

## **LORENCE PETERSON 1965 College**

Lorence was raised on a farm near Parkbeg, SK. Before and during college he worked for Trans Canada Pipelines, spent two months at the Dundurn Military Camp and ten months at the B.A. Oil Refinery in Moose Jaw. He graduated with his BSA (Agricultural Mechanics) with Distinction in May, 1965.

Lorence's career included working as an Ag. Rep. in Estevan, Shellbrook and Swift Current from 1965 – 1974. He was employed by the Royal Bank, Regina, in 1974, moving from there to Saskatoon in 1976. He took early retirement from the bank in 1995. From there he took on the role of Executive Director of the Western Grains Foundation from 1996 – 2003 when he retired again.

Besides attending to his career and family, Lorence has served as a dedicated volunteer for several organizations such as the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation, Grace Lutheran Church, and AIC, being a member of the Finance Committee. He served two terms on the SIA Provincial Council and was part of the branch executives in Regina, Swift Current and Saskatoon. He still is on the SIA Admission Committee.

Lorence was chair of the 2000 SAGA Committee which produced the "Forever Young" history book. Living in Saskatoon gave him the opportunity to take part in many SAGA events and be part of the executive, acting as secretary and bonspiel chairman at one time. In recent years he has audited annual financial statements for SAGA. He was co-chair for the 40 and 50 year reunions of the BSA Class of '65.

Lorence married Beverley Ellard (BSN '64) of Mortlach, in 1963 and they raised two sons, Brian (B. Eng. '87) and Colin (BSA '95). Sadly Bev passed away in April of 2001. Life brightened again for Lorence in 2005 when he and Lee Bristow (BS '69, B.Ed. '69) were married. This added two sons and a daughter, Mark, who farms at Loreburn, Ian (BSA '97, B. Eng. '06) and Kim to his family. Together they have twelve grandchildren.

Lorence enjoys politics, curling, golf and fishing. He works a couple of weeks a year visiting farmers who rent land from the Canada Pension Plan. He and Lee enjoy travelling and attending grandchildren's activities. They have been on cruises in several parts of the world. They enjoy bus tours in North America and the British Isles; and winter vacations in warm parts of the USA.