



President's Pen

The calendar year is quickly winding down, but the *SAGA* reunion weekend is quickly gearing up. Many people have put a lot of time and effort into coordinating what looks to be another very successful weekend of socializing, sports and camaraderie.

Coming to fruition in the new year will be an initiative the executive have discussed for some time. The initiative revolves around how *SAGA* can attract new members, in particular more recent Ag grads. We recognize that for many of us, the reunion weekend is a time to get together with former classmates and Ag grads we have not seen for some time. We recognize that socializing for many of us involves face-to-face interaction.

But for the more recent grads, socializing far more commonly involves electronic social networks like Facebook, email, MySpace, blogs, Skype... Who needs a reunion weekend to chat face-to-face with fellow graduates? *SAGA* also recognizes that there is a much larger diversity in the College than in years past.

To attract new members, *SAGA* must offer services that benefit more recent grads. With that in mind, we will be arranging some meetings with the wider Ag audience to discuss how *SAGA* can be more relevant. Everything is open for discussion. Will we continue with the January reunion – Yes. Will we consider other venues at other times of the year in other locations to achieve other purposes – Yes.

I direct this to all *SAGA* members, talk to your kids and grandchildren and ask what they think *SAGA* can do to help them. The agriculture industry is a tight-knit industry and connections are very important. We feel *SAGA* is a great organization, and much can be gained from a membership. In particular we feel *SAGA* can play a vital role in connecting Ag grads, but we need to hear from you. *SAGA* is your organization and with your help, it can be an even better organization for all agriculture grads from the University of Saskatchewan.

Please email any suggestions you have to grant.wood@usask.ca or mail them to the *SAGA* address on the back page of this newsletter.

Looking forward to seeing you in Saskatoon, January 10 & 11. <http://saskaggrads.com/>

Grant Wood
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2014 SAGA Reunion Chairpersons

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1954 College	Bob McKercher	rbnmckercher@sasktel.net	306-373-4080
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2009	Blair Cummins	bmv@sasktel.net	306-373-4393

FAQs contact: 2014 Reunion Chair Blair Cummins at bmv@sasktel.net, 306-373-4393 or 306-221-8758.
(Al Scholz, our former Chair and SAGA VP, had to withdraw his services).

2014 SAGA REUNION and BANQUET

In downtown Saskatoon, TCU Place

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11th 2014

79th SAGA Reunion Banquet

January 11, 2014

Festivities will be held at: TCU Place (Upstairs Salons A,B and C)
Cocktails at 4:30 p.m.
Banquet & Program begin at 5:30 p.m.

Welcome - **Grant Wood '79 C**, SAGA President

Recognition of Reunion Years - 1944, 1954, 1964, 1974, 1984, 1994, 2004, 2009

Honorary Life Member Awards Presentation Annual General Meeting at 8:30 p.m.

The Mixer will officially start at 9 p.m.

Purchase your tickets early for the best deal.

Prices are as follows:

	<u>Early Bird Price</u> until Dec. 23/2013	<u>Regular Price</u> Dec.24/13- Jan.6/2014	<u>Ticket at the Door</u>
Banquet/Mixer	\$70.00	\$85.00	N/A
Mixer	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$20.00

Banquet Ticket purchase deadline is January 6th, 2014.

SAGA will be using a central registration office, so reunion chairs ARE NOT selling tickets.

You may purchase tickets two ways:

>>>Online at ccde.usask.ca/saga after November 15th, 2013.<<<

>>>By phone 306-966-5539 after November 18th, 2013.<<<

ATTENTION: Phone registration **will not** be available from December 24th – January 2nd.
Please use online registration during this time or call back after January 2nd.

FAQs: contact Barbara Larson, Banquet Organizer, at 306-649-0050 or bmlarson@sasktel.net

Alumni Awards

The Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal was presented to these College Of Agriculture and Bioresources graduates. The medal honors significant contributions and achievements.

Chancellor Emeritus Edward K.

(Ted) Turner '48S LLD '89

Gordon A. Wilson '48C

Brian P. Sawatsky '79C BEd '82

Gerrid D. Gust '98S

Hon. Donald G. (Grant) Devine '69C

Prof. Emeritus Lorne A. B.

Babiuk '67C MSc. '69

2011 SAGA President and long-time Professor (so long in fact, I had him as a teacher!) at the college,

Terry Tollefson MSc. '76 and current SAGA President **Grant Wood '79C**, also a long-tenured Prof (yeah, him too!), were winners of the *2013 Dean's Teaching Excellence Award*. For more in-depth bios of both, please go to: www.sia.sk.ca/news

The newest inductees into the *Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame* included two Alumni, **Sara E. Williams '87C** and **Lorne A. B. Babiuk '67C MSc. '69**. They join "Mr. Biodiesel" Zenneth Faye '74 B.E.AgEng and retired U of S Flax crop breeder Gordon Rowland. For more information on biographies and the Saskatchewan Agriculture Hall of Fame, please go to: www.saskatoonhomepage.ca/ag-hall-of-fame-class-of-2013/itemid_23

Dean Speak

Dear Friends,

This fall has been an exciting one for the College of Agriculture and Bioresources.

We have our largest entering class ever. Numbers entering all our programmes were either up or stable, and the new Bachelor of Science in Animal Biosciences attracted over 75 students in its very first year of being offered! This is very encouraging, if making it somewhat challenging to getting a new program up and running while other programs are bursting at the seams. It's a good problem to have – our industries, governments and our world need all our Agros!

On October 15th, we had the grand opening of the new Rayner Dairy Research and Teaching Facility. It is named in honour of John G. Rayner, who was director of the Department of Agriculture Extension at the college for 32 years from 1920. John Rayner dedicated his entire career to the improvement of agricultural practices and the education of rural youth, believing that was the essence of a better future for each individual, community and the province of Saskatchewan. The facility's advanced research capabilities will better prepare graduate and undergraduate students for dairying, serving industry and providing innovative solutions to current challenges. The facility's state-of-the-art animal handling and monitoring facilities will allow us to

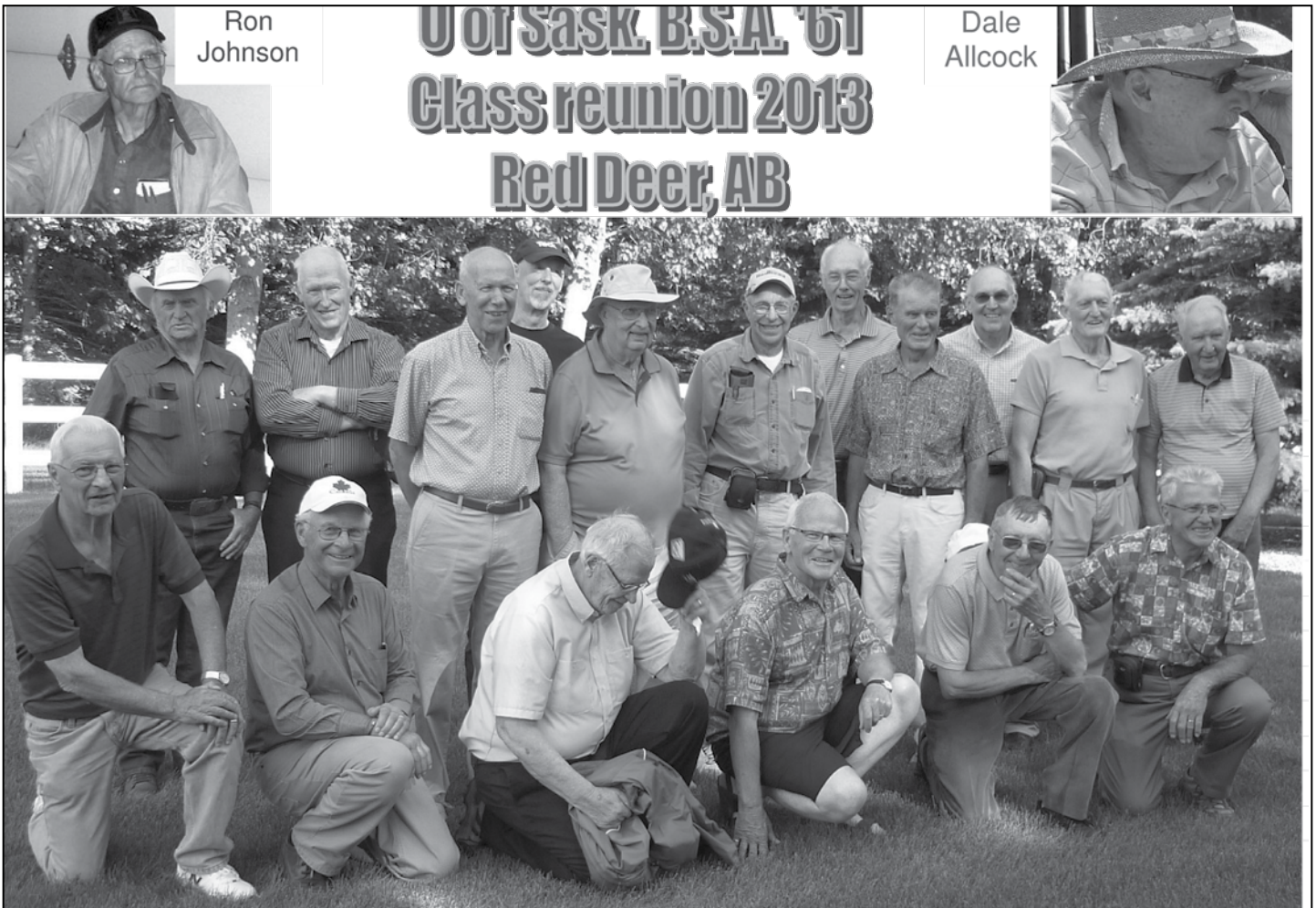
demonstrate and explore innovation in nutrition, health, genetics, reproduction and animal welfare. The facility also houses the Feeding the World Interpretive Galleries, whose displays and interactive activities allow visitors to explore the agricultural story of Saskatchewan and its role in global food production. Featuring an overhead walkway, the barn provides a bird's-eye view of the herd, milking parlour and computer-based milk robot. Open to the public every afternoon, it's already a huge hit with the public and visiting industry groups. Come visit! It's right at the entrance to campus off Preston Avenue and East Road.

We did lose a few staff in the layoffs in the spring, and we are still awaiting the results of the Transform US review looking campus-wide at the effectiveness of all academic and administrative units in serving university and provincial priorities. While we cannot know what the recommendations will be, we remain confident that the Agro resilience and focus on meeting our world's agricultural and bioresource needs will enable us to meet all challenges and evolve to continue providing that Agro excellence.

**Yours in Agro Spirit,
Mary Buhr
Dean**

College of Agriculture and Bioresources

A Gathering of Classmates - '61C



Wayne Clews '61 C, and his wife Wyn, hosted a summer reunion of classmates in Red Deer AB, on July 7, 8 and 9. Activities included a dinner at the Clews' acreage on Sunday evening. Monday started with a tour of the Reynold's Museum in Wetaskewin followed by a short visit with classmate Dale Allcock '62 C at his home in Leduc, followed later by an excellent prime rib supper hosted by the Clews family. Departure from Red Deer came after a leisurely breakfast on Tuesday morning. Nineteen 1961 College grads and their spouses took part in the reunion, along with widows of two of our deceased classmates. It was a great time for renewing friendships, catching up on news, and telling stories. **Bob Baker, '61C.**

Pictured above are: Standing, L to R, Dennis Wobeser, Bob Gilmour, Tom Pringle, Grant Deyenberg, Gary Carlson, Bob Bullock, Gus Peesker, Jack Drew, Sid Pickerell, Gary Rice and Howard Mattila.

Kneeling, L to R, are John Hoffort, Don Wilkins, Ray Wheeler, Wayne Clews, John Chuey and Bob Baker.

Season's Greetings from your SAGA executive!

Class of 1974 - 40th Reunion

January 10-12th, 2014.

Friday, January 10

7:00 p.m. Holiday Inn Saskatoon Downtown Hospitality Room (with 1974 AGROs +)

There is a cost associated with booking the “hospitality room” on Friday, Jan 10, 2014 at the Holiday Inn with the 1974 College of Ag Grads, so we will need to split the fee accordingly. It will likely be about \$50 for graduates and about \$20 for spouses (Payable at the door, ca\$h bar, snacks provided). Any money left over will be donated to the U of S College of Ag (where to direct the gift will be decided on reunion weekend). Give me a hint if you plan on being in on Friday.

Thanks to all of you who helped track down the strays. The response has been great of Grads planning to attend, so look’n fwd to seeing everyone again in “Toon Town”. Any problems or questions, contact me via email, phone, or text. **Art Unsworth ‘74S, 40th Voc Ag Reunion Chair tbr.ltd06@gmail.com or Cell / text 306-662-6110**

I have booked a “block” of rooms at the Holiday Inn. When we fill that, I believe we probably will have access to some “spare” rooms from the 1974 College of Agriculture Grads as they “booked” a whole whack and may not need them all. Please be sure to reserve your room before December 10, 2014. It is under “**1974 School of Agriculture Grads**” - **confirmation I.D. – AUB** . The rate is \$165.50 for either King or 2x Queen, non-smoking. This is the “new” hotel across the street from TCU Place (Centennial Auditorium) You can phone or register online, but don’t wait !

Holiday Inn Saskatoon Downtown
101 Pacific Avenue, Saskatoon, SK S7K 3X6
(306) 986-5000
<http://www.holidayinn.com/hotels/us/en/reservation>

Saturday, January 11

5:30 p.m. *SAGA* Reunion Banquet at TCU Place
(See elsewhere in the Newsletter for Banquet ticket info)

Sunday, January 12

10:00 a.m.- Brunch at Smiley’s – 702 Circle Drive E (306-955-1926 across the street from Home Depot).

I have “booked” a Banquet Room for ALL that want to have a great Buffet and final visit before departing. \$18 per person gives unlimited eating, drinks, taxes/tip included. AGROs will be there too.

**Thanks to everyone who contributed to this issue.
Remember - if you don't send it, we don't print it!**

Having a Great Time - the Class of '55S



The 1955 School grads and their wives attended and very much enjoyed the first days of summer 2013 at the scenic town of Eastend, SK. They were hosted by Darlene and Don Pearson, who arranged a weekend of the amenities that this colorful part of the province has to offer. - George and Bonnie Krenz

Pictured above are:

Back L to R: Don Pearson, Dale Donald, Hubert Freitag, Bruce Elder, Roy Blacklaws, Vaughn McClarity.

Front L to R: Howard Mattila, Don Dyck, Frank Ortt, George Krenz, Jake Braun, Bohdan Cipywnyk.

Pooped Deck

Barry Rugg '48S and his wife Betty celebrated their 65th Anniversary back in July. They enjoyed a Come n' Go tea at the Rugg Farm near Elstow SK.

Derald Ahner '65C took a break from all that he does to have a brain aneurysm fixed up some time ago in January. It was a success, and Derald was soon back to the same old about the farm near Maple Creek. Wife **Irene '65C** had hoped for a memory chip implant to be included in the fixer-upper package, but no such luck!

Not very many embark on a new career upon retirement, but **Art Delahey '52C** rekindled a childhood interest in woodworking and joined the Saskatchewan Woodworker's Guild.

He credits the guild with helping achieve his very high level of skill. Art's trademark pieces are custom-designed jewelry boxes.

For more info: www.saskwoodguild.ca (Courtesy Tammy Roberts, Saskatoon Express)

ASA & SAGA Curling

Time for a fun night of curling for beginners, experts & everyone in between!

Rutherford Curling Rink
January 10, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Enter as a team or individual
Cost: \$20 per person
Food and beverages by Louis' Pub

Contact

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Don Mitchell:	306-374-2140	306-230-5744	blucher@sasktel.net

Hosted by the Agriculture Students Association

Hockey Night in Waldheim

The SAGA hockey tournament will be held **Saturday, January 11, 2014 in Waldheim, SK**; roughly a half hour from the outskirts of Saskatoon off Highway 312. We plan to have the tournament start at 8 a.m. and complete around 6 p.m.

We plan on having six teams competing for the Championship this year with team captains as follows: Steve Schmidt/ Aaron Bouchard (grad '99-'02); Neil Booth '02 C; Lucas Ringdal/ Curtis de Gooijer '12 C; Jared Currie (grad 2013); Upper year students U of S, and First and second year students U of S. Food and beverages will be available all day at the Waldheim arena. And it's a very nice rink.

If someone is interested in playing or has any questions about the tournament contact either:

Lucas Ringdal '12 C	ringdal855@gmail.com
Curtis de Gooijer '12 C	curtis.degooiger@gmail.com

More Lost Sheep

We have lost contact with the *SAGA* members listed below:

Armstrong, Edwin A
 Baker, Mae
 Beaton, Samuel E
 Bourne, Timothy L
 Breadner, Albert
 Brown, Rodney J
 Busch, Marian V
 Gamble, Wayne W
 Hinz, Donald B
 Hudson, Donald B
 Jensen, David C
 Jones, Warren C
 Long, Alan
 Lorenz, Edward S
 Lyke, Douglas E
 Machin, Morley L
 McGillivray, Allan R
 Moody, Roy
 Moore, Gerry
 Murray, Richard R
 Olson, Alexander E
 Palmer, William R
 Paterson, John A
 Paxton, Arthur J
 Powell, Kenneth C

Pruckl, Thor F
 Roberts, Ruth F
 Rutherford, Paul A
 Sanderson, Thomas L
 Schultz, Ronald C
 Shoemaker, Leslie N
 Smith, Marion
 Stangeland, Ole
 Thompson, Michael R
 Welling, Muriel J
 Woytko, Anne

If you know the whereabouts of any of these lost members, please encourage them to contact *SAGA* so that we can send them the newsletters and keep them informed of reunions activities and other alumni events. Contact Trina Mortson, Development Co-ordinator, College of Agriculture and Bioresources University of Saskatchewan 51 Campus Drive Saskatoon, SK. S7N 5A8 Phone: (306) 966-4063 Email: trina.mortson@usask.ca www.agbio.usask.ca

4-H Saskatchewan wants your story

In 2017, 4-H Saskatchewan celebrates its 100th anniversary, and we are looking for 4-H memers to contribute their stories for a history book marking this historic event.

Let us know how 4-H contributed to your success! If you have a 4-H story to share, please contact Cera Youngson at cera@4-h.sk.ca

Home Grown Contributions

David Christiansen '88S, and **Ewald Lammerding '88S** have something besides being classmates in common. Both have daughters who helped lead the Saskatoon Valkyries to their third consecutive Western Women's Tackle Football Championship last June. Kelsi Christiansen '11 KIN, is a WR, while Jaime Lammerding '11 BA, plays both OL/DL. And for a family connection, David's wife is sister to Melanie Harris, who is wife of **Brad Harris '91C**. Melanie played the DL too.

Bill Heenan '49S and **Dale Heenan '74S** are two of the four people responsible for producing young right tackle Ben Heenan out on the field to help the Saskatchewan Roughriders win the 2013 Grey Cup. But to get the lad in proper playing shape, we are pretty sure big brother **Caleb Heenan '07 C** had lots to do with that.

ASA Newsletter

The many student groups in the College of Agriculture and Bioresources have been busy over the past few months of the term with numerous activities. The ASA has put on a full slate of events thus far in the term, which, along with their academics, have kept students too occupied to get into shenanigans!

Ag Bag Drag *GOOSE* took place on November 1st, and it was an overwhelming success. 1200 tickets sold out in 17 minutes!! The bands playing included Third Degree Birnz and Wildfire. On the last day of classes, the ASA is planning a Winter Formal, students dress up, and have one last hurrah before final exams begin.

In the New Year there will be lots of exciting events taking place. The AgBio Challenge does not have a set date, but will happen sometime in January. This is a challenge where students can pitch an idea that could be beneficial to the Ag industry, and have the chance to win money for the best ideas.

The Blood Drive challenge between the Engineers and the Agros takes place in February and March. The first week of March is also the Telemiracle Bed-Push, where we Agros will push a bed all the way to Regina to raise money for Telemiracle! Feel free to help us on our long journey there, by donating money OR coming to run with us!!

Cummoniwannalaya is also going to be happening in March. This event is similar to Ag Bag Drag *GOOSE* but is geared to get everyone up for springtime! The ASA is always looking for new ideas and students to become involved in the association and activities.

The Stockman's Club remains busy with all of the sub-groups including Dairy Team, Range Team, Judging Team, and the U of S Rodeo Team.

The Dairy Team has been busy this year! Though they weren't able to attend the World Dairy Expo in Madison, WI this year, they are planning to attend in

2014. The team has been learning about the dairy industry by touring some of the dairy farms around Saskatoon. A big achievement this year was the grand opening of the new Rayner Dairy Research facility on campus, where they assisted answering questions from visitors. The team partook in Agribition this year, performing milking demonstrations at the SaskMilk exhibit.

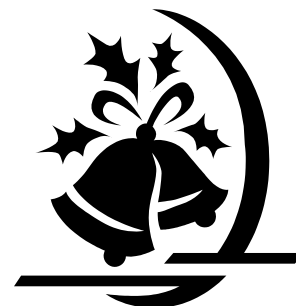
The Judging Team also participated in Agribition, and will attend competitions in Vermillion and Winnipeg. And they may try to host their own competition. The Range Team is busy with meetings and presentations to help prepare them for the Undergrad Range Management Exam where they compete with other Range teams from across North America. That will be held in Orlando, Florida.

The Rodeo Team had a successful second annual U of S Rodeo this past September. The rodeo showcased numerous major events and ended the weekend off with a cabaret. Members travelled and competed at rodeos across the prairies.

The Agri-Marketing Association (CAMA) continues to work on their marketing plan which they will present in Jacksonville, Florida in April. The AgBizz Club is doing very well for a new team. They have hosted many guest speakers and workshops regarding commodity futures and farm-based risk management.

A very active group, are the students within the College of Agriculture and Bioresources.

Whitney Cyca, ASA – SAGA Liaison



The Thundering Herd

Russell Fersch '95 S, has retired from coaching after helping lead Team Saskatchewan's girls wrestling team to team bronze at the Jeux Canada Summer Games this past August in Summerside, PEI. The last match Russell coached, the young woman won individual gold. A great way to retire as a champion! Russell finished harvest early this year and rewarded himself by embarking on a six-month trip to Eastern Europe, SE Asia, Oz and Kiwiland, to Columbia, then home in time for seeding. russfersch@sasktel.net

Darryl Ulledal, '89 C, recently moved back to Saskatchewan from Alberta and settled near Naicam on a small farm close to family. He is no longer involved in the Pork Industry and his cousins have shut down their pig barns. Aside from farming, Darryl works as the Business Alliance manager for Agribition (sponsorship guy). He works with another Agro, **Marty Seymour**

Leo The Great

By Lyle Elmgren

Leo Friman Kristjanson was the sixth President of the University of Saskatchewan (U of S) from 1979 to 1989. He was a visionary, a very caring person, a mental giant and stood six foot, eight inches tall. In 1990, he was made a Member of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest recognition for a civilian.

He was born in the remote northern community of Gimli, Manitoba on February 28, 1932, the youngest of eight children. His parents were of Icelandic origin. Little financial support was available from his parents to allow him to pursue a university education. Through part-time jobs, summer jobs and scholarships, he obtained a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Winnipeg in 1954, a Master of Arts in Agricultural Economics from the University of Manitoba in 1959, and a Ph.D in Agricultural Economics from the University of Wisconsin in 1963.

In 1959, he was hired as a Research Economist at the U of S and became Head of the Department of Economics and Political Science in 1969 and University President in 1979. As an aside, he was an acquaintance of the famous Canadian Agricultural Economist, John

'98 C, who is the CEO bringing financial stability to the organization. Darryl is also the local distributor for Best Environmental Technologies, selling soil rejuvenator products and foliar fertilizers. Darryl had been on SAGA's **Lost Sheep** list until buddy **Shannon Meyers '95 C**, read it and notified him of his 'wheretofore' status. northeastask@gmail.com

Allan Ball '71 S, recently moved to Wadena. Allan works as a Financial Service Rep for Primerica Financial Services. His wife, Dianne Zagrodney (BEd '00), had sold her broiler chicken business to her daughter and retired from teaching, so now they have more free time. allanhball@yahoo.ca

A.E. (Ted) Sefton '67 C, just moved -- from one part of Guelph, ON to another part of Guelph. Ted still works part time with Alltech Inc., as part of their Poultry Program traveling in Canada and the US. He gave up international travel but still gives advice via e-mail and phone calls. tsefton@alltech.com

Kenneth Galbraith (also 6'8"), who was a Harvard University Professor, a best-selling American novelist, and an economic advisor to three US Presidents, including JFK.

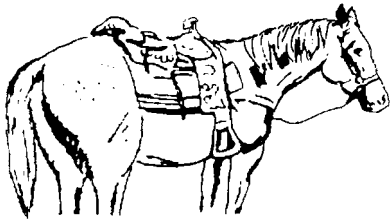
President Kristjanson retired in 1989, due to health complications from Parkinson's Disease and he moved back to his hometown. His affliction seemed to relent somewhat and he contributed to maintaining the cultural history of Gimli by spearheading an effort to reconstruct the Gimli Public School and to build the Lake Winnipeg Visitor's Centre.

Among his many other achievements, Leo Kristjanson worked tirelessly to raise private and public funds to support the building of the new College of Agriculture building. The magnificent structure was opened in 1989 and the building atrium is called the Leo Kristjanson Atrium.

Among his many poignant statements, "There are no certainties in life, except religion, and that is only if you accept it on faith."

Leo Kristjanson passed away in Gimli, Manitoba on August 21, 2005 at age 73.

Empty Saddles



Maurice Brounstein '40 C. 1917(?) – Jan. 11, 2013. Born and raised in Kamsack SK, after graduation Maurice worked the farm there as well as being the Ag Rep. He moved

to Regina to continue working in management for the Dept. of Agriculture. Maurice was a prominent member of the Beth Jacob Synagogue in Regina. He liked to spend time at his cottage at Madge Lake and did extensive traveling with his family. He had moved to Kelowna BC in 2011. Remembered by two sons, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Charles Ivar Tollefson '40 C. 1918(?) - Apr. 11, 2013. From Ettington SK. Pre-deceased by his wife Eileen, special friend Joyce, two brothers and one sister. Dr. Tollefson is survived by two children, four grandchildren and two brothers, Edwin of Victoria and Roy of Moose Jaw, SK. Ivar was a retiree of R.T. French Co. with 25 years of service and a consultant with Pillsbury Potato Division, Idaho.

William Shannon Powell '43 C. Mar. 16, 1922 - Sept. 28, 2013. Raised on the farm near Rosetown SK, it was at the U of S that he met Betty. Bill was predeceased by: his wife Betty, and his wife Eleanor, 1 daughter, 3 sisters, 2 brothers and 3 grandchildren. Survived by 4 children, 11 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and 1 sister. Bill entered into a very successful 25 year farming partnership with his brother Dave. In '69, Bill and Betty moved to Deep Cove, BC. This provided for visits from children and grandchildren for fishing & crabbing along the BC coast.

Vernon Allan Houston '48 S. Aug. 4, 1924 – Sept. 13, 2013. Born in the Lacadena district, Vernon served during WWII in Germany and the Netherlands. He returned to earn his Diploma, then went farming in his home area, where he married Audrey in 1951. Vernon loved his sports, involved as both a player and an of-

ficial. He continued to curl and golf well into his 70's. He was a huge fan of the Saskatoon Blades, the Leafs, Roger Federer and the Riders. Predeceased by Audrey, second wife Lois and two brothers. Sadly missed by his two daughters.

Charles Harrison Hutchinson '48 S. Feb. 17, 1926 – May 3, 2013. Born in Leamington ON, moved west with his family to the farm near Congress SK. Charles was a member of the Canadian Navy during WWII, attending the U of S on his return, where he met Justina. They took over the family farm, while Charles also worked at the Controller's Office as Head Payroll Clerk. They purchased a Block of the new Ag Building. Upon retirement they moved to Saskatoon, then Alberta. Charles played piano in the Shrine Band. Survived by Justina, one son, one grandchild and one brother.

John (Jack) Francis Michael '48 S. 1928(?) – Aug. 15, 2013. Growing up in the Saltcoats SK area, Jack spent all his life in the farming business. Over the years Jack was involved with the Walron Beef Club, Yorkton Dairy Club, Milk Control Board and Farm Labour Board. He was a member of the Yorkton Exhibition for 30 years and a founder of the Crescent Community Pasture. Predeceased by one daughter. Jack leaves behind Mabel, his wife of 60 years, one son, three daughters, 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Stefan Anthony Stann '49 C. April 3, 1925 – Sept. 24, 2013. From Markinch SK, Steve graduated with distinction, and went to work with Gov. of SK in the Conservation and Development Branch. Then he established an IH dealership with his brothers in Southey SK. He and Maxine moved the family to Rosthern and opened Stann Bros. Hardware & Sporting Goods. In his later years Steve kept himself busy with his auction and flea market hobby. Predeceased by Maxine, and 5 siblings, Steve is remembered by three children, two grandchildren and two sisters.

Gerard John Riou '51 S. Oct. 14, 1928 – Oct. 31, 2013. Born in Arborfield SK, Jerry first farmed with his Dad, before attending the U of S for both his Ag

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Diploma and his BEd. He married Annette in '56, staying in Arborfield to raise a family. Jerry farmed until his retirement and was always active in his community and church. Predeceased by Annette, one daughter and three brothers. His memory is cherished by four children and their families, and seven siblings.

Joseph "Ross" Thor Oddson '54 C. Dec. 19, 1930 – Sept. 17, 2012. Born in Churchbridge SK, raised in Tyner SK, Ross attended Luther College in Regina before his BSA from the U of S. He first worked for Burns Foods 1955 – 65, then moved to Calgary as manager of Systems Development for Amoco Oil Canada, till his retirement. Ross was a long-time member of the Leif Ericksson Icelandic Club and the Master Singers. Ross was predeceased by his wife Dottie and his wife Erna. Leaves behind one son, one daughter, one step-daughter and three grandchildren.

Henry Wilhelm Harder '54 S. Mar. 23, 1932 – July 23, 2013. Born in Glenside, SK, Henry grew up on the farm near Hanley, SK, where he and Hedio farmed until 2000. Henry continued farming with his son thru this year's spring seeding. Henry served on the board of Rosthern Junior College, as Chair of the Conference of Mennonites of SK and Hanley Mennonite Church. Survived by Hedio, three daughters and two sons, 10 grandchildren and two brothers and two sisters.

James Ernest Hartley '58 C. Apr. 22, 1936 – Oct. 31, 2013. Raised in Ogema, SK, Jim never stopped learning. After his BSA, he went on to a Master of Science in Planning at UBC, then an MBA at the U of Calgary. He settled in Calgary, working for Parks Canada Historic Sites until his retirement. Jim had a keen sense of community and family, serving on committees and coaching sports. He enjoyed golf, curling, camping and was a staunch Riders man. Left to mourn are his wife Milly, four daughters and their families. one sister and two brothers.

Elvin Stefan Haupstein '58 C. May 13, 1936 – Aug. 1, 2013. Elvin grew up on the dairy farm outside Weyburn SK. While studying at the U of S he also played basketball for the Huskies, yet still found time to marry

Nellie. Elvin served on the Board of Directors for Dairy Producers Co-op and later as Chairman of what became AgriFoods International. He was the rep for the dairy industry on many committees and boards. In '93 Elvin was presented a Commemorative Medal. Survived by Nellie, six children, 15 grandchildren and three sisters.

William Joseph McLaughlin '62 C. 1940(?) – 2013. Born and raised in the Kamsack area, Bill worked in Saskatoon for a short time after graduation for the Attorney-General, then in Yorkton before he and his first wife Marie moved to Australia in the late 60's. Bill spent most of his working career in agriculture throughout eastern Australia, mostly in extension-related activities. He and Marie adopted three children while there. Bill was predeceased by Marie in 2010. Bill remarried, and he and Barbara visited family and friends in Canada in 2012.

Ronald David Butterfield '63 S. 1939 – Nov. 17, 2013. Ron was born at the Red Cross Outpost at Carragana SK, but grew up in Somme SK. He married Louise the year he graduated and together they farmed at Somme for 35 years, after which they moved to Saskatoon. Predeceased by one sister, Ron is sadly missed by Louise, two sons, two grandchildren and two siblings.

Gary Olaf Korsrud '64 C. Mar. 23, 1942 – Aug. 29, 2013. From the Southey SK region, Gary obtained his BA and Masters at the U of S before receiving his PHD at the U. of California (Davis). Gary and wife Eunice moved to Ottawa where he worked as a Research Scientist from 1970 - '77. The family then returned to Saskatoon when Gary took up a new position for Ag Canada doing veterinary drug residue research. He did his sabbatical in the Netherlands and traveled the world to attend conferences. Gary is survived by Eunice, three sons and their families.

Bruce Cecil Cheston '66 C. Apr. 3, 1943 – Oct. 3, 2013. Raised on the farm on the Regina Plains, Bruce was a Queen Scout and a Lone Scout in his youth. Bruce farmed the family homestead until 2000. He was instrumental in the design of Sask Crop Ins. program and

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helped pioneer lentils and pulse crops in Western Canada. Bruce spent many winters administering programs for both the provincial and federal governments. He had the gift of gab and could talk with anyone. Remembered by his wife Linda, six children, two grandchildren and three siblings.

Donald Laurie Dabbs '68C. Nov. 11, 1944 – Apr. 14 2013. Survived by his wife Karol, one sister and one brother. Born in Edmonton, Don grew up on the Scott Research facility, then in S'toon while his father, Don Sr. taught at the U of S. Don also attained his Masters at the U of S in Plant Ecology. In '69, he and Karol spent the first summer of their marriage working for the Canadian Wildlife Service on the Athabasca Delta near Ft. Chipewyan, AB. Don worked the next 40 years in environmental management, specializing with companies that conducted business in the north.

Philip James Robinson '69 S. 1949(?) – Dec. 19, 2012. Remembered by family and friends with thanks-giving, and a life well-lived.

Barry Alvin Caul Boreen '74 C. Feb. 12, 1951 – July 13, 2013. Left to mourn are his wife Beverly, his

mother Esther, two children, two grandchildren, one sister and one brother. While growing up in Churchbridge SK, Barry was active in 4-H, Air Cadets and hockey, but his passion was baseball. He was an umpire for 25 years, umpiring 8 national championships and mentoring the next generation at umpire clinics. He also found time for woodworking, gardening, golf and the Melfort Mustang hockey club. Barry worked for Federated Co-op for 37 ½ years.

Douglas Barnet Creech '74 C. 1952(?) – April 20, 2013. Of Lloydminster. Barney is remembered by his wife Lynn; his children and their families and by Lynn's children and their families.

Ralph Wesley Sweet Mar. 16, 1923 – Sept. 4, 2013. Born to Fred and Kathleen, Ralph lived his entire life on the farm at Frogan SK. and taught at the College of Ag. His intellect and deep passion for farming led to many inventions related to improving farm productivity. Ralph was ahead of time in his desire to better the environment through ethanol and carbon production, both of which he began working on in the 70's. Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 63 years, Anna, six children, 16 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The Lament of the '74 Voc Ags Or The Rant of '94

We are the Graduating Class of '74 that began farming during the greatest change of farming practises and Politics because back in 1976 Trudeau convinced us to bend over as he shoved his metric yardstick where the sun don't shine. When we changed from Pounds to Dollars, my overdraft doubled. Then they brought in kilograms instead of pounds and my milk cows' production dropped by half.

After that, they changed rainfall to millimetres and we haven't had an inch since! I used to be fairly tall at 6' 6", now I stand 5' 18" and can't find pants long enough

If that wasn't enough, he brought in Celsius and we got frost in August; no wonder my wheat won't grow.

Then they changed acres to hectares and I ended up with only ½ the land base the bank thought I had. By this time, I'd had enough and decided to sell out. I put the Farm up on the market and found out it was listed in Kilometers instead of miles, now I'm too far out of town for anyone to find the farm! It's no wonder some of my fellow Grads crossed over to the "Dark Side" and got a Gov't job!

Art Unsworth, '74S Ag Reunion Chair

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Crop Production Week

Saturday, January 11 to
Saturday January 18, 2014

(Events at Saskatoon Inn
unless otherwise noted)

<i>Saskatchewan Ag Grads Association - TCU Place</i>	<i>January 11</i>
<i>Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan</i>	<i>January 13</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Winter Cereals Development Commission</i>	<i>January 13</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Barley Development Commission AGM – TCU Place</i>	<i>January 13</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Pulse Growers AGM – TCU Place</i>	<i>January 13</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Wheat Development Commission AGM – TCU Place</i>	<i>January 13</i>
<i>CropSphere – TCU Place</i>	<i>January 13 to 15</i>
<i>SaskCanola AGM – TCU Place</i>	<i>January 14</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Oat Development Commission AGM – TCU Place</i>	<i>January 14</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission AGM - TCU Place</i>	<i>January 15</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Seed Growers Association</i>	<i>January 15 & 16</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Soil Conservation Association</i>	<i>January 16</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Mustard Development Commission</i>	<i>January 16</i>
<i>CWB</i>	<i>January 17</i>
<i>Agri-Arm</i>	<i>January 17</i>
<i>Saskatchewan Fruit Growers Association</i>	<i>January 17 & 18</i>

SPECIAL SESSION - Saskatoon Inn – Ballroom B
Thursday, January 16 - 7:00 PM
**Managing Farm Costs: Strategies to get the best bang for
your buck**
Doug Faller, Policy Manager, APAS
Allyn Tastad, CGA, Hounjet Tastad Harpham
9:00 PM – Complimentary Snacks & Cash Bar

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