (72) a former winner of the Tommy Fraser Award, and **John Gramiak**, student of the college, brother of **Larry Gramiak** (73).

The ASA has donated \$500 in sponsorship of an "Animal Traction Project" in Ghana, Africa through C.U.S.O. Thank you to **Jim Turner** (70) for his guidance. Jim is the Saskatoon Chairman of the C.U.S.O. Committee. (An excellent project. Good going fellows!)

Tom Dorrance (53), Wawota was made a Director of the Canadian Hereford Association at their annual meeting this month in Banff.

Ben Blacklock (46), Grandora is now Vice-President of the Canadian Aberdeen Angus Association. **George Perry** (47), Wishart is a Director of the same Association. Both were elected at the Association's annual meeting in Banff in February.

Dale Blair (61), Drake is Vice-President of the Saskatchewan Simmental Association.

Don MacKay (47), Aberdeen is President of the Saskatchewan Swine Breeders' Association.

Bob Ballantyne (68), Livelong is President of the Saskatchewan Galloway Breeders' Association.

Ken Smulan (49), Wawota is Secretary-Treasurer of Saskatchewan Limousin Association. **Gordon Meaden** (49) is a Director of the same Association.

Lorne McVicar (36), Colonsay has commenced his twenty-first year as Secretary of the Saskatchewan Belgian, Percheron and Clydesdale Clubs. Congratulations Lorne!

Glen Flaten (50), President of the Saskatchewan Federation of Agriculture, was recently elected President of the Western Agricultural Conference.

Births

Keith (66) and Flora Ayres of Saskatoon, a son, Garth Wayne, born February 14, 1975. (Note: this now gives Keith a curling rink of boys.)

Nick (62) and Jean **Henger** of Red Deer, a son, Mark Nicholas, born December 17, 1974.

John (69) and Jean **Ball** of Edmonton, a daughter, Christie Vanessa, born August 24, 1974.

Raymond (70) and Noreen **Riviere** of Radville, a daughter, Raelynne Michelle, born on September 19, 1974.

Murray (69) and Linda **Dyck** of Borden, a son, Mathew Edward, born on January 30, 1975.

Deaths

Earl J. Williams (49), Pennant, September 1, 1974.

Charles A. Warder of Birch Hills, January 17, 1975, father of **Frank Warder** (40), Swift Current.

Barry H. Sproule (48) of Saskatoon, December 22, 1974.

Mrs. Martin of Lethbridge, November 23, 1974, mother of **Al Martin** (49) of Winnipeg.

John A. Evans of Saskatoon and Kenaston, February 13, 1975, father of **Ross Evans** (46), Regina and Mrs. Fred (Norma) Fulton, Saskatoon.

George Kenaschuk of Watson, February 4, 1975, father of **Ed Kensachuk** (55) of Morden.