

The 1992 reunion: A smashing success

Special event launched

The first special event, held on January 10, received high marks from Dean John Stewart and he has extended congratulations to those who made it happen. Our association can feel good about the decision made more than a year ago, to develop a reunion program that would be more attractive to undergrads.

The day began with breakfast in the tractor lab and the highlight was the milk boat race, returning to college tradition after an absence of many years. Eight teams entered (four milk chuggers per team), with one from each year of the school and college and one faculty team. A spirited school team looked like certain winners until Blaine Carlson, anchor of the first year college team went into action. They were awarded the Gibson trophy, last presented in 1952.

Various competitions and presentations followed breakfast. The organizers were pleasantly surprised with the keen interest in beef and dairy judging but the weed and crop contests drew fewer competitors. The student-oriented career program was very popular with the students, and the six presentations on various aspects of agriculture each drew 100 to 150. A real good effort!

If there was any disappointment it was in the small number of graduates who took part. A total of 307 college and 138 school students took part. Participating ag grads totalled 40 and faculty and grad students 36. The ASA, SVAA, SAGA, the college and Hoechst shared the \$1200 deficit.



I want to thank all of those who worked so hard to make this first special event a success. This includes most of the SAGA executive, students and a number of faculty members.

Gary Storey, past president.

Leo Kristjanson, Gimli, Man., former economics professor and president of the University of Saskatchewan, was named an honorary life member of SAGA. Leo and his wife Jean are shown above receiving congratulations and best wishes from Gary Storey.

Bill Cooper '51S, West Bend, Sask. farmer (right), thanks the ag grads for naming him an honorary life member at the 1992 reunion.



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College news

Past presidents promoted

Bob McKercher '54C and Gary Storey '63C, both past presidents of SAGA, have been given new challenges.

Bob has been appointed Associate Dean, College of Graduate Studies and Research, for a five year period beginning July 1, 1992. His contributions to the College of Agriculture as Assistant Dean(academic) and

building liason are gratefully acknowledged.

Also on July 1, 1992, Gary Storey will become Assistant Dean of Agriculture(academic), for a three year term. Gary will be working to strengthen student relations and the undergraduate curriculum.

(From Dean's update, Ag-News, April 6/92.)

Ag students to compete

Ag-Challenge '92 will involve teams of students from eight colleges at Saskatoon and Regina June 17 to 20, 1992.

The event will begin with a tour of innovative farms near Regina and 23 attendance at the Western Canadian Farm Progress Show. The team challenge will be held in Regina at the Canada Centre West building on Friday, June 19 and the academic competitions will be held at Saskatoon the next day.

Teams are entered from Laval University, Macdonald College of McGill University, University of Guelph, Nova Scotia

The President's Pen

These are exciting times in the history of the Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates Association.

The official opening of the new building last October was a landmark event that drew a large crowd despite snowy weather.

This was followed by special events during the reunion in January - that brought out the college spirit that we used to know. Past presidents Gary Storey and Al McDougald worked hard on that project and got good support from many others. It is a good start toward a brighter future for our association and the student body.

The annual meeting approved a motion to consider the feasibility of establishing a fund to support the college. Until now SAGA has been a largely social organization, but with financing problems looming on the campus it is a good time to explore becoming a funding organization. After all, we did a pretty good job of raising funds for the building. Vice president Bob Tyler is heading up a committee to study the possibility and report to the 1993 annual meeting.

The format change for the reunion did not seem to bother the grads. The curling and hockey went really well, and especially the bidding on the Calcutta. Our executive was worried that there would be complaints from grads because some wives were bidding more than their accounts could stand!

Moving the mixer to the Saskatoon Inn worked fine. About 600 attended and the bar went dry an hour before closing, a sure sign of a successful agro event.

The 1993 reunion will be held on January 15, 16 and 17. Look for the names of conveners for the various reunion years in the June issue. Bob Tyler will be working with them toward another successful reunion.

Have a good spring.

Faternally,

President

P.S. There are many grads who are not SAGA members. Ask them to join.



Herb Purdy '32C, Regina (left), chats with Grace Stoyko, Bill Pope '50C, Clarence Gutheil '56C, and John Stoyko '49C at the ag grad smoker on Jan.10. He was the only 60 year grad to attend out of the dozen who received their degree that year. Herb, his twin brother Tom (deceased), Sol Sinclair, Tom Townley-Smith and former dean Bill White were classmates. Herb was senior stick of his class. He is now 83 years old, curls twice a week and looks fit enough to go to at least another 30 years.



Ag students ponder a sample of bean-like seeds at one of the competitions held at the special agricultural event.

Curling bonspiel results

"A" event winners



The Kirk trophy was presented by Frank Dunlop to the Kish rink. L to R are: Dunlop, W.Kish, D.Mitchell, E.Casson, B.Hovland.

The second place team members were K.Kennedy, R.Merryweather, J.Scholz and S.Prokopchuk.

"B" event winners



The Graham trophy was presented by Gary Storey to the Turner rink. L to R are Storey, J.Turner, B.Norman, B.Dodds, G.Kerney.

The second place team members were G.MacPherson, L.Entwistle, M.Ferguson, T.Boychuk.

"C" event winners



The White trophy was presented by George Wilson to the Shoemaker rink. L to R are Wilson, N.Shoemaker, G.Freitag, D.Skinner, M.Coulter.

The second place team winners were J.Remus, P.Frey, M.McConiston, T.McConiston.

Hutcheon event winners



Ron Howarth(L) presented the trophy to the team of A.Graham, E.Fleming, W.Jensen and R.McKinnon.

Second place team in the Hutcheon event had R.Campbell at skip, supported(on occasion, by A.Short, D.Woofe, V.Surjic and B.Cooper.

Better than the NHL

The tournament was a great success. We did things a bit different this year, dividing the teams into two divisions, competitive and non-competitive. A start was also made in girl's hockey.

The competitive teams and their won-lost records are as follows: Saskatoon Rusty Blades 4-0; Southeast Maulers 3-1; FCC 3-1; Agro Students 2-2; North Battleford No Stars 1-2; Voc Ag students 1-2; Saskatoon Reepers 0-3 and Regina Towel Bandits 0-3.

The championship final was an exciting game, with the Rusty Blades leading with about five minutes left to play. The South East Maulers tied the score with four seconds on the clock. The Rusty Blades won in a shootout amid great controversy. They received the Rennie trophy from Dean John Stewart.

In the consolation final FCC was victorious over the Agro students by a 16 to 10 score. The game was closer than the score and the old FCC boys were dragging it after the game.

The three teams in the non-competitive division had the following record: Regina WD 40's 2-0; North Battleford Green Giants 1-1 and Agro Students Ankle Benders 0-2.

Agro students and a few grads formed two girls teams and had a lot of fun. The grads will try to have a team next year.

Some highlights

The 1991 champs, the N.B. No Stars, returned with most of that team and their games were close, but the extra time spent in the bar must have been their downfall.

Notably absent this year were the "78 Long Shots". They were prepared to play in the non-competitive division, but a challenge from the WD 40's was too much and they decided to stay home. We hope they will be back next year.

Thank you to all the players for a great event!

(Report by hockey conveners Ron Gilmour and Craig Rath.)

SAGA hockey tournament



Tournament champions: Saskatoon Rusty Blades

(back row) Gil Parent, Daryl Kratchmer, Tracy Preete, Lee Woods, Craig Blair, Reg Zackrisson, Jack Zenert, Brant Kirychuk. (front row) Lindsay Manson, Jack Comeau, Guy Keeler, Gary Flaten, Craig Rath, Scott Blair, Lionel Redden.



Craig Rath, Saskatoon Rusty Blades, accepts the Rennie Hockey Trophy from Dean John Stewart.

The thundering herd

Wade Adamack '89C, says he left Swift Current a year ago and now lives in Saskatoon, where he toils for Burns-Vigor as nutritionist. Wade also reports that Kelly Labbie '89C has moved to Brandon where he works for Cyanamid, and Trevor Dyck '89C, is also in Brandon with PFRA.

Glenn Stacey '83S, from Tisdale that he is well and did a lot of curling last winter. Glenn's dad says the '91 crop was the best one on the farm in 52 years. Glenn reports that Jeff Morrison '83S lives in Vancouver, Al Ritter, another classmate sells Chrysler and Dodge cars in Southey, and repair parts to keep them on the road.

Margot Beaulieu, wife of Vic'49C, is still shepherding Vic and the tads, even though all of them are longstanding adults. Margot said that daughter Denise Beaulieu '79C is now living in Wooster, Ohio, and doing her doctorate in animal husbandry. Also that the SAGA issues had not got to Denise and by golly we better fix that up quick. We have.

Chris Paterson'90C, is working in Regina for Esso, marketing things like fuel, lubricants, fertilizer and biological products. Lawrence Baschak'79C writes that he has added a degree to his CV and changed jobs. After working for the Sask. Research Council for six years, Lawrence got a Masters in Landscape Architecture from the U of Guelph, and now works as a consultant with Meewasin Valley Authority and Sask. Parks.

Byron Irvine '77C and Terry Hogg '76C are both employed at the Saskatchewan Irrigation Development Centre at Outlook, but that is only a start on the news sent along from Outlook by Laurie Tollefson '75C, SIDC Chief. Also working at the Centre are Jazeem Wahab, Deneen Duncan '86C, Arlen Kapiniak '85C, Doug Moen '89C, Greg Larson '89C, Pat Ackerman '90C and Barry Vestre '87

With all that help around, Laurie has done his share of goofing off to places like Egypt, with CIDA in 1990, and again in August 1991 with FAO. Checking out the water pipes of

course! While Laurie is away his wife Christine, a registered nurse, works for Outlook and District Home Care, and also cares for their four children, ranging in age from 10 years to 4 months.

A further update on the Tollefson family: Laurie's brother Terry '78C, farms and teaches at the School of Agriculture in the winter, while brother Tim '87C operates Tollefson Farms with his father Roy, at Mossbank and does contract work for FCC. Torvold (Torie) Tollefson '42, brother to Roy, is retired in Saskatoon and celebrated his 50 year class reunion in January.

Paul (Cathy) Cann '71C, lives in Calgary and is Manager, Food Production and Inspection Branch, Agriculture Canada. He notes that reorganization is causing some reshuffling as between veterinarians and agros. Also that Eric Jackson '83C, has joined their shop as a food officer. Vic Phillips '71C, Sundrie farmer and part-time realtor, shared a big Christmas dinner with Paul and Cathy.

Rick Kau ' has recently become a member and sent along some news with his \$80. He said that Kevin Feist ' has taken on the Red Deer territory for Hoechst and had bought a house in Red Deer. And John Stephens ' , also with Hoechst, is building a huge house at Leduc.

Ward Headrick '89C, has been an agricultural credit trainee with the Bank of Nova Scotia at Prince Albert since August '91. Probably testing the manager's chair by now.

Mark Odegard '78C, Royal ag. banking manager, sent along a picture of a cheque presentation to the University of Manitoba. It is the start of a drive for funds for a large animal metabolism research unit. Ralph Atkinson '67C has moved from Edmonton out to Sherwood Park. Gordon Frank '75C, has changed his address from Box 778, to 56 Chinook Way, both in Brooks, Alberta, where Gordon continues to work as District Agriculturist.

Wade Armstrong '72C, lives in Regina, where he is the Industrial Coordinator for the Sask. Assessment Management Agency. Susan Obermeier '81C, writes that she now operates Caledon House Bed and Breakfast in her heritage home located above Okanogan Lake at Peachland, B.C. Her classmate Sharon Bucsis '81C, is now working for the Farm Debt Review Board at Yorkton.

Our thanks to David Struthers '84C, Yorkton, for sending along information about the Lin Boyes Memorial Scholarship. See page for the details.

Andrew Mess '74S, reports that his address is now Box 26, Burritt Rapids, Ontario K0G 1B0, and lives at 7566 Dwyer Hill Road in that town. We are curious to know why a Sask. ag grad would have strayed to that part of the world.

Murray Easton '91C, says he hangs out at 3934 - 37th St., Red Deer, AB, occasionally works at Quality Feeds Ltd., and enjoys the night life at "Billy Bobs."

A couple of grads have moved into the Saskatchewan Wetland Conservation Corporation. One of them is Greg Reimer ' , formerly assistant manager of the Saskatchewan Development Fund, to become SWCC manager of agricultural services. The other is Graham Dorn '76C. Graham was a Save Our Soil Coordinator with Sask. Agriculture, and is now assisting SWCC to develop a provincial wetland policy that will reduce agriculture's impact on wetland habitat.

Ron Tebutt '52S, Nipawin, phoned in the comings and goings on his farm and the community in general. Ron says that he farms with son Gregg '81S; a good-sized unit that produces cereals, pulses and forages. They also buy and sell a lot of forage seed. Ron is also proud of their daughter, a PhD candidate in English at Edmonton. She will be spending some time in Galloway, Ireland come May. Ron said that his neighbor, Bernie Ward ' , winters down south, and that he bumps into Chuck Peifer '53C, Dermott McDermott ' , and Don Thompson ' , Carrot River, all of whom are working hard at making an honest dollar.

Terry Wakelin '67C, admits to three jobs, part owner, agrologist and sales manager of Green Acres Fertilizer, North Battleford. We suspect that Thelma finds a few more jobs for him whenever he happens to be around the house. Their daughter Trina is into an environmental monitoring course at Vermilion and son Trent is taking grade 12.

Irene Ahner '65C, Maple Creek, has retaliated against those who elected her a director of the Ag Grad Assoc. by sending in a whole pile of news and some interesting views. This editor thinks you're great, Irene, and I suspect you're husband Derald'65C thinks so too. Granted, leaving you at home to wrestle bales on a windswept sidehill, while he conducts Winning with Beef courses in comfortable classrooms is not exactly a statement of endearment, but it does express confidence. Have you suggested swapping jobs next winter?

Irene writes that Eleanor Bowie, wife of Ian '65C, found a new way to dodge school board meetings, music festival meetings, brandings and other cultural events, but she doesn't recommend it. While helping to sort cattle in April, her mount narrowly missed running through a fence, but Eleanor didn't

miss a thing - post, barbed wire and all. She spent 10 days in the hospital and most of the summer healing bruises, scrapes and severe sprains. Best wishes for a better summer this time around, Eleanor.

Spring '91 saw the Ahner clan gathering in Saskatoon to see Verna, daughter of Derald and Irene, receive her B.Music(Mus. Ed.) degree, with distinction. Irene, who in her other life is a member of the U of S senate, sat on the platform, above the hoi polloi, during the graduation exercise. Verna is teaching band and French at Spirit River, in Peace River country.

Peter Scott Voldeng, son of Lavern '63C and Viola Voldeng, Naicam, received his Bachelor of Engineering at the '91 spring convocation. Irene comments that it is hard to get kids to follow in their parent's footsteps; but we are proud of them anyway. (Now if we could only make them stop making sassy remarks about Agros!!)

Colin Sauder '77C and Derald Ahner '65C, have found that a sure way to win with beef is to get paid for teaching the subject.

Peter '75S, and Heather Hecker '81S, and their family are continuing with their farming

and musical careers. Heather now helps part-time with the music program at Piapot school, and is active in the United Church camp at Cypress Hills Park. No one is quite sure of her position, but when anything goes wrong at the camp, the cry "Call Heather" is heard and she promptly straightens things out. Her job is easier now that her parents, the Macnabs, live at the park all summer.

Daryl Tumbach '72C, extension agrologist at Maple Creek, stays busy organizing farm courses and other events, and so far the deer and antelope have avoided his truck.

Bob Springer' C, is the new extension agrologist at Shaunavon. He and his wife Bev have put down some roots, or should we say cash, for a house. Jim Graham '75C, one time extension agrologist at Moose Jaw, is now livestock agrologist at Swift Current. He's opted for country living too.

Jim Pratt '69C, soils and crops agrologist at Swift Current, has been busy urging and aiding the regrassing of the Great Southwest. Daryl Tumbach '72C, Dale Weisbrot '76C and Mike Schellenberg', Swift Current, are the executive members of the Prairie-Parkland chapter of the Society of Range Management for the 1991 to 1993 term. Still in the southwest, we find that Pat Gerwing '70C, extension agrologist at Swift Current, is helping to make his colleagues computer literate and Ralph Howes '70C, farm management agrologist, who spends his time with farmers on rental arrangements, estate planning, NISA, and even the economics of elk raising.

Glenn and Elaine Hass '60C, holidayed in Hawaii in January - sort of swapped sand shovelling for snow shovelling.

Heath Gabruch 'S, is a marketing representative at Canadian Seed Coaters, North Battleford. If you have lost track of George Kerr '54S, call around to 346 Circlebrooke Drive, Yorkton. The new phone number is 782-7167.

Robert Hammond '92S, is probably the most recent life member of this association. Our thanks, and his, go to grandmother Eileen Blair, Lanigan, for a thoughtful graduation gift.



'52C grads Bernie Goplen, Jake Nickel, Don Lambie and Don Sutherland, didn't win as many games as they wanted to. But they had a lot of fun and worked up a good appetite.

The pooped deck



Don Read '50C, Swift Current, reports a change of address but not a move away from Swift Current. Claims he is busy travelling and doing community work.

Archie Campbell '35C, Saskatoon, phoned to say that he is doing fine, although the eyes aren't as keen as they once were. Also that his old friend and classmate Clarence Elliott '35C, had retired again. Seems that Clarence rose to be the treasurer of Great West Life, retired at age 65, then went back to work for the company.

Joe Zeman '44C checked in about mid-January with a bundle of news. He and Jessie had enjoyed their overseas trip in September and the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on October 24. Joe had then had a knee operation and though it went well he did not feel up to attending the grad reunion. That's the first one he's missed since 1944; quite a record.

Wilson McIntyre '41S, the AG Grad honorary president in 1991, returned from Los Angeles on January 10, just in time to participate in this year's reunion activities. Said it was quite a change from the flowers and green grass, but well worth the effort. Wilson says thanks for letting him serve again on the executive; its the third time in over 50 years of membership. He deems it a real honor to serve the organization.

Raymond Polvi '49S, calls himself a retired gentleman at his summer home at Melville, and a winter Texan at Weslaco when the snowballs come. Try the Pine to Park Resort if you are in the vicinity.

Peter Balogh '46C, Victoria, has just returned with Sylvia from a trip to Hong Kong, Thailand and Japan. A two week stay in Thailand gave them a good chance to observe the production of vegetable, rice and fruit crops and their approach to processing those crops. Sounds great.

Bob May '49C and his wife Lorna, were part of a 25 day tour Florida group, with stops in Nashville and New Orleans. Bob says that quite lot of his time is spent at the home farm at Weyburn, where he does things he refused to do when he was growing up.

H.C. Giles '47S, is now president of the Pensioners and Pioneers, 606 Spadina Crescent, Saskatoon. Drop around.

Roger Carlton '51S, sent along a special note from their home at 179 Cannon St., Regina. The big news is that he and Ellen celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last October 12. On hand to celebrate were their two daughters, their husbands, four grandchildren as well as Roger and Ellen's siblings and their spouses. Also a few who never made it into the family! Roger's brother, David Carlton '58S, Enderby, B.C. served as MC, and activities included a tea, dinner and social evening. Garld '48S and Beatrice Malin decorated up St. Phillip's Anglican parish hall and made it pretty for the celebrations. Out of town quests included John (Jean) Wilbraham '54S, and John (Alameda) Jenkins '51S, Strasbourgh.

Bill Robertson '65C, Lethbridge, unsaddled his horse and turned himself out to pasture on December 31. And Jack Gilliland '59C, though still a young man, has retired, after many years with John Deere. Good health to both of you for many years.

Allan McLeod '49C unretired himself for a month or two. He is off to Estonia on a marketing assignment as a volunteer consultant for the Canadian Executive Service Organization. We understand he snuck off while wife Jean Marie was away checking out grandchildren in California.

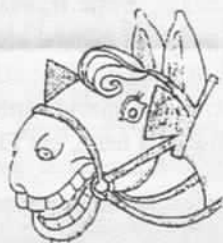
Special notice to '65 College grads

Pictures of the 22 grads who attended the 20 year reunion of the class are now available. Just send along \$10 (Canadian, we believe) and Lorence Peterson '65C, will rush your copy back to you post-haste. Lorence will also send along the names of those in the photograph, so if you've changed in the last seven years you won't have to guess which one was you!

Send your \$10 to:

Lorence Peterson, 5 Balsam Place,
Saskatoon, SK S7N 2K4.

The hitchin' post



The word is out that Laurie Schafer, formerly extension agrologist at Leader, was married to James Kosolofski of Leader last spring. They have moved to Edmonton and are building a house and word has it that Laurie has found a new job.

Lawrence Baschak '79C, married Ingrid Theissen on September 21, 1991. Ingrid is a landscape architect employed by a Saskatoon firm, and Lawrence, now also a landscape architect, works for the province and Meewasin Authority.

Stephen White '90C, and Yvonne Hildebrand '91C, plan to marry this June at the White Ranches, Shaunavon. They wish to advise readers that this is only a message, not an invitation: repeat, not an invitation -----

Empty saddles

• Walter Clark, Inchkeith, was born on Dec.11,1909 and passed away on Dec.3,1991, after a brave fight against cancer.

Walter attended the School of Agriculture in 1929-30 and the following year, but the depression prevented him from completing the third year of the diploma program.

He is survived by his wife Emily, daughters Isabel Donaldson(Don), and Jean Giebelhaus(Ken); four sons, Don(Ann); Ross(Jean); Ken '69C (Barbara); Ivan(Bonnie). Also by three sisters, Dorothy Seymour, Kaye Ratcliffe, Alice Warrington(Cecil); three brothers, David '48C (Ruth), Edward (Joan), Herb '45C (Marian); brother-in-law Wm. Maywood and sister-in-law Joan Clark. He was predeceased by his parents, his sister Margaret Maywood and brother Fred.

All of Walter and Emily's children are graduates of the University of Saskatchewan.

• Andrew John Seversen '48S, passed away at Pelly, Sask. on September 20,1991.

Andrew served in the air force during the Second World War, started to farm with his dad in 1947, then on his own two years later, operating at Coleville and Pelly.

During the last ten years Andrew and his wife Elsie spent their winters in Weslaco,Texas.

• Flora Mackay, Saskatoon, passed away at 102 years of age on December 5,1991. She is survived by her daughter Henrietta (Bernard'51C) Goplen and four sons, James Robert(Marion), Saskatoon, Ian Havelock, Calgary, William King, Saskatoon, and Craig Innis(Gwen), Saskatoon.

Flora (Craig)Mackay was born in Boston, Massachusetts; met and married Robert Mackay at Semans, Saskatchewan, and settled in Saskatoon in 1931. She was predeceased by her husband in 1968.

• Lloyd Douglas Loyns 'S47, Naicam, passed away on February 18,1992, after a lengthy illness.

Lloyd married Stanis Gottormson of Naicam in 1951 and they built a fine farm and home in the LacVert district, retiring to Naicam in 1981.Lloyd loved the farm and kept an active interest in it until his death. He was a popular and active community member and for many years served as a delegate of Sask.

Wheat Pool.

Lloyd is survived by his wife Stanis, daughter Charlotte(Stan) Rude, son Warren (Marlene), brother Archie '42S, sister Vera (Howard) Fader and seven grandchildren.

• John Kenneth Swann '33C, Westbank, B.C., passed away on March 24, 1992 in Kelowna General Hospital after a brief illness.

Ken was born in 1911 at Coleman, Alberta, and moved with his family to Marquis, Sask. He worked for Agriculture Canada in Saskatoon,Edmonton, Regina and Kitchener, retiring to Westbank in 1974. During his retirement he was able to more actively pursue his hobby of raising and showing Roller canaries. He also published the Dominion Roller Canary News for 15 years.

Ken is survived by Jean, his wife of 51 years; sons David of Edmonton, Ronald of Saskatoon; daughter Sharyn, Sakatoon; their spouses and children.

• Charles Douglas Stewart passed away at Lethbridge, Alberta on January 9,1992. He is survived by his wife Shirley; their children Don, Calgary, Sharon(Dennis) Botterill, Regina, Merline (Barry) Hornberger, Fort Macleod, Lorne (Betty), Lacombe and Dale(Kathy), Coaldale.

"C.D." Stewart was born at Central Butte, served in the RCAF from 1940 to 1945, then graduated with a BSc. in agricultural engineering from the U of S in 1949. His career included work with PFRA, the U of S Agricultural Engineering faculty, Agra Oil Products, Nipawin, The Saskatchewan Water Resources Board and Lethbridge Community College.

• Francis Barnsley, Lloydminster, father of Howard Barnsley '60C, and grandfather of Joy (Barnsley) Mah '92C, passed away on February 21,1992.

• Anne Elizabeth, wife of Art Sumner '47C, passed away at their home in Saskatoon on January 18, 1992.

Anne was born at Shawinigan, Quebec, in 1931 and graduated from McGill University in 1953. She married Art in 1956 and they lived in the Montreal area until 1965 when they moved to Saskatoon. Anne devoted herself to her family and took a very active part in the community.

Anne is survived by her husband, Art; daughter Carol; sons Arthur, Rob and Jim; sisters Laura and Sharon; and her brother Paul Carey.

• Elizabeth Mary McDonald(Bridge) B HSc'46, Salt Spring Island, B.C., passed away on February 28,1992.

Beth grew up in the Prongua district near North Battleford and following graduation from the University of Saskatchewan served as Director of Food Services at the North Battleford Union Hospital. She married Bruce McDonald,D.F.C. '47C, in 1968, with each bringing four children from previous marriages into the family. From 1975 to 1978 they lived in Tanzania where Bruce worked on a wheat project. On their return they lived for a time in Davidson, then Kindersley, back to Tanzania for a year, before moving to Salt Spring in 1984.

Nominations wanted

Distinguished graduates in Agriculture with a Diploma in Agriculture

Each year at it's graduation exercises the School of Agriculture honors one of its earlier graduates.

The Distinguished Graduate in Agriculture Award recognizes a significant contribution by that individual to the agricultural industry as a whole or to segments of that industry; to the development and promotion of sound and innovative farming practices; or to local community involvement, leadership and good citizenship.

The selection committee is anxious to receive nominations, so that an award winner can be selected from a number of worthy candidates.

You are invited to forward the names of nominees along with as much information as possible to:

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College, University of British Columbia, University of Saskatchewan, Oregon State University and Montana State University. The event will close with an awards dinner and dance sponsored by Hoechst Canada on June 20.

Ag student numbers up

There are 177 students registered in the three year diploma program, 17 more than last year. BSA students number 591, up 46 from last year, and there are 227 post-graduate students, 12 more than last year.

Certificate in Agriculture Program expands

Student numbers enrolled in the Crop Production Certificate program rose to 170 in 1990/91, from 124 the previous year. Development of additional courses in crop production are underway. Plans are also underway to establish a farm management certificate program and the possibility of livestock and horticulture certificate programs are being considered.

Awards to Emeritus professors

Roy Crawford '55C was recently named a Fellow of the Poultry Science Association, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to that organization.

Stan Rowe has been awarded an honorary degree from Trent University in recognition of his contributions to environmental quality preservation.

Herbarium expanded

The W.P.Fraser Herbarium, located in the Department of Crop Science and Plant Ecology, has received a 22,000 plant specimen collection from Agriculture Canada Research, Swift Current.

This donation makes the Fraser Herbarium the largest of its kind in Saskatchewan and the major source of information on the province's natural flora.

New academic programs

The University Council on Academic Affairs has approved the establishment of a M.Sc. program in agriculture extension. Also two new agriculture undergraduate courses, namely Horticulture 330.3 (horticulture entomology), and Plant Ecology 423.3 (ecology of vegetative management).

A new course proposal on microbial insecticides is currently being reviewed by the Academic Affairs committee for possible approval.

Crop science celebrates anniversary Creates new varieties

The Crop Science and Plant Ecology Department celebrates its eightieth birthday this year and the Crop Development Centre its twentieth.

John Bracken was the first professor of Field Husbandry, beginning his appointment in 1911 and leaving to head up the same department at Winnipeg in 1920. He was succeeded by Manley Champlin, who was joined by L.E.Kirk in 1922 and J.B.Harrington in 1924 to bring the department up to three professors.

In the early years of the college Field Husbandry taught courses in soils, horticulture and farm management, until those departments were added in 1919, 1921 and 1925 respectively.

In the early 1930's T.K.Pavlychenko began his studies on root competition among plants and this led to his appointment as the first professor in plant ecology, although that department was not established until 1949. The second quarter century in field husbandry reflected the impact of herbicide research and basic studies in crop genetics, physiology and chemistry.

The period 1961 to 1986 was one of tremendous growth and productivity in the department. The name was changed from Field Husbandry to Crop Science in 1962 and the

Crop Development Centre added in 1971. Its mandate was to expand research, particularly in breeding and quality in winter and spring wheats, feed grains and new crops. Even a cursory look at crop kinds or varieties reveals their tremendous success.

Harrington barley is one of the best examples of useful research and development in crop science. It combines agronomic characteristics well suited to production in Western Canada, with quality that is in very strong demand worldwide. The program that yielded this variety involved varieties from the United States, the Netherlands, Poland and Canada. Manley variety, also from the Crop Development Centre, will probably become the two-row, malting standard in the years ahead.

A similar thing has happened in flax, where Vimy variety has become the most popular variety just two years after seed became available. In oats, Calibre was released in 1983, just six years after the program was re-established, and it is being followed by Derby, another outstanding variety released in 1989.

The Saskatoon campus has also brought new crops into existence. In earlier days they were canola and crested wheatgrass. More recently lentil was added to the list. Expect others as the years go along.

Andy Schmitz '63C, gloats over his Calcutta win, while Gary Storey '63C explains the economic theory that says such winnings are possible, but unlikely.



SIA Lin Boyes Memorial Scholarship

The Yorkton branch of the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists has created a scholarship program for high school students entering the College of Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan.

The program consists of a written essay competition on a selected topic, and an interview of candidates by a panel of judges. The competition is open to all grade 12 students within the Yorkton SIA branch boundaries. The successful candidate will receive a \$750 scholarship, payable in two installments, 50% upon proof of enrollment and the balance after successful completion of the first semester.

The scholarship is named in memory of the late Lindsay Boyes, a long time member of the Yorkton branch, and a widely known and respected agrologist. Lin was instrumental in creating the Yorkton branch and was an active member of the SIA, Agricultural Institute of Canada, and the Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates Association until his death in December, 1991.

Contributions to the SIA Lin Boyes Memorial Scholarship Fund will be gratefully received and a tax deductible receipt provided. Send your donation to:

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Rod Merryweather '83C ponders his next bid (would another fiver do it??), while the auctioneer coaxes him to get on with it. The sale of hockey teams and curling rinks was a popular feature of the '92 reunion.

Home grown

• Jack and Arlene (Clemence) Kary '81S, are proud parents of Thomas Jacob, their first born. He arrived on October 21, 1991 and weighed in at a respectable 8lbs. 8ounces.

• Lloyd Streifel '83C, Sakatoon, reports that his wife Tracy gave birth to Jordan Scott on October 19, 1991. At 9 lbs. 5oz he will be a good playmate for older brother Chelsey. We suspect that Lloyd will need a raise from Monsanto to pay the extra bills.

• Laurie '85C and Christine Tollefson, Outlook, welcomed Mark Samuel into this world on November 14, 1991. Sarah, 10 years, Gregory (7) and four year old Eric will have to slide over and make a bit of room at the table.

Jokes & Limericks

Milk yarn

During the dirty thirties a city woman unravelled wool from a bedspread to make socks that she exchanged for farm milk and butter. After a few dozen pairs the yarn supply ran out and she told the farmers wife some other item would be used in exchange for dairy products. "That's fine," said the farmer's wife, "I finally completed making a bedspread from the yarn in the socks."

Family circle

Son was in the living room with his report card in one hand and his dad's old report card in the other. "Dad," he said, "My grades are about the same as the ones you got when you were in school." Dad checked them over carefully and said, "You're right son, and I guess its only fair to give you what my father gave me!"

Swat sights

A senior agro refused to wear bifocals because they made him feel too old, but that changed recently, when he killed four chocolate chips on the counter with one swing of the fly swatter.

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ADD MORE PAPER! We need all the news - good, bad or ugly!

Rana esculenta

It must have taken a great deal of courage (or hunger) to discover that frog legs were edible.

Golfer: "I would move heaven and earth to score below 100."

Companion: "Try heaven, you've moved enough earth already."

Close call

The church board chairman visited the pastor in hospital, and said, "The board met yesterday and asked me to officially wish you a speedy recovery. The vote was 5 to 4."

Fighting words

First author: "I read your latest book; It is quite good. Who wrote it for you?"

Second author: "I am glad that you liked it. Who read it to you?"

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