

SAGA 70th Annual General Meeting
January 14, 2005 7:30 pm Ballroom A, Saskatoon Inn

Agenda

1. Call to order
 - Remembering those deceased SAGA members from 2004 – Jack Braidek, 51C
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes of the 69th Annual General Meeting – Bev Magill, 94C
4. Appointment of a resolutions committee
5. Treasurers report – Michael Turley, 79C
6. Committee reports
 - a) ASA report – Chelsea Bulani
 - b) Membership – Shannon Meyers, 95C and Bonnie Willie, 93C
 - c) Reunion – Colin Peterson, 95C
 - d) Banquet & Dance and Mixer – ^{Teri}Terry Ife, 97S and Mike Kirzinger, 96C
Todd Ehman, 95C and Brad Hovland, 89S
 - e) Curling – Blair Cummins, 77S and Ewald Lammerding, 88S
 - f) Hockey – Todd Friday, 97C and Kristian Holden,
 - g) Newsletter – Adrian Johnston, 81C
 - h) Partners in Agriculture/ Barn Raisers – Rod Delahey, 80C
 - i) Alumni association – Fred Fulton, 50C
 - j) SK Agriculture Hall of Fame – Bob McKercher, 54C
 - k) President – Don Mitchell, 89S
 - l) Nominations – Colin Peterson, 95C
7. Other business
8. Resolutions
9. Adjournment

EMPTY SADDLES
Recent deaths of Saskatchewan Ag Grads

Douglas "Ross" Belsher 55S, of Abbotsford, BC. Dec.12, 2003
Gordon Baan 70C, Nov.25, 2003
Jim Berringer 66C, Sept.17, 2003
Ralph Brown 44S, Rosetown. June 6,2003
Ian Campbell Boyes 47S, of Kelvington. Mar.17, 2004

W.S.'Bill' Dale 49C, Saskatoon. Mar.12,2004
Bob Gardiner 62C, of Trail, BC. May 1,2004
Gilbert S. Gill 51S, of Leader. Mar.8,2004
Robert A. Hedlin 45C of Winnipeg. Nov.20,2004
Knute Peder Hemstad 54S, Prince Albert. Feb.11, 2003

Klaus Heinrich Hoppner 64C, Nepean, ON. Feb.10, 2004
Donald Dawson MacMillan 58S, of Limerick SK. Dec.25, 2003
Frederick Ross Millard 45S, Regina. Dec.3,2003
W.Grant Milne 57C, Saskatoon. Oct.25,2004

Adam Sinclair Campbell Milne 49S, Winnipeg. January 27,2001
Harvey Newman 48S, Khedive, SK. Sept.22, 2003
Russell Olekshy 50C,Edmonton. April 20,2003
Lorne C. Paul 30BA, Saskatoon. Dec.16, 2004
Gunnar H. Pedersen 52C, of Kamloops, BC. Sept.,2004

William Lee Protease 49C, Ottawa. March 7, 2003
Richard ~~Proton~~ 56C, Guelph, ON . 2001
George G. Rathwell 53C, of Regina. May 28,2004
Norman Roebuck 41S, Yorkton. Sept.27, 2004
Raymond Herbert Scholar 54C, Hilda, AB. 2003

Timothy Edward Tame 80S, Saskatoon. Oct.18, 2003
Robert D. Tinline 48 BA, Saskatoon. Jan.15.2004
Olaf'Ole' Turnbull 43C, Saskatoon. Mar.15,2004
Keith I.Vick 56C, Saskatoon. April 21,2004

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT FISCAL 2004

NOVEMBER 1, 2003 to OCTOBER 31, 2004

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENSE</u>	
MEMBERSHIPS	2410.00	NEWSLETTER	5492.07
HOCKEY	927.00	HOCKEY	123.06
CURLING	2083.86	CURLING	1834.67
BANQUET	11830.00	BANQUET	11106.62
MIXER	5301.30	MIXER	5291.37
BANK INTEREST	2.17	BANK CHARGES	23.25
INVST. INTEREST	301.50	MISCELLANEOUS	<u>2293.63</u>
HISTORY BOOK	112.79		
DONATIONS, Etc.	<u>130.00</u>		
TOTAL INCOME	\$23098.62	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$26164.67

<u>TREND ANALYSIS</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>
BANK BALANCE	\$ 4750.52	\$11210.81	\$ 7107.63	\$ 4041.58
INVESTMENTS	<u>\$46404.00</u>	<u>\$36018.87</u>	<u>\$40690.54</u>	<u>\$42779.80</u>
TOTALS	\$51154.52	\$47229.68	\$47798.17	\$46821.38

<u>GIC's: COMPANY</u>	<u>INTEREST %</u>	<u>MAT. DATE</u>	<u>CURRENT VALUE</u>	<u>AN. INCOME</u>
PACIFIC & WESTERN	2.5 %	05/12/2005	<u>\$ 9000.00</u>	<u>\$ 225.00</u>
TOTALS			<u>\$ 9000.00</u>	<u>\$ 225.00</u>

<u>MUTUAL FUNDS:</u>	<u>CURRENT VALUE</u>
TEMPLETON GROUP	\$ 9,943.85
MACKENZIE	\$ 9,764.64
DYNAMIC	\$ 8,704.42
CLARINGTON	<u>\$ 5,366.89</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$33,779.80</u>

Prepared by: Michael G. Turley
 Michael G. Turley, P. Ag. (Treas.)

Audited by: L. I. Peterson
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Witness: Richard Bellamy
 Richard Bellamy (Registrar)

A.S.A Report – 2004-2005

The ASA started off the year with fun and games at Big Brother/Sister- little brother/sister. Soon after, the annual fall mixer barbeque and dance was held with the BBQ being in Warmen and the dance being held at Prarieland Park.

As many may know, the infamous E-Plant was cancelled last year. To remedy this, a new and “safer” game was developed: E-CAK (name pending). Similar to E-Plant in that the opposing colleges capture members of the executive, E-CAK involves 4 colleges “battling” at the same time to rescue their respective exec-member. If E-Plant hill was a mess before, the bowl will never be the same.

Of course AG BAG DRAG (goose) was held again this year at Prarieland Park on October 29. Drag month entailed several stomps around campus, kick-off games in the bowl, BBQ and ticket kick-off in the bowl, and setup. Although numbers were down a bit fun was had by all and we’re looking forward to next year.

The employment fair is ever changing, and this year it was tied together with the Leadership Development Conference. A number of employers attended the fair, and students had a better chance to meet them at the wine and cheese. Several speakers gave excellent seminars on leadership and job placement skills. The week was finished off with the annual bean feed which was held to honor students (undergraduate and graduate) for their academic accomplishments. The senior stick was presented to Kyle Templeton and quickly whisked away to its secret location. Supper and presentations were followed by dancing giving everyone a chance to visit and have some fun.

As for charitable events, the ASA has once again been hard at work for a number of different causes. A head-to-head blood drive was held with the engineers for Canadian Blood Services (of course, the AGROS won!). Several teams entered the Doggie Do Rodeo put on by the Saskatoon Progress Club for the Children’s Health Foundation, and I am proud to say that the top team was a group of true blue AGROS with a close second going to the team of Diploma Ag students. The annual United Way Blitz was again a success raising \$2828.62 for United Way in Saskatoon. To end off term one, a food drive was held for the food bank of Saskatoon at the last day of classes Christmas party.

As for term two, a lot of events are being planned. These include Calcutta bowling tournament, bus trip to Manitoba’s Hoe Down, ASA grad, the Hawaiian dance (cummoni wannalaya), Inner year hockey tournament, Hard times, the WAAC trip (World Association of Agriculture Councils) and Elections Pub. Fundraising is also going on for Telemiracle as well as a clothing drive for Canadian Diabetes Association and another blood drive.

Well that’s our year in a nutshell. Don’t ever hesitate to stop by the lounge sometime for a visit. All Ag grads are always welcome (that and we enjoy the ASA history lessons too!)

Chelsea Bulani
Public Relations Officer
Agriculture Students Association

Memberships Committee Report

Membership currently consists of 1,722 life-time members, 208 annuals members, and 40 honorary life-time members for a total of 1,970 members.

The membership committee held a Bar-B-Q on September 10, 2004 as part of Welcome/Blue Week. Burgers and pop were served to over 140 Agriculture students to help promote awareness of SAGA.

All new graduates from the College of Agriculture were given a free, one-year, SAGA membership.

Reunion Chairman Annual Report

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The reunion coordinators have been busy contacting their classmates to make the 2005 SAGA reunion another success. The reunion coordinators are aware that banquet tickets must be purchased by 10 pm and many have already indicated approximately what they need. The coordinators have done an excellent job in planning their class reunion and I on the behalf of the SAGA executive would like to thank them for their work. Class sizes are getting large for some of the reunion years, so it takes a lot of work to contact people on the list. Hopefully email addresses continue to be received by SAGA and this will make contacting reunion year grads much easier in the future.

Respectively submitted
Colin Peterson, C95

SAGA BANQUET REPORT 2004
January 17, 2004

The 2004 SAGA Banquet was held at the Saskatoon Inn on January 17, 2004. There were 400 people attending the banquet which made a profit of \$719.02

The hotel operated the bar and with a minimum of \$1000.00 in bar sales, the bartender's (3) and the ticket seller (1) were complimentary.

Typically the banquet does not make money, as in the past have tried to run it to keep costs down for those attending. Upon investigating the actual expenses of the banquet hosted at the Saskatoon Inn, we raised the banquet tickets to \$30.00 per person. We are not aware of any complaints about the increased ticket price, we were successful in have a small profit in 2004.

The were concerns about the meal quality at the 2003 Banquet which we are convinced have been dealt with. The major change was to include Roast Beef and Chicken in the buffet, we would like to recommend that these be standard selections for an Agriculture banquet. The 2004 complaints received were minor, comments were of a small roast beef portion BUT when asked the server for more it was not an issue to have a larger portion. Another complaint was that a few dessert tables ran DRY. These complaints have been addressed accordingly with the Saskatoon Inn.

Another main area of improvement was that we suggested to have a Banquet ticket "cut off" for sales on Friday night at 10:00 p.m. This is in order allow the Saskatoon Inn to prepare for the correct amount of people. We found we had a few people wanting tickets on Saturday but overall it was successful. We feel that we need to support this decision in order to help support other successful SAGA banquets. A suggestion to have a reminder of the ticket sales deadline posted in the October-November SAGA issue in order to prepare our members in advance.

For 2005 would like to explore the option of running our own bar at the banquet.

REVENUE	395 tickets sold at \$30.00 each	\$11,830.00
TOTAL REVENUE		\$11,830.00
EXPENSE	Banquet Meal	\$ 8,780.00
	Socan Fee	57.55
	Gratuity Service Fee 13.5%	1,185.30
	DJ	300.00
	Program (400)	170.00
	Tickets, Table cards (pens, nametags)	*63.72
	G.S.T. 7%	618.13
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 11,110.98
NET PROFIT		\$ 719.02

Submitted by Teri Ife and Bonnie Willie 2004 Banquet Committee

2004 SAGA MIXER REPORT

The 2004 Mixer was held on January 10 in Ballrooms A,B, and C at the Saskatoon Inn. The Mixer ran from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. SAGA was responsible for the bar again. Bartenders and ticket sellers were supplied by the hotel, door workers were supplied by the SAGA executive and some ASA members. Approximately 265 people attended the mixer.

REVENUE

Door Admisson	2650.00
Liquor Sales	2551.50
Bottle Return	30.80
TOTAL REVENUE	5232.30

EXPENSES

Liquor and Permit	1301.01
Miscellaneous (name tages, pens)	63.72
Food - 3 meat trays	750.00
- 2 cheese trays	300.00
- 2 vegetable trays	250.00
Coffee	165.00
Tea	30.00
Corkage (\$4.25 x 265)	1126.25
Bartenders	180.00
Cashiers (Ticket seller)	52.50
Service Charge @ 13.5%	201.83
Taxes	213.90
TOTAL EXPENSES	4634.21

NET PROFIT 598.09

Discussion – We cut costs by having one less tray of meat. The Calcutta seemed to work well for the second year. Should have raised drink prices to \$3.00 instead of \$2.50. Attendance was poor. Down by 60 people form the last year.

Submitted by Rob Garland, Mixer Chair 2004

CURLING REPORT Jan.14th 2005 ANNUAL MEETING

The 2005 bonspeil will proceed with 14 teams in the regular curling and 6 teams in the Hutcheon Event. We have one team from the College as well as several under grads playing on regular event teams.

Sponsors for the bonspeil are The New Farm and Garden Center (John Deere), Bayer Crop Science, Monsanto and the ASA.

All games will be at the Hub Curling Rink due to some scheduling conflicts at the Granite. I feel that in the future, if it is possible, we should try to run the bonspeil at one rink. I think it is more convenient for the curlers not to have to worry about changing Rinks. The Hub feels they can run up to about a 32 team Bonspeil for us.

I would like to suggest that a sponsor or SAGA purchase a trophy for the Hutcheon Event. To my knowledge, there is not one at the present time.

Our Saga curlers are a great bunch of enthusiastic people to work with. I hope in the future we can attract more of them. It has been a pleasure to work with them as well as with the executive of SAGA. Thank you and good luck to you all.

Blair Cummins

SAGA Hockey Report 2004

With the change in weeks of the Crop Production Show the 2004 tournament had to be moved to Langham due to no ice available in Saskatoon. Ended up with 3 teams in non-competitive and 3 teams in competitive. All teams played 3 games. The tournament ended up making a bit of money for the weekend due to lower ice fees versus the Jemini rink and sales of memberships.

Tournament results

Competitive:

The Bayer team won the Competitive draw..

Non Competitive:

The Hornets won the Non-Competitive side.

The 2005 tournament has been moved to Vanscoy arena. There are 6 teams registered and all games will be played Friday and Saturday. We have decided to only go with one division this year and the top 2 teams will play for the competitive trophy. A women's game will be held at 1:30 with the Grads against the Undergrads.

Respectfully,

Todd Friday and Kristian Holden
SAGA Hockey Coordinators

SAGA Newsletter

Two issues of the SAGA were released in 2004, one in March and one in November. Total distribution is at 1,889 copies, 1,447 by postal delivery and 442 by Email.

Bill Strautman C82 resigned as editor in the summer of 2004 and Adrian Johnston C81 produced the November, 2004 issue. A new editorial team has been secured for the SAGA, Bernie Sonntag C62 and Frank Dunlop C63 will be the new editors starting in the spring of 2005.

Adrian Johnston C81, acting editor

University Alumni Representative Report, January 14, 2005
Fred Fulton

Under the current structure of the University Alumni Association, SAGA is an Associated Member and is not a Board position. At the annual meeting last June I was nominated and elected as a Board Member of the Association. Since that time the board has appointed a Task Force to review the relationship between the Alumni Association and the College alumni groups such as SAGA. I am on that Task force and look forward to the discussion. I would welcome any suggestions of SAGA members in this regard.

The Alumni office works closely with the SAGA Registrar to maintain our membership lists and up to date addresses, and provide mailing labels for our newsletters and Reunion lists. There is currently concern by the SAGA executive that this information, which is maintained by the University Advancement Office in their huge data base, is becoming increasingly more difficult to access. Part of this problem comes from the need to protect stored information but part of it is also the complexity of the data base and the need to have experienced people accessing it.

One of the activities in which SAGA members should be participating is proposing nominations for the various awards the Association provides. Below is a list of these awards:

Alumni Award of Achievement

Alumni Service Award

Alumni Humanitarian Award

Alumni Honour Award

Alumni Mentorship Award

Outstanding Young Alumni

If you know of someone that may be deserving of any of the above awards, and you would like to nominate that person(s), please visit the alumni website at www.usask.ca/alumni/ for the description of the award and an electronic nomination form, email them at alumni.office@usask.ca or call 306-966-5186 or 1-800-699-1907 for a nomination to be mailed to you. You may also contact me at 373-1440.

The application deadline is February 15th of each year; the award selection is made by April 30.

SASK AG HALL OF FAME

I attended two of the three board meetings in 2004, and represented the SAGA at the Induction Ceremony on August 1, 2004. The 2004 inductees were as follows:

Les Henry 64C
Larry Gramiak 73C
Larry Janzen

Les Henry gave the response speech on behalf of the inductees and it was very well received, especially by the families of the other two inductees.

Board meetings in 2004 were largely occupied by discussions of operating finances, ways and means of creating a greater awareness of the SAHF, seeking ways to better exhibit the hall, matters pertaining to the submissions and inductions of candidates, and issues about the numbers and quality of nominations. There will be six inductees in 2005. Their names are Carl Vissing Block, a cattleman from Abbey; Abigail DeLury, the first Director of Women's Work at the University of Saskatchewan; Glendon William Hass 64C, an extension and 4-H specialist; Neil Jahnke, a beef industry leader from Gouldtown, Henry Martynse, a seed grower from Kandahar; and John Carman Willmott, an Aberdeen Angus breeder and 4-H leader from near Regina.

The SAHF continues to seek well qualified nominations of men and women who have made significant contributions to agriculture in Saskatchewan. The cost of induction remains at \$1200 and it is often shared amongst sponsors, for instance, the SAGA bore a third of the expenses for Les Henry's induction.

I look forward to serving the SAGA on the Hall of Fame Board in 2005 and would be pleased to take information and issues that Ag Grads have to the SAHF.

Bob McKercher, January 2005

President's Report

Another year has gone by and with it many highlights for SAGA and its members. Here is a list of what I thought some of those were:

- The 2004 reunion weekend was a successful weekend, with many graduates coming out to enjoy the events hosted by SAGA
- SAGA continues to sponsor programs such as communications awards for ag students
- This year SAGA sponsored a few plates for students at the beanfeed
- SAGA is still a member of crop production week committee
- This year 2 SAGA members were inducted into the Saskatchewan Agriculture Hall of Fame, Larry Gramiak and Les Henry. SAGA was honored to co sponsor Les who has been an avid supporter of SAGA, for this prestigious award
- SAGA sponsored and ran a BBQ dinner for students during the newly made Blue Week, which is the first week students return to class in the fall. It was so well received we ran out of food, something we'll have to adjust for next year.

Adrian Johnson, past president, deserves a lot of thanks again this year. In the absence of an editor for the newsletter, Adrian volunteered to fill in. He put together and did a very nice job on the fall edition. We did however have some distribution problems with the electronic version, and this will be one area we will have to look closely at before the next edition comes out.

We are now working much closer, in my opinion, with the College and the Dean's Office. This is due mainly to the College Development Officer position held by Jason Aebig. Jason sits on our executive and has a lot of good input, and does much to help promote SAGA. Jason is moving on to another position, but I hope we can have as good a relationship with his replacement. Through Jason, the College sponsored \$1000 toward the SAGA reunion weekend this year. Thank you Jason and the College.

I have enjoyed my year as president, and credit the executive, which is very dedicated, for accomplishing the many tasks we had for this year.

Submitted by Don Mitchell 89S