

# 4-H Saskatchewan Hall of Fame



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4-H Saskatchewan

# 1985 – Helen (Mann) Pearce



Helen (Mann) Pearce, 4 H leader, homemaker, judge and tireless community worker, was born in North Dakota in 1890. She moved to Tisdale in 1910. From then until her death she served her community in many capacities.

From 1936 to 1974, Helen was a leader of the Eastman 4 H Homecraft Club (formerly Eastman Farm Girls). During that time, over 150 girls from five rural districts took projects ranging from tomato, foods, careers to poultry, sewing and electrical living. From the early 1950's to the mid 1970's, Helen served District #26 as treasurer, secretary, homecraft chairman, history coordinator and committee member. She also assisted in the development of 4 H public speaking and radio programs.

Helen was a keen supporter of 4 H exchange visits, fairs and exhibitions and provincial 4 H camps at Wakaw. As well as being a competent homecraft judge, she served as a planning consultant during the 1940's to the Kiwanis Girls week at the Saskatoon Exhibition. In the 1950's, she assisted with training for demonstration competitions and displays at Class "A" Exhibitions and was active in the University of Saskatchewan Girls Club week. For many years, she represented District #26 at Leader Conferences.

Helen had a great influence on the girls and young women of the community. She was respected and admired for her knowledge, energy, experience and wit. Her philosophy was one of "Learn to Do By Doing", and she believed that 4 H should include both project work and citizen development activities that would help members become confident, responsible adults.

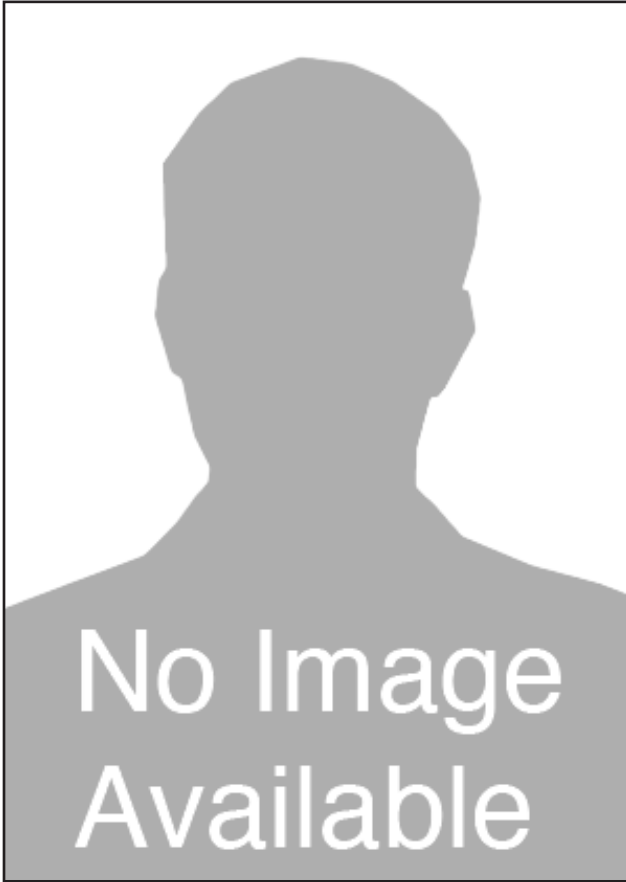
Her husband, Jim, also contributed much to the 4 H program through his keen interest in his wife's work. Their children, Glenora (Slimmon) and Ronald, were also actively involved in the 4 H program.

Helen's influence in her community extended far beyond club work. She was a kindergarten teacher and taught piano for over thirty years. She served her church as a Sunday school teacher, superintendent and organist. A life member of Saskatchewan Homemaker's Clubs, she also held community and district offices. She served with her husband on the School and the Rural Telephone Company Boards. She encouraged young people in drama and elocution. She was active in the Tisdale Horticultural Society, in organizing political rallies and in researching the history of her community. Helen was honoured with many awards at all levels of the 4 H program and with the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal in 1967.

Her devotion, leadership and volunteer spirit have been an inspiration to many. At a Recognition Tea held in her honour in 1970, words of appreciation for her service to her community and to the 4 H program came from all across Canada.

Nominated by District #26 4 H Council - 1985

# 1985 – Frank Binnie



Frank Binnie, Livestock Breeder, Respected neighbour and 4 H Leader for over fifty years, was born in the Longlaketon area of the Northwest Territories (now Saskatchewan) in 1905.

He faithfully served the 4 H Program in Saskatchewan as a leader and district and provincial council member. Three generations of Longlaketon 4 H Multiple (formerly Longlaketon Baby Beef) Club members have benefited from his guidance as general leader, livestock, bees and outdoors project leader. Frank promoted new and different projects to his members and encouraged them to broaden their experiences by becoming involved beyond the club level.

Frank was instrumental in organizing both District #14 and #37 4 H Councils. He was Treasurer of District #14 for over fifteen years and served as a District Committee Member from 1957 to the present. He promoted public speaking and for many years sat on the District Selections Committee. He helped to organize Pengarth, Eastshore and Earl Grey clubs and was a respected Achievement Day judge for nearly forty years.

From 1937 to 1950, Frank was a chaperone to Farm Boys and Girls Camps and Livestock Conventions at Regina, Moose Jaw and Saskatoon. Few households had telephones, so the organi-

zation of travel to these events was done on horseback, by team and cutter, or in his "Old Star" car.

Frank attended Saskatchewan 4 H Council meetings for nearly twenty years and has served as a board and committee member. Since first attending the 1964 sod turning, Rayner Centre was a special place for him. At all levels of the program, he could be counted on for his thoroughness and dependability.

Frank's community spirit and dedication was evident elsewhere. He taught Sunday school and served on his United Church Board and Session for thirty-four years. He chaired the Sylvan School picnic for over twenty years and served as School Board Secretary for eighteen years. He was a Director of the Credit Union Board for twenty-five years and a Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee member for twelve years. He was a member of the Saskatchewan and Canadian Swine Breeders and Shorthorn Associations and was recipient of a Certificate of Long Standing from the Saskatchewan Livestock Association in 1983.

Frank was the first leader to become an honorary member of the Canadian 4 H Council in recognition of his outstanding dedication to the 4 H program. Frank had keen interest and enthusiasm for young people. With his ability to instill a sense of respect, trust and responsible citizenship, Frank touched the lives of young people all across Saskatchewan.

Nominated by District #37 4-H Council – 1985



# 1985 – Hubert Gadd



Hubert Gadd, 4-H Leader, youth and community supporter, livestock breeder and pioneer, was born in 1893 at Langford, Somerset County, England. He immigrated to Saskatchewan in 1912.

His love of young people and livestock came together in his work with the Moose Jaw 4 H Beef Club as a leader from 1950 to 1962. Hubert was involved in the formation of and as the first president of the District #8 4 H Council. He actively served the Council until 1972 on 4 H Sunday, selections, public speaking, curling, square dance, and fall fair committees. More recently, he provided an ongoing fund to ensure continued 4 H leader training in District #8. He was also instrumental in organizing the Inter 4 H Beef Show and Sale held in conjunction with the Moose Jaw Exhibition. From 1963 to 1972, he was in charge of this event, and following then, he continued to provide financial support for this activity.

Hubert and his wife Madeline (Willoughby) began farming in the Blue Hill District, southeast of Moose Jaw. They later moved just east of Moose Jaw. Throughout their lives, they opened their home and hearts to young people. They devoted much effort and provided great encouragement to young people to become involved in 4 H and other youth development

programs that would enable them to become more responsible citizens. They encouraged public speaking, participation in district and provincial events and involvement in livestock demonstrations and display competitions. Hubert and Madeline's children, Shirley (Andrew) and Glenn Gadd, and their grandchildren all were active in the 4 H movement.

Hubert left his mark on the community in other ways. He served as a director of the Moose Jaw Exhibition Board for many years, and for much of that time, he and Madeline (now deceased) were responsible for the Farm Boys and Girls Camp program. Hubert was also a former president, director and member of the Moose Jaw Agricultural Society. He served on the District #8 Agricultural Committee, the Local Farm Labour Board and the District #8 Master Farm Family Award Committee.

In his earlier years in the Blue Hill District, he coached a girls ball team, played on a football team and sang in the church choir. He was a Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Member and Rural Telephone Director.

His service and devotion to youth and community work and to the livestock industry were recognized on numerous occasions. He was an honorary life member of the Moose Jaw and Saskatchewan Agricultural Societies and was chosen "Farmer of the Year" in 1967 by the Moose Jaw and District Chamber of Commerce. He also received special recognition from the Moose Jaw Inter 4 H Beef Show and Sale and from the Saskatchewan Shorthorn Association for over forty years as a breeder and member.

During his latter years, while living in Moose Jaw with his second wife Jeanine, he was still very interested and supportive of young people and programs dear to him.

Nominated by District #8 4 H Council - 1985



# 1986 – Olive (Huish) Goldsmith



Olive (Huish) Goldsmith, Boys and Girls Club Member, 4 H Leader, Community Supporter and Homemaker, was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1925.

Olive began her 4 H leadership career when her niece asked if she would be her 4 H leader in 1963. Since then, she has helped young people in Clothing, Crafts, Let's Entertain, Mechanics and Woodworking projects. From 1972 to 1984 she was General Leader of the Carnduff Community 4 H Club and continued on as a project leader.

Olive was deeply involved with the 4 H program at the district level serving initially on the District #41 4 H Council in 1971. Following the restructuring of district boundaries in 1973, she became involved in the District #41 4 H Council and has served on most committees. She has been an important organizer of district rallies, picnics, trips to Rayner Centre, and exchanges (both within Canada and with Wisconsin). She helped initiate the concept of a District 4 H Achievement Day.

Olive encouraged support of the South East Regional 4 H Council and served as Secretary. Olive's involvement in the Saskatchewan 4 H Council began in 1972. She was an enthusiastic volunteer on many committees and was instrumental in

getting materials developed for the 4 H Draft Horse project. Olive was Secretary Treasurer from 1975 to 1977 and Treasurer in 1977/78. She served on the Board of Trustees, Saskatchewan 4 H Foundation, from 1975 to 1978.

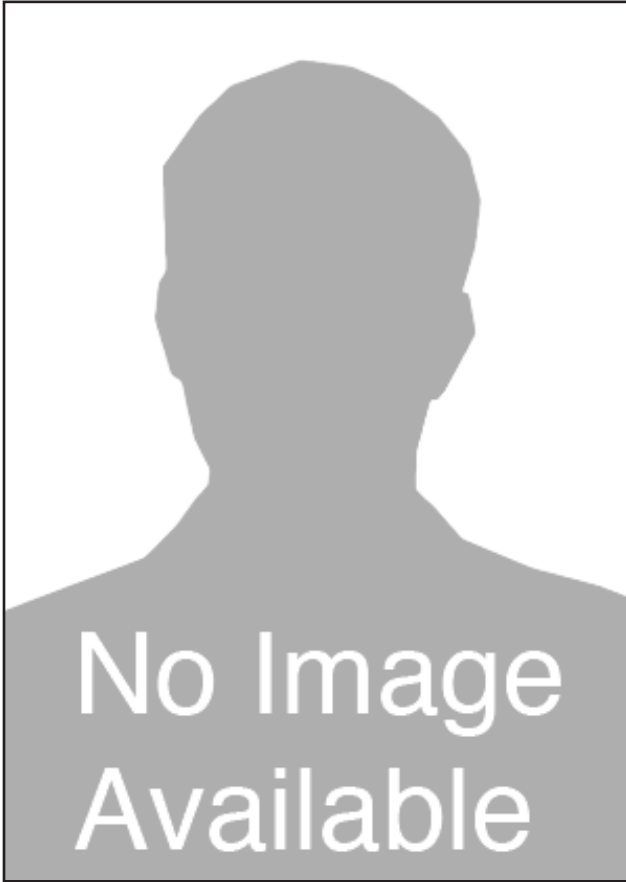
Olive was tireless in her efforts to promote the 4 H program at the Regina Exhibition. She was instrumental in encouraging 4 H clubs to display their project materials in prime space. Similarly, Olive initiated a Provincial 4 H Display at Agribition. Olive accompanied the Saskatchewan delegation to the National 4 H Conference at Toronto in 1976.

Along with her husband, George, Olive was a great encourager of 4 H. Their 4 H "family" is truly large. Olive touched the lives of youth through Explorers, church young people and the community at large. She taught sewing classes through the Community College and was a member of the District #41 Agriculture Board and the Carnduff Agriculture Society. Olive's interest in rural women was shown by her affiliation with the Saskatchewan and Canadian Women's Institutes and the Associated Country Women of the World.

Olive received praise at many levels. She was called "Mrs. 4 H" in her area; and was a recipient of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal in 1978. Olive was an ambassador for 4 H, promoting it at every opportunity. She readily gave her time and made many sacrifices for the betterment of the 4 H program. Olive's niece received her own ten-year 4 H leadership award. She is one of many who have benefited from Olive's enthusiastic involvement.

Nominated by District #41 4 H Council - 1986

# 1986 – James Elmer Cowan



James Elmer Cowan, 4 H Leader, Farmer, Businessman and Community Leader was born in the Golden Plain District, North West Territories in 1888. He was a long time resident of the Kennedy community before his passing in 1974.

Before the 4 H name was adopted, Elmer organized the following Boys and Girls Clubs at Kennedy, the Swine Club in 1923, the Grain Club and the Beef Club in 1930 and the Homecraft Club in 1949. He extended his interest as a cattle breeder to youth by serving as the general leader of the Kennedy Beef Club for thirty-four years.

Elmer was a founding executive member of the 4 H District Fat Stock Show and Sale at Moosomin from 1945 to 1962 and continued at Whitewood. He served on the District #5 4 H Council from its formation in 1955 up until 1965.

Elmer was known as a great organizer because he was able to involve many people in programs. He was president of the Kennedy Agriculture Society on three different occasions for a total period of twenty-nine years. In 1965, Elmer was awarded an honorary life membership in the Saskatchewan Agriculture Societies Association. He was a long time secretary to his local committee of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool. Elmer was ap-

pointed by the Department of Agriculture to his district's Agriculture Improvement Board, as member at large and served from 1945 to 1965. He served his community as well on the Board of Trade as president for 15 years, and as chairman of the village council.

Together with his wife, Louise, the Cowans shared a keen interest in youth work. Elmer took boys to the Farm Boys Camp in Regina. He helped organize judging days for both boys and girls preparing for livestock judging competitions in Regina and Moose Jaw. Elmer took great interest in obtaining candidates for the Saskatchewan Boys Parliament. Many young people benefited from his annual scholarship given for graduation achievement at Kennedy High School. From 1945 to 1965, Elmer made many interest free loans to university students from his area.

Elmer was very active in his church and served for forty years on the local board and as a delegate to provincial and national meetings.

Elmer devoted much of his life to 4 H. Many of Kennedy's current 4 H members are from families who were guided by his leadership. He made a valuable contribution of time, talent, effort and money, working with young people in southeastern Saskatchewan. Elmer Cowan was indeed one of the leading supporters of the Saskatchewan 4 H movement.

Nominated by District# 5 4 H Council - 1986

# 1986 – Archie Colton



Archie Colton was born in Kincaid, Saskatchewan in 1924. In his capacity as Agriculture Representative from 1954 to 1984, Archie has been a dedicated worker within the 4 H movement.

Archie actively encouraged 4 H clubs in the four different districts in which he worked. He organized ten new clubs and a 4 H Council in District #4. Archie organized the District #39 4 H Council, and served as Secretary/Treasurer for two years. He contributed in the same capacity for ten years with the District #16 4 H Council and for another nine with the District #17 4-H Council. In each district, Archie served youth by giving beef and grain demonstrations, organizing fat stock shows and sales, judging and promoting such district 4 H activities as curling, talent nights, public speaking, tours, dances and 4 H Sundays.

Archie was a founding member of the Saskatchewan 4 H Foundation in 1960. He was a member of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council for eleven years.

Archie is valued for his commitment to the founding and construction of 4 H Rayner Centre. He seconded the motion to build the Centre and he spent five years on the committees that selected the site, tendered the project and supervised construction.

Archie was a dedicated fundraiser, drove many miles and worked long hours to see the project completed.

His wife, Maree and their five children have given their whole hearted support in all his activities.

Archie has been involved with people in several ways. He taught Sunday school at Eastend, Fort QuAppelle and Outlook, and served on the board of his church. Archie is a charter member of Fort QuAppelle Lions Club and has been a member of the Royal Canadian Legion for over thirty years.

Archie is a true agriculture professional. He has been an active supporter of local and district agriculture boards and helped organize veterinary service districts. Archie has judged at many Agriculture Society Fairs. He served on the Rewrite Committee of the Guide to Farm Practice on five occasions. Archie was involved with the development of the South Saskatchewan River Project. He is a member of the Agriculture Institute of Canada, Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists, Canadian Society of Rural Extension and the Canadian Society of Soil Science.

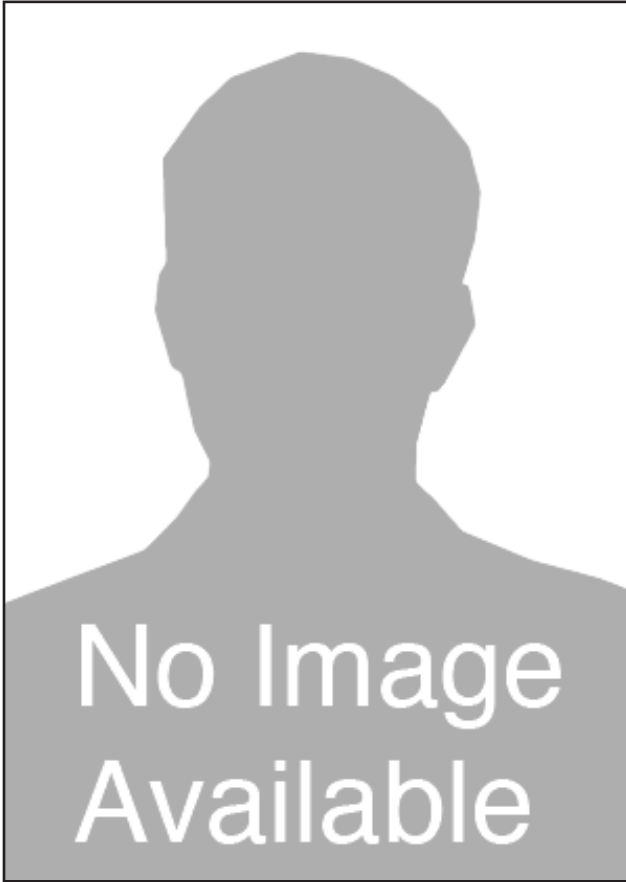
Since his retirement from Saskatchewan Agriculture, Archie has served his community as Mayor of the town of Kindersley.

In his 4 H career, Archie has been seen as a helper to youth. Friends of Archie have heard him say at different times that nothing gives him more enjoyment than to be working with young people.

Nominated by District #17 4-H Council – 1986



# 1987 – Alan James Rugg



Alan James Rugg was born in Elstow, Saskatchewan in 1915. As a 4 H member for three years, an Agriculture Representative for twenty six years, and an Extension Specialist with the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool for eight years, Alan was an ardent promoter of the 4 H movement.

Working as an Ag. Rep., he assisted all clubs in District 30. Time, weather, or roads were never deterrents if he could lend a helping hand. He would give presentations and arrange judging or grooming demonstrations. Alan helped members by arranging for speakers on sewing or cooking. Alan's genuine interest and active promotion of 4 H led to the formation of thirteen clubs in District #30 by 1964.

Alan Rugg traveled many miles to visit club leaders as he coordinated the formation of the District #30 4 H Council the first District Council in Saskatchewan. He acted as secretary from its beginning until he left Wilkie. He worked very closely with council members assisted with Achievement Days and rallies, and organized trips to other parts of Canada and the United States. Whenever a helping hand was needed. Alan would be there.

The development of Camp Rayner was a special joy for Alan. He was secretary of the fund raising and planning committees for Camp Rayner. Alan was involved in policy making and project revision committees of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council,

Alan was very involved with young people other than in 4 H. He taught Sunday school and acted as Superintendent for his Anglican Church in Elstow and Wilkie. In 1936, he started a youth group in the Justice Country School for all the youth of the community. He was on the Advisory Council for Cubs and Scouts for five years in Wilkie and was a member of the Wilkie School Board for seven years.

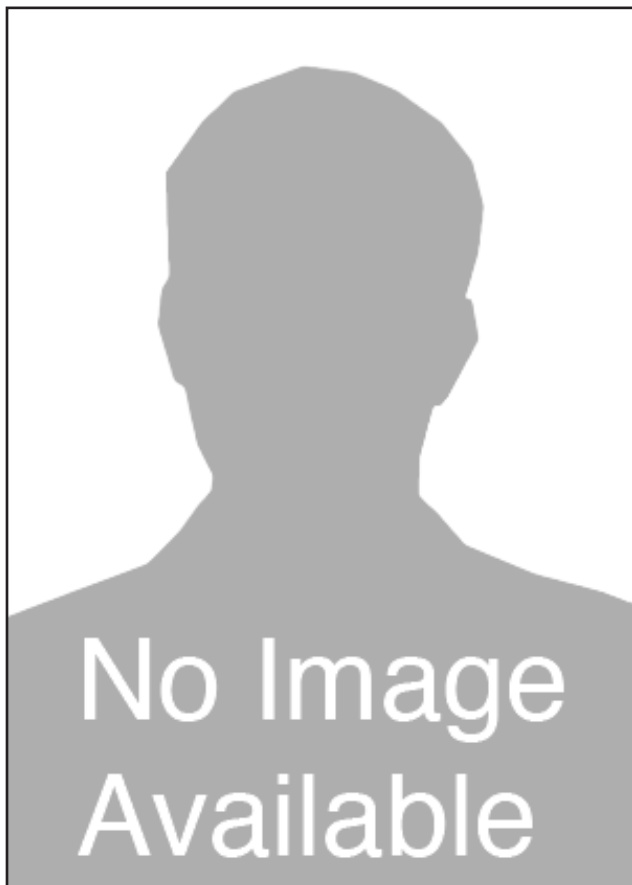
Alan Rugg's community involvement reached far and wide. He was very active in church work in both Wilkie and Regina. He was a lifetime member of the Elstow Agriculture Society. He was a member of the Kinsmen Club of Wilkie for fourteen years that included a year as their president. He also served as president of the Wascana Kiwanis Club in Regina and was very much involved in that organization's public speaking for youth. His encouragement of the 4 H public speaking programs led to the development of 4 H members who were outstanding orators. It was this involvement which led the Kiwanis Club to name the Alan Rugg Memorial Tour in honor of Alan.

Alan Rugg was nominated as Vice President of the Agriculture Institute of Canada the year he died.

Alan was always full of good ideas and always willing to help. He had a way of creating new ideas while making other people feel it was their idea, without taking credit himself. Alan never lost his interest and deep concern for youth. His mild manner and dedication was a great example to all, especially the younger generation. To quote Sybil Rugg, his wife: "It is a great joy to keep meeting those who feel Alan's life touched theirs in some positive way."

Nominated by District #30 4 H Council - 1987

# 1987 – John Olaf Hanson



John Hanson, farmer, businessman, and Agriculture Representative, was born at Wadena, Saskatchewan in 1921. Throughout his lifetime, John has been a dedicated worker with the 4 H movement as a member from 1934 to 1937, a leader for two years, and an Agriculture Representative for twenty five years.

During his years as Ag. Rep. in Hudson Bay and Moose Jaw, John was instrumental in the formation and continuation of 4 H clubs in his district. Whenever possible, he attended 4 H Achievement Days. John encouraged 4 H members, parents and leaders to continue in the 4 H movement, to promote the program in their community, emphasizing its value to members as they grew to be adults. He encouraged 4 H members to consider post secondary education. He freely gave of his own time to counsel young people who were considering a career in agriculture. John strongly supported the District 4-H Councils by providing a communication link through the Ag. Rep. office staff.

John was involved in District 4 H exchange trips with other Canadian provinces and the United States. Many 4 H members and families were fortunate to have been involved in an exchange trip to Japan that John helped organize. He was also instrumental in organizing several Open House Canada ex-

change trips to Eastern Canada.

John saw the need for structure in district programs. Because of this, he conducted and organized a leadership-training program that dealt with parliamentary procedure and public speaking. Many 4 H members participated in these courses that John offered over three years. He assisted in the organization and direction of Farm Boys and Girls camps that were held for several years in connection with the Moose Jaw Exhibition.

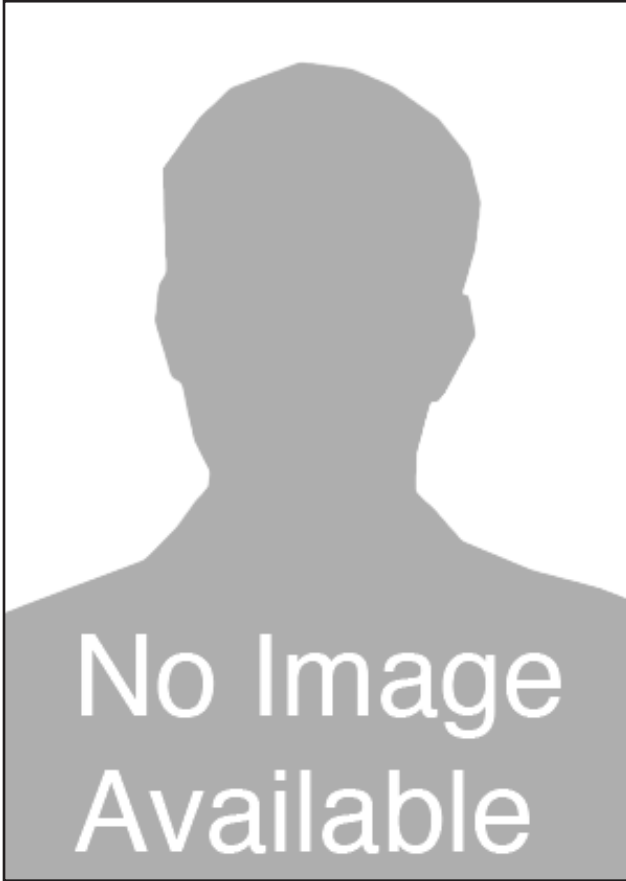
He served as the Saskatchewan Ag. Rep. on the South West Regional 4 H Council and on the staff team at Provincial Selections. He also participated in the annual meetings of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council. John attended National 4 H Club Week in Toronto in 1978.

John's community involvement touched many fields. He was an active member of the Wadena Kinsmen Club and served as their president. John was a charter member of the Wadena Credit Union and served on the Board of Directors. He is presently a Board Member of Moose Jaw Credit Union and has served as president. John has served as a school trustee on the Wadena School Board. He was a member of the Wadena and Moose Jaw local church boards.

John is a charter member of the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists and the Agriculture Institute of Canada. He was a provincial councilor and served on the Regina Branch of the S.I.A. John lives his life as an example that both young and old can admire. His broad knowledge and experience, along with his quiet manner, enable him to provide valuable leadership. He makes each person he comes in contact with feel he or she is important and that his or her thoughts or ideas are worthy of consideration.

Nominated by District #8 4 H Council - 1987

# 1987 – Harold Johnson



Harold Johnson was born at Norquay, Saskatchewan in 1909. He spent most of his life there and devoted much to his community in his many roles as 4 H leader, teacher, farmer, and Saskatchewan Wheat Pool delegate. His work with 4 H was one of great personal devotion.

Harold was involved with 4 H from 1945 to 1971. During these twenty six years, it is estimated that two to three hundred boys and girls benefited from Mr. Johnson's guidance in his role as a general leader.

Harold spearheaded the organization of three junior grain clubs at Norquay, Hvas, and Stenen in 1945. Their local Saskatchewan Wheat Pool committees sponsored these clubs, and Mr. Johnson was the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool delegate for that sub district. In addition to his local Norquay Club, he took a keen interest in assisting and supporting these neighbouring clubs.

Harold assisted with the organization of District #18 4 H Council in 1955, and served as its president for seventeen years. He was instrumental in organizing the first 4 H fair held at Kam-sack in which twenty six clubs participated.

Provincially, he played a leading role in the organization of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council. Mr. Johnson was elected its first president in 1957. He also served in that capacity in 1959/60.

In addition to his involvement with 4 H, Harold was a member of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool committee for forty five years and acted as district secretary for twenty years. He assisted in organizing the Norquay Co op Association in 1945, was elected their president and served in that position for thirty years. He served a total of forty years on their Board of Directors.

Harold helped to organize the local credit union in 1945 and acted as president of that organization until 1971.

He served as a delegate to Federated Co operatives for seven years. Harold assisted in the organization of the Norquay Livestock Shipping Association and remained active in that organization until the early 1950's.

Harold acted as "caretaker and curator" of a community church built in 1906 to serve all religious groups of that period.

Harold devoted much of his life to 4-H. There are several families in the Norquay area who are taking a leading role in 4 H and the community affairs, and much of their leadership qualities are attributable to their training in the 4 H club program under Harold Johnson's leadership.

Nominated by District #18 4 H Council - 1987



# 1988 – James Ernest Smith



James Ernest Smith was born at Limerick, Saskatchewan in 1914 and now resides in Moosomin. As an Agricultural Representative from 1946 to 1975, Jim was a staunch believer in the 4 H program. He emphasized “not what you do for members, but what you do to members.” He helped organize and promote 4 H clubs in Agriculture Extension District #5. In 1960, he had 25 clubs with 475 members who were involved in a very wide range of projects. He attended as many Achievement Days as he could, visiting 25 such functions in 1965.

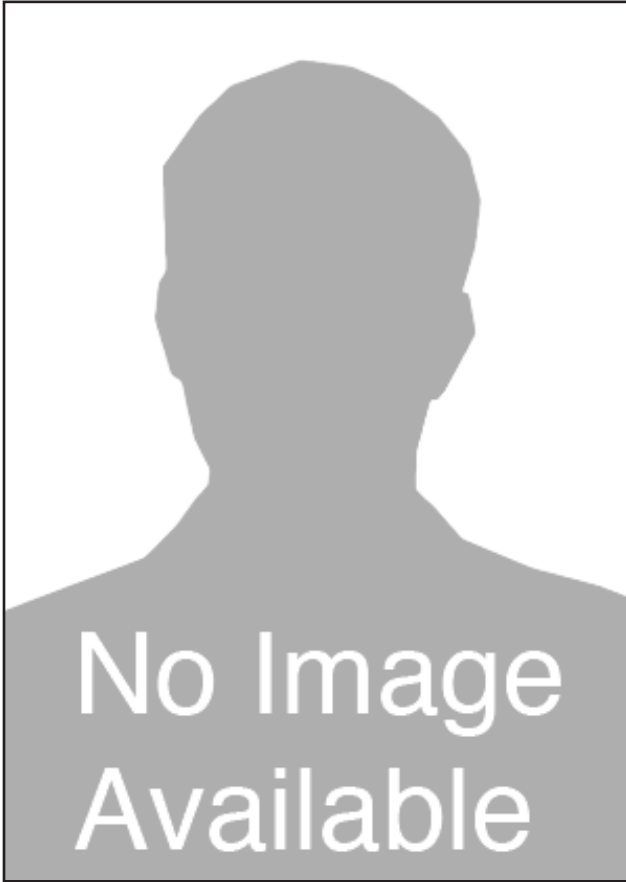
Jim helped organize, as well as draw up the bylaws and constitution of the District #5 4 H Council in 1952. He was secretary/treasurer from 1956 until his retirement in 1975. He organized yearly 4-H Beef Shows and Sales and coached livestock judging teams for provincial and national competitions. Public speaking was one of his favourite activities, and Jim rarely said “no” when asked to speak at any 4-H function. He was the guest speaker at the 1974 graduation exercises of the School of Agriculture through a request from former 4 H members.

In 1949, Jim helped organize a variety of regional competitions at Carlyle. He was appointed the South East Area Representative on the Saskatchewan 4-H Council in 1968 and sat on the Board of Directors until 1971. Upon retirement in 1975, the 4-H Council presented Jim with an Outstanding Service Award for his contribution to the 4-H program. In 1953, he chaperoned 4-H members at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto. He organized the first 4-H tour from the South East area to Iowa and Minnesota, in order to promote better relations between Canada and the United States. Jim made a presentation of activities in District #5 of a 35 year span. This presentation, called “Reflections”, illustrated changes, which have taken place in 4-H.

Jim’s other accomplishments have included being the organizer and, in 1970, the first president of the Pipestone Regional Agricultural Society and being on the University of Saskatchewan (U of S) Senate for six years. In 1941, Jim received his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture degree and in 1980, received the Distinguished Agriculture Graduate Award from the U of S. He is a life member of the Moosomin and Kennedy Agriculture Society and, in 1984, became a life member of the Saskatchewan Agricultural Society Association. Jim served as a trustee of the South East Saskatchewan Community College Board from 1976 to 1979 and is a past president of the Jaycees. He was the secretary/treasurer of the Moosomin Regional Park from 1953 to 1981 and, in 1980, received a Community Volunteer Award. He was the secretary/treasurer of the Moosomin Masonic Lodge for 17 years and is a Past Master of the Masonic Lodge and a Past Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He taught youth classes through The United Church for 15 years and was the Sunday school superintendent from 1949 to 1964. He was also the president of a Young People’s Club, as well as served on the fundraising and finance committee and as steward.

Jim’s family has also been active in 4-H. His wife, Jean, judged in all areas of 4 H and has been a guest speaker at many 4-H functions. She has been a resource person for counseling courses for girls and boys, and for courses on the preparation of products and produce for Achievement Days. She was the leader of a Tomato Club in Boys and Girls Club Work. Jean helped to organize the first Poultry Club in Watrous in 1935. Their daughter, Heather, was a member of a Garden Club and participated in 4-H public speaking competitions. Jim and his family have been dedicated community workers as well as enthusiastic 4-H ambassadors.

# 1988 – Emerson H. Wells



Emerson Wells was born at Gilbert Plains, Manitoba in 1906 and has resided at Senlac, Saskatchewan.

Emerson started the Senlac Calf Club in 1937 with help from Dr. A. Lyster and Professor Brockelbank. He led the club into the 4 H movement when it started in 1952. Emerson has been active in the club's annual Achievement Day for the past fifty years that the club has been operating.

Emerson worked closely with the late Alan Rugg, Agricultural Representative and gives this gentleman great credit for his work in 4 H. Emerson helped organize the District #30 Junior Calf Club Show and Sale. He has judged extensively throughout the district. He would judge hogs, dairy, beef and sheep all on the same day. He served on the District #30 Agricultural Extension Board from 1947 to 1961. Emerson helped organize Farm Boys and Girls Camps at Marsden and Lloydminster. He helped organize the Regional 4 H Beef Show and Sale at North Battleford and judged at many cattle shows. Emerson has received a Leadership Award for twenty-five years of 4 H leadership. He is also a member of the Rayner Centre 100 Club.

Emerson is a honorary life member of the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists. In 1968, the Saskatchewan Livestock Association honoured Emerson for his contribution to community, province and the livestock industry. He was the president and director of the Sheep Breeders Association. He was the executive director of Cooperative Wool Growers. Emerson represented this group at shows and sales in Saskatchewan as well as travelling overseas.

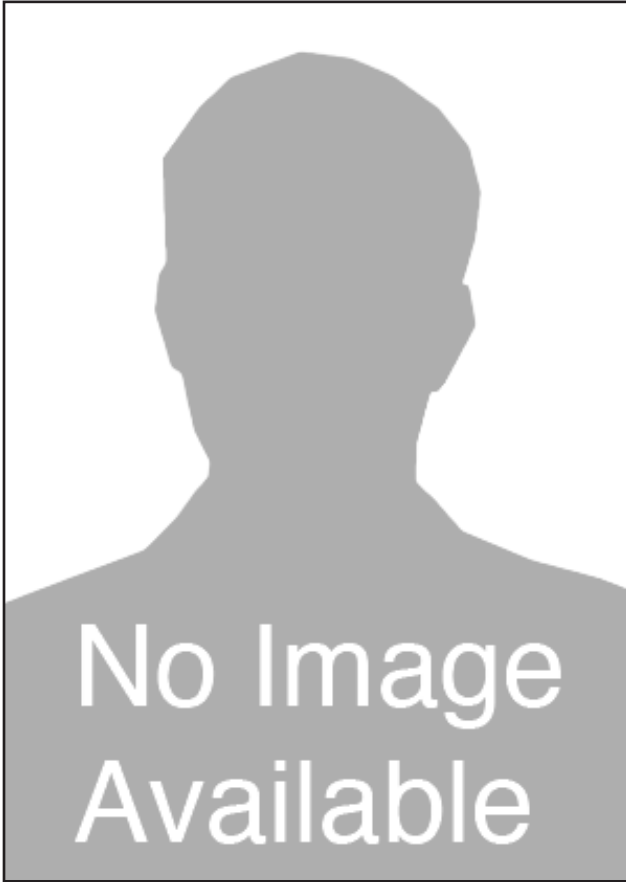
Emerson's contribution to leadership was by example. His instruction of proper husbandry in Shorthorn cattle, Suffolk sheep, and Yorkshire hogs has set the example for young people to follow. He touched the lives of many young people as manager of the Youth Camp at Senlac Lake in the early 1930's and during the construction of the local church and community hall.

Emerson has served as council member and as Reeve of the Rural Municipality of Senlac. He has been active as secretary/treasurer of the Senlac Memorial Hall since 1946. He is a trustee of the United Church as well. Emerson has served as District Grand Master of the Oddfellows and financial secretary for the Canadian Order of Foresters.

The Emerson family, consisting of two boys and two girls, were involved in the 4 H program. Russell won the Grand Aggregate Award at Farm Boys Camp and Gordon won the Dalgliesh trip to Britain. His daughters, Mildred and Alma, are both nurses. Emerson's wife, Vera, has been active over the years along with her busy family. Emerson and Vera have fifty-six years of marriage behind them, and he is still actively farming at eighty-one years of age. It is an honour to have the Wells Family as members of the 4 H program.

Nominated by District #30 4 H Council - 1988

# 1988 – Helen Edith (Nelson) Brand



Helen Edith (Nelson) Brand, 4 H leader, community supporter, Mother and homemaker was born at Radisson, Saskatchewan in 1921 where she has resided and raised a family.

Helen became involved in the 4 H program as a Leader in 1962. She was general leader for the Radisson Multiple 4 H Club from 1963 to 1978, and foods project Leader from 1963 to 1976. She served as President of the District #29 4 H Council from 1968 to 1979 and has been active as secretary since 1981. She has acted on the Executive of the District 4 H Council since 1965 and faithfully attends meetings. Helen has been the Chairperson for organizing 4 H exchanges to Minnesota, U.S.A. She has also represented 4 H on the District #29 Agricultural Extension Board from 1969 to 1979. She was the Chairperson of the planning committee to establish the North West Regional 4 H Council and was its first President in 1975/76. Helen represented the District #29 4 H Council on the Saskatchewan 4 H Council in 1966. She became involved in many committees and worked diligently for the betterment of the program. Helen served as President of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council from 1975 to 1977 and currently represents the Saskatchewan 4 H Council on the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame.

Helen has led a very active life in organizations other than 4 H. She was Secretary of the Radisson Recreation Board for three years and Secretary of the Radisson and District Agricultural Society from 1966 to 1972 and 1980 to present. As well she was President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Radisson and District Agricultural Society for two years and the North West Director for the Saskatchewan Agricultural Societies for three years. Helen acted on the local Boy Scouts of Canada Parent Committee for five years in the 1960's and for the local Figure Skating Club from 1962 to 1965. Helen has served as a worthy Matron and as Grand Warder in the Order of the Eastern Star. She has been active as Treasurer of the Radisson United Church Women since 1981 and as Chairperson of the Maymont Larger Parish Church Board since 1980. She has been a Director of the Saskatoon Home Care Board #45 since 1986. Helen also serves as Secretary for the local Historical Society.

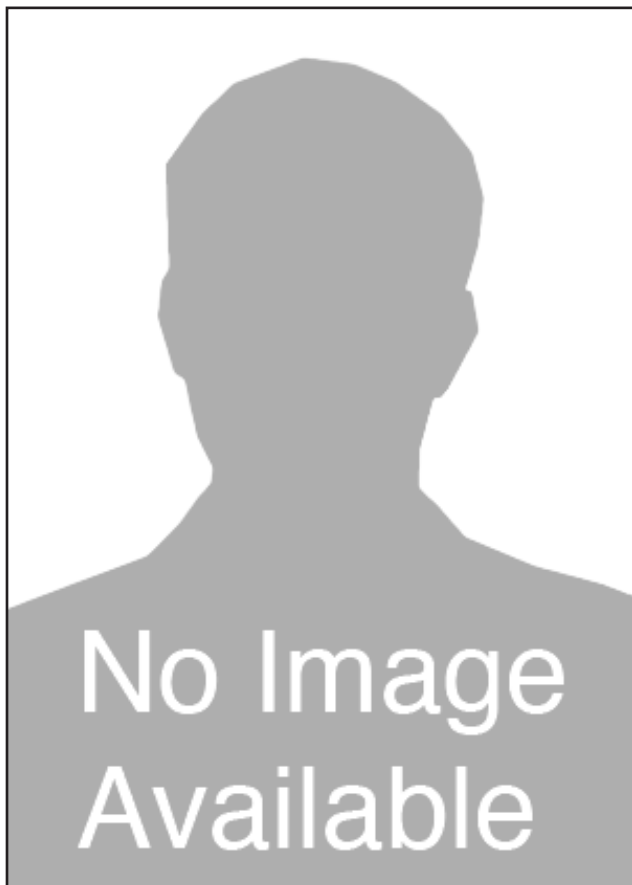
Helen feels 4 H should be on display in order to promote the program. She has encouraged local fairs to have 4 H project work as part of their programs.

Helen has two sons, Harold and Bill, who were 4 H members for six years. Bill was a beef leader for four years. A granddaughter is currently involved in the 4 H program. Helen's family is very supportive of her endeavours in the community work she does, as well as in 4 H. She likes working with young people, although she often said differently with a twinkle in her eye and a smile on her face. She has the ability to stimulate, direct and discipline large groups of people. Helen has been highly active in community affairs and served as an ambassador in 4-H and other organizations.

Nominated by District #29 4 H Council – 1988



# 1989 – Ernest Jesse Meadows



Ernest Jesse Meadows was born December 15, 1912 in Val Jean, Saskatchewan and later took residence in Moose Jaw.

In 1951, Ernest assisted with the organization of the first Beef Club at Mortlach. In 1975 he was instrumental in the formation of the Wheatland Homecraft Club. By 1961, he instigated the formation of a multi club in Mortlach. He served as general leader, assistant leader and project leader for fifteen years. He also judged many Achievement Days for over twenty years.

In 1954, Ernest represented Mortlach 4 H Clubs at the formation of District #8 4 H Council, serving for fifteen years in various capacities as president, vice president, past president and as district delegate to Provincial 4-H Council.

In 1966, Ernest was vice president of the Provincial 4-H Council. During the years as a director on the Provincial 4-H Council, he was involved with the formation of the Saskatchewan 4 H Foundation and in planning the construction of Rayner Centre. As a member of council, he was responsible for visiting 4 H clubs in South West Saskatchewan to solicit club and family support for the 4 H Foundation funds. His contribution to the establishment of the 4 H Foundation and Rayner Centre has brought immeasurable benefit to 4 H members and leaders.

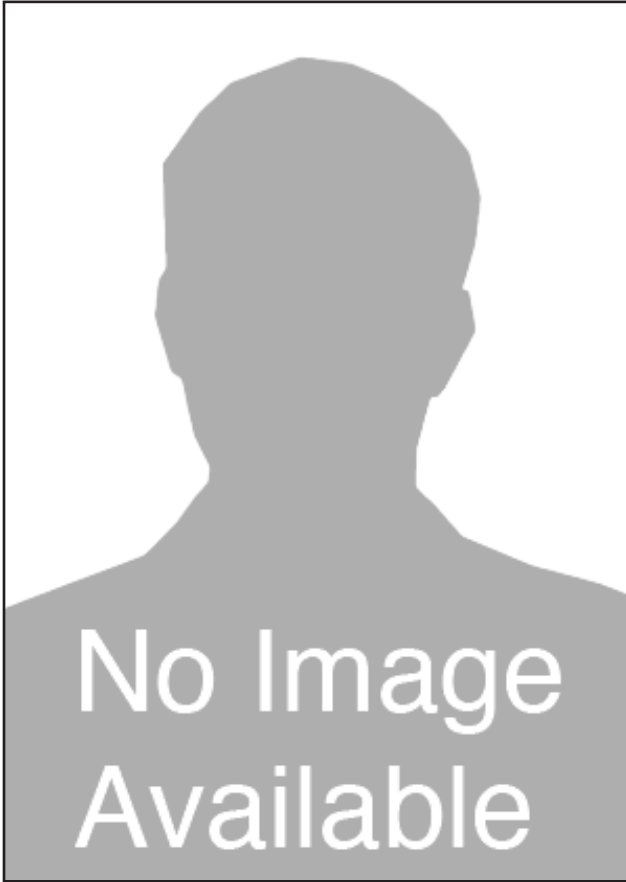
Ernest's other accomplishments were: leader and chairman of Junior and Senior Rifle Clubs; chairman of Mortlach's first agricultural fair; councilor for the R.M. of Wheatland; representative to the Moose Jaw Agricultural Society. He was also instrumental in organizing Coteau Range Community College, helped to build the Mortlach curling rink and golf course, and served on the Anglican and United Church boards.

Mr. and Mrs. Meadows were the recipients of the Master Farm Family Award for R.M. Wheatland in 1966 and 1967 and also placed second in the Master Farm Family Award Competition for Agriculture Extension District #8.

The entire Meadows family has been involved in 4 H. Mr. and Mrs. Meadows organized and chaperoned a 4 H exchange to Helena, Montana. They were both involved as leaders of many projects. Their four children, Wayne, Ken, Lloyd and Janice participated in 4 H as well. The family took part in all district activities such as exchanges, 4 H Sunday, tours and bonspiels.

Nominated by District #8 4 H Council – 1989

# 1989 – Daryl Keith Hooper



D. Keith Hooper was born in Carlyle, Saskatchewan in 1923 and now resides in Tisdale. Keith was a 4 H member in the late 1930's for five years. He was also a leader of Tisdale and Golburn Grain Clubs from 1944 to 1946, leader of the Golburn Swine Club from 1946 to 1962, and project leader of Sylvania 4 H Club in 1985. Keith was on the District #26 4 H Council from 1950 to 1977 and acted as treasurer from 1961 to 1976. He also served as a representative to the Provincial 4-H Council for three years when Rayner Centre was being constructed.

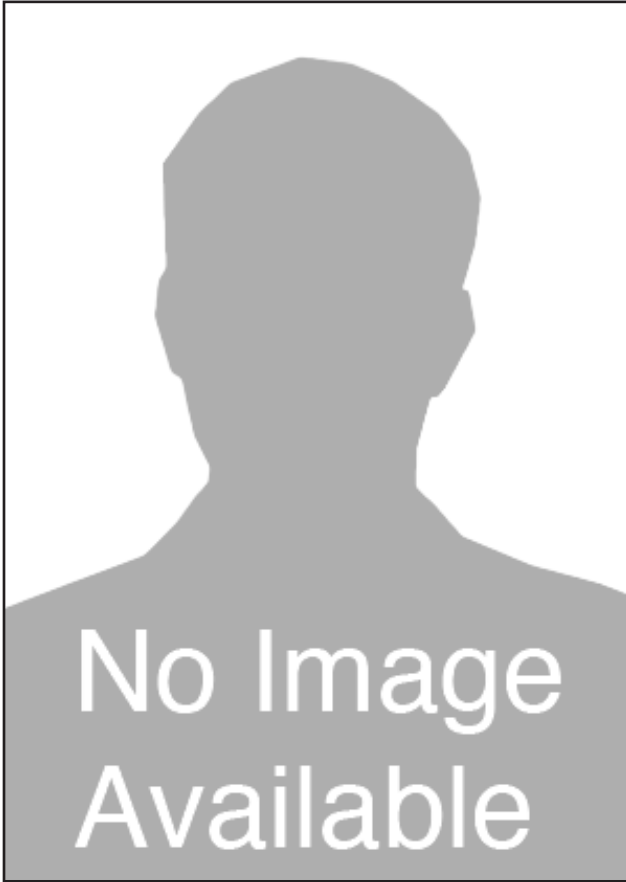
As a representative of Saskatchewan, Keith placed second in the grain category of the Toronto Royal Winter Fair in 1943. He also took part in judging competitions and weed identification competitions at Golburn, Melfort, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon, and Silver Stream Fairs. Many hours were spent each summer taking young people to the Farm Boys' Camp at these exhibitions.

Keith's other accomplishments include being a member of the Agricultural Committee for the R.M. of Tisdale from 1947 to 1961, a member of the Golburn and Sylvania Wheat Pool Committees from 1961 to 1980, a director of the Golburn Agricultural Society since its inception in 1941 - he has been vice president and currently serves as president.

Keith's family has been active in 4 H. His wife, Vivian, was a 4 H leader from 1977 to 1987; their four children, Denise, Glenda, Cindy and Dwayne, have all been 4 H members. Denise and Glenda both served on district and regional councils. The Hooper family are indeed a 4 H family.

Nominated by District #26 4 H Council - 1989

# 1989 – Kenneth Narvey Robertson



Kenneth Harvey Robertson was born in Macklin, Saskatchewan on December 9, 1926 and was an active 4 H member and leader from 1942 until his death in 1986.

Ken started his life long commitment to 4 H as a member of the Denzil Boys and Girls Club. He became the assistant general leader of the Denzil Multiple Club when it was organized in 1968 and continued as assistant general leader until 1978. Ken became general leader in 1979 and continued in various leadership roles until his death in 1986. He led both the beef and light horse projects. He hosted the 4 H Light Horse Camp for the District #30 horse clubs in 1984.

Ken was involved with the District 4 H Council by working with exchanges and working on committees, as well as on the executive. He chaperoned exchange trips to Iowa and New Brunswick. At the regional level, he served as second vice president, first vice president, president, and past president of the North West Regional 4 H Council.

Ken was very interested in organizing judging clinics for 4 H judges and also in judging Achievement Days and record books for other clubs. He helped organize the Arabian Light Horse Show and Gymkhana and talent nights for young people.

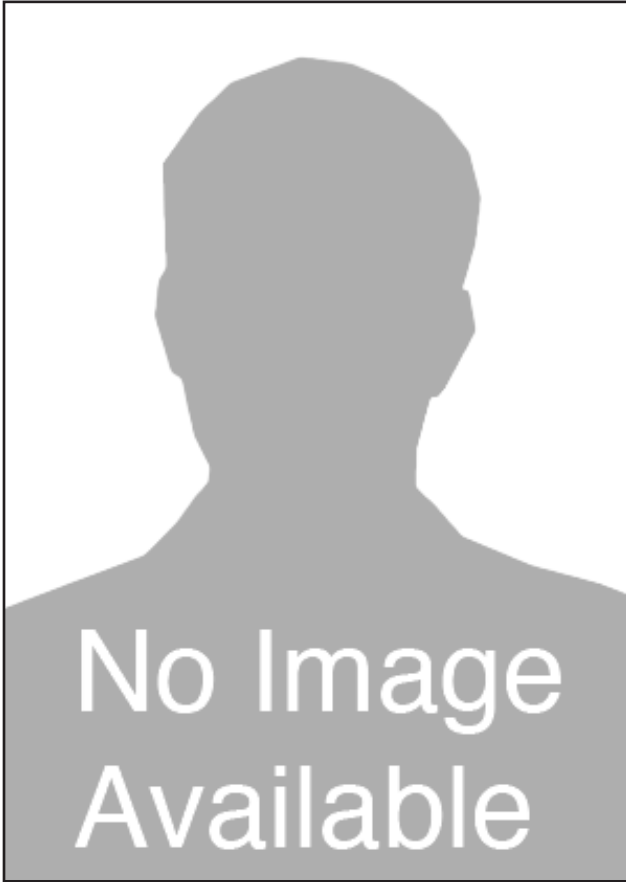
His other accomplishments included being a member of the local Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee for thirty-five years, organizing the Denzil Stock Show for fourteen years, and being a key worker in the Denzil Agricultural Fair. He was on the Denzil Recreation Board and recorded weather for Environment Canada for twenty years. Ken was the district news reporter for the North West Herald, as well as secretary for the Snow Plow Club and secretary for the Denzil Rural Telephone Company.

Ken was a square dance caller in his younger days. His public speaking ability and sense of humour gave him the distinction of being master of ceremonies at numerous functions. Ken was a true believer in "Learn to Do by Doing." Although Ken never married, he had a love for children. Ken has two brothers, Lynn and Tom.

Nominated by District No. #30 4 H Council & Denzil Multiple 4 H Club – 1989



# 1990 – Norman John Noble



Norman John Noble was born in Mitchellton, Saskatchewan and resides near Mossbank.

John, as his friends know him, became a project leader of Twin Lakes 4 H Beef Club from 1954 to 1961 and General Leader from 1961 to 1981. He taught Beef, Heifer, Junior Sportsman, Photography, and Junior Leadership projects. He was also an Achievement Day judge.

John was President of District #8 4 H Council for two years. He served on such committees as the Moose Jaw 4 H Beef Club Show and Sale, Public Speaking, 4 H Selections, 4 H Sunday, Family Tours, District Curling, Bowling, Debating and Leadership. John was a District #8 delegate to Provincial 4-H Council in 1973 and 1974. He was also active at the regional level.

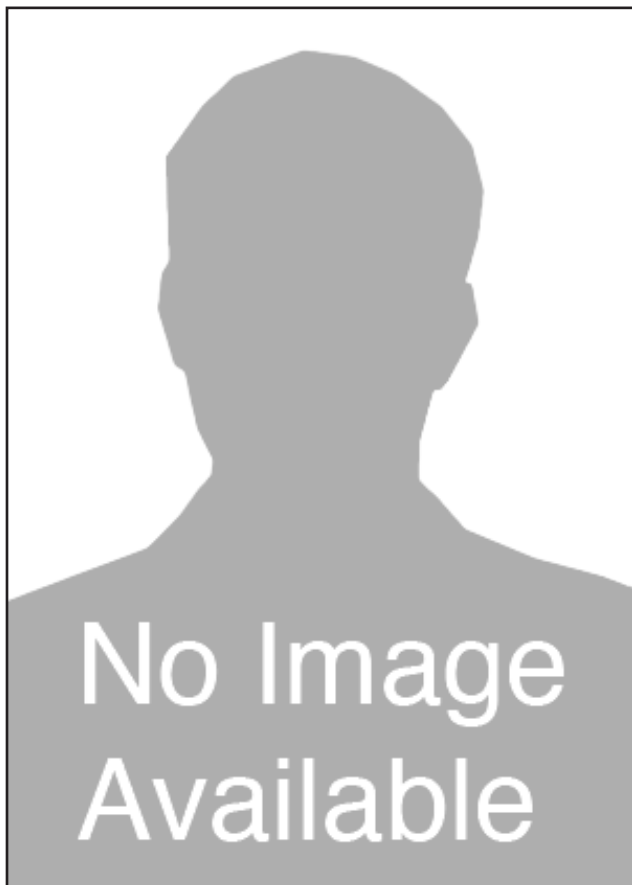
In 1975 he was a member on the committee to organize the first Japanese Exchange with 4 H in Canada. John canvassed Mitchellton Community for Camp Rayner prior to construction and attended the opening on June 30, 1968. He was also a delegate to the first 4 H National Leaders' Conference in Toronto in 1979.

John's other accomplishments include serving on the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee for Twenty five years of which he was Chairman for many years, being a Past Master of the Mossbank Mazenod Masonic Lodge No. 129, and acting as Councilor of Lake Johnston No. 102 for fourteen years. John served as Agricultural Board representative for the South West Region for R.M. No. 102. He also served on the United Church Board and was a Community Club member.

John, his wife Joyce, and their two children were all involved in 4 H. The Nobles hosted a Japanese member for one month and also hosted an Australian rural youth in 1977. The Noble family is a 4 H family indeed!

Nominated by District #8 4 H Council - 1990

# 1990 – Joyce Marion (Aldous) Noble



Joyce Marion (Aldous) Noble was born in Balcarres, Saskatchewan and now resides near Mossbank.

Joyce was a 4 H member of the Lorlie 4 H Grain Club for three years in the 1950's. She was a 4 H leader for the Twin Lakes 4 H Multiple Club from 1968 to 1983, Assistant General Leader from 1971 to 1981, and General Leader from 1981 to 1983. Joyce taught such projects as Junior Sportsman, Photography, Foods, Junior Leadership, Management for Better Living and 4 U.

Joyce was a representative on District #8 4 H Council and served on such committees as 4 H Display, 4 H Sunday, Selections, and Leadership. She was corresponding secretary and helped organize an Open House Canada Exchange with Ontario in 1982.

Joyce was a cook at the first Southwest Regional 4 H Camp at Wood Mountain in 1976. In 1977, she was a chaperone for Open House Canada Exchange to Prince Edward Island. She was the Secretary for the South West Region from 1977 to 1979, and also served on the Administration and Policy Committee.

Joyce instructed various 4 H leadership workshops in the South West Region from 1983 to 1985. She was a delegate and a committee member on the Provincial Council in 1982 and 1983. She was also a delegate to the National 4 H Leaders' Conference in 1982.

Joyce's other accomplishments include teaching school from 1959 to 1962, substitute teaching from 1971 to 1987, and teaching Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She also tutors young children with learning problems. Joyce was treasurer for the Mossbank Community Band for two years and has held most offices in the Mitchellton U.C.W. and the Community Club. She is also a member of the Assiniboia Chapter No. 8 Order of the Eastern Star (Worthy Matron in 1989).

Joyce and her family were all involved in the 4 H movement. The Noble Family is an honour to have as members of our 4 H program.

Nominated by District #8 4 H Council - 1990

# 1990 – Samuel Joseph Small



Samuel (Sam) Joseph Small was born at Craven, Saskatchewan where he still lives today.

Sam was a 4 H member from ten to twenty-one years of age. In 1939 and 1941, he represented his club at provincial judging competitions.

Sam helped organize the Baby Beef Club, which later became the Longlaketon 4 H Club. From 1948 to 1982 he acted as General Leader/Assistant Leader of the Longlaketon Club. He chaperoned five 4 H members to Farm Boys' Camp in 1955.

Sam helped to organize District #14 4-H Council, on which he served as Vice President for two years. He was very instrumental in organizing District #37 4-H Council in 1980. Sam also served on the Curling Committee for both districts. He helped organize Regional Calf Shows in Lumsden in the late 1940's and early 1950's. He also helped organize 4 H calf shows at the Regional Bull Sale and 4 H Boys' and Girls' Judging Competitions at Buffalo Days Exhibition.

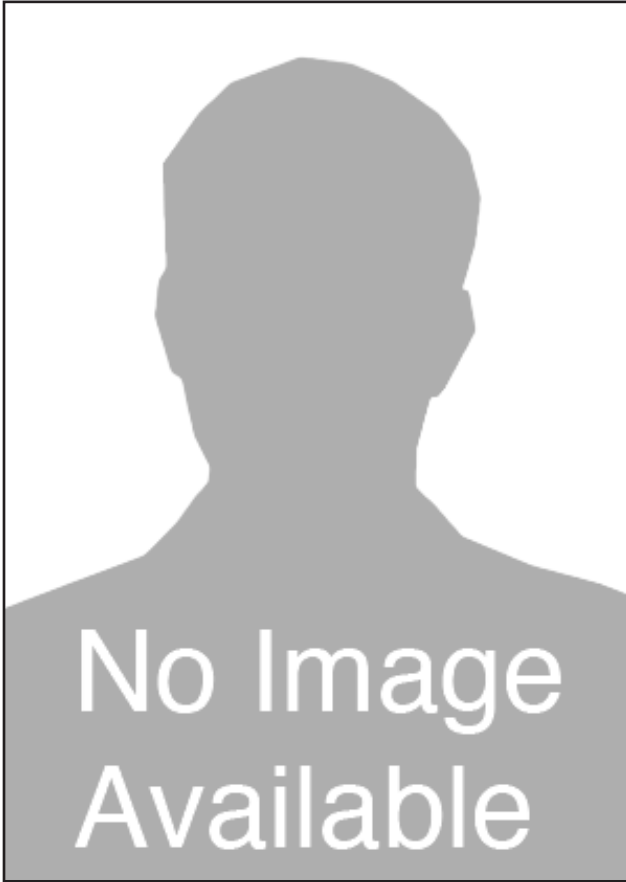
Sam's other accomplishments have included being a hockey coach from 1967 to 1979, acting as President of the Bulyea skating rink for two years, and coaching ball from 1967 to

1977. He was President and Secretary of a local Snowplow Club, served as church steward for a number of years, and is a member of the Masonic Lodge. Sam served on the Junior Activities Committee of Regina Exhibition. He is also a council member for the R.M. of Longlaketon.

The Small family was very supportive in all of Sam's activities in 4 H. The family always volunteered time to the local 4 H club in which all five children were members.

Nominated by District #37 4-H Council - 1990

# 1991 – Joseph Brown



Joseph (Joe) Brown was born September 8, 1933 in Turtleford, Saskatchewan. He was an active 4-H member and leader for more than twenty-five years.

Joe first became involved in 4-H when he joined the Mervin Baby Beef Club. He was a member for six years and then went to serve on as project and general leader in the Mervin 4-H Beef Club for twenty-two years.

As a 4-H leader, Joe believed there could be no losers in 4-H. The motto "Learn To Do By Doing" was his standard. Joe also believed that the only way to learn about raising a calf was to raise one and the only way to become a leader was to do things that developed leadership skills. Joe encouraged 4-H members to organize learning activities such as halter making and judging demonstrations and also to include social events such as card and skating parties. As members learned how to cooperate and organize, everyone, including their families, had lots of fun.

He carried these beliefs to the District #38 4-H Council. As president and vice-president of the Council, he helped organize district picnics and rallies so that 4-H members and their families from all over the district could meet and enjoy some

fellowship.

As a 4-H leader and a 4-H beef cattle judge, he firmly believed that "the kid at the front of the halter was more important than the steer at the other end". He tried to speak with each 4-H member upon entry to the show ring. While placings were inevitable, he would point out to members that what they had learned during the year and how much fun they had while learning was more important than a trophy.

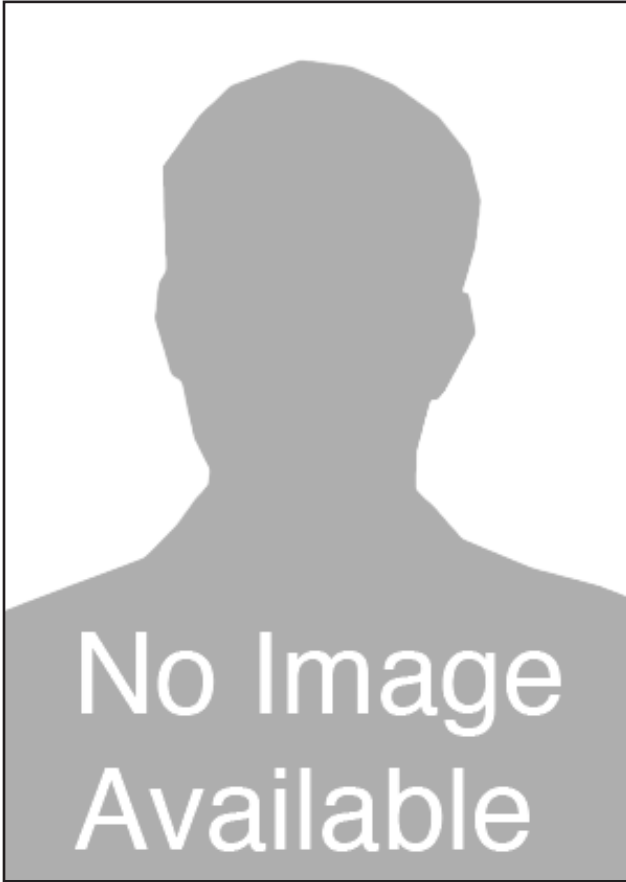
Joe believed a happy 4-H member was one who had the support of his or her family. As a child, his parents, Hedley and Kitty supported his 4-H involvement. In 1958 Joe married Elaine Baker and Elaine quickly joined Joe in 4-H activities. Their children, Juanita and Dean were both long-time members of the Mervin 4-H Beef Club.

In addition to 4-H, Joe had other community interests. An avid curler, he served on the executive of the Turtleford Curling Club. He was a member of the church board, a director and president of the Turtleford Agricultural Society, a Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee member and held memberships in the local recreation association, Saskatchewan Liberal Association and Saskatchewan Shorthorn Association. He also enjoyed playing baseball and fastball. Sharing this enjoyment with the young folk, Joe spent several years as a minor league coach and umpire.

Joe gave to 4-H a sincere belief in the organization. At both the club and district levels, he encouraged young members to "Learn To Do By Doing". All 4-H members were winners in his eyes.

Nominated by District #38 4-H Council – 1991

# 1991 – Lynn Biggart



Lynn Biggart was born on May 26, 1935 near Cut Knife, Saskatchewan.

Lynn was a member of the Wilbert Beef Club from 1945 to 1955. As a member, he held the positions of president, vice president and junior leader. He also was a winner of regional beef judging competitions for several years. In 1955, he won the Saskatchewan Beef Judging competition and was a member of the Saskatchewan 4 H team that won the National 4 H Beef Judging competition. Lynn also attended Provincial 4 H Selections for five years in his youth.

As an adult, Lynn was a general leader for twenty two years and acted as a beef project leader for two years.

Lynn helped organized the first District 4 H Council in Saskatchewan (District #30). When the boundaries changed, he helped organize District #35 4 H Council and served as president. As well, he was a district representative on the Saskatchewan 4 H Council for five years. He also helped organize district 4 H activities such as barbecues.

Before regional councils were formed, Lynn was instrumental in organizing regional competitions such as public speaking,

judging and curling in his area. Lynn also judged 4 H Public Speaking competitions at the district and regional levels.

As a representative to the Saskatchewan 4 H Council, Lynn sat on the Board of Directors for five years. He served as president of the Council from 1964 to 1966 during the construction of Rayner Centre, 4 H's camping and convention centre on the north shore of Lake Diefenbaker.

He was also a member of the Saskatchewan 4 H Foundation 100 Club and the Canadian 4 H Foundation 500 Club.

Lynn also held executive positions in numerous other organizations such as President of the Canadian Cattleman's Association and Chairman of the Board of Directors, Agriculture Credit Corporation of Saskatchewan. He judged numerous beef livestock shows, and was a resource person for judging and production workshops. Lynn judged at various student public speaking competitions. He hosted numerous provincial and international tour groups.

The Biggart family has been very involved in the 4 H program. Mary, his wife, has also been a leader for fifteen years. Their daughter, Laurie and Debbie, served in various positions at the club, district, regional and provincial levels. Lynn's family was always very supportive of him in his endeavours in the 4 H program.

Nominated by District #35 4 H Council - 1991



# 1991 – Bertha Masurat



Bertha (nee Werner) Masurat was born on May 8, 1921 in Springside, Saskatchewan. She married Emil Masurat in 1941 and later moved with her family to Yorkton where she now resides.

Bertha's first involvement with 4 H began as a 4 H mother in 1958 when her children were members of the Yorkton Dairy 4 H Club. In 1961, Springside formed a Community 4 H Club. When her children were members, she became a project leader. In 1972, the Masurat family moved to Yorkton where Bertha became a project leader in the Yorkton Creators 4 H Club. Bertha was a 4 H leader for thirty years and general leader from 1978 to 1988. She helped organize many club activities and later became a judge for numerous Achievement Days.

On the district level, Bertha is known for organizing committees to accomplish various tasks. She helped organize the District #12 4 H Camp for members who could not attend camps at Rayner Centre. Bertha was a very careful food shopper for camps where she was a cook and helper. Her car was always "on the go" driving 4-H curlers and public speakers.

Bertha also found time to be District #12 4 H Council's delegate to the Regional Council from 1976 to 1987. She served on the

Regional Council two years from 1977 to 1979 as secretary, seven years from 1981 to 1987 as treasurer. She served on the Camp Committee to help the Regional 4 H Specialist with summer and winter camps and auction sales.

Bertha was a delegate to the Provincial 4 H Council for fifteen years. She was a Board of Director's member for six years and a Saskatchewan 4 H Foundation trustee for one year.

Outside of the 4 H program, Bertha continues to be very active in her church, teaching Sunday school and singing in the choir. She has held several executive positions such as Secretary from 1982 to 1984, president from 1985 to 1987, and treasurer from 1989 to present in the Saskatchewan Baptist Women's Fellowship. Bertha acts as the Foods Manager at the Saskatchewan Baptist Camp. In her leisure, Bertha is an avid curler, as well, she crochets, knits and howls.

Bertha's family are loyal 4 H supporters. Whatever Bertha undertook, her family was there with "Oh, Mom! You can do it. We'll help wherever we can."

Bertha has given far more support to the 4 H program than any other activity.

Nominated by District #12 4-H Council - 1991

# 1992 – Andrew Caragata



Andrew Caragata was born on June 4, 1912 at Wood Mountain, Saskatchewan.

Andrew organized the Wood Mountain Baby Beef Club in 1947, which later became Wood Mountain 4 H Beef Club. He was general leader of this 4 H club for over twenty years. He started a halter making competition that later became part of the beef project. For about ten years, Andrew worked with the Agriculture Representative to organize summer camping trips. For some members, these camping trips were the significant part of their summer holidays.

Andrew joined the Agricultural Society in Assiniboia to help organize regional 4 H beef shows. In 1948, the Wood Mountain Baby Beef Club took part in the first regional show with up to ten other 4 H clubs. Andrew also assisted in setting up multiple 4 H clubs in the area. In the 1950's, Andrew met with other 4 H leaders to advise in the writing of 4 H beef manuals. In 1957, the Wood Mountain 4 H Club tied for fifth place in overall proficiency and had a display at Regina.

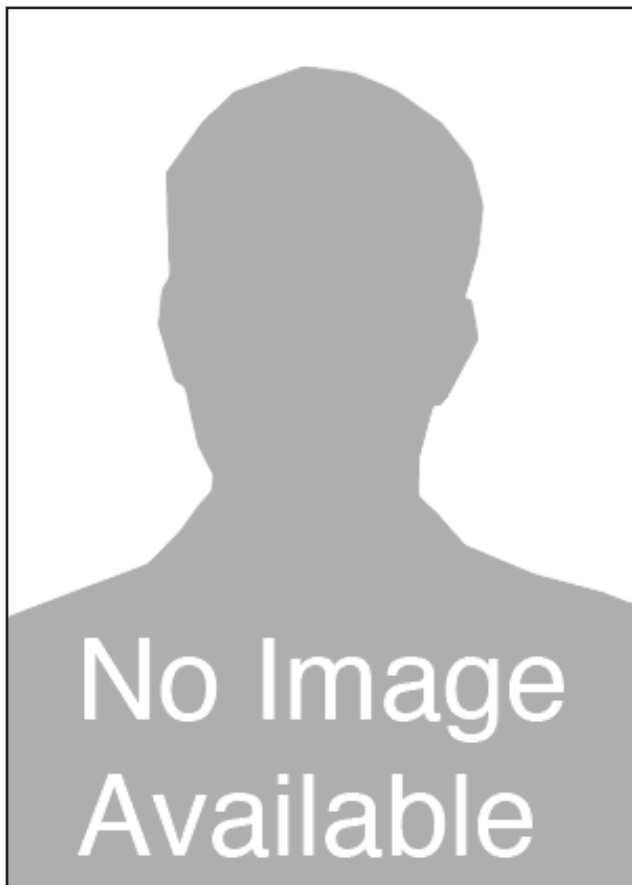
Andrew has supported 4 H for forty-three years, first as general leader, and later by helping other leaders and members. He still supports fundraisers and donates annual trophies for Achievement Days.

In 1967, Andrew became one of the founding members of the Wood Mountain Historical Society. He has been a director of the society for twenty years. Andrew was a charter member of the Wood Mountain Board of Trade, and served as president for fifteen years. In the 1940's, Andrew became a member of the newly formed Wood Mountain Recreation Club and served on the board for twenty-five years. He has been involved with the administration of the Wood Mountain Regional Park since its inception in 1962. Andrew served for approximately twenty years in the capacity of member of the park authority, chairman of the Regional Park Board and later as Park Manager. Between 1965 and 1977, he was a member of the Saskatchewan Regional Parks Association and served twice as chairman of the association.

Laura, Andrew's wife, always gave him support and donated many hours of work to the club. Andrew and Laura's sons took part in the 4 H club and now their children are in 4 H. A 4 H family indeed!

Nominated by District #3 4-H Council - 1992

# 1992 – Mary Elizabeth Elliott



Mary (nee Wisse) Elliott was born on July 11, 1927 in Rose-town, Saskatchewan and has lived near Elrose since 1945.

Mary was first involved in the Coteau Hills 4 H Beef Club as assistant leader from 1959 to 1961, with the Wartime Trail-riders 4 H Club from 1963 to 1965, and Elrose Hughton 4 H Horse Club from 1965 to 1968. Mary served as general leader, assistant general leader and project leader for the Elrose 4 H Multiple Club from 1969 to 1991. She has led a variety of projects such as light horse, clothing, crafts and crocheting. Mary helped organize an exchange trip to Eureka, Montana, judged many 4 H Achievement Days and has also held clinics for 4 H clubs.

Mary has been involved with the District #40 4 H Council since its beginning by being a representative and attending meetings of the District 4 H Council from 1968 to 1990. She has been the chairperson for the District #40 4-H Council and Key Leader for District Leader Workshops. Mary also chaperoned two exchange trips, one to Toronto in 1979 and Ottawa in 1987. She was also instrumental in starting the District Record Book Competition and Curling Funspiel.

Mary helped organize the first West Central Regional 4 H Council and was the chairperson from 1977 to 1980. She also represented the West Central Regional Council on the Saskatchewan 4 H Council from 1975 to 1983. Mary served on the Provincial Board of Directors and was liaison between the Saskatchewan Horse Federation and Provincial Council from 1984 to 1990. She helped organize the 60-Mile Trail Ride for the 4-H's 60th anniversary and worked as a resource leader with the 4 H Puzzle Program. She worked on the committee to set up new guidelines for 4 H light horse projects and shows.

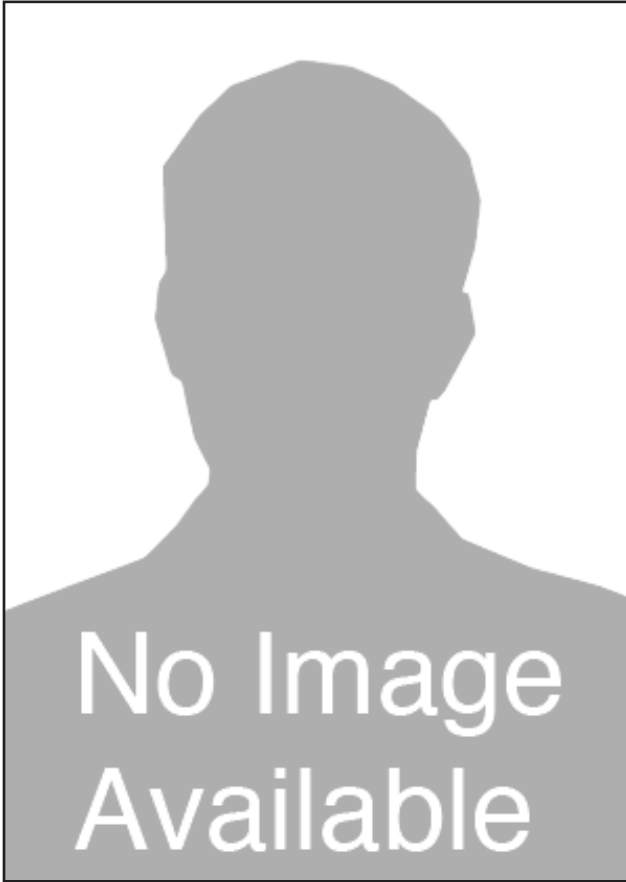
Mary served on the provincial committee setting guidelines for judging record books. She also acts as a resource person for judging clinics.

Outside of 4 H, Mary has completed a term as president of the Golden Years Lodge Auxiliary and is a regular member of the Elrose United Church choir.

The Elliott family has been very involved in the 4 H program. Alex, her husband, was also a general leader for five years. Their four children were 4 H members completing various projects. Mary's family has always been very supportive of her involvement in the 4 H program.

Nominated by District #40 4 H Council - 1992

# 1992 – Jim Grandfield



Jim Grandfield was born on April 4, 1923 at Nipawin, Saskatchewan.

Jim started his 4 H involvement with the White Fox 4 H Light Horse Club as assistant general leader from 1971 to 1980. Jim then became the general leader and a project leader of the Nipawin 4 H Multiple Club from 1980 to 1985. In 1986, Jim was also a project leader for the Nipawin 4 H Light Horse Club. As a fundraiser to start this club, he rode a wooden sawhorse for fifteen miles to raise \$400. Jim joined the Nipawin 4 H Homecraft Club as a woodworking leader from 1986 to 1991. He has donated trophies to the club and, as well, donated his services as a bus driver for tours and 4 H exchanges.

Jim was District #31 4 H Council President from 1976 to 1991 helping out on committees such as 4 H Public Speaking, 4 H Rallies and 4 H Curling. He served as representative from the District #31 4 H Council to the District #31 Agricultural Board. Jim has also compiled a history of 4 H in District #31.

He was president of the North East Regional 4 H Council from 1978 to 1980 and again from 1985 to 1988.

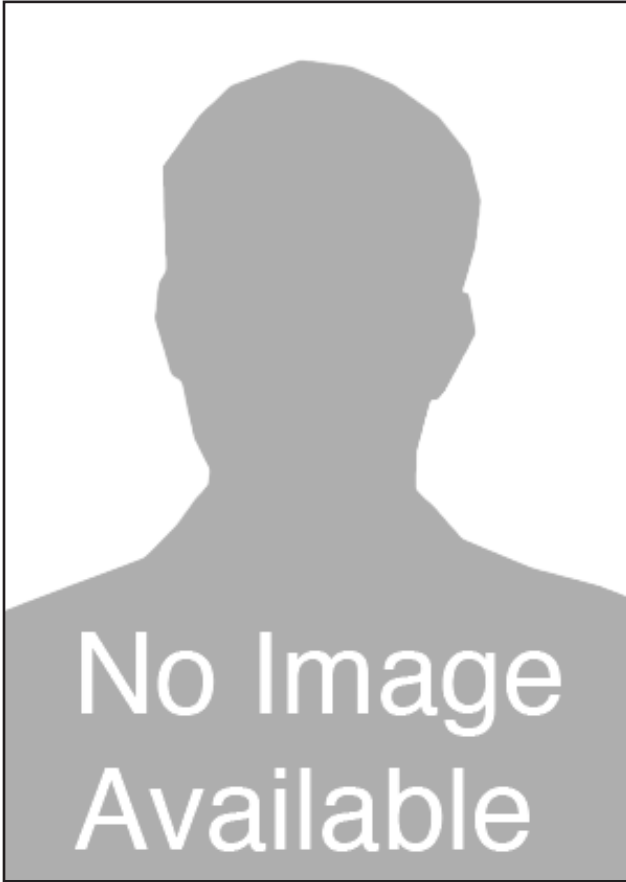
Jim was the delegate from District #31 4 H Council to the Saskatchewan 4 H Council from 1976 to 1991 with the exception of two years. In 1982/83, Jim was vice president and in 1984 served as president of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council. While he was vice president, Jim introduced a motion to the Saskatchewan 4 H Council to have regional winners from 4 H Public Speaking compete at the provincial level. As a result, the Provincial Communications Festival was initiated. While on the Provincial Council he offered to host Invitational Curling on behalf of District #31. This was the start of Provincial 4 H Curling. For three years, while serving on the Saskatchewan 4 H Council, Jim and Grace delivered a truckload of spruce trees to Rayner Centre and assisted in planting over 300 trees. Jim would bring his rope making machine to 4 H Family Camp at Rayner Centre where Jim taught members the art of rope making and crafted skipping ropes and halters.

In addition to being involved in 4 H, Jim was a member of the White Fox Legion for twenty-five years serving as president for sixteen years and deputy zone commander for two years. He served on the Air Cadets Civilian Committee and donated his services as bus driver for Air Cadet trips. He has served as Councilor and Chairperson for the Hamlet of Barrier Ford.

Jim has been driving school bus for the Nipawin School Unit for twenty years. He is said to have traveled more miles and seen more school gymnasiums than any bus driver in Saskatchewan. He is still very busy as a spare driver and spends many of his weekends driving students to sports events.

The Grandfield family has been involved in 4 H since 1971. Grace, Jim's wife, was involved as project leader. Their children, Garnet, Miles, Wendy and Bonnie, were 4 H members. Bonnie and Wendy both spent several years on the Saskatchewan 4 H Council. As the Grandfield grandchildren become involved in 4 H, it really is a family affair!

# 1993 – Doris Mae Kennett



Doris Mae (Nee Armitage) Kennett was born September 28, 1929 at Wauchope, Saskatchewan. After taking teacher's training at Moose Jaw and Saskatoon, she taught at Bellhouse School at Parkman, Percy School near Kisbey and Pickwell School near Wawota. In 1950, she married Ed Kennett and they lived on their farm south of Wawota. In 1991, Doris and Ed moved into Wawota.

Doris was introduced to 4 H as a member of the McAuley Homecraft Club. She later went on to be project leader and general leader of the Wawota 4 H Homecraft Club for fifteen years. Doris lead a variety of projects knitting, clothing, crafts, let's entertain, home decorating and 4 U.

Doris was a very capable and dedicated leader, emphasizing "Learn to do by doing".

Doris was active at the district and regional levels. She represented District #5 at Regional Council for five years. She represented the South East Region on the Saskatchewan 4 H Council and served two years on its board of directors.

She judged homecraft projects at numerous achievement days throughout the South East Region.

She was involved in attending leader workshops, chaperoning members to National Citizenship Conference, on an Open House Canada Exchange to New Brunswick, represented Saskatchewan 4-H at Alberta 4 H Conference in Red Deer and acted as leader at Provincial 4 H Selections.

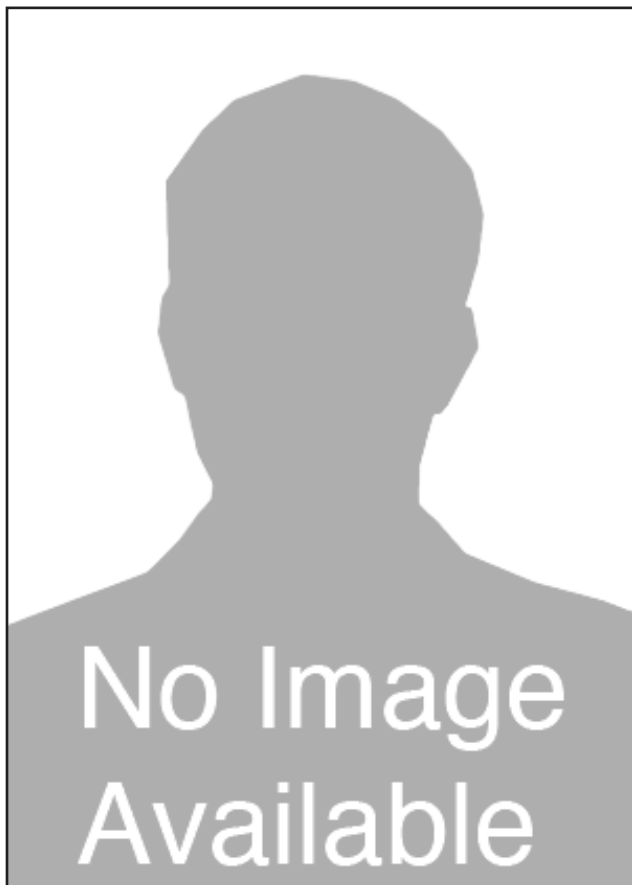
Doris did not spend all her time in 4 H work. She was an active member of the Saskatchewan Women's Institute, Music Festival Association, Legion Auxiliary, School Board, holding numerous executive positions. She likes to sew, knit, crochet, curl and golf.

The Kennett family have been very conscientious, dedicated members of the 4 H program. Ed has been a leader for thirty years. All four daughters have been involved. Both Kim and Kris were winners of Provincial 4 H Selections award trips.

Nominated by District #5 4 H Council - 1993



# 1993 – Henry Edmund “Ed” Kennett



Henry Edmund (Ed) Kennett was born July 2, 1925 at Vanguard, Saskatchewan. The eldest of five children, Ed joined the R.C.A.F. in 1943. Following his discharge in 1945, he started farming in the Parkman area. In 1950, he married Doris Armitage.

Ed first became involved in 4 H as a member of the Parkman Grain Club from 1938 to 1940. Upon his return from the war in 1945, he was a member as well as assistant general leader.

Ed served as general leader of the Parkman Grain Club for fifteen years. For thirteen years he was involved as general leader/assistant general leader and project leader of the Parkman 4 H Beef Club. Both clubs were active in interclub competitions as Ed always stressed 4 H involvement beyond the club level. In 1980, Ed received his 30-year leader award.

Ed was active on the District #5 4-H Council, serving as president. In 1949, Ed coached a group of boys from the Parkman Grain Club who represented Saskatchewan at the Toronto Royal Winter Fair Judging Competition.

In his years as general leader of the Parkman 4 H Beef Club, Ed would spend a lot of time preparing his club members for their

Regional Show at Alameda. He believed in interclub competition. Ed stressed member involvement beyond the club level. Rayner Centre was a camp, which he thought all members should be given the opportunity to attend. A former member describes Ed as a “doer” he was always planning, organizing, preparing members.

Ed has been involved in many community organizations and has served as director on many boards in the Parkman area. His interest in conservation has involved Ed in the Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation (he is a past president and habitat chairman) and the Canadian Wildlife Federation. In 1980, Ed received the Most Outstanding Conservationist Award for the province of Saskatchewan. Ed has been a member of the Wawota Legion for twenty-seven years, serving as president on two occasions. He is a sports enthusiast. He has participated in hockey, baseball, golf and curling.

The Kennett family has been very involved in the 4 H program. Ed’s wife, Doris, has been a leader for fifteen years and all four daughters were members of the Parkman 4 H Beef Club and Wawota 4 H Homecraft Club. Kim worked as Provincial 4 H Specialist for several years.

Ed stressed the human element and character building as well as the project aspect in his leadership of 4 H members. These members went on to become good community citizens, based on their 4 H experiences under Ed’s leadership.

Nominated by District #5 4 H Council - 1993

# 1993 – Louise Marie Mueller

Louise Marie Mueller was born June 30, 1931 at Englefield, Saskatchewan.

Louise first became involved with 4 H as a project leader in the Humboldt Multiple Club in 1966. She acted in various capacities as project leader, assistant general leader and general leader in this club for the next twenty years.

Her talents were varied as she was a leader of clothing, leathercraft, cross country skiing, crafts, crocheting, 4 U and cooking projects. Even though she is no longer a leader, Louise is still very active in the promotion of the club and district 4 H activities.

At the District #21 level, Louise was instrumental in organizing the first 4 H Marean Junior Camp at Marean Lake, July 1974. She promoted and organized member exchange trips to many different areas in Canada and the United States. Public speaking by members was encouraged.

She was always available as a coach or as a judge at club and district competitions. Louise acted as President of District #21 4-H council for seven years.



According to one leader, “She welcomed newcomers to meetings and made them comfortable at all times. Her friendly smile and sincere concern carried on through the meeting agenda, had everyone at ease and enjoying the meeting.”

Louise was a delegate to the North East Regional 4 H Council annual meeting and took part in a leader’s tour to the South West Region.

The Humboldt community benefits from Louise’s leadership capabilities in many areas - Cubs, Home and School Association, Wildlife Organization, Exhibition Association, Catholic Women’s League.

Louise and her late husband, Ralph, had nine children, all of whom were members of the Humboldt Multiple 4 H Club. Many of the children took part in exchange trips and 4 H camps. Their home hosted many visiting 4 H exchange members.

Nominated by District #21 4 H Council - 1993

# 1994 – James Russell Martin

James Russell Martin, a strong individual who supported 4-H 100%, was born in Unity, Saskatchewan January 11, 1935.

Jim started his 4 H career as a member of the Senlac 4 H Beef Club where he was a member for eleven years. He then moved on to serve as a 4 H leader and assistant leader for the Double R Beef and Horse Clubs.

Judging was another area in which Jim was very active. He started judging when he was eighteen. For over twenty years, Jim was involved in 4 H Achievement Days, 4 H Fat Stock Shows, Open Steer Shows, Open Classes for Light and Heavy Horses, Bull Shows and Breed Shows. He also did many district workshops on judging and showmanship.

It was common to see Jim as the MC or announcer at the Battleford Regional Show, or a guest speaker at various 4 H workshops. He was also the North West Regional Council Secretary/Treasurer from 1979 to 1984. He attended many Provincial 4-H Council meetings. He and his family printed the Regional Newsletter in their basement. Jim was well aware of the changes in the frame structure of cattle. “The Modern 4-H Steer” is a video, which he developed for members. Jim never turned down a request to do a clinic or workshop in order to help out



a 4 H member.

In 1955, Jim graduated from the University of Saskatchewan, School of Agriculture. In 1961, he graduated from the College of Agriculture, also at the University of Saskatchewan. Jim was very involved in agricultural programs. He worked with Saskatchewan Agriculture, The Canadian Hereford Digest and the Extension Department at the University of Saskatchewan, where he organized many 4-H functions. Through his employment with Saskatchewan Agriculture he developed Agric-Topic (a radio Broadcast). Script writing and television work were only a few of the activities he performed as a visually impaired Extension Worker.

Tributes to Jim include a recognition award from the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists in 1981 and the Citizen of the Year Award for the Battlefords in 1985. In 1986 he received a Distinguished Graduate Award in connection with the 75th Anniversary of the College of Agriculture and an Honorary Life Membership Award in the Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates Association.

The Martins were a strong 4-H family from Jim's parents to his own family. Jim received a great deal of support from his wife, Thelma, and his children. They hosted club meetings and attended many other 4-H functions. Jim encouraged his family to participate in all 4-H activities.

Jim had the special ability of making people feel good about themselves. Jim was especially gifted in working with young people and held 4-H very close to his heart.

Nominated by District #34 4-H Council – 1994

# 1995/96 – Ruth Evelyn Doreen Thoen



Ruth Evelyn Doreen (Hamilton) Thoen was born at Viscount, Saskatchewan on May 28, 1933. Ruth married Norman Thoen in 1951 and continued to make her home on a farm at Viscount where they raised their family of six girls.

Ruth's involvement with 4-H began in 1962 when she helped organize Morris Homecraft Club and later became a Clothing leader. In 1971, she became General Leader of the Viscount Multi Club and held this position until 1985. As recently as 1994/95, Ruth was leading a sewing project in the Meacham 4-H Club.

District activities were high on Ruth's priority list, representing her club at District meetings and events. Ruth held the position of District #22 4-H Council President and served as District Representative to the Provincial 4 H Council for 14 years. Ruth served on the organizing and constitutional committee to establish the West Central Regional Council and was also active at that level. Ruth was involved in numerous leader development programs within the province, both as a participant and a resource person. In 1976 she was one of two Saskatchewan 4 H leaders who traveled to Grenada in the West Indies to conduct Leadership Training Workshops.

In 1974, Ruth was elected to the executive of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council and served a two-year term as president in 1978 and 1979. During this time she was instrumental in negotiating with the Government for funding and support for 4-H. Ruth also served on the Board of the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation during the time of the Rayner Centre expansion. Ruth was Saskatchewan's Canadian 4-H Council representative for 12 years. During this time, she served on most committees and was the Chairperson of Extension and Finance. In 1983/84, Ruth became the first volunteer 4 H leader to become President of the Canadian 4 H Council.

In 1982, Century Saskatoon honoured Ruth for Excellent Service to Youth and Agriculture in the area. S.A.R.M. recognized Ruth in 1984 for her years of service and dedication to 4-H provincially and nationally. On December 10, 1984, an Award of Excellence in the Agri Food Industry was presented to Ruth in Ottawa at the 50th Anniversary of the Canadian Agricultural Outlook Conference. In 1992, she received the Canada 125 Medal from the Governor General of Canada in recognition of her service to 4-H and the community. Ruth's family was very supportive of 4-H. The Thoens have six daughters who were all involved in 4-H. They all spent time at Rayner as campers, counselors and resource people, and they all won trips through Provincial Selections. Ruth now has grandchildren who are 4-H members and some who have participated in camps at Rayner.

Ruth did not neglect her community and family while involved in 4-H. She was active in most community events: Home and School Association, Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, History Book, Figure Skating Club and Recreation Board. Ruth could be seen cheering from the sidelines at many school sporting activities. Ruth has also been active all her life with St. Paul's Anglican Church. Many of the leaders in Viscount 4 H Club today were 4 H members under Ruth's leadership. Ruth's wish is that some of her caring and feeling for the importance of the 4 H Program and the young people these leaders work with is being passed on through their leadership.

# 1995/96 – Doris Eileen Hall

Doris Eileen Hodgins was born at Mortlach, Saskatchewan on August 25, 1925. She married Gerald Hall in 1947 and they became parents to three children: Keith, Donna and Charlene.

In 1957, the Wheatlands 4 H Homecraft Club was formed with Doris as leader. Doris felt there was a need for a homecraft club and for the next twenty-five years the club thrived under her leadership. She was never at a loss for ideas for projects and events.

Doris encouraged members to participate in district, regional and provincial events. The club was well represented in curling, public speaking, square dance competitions, radio competitions and talent shows. Doris stressed to members the importance of keeping good records, preparing demonstrations, good organizational skills and community service.

Doris was not one to “do as I say” - she involved herself in all aspects of 4 H work. She served two terms as president of District #8 4 H Council, attended 4 H conferences and Home Craft Week and worked on committees to choose members for Selections and exchange trips.



Her involvement was not only with 4 H; she worked diligently for the betterment of her community. Doris worked to help raise funds for a new community skating rink, to assist families who had personal crises such as fire losses and worked with the Saskatchewan 4 H Foundation.

In 1977, Doris retired as general leader of her club, but continued as roject leader for another five years. Doris did not abandon 4 H as she still acts as a judge for Homecraft Achievement Days.

Throughout her years of 4 H work, she was strongly supported by her family. Her daughters were active in the homecraft club. Charlene was awarded a trip to Alberta and Donna to British Columbia. Her son Keith was a member of the beef and rifle clubs.

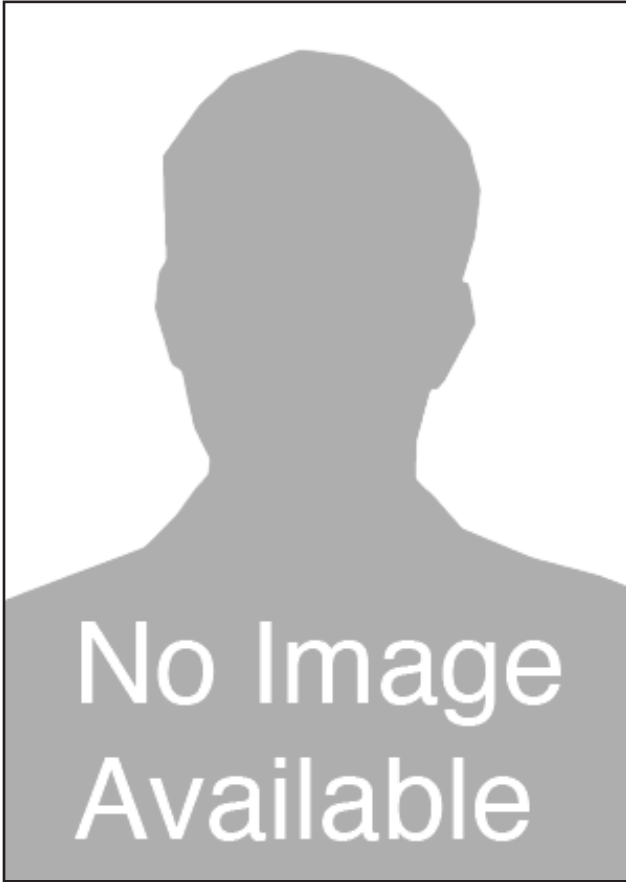
Doris continues to contribute to the welfare of her community by being involved in her church as a member of the Anglican Church Women; president of the Moose Jaw Deanery ACW, a member of the board of the Wheatlands Agriculture Society and secretary of the Seniors Recreational Planning Committee. Doris is a strong supporter of her community.

Truly, her ideas never run out, her energy never diminishes and her enthusiasm still touches everyone she meets.

Nominated by District #8 4 H Council – 1995/96



# 1995/96 – Sandra Alice Hinks



Sandra Alice Fricke was born at Fort San on February 20, 1948, one of three children. She married Melvin Reimer in 1967 and they had one son, Travis Jay Reimer. In 1970, Melvin passed away and Sandra later married Lloyd Hinks. They became the parents of twins, Tyler and Tamara.

Sandra became a 4 H member in 1961, a project leader in 1966, and general leader in 1970. She served on the District 4 H Council from 1973 to 1988, and was a 4 H judge for thirteen years. No task was too great for Sandra and this was just the beginning of a long association with Saskatchewan 4 H.

Sandra organized three Open House Canada trips as well as District Exchange trips. She worked on any and all committees for her club, district and region. She served on the executive of District #9 4 H Council with two terms as President and thirteen years as Secretary/Treasurer.

In 1982 she became the Regional Delegate to the Provincial 4-H Council where she was elected vice president in 1984 a position she held for two years. This was followed by her election as president of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council, also for a two-year term. While on the Council, Sandra was a part of many committees, one of which was instrumental in lobbying

the Provincial Government for enhancement of funding for the 4 H program.

While president of the Saskatchewan 4 H Council, Sandra saw the dissolution of Regional Councils and the first lobbying for improved funding from the Provincial Government. She gave generously of her time during these two years.

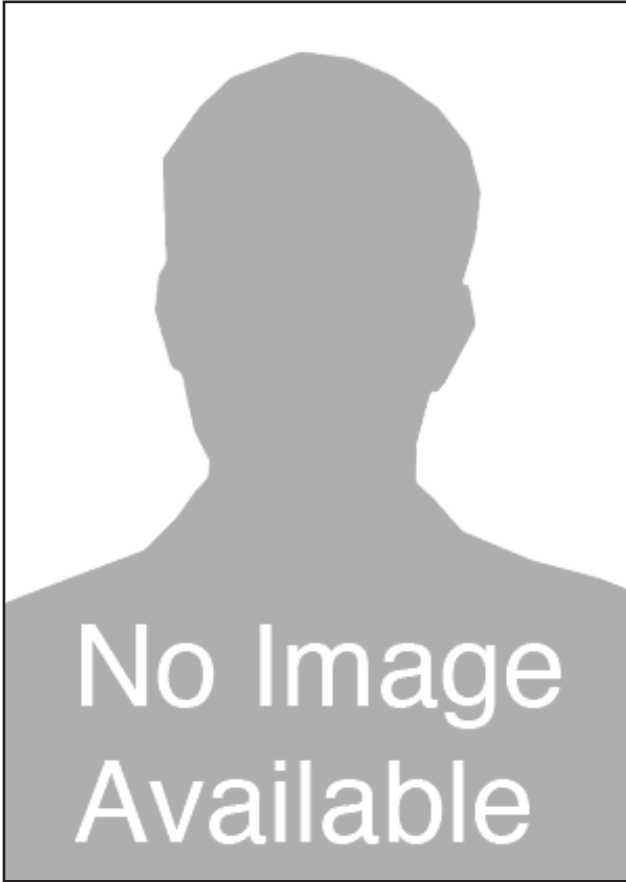
In 1985, Sandra attended the National 4 H Members Conference as part of the staff and a chaperone for the Saskatchewan delegates. In 1988, Sandra was Assistant Director for the National 4 H Members Conference and in 1989, she directed this conference the first volunteer 4 H leader to do so.

Sandra was also very active in her community in other endeavours: Swift Current Ag Society as both director and president, school activities, host for young people from the Canada World Youth Exchange, Rodeo Queen Committee, an active “hockey mom” and the Playground Committee of the Central School. In 1990, she was awarded the Swift Current Chamber of Commerce “Order of Merit” award for community service.

Sandra was not alone in her 4 H endeavours. Her husband, Lloyd, was a project leader and children Travis, Tammy and Tyler, were all 4 H members who participated in numerous projects and served on the executive of their 4 H club. With the whole family 4 H orientated, it made it much easier for Sandra to be involved at the provincial and national levels the family, were well aware of the importance of 4 H in their family life.

Nominated by District #9 4 H Council – 1995/96

# 1995/96 – Herbert William Wilson



Herbert William Wilson was born February 26, 1917 on the SW1 31 1 W3 in the R.M. of Lost River.

Herbert spent twenty-one years leading 4 H clubs, namely Wyandotte Beef and Wyandotte Multi. The clubs did well under his leadership. He recognized 4 H for what it is, an opportunity to grow and develop into a better person. To Herb, 4 H was and is a foundation in character building.

Herb recognized the value of 4 H as a community activity. The Wyandotte club was always noted for providing a “community approach” to events in the area. Because of this, parents, other community leaders and friends became involved. For the 25th anniversary of the Canadian 4 H Council, his club presented their thematic display “The Backbone of the Club is the Parents”. While he was a club leader, the club was one of the first who required members to complete a record book and display it at an Achievement Day a requirement which later became a provincial rule.

He helped organize the District #22 4-H Council and served as president in 1956 and 1959. Herbert also helped form the Saskatchewan 4 H Council, travelling a large portion of the province. He attended the founding organizational meeting

and was pleased the Council came into being. Eventually Herbert served a term as vice president and then became president.

Herbert was a member of the committee that chose the site for Rayner Centre. Several sites had been offered but were not suitable. Finally, after careful consideration, a site was chosen to be the home for the camp. Herbert also served on the committee to have a road built into the campsite. An engineer offered to do the design free gratis, an offer he jumped at! This was Resort Road No. 1.

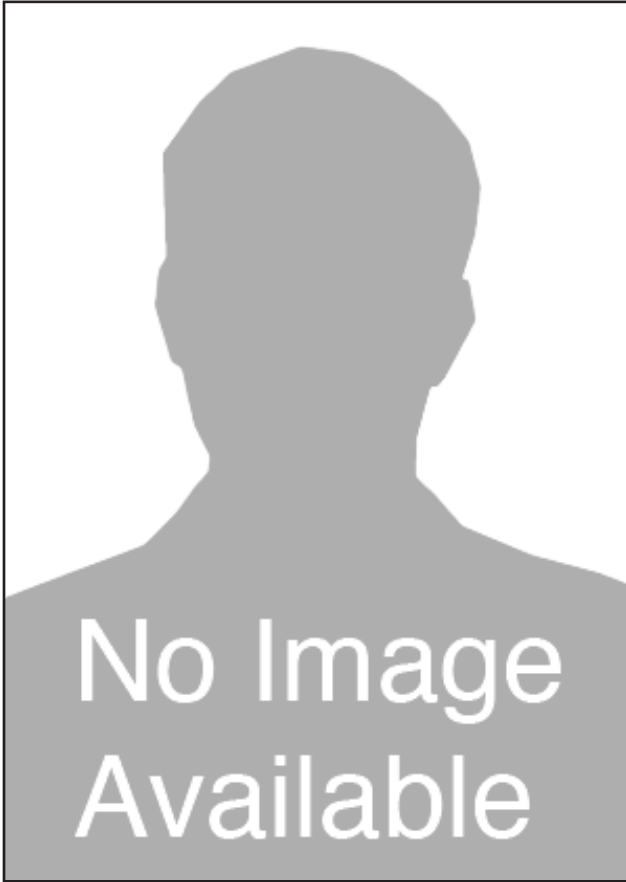
With the organization of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council and a site chosen for Camp Rayner, Herbert spent countless hours with Herb Clark, promoting the 4 H Council and cleaning up the Hitchcock Cabin area. Many miles and many hours were spent in laying the groundwork for the Saskatchewan 4 H Foundation and many hurdles were overcome. Herbert was also vocal in negotiations with government to establish an annual grant to 4 H.

Herb's family of three children, Dorothy, Carol and Dale, were all very active in 4 H. Support for his involvement was also very high on the family priority list.

Nominated by District #22 4 H Council – 1995/96

Herbert passed away peacefully during his sleep on February 11, 2004.

# 1997 – David Daniel Schick



David Daniel Schick was born on August 16, 1934 at Duff, Saskatchewan. He married Rose Bernhardt July 19, 1955 and they started farming at Bangor, Saskatchewan. Here they raised a family of eight children: Annette, Tim, Michelle, Greg, Brenda, Marilyn, Carol and Jackie.

David became involved in 4 H as a general leader of the Bangor 4 H Beef Club in 1970. The club later changed to a multiple club and David continued on for the next twenty-five years as project leader for beef and light horse. David spent many hours assisting members in calf training, trimming, and showmanship techniques. For light horse he spent many days riding with 4 H members, tracking their riding and handling skills.

The Bangor 4 H Club always held public speaking competitions and David put much effort into it during all these years.

David was very involved with the District #13 4 H Council for twenty years. He was president for seven years and treasurer for six years. He initiated and helped promote public speaking on the district level. David also looked after the district curling draws for many years. He was also involved with the district selection interviews on a number of occasions.

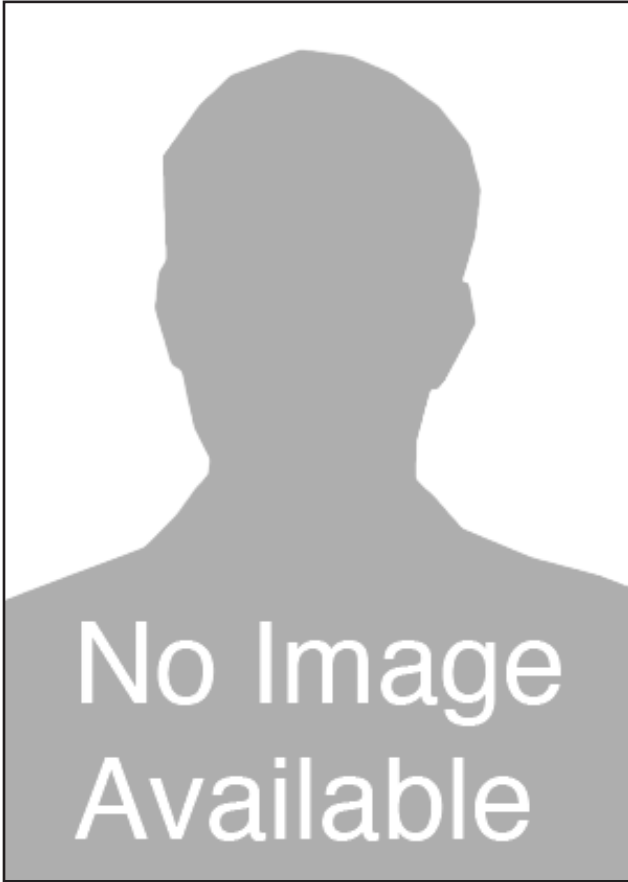
David also served on the Saskatchewan 4 H Council for many years, being active on many of the Council's committees. He was on the Steering Committee that worked to divide the province into six 4 H regions.

David was instrumental in organizing the East Central Regional 4 H Council. His involvement with this council spanned eleven years, serving seven of those years as president. He put much effort into organizing and promoting 4 H regional activities, especially public speaking.

David's family was always there to support him in his 4 H endeavours. Rose and the children were involved in 4 H, whether it was "in the kitchen" or working on projects or committees. Several of the children are now involved in their community as 4 H leaders.

Nominated by District #13 4 H Council - 1997

# 1997 – George Linch Robinson



George Linch Robinson was born September 21, 1914 at Maple Creek. He married Anna-Mae Dosman in 1942 and they have a family of four Peter, Lorraine, Pat and Tim.

George became involved in the Tompkins Beef Club as assistant leader in 1960. He also gave of his time to the Tompkins Woodworking Club, Prairie Sky Multi, Tompkins Light Horse and Benchview Multi, serving as a general and project leader.

Although George did not hold executive positions within the district, he was a very active supporter of District #10 activities. He served on the Provincial Camp Committee from 1958 to 1971.

George's most important contribution to the 4 H program was "building boys". His devoted leadership was not only in the shop, but also in taking members fishing, camping and to other activities. The evidence of this dedicated leadership can be seen all through the community as his "boys", now young adults continue as community leaders. Brian Wolfater, who came through George's woodworking club, was the first 4 H member to be on the Provincial 4 H Council.

As a master carpenter, George was very involved in the construction of the main building at Rayner Centre. He spent countless hours and days using his expertise to make the building durable and functional. He continued to spend time at Rayner completing repairs to the Church and Hitchcock's Cabin. The mahogany show cases used to display the artifacts from Hitchcock's Cabin were built and donated by George.

George's wife Anna Mae and his four children were as dedicated to all his activities. The children were involved in 4 H. Anna Mae's kitchen supplied an endless stream of home baking providing a refuge from the sometimes chaotic shop. She gave a sympathetic ear when needed and guidance when a record book proved to be too much. George was a farmer and rancher who worked tirelessly for his family, 4 H, community, Church, and Legion.

Nominated by District #10 4 H Council - 1997

# 1997 – Alexander “Bob” Logan

Alexander (Bob) Logan was born April 23, 1916 on the NE 20 3 0 09 W2. He married Laura and they had a family of six Maureen, Laura, Thelma, Evelyn, Rhoda and Robert.

Bob was a leader of the Sheho Potato Club for the first year of its existence, then continued as assistant leader with the Sheho Grain Club and became general leader of the Sheho Beef Club. Beef was of great interest to him and all six of his children became members of the Sheho Beef Club, as did several of his grandchildren.

It is said that his enthusiastic leadership had a profound effect on club members. His straightforwardness motivated members to become keenly interested and highly competitive in club duties and activities. As a result of his encouragement, many youth attended farm camps, Provincial Selections, won national awards and went on to become 4 H and community leaders themselves. As a parent he set an extremely high standard of excellence for his children to follow. His commitment to the merits of the 4 H program were mirrored in each of his children as they too have gone on to become 4 H and community leaders.



Public speaking was a very high program priority, which was encouraged and promoted by Bob. The result was a very high level of participation by members in Regional Public Speaking Competitions. Bob was president, vice president, leader representative and on the Board of Directors in District #12 4-H Council prior to boundary changes. Later he served as vice president and leader representative to Regional 4-H Council for District #19. The Bob and Laura Logan family won the Farm Family Award in 1980.

In 1963 Bob and Laura hosted a 4 H exchange student from Nova Scotia. Bob was one of the people who worked hard to establish 4 H in the Sheho area. It is felt that the strong force he was at the local level and his work with youth in keeping the interest in 4 H strong and growing in the community is a great contribution to the “grass roots” of 4 H. Bob also was instrumental in getting the 4 H Regional Show and Sale concurrent with the Yorkton Fair.

The support of his wife and family enabled Bob to spend time with 4 H and with other organizations. He served as trustee of Dunrobin School for twenty-three years; chairman of Whitesand Community Pasture for nine years; Saskatchewan Wheat Pool committee member for twelve years; Director of the Silver Lake Telephone Company for fifteen years; Sheho Recreation Board for ten years. Bob also was involved in the District Agriculture Committees, Dunrobin School Sports Club, telephone repairman and worked hard for a covered ice arena in Sheho. He was also on the Master Farm Family Committee.

Bob was a 4 H leader who led by example and commitment. He asked very little for himself yet offered and gave so much not only to his own family but to all the 4 H members who were under his guidance during his many years of service to the 4 H organization.

Nominated by District #19 4 H Council - 1997



# 1998 – Harris Klenberg Clarke



Klenberg Clarke was born in the Spy Hill area of Saskatchewan on February 7, 1937. His early experience as a 4 H member with the Binscarth Beef Club led him to a life long commitment to the 4 H program and a very active interest in agriculture.

Klenberg attended Agriculture School in Brandon after high school. Upon completion he sought off farm income in order to pursue his dreams. Klenberg's dreams for the future included building a foundation for a herd of Angus cattle. He started this dream at the age of sixteen, and today his wife Eva, daughter Joanne and son Lloyd maintain an impressive Angus herd. Klenberg's other dreams included owning his own farm and raising a family. He not only accomplished his dream of owning a farm, but also raised a family, with his wife Eva, of four daughters and one son: Joanne, Jackie, Lynn, Karen and Lloyd.

As the first of Klenberg and Eva's children reached the age to become 4 H members, there was no doubt as to what route they would follow. Klenberg was the 4 H leader with the 4 H Multiple Club in Tantallon where he encouraged members to have fun while they learned. The club thrived under Klenberg's leadership and grew to a membership of eighty, at which point it split into two clubs. During his thirteen years in Tantallon, Klenberg also served on the District #13 4 H Council for nine

years, as President and VicePresident for many of those years. He was also involved in organizing the Langenburg Regional 4 H Fat Stock Show and Sale.

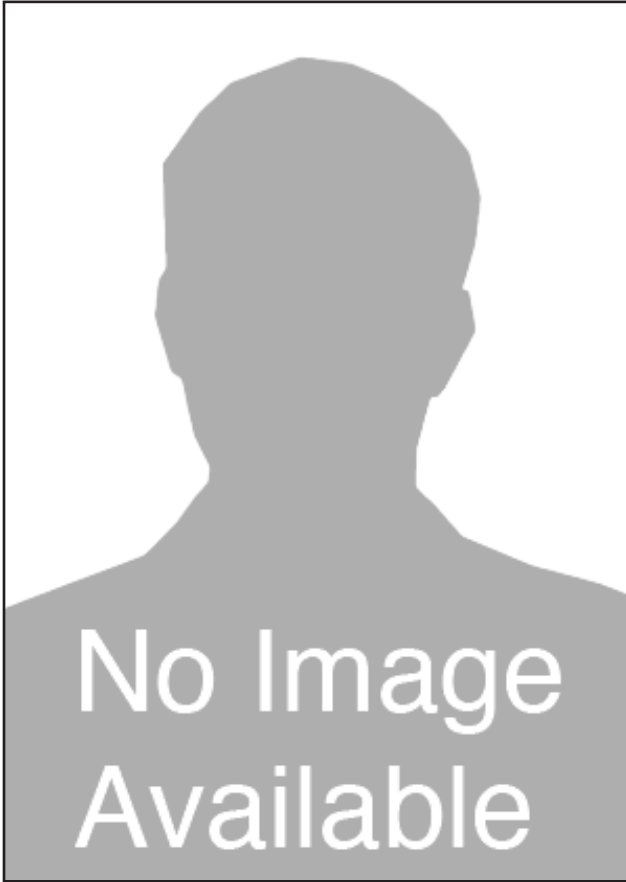
As a leader, Klenberg stressed that the members should do showmanship and grooming and winning inter club competitions was something that showcased both the individual and club accomplishments. He believed that there were all kinds of opportunities available, that you had to go after them and not expect to have things handed to you. Klenberg was always willing to open a door along the way if he could. He was instrumental in organizing Open House Canada exchanges for the district. He also firmly believed that public speaking was an important part of 4 H and that everyone should participate.

His family supported Klenberg in all his endeavours and in turn he supported their efforts, encouraging them in all they did. His family was involved in Provincial 4 H Selections, 4 H camps, Provincial 4 H Judging Teams and Open House Canada exchanges. Klenberg was considered a congenial, sociable man, whose friendly personality made him approachable and easy to talk to. His dedication to the 4 H program, combined with strong family values, made him a respected 4 H leader. In his own special way, he was able to provide opportunities for 4 H club members, which have helped them to become productive members of society.

Klenberg passed away on October 1, 1993. If he was alive today, he would be very proud of the fact that another generation carries on the 4 H tradition - his daughters and son in laws as 4 H leaders and his grandchildren as active 4 H members.

Nominated posthumously by District #13 4 H Council - 1998

# 1998 – Verna Elveen (Scott) Hornseth



Verna Scott was born June 2, 1921 in Regina to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scott. She grew up in the Carlyle district and in 1929 moved to Nipawin. She married Clifford Hornseth on November 24, 1942. They had two daughters, Audrey and Myrna, and two sons, Wayne and Leonard.

Verna was the original General Leader of the Nipawin 4 H Homecraft Club and was a leader from 1961 until her untimely death in 1976. Through her leadership, this club expanded from nineteen members in 1974 to forty-eight members in 1975/76.

Verna was a club representative from the Nipawin 4 H Homecraft Club to District #31 4 H Council from 1973 to 1976. She was Committee Chairperson hosting South West Regional Leaders in 1975. She was also a District #31 4 H Council delegate to the North East Regional 4 H Council. She acted as a judge at 4 H Achievement Days and fairs and was secretary to the Saskatchewan 4 H Council in 1974.

Verna served as a project leader with the Nipawin Codette Buttons and Bows Club. When enough members from Nipawin were involved she started the Nipawin Pins and Needles Club. Verna was also involved with her older children, in the Codette Beef Club.

Verna was very active in district committees, lending a hand to help organize workshops, rallies, tours, curling and public speaking. She devoted many hours of work into promoting 4 H in her club, district, region and province.

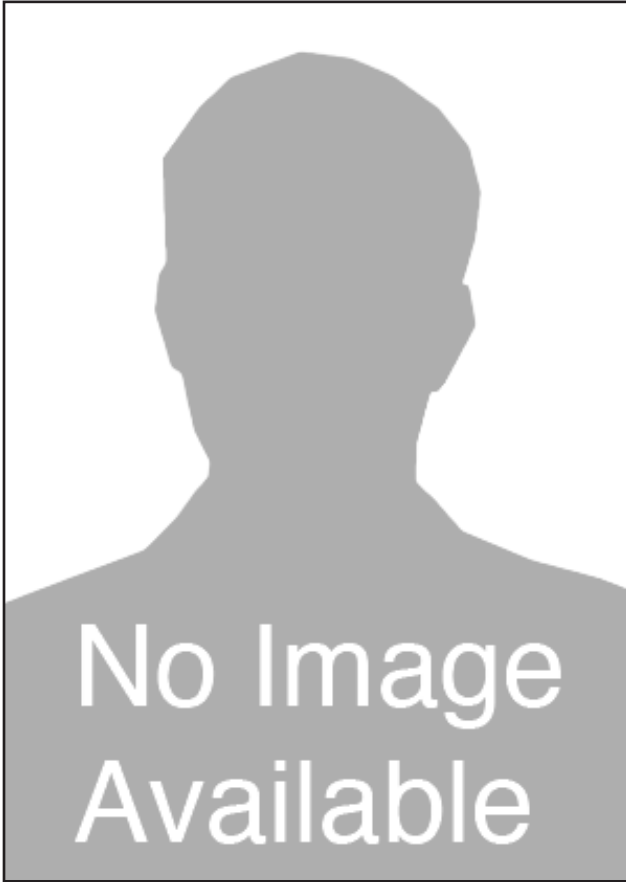
Besides her involvement with 4 H, Verna found time to volunteer for many community organizations. She was a Sunday school teacher, secretary of Nipawin Air Cadets Squadron #190, a representative on District #31 Agricultural Board, judge of the Master Farm Family Award, Director of the Nipawin and District Agriculture Society and an executive with the Moose Plains Homemakers Club (later to be known as the Women's Institute), where she was awarded a lifetime membership.

The Nipawin 4 H Homecraft Club initiated the Verna Hornseth Memorial Award, which is given annually to the outstanding 4 H member in the club. This award recognized Verna's contribution to the 4 H program.

Verna was a friendly person who was always ready to lend a helping hand to make her community a better place to live. Her drive and enthusiasm was an inspiration to all.

Nominated posthumously by: District #31 4 H Council - 1998

# 1998 – Joan Marilyn Rutledge



Joan Marilyn Armstrong was born in Gainsborough, Saskatchewan on September 21, 1937. She married Leonard James Rutledge in 1956. They became parents of two children: son James (Karen) Rutledge and daughter Nancy (Murray) Turton.

Joan first became involved in 4-H in 1970 as a leader with the Gainsborough Border Corner. She was a project leader for twenty-three years and was General Leader of the Carievale Multiple Club from 1974 to 1993. She led a variety of projects including Clothing, Photography, Outdoor Cooking, Woodworking, Babysitting, Foods and Exploring 4-H. In 1990 Joan received her twenty-year award as a 4-H leader. No matter what project a member was interested in, Joan either found a leader (which can be difficult in a small community) or taught the project herself. Joan was instrumental in starting up the 4-H Beef Club after not having one for many years.

Joan was involved with District #41 4-H Council as President from 1980 to 1982 and from 1990 to 1993. She was secretary from 1987 to 1990 and served as District Representative to the Regional 4-H Council in 1984 until the end of Regional 4-H Councils. She served on a variety of committees at the district level including Rally Bowling, Curling and Winter Camps. She escorted 4-H members to Wisconsin in 1984. Her most recent

4-H district involvement was to help set up the Olive Goldsmith Memoriam Scholarship.

Joan's involvement in the 4-H program did not stop at the district level. She was the South East Regional President from 1987 until Regional 4-H Councils were dissolved. She represented the 4-H District and 4-H Region at the provincial level from 1984 to 1992. Joan was President of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council from March 1988 until November 1989. She served on various committees at the provincial level and was a provincial council representative to the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation. She was a member of the Junior Citizen Selections Committee for several years and is currently a member of Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation's Patrons Club.

Joan helped start many district events for members. She became a district key leader and held workshops to help other leaders. She now judges 4-H Achievement Days and gives members suggestions on how to improve. Besides her involvement in 4-H, Joan is also very involved in her community. She belongs to the Local Hall Board, and the community ladies group. She also enjoys calling Bingo.

Joan is always ready and willing to help out in her community in any way she can.

A co-leader of Joan's wrote the following:

Joan's HEAD was always thinking of ways to make 4-H fun and enjoyable.

Joan's HEART was loyal to 4-H, its leaders and members.

Joan's HANDS are always ready to serve.

Our club, community and country are HEALTHY having known and worked with Joan.

Nominated by District #41 4-H Council - 1998

# 1999 – Harry-Jae Elder



Harry-Jae Elder was born a twin on August 9, 1931 at Eldergrove Farm near Fillmore, Saskatchewan. He was raised on the family farm and lived his entire life there until his untimely death on January 16, 1998.

Harry-Jae attended the School of Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan, and graduated in 1952. He then returned home to the family farm. He raised grain, cattle, pigs and sheep. Family farm traditions were very important to him and he was a founding member of the Family Farm Foundation in 1984. For twenty years Harry-Jae served youth in 4-H. From 1954 to 1974 he was a grain project leader and general leader of the Fillmore 4-H Club. As a leader, he insisted that members learn to make a valuable contribution to their community, so it was never a surprise to have him offer the club's services – to shingle a barn or help with Christmas decorations for Main Street in Fillmore.

He served as District #7 4-H Council Vice-President from 1961 to 1962 and as President from 1963 to 1965. He founded an International 4-H Exchange Program, which was held between Page County, Iowa and the Weyburn 4-H District in July 1959. It was the first of many such exchanges for both areas. Harry-Jae's involvement in 4-H did not stop at the district level. He served on the Provincial 4-H

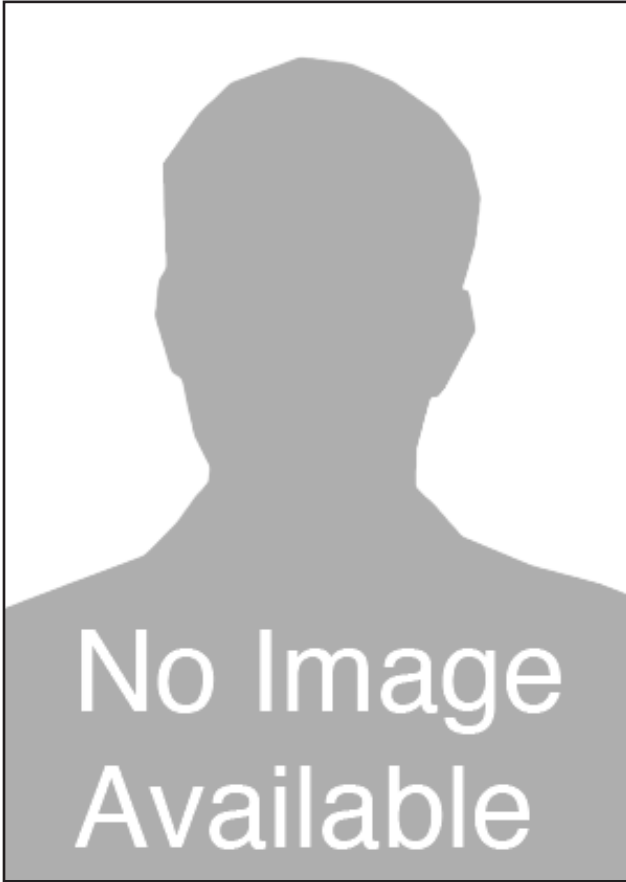
Council from 1963 to 1968. He was Secretary/Treasurer from 1964 to 1968. He was one of the founders of the 4-H Foundation and remained a Director Trustee of the Foundation as they raised money for Camp Rayner, which was constructed and opened during his years on Council. Harry-Jae dedicated a great part of his life to the challenge of teaching youngsters to question and think for themselves. His many years spent in 4-H at the local and provincial levels were centered on opening the eyes and minds of members rather than a narrow emphasis on a project or on individual competition.

Through Harry-Jae's exchange trip program, 4-H members broadened their horizons and knowledge of another country and culture. It also provided him with the opportunity to meet his future bride, Donnett Morrow, who had been a chaperone from Page County, Iowa on the first exchange trip to Canada. They were married December 3, 1960 in College Springs, Iowa. They have five children, Renae (Jeff) Grubb, Janell, Joel (Nicole), Randa-Rae and Jonathan (both adopted from South Korea). They have four grandchildren.

Besides his 4-H involvement, Harry-Jae was dedicated to his local United Church. He served on the Fillmore School Board for twenty years, was a Saskatchewan Wheat Pool committee member for equally as long, founded the Young Farmers Club in Fillmore, served as a charter member of the National Farmers Union, was Chairman of both the Saskatchewan Hog Commission and Beef Stabilization Board, was President of the Canadian Pork Council, was elected representative to the Senior Grains Transportation Commission, Director on the National Pig Development Board and was the 1986 New Democratic Party candidate for Weyburn. He was chairman of the committee that raised \$350,000 for the J.C. Douglas Calvary Centre for the Performing Arts Restoration in Weyburn. Harry-Jae was a down-to-earth farmer who loved the lifestyle and challenges of farming. He always encouraged the pursuit of knowledge through practical experience. He was a man of vision who respected the past. He felt that to build a better tomorrow we must learn from yesterday's successes and failures.

Nominated posthumously by the Saskatchewan 4-H Council – 1999

# 1999 – Maralyn Joy Wintersgill



Maralyn Joy (McDougall) was born in 1945 at Craik, Saskatchewan. She was an active member of the Aylesbury Homecraft Club from 1955 to 1964. In 1966 she married Charles Edward Wintersgill and they took up residence in Baljennie, Saskatchewan. Charles and Maralyn had three children, Richard, Lorena and Melvin.

Maralyn became a 4-H Leader in 1979 when she helped organize the Baljennie Multiple 4-H Club. She served as General Leader for ten years. Some of the projects she has led are: ceramics, sewing, beef, woodworking and grain. Maralyn is a woman of many talents and great organizational skills. She designed a 4-H club pin and crest. She is great at keeping her members well informed of 4-H opportunities beyond her club level and encourages members to participate in order to advance their skills and abilities.

Maralyn served as District #34 4-H Council President for six years. When Maralyn organizes meetings, she ensures they include swimming, bowling and other interesting activities such as a Christmas potluck supper to encourage more members to attend. She helped organize District Judging Clinics and Public Speaking and also helped organize the Mount Hope 4-H Club in 1995. She has led many workshops in the district and region

on record books and assisted Regional 4-H Specialists with programs in the district. As Maralyn would say "That is the privilege of being the dinosaur of the area." In 1995 she started the Extra Mile Leaders Award to let leaders know their efforts are recognized and appreciated beyond the club level.

Maralyn's love for the 4-H movement could be seen as she branched beyond her club and district. She helped organize the North West Regional Multiple Project Judging Clinic in Saskatoon in 1994. She could also be seen at Regional Public Speaking and usually had a helping hand in workshops across the North West. She was a key leader for seven years and put on many coffee house workshops. She helped staff the 4-H Selections Program for five years from 1987 to 1991 at Rayner Centre. In 1992 she helped organize the 75th anniversary celebration and family camp at Rayner Centre. She was Chairperson of the 4-H Regional Multiple Show for eleven years from 1986 to 1997. Maralyn attended Annual General Meetings of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council for many years as both a district delegate and interested visitor.

Maralyn is a great ambassador and promoter of 4-H. She has ensured the celebration of National 4-H Week by organizing displays in malls. She has enjoyed helping with numerous parades and displays over the past eighteen years in the Battleford area. She also attended National Leaders Conference in 1986, Canadian Council AGM in 1987 and National Forum at Rayner in 1986.

Besides 4-H, Maralyn takes an active role in the Battleford United Church. She has taught Sunday school for seventeen years and has been the Sunday school Superintendent for ten years. Maralyn inspires those around her with her dedication to her community and 4-H, and her abounding 4-H spirit.

Nominated by District #34 4-H Council - 1999



# 2000 – Shirley Felton



Shirley Salisbury was born April 5, 1929, in Mullingar, Saskatchewan. She moved to Semans and married Fred Felton and together they raised a family of four; Tom (Janice) Felton, Terry (Patricia) Felton, Deborah Felton, and Bonita (Claude) Masse and ten grandchildren. Shirley's whole family has been involved in 4-H over the years – Bonita was the 4-H Northeast Regional Specialist, Janice a 20(+) year leader, and three grandchildren who have been active at all levels of the program.

Shirley has been a General Leader with the Semans 4-H Multiple Club for 32 years. As a Project Leader, she has guided 4-H members in Exploring 4-H, Cooking, Crafts, Let's Entertain, Teen Power, Junior Leader, and CloverBuds. She kept the Semans 4-H Club busy as she organized the annual Strawberry Tea, Family Curling, Senior Suppers, Meals on Wheels, Bingos, Fashion Shows, Public Speaking events, Club Parties, and Achievement Days.

Under Shirley's direction, the Semans Club successfully hosted the District #37 Rally, Public Speaking, and Curling events as well as the South East Regional Curling. She was also instrumental in the production of two 4-H Club cookbooks, which were both special fundraising projects for the club.

Shirley has been an active member of the District #37 4-H Council since its formation in 1980. She assisted with the creation of a District constitution, which outlined a variety of District events and programs, many of which are still enjoyed by today's 4-H members. She has served two terms as District President, worked with a variety of District committees, chaperoned District Exchanges, and judged a number of Achievement Days in the surrounding areas.

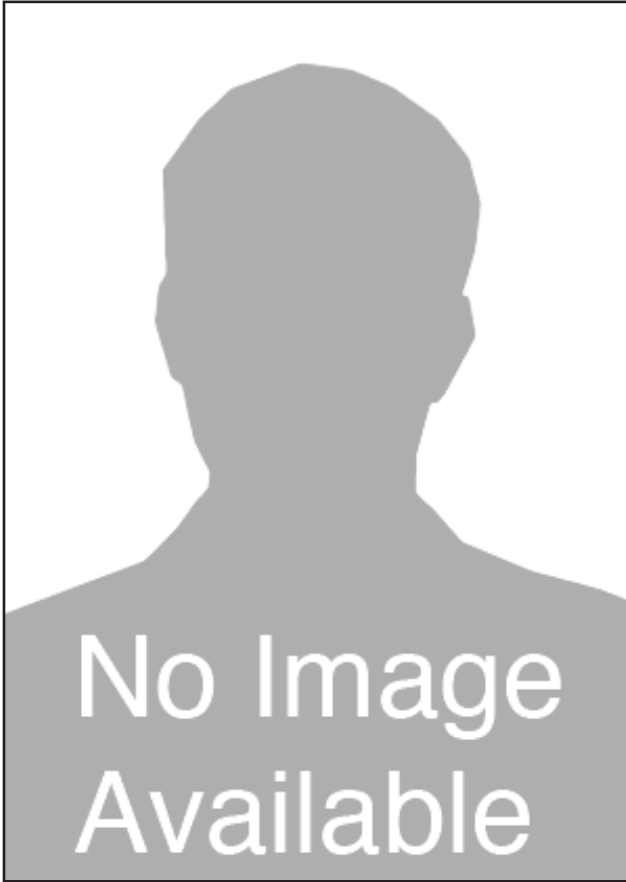
Shirley has represented the District at many Annual Meetings of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council, and has been a regional Leader Representative to the Board of Directors. Shirley has worked on committees such as: Hall of Fame, Scholarships and Awards, Family Camp, and Constitution Revision. Shirley has attended the Manitoba Leader's Conference, the National 4-H Leader's Conference in Toronto, and she has chaperoned Saskatchewan 4-H delegates to the National Member's Conference. The Felton family has hosted Inter-provincial Exchange Delegates in their home three times.

Besides her involvement in 4-H, Shirley is an active community member, and in 1992 received the Last Touch Volunteer Award. She is President of the Royal Canadian Legion Auxiliary, Treasurer for both the Semans Recreation Centre and Cemetery Committee, and a member of the Library Board and Curling Club.

"Working for three decades with a diversity of members and leaders requires a very unique personality – a patient, humble, understanding, generous, and talented leader, and we in Semans are very fortunate to have Shirley Felton filling these shoes and proudly displaying our 4-H Green and White."

Nominated by District #37 4-H Council - 1999

# 2000 – Darlene Hoffer



Darlene (Hoffer) was born on March 28, 1944 in Maple Creek, Saskatchewan. She married Melvin in 1965 and they lived in Saskatoon for 5 years while Mel completed his Veterinary Medicine Degree. In 1970 they moved to the farm in Maple Creek where they raised four children; Gena (Trent) Dixon, Jackie Hoffer, Devin (Michelle) Hoffer, and Bobbi Lynn (Gene) Lundquist.

In 1982 when Gena was old enough to join 4-H, mom Darlene volunteered as a leader and together the family jumped right into the 4-H spirit! Darlene has led 4-H members in Beef, Light Horse, Craft, Let's Entertain, Exploring 4-H, Let's Get Fit, and Clothing Projects. She served as General Leader of the Maple Creek Club for 11 years, encouraging members in their projects and to participate in 4-H activities at all levels. Darlene thoroughly enjoys the enthusiasm the younger 4-H members bring to the club and views these members as the future of the 4-H program. She is still very active as Project Leader for Beef and also Leader of the CloverBuds, which she thoroughly enjoys.

Darlene has represented the Maple Creek Club at District Council meetings since 1982. She served two years as President, two years as Treasurer, and many years as Secretary. She

has chaperoned a Connections Canada Exchange to Ontario, and Saskatchewan delegates to National Members Conference in Toronto.

Darlene served on the 4-H Regional Fair Board for 14 years, retiring as President in 1999. Darlene was so convinced of the benefits of this event that when its future was uncertain because of lack of funding, she personally loaned the money required to keep the event alive in the Region. Although it has undergone changes over the years from an event involving a variety of projects to the present Light Horse and Beef Show & Sale, its history and Darlene's involvement have given it a strong foundation.

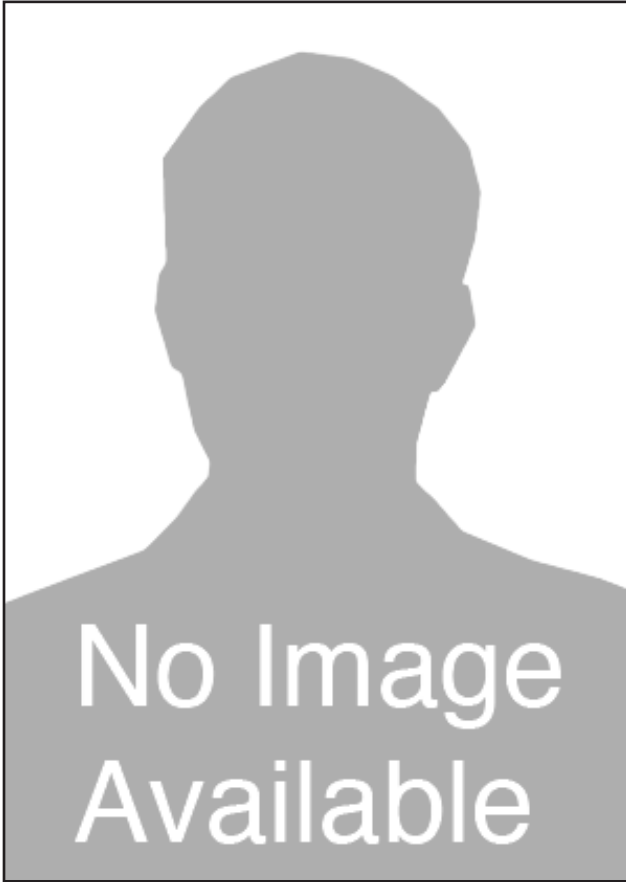
Darlene has organized several 4-H trips to Agribition in Regina and to Spruce Meadows in Calgary.

Darlene has also been active in her community as the local Brownie and Guide Leader, figure skating coach and judge, member of the "Twenty One Club", and the Horticulture Board.

Darlene has a "strong sense of fairness that has played a vital role in bringing together the members, leaders, parents, and families of the Maple Creek Multiple 4-H Club to develop an atmosphere that promotes a cooperative spirit. Through commitment such as Darlene's, her local club and the Saskatchewan 4-H Program continue to be an essential part of her community."

Nominated by District #10 4-H Council - 1999

# 2001 – Hugh Bullerwell



Hugh Murray Bullerwell was born 16 March 1951 in Cut Knife, Saskatchewan. Hugh was a 4-H member for eight years with the Wilbert 4-H Club and participated in steer, heifer, and feed lot projects. He was chosen to attend Western Seminar at Camp Rayner in 1970. In 1971 he married Marlene McCrea. Hugh and Marlene farm on his family's farm near Cut Knife. They have three sons: Travis Bullerwell, Chad Bullerwell, and Kurt Bullerwell. They also have one granddaughter Morgan. All three sons were members of the Wilbert 4-H Club, and have participated in various 4-H activities.

Hugh was a leader with the Wilbert 4-H Club for 17 years from 1970 to 1987. He was a Junior Beef Leader and later a Beef Project Leader. From 1974 – 1986, he served as General Leader. As a General Leader, Hugh's goal was to be an example, an encourager, and a friend. He felt it was extremely important to treat all members equally. He realized that 4-H philosophy deals with making young adults into responsible leaders for tomorrow. Hugh and his wife Marlene, who has also been a 4-H member and leader, hosted the Wilbert 4-H Achievement Day at their farm for eleven years from 1985-1995.

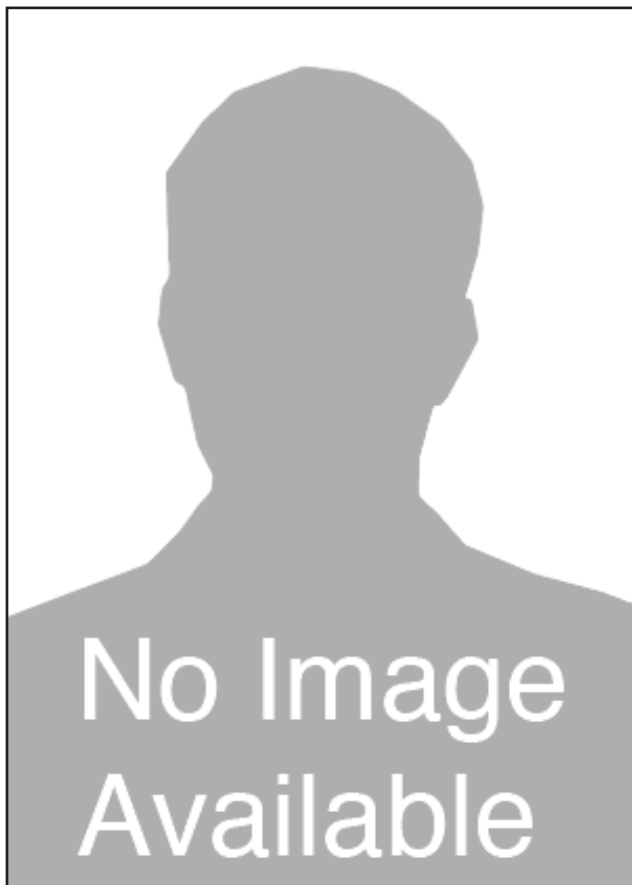
In the late 1970s – early 1980s, Hugh served on District #35 4-H Council. During his six years of service, he held the executive positions of Vice-President, President, and Past President. In 1976, Hugh and Marlene chaperoned members on a District #35 exchange trip to Nova Scotia. It was a memorable event, and the emphasis was on the camaraderie created between the groups. Hugh served as a delegate to the Regional Council, and later to the Provincial Council. He served on the Saskatchewan 4-H Council for seven years, and was president from 1981-1982. He also was a member of the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation for two years. During the years Hugh was with the Provincial Council, Camp Rayner underwent a major expansion to make it into a facility that could be used year round by 4-H, and other organizations. Major fundraising was involved which required a huge commitment of time and energy from Council members.

4-H is not the only organization that has seen Hugh's leadership ability at work. He has served on his Church Board, the Cut Knife School Board, the Credit Union Board, and the Feeder Co-op Board. He is also involved with the Camp Circle of Friends group for children with cancer. Hugh dedicated many, many miles, and countless hours, while involved with the Saskatchewan 4-H Council and Foundation, yet he always had time for his home club. Hugh's soft spoken approach to leadership, and his ability to steer the club, while allowing it to remain member-run, has left its mark on young people as they outgrew 4-H, and assumed their position in society. Many members stayed in 4-H until they were out of school due to Hugh's ability to motivate the members to handle the responsibilities, and have fun doing it. The thing that pleased Hugh the most was whatever pleased the members. Whether it was winning a trip at 4-H Selections, or placing well with their animal.

"His love of youngsters, animals, and people has enriched all of us he has touched. His leadership and communication ability has benefited the community, the district, and the province."

Nominated by District #35 4-H Council - 2001

# 2001 – Frank Wright Dunham, Sr.



Frank Wright Dunham was born 3 March 1919 in Clear Lake, Iowa. In June of the same year he moved to Admiral, Saskatchewan where he still resides. Frank and his wife Frances, farmed for many years and still have a keen interest in the farm. They have eight children: Frank (Beryl) Dunham, Jr., Shirley (Gordon) Bymoen, Boyd Dunham, Neil (Trudi) Dunham, Carolyn (Darcy) Glessing, Sharon (Gerald) Hoffart, Darrah (Gary) Wagner, and Les (Bev) Dunham. All of his children were members of the Admiral 4-H Community Club. Frank and Frances also have 16 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Before 4-H was organized in the community of Admiral, Frank was a member, and then leader, of the Admiral Grain Club 1938-1939. In 1940 the Admiral 4-H Club was organized, and Frank was involved as a leader from 1953-1975.

In 1957 Frank served on the committee that was instrumental in setting up the District #4 4-H Council. He served as vice-president of that Council from 1971-1975. Frank was active in his district. He helped to organize an international 4-H exchange with Blaine County, Montana, and served on committees to organize district rallies, and curling. Beginning in the 1950s, Frank began using his knowledge of beef cattle and 4-H to judge at many Achievement Days in the District, and

beyond.

Frank participated in South West Regional meetings. He also attended the 75th Anniversary of the Saskatchewan 4-H program held at Rayner Center. For many years after 1975, Frank served as the ring master for 4-H sales at Swift Current Frontier Days.

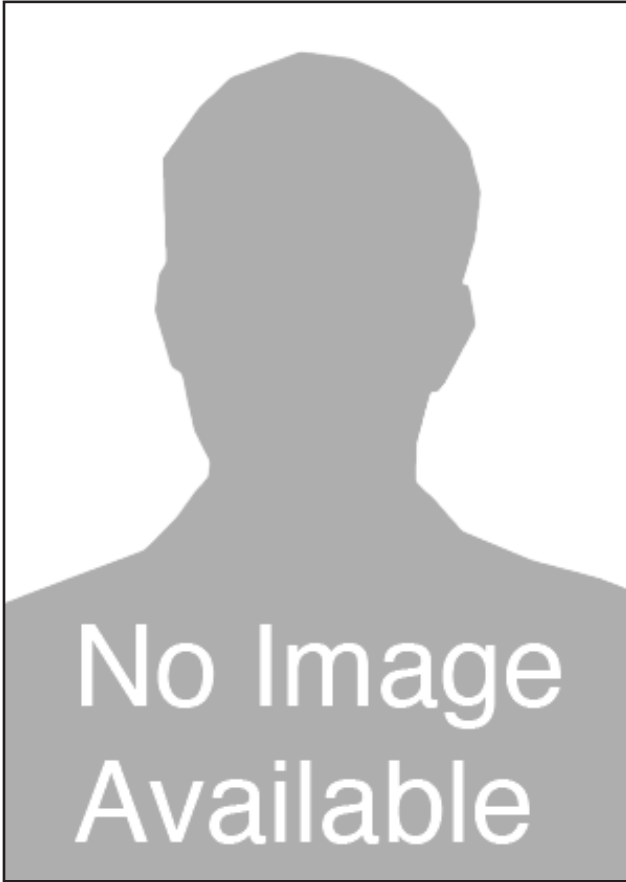
Not only was Frank a 4-H Leader, but an all round community man involved in many organizations. He was the reeve of the Rural Municipality of Wise Creek #77 from 1955-1957, president of the Admiral North Rural Telephone Board, participated in provincial politics in the 1960s, and was president of the Shaunavon-Admiral Agricultural Society in the 1980s. When Frank took on a project he went at it wholeheartedly.

Frank Dunham may have held many positions within the 4-H organization, but his greatest contribution was to the members. He was a great enabler. His patience and good humour seemed to be inexhaustible. If a member was having trouble, he or she always got some special attention, and there was always a word of praise for those who had done the best they could. He had the ability to teach 4-H members so that the instruction had meaning to them and was remembered. His explanations included not only how something was done the way it was, but why. He led by example and has made the 4-H experience memorable and enjoyable for those he led and worked with. His long time participation in, and enthusiasm for, 4-H has earned him the title of "Mr. 4-H."

"Frank Dunham exemplifies what a good grass roots supporter of 4-H is: dedicated, long lasting, life-long caring and concern for youth, right from the heart."

Nominated by District #4 4-H Council - 2001

# 2001 – Fay Seminuk



Irene “Fay” Hopkinson was born 25 September 1936 near Semans, Saskatchewan. Fay married Clifford Seminuk and together they farmed near Serath. After Clifford’s death in 1979, Fay and their six children continued to farm. Their children are: Howard (Colleen ) Seminuk, David (Darlene) Seminuk, Stephen (Denise) Seminuk, Michael (Sherry) Seminuk, Warren Seminuk, and Russell (Carey) Seminuk. All of Fay’s sons were 4-H members in projects including beef, welding, wood working, and light horse. Several of Fay’s twelve grandchildren have been 4-H members as well. Fay has one great grandchild.

For 25 years Fay has taken a leadership role with the Serath 4-H Club. From 1972-1997 Fay was a project leader. From 1979-1992 she was also the General Leader of her club. As a leader, she was able to have fun with the members, but was also serious in expecting that members did their projects to the best of their ability.

Fay Seminuk was active at the district level of 4-H. Her contributions include serving in the executive positions of vice-president and secretary of District #37, as well as sitting on the nominations committee. Fay was a chaperone for a district exchange trip in 1985, and she and her family hosted exchange trip delegates from other provinces. District events, such as

public speaking and rallies, were functions that Fay routinely helped to organize. After the loss of the Ag. Rep. in District #37, dissolution of the 4-H District was discussed; however, she was instrumental in making many phone calls to keep the district intact.

Fay has served as a district delegate to the Saskatchewan 4-H Annual General Meeting and the South East Regional meeting. She has received a Leader Travel Award to the Manitoba Conference. She has also served as a member of the Selections Committee.

Fay is a community minded person. She is the secretary/treasurer of the Serath South Snowplow Club, and the president of the Serath Hall Committee. She has taught Sunday School, and has been a member of the church choir, and Lutheran Ladies.

4-H has been an essential part of Fay’s life. She brought enthusiasm and energy to all she did, and her organizational skills are to be admired. If volunteers were needed, Fay was one of the first. With her sense of humour, she got along well with people of all ages, and made all feel at ease. As a leader, Fay got along well with members, because she took the time to talk with them. She knew the importance of 4-H, and was always an ardent spokesperson while encouraging kids to join. She felt that leadership skills were important to develop in young people, and in that respect gave members many opportunities to learn by doing.

“The 4-H movement is stronger because of the contributions of the work done by Fay Seminuk.”

Nominated by District #37 4-H Council - 2001



# 2002 – Muriel Sheldon



Muriel Gladys Mabel Burton was born in Nipawin, SK in 1932. Muriel was a 4-H member in the Elkhorn 4-H Homecraft Club for several years, and attended 4-H Girls Camp held in Prince Albert during the summer fair.

Muriel married Bob Sheldon and together raised their family, Colin, Angela, Heather and Christopher Sheldon, Merle and Harvey, Julie, Jeffrey and Jami Lyn Johnson, Bernice and Lyle, Larissa and Andrew Wudrick, Janet and Dan, Danielle, Jaclyn and Janessa Carrier, and great grandchildren Ali and Brennan.

In 1972 Muriel became General Leader of the Red Deer Hill 4-H Homecraft Club, and her belief in “learn to do by doing” encouraged many members as she led them in projects such as Knitting, Personal Development and Let’s Entertain. She demonstrated her “heart to greater loyalty” by often picking up her 4-H members for meetings, providing them with a meal and making sure they arrived home safely. The club later changed its name to Red Deer Hill Multiple to include Woodworking and Outdoorsman projects. Muriel received her 15-year 4-H leadership award.

Muriel was Key Leader for Prince Albert, District #32 and assisted many leaders and clubs throughout the area. She also conducted workshops for leaders in Rosthern, Melfort, North Battleford and Prince Albert. She was an active member of her 4-H District Council, continuing to support leaders and members and encouraged many to become today’s 4-H leaders. The Sheldon family has hosted 4-H members from the United States and Eastern Canada during 4-H exchanges.

Muriel was elected to the Provincial 4-H Council and served three years as Secretary. Muriel continues to serve 4-H by judging Record Books at Achievements Days, encouraging members to enter projects and Record Books at the local exhibition and assisting with judging the displays and classes.

She is a Life Member of the Prince Albert Exhibition Association and served as Director for 14 years. She was the President of the Ladies Section and a member of the Management Committee. Muriel has participated in The Meals on Wheels community program and is a member of The Kidney Foundation, The Victoria Union Hospital Auxiliary, The Home and School Association, The YWCA and her local church. In 1991 she received a YWCA Woman of Distinction Award.

Muriel is truly a Saskatchewan 4-H Ambassador as she promotes 4-H in her family, club, community and beyond. She encourages our youth and firmly believes that the life skills they learn in 4-H prepare them for a future in the workplace and their communities.

Nominated by District #32 4-H Council - 2002

# 2002 – Nancy Ann Baumann-Wall



Nancy Ann Kehler was born in Swift Current on June 6, 1945. She received her elementary and high school education in Wymark. After high school, she went to the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon where she obtained a teaching certificate. She married Ted Baumann in 1967 and together they raised three sons on the family farm. After Ted's death in 1993, Nancy and her sons continued to farm. In 1997 Nancy married Ken Wall and moved to Neville. The family now includes husband Ken Wall; Kevin, Janice & Kyra Baumann, Craig Baumann, Ryan Baumann; Kirk, Lynette, Bianca and Lucas Wall; Kent, Chance and Paige Wall; Lance and Cindy Wall and Laine Wall.

Nancy was instrumental in organizing the Wymark 4-H Club 20 years ago, and because of her strong leadership the club grew to be one of the largest in the District. She was Assistant Leader, then General Leader for 18 of those years. Nancy guided many members through the Computers, Teen Power and Junior Leader projects. She remained a leader of the club long after her own children had graduated from the program. She was instrumental in the club organizing and selling a community calendar, which they still do today. Eleven years ago she saw an opportunity for her club to participate in the distribution of the PFRA trees and laid all the groundwork for this fundraiser.

District #9 4-H Council benefited from her dedication, as in the past 20 years she has missed only one meeting! For the past seven years she has served as District Treasurer. Nancy has represented the district at the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Annual General Meeting several times. She has always been involved with Public Speaking and has organized these events for the District and Region. Nancy completed the application form and assisted with organizing a Connections Canada trip for District members.

Nancy has also been active in her community, organizing and playing with the Wymark Tigerettes Ladies Softball Team and later coaching minor sports ball teams. She also organized local sports days and was on the Executive Committee for the Wymark Homecoming. Following the Homecoming The Wymark Ladies Action Group was formed and Nancy served in several executive positions over the next twelve years.

Nancy has many attributes that make her an excellent leader. She is fair, honest and non-judgmental. She believes that every child and leader can be a success and encourages individuals to believe in themselves. She has made an outstanding contribution to the 4-H program in Saskatchewan by positively impacting the lives of many 4-H members and leaders.

Nominated by District #9 4-H Council- 2002

# 2002 – Shirley Louise Rosso



Shirley Louise Lemieux was born in Moose Jaw, on January 15, 1942. She lived in the Old Wives area, southwest of Moose Jaw. She took her public schooling at a one room school house at Old Wives and high school at the Convent of Sion in Moose Jaw. After graduating from the Reliance School of Business in Regina, she worked as a secretary for the Public Service Commission in Regina.

Shirley married John Rosso in 1961 and returned to live on the Rosso Farm in the Old Wives area. They raised a family of four: Darwin, Alma Wanner (Rick); Dr. Victor Rosso who passed away in 1994; and Kevin (Sherri-Lynne). They also have six grandchildren.

Shirley's path in 4-H was set in the early 1950's, when she became a member of the Old Wives 4-H Club. In 1974, she became involved in the Moose Jaw Beef Club as a parent, and in 1975 the Old Wives 4-H Beef Club was re-organized. The Rosso family farm has been home to many club activities, general meetings, committee meetings and Achievement Day. Shirley became a project leader in 1978 and general leader in 1980. She continues to lead the club, now guiding her grandchildren in the values of the 4-H program. She believes in the 4-H experience and confidence 4-H members develop, by being involved in the program. Shirley takes an interest in the achievements of her club members and encourages members, leaders and parents to become involved in all aspects of 4-H. She is very proud when a member wins an award or comes back to visit and shares of their accomplishments and the leadership they are doing in their areas. Shirley often writes letters of recommendation for members applying for awards trips or scholarships and leaders applying for travel opportunities.

Shirley has been elected to positions on the District #8 4-H Council as President, Vice-President, Past-President and Director. She assisted with the District Constitution and organized the District PFRA tree distribution. She has also organized many District events. Shirley also served as a 4-H Key Leader for District #8 and has done Leader Workshops for the South West Region. On the Regional level, Shirley has served on committees for Public speaking, Equestrian Camp and Funtastics. She has also been on the Regina Spring Steer & Heifer Show Committee since 1985 and assisted with the Junior Cattle Show and Oral Reasons Committee at Buffalo Days in Regina. She has been Secretary/Treasurer of the Moose Jaw Inter 4-H Beef Show and Sale. Each year she does school presentations for the Beef Information Center.

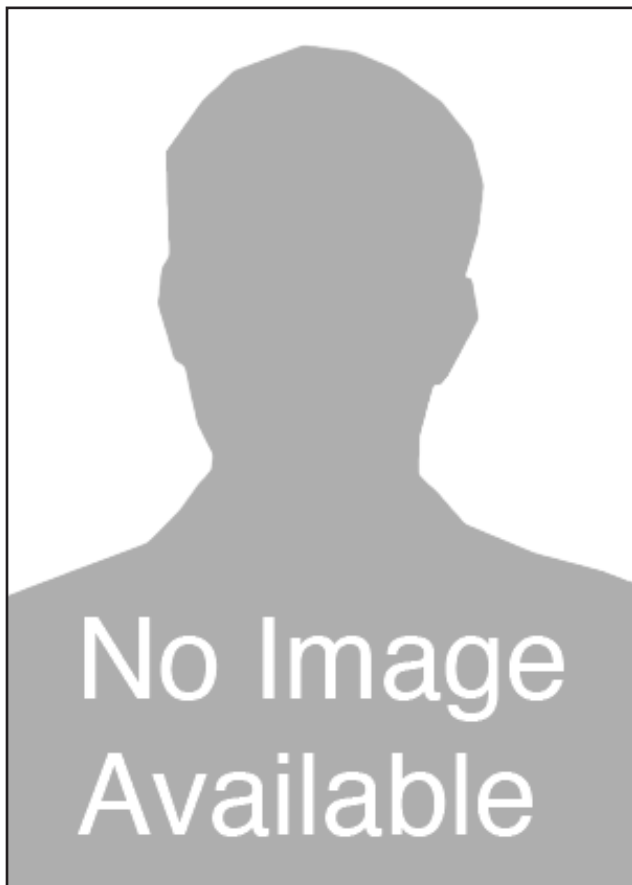
Shirley is a member of the Agribition 4-H & Youth Activities Committee, assisting with 4-H events. She extends a "Prairie Welcome" to the national and international seminar participants with her homemade cookies each year! Shirley also serves on her community club and is a member at large for her R.M. on the ADD Board. She assists in the administration of the Dr. Victor Rosso Memorial Scholarship, which is awarded to a University of Saskatchewan student entering the first year Veterinary College, who has spent a number of years involved in 4-H. In 2000, Shirley and John received the "Farmer of the Year" award for the Moose Jaw area.

In her spare time, Shirley and a partner operate a Merle Norman business in Moose Jaw, where each November you will see a 4-H display for "National 4-H Week". Shirley Rosso has left her mark in the 4-H program through her leadership and unselfish contribution to her club, her community and province and has truly earned her induction to the 4-H Hall of Fame.

Nominated by District #8 4-H Council - 2002



# 2003 – Henry August Putland



Henry Putland was born on April 24, 1912 in the Riversdale/Dovedale District of Sk. Henry and his wife Doris together raised a family of 11 daughters and 3 sons, Barbara VanCae-seele, Kay Hamers, Violet Farmer, Ronald Putland, Fern Wagner, Gale Strong, Janice Schendal, Sandra Kitz, Gwen Just, Douglas Putland, Wanda Radbourne, Garnet Putland, Colleen Albert and Devona Putland.

Henry became a leader in the Churchbridge Beef club in 1950 and continued that role until 1964. At that time the concept of Multiple Clubs was introduced in Saskatchewan and The Churchbridge Community Club was formed with Henry becoming General Leader, a position he held until 1987. Over the years Henry has been instrumental in organizing a variety of projects ... Garden , Potato, Light Horse, Crop Science, Welding, Minerology, Archery and many others. In 1969 Henry organized a "Tramp for Camp" where Churchbridge 4-H members walked from Churchbridge to Langenberg and back and raised over \$1200.00 for Camp Rayner. He organized and participated in many club trips and has special memories of one trip that took the members to Nipawin and Hudson Bay areas. In 1986 Henry received recognition from the 4-H Council for 35 Leadership Years!

Henry made sure that the club members participated in and were supportive of all District and Region activities from Inter-Club competitions to selling tickets for the annual car raffle. He was a Director of District #12 from 1962 – 1986.

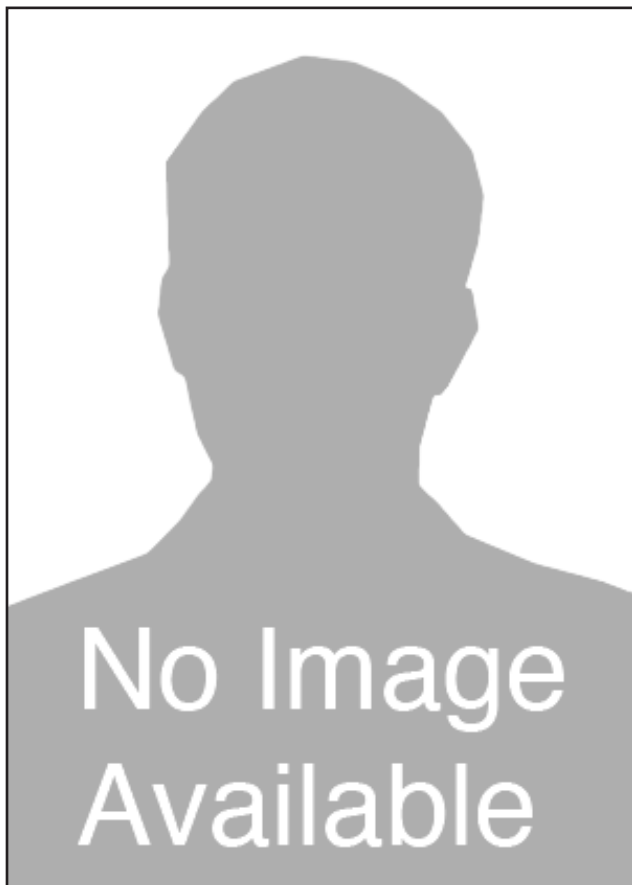
In 1951 Henry became a director with the Regional Langenburg Fat Stock Show & Sale. He continued to be active until 1985.

Henry is very active within his community and his efforts in recording 50 years of 4-H and Youth Clubs in Churchbridge 1936-1986 will long be a treasured document. He was awarded the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal for outstanding community service in 1976. Henry and Doris are active in the Churchbridge Agriculture Society are often seen maintaining the Community Garden Plot. In the past Henry has served as a councillor of the Langenberg RM, a member of the Dovedale Rural School Division, Rural Telephone, Agriculture Society and local church community.

"Over the years Henry has personified the 4-H movement and when many would have faltered, he has continued to be a strong and dedicated leader and supporter to 4-H in his community and beyond."

Nominated by District #12 4-H Council

# 2003 – William H. Selody



Willie Selody was born on January 10, 1931 in Regina. Willie and Doreen farmed in the Flintoff district and there, raised their children, Twila Dawn (Selody) Reddekopp and Corbin Todd Selody. William passed away on September 15, 2000 at the family farm following a lengthy illness.

The Selody's involvement in 4-H began in 1978 when they joined the Wood Mountain Beef Club. In 1980 Willie became a beef leader in the club and served as Assistant General Leader in 1987. From 1988 to 1995 Willie was a Beef Leader with the Assiniboia Club. Willie received a 15-year leadership award from the Saskatchewan 4-H Council and is remembered as being a very capable, dedicated, devoted and well respected club leader.

Willie was on the District #3 4-H Council executive from 1984 to 1990. In all those years he missed only one meeting and apparently it was not only snowing, but also calving time on the Selody farm. Willie was very active within the District, organizing and coaching curling, 4-H exchange trips, representing the district at Regional and Provincial meetings. From 1982 to 1995 he was the Leader Representative to the District 4-H Council.

Willie served as the South West Vice President for a 2-year term. He also organized Regional Curling, served on the Resolutions Committee and the Lobby Committee who presented a brief to the Provincial Government regarding 4-H Funding and in 1990 was a member of the Government Relations Committee for funding and restructuring. He assisted with the writing of the South West Regional history and was director of the Moose Jaw Inter 4-H Beef Show and Sale for one year.

In November 1897 Willie attended the Leaders Conference in Alberta as part of the Saskatchewan delegation of nine women and one gentleman!

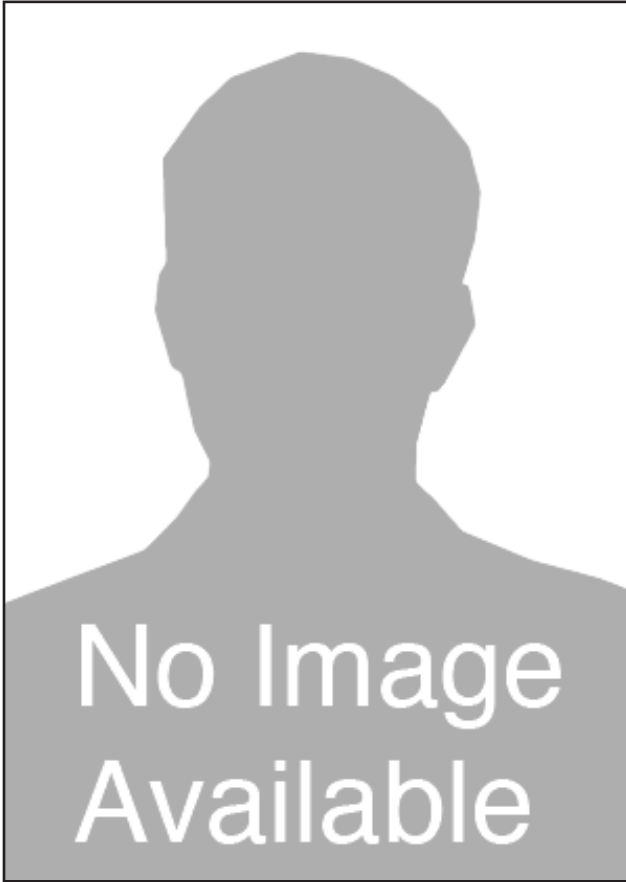
Willie was also very active within his community curling and organizing many bonspiels. He was an active member of the Limerick Masonic Lodge as well as a Shriner where he was a clown and a member of the motor patrol. He served as President of the Assiniboia Shrine Club in 1981. He was the last Saskatchewan Wheat Pool chair in Flintoff and was active in the Assiniboia Anglican Church. For many years Willie and Doreen hosted field trips for the local grade 2 class showing them the joys of the farm, horseback rides, trips to the beaver dam and delicious barbecues!

“Willie had a great sense of humour, was a kind, gentle and determined man who always gave 100% to everything he did, including the Saskatchewan 4-H Program”

Nominated by District #3 4-H Council



# 2003 – Jacob Carl Krupka



Jack Krupka was born on July 30 1929 in Salvador. Jack and Evelyn raised their family, Howard, Gordon, Greg, Brenda, Jeff and Laurie in Luseland, Sk.

Jack was a leader with the Reward 4-H Club for 28 years, from 1972- 2000. Throughout those years the club fluctuated in numbers, but he never wavered in his determination that it be a solid and active club. Jack arranged club trips for members and parents and hosted exchange visitors from eastern Canada and the USA. He always encouraged the 4-H club members to participate in 4-H exchanges, camp, selections, curling and public speaking as he believed that there was more to 4-H than showing cattle. He organized activities for the surrounding clubs that included variety nights, curling and oratory competitions. Jack was a dedicated, patient and popular 4-H leader who always put the interests and well being of the members in the forefront. Jack was very supportive and encouraging to new 4-H families and leaders.

Jack was an active member of District #30 4-H Council, and over the 28 years he has held every executive position, the last 10 years as treasurer. He also served for 10 years on the NW Regional Council. During these years the region was without an Agriculture Representative so many of those duties also fell

to the 4-H Regional Council. Jack assisted with organizing and encouraged participation at 4-H District and Regional Curling and Public Speaking events.

Jack is very active within his community, serving on the Agriculture Society, Pasture Board and the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool. He is also active within his church community.

Jack believes that as young 4-H members participate with each other and adults in club activities, District, Regional, Provincial and International events they learn the skills needed to become leaders within their communities.

Long after Jack's own children had graduated from the 4-H program he continued on as leader because of his belief in 4-H and its benefits. Over the years many children have benefited from his knowledge and he was respected by members, leaders and parents.

Jack Krupka passed away in April 2005

Nominated by District #30 4-H Council

# 2004 – Deborah Fay Stevenson



Deborah Fay Spencer was born on February 8, 1953 in Gainsborough, Sask. In July 1972, Debbie married A. Harvey Stevenson and together they raised their family, Jaclyn and Michael in the Carnduff area.

Debbie joined the Carnduff Homecraft Sewing Sputniks in 1963, later known as Carnduff Community 4-H, and remained a member for the next 11 years. She was in Clothing VI the year of her marriage and made herself a five piece going away outfit. During her membership years, Debbie served as club Reporter, President, Vice President and Treasurer. In 1974, she assumed a role as Project Leader and from 1984-1993 General Leader. Debbie received recognition for 25 years of 4-H Leadership in 2000. She enthusiastically recruits new members and leaders, and 4-H functions are always a success as Debbie encourages members to invite family and friends. She recognises the value of interaction between youth and seniors and has arranged many events for seniors and community.

Debbie was the Secretary of 4-H District #41 from 1985-1987 and 1990 – 1994. She was instrumental in organizing the first District Public Speaking competition in 1987 and assisted with the organization of the Provincial Communications Festival in July 1988, and Regional Public Speaking in 1995. She was

a committee member for District Ski Trip, which began in 1991 and helped organize district events during the Montana exchange in 1992. In 1986, she attended the Western Leaders conference at Rayner Centre. Harvey and Debbie chaperoned a 4-H exchange trip to St. Croix County, Wisconsin in 1988.

4-H is a family affair for the Stevensons and Harvey has always been very supportive, attending and assisting at many events. Jaclyn and Michael were 4-H members and attended many events and activities including 4-H summer camping programs. The family attended Family camp many times.

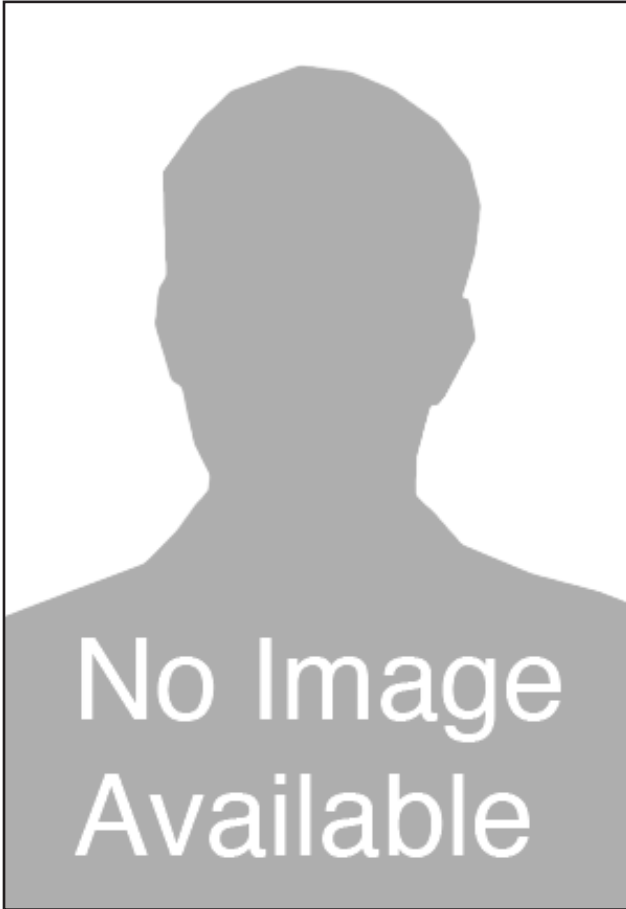
Debbie has represented her 4-H District at Annual General Meetings as a Member delegate and as a Leader Delegate. She has judged at neighbouring clubs' Achievement Days many times.

She is very active in her community, having served on the Carnduff Agricultural Society for many years, on the School Reunion Committee and headed the Breast Cancer Research Study held in the community. She is presently a member of the local TOPS Chapter, United Church Women, and the Sunset Haven Auxiliary.

Debbie is the type of person who quietly and effectively volunteers wherever she is needed, always ensuring that details are arranged and everyone has an opportunity to be involved. Past 4-H members and leaders speak highly of her creativity, involvement and encouragement in every aspect of the 4-H program.

Nominated by District #41 4-H Council – 2004

# 2004 – Brenda Jean Berry



Brenda Jean Torrie was born on March 9, 1959 in Central Butte, Saskatchewan. Brenda married Hugh Berry and together they raised their family Carla, Craig and Cara.

Brenda was a member of the Riverhurst 4-H Beef Club for five years. She was also a leader in the club from 1977–1982. In 1983 she became a leader with the Purple Sage 4-H Multi Club and over the years has assumed the role of General Leader, and project leader with Beef, Foods, Crafts, 4-U and Let's Entertain. Brenda and Cara continue to be involved with the club.

Since 1980, Brenda has been active with District 4-H Councils, serving as the Leader Delegate from the club, first with District #16, then with District #8. From 1990–2000, Brenda was the District Delegate to the Annual General Meeting. From 1987 to present, Brenda has assumed the District Executive roles of Vice President, President and Treasurer. In 1982, she chaperoned an Open House Canada Exchange from District #16 and through the years has served on various committees, helping with 4-H curling, winter fun day, bowling, Huber Gadd Workshops and anywhere else she was needed! She was also instrumental in organizing the District #8 Hall of Fame, and attended the South West Regional Council Meetings before it was disbanded.

Brenda's enthusiastic involvement has extended well beyond her club and district as well. At the regional level, she attended the South West Regional Council meetings, before it was dissolved. She also assisted for four years with the organization and hosting of the South West 4-H Funtastic Program. In 1997 and 2003, she worked with the Committees who hosted Provincial Public Speaking in the South West. In 1995, Brenda attended the National Leaders Conference in Toronto.

After serving for eight years as the Regional Delegate to the Board of Directors, she was elected as the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Vice President in 1991, President in 1993 and served as Past President from 1996–1998. While on the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Board of Directors, she served on the Policy, Hall of Fame, Strategic Planning, and Annual General Meeting Committees, and was Chairperson of the 75th Anniversary at Rayner Centre.

Brenda has also been busy within her community, serving as a board member and secretary for her church community for several years, as well as taking care of the church bulletin and making sure that all the small details are completed for special church events. She was a Beaver Leader for three years and Central Butte Minor Hockey League Secretary for six years. In 1993, Brenda chaperoned a school exchange to Bolton, Ontario.

"Projects started and finished, people came and went, and Brenda remained dedicated to the 4-H program. She has seen and helped many young adults experience success and grow through the leadership opportunities the 4-H program offers."

Nominated by District # 8 4-H Council - 2004

# 2004 – Kathleen Rose Hauer



Kathleen Rose Noyce was born on August 15, 1934 in Lloydminster, SK. She married Harvey Hauer and together they farmed in the Lloydminster area and raised their children Debra, Arlene, John and Gerald.

Kay's involvement in 4-H began in 1947 as a member of the Blackrock Baby Beef Club. In 1968, Kay was instrumental in the re-organization of Hillmond 4-H Club and became the General Leader. For the next 10 years, Kay led a variety of projects from Let's Entertain and Clothing, the Junior Sportsman. The family were active 4-H supporters and all four children were involved at club, district, regional and provincial levels. Each of them assumed executive club roles, were committee members, attended camping programs and participated in exchanges and selections. Each was awarded a 4-H travel opportunity and also served as representatives to the Saskatchewan 4-H Council. Kay was active at District level as the family hosted many exchange 4-H members and leaders from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia, Iowa and Minnesota. She chaperoned a member exchange to Minnesota and participated in a leader exchange to Weyburn. Kay has judged project work, record books, club displays, and public speaking at all levels. In 2002, she was inducted into the District #35 4-H Hall of Fame.

At the Regional and Provincial level, Kay was very involved in organizing trips and events for leaders and members. She organized two week-long bus trips to the Denver Stock Show for 4-H parents and leaders. She also organized a two-day seminar at the University of Saskatchewan, for Grain Club Members, and assisted with the organization of an auction sale in Lloydminster in the early 1980's in aid of Rayner Center, where three districts joined together to raise \$34,000. Kay acted as Treasurer for the Saskatchewan 4-H Council for six years from 1987-1993, quite a responsibility for a volunteer position! Kay was the Assistant Director and Director of National Citizenship Seminar in Ottawa.

In keeping with her enthusiasm for 4-H in Saskatchewan, Kay assumed the position of Regional 4-H Specialist for over six years and also served as the 4-H Supervisor for a few months. During her tenure as a 4-H staff member, Kay convinced the Lloydminster Exhibition that all 4-H projects should be exhibited at the Annual 4-H Beef Show and worked with a committee to establish the Lloydminster 4-H Expo, which included displays and competition in Beef, Light Horse, Clothing and Record Books. The 4-H Expo continues today in an expanded form. Kay organized the first Westside Camp for juniors at Rayner Center and acted as a staff or resource at many camping programs, Selections and Family Camp. She directed Western Seminar at Rayner Center – a senior camp for 4-H members from the western provinces. She also attended, organized and hosted Western Staff Conferences.

Kay is very active in the community, having served for many years as a member of the Lloydminster Rural Division School Board and as Treasurer of Hillmond Arena. As a result of her many volunteer positions, she was named Lloydminster Citizen of the Year in 2002. She chaired the Centennial Celebrations in 2003. Harvey and Kay are active in curling, gardening and travelling. "Kay's dedication to the 4-H movement, the enthusiasm she imparted to members, leaders and parents together with her leadership qualities and friendly personality have had a great deal to do with the success of 4-H in the North West, where her impact is still felt today"

Nominated by District #35 4-H Council - 2004

# 2005 – Robert Anthony Raymond



Robert Anthony Raymond was born on June 20th, 1947 in Pon-teix, Saskatchewan. He currently resides near Aneroid with his wife, Signe, where they raised their children, Rory, Kelly and Jaime.

Robert began 4-H 1956, as a Pee Wee in the Aneroid 4-H Club, and remained a member in the Beef project for the next twelve years, leaving his years as a member behind at age 21.

In 1968, Robert became a Project Leader for beef, welding and hog. In 1970, he became the General Leader for the Aneroid 4-H Club and continues to do so to this day.

Through his years as General Leader, Robert has always helped the members with anything from fund-raisers to providing a scale for weigh-day. Robert also provided urban youth with the opportunity to join the beef project by letting them pick a calf from his herd and take care of it at his farm.

Robert represented his club at several District meetings, where he volunteered to organize fun curling days and fundraisers for the District. Robert also took on the position of President of District #4, serving several two-year terms.

At the regional level, Robert has helped organize Regional Curling. He also talks to businesses in the area, recruiting their support for 4-H and encouraging them to come to the local steer sale. Robert also assists the local club at the Regional Show in Swift Current.

Robert has extended his 4-H involvement up to the provincial and national level. Robert attended several Annual General Meetings and took the District 4 curling team to the provincial competition. In 1986, he organized and chaperoned a Connections Canada trip to Ontario. He also attended the National Volunteer Leaders Conference in Toronto. Robert has been, and continues to be, extremely involved at all levels of the 4-H program, currently counting 47 years of 4-H involvement, with 35 of those years spent as a volunteer.

Robert was also very active within his community, where he belongs to the Aneroid Elks. He was Exalted Ruler for two years, and was also the Secretary for the local Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee. Robert has served on the United Church board in the past, and helped start the proceedings to designate the church as a Heritage site. Robert also performs in a dinner theatre in Aneroid to raise funds for the up-keep of the hall.

Robert is always willing to help out in any way he can, whatever the task is that needs to be done. In competitive events, he always stresses “doing your best, having fun and having regard to your fellow members”. He is certain to bring these values with him to any 4-H function, along with his leadership, his optimism, his sense of humour, his smile, his listening ear and the sparkle in his eyes.

Nominated by: District # 4 4-H Council – 2005



# 2005 – Susan Maureen Weinheimer



Susan Maureen Weinheimer (nee Prince) was born September 21, 1956. Susan married James on August 9, 1975. Their three children Melanie, Alecia, and Rochelle were all very active 4-H members as a result of their parents' involvement and commitment.

Susan was a 4-H member for six years as part of the Marchwell Homecraft Club where she was enrolled in the sewing and knitting projects. During her tenure as a member, she attended the 35th annual Farm Girls' Camp at the Yorkton Exhibition, where she earned the highest marks for her lined poncho. In 1982, Susan became a Project Leader for the Langenburg 4-H Homecraft Club. During her 17 years in this capacity, she guided many members through various projects including Crafts, Exploring, Sewing, 4U, Young Chefs, and Babysitting. Susan was also the club General Leader from 1985-1989. In her first year, she was instrumental in starting up the Langenburg 4-H Craft Show and Sale, which was, and continues to be, the club's major fundraiser. Susan continued her 4-H involvement as Assistant General Leader of the Langenburg 4-H Homecraft Club from 1989-1990 and again from 1996-1999.

Also very active in District 13 as club leader representative, Susan sat on committees for various district events including Public Speaking and Curling. Susan furthered this involvement from 1994-1995 when she was elected District Council Vice President, becoming President the following year. When District 13 hosted the 1996 Provincial Curling, she served as chair of the organizing committee.

Susan participated in various activities and Leaderships at the Regional and Provincial levels and, in 1994, chaperoned members traveling to Ottawa for the National 4-H Citizenship Seminar. The Weinheimer family also hosted an InterProvincial Exchange delegate from Nova Scotia that same year. From 1996-2002, Susan served consecutive two year terms in the capacity of Vice President, President, and Past President of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Board of Directors. In 1999, Susan was the Assistant Program Director for the National Member's Conference, becoming the Program Director in 2000. With the closing of Rayner Centre she strived to raise the morale of those involved and reminded everyone to focus on the positives while celebrating the many memorable times that were shared at Rayner Centre. During the six years that Susan was a part of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Board of Directors, she served on several committees and proved to be an integral part of the success of the 4-H program.

Susan is an exceptional individual who has made many contributions to the 4-H program as well as within her community. She has had an outstanding impact on others through her ability to motivate others while capturing their interest. Dedicated to all aspects of the 4-H program, whether it was projects, club activities, district events or beyond, Susan could always be found encouraging youth to stay involved in the 4-H program because of the opportunities available to its' members. Susan displayed a unique quality that enabled her to personally teach members about 4-H. She taught her members, as well as their family and friends many lessons, including that it is okay to laugh at yourself (even if you're wearing chicken hats in the Saskatoon mall), to enjoy life to its fullest and to enjoy what you do each and every day.

A leader once commented of Susan, "no other leader or guest speaker has come dressed as a clown and gets down at the kids' level while addressing parents and leaders... she's the reason why I still do this and why my daughter continues to be a leader of her local club!"

Nominated by: District 13 4-H Council – 2005

# 2005 – W.G. “Bud” Morken



William George (Bud) Morken was born in the Sturgis area on December 29th, 1926. Bud married Yvonne and they had four children: Richard, Margaret, Brian and Elizabeth, who were all active 4-H members, with two eventually becoming 4-H leaders themselves.

Bud served as a 4-H leader for 25 years, leading various projects such as grain, beef, and horse. He was the first leader of the Sturgis 4-H Club and was directly involved with the 4-H program from 1952 – 1994, either as a club leader, judge, guest speaker or ardent promoter of the program and its' benefits to young people. His belief in the value of the 4-H program was clearly demonstrated, when he related the following anecdote: “When the beef club was started in 1954, members were late in starting their calves and consequently showed unfinished calves at the Yorkton Regional Show. This was embarrassing for the members, but three years later, a grand champion was shown by a Sturgis 4-H Club member. This clearly demonstrates the motto, ‘Learn to do by Doing’”. Bud also believed that 4-H was an excellent opportunity for citizenship and personal development, and instilled these qualities in the members that he mentored. In 1978, Bud received a 25-year leadership certificate at the 25th Anniversary of the Sturgis 4-H Club. He was a tremendous inspiration for other leaders, inspiring them to continue leading so that they, too, could reach leader milestones.

Bud represented his club on the District #19 Council for many years, serving several terms as its Vice President and President. At the same time, he also volunteered on several committees to provide numerous opportunities to the members, such as curling bonspiels, talent nights and 4-H Days. He actively promoted the 4-H program, not only in the Sturgis 4-H Club, but also in the District.

To many members, Bud exemplified the leadership qualities that he instilled in them through 4-H. In an interview with Bev Skogen, Bud commented that, “to meet my goals as a community leader I became involved in many aspects of the community work and served on almost every board going”. The long list of organizations that he volunteered with is a powerful testament to his passion to serve his community. Bud served on the Co-op board, the Credit Union board, St. John's Lutheran Church Board, where he served several years as its chairman, and the local rink board, where he helped raise money and organized the construction of the first indoor skating rink in Sturgis. He was also a member of, and held executive positions with the Kinsmen Club and the Preeceville Hospital Board.

His commitment to agriculture was evident through his involvement with United Grain Growers, and the Saskatchewan Beef Stabilization Board, where he held executive positions, as well as the District Agriculture Board, the District Veterinary Board and the Canadian Grains Council. He was recognized for his contributions to agriculture in Saskatchewan, when he was given the Bank of Montreal Farm Leadership Award in 1967, and again when he was inducted into the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame in 1997.

Due to Bud's contribution to the 4-H program and the Sturgis 4-H Club, many young people derived great benefits from his wisdom and counseling. He was highly respected by all who knew him and his record of achievements with the 4-H program is a tribute to his leadership qualities.

Nominated by: District #19 4-H Council - 2005

# 2006 – James “Jim” Ross Pollock



Jim Pollock was born August 29, 1952, in Hamiota, MB. He currently resides near Moosomin, SK, with his wife, Carolynn, where they raised their two children, Clayton and Kimberly.

Jim's involvement with 4-H began at age 10, when he joined the McConnell 4-H Beef Club in a small rural community in southwest Manitoba. Two years later, he moved with his family to Wolseley, SK, where he joined the Wolseley Light Horse 4-H Club. While a member of the Wolseley club, he took on various positions, such as photographer, secretary and president.

Jim was selected as the Saskatchewan delegate to Quebec as part of the 1971 InterProvincial Exchange. He was also a founding member of the Saskatchewan 4-H Alumni, organized at the University of Saskatchewan in 1970. For two summers, he worked for the Provincial 4-H Office, where his most memorable duties were those at many of the camps held at Camp Rayner.

After his university convocation, Jim continued to give time and energy to the 4-H program. In 1974, he moved to Weyburn, where he became involved with District 7 4-H Council and the Youth Activities Committee at the Weyburn Summer Fair.

A few years later, Jim moved to Moosomin, SK, where he was hired first as the Assistant Agricultural Representative, then as the Extension Agrologist, and where he stayed until his retirement in 2004. In 1977, he helped organize the Moosomin 4-H Light Horse and Pony Club, serving as one of its leaders for the next 23 years.

Beyond his own club, Jim also made significant contributions. He became secretary-treasurer of the District 5 4-H Council, a position he held for 27 years. He represented his district to the South East Regional 4-H Council and the Saskatchewan 4-H Council. He directed summer camps for junior 4-H members, organized 4-H exchange trips, judged Achievement Days, assisted with the Whitewood Regional 4-H Judging Seminars and Fat Stock Shows and taught horsemanship and public speaking skills. He attended the National 4-H Leaders Conference in Toronto and returned to Provincial 4-H Selections twice as a group leader.

Jim's community service extends outside of 4-H as well. His volunteer commitments include the Moosomin School Board of Trustees, the Moosomin Credit Union Board of Directors, Moosomin Curling Club, Bethel United Church, Moosomin & District Music Festival, Band Parents Association and coaching various minor sports team.

In the words of Glen Hass, former Provincial 4-H Supervisor, "Jim's contribution to the 4-H program was due to his untiring commitment as a facilitator, a promoter, a leader and, above all, a professional. Jim epitomizes the true 4-H spirit."

Nominated by District #5 4-H Council – 2006



# 2006 – Evelyn Deutsch



Evelyn was born October 16, 1931, on her parents' farm near Osage. She married Ed Deutsch in 1949, and they began farming at Osage. In 1963, they purchased a farm at Fillmore, where they are still actively involved in farming. They have two daughters – Judy and Donna – as well as four grandchildren and a great grandchild. Both daughters were members of the Fillmore 4-H Homecraft Club, where Evelyn was involved, first as a parent, then as a leader for 21 years.

From 1967 to 1988, she led a variety of projects, including Let's Entertain, Exploring 4-H, Foods, Crafts, Sewing and 4-U. Between 1978 and 1987, she also served as the club's general leader, introducing public speaking to the club in her first year as general leader.

Evelyn was also a fixture at the district level. She helped organize District Talent Nights, Dress Revues, Rallies, Weyburn Fair 4-H Queen Contest and fundraising activities. She served in several executive positions – secretary, vice president and president – and was noted for chairing district council meetings in a “precise, no-nonsense, yet encouraging and friendly way.”

In 1982, she began convening 4-H classes at the Creelman Fair, and since 1983, she has chaired the 4-H committee for the Creelman Ag Society. She also assists the committee for the Weyburn Fair Queen Contest. Finally, in 1998, she helped Weyburn Fair organize and host Provincial 4-H Judging.

Evelyn's work extended to regional and provincial levels as well. She represented her district to the South East Regional 4-H Council, also serving terms as the South East Regional 4-H Council vice-president and president. Evelyn's commitment to incorporating public speaking into the 4-H program continued at the regional level, as she helped ensure that public speaking became a regional event.

She served on the committee that organized the Homecraft Display at Buffalo Days, and helped with the display at Canadian Western Agribition. She also represented her district at the Saskatchewan 4-H annual general meeting for many years. Finally, together with her family, she has hosted many 4-H member and leader travelers over the years.

Evelyn's local community has benefited from her time and energy as well. She has taken on executive roles in other community organizations, serving as secretary for the hospital auxiliary, president of the local figure skating club and president of the Creelman Agricultural Society, where she continues to volunteer. She also volunteers at the health centre and is an avid gardener. She shares her flowers with the residents who enjoy them very much.

Her commitment to 4-H at all levels has made Evelyn a strong asset to the development of the 4-H program. She believes very strongly in the role that 4-H has in helping young people develop their skills, from project work to public speaking and social skills.

Nominated by District #7 4-H Council – 2006

## 2006 – Rita V. Wells



Rita Wells was born July 25, 1934 near Tompkins, SK, where, in her youth, she was a member of the Tompkins 4-H Sheep Club.

In 1969, she helped to start the Foothills 4-H Light Horse Club, which her children, Wendy and Bill joined. For 35 consecutive years, Rita served as one of its leaders, both general and project, as well as its riding instructor.

4-H has benefited from her time and energy in a variety of other ways, as well. For many years, at the District #10 Regional Fair, she has taken on the roles of announcer, ring man, point keeper, ribbon distributor, and trail class organizer.

She has also helped gather prizes and has contributed prizes herself. She helped to organize South West Equestrian Camp, where she also coached. In the mid 1980s, she demonstrated her high level of commitment, traveling to Toronto as a chap-erone, in spite of a broken arm.

Her local community has also enjoyed the results of her talents. She organized a 42-member musical ride team, Skyline Riders Precision Drill Team, coaching its members for the past three years, and touring with them throughout southern Saskatchewan.

While her contribution to the 4-H program beyond her club is valued, her deepest impact has been at the grass roots level, within her club. Past members and their families have appreciated her passion for young people, horses and riding.

She has been a role model and an inspiration. For many girls in her club, she was a woman before her time, proving to them that women could accomplish much in a changing society; to the boys, she showed how women could work alongside men equally. While she demanded – and received – respect, she is well-known for her kindness. When a member lacked family or financial support, Rita often stepped in, providing a horse, a bed, a ride to the regional fair or horse shows, and often a shoulder to lean on. Rita has often given extra time to members who needed it, such as a learning disabled member who needed help with written material, helping him to do the work verbally.

Rita has always been present at meetings, always been supportive of 4-H goals and ideals, and has always encouraged members to participate in club, provincial and national programs. These qualities, combined with her expertise in teaching horsemanship to young people, have made her a superior example of 4-H leadership.

Many parents may have worn out trucks and trailers on their way to Foothills 4-H Light Horse Club, but Rita Wells remains. After over 30 years, she is still devoted to teaching young people to ride, and to teaching them the values of the 4-H program. Rita has shown 4-H members how to work hard, and taught them pride in what they do, even if it didn't always mean a ribbon.

Nominated by District #10 4-H Council – 2006



# 2007 – Elaine Brown



Elaine Brown became involved with 4-H in 1958, shortly after marrying her late husband, Joe Brown who was General Leader of the Mervin 4-H Beef Club at the time.

Since then, she has promoted and supported 4-H and the 4-H experience. For many years she served as assistant leader to the Mervin 4-H Beef Club, and for several years, she volunteered as project and general leader for the Turtle River Multiple 4-H Club. She was also a 4-H parent.

Elaine has also volunteered beyond the club level, serving as a district leader delegate to the regional and provincial 4-H councils. She was secretary for her district council for 25 years and served as secretary for the provincial council for ten years.

Elaine was a provincial committee member for 4-H Family Camp (Rayner Centre), the 4-H Hall of Fame, and the 75th Anniversary for Saskatchewan 4-H. As well, Elaine had the opportunity to attend the National 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference (Toronto, ON) in 1985.

Elaine is a key community figure. She grew up volunteering and has spent countless hours serving on a variety of committees, clubs and organizations.

Some community projects include working on the local history book, "Communities in Bloom", the Handi Van committee, serving as the treasurer of her Church Board since 1982 and judging 4-H record books. She has served on Town Council and the local school board, was a correspondent for the Maidstone Mirror, and has been a director on the Turtleford Agricultural Society since 1961.

She has served on many community planning committees and has held the role of secretary-treasurer for several other organizations as well. Her adeptness for secretarial and bookkeeping skills has been appreciated by the many community groups on which she has served. In 1993, Lieutenant Governor Sylvia Fedoruk presented Elaine with a Canada 125 medal for her contribution to community.

Elaine has been described as having a "huge and generous heart", and has the knack for inspiring other people to try their best and work hard. Her "get-down-to-business" attitude is greatly appreciated and valued. She is dedicated to family, church and community and is well respected within her 4-H club and community.

Elaine is a resident of Turtleford, Saskatchewan. She has 2 children - Juanita (Allan) Polegi and Dean (Terri) Brown, and 4 grandchildren - Justine, Murray, Joseph and Kaitlyn.

Nominated by the District 38 4-H Council - 2007

# 2007 – Ellen Oddan



Ellen (Pike) Oddan was born in Maidstone, Saskatchewan, on May 18, 1953. She began her 4-H career as a member of the Forrest Bank 4-H Club and later became a leader in the Maidstone Gully Multiple 4-H Club.

At club level, she has led Light Horse, Sheep, Photography, Drinks and Doilies 4-U and Exploring 4-H. Ellen has been involved with numerous 4-H committees and is very adept at knowing what needs to be done while serving on these committees. At a district level, Ellen served on the district executive as president for two years and was the treasurer. She has served on many district committees, including public speaking, hall of fame, travel, curling and fun days.

For at least 10 years, Ellen has assisted with the 4-H judging and grooming clinic in Lloydminster, where she has also provided stock and judging lessons. She served on the northwest regional council for 11 years, acting as president for three of those, and was one of the region's Key Leaders for some time.

At a provincial level, Ellen has been a district leader representative to council and has served on the scholarship committee for several years. She was a counsellor for the 4-H selections program and attended the National 4-H Volunteer Leader's

Conference in 1980. She also chaperoned the International 4-H Judging Seminar and helped her district host two provincial public speaking events. Over the years, Ellen has done a significant amount of judging in various levels of 4-H.

Having fun while learning is something that Ellen strongly believes in, and she lives by the 4-H motto, "Learn to do by Doing." Her diplomacy and willingness to teach has always been an asset at all levels. She has a knack for "seeing the big picture" and a sense of humour that carries through in all her activities. She also has "a way of encouraging people instead of pushing them toward their goals".

Ellen has been involved in other community organizations (some in executive capacities) for decades, including the Northwest Hereford Ladies Club, Spots on the Border Appaloosa Horse Club, Lakeland Lamb Growers, Maidstone Catholic Ladies Altar Society, Gully Riding Club and Milleton Hall, where has served several terms on its entertainment committee. She has volunteered extensively for the Lloydminster Exhibition, helping out not only at countless 4-H events over the years, but also sitting on and providing animals for the sheep and agriculture education committees for over 15 and 10 years, respectively.

In addition, Ellen has taught school, voice, piano and guitar lessons, and has worked as constituency assistant for the local MLA. She is active in the family's Horned Hereford cattle ranch and grain farming operations, has her own flock of sheep and has raised and trained horses for many years. She has a love for photography and currently photographs a number of weddings and 4-H events. 2007 marks Ellen's 30th year as a 4-H leader. Ellen's husband, Maurice, and her son, Mark, are also avid 4-H'ers. They are a true 4-H family.

Nominated by the District 35 4-H Council -2007

# 2007 – Marlene Tymiak



Marlene Karin (Blight) Tymiak was born on April 8, 1951 in Le-stock, Saskatchewan. Marlene joined the Kelliher 4-H Homecraft Club when she was 13 years old. While she was a 4-H member, she served as club secretary, treasurer and president. She thanks her parents for allowing her to take 4-H, as well as crediting her general leader, Eileen Dunlop, for instilling the 4-H spirit within her. Marlene still carries this spirit with her today.

After five years as a member, Marlene became a 4-H leader for her club in 1974. She served as a project leader, assistant general leader and general leader throughout the years, teaching such projects as Sewing, Cross-stitching, Babysitting, Travel, Cooking, Crafts and Cake Decorating. Marlene celebrated her 25 Year Leadership Award in 2006.

Marlene's experience with 4-H does not stop at the club level. She has served at the district level as well, holding such roles as district vice president, president and district representative

to Saskatchewan 4-H's Annual General Meeting. She also served on district public speaking and ski day committees. At a regional level, Marlene has attended numerous regional meetings, as well as served on a regional public speaking committee.

At a provincial level, she served on the provincial curling and public speaking committees both times her region hosted. She has had the opportunity to chaperone an Open House Exchange (Ottawa Valley, ON). Marlene was also selected to attend the National 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Conference (Toronto, ON), Alberta 4-H Leader's Conference and the Alberta 4-H SALTT Conference (Battle Lake, AB).

Marlene has also made an outstanding contribution to the inner workings of Saskatchewan 4-H by serving on the Saskatchewan 4-H Council's Board of Directors for 10 years. Besides serving on sub-committees while on the Board of Directors, she also served on the executive committee as secretary for three years.

Marlene's volunteerism does not go unnoticed. She spent countless hours organizing a reunion for the Kelliher 4-H Homecraft Club's 30th Anniversary, as well as preparing for club achievement days. Marlene's contributions are greatly appreciated by the members and leaders in her district. She is recognized by "always being there with a big smile", as well as having a "willingness to work and guide". She lives by the 4-H Motto, "Learn To Do By Doing."

Apart from 4-H, Marlene serves on numerous organizations such as the Hall Ladies Auxiliary, the Kelliher Recreation Centre, Curling Building Fund and Carlton Trail Rodeo. She, also volunteers for fundraisers in organizations, such as the Regional Library, Lioness Club, Kelliher School and the Drama Club. Marlene was very involved with the organizations her two daughters were involved in. They were 4-H, Sunday School, Ukrainian Dancing, Figure Skating, Soft Ball and KidSport. Marlene enjoys spending time at the lake, curling and watching hockey games.

She currently lives in Kelliher with her husband, Jim, where she works at Kelliher School as an Educational Assistant. Marlene and Jim have two daughters, Tarilynn and Corilynn, (husband Curtis) and one new grandchild, Tyson.



# 2008 – Lambert S. Wourms



Lambert Wourms was born in Morinville Alberta on January 15, 1926. He and his wife, Lillian, have ten children: Diane, Gary, Leonard, Laurie, Cheryl, Ray, Danny, Marlene, Ken and Gail.

All of their children were in 4-H while growing up, and the tradition continues, as 18 of their grandchildren are, or have been members as well.

Lambert was a 4-H member of the St. Walburg 4-H Club for seven years and served as a 4-H leader for 25. Both his father and son were long-term leaders as well.

“Lambert has said on several occasions that his community and 4-H involvement would not have been possible without the support of his family and wife.”

Lambert’s 4-H involvement extended beyond club level. He was the District 38 president in the late 1960’s, and Master of Ceremonies for the St. Walburg Regional Show & Sale for 50 years! He is “always eager to pitch in when something needs to be done.”

Lambert was able to instill the 4-H philosophy in others, as he is “proud to see his grandchildren and other area youth having opportunities to participate in regional and provincial activities.”

Lambert served with various other groups within the community. He was secretary of the St. Walburg West Rural Telephone Company, served as Reeve of the R.M. and R.M. Agricultural Committee, Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee, Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities and Saskatchewan Association of Agricultural Societies and Exhibitions. He is an Honourary Life Member of the St. Walburg Agricultural Society.

As well, he and Lillian were presented with the R.M. of Frenchman Butte’s Community Service Award and the Cattleman of the Year award from the Lloydminster and Agricultural Exhibition Association. Both awards are a result of involvement in the community, commitment and dedication throughout the years.

Lambert’s volunteerism has been a key component in the continuation of the Regional Show & Sale. His dedication to his club and community has positively influenced those around him.

“Lambert’s dedication to 4-H and youth is what makes it possible for my children to be involved in the Saskatchewan 4-H program in this community.”

Nominated by the District 38 4-H Council

# 2008 – Ronald Wayne Oliver



Ronald Oliver was born on November 30, 1949 in Lloydminster. Ron and his wife, Wanda Jane, still live in the Lloydminster area today. They have three adult children, Lathan, Sheena (Smith) and Oarrie.

Ron was a 4-H member from 1961 to 1970, a beef leader from 1971 to 1976 and general leader of the Hillmond 4-H Multiple Club from 1977 to 1988. He currently is still a leader with the Hillmond 4-H Beef Club. This year marks Ron's 25th year as a 4-H leader!

Ron is "instrumental in keeping the Hillmond 4-H Club going." He was interested in not only the well being of the members but also the leaders.

"From Hillmond representative at District 35 meetings, to working alongside members in fundraisers, to encouraging doubting minds, Ron has always stepped up to the plate."

Ron helped promote 4-H camps at Rayner Centre, and was a resource for leader workshops in the early 1980's.

Beyond the club level, Ron's volunteerism with 4-H was extensive. He served as president of District 35, was the North West delegate to the Saskatchewan 4-H Council, counseled at several 4-H camps, attended the first National 4-H Leaders Conference in Toronto, and traveled

to various parts of the United States on 4-H exchanges. One particular exchange to Denver, Colorado proved to be particularly interesting, as that was where Ron met his wife-to-be! Ron also runs the PFRA tree fundraiser, which is a very well organized event, thanks to his hard work.

Beyond 4-H, Ron served on the St. Walburg Grazing Co-op as secretary for six years, and is still currently on the board. Ron is a Crop Reporter for Saskatchewan Agriculture. He also served on several boards including School, Britannia Recreation and Hillmond Arena. Ron is also on the Hillmond Hall Board and is affectionately called "Mr. Bingo" because he organized all the bingo fundraisers.

Ron has always lived by the 4-H Pledge. Because of his "dedication to 4-H several generations have and still are enjoying the comradery that comes with being a 4-H member."

Nominated by the District 35 4-H Council



# 2008 – Wilma Marjorie Lovdahl



Wilma Lovdahl was born in Wadena on October 8, 1921. She married the late Nels Lovdahl and together they have three children: David, Sandra (Haugen) and Peggy (Russnell). Wilma was involved in the Saskatchewan 4-H program from September of 1953 until February of 2005.

Wilma helped organize the Hendon 4-H Homecraft Club in 1953. She was a 4-H leader and assistant leader until the club dissolved. After that, Wilma became the first assistant leader of the Hendon 4-H Beef Club.

She eventually became general leader - a position that she held for more than ten years, even after her children left home and were no longer members.

Wilma volunteered with 4-H because of her commitment to it, and not out of obligation. "She did it for love, as she loved everything 4-H stood for."

During her time with 4-H, Wilma hosted exchange 4-H members from the United States. She served on the District 42 4-H Council for two years holding the roles of president and vice president, and was a delegate at a 4-H convention in Regina.

Wilma was an avid supporter of public speaking and "somehow had a way of making even the shyest kid get up and give a speech of some kind."

Wilma was secretary-treasurer of the Wadena District Livestock and 4-H Association since 1972 and has only just recently stepped down from this position. "As secretary-treasurer, she helped the president immensely as she was very well organized."

The Regional Show & Sale is held in Wadena, and Wilma handled all the books, prizes and trophies. She kept all the records during show time, including the buyers and prizes. She also looked after the write-ups in the local newspaper and kept the community informed of 4-H in the area.

According to District 42, "In 52 years of volunteering, Wilma was a strong voice in many changes. She remained very level headed throughout the years" Wilma was a wonderful organizer and leader. "I feel confident in saying that any of the youth that crossed paths with her involvement with 4-H would have fond memories and have been genuinely affected by her honest, pleasant and cooperative manner."

Nominated by the District 42 4-H Council

# 2009 – Colin Hughes



Colin Hughes was born on April 11, 1955 in Shelbrook SK. He currently lives on a farm near Canwood with his wife, Lori, and has three children, Amanda, Tara and Kelly, who have all been involved in 4-H.

Colin was a 4-H member for six years. He was a beef leader with the Canwood 4-H Beef Club for 16 years, two of those years serving as general leader. Apart from volunteering at the club level, Colin served as a committee member for the Prince Albert Exhibition 4-H Beef Show for 15 years; eight of those as Chairman. He helped the club host regional public speaking and curling. He treated everyone fairly and was always seeking opportunities for each member to experience.

Colin was a leader delegate to several 4-H events including the National 4-H Leaders Conference (1996) and the Alberta Leaders Conference (2001). He served as a chaperone for the Connections Canada Exchange to Prince Edward Island (1998). For five years he chaperoned members at the Prairieland Youth Leadership program in Saskatoon.

Colin has taken an active role in creating and improving a variety of events within his community and district. He initiated the re-writing of the Prince Albert show from a one-day heifer and steer show to a two-day show. He also initiated the idea of the Charity Steer to the Prince Albert committee. This was the first in the province and has been a very successful addition to the regional show and a very positive thing for 4-H in general.

As president of the District #33 4-H Council, Colin attended many meetings, organized grooming and showmanship clinics and helped host public speaking, curling and ski days. He proposed the more recent cloverbud resolution, allowing 4-H's youngest members to show at regional competitions.

Apart from 4-H, Colin served on the Canwood Recreation Board for 15 years and the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Committee for 32 years, five of those being a delegate. Colin is a charter member of the Parkside Lions Club, and was appointed to the Board of Governors of North West Regional College in North Battleford (2006-2009). Colin was also councilor for the Rural Municipality of Canwood (2006-2009).

District #33 recommended Colin be inducted to the Saskatchewan 4-H Hall of Fame because his contributions to 4-H were extensive and beneficial. Colin demonstrated positive leadership and fairness for all. His dedication to 4-H supersedes all expectations of a leader.

Nominated by District #33 4-H Council



# 2009 – Louise Haubold



Louise Haubold was born on November 12, 1925 in Saskatoon SK. She resides in Medstead with her husband Eric, and has three children, Sharon, Lynn and Barry.

In 1962, Louise helped found the Glenbush 4-H Homecraft Club. She served as general leader for nearly 20 years, as well as a project leader. By becoming a 4-H leader, she was able to teach and pass on her experience. From 1962 to 1982, Louise led many youth in the Glenbush area. She encouraged them to experience all the opportunities 4-H had to offer, ranging from farm girls camps, Christmas parties, carnivals, parades, camping, auction sales and curling. Louise's members went on to do great things, including a young girl who won the Saskatchewan 4-H Chef Queen title in Saskatoon.

Louise's volunteerism took her beyond the club level. She was an active executive member for many years on the District #38 4-H Council, and attended several annual general meetings. In 1978, she served as a chaperone on a tour of Newfoundland, accompanying 30 members from the district.

Louise shared her expertise, knowledge and time with other 4-H clubs. She was a homecraft judge at many achievement days and fairs. More recently, she served as a woodworking judge, as well as judging numerous other homecraft projects. Louise also served as a public speaking judge. As a judge, Louise was a very fair but firm, her praise was sincere and her criticism was constructive and concise. She recognized and praised effort.

Outside of 4-H, Louise is very active in her community. She served on many committees and volunteered for several events. Her volunteer work included serving with Medstead and District Recreation Association, Medstead History Book Committee, Medstead Housing Authority, Medstead Village Council, Medstead Community Hall Board, Glaslyn Bowling Club and Little Loon Park Board. Through all these committees, Louise earned the North West Recreation Volunteerism Award in the spring of 2008.

Louise supports community sports, particularly the local curling club. Anyone who has attended a curling bonspiel in Medstead over the last 40 years would see that Louise is the driving force behind the club. Louise organizes curling clinics and helps keep youth involved.

Through all her volunteer work within her community, and with her outstanding volunteerism with Saskatchewan 4-H, Louise is a pioneer of the 4-H movement in her area. She has been a stellar ambassador for 4-H for over 40 years. Louise is a leading example of what it takes to keep our small communities going. To the younger generation, she is considered a wonderful friend and mentor.

Nominated by District #38 4-H Council

# 2009 – Donna Saunders



Donna Saunders was born on November 16, 1940 at home on a farm near Midale SK. She married Frelan Saunders and has two children, Shannon and Ron.

Donna began her 4-H career as the only female member of the Cymri Baby Beef club in the early 50's. From 1981 to 2003, Donna served as general leader for the Admiral 4-H Club. During this time, she led numerous projects including clothing, foods, making it on your own and junior leader. She also taught three young boys how to sew, which many said was a feat in itself!

In Donna's last two years with the club, she served as assistant leader, helping the new general leader in adjusting to her role. In 2005, Donna was recognized for her 25-year volunteer commitment to Saskatchewan 4-H.

Beyond the club level, Donna served on the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Board of Directors from 1989 to 1992. She served on the planning committee for Saskatchewan 4-H's 75th Anniversary, helping organize and facilitate the event. Donna was always at district and regional events such as curling, public speaking, equestrian camp and meetings. Throughout the years, she attended many district and regional workshops for leaders. She encouraged members to participate at, not only the local level of 4-H, but at district, regional and provincial levels.

Donna was awarded a variety of trips including Atlantic Leaders Conference (NB, 1986), Impact 4-H (SK, 1991), National Volunteer Leader's Conference (ON, 1998). After Donna came back from these trips she always tried new ideas and shared stories of her travels. She encouraged members to attend 4-H travel opportunities, and many did.

One of Donna's trademarks was to hand out Merit Awards - anything from putting away the chairs after a meeting to having fun at the Christmas party. The joy of a first member receiving their first certificate from Donna was something to behold. Donna encouraged members to "Learn to do by Doing". Through Donna's guidance and positive reinforcement, they learned to run their own meetings and make their own decisions, thus giving them the confidence to believe in themselves.

Donna helped organize the building of an outdoor arena for not only the 4-H club, but the entire community. She was proud of the way the families came together to build and paint it.

Donna has left her mark with the club, and some very big shoes to fill. She can be credited with the club continuing on for these many years.

Nominated by District #4 4-H Council



# 2010 – Lee Walerius



Lee (Rosalie) Walerius (Weinhandl) grew up in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. She married Clarence Walerius and they have three children. Lee is a current 4-H Light Horse leader, and has many years of experience with Saskatchewan 4-H.

Lee grew up in Saskatoon, but always had the heart of a country girl. She spent her summer holidays on the family farm, and became interested in horses when she was just five years old. She bought her first horse when she was 16, and that was the beginning of her horse career.

Lee began her 4-H career in 1982. Contacting families in the Warman - Martensville area, she started up a 4-H Club to help youth learn leadership skills and to train their horses, so the animals would not have an inactive life of standing in a pasture all day. The members fondly called the club "Lee's 4-H Club".

After 15 years, the club changed its name to the Silver Shadows 4-H Club. Lee is still active within the club as a project leader, and volunteers her time weekly to teach the members riding skills. She has also coached at several 4-H Equestrian Camps, inspiring youth to enjoy and learn more about horses.

Lee has been both General and Project Leader in her 4-H club, and was a part of the District #22 4-H Council, holding various executive positions. She served on the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Board of Directors for nine years, holding the positions of President, Vice-President, and Past President.

Lee is notorious for her great sense of humour and willingness to be involved in any activity. She has shown great dedication and personal care to all 4-H members and leaders that she has worked with. She is gracious and kind, and is a team player.

Apart from her 4-H experience, Lee also works with at-risk youth, giving them the opportunity to have a positive experience with horses through horsemanship and Equine Assisted Psychotherapy. She has volunteered at the Warman Rodeo offering her services in numerous capacities: judge, announcer and ring crew and coached the Night Rider's Drill Team. She has coached softball, fastball and soccer, and the western riding competitors at the 2001 Summer Games. She also has held annual horse shows and gymkhanas at the family farm for many years. Lee and her family continues to breed and train their Quarter Horse and Paint horses, while instructing many other Light Horse 4-H members and families the fine art of horsemanship.

Lee has helped many children achieve their equine goals. She is a wealth of information and has taught them patience, leadership and public speaking skills. Her dedication, volunteerism and enthusiasm for the 4-H program are inspiring to many.

Nominated by the District #22 4-H Council.



# 2010 – Meta Weick



Meta (Werner) Weick was born in Springside, SK on July 19, 1919. She married the late Berthold Karl Weick, and had five children: Nina, Myrna, Carol (deceased), Gordon and David.

Meta helped start the Churchbridge 4-H Homecraft Club in June of 1959. 30 girls joined the club and had three projects to pick from: 'It's Fun to Sew', 'Beginner's Dress Making', and 'The Well Dressed Girl'. Little did Meta know at the time, that her commitment to the club would last 30 years.

Meta served as the club's General Leader for 22 of those years. As well, she served as Project Leader, where she was able to help young girls develop many of their homecraft skills. Meta led Ceramics, where her members created masterful pieces of art. She also led sewing, where members made place mats and aprons at first, and advanced to making club uniforms and prom dresses.

Meta's expectations for members were high, focusing on the techniques they had learned. She worked endless hours and was a driving force to guiding the members in completing their tasks throughout the year. Meta always had words of praise and encouragement for her members. She played a very vital role in the club's continuation, encouraging and supporting the mem-

bers, as well as new leaders. Her endless energy, inspiration and encouragement were "amazing".

Meta also took on the role of 4-H Judge, judging for many Achievement Days in the area. She carefully examined the projects and was fair, honest and constructive in her feedback. She made a point of promoting further learning. She attended Leadership Conferences, led 4-H'ers in (and made banners for) parades, and was proficient in both sewing and cooking. She even cooked at a 4-H summer camp!

Apart from 4-H, Meta served as a Pennock School Board Trustee, Church Choir Singer, Churchbridge Housing Authority member, and Melville Quilter's Guild member. In 2003, she received Qu'Appelle Valley Recreation Association Volunteer Award. She was also employed by the Saskatchewan Department of Education to teach sewing to several First Nations communities.

Meta's commitment to helping others was never more evident than in June of 1973 when she and her husband helped 23 children return through a storm on Fishing Lake that claimed the lives of three of their classmates.

In July 2009, Meta celebrated her 90th birthday. Today, she lives in her hometown and is still a very active member in the Churchbridge community. Congratulations on being inducted in the Saskatchewan 4-H Hall of Fame, Meta! Thank you for your many years of service and dedication.

Nominated by the District #12 4-H Council.

# 2010 – Helene Tunbridge



Helene Tunbridge was born on August 20, 1944 in the Canora Hospital. She married Dave Tunbridge in 1977 and had two daughters: Hilary and Heather. She also has three grandchildren. Helene currently lives in Sturgis, SK.

Helene's involvement with the 4-H program stems back to her youth when she was a member of the Buchanan 4-H Garden Club. In 1986, daughter Hilary enrolled for her first year in the Sturgis 4-H Multiple Club and half way through the year Helene was asked to help with a project. Her daughter Heather also joined when she was old enough. Helene served as a Project Leader, and as a General Leader in the Sturgis club. Her forte was Crafts, which she led for many years. Helene had as much interest as the members in 4-H, and it wasn't unusual to hear her say, "If only they had this project when I was young..."

Helene had many new ideas for her 4-H club. Members were encouraged to Impromptu speeches during general meetings to help with their public speaking. Helene also encouraged members and together a club pin was designed. Also, a scholarship for Grade 12 members was established. Members were encouraged to take different positions on the executive to learn different responsibilities. She spearheaded fundraisers for the club to take part in, ranging from selling fertilizer and Tupperware, bake sales, auction sale lunches, ditch cleaning and a "Loonie Foot" fundraiser. Helene encouraged all the members to be involved in the fundraisers. Helene organized a club trip at year end for the members, leaders and parents. Each year the trips were both educational and fun. She also encouraged the club to fundraise for a donation to the National 4-H Council. Consequently the club was labeled a "Grassroots Club" for the national program.

Helene was also a strong force behind the club's activities. For their Christmas celebrations, the club made and delivered goodies to the hospital and care home, serenading senior citizens with Christmas carols. Helene also organized Sturgis' 50th 4-H Anniversary celebration with the then-Lieutenant Governor, Lynda Haverstock, as a special guest. Helene was very approachable. She made time for questions and, if she didn't know the answer, would go out of her way to find one. The members learned many life skills from Helene, in particular at Sturgis' Canada Day celebrations during the Sports & Rodeo event. Helene led the club in running a 4-H Booth, and the members learned numerous skills such as dealing with customers, making food, handling money and cleaning up.

Helene was also very organized. This helped her beyond the club level, where she served on the District Council Executive for many years. She encouraged other 4-H clubs in the District to take part in District competitions and fun days, and was a leader when it came to organizing District, Regional or Provincial events. Apart from 4-H, Helene was very active in the community. She was involved in the Sturgis Figure Skating Club, Sturgis and District Recreation Board and the Sports & Rodeo Committee. She was treasurer for the Sturgis Horticultural Society and volunteered for the Sturgis Community Bingo. Helene's organizational skills and approachability made her an asset to any organization or committee.

Helene and her husband Dave still live in Sturgis, where they continue to raise Appaloosa horses. Dave has since retired from the Sask. Wheat Pool and the two of them are enjoying life.

Nominated by the District 18 / 19 4-H Council.



# 2011 – Mary-Ann Carson



Mary-Ann (Ormiston) Carson was born in 1954 in Indian Head, Saskatchewan. She married Irvin in 1973 and together they have farmed at Maidstone on the family farm. Here they raised three children; Kent, Collette and Louise all of whom were very active 4-Hers. Presently four of their seven grandchildren are in 4-H.

Mary-Ann was a member of the Happy Valley and Edgeley Multiple 4-H Clubs for four years. During this time, she attended the National 4-H Conference in Toronto. This was only the beginning of a long career with 4-H.

Mary-Ann has been involved with the Maidstone Gully Multiple 4-H Club for 27 years.

She has been, and is currently the General Leader of the Maidstone Gully Multiple 4-H Club for 14 of her 27 years. Throughout this time, she has led 17 projects. Mary-Ann has always encouraged her club to try new things including taking over the care and maintenance of the community playground in Maidstone, putting on drama productions and cowboy poetry nights as fundraisers, and especially creating 4-U projects to suit their interests.

Beyond club level, Mary-Ann has served on the District 35 4-H Council as Vice President and President and has volunteered on various committees over the years. She is very influential on the District council, and has helped the District start the Chad Bullerwell Memorial Bursary and the District 35 Hall of Fame. She has organized two exchange trips and the “Looking Good, Feeling Great” workshop. She helps organize the multi-project portion of 4-H Expo in Lloydminster. She also encouraged the council to have a junior executive.

Mary-Ann has also served on the Saskatchewan 4-H Council for 17 years and the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation for 6 years. She has been Vice President, President and Past President. She has chaperoned the National Citizenship and International Judging Seminars. She has counselled Provincial Selections three times, and facilitated green team presentations.

Mary-Ann has also served at the National level for 8 years, holding various executive positions including President of the Canadian 4-H Council. She also served as Assistant Director and Director for the National 4-H Conference.

Apart from her 4-H experience, Mary-Ann is committed to her community. She has worked at the Maidstone Group Home as a casual program worker and home operator for 16 years. She is currently the bookkeeper for the Lloydminster Feeder Co-op. She is an active member of the Milleton Hall, Lloydminster Exhibition and the North of the Gully Drama Club.

Mary-Ann has given endless hours to the program and its members at every level. She has influenced many members and leaders over the years, and has changed the lives of many.

Nominated by the District #35 4-H Council.

# 2011 – Arthur Patrick Adamson



Art was born in Shellbrook in 1925. He married Lois Adamson and had five children, Dale, Terry, Dee Dee, Shelley and John. His contribution to the 4-H council is timeless.

Art began his 4-H career as a parent in 1965 and the next year as General Leader, and the only leader, of the Makwa 4-H Beef Club. He held this role on his own until 1978, when more leaders joined. After that, he was a project leader for 12 more years. He helped with the Regional Show for over 30 years, and continued to be the ring man at the District 36 Show & Sale until 2005.

Art encouraged parents to enrol their children in 4-H, as he truly believed 4-H was a family affair. He spent many hours teaching members how to feed, lead and care for their animals. He also taught the older members how to work with the younger members, and to respect others.

Art's great sense of humour was a great help in keeping young people's attention, and he had a knack for getting even the shyest children to interact. He made 4-H fun and enjoyable for many young people. He has inspired many young people to be better citizens, and to be 4-H supporters.

Throughout his years in 4-H, he sat on the District 4-H Council. He also spent countless hours promoting 4-H in the district and around Meadow Lake to businesses. Thanks to his promotional efforts, they had the highest selling sale of 4-H calves in the province.

Art taught members throughout the District how to judge and show their animals. His experience at beef cattle judging made him a popular judge at several other beef shows in the North West region including Edam, St. Walburg, Spruce Lake, Pierceland, Lloydminster and Meadow Lake.

Art held numerous other volunteer positions in his community including Midwest Cattle Association supervisor, Meadow Lake Agricultural Society director and the Hereford Association's North West representative. He received the Cattleman of the Year award in 2005, and was a lifetime member of the Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association, and the Meadow Lake Stampede Association.

Beyond 4-H and his community, Art also culled bulls at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Vermillion College, North Battleford and Lloydminster for several bull sales.

Art passed away in May of 2008. He is fondly remembered by many in his club and district. Many people from his area have commented that when 4-H is mentioned, Art Adamson comes to mind.

Nominated by the District #36 4-H Council.

# 2011 – Vi Protz



Vi (Viola) Protz (Nee Dittrick) was born in Killaly Saskatchewan in 1943. Together with her husband Max, she has four daughters – Laurielynn, Maxine, Michelle and Nicole. Vi's entire family has been involved with 4-H over the years.

Vi started her 4-H career in 1955 as a 4-H member in the Killaly 4-H Club, where she completed the knitting and sewing projects. After her years as a member, Vi also served as Project and General Leader of the Kelvington Multiple club for 10 years, and Project and General Leader of the Yorkton Creators 4-H Club for 24 years.

Vi has led all homecraft projects over the years: babysitting, cloverbud, cooking, crafts, exploring 4-H, knitting, making it on your own 1 & 2, sewing, outdoorsman and woodworking. Beyond club level, she has served on the District Council throughout her 4-H career, holding all executive positions at one time or another.

Vi has been a judge at many different Achievement Days, and also judged Beef record books at the Yorkton Regional 4-H Show & Sale. She has also attended 4-H Annual General Meetings as her District's representative for several years, and the Alberta Leaders Conference twice, 1988 & 2008. She also attended the Know Manitoba Better tour in 1984.

At the provincial level, Vi served as a South East Board of Directors member for the Saskatchewan 4-H Council. She has also served on the following provincial-level 4-H committees: Hall of Fame, Selections, Special Events and Project Revision. In November 2000 she attended the National Leaders Conference in Toronto.

Vi has made an outstanding impact with many youth. She encourages members to try new and different things, to learn to do by doing, and to follow the 4-H pledge. Even if they fail, she encourages them to not give up and try again until they achieve their goals. Vi believes very strongly in the 4-H core values of honour & integrity, reliability, cooperation and fun. 4-H has helped her cope with her own personal issues over the years, which have made her a stronger and better person today.

Outside of 4-H, Vi volunteers on many committees such as, St. Joseph's Altar Society (Kelvington) and the Parish Council of St. Mary's Church (Yorkton). She has also served on the executives of the UCWLC of Yorkton, Kelvington Scouting Association, Kelvington Curling Club, Kelvington Figure Skating Club, Yorkton & District Horticultural Society, St. Mary's Children of Mary. Also to Vi's credit is attending classes to learn the Ukrainian language and then offering her teaching skills to kindergarten children and adults, for the past 21 years.

Vi has been described as one who selflessly instructs young minds. She has volunteered countless hours for Saskatchewan 4-H and lends a hand to anyone who needs it. She has given so much of herself to teach young members over the years, and her club, community and beyond are forever thankful.

Nominated by the District #12 4-H Council.



# 2012 – Carol Ann Masecar



Carol Ann Masecar, born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, completed her schooling in Calgary, Alberta and spent her young adult years in Fernie, BC, has resided in Val Marie with her husband Jim Commodore since 1991. Since that time, Carol has been a 4-H leader and recently received her 20-year Leader Pin. She currently leads the Light Horse project with the Val Marie 4-H Light Horse Club.

Carol is a Certified CEF (Canadian Equestrian Federation) Coach and works hard to improve her knowledge and skills and takes great joy in sharing this knowledge with others. She has always done her best to make her 4-H club exciting by teaching members a variety of skills and exposing them to as many different events and disciplines as possible (for example: reining, working cow horse, speed events, trail, mounted games, natural horsemanship, drill team, polo, trick training, jumping and dressage). She is also known for teaching interesting light horse winter projects such as braiding headstalls, reins and halters, leatherwork, tooling and hooking wool saddle pads. As well as for engaging other leaders to teach woodworking to make saddle stands or assist with projects.

Carol's enthusiasm for teaching reaches very far. She always gives 100 per cent and goes out of her way to ensure everyone has an excellent, fun, rewarding and safe 4-H experience. With careful attention on the members' safety, Carol excels at organizing fun club events like overnight campouts, trail rides and team penning.

Carol is very generous when it comes to helping others, particularly her 4-H members. If a child wanted to join the 4-H club but did not have a horse, Carol would lend one of her own horses for that child to use. If a child did not have a riding helmet, she would lend them one of hers or any other equipment they needed. She ensured everyone had the opportunity to be a 4-H member and to take advantage of her vast knowledge and love for horses, as well as the many opportunities that the 4-H program has to offer.

Carol was also the General and a Project Leader for several years with the Val Marie 4-H Multiple Club where she led Babysitting, Small Pets, Let's Entertain and Dog Obedience. She brought in instructors to lead a hunter safety course, cooking, photography, mechanics, welding and beef projects and was instrumental in organizing a Connections Canada exchange.

Beyond club-level, Carol was on the 4-H Board of Directors in 1997 and 1998 as the SW leader delegate, and was secretary/treasurer for the District #4 4-H Council for several years. She spear-headed many district and regional-level committees and organized 4-H functions including public speaking, ski trips, curling and equestrian camps.

Carol has spread her dedication and love of horses to 4-H members over the last 20 years. By sharing her knowledge, providing interesting and fun activities, and personally putting faith in her 4-H club and members, Carol has risen beyond the call of duty as a 4-H leader.

Nominated by District 4 4-H Council

# 2012 – Eileen Elizabeth Peters



Eileen Elizabeth Peters (Bater) was born in North Battleford Saskatchewan. She was a member of the Baljennie Spinny Hill Club, and has been involved in the 4-H program for over 30 years. Eileen is married to Glenn, and has five children: Sherry, Candy, Tyson, Tanya and Chad.

Eileen wanted her children to have the same 4-H experience she had, so when she moved back to Baljennie in 1980, she knocked on doors to get a 4-H club started. She was hoping for the minimum six members, and was a bit taken aback when 42 members registered that year to form the Baljennie Multiple Club, with Eileen as the General Leader!

Eileen was a General Leader and a Project Leader for 20 years. During this time, she also helped three separate clubs get started in the area: Country Corners Multiple 4-H Club, Monarch Light Horse and Battleford 4-H Club. Eileen always welcomed new members and leaders to the clubs, and went out of her way to “show them the ropes”. She even took her club on an exchange to Newfoundland, where she served as the chaperone.

Eileen helped out with the 4-H club wherever she could. She set up meetings, organized public speaking, helped make yearly club floats for the Battleford parade, assisted with 4-H exchange trips, incorporated team grooming and organized a variety of interesting tours for her club. She also opened her home to the club for meetings, clinics and demonstrations, and of course the awesome pot lucks!

At a District level, Eileen has been the President of District #34 4-H Council for several years. She encouraged the District to allow members to hold executive roles and became the Leader Advisor to help the members in their new roles. At the District level, she helped organize public speaking, curling and fun nights. Also at this time, she started a Beef Clipping & Grooming Clinic, to which all the clubs in the District were invited.

Eileen was the Chairperson for the Regional Show & Sale for about 10 years. During this time, she helped the Regional show to become a multiple show, amalgamating the Light Horse, Beef, Sheep and Multiple Projects into a two-day show. At the Provincial level, she attended several conferences at 4-H's Rayner Centre, and was even a counselor on occasion. Eileen has serviced and volunteered for numerous community associations, including Agriculture Society Board of Directors, Battlefords Minor Hockey Association, Battlefords Figure skating Club, Sweetheart Hockey Tournament, Communities on Patrol, Eastern Star, and SaskTel Christmas Family Hamper, etc.

Eileen is dedicated to 4-H, young people, families, communities and leadership. She has touched the lives of many lucky 4-H'ers and has made a big difference within the 4-H family. She helps out whenever she can and is an avid volunteer.

Thank you for your many years of service and dedication to your 4-H club, your community and your country, Eileen. Congratulations on being inducted into the Saskatchewan 4-H Hall of Fame!

Nominated by District 34 4-H Council

# 2012 – Claude Darreld Wasden



Claude Darreld Wasden was born and raised in Spiritwood, Saskatchewan. He is married to Adele Wasden, and has three children – Farin, Mellisa and Megan. Claude has been both a 4-H member and a leader, and recently received his 20-year Leader Pin in 2010.

Claude's contributions to 4-H began when he was just a 4-H member of the Mildred 4-H Club. The club won their District level of curling. However, at that time, there was no Provincial level to advance to. Claude took the initiative and proposed that the Mildred 4-H Club host the very first Provincial 4-H Curling competition. They did, and Claude's team won! The provincial curling competition has evolved since the first bonspiel, but one of the major highlights for Claude was when his daughter Megan made it to the Provincial level in 2009! Like father, like daughter!

Claude first became a 4-H leader in 1984 with the Wild Rose 4-H Club. He was also a leader with the Mildred 4-H Club, and the Spiritwood 4-H Club where he is still a leader today. Claude leads his 4-H members with knowledge, guidance and respect. He has helped many 4-H'ers with local community events & fundraisers. He has also taken his club to Agribition and District Curling.

Beyond the club, Claude has been the President of the Spiritwood Ag Society and the Chairman of the Spiritwood Regional 4-H Show & Sale. For the Show & Sale in particular, Claude has been instrumental in the fine-tuning of this event. Many changes in showmanship, judging and grooming are results of Claude's guidance to ensure each member has a fair chance to compete in a safe environment.

Claude has also given many grooming and clipping demonstrations for various clubs in the area, while emphasizing the 4-H motto of "Learn to do by Doing". Claude has also judged many 4-H Achievement Days and Regional Shows. Because of his outstanding contribution to 4-H, he received the Co-operators/4-H National Volunteer Leader of the Year Award in 2012.

Outside of 4-H, Claude has been a delegate on the Saskatchewan Hereford Association board, where he played a key role in the 4-H breed special awards for 4-H members. Claude has also been a director on the Prince Albert Exhibition board as a breed rep. for the past 15 years. He shared his knowledge to help create the excellent 4-H and junior programs put on by the Prince Albert Exhibition.

Claude always has a smile on his face and is willing to help out 4-H members, leaders and beyond! Family is also important to him, as when he judges various competitions, he always has one of his daughters by his side, teaching and mentoring them to be future judges.

Claude continues to farm in the Spiritwood area with his wife and daughters. He is still an active mentor in 4-H, sharing his knowledge with 4-H Beef members, and giving demonstrations when called upon. He is always available and willing to help out "at the drop of a hat". Thank you for your many contributions to Saskatchewan 4-H, Claude!

Nominated by District 33 4-H Council



# 2013 – Irene Dorrance



Irene Dorrance was born on a farm north of Wapella, Saskatchewan. She attended Teachers College for three years after high school and married Tom Dorrance of Wawota, Saskatchewan. Together with Tom, they have five children: Kevin, Heather, Brenda, Leanne, and Trent, as well as 13 grandchildren. Irene and Tom still live on the family farm which has been in the family for over 125 years and four generations; now run by their son Kevin and his family.

Irene's 4-H career started in 1973 when she became a Leader of the Wawota Homecraft Club. Over her 20 years as a leader, Irene spent nine years as a Project Leader and 11 as a General Leader. She led members through the sewing, knitting, and crocheting projects as well as welding, woodworking, mechanics, grains, and gardening projects.

All five of their children, along with more than 50 other youth, made up the 4-H club's membership. Irene encouraged all the members to stay a member of 4-H long enough to get the full benefits and opportunities of being a member, such as travel and camping opportunities.

She also took members to fairs to display their projects and encouraged them to enter their projects in the exhibitions.

During this period, Irene also donated some of her time to the Wawota Beef Club.

Beyond the club level, Irene was President of District #5 for two years, was a club representative to District Council from 1984-1989, South East delegate to the Provincial Council from 1984-1986, sat on the Regional and Provincial Councils, was a member of the Provincial 4-H Camp committee, went to the National 4-H Leaders Conference in Toronto, and helped at District and Regional Camps.

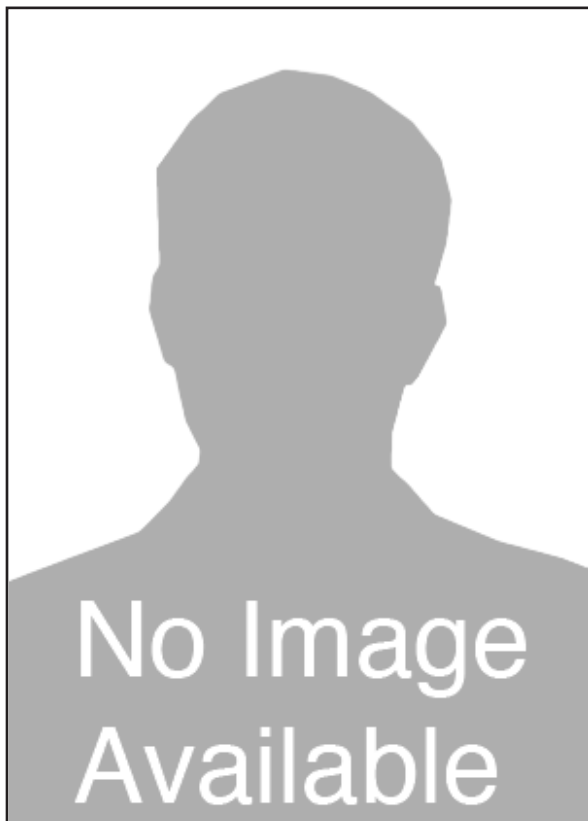
Irene also chaperoned 4-H trips, hosted 4-H members and leaders on trips and exchanges, was an active participant at leader workshops, and continues her involvement today judging 4-H projects and record books.

Outside of 4-H, Irene is involved with her church and several local fair associations. 4-H still resonates as a family commitment and tradition with her husband, Tom, and her son, Kevin, serving as past leaders of the Wawota Beef Club and her son, Trent, volunteering as a current leader of the Alameda 4-H Beef Club. Irene still carries on the 4-H tradition by supporting her grandchildren in their 4-H adventures.

Irene is seen as an excellent 4-H leader who believes strongly in 4-H and the core values of the 4-H program. Despite working full time, helping run the farm, and raising a family, Irene still dedicated her time and energy to the 4-H program and to teaching 4-H values to the children.

Nominated by District #5 4-H Council - 2013

# 2013 – Mildred Everest



Mildred Everest was born in Prince Albert, SK on January 19, 1947. Together with her husband Ray, she has 3 children and 7 grandchildren; Kimberley (Marc) Bernier with sons Ryland and Braden, Frank (Shauna St. Armand) Everest with sons Chucky and Robby, and Jacqueline (Steve Chu) Everest with sons Mason and Meyer and daughter Veneece. Mildred's love for 4-H started as a very young girl as a member of the Wild Rose 4-H Homecraft Club.

Mildred was a member until she was too old, but her dedication with the 4-H program continued. In 1974, Mildred was asked to help with a group of young ladies later known as the Red Deer Hill Homecraft Club, taking on the role as the Crochet Project Leader, eventually becoming the club General Leader in 1977 and continuing in this capacity until the 1990s.

In 1983, several boys wanted to be involved with 4-H, so Mildred added Woodworking, and a few years later, the Outdoorsman project. While Mildred was also still a Project Leader and her children through the 4-H program. A strong believer in Public Speaking, Mildred saw the importance of having Public Speaking as a requirement at the Club level long before it was a Provincial policy.

Throughout the years, she has also donated her time to the Red Deer Hill-West PA Beef Club and the Hill View Riders Light Horse Club. Beyond the club level, Mildred held executive positions and was a club council representative for District #32. She has helped organize District and Provincial Curling and Public Speaking events, 4-H Pancake Breakfasts, Inter-Club Competitions for the Prince Albert Exhibition Association, and 4-H exchange trips with New Brunswick, Manitoba, and British Columbia. Mildred also served a four-year term on the Saskatchewan 4-H Provincial Council, sitting on several committees including the committee involved with promoting 4-H on Dairy Producer milk cartons. Mildred was also the provincial distributor for the 4-H Thermal Mug fundraising promotion from 1985 to 2008.

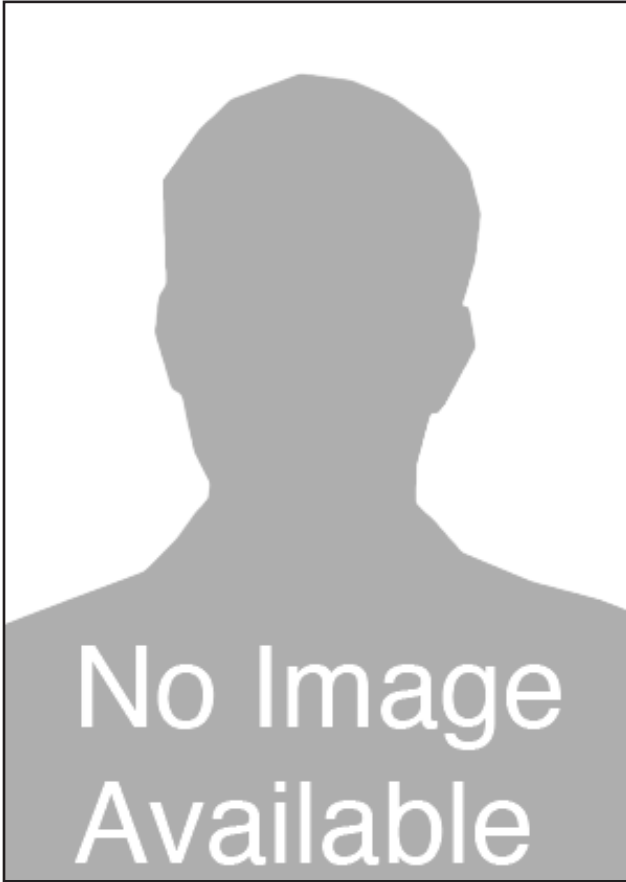
Mildred and her husband Ray still continue their involvement with the 4-H Community through Homecraft, Light Horse, and Beef clubs by supporting their grandchildren as members and hosting clubs and members for team roping; working cow horse and reining clinics, sharing hospitality, great food and many stories.

Many have heard Mildred say, "I am proud to have been involved with 4-H as a member, leader, parent, and grandparent for all these years. I am proud of all the members and leaders over the years that have helped me. I am especially touched by all the members that I have seen grow up over the years that have developed into very successful adults, in their careers and now as parents and leaders. Some have put their learning to great use; for example, to make their own wedding dresses, sewn and crocheted. Others have become carpenters, horse trainers, and great public speakers. I do hope the clubs will continue on and can celebrate many more years."

Mildred has displayed her strong 4-H values and has passed them along in so many ways, touching hundreds of 4-H members and their families. Mildred's 38 years of dedication to 4-H stands out as an amazing accomplishment for an honorable woman who never asks for anything in return.



# 2013 – Morris Kiland



Morris was born in Wadena on September 27, 1942. Morris and his wife, Lorelye, have raised three children, Korelye (Sean Friesen), Kimberly (Brad Kennedy), and Kameron (Isla Cox), and have five granddaughters: Kala, Kali-Ann, Keelin, Kelcee, and Kya.

Morris became involved in the Saskatchewan 4-H program in 1953 as one of the founding members of the Hendon 4-H Beef Club, where he remained for eight years, returning as a 4-H leader in 1964. In 1966, Morris started the Fosston 4-H Light Horse Club, along with assistant leaders Ed and Bruce Anderson. During his tenure, the club started a musical ride and performed in many parades and shows in neighbouring towns.

Morris was active on the District #42 Council as Chairperson, planning and participating in District rallies. He came full circle back to the Hendon 4-H Beef Club as a parent while his own children were members, and finally as a judge for several local 4-H Beef Club Achievement Days. After a family member developed an allergy to cattle, Morris, along with Larry Gutek, started the Kelvington 4-H Grain Club in 1983.

Getting members involved with Public Speaking is one of Morris's ambitions. His encouragement has allowed youth even

further opportunities to grow as members, individuals, community members, and leaders. Morris has continued to support 4-H Public Speaking as a judge at local competitions.

In 1982, Morris became a Director for the Wadena and District Livestock Association, and has served as President several times over the years. After 30 years, he continues to work actively on the Board as a Director, and is a familiar figure at the annual Wadena Regional 4-H Beef Show & Sale as the Master of Ceremonies and Ring Man. Morris has been an active part of his community, serving on the Hendon Wheat Pool Committee, Hendon Hall Board, Hendon Credit Union Board, Co-op Board, and in the Hendon Curling Club. Presently he is working with the Kelvington Agriculture Society and the R.M. of Lakeview #337 as Counsellor for Division 4.

The impact he has had on 4-H youth, along with his dedication and promotion of all aspects of the 4-H movement have had some suggest he could be called "Mr. 4-H".

Morris states, "It has been a great honour to have worked with young people in the surrounding communities and a greater honour to have 4-H members, after many years, stop and thank me for my part in their early lives."

Nominated by District #42 4-H Council - 2013

# 2014 – Kelly Ann Friedrich



Kelly Ann Friedrich was born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan in 1954. She was married to the late Newton Friedrich and has two children: Vawn McLean and Kelton Friedrich. Kelly's dedication to the Saskatchewan 4-H Council over the years has been extensive, and appreciated by many.

Kelly's 4-H career began as a 4-H member in 1964 when she joined the North Battleford Boots and Saddles Light Horse Club, of which she was a member until 1971.

After moving to Meadow Lake in 1976 she served as Project and General Leader of the Meadow Lake Northern 4-H Light Horse Club. She was also a Project Leader with the Makwa 4-H Beef Club.

Eventually she spearheaded the formation of the Woodland Multiple 4-H Club in 1992, where she served as General Leader for five years, and Light Horse Project Leader until 2010.

Apart from her club level experience, Kelly also served on the District 4-H Council (1976 – 1983), the Provincial 4-H Board of Directors, the Northwest Regional 4-H Council (President, 1982-1984) and the District #36 Council (Treasurer, 1990). She helped rewrite the provincial constitution, served on the 4-H selections committee and, with her family, attended Saskatchewan 4-H's 75th Anniversary at Rayner Centre.

Highlights of her time with 4-H were when her family hosted 2 Japanese youth and a chaperone as part of the 4-H / LABO exchange. Kelly's daughter was able to visit one the Japanese youth a few years later. The Friedrich's also hosted other 4-H youth on interprovincial exchange programs.

Kelly has vast knowledge of ranching, and genuine love of teaching, which has made her a wealth of information not only for her own club and members, but to several other clubs where she has acted as a light horse or public speaking judge. Kelly has always been willing to share her experiences and expertise with 4-H'ers.

4-H members who did not have a horse were able to borrow one of Kelly's, thus allowing many "town kids" to benefit from Light Horse 4-H through hands-on experience. Kelly always encouraged members to think of the animal as "their horse" for the year.

Kelly has a way of encouraging youth in general. She is an inspiring and valiant leader, and can make any atmosphere safe and inviting. Not only has she encouraged many members to overcome their fear of public speaking, she also has been instrumental in their development of confidence, competency and self-assurance.

Kelly's experience with Saskatchewan 4-H is extensive at the club, district, regional and provincial levels. It is with great respect and appreciation that she is being inducted into the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Hall of Fame. Thank you Kelly, and congratulations.

# 2015 – Willie Schmitt



Willie Schmitt was born in Arborfield on October 11, 1957. He is married to Joyce, and has four children: Carla, Janet, Joanne and Allan. Willie resides in Carrot River, SK.

Willie's involvement with the 4-H program began in 1965, where he was a member of the Jordan River 4-H Beef Club until 1974. Willie was also a member of the Jordan River Light Horse 4-H Club from 1968 to 1973. In both clubs, he served on the executive, competed in public speaking competitions, took part in curling and attended 4-H camp at Rayner Centre.

Willie also served as a 4-H leader for many years. In 1999 he led the reorganization of the Jordan River 4-H Beef Club. From 1999 to 2011, he held the position of General Leader for the Jordan River 4-H Beef Club, where he went above and beyond to ensure 4-H members stayed busy and active throughout the year. Recognizing the need for young leaders to move forward, Willie served as Assistant Leader in 2012 - 2013, providing guidance and mentorship to new leaders. 2013 - 2014 marked his final year of volunteerism with 4-H. During this time, Wil-

lie served as Project Leader within the club, helping young members with project questions, and assisting the new leaders in running the club. Throughout his years of involvement as a 4-H leader, his kind words of guidance were greatly appreciated by member and leader alike.

Willie also served as a committee member on the Melfort Regional 4-H Beef Show and Sale. From 2010 to 2012 he held the position of committee Chair where he led and directed all parts of the show including sponsorship, steer sale, logistics, and scheduling.

One of Willie's major contributions was co-founding the Melfort Ag Society 4-H Regional Show Scholarship program. Recognizing the need for an additional competitive educational event at the regional show, Willie was an integral force in creating the scholarship program, which awards \$4,000 annually. Willie helped to develop criteria for members that included: participation in 4-H public speaking and judging, submitting a completed record book, and taking part in a formal interview. He served on this committee from 2004 to 2014, helping to award over \$30,000 to 4-H members in northeast Saskatchewan.

Willie is a very well spoken and active member of the community. He has been involved in the Tri Town Thunder Junior B Hockey Club, not only as the Chairperson and board member, but also as the founding organizer for the farming fundraiser. Other organizational duties include silent auction and lottery coordination, ticket sales, game day organization and day to day operations.

Willie has been a member of the Rural Municipality of Arborfield #456 since 2006. His leadership skills have been an asset to this position, as duties include mediating disputes between ratepayers, setting a budget for the RM, overseeing RM employees and advising ratepayers regarding the business of the municipality.

Willie is a very well respected ambassador for the 4-H program. He is fully supportive of the community and is dedicated to maintaining the rural way of life. He has pride and respect for life on the farm, youth in the agriculture industry, and involvement in the 4-H program. Congratulations Willie, on being inducted in the Saskatchewan 4-H Council Hall of Fame!



# 2017 – Wes Van Caesele



Wes Van Caesele was born in 1955. He and his wife, Evelyn, live in Langenburg Saskatchewan. They have one son, Blair.

From the time he was 10 to 21 years of age, Wes began his 4-H experience as a member in the Marchwell Beef Club. He then volunteered as a leader for a few years with the Marchwell club, and later was the General Leader for the Gerald Multiple 4-H Club for three years.

After a small hiatus for a few years when the club did not run, Wes then returned as the Gerald Multiple Club's beef leader, where he held this role for 12 years.

Wes was also very instrumental in the District #13 4-H Council, where he served on their Executive as Vice President from 2000 to 2014. During this time, he was also the head of the Creativity Contest and Bursary for 4-H members in the district.

Wes' presence was also felt on the Whitewood Regional 4-H Show & Sale committee, where he served as president for two years. He brought knowledge and experience to these groups, as well as hard work and dedication.

Beyond his 4-H experience, Wes also volunteers within the community. He has been president of the Langenburg Fat Stock Show and Sale, and has volunteered at his local church and museum. Wes is renowned for his volunteerism and helps others in his community often, sometimes without even being asked.

Wes is described as a strong and knowledgeable man with a great sense of humour. He is dedicated to helping others and is always willing to lend a hand. He believes in working hard and helping out until the job is done.

Wes has a knack for working with and inspiring youth, all the while encouraging them not only to learn something, but also to have fun while doing it. He is supportive of new ideas and helps keep everyone – youth or adult – on track with his gentle wisdom and sense of humour.

Wes has demonstrated a lifetime of dedication, volunteerism, and helping others to achieve. At Achievement Days, 4-H members remember him proudly supporting them, and always making sure they had the chance to feel proud of their accomplishments.

Thank you, Wes, for your many contributions to 4-H over the years. Just as you have taught so many others to be proud of their endeavours, we hope you are proud of yours too.



# 2017 – Peter Bygrove



Peter Bygrove was born on September 1, 1941 in Lloydminster, Saskatchewan. He and his wife Trudy raised their three sons Todd (Sue), Trevor (Corrine) and Travis (Rachelle) on the family farm in the Hillmond area. Peter continues to work with his sons and brother on their ranch operation to this day.

Peter started as a member of the original Hillmond and District 4-H Beef Club in 1959, and eventually took on the role of leader in 1971. He served as a 4-H volunteer leader for 19 years with the Hillmond and District 4-H Beef Club, Hillmond 4-H Multiple Club and the Hillmond 4-H Beef Club.

Over the years, Peter's involvement with 4-H made him a very positive role model for old and young alike. Peter shared his vast knowledge and expertise of the cattle industry and provided continuous encouragement and positive leadership to all 4-H members and their families. Peter was known for being very supportive, either by sharing an encouraging word with members, or by letting them try things their own way.

Peter's mentorship has spanned three generations and he now proudly promotes the 4-H program to his grandchildren. He also continues to interact with 4-H youth in a positive and supportive way.

Peter's involvement with his community stems beyond 4-H as well. He has been very active in the Canadian Hereford Association. In 2003, he was awarded with a 50 year membership award for raising Horned Hereford cattle. He has been a member of the Hillmond Curling Club, Prairie Ornamental Pheasant and Fowl Association, NW Hereford's Annual Red Carpet Sale and the Lloydminster Exhibition Association (director from 1974 to present and member of various committees). In February of 2017 Peter was awarded "Honorary Life Member of Saskatchewan Fairs"

Peter has been described as an extremely sincere and dedicated man with a calm demeanor; a man that you feel honoured to work alongside with. He is a distinguished mentor for those in the 4-H program and the cattle industry. His wisdom, sense of humour and positive thinking is inspiring to members and adults alike.

Those who learned from Peter remember him with respect – as the man who stood by their side when they needed it, with words of encouragement. "He has led a trail of influencing, enriching, empowering and encouraging generation of 4-H members with teamwork, leadership, pats on the back, a winning smile and 'That a boy!'".

Even with the impact he has made on members, Peter has felt he always got more out of his 4-H involvement than he put in.

Thank you, Peter, for your dedication to the 4-H program, and for making such a positive difference for generations of 4-Hers.

# 2017 – Joan Lillebo



Joan Lillebo was born in Winnipeg Manitoba where her passion for horses originated as a youngster hanging around the race track! It was there that she began to develop skills for working with horses – skills that she would carry forward to the 4-H program in both Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

Joan, her husband Lloyd Lillebo, and their sons Rick and Wayne, moved to Kelvington Saskatchewan and onto Lloyd's family farm. It was at this time that Joan's interests turned to the Hendon Beef Club, as her son was interested in cattle, and Joan was not one to sit on the sidelines.

It wasn't until her granddaughter, Lacey, became old enough to join 4-H that Joan was drawn back to the horse world.

For the next 15 years, Joan dedicated much of her time not only to her granddaughter's horsemanship skills, but also to the development and success of the Pipestone Valley 4-H Club.

Joan's contribution to the Club is often quiet and in the background, though incredibly instrumental in the well-being of the club.

Joan has a knack for finding new members for the club; in particular youth who are excited about horses. Joan hones their excitement by going beyond the call of a leader – she lends equipment, trailers members' horses and even provides safe horses to beginner riders. And even beyond that, she has hosted meetings in her home, demonstrations in her barn and goodie-baking-and-eating in her kitchen!

Joan is always willing to meet the needs of the club no matter what those needs may be. She has assisted with fundraising, chaperoning, and has attended special events like ski trips, regional horse shows and public speaking. She has also participated in overnight trips so member could participate in Prairieland Youth Leadership Conference of Vet College Seminars.

Joan's dedication to 4-H has spanned decades, and she has continued to volunteer with the club despite not having any family members involved. Joan also tries to remain current on training techniques by attending as many 4-H Light Horse events as possible.

Joan has spent countless hours sharing her love and knowledge of horses with children. Joan is exceedingly patient – not only with 4-H members, but with the horses themselves. She is always gentle and calm and never forces a child – or a horse - to do something. She is a dedicated leader who always makes time for each 4-H member.

Joan's main goal in life has been described as just wanting to be “involved in a club where she could help other horse crazed girls and boys better their horsemanship”! Thank you for your dedication to 4-H, youth, and horses, Joan.



# 2018 – Wes Olynyk



In 1969 at the age of 10 Wes became a member of the Melville 4-H beef club. He remained a member until the club folded in 1972 where he then became a member in the Duff 4-H beef club. I remained a member until 1977.

In 1979 Wes enrolled in the Diploma Agriculture course and completed this course in 1980. Upon graduation Wes returned to the family farm at Goodeve to begin his career in agriculture.

The Goodeve 4-H club had reorganized and in 1985 asked Wes to help with the club.

In 1986, he became the beef project leader, a position Wes has held for 31 years. Additionally, he held the position of General Leader for 10 years.

All 4 of his children were members of the Goodeve 4-H Club. Wes has judged numerous 4-H shows over the years and have enjoys his involvement in the 4-H program. He especially enjoys the cloverbud and junior members.

Wes has had the privilege to see many young people go through the 4-H program and see how it has made them excellent citizens. During this time Wes has been the representative for the Goodeve 4-H Club to the Yorkton 4-H Regional Show and Sale. For the last 6 years he has been a director and served on the executive.

Along with his 4-H involvement, Wes has volunteered with the Goodeve Lions Club for 6 years and was president for one term. He was involved in the local curling club and served as president for one term as well as organized the annual bonspiel for many years.

Wes has served two terms on the local school board and was the chairmen of the committee for 3 years until its closure in 2003. He is currently a member of the Goodeve Community Club and has held the position of president for 4 years.

Wes is a lifetime member of the Canadian Angus Association and served on the Saskatchewan Angus Association board of directors from 1980 to 1990 holding the presidency role for one term in 1986.

Wes was a committee member for the Commercial Cattle Show and Sale for Canadian Western Agribition from 1981 to 1994.

# 2018 – Donna Cunningham



Donna Cunningham grew up in the Kelvington area. She was raised on a farm surrounded by family who encouraged her love for animals, particularly horses.

She went to University to obtain her teaching certificate. After completing her degree; her love for Rural Saskatchewan and her husband Darrel, who shared the same values, led them back to the family farm just south of Lintlaw. Two daughters, Dara and Lisa joined the family. In 1987, when her daughters were old enough to be part of 4-H, Donna started the Pipestone Valley 4-H club.

In the early years Donna devoted a lot of her time to educating herself with the Western Riding Program, the Coaching Program and eventually the Judges Program from the Saskatchewan Horse Federation. She took the training to ensure that she would be fully qualified to lead the club and teach the members.

Donna has held the position of General Leader since 1987; she has been instrumental in the basics of leading the 4-H program through her leadership. Her skills as a teacher benefit all the past and current members of the club.

She demonstrates boundless patience with kids of all skill levels and their 'less than perfect steeds'. Safety and safe horse handling are trademarks of her teaching skills. Several members commented that to this day they still look to see if she is watching before ducking under the head of their tied horse.

Achievement day was held at their farm for many years, usually in the middle of her garden patch. A day of work was often followed by a traditional end of Achievement day water fight!

Donna's involvement has enabled kids to ride better, develop a sense of comradery and teamwork, and to take responsibility for their animals. Several former club members have gone on to careers in Agriculture; including Veterinary Medicine, Veterinary Assistants, Agribusiness and Agrology.

Two former club members are currently leaders within the club. Donna also sat on the District 42 council at different times, starting as council member in 1992 and holding role as president from 2012-2017. She has been a strong advocate for 4-H in our community and surrounding area. She is also the secretary/treasurer to the Kelvington Agricultural Society and has organized the Light Horse show as part of the annual fair for many years.

In Donna's spare time she pursues her interest in writing with the Tisdale Writer's Group and is a published author. "Anything For a Nickel" is a biography she wrote of a local Lintlaw resident. She is an involved grandmother with five grandchildren and continues to be active on the family farm in addition to many other community activities.

Thank you Donna for your dedication to 4-H and to the countless children over the years who have benefited from your experience and patience in guiding their development. Our community is richer because of your part in it!



# 2018 – Lisa Nestman



Lisa born and raised on a farm near Kayville, SK on July 27th 1964. She resides in the Briercrest area with her Husband Ken where they raised their three daughters and still actively farm.

Lisa's involvement with 4-H began in 1974 , where she was a member of the Spring Valley 4-H Beef club, she served her club in various executive positions, competed in public speaking, took part in curling and showed her calves at the Moose Jaw fair.

Lisa has been a project leader for the Briercrest 4-H Multiple Club for 22 years. From 1996 to the present day she has taught many projects such as Pee Wee, Crafts, Quilting, Let's Entertain and many more.

For 14 of those years (2002-2016), Lisa was the General Leader for Briercrest Multiple. Throughout this time she made it her mission to have fun and provide old fashioned, traditional events for today's youth, including barn dances, Christmas carolling, acts of kindness, bottle drives, fashion shows and carnivals. Along with all the programming, Lisa provided guidance and mentorship to her leaders and members.

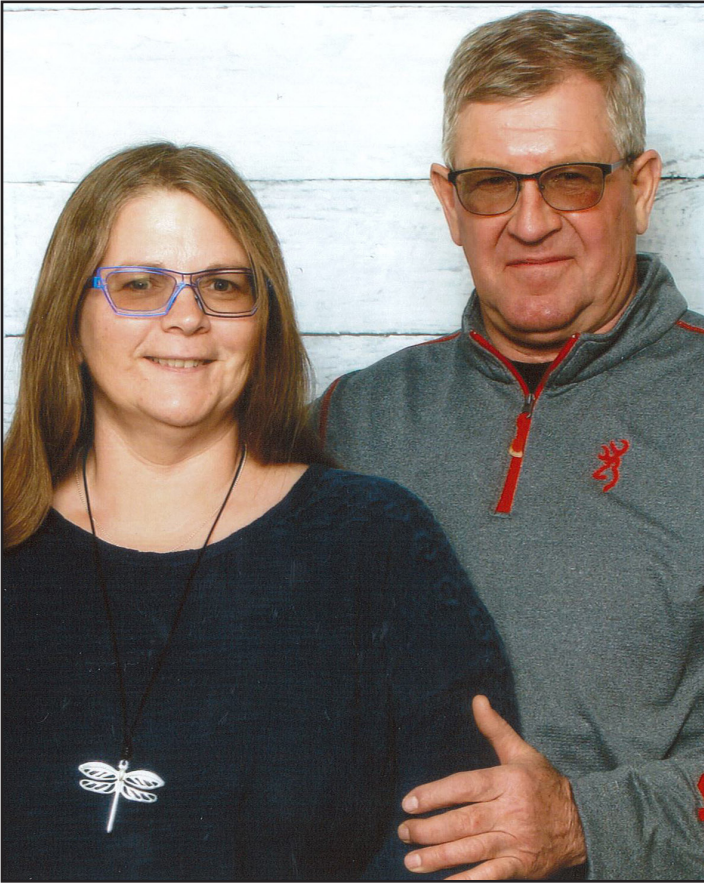
She now serves on the District #8 Council as president and is a judge at local 4-H public speaking events. In 2010 Lisa was named the Canadian 4-H national volunteer of the year and in 2011 Lisa and her daughter went on the Caribbean cruise that was organized by the Canadian 4-H Council, where she met families from all over Canada.

Then in 2014 she chaperoned 4-H members from across Canada to attend the U.S.A. National Conference in Washington D.C. In 2017 she was chosen to attend the 4-H Global Summit in Ottawa where representatives from around the globe came together to celebrate 4-H. Additionally, Lisa was awarded the Canada 150 medal for volunteerism in 2017.

Lisa's impact on the 4-H community is certainly a positive one, she is well spoken and an active member of the community. She has sat on most committees around her hometown from the rink board to the local ladies club all the while promoting 4-H and the need to work together to maintain the rural way of life.

She is a board member for the Claybank Brick Plant National Heritage Site and her local Catholic woman's league and spent many years as the librarian/secretary for the local library. If you ask Lisa what her greatest achievement in life is she will say, her daughters and the time she has spent with 4-H.

# 2019 – Wayne and Kim Jansen



Wayne and Kim Jansen have dedicated most of their lives to better not only the Beechy 4-H Club, but their community. People in their community say they have raised their family to be a 4-H family.

Both Wayne and Kim have been involved with the Beechy 4-H Club for a number of years – Wayne for 20 years and Kim for 18 years. He was a beef project leader and she has been the general leader, as well as led a variety of projects, including beef, cooking, crafts, small pets and Cloverbud. Wayne was also a 4-H member in the beef project for six years.

Wayne and Kim have devoted their lives to 4-H for many years and influenced every 4-H member and parent who has gone through the program under their guidance. It doesn't make a difference who you are they always go the extra step to make sure everyone is understood and on the same page. They always make sure every question is answered, recommendations are given in and love is handed out when needed. They both devoted countless hours, guidance and wisdom to a passion and program that is near and dear to their hearts.

As 4-H leaders, Wayne and Kim were loved by the youth. The couple always included every member in decisions, whether they were Cloverbuds or seniors. They believe and live the 4-H philosophy and are always willing to share their knowledge of 4-H with others. Many of the 4-H members from their club fondly remember Kim bringing homemade cookies to events, which helped bring the shy members out of the shell.

Not only are they amazing role models for their 4-H members, they show a lot of compassion and volunteering spirit. People describe them as having quiet natures and love of teaching others. No matter what is happening in their lives, they are dedicated to the youth in their club. They are always willing to assist where needed, from allowing a Cloverbud member to use a baby calf from one of his children's cow/calf projects to boarding an animal of a member that needed extra help or somewhere to keep their animal.

They have also been instrumental in planning their club's annual Christmas Tree Sale. Their family has picked up the trees and organized the selling of them for years. The 4-H trees are the only ones sold in the community.

Their leadership beyond their 4-H club was obvious throughout the years. Wayne organized district curling and was a 4-H curling coach. His team even went on to compete at the provincial level. Kim sat as her club's representative on the district council for a number of years, holding a one-year term for both district president and vice president. She also was on the Fantastic Committee in 2012 and chaperoned a trip to Nova Scotia. Both have also sat on the Swift Current Ag & Ex Committee – Wayne for 18 years and Kim for 10 years.

They have also been very involved in their community outside of 4-H. Wayne was an Ambulance attendant, the president of the Rink Committee, on the rodeo committee and is a councillor for the R.M. of Victory. Kim has been on the Beechy Rink Kitchen Auxiliary for years and has volunteered at the Lance Valley Cemetery.



# 2019 – Melanie Bashutski



Melanie was born on September 23, 1954. She grew up 1.5 kilometers west of Kelliher. At the age of 10, she and her four siblings were introduced to the 4-H program when they became members of the Kelliher 4-H Homecraft Club. Melanie was a member of this club until graduating high school in 1972. During this time, she held all executive positions, organized fundraising events and actively participated in her chosen projects.

In 1970, Melanie attended Camp Rayner and Farm Girls Camp, where she won second place for the dress she made. Melanie could always be found at public speaking and curling competitions. In 1971, her District #39 curling team won second place at regionals.

Melanie and her husband Don raised four children – Lasha, Trevor, Brody and Tyler. Melanie returned to the 4-H family when their daughter, Lasha, became a member of the Lestock 4-H Multiple Club. When their oldest son, Trevor, became a member, Melanie became a project leader and quickly moved to the role of assistant general leader. Upon the sudden death of the club's general leader in 1997, Melanie accepted the general leader position without hesitation.

Melanie has led the following projects: Exploring 4-H, Cloverbuds, Photography, Crafts, Outdoor Adventure, 4-U Self Determined, Bird Watching, Wood Working and Bison. At times, Melanie led as many as three projects in one 4-H year!

At the District #39 level, Melanie held several executive offices, was actively involved in organizing regional and provincial public speaking and curling competitions, and represented District #39 as a leader delegate at the 4-H Saskatchewan AGM.

In 1995, Melanie was chosen as chaperone for a 4-H exchange. Her District #39 group was twinned with a group from Hamilton, Ontario.

At the regional level, Melanie assisted with events such as 4-H Ski Day and the South East Regional Rally event, which kicked off the 4-H Saskatchewan 100th Anniversary Celebration.

With Melanie's craft knowledge, she assisted the 4-H Saskatchewan staff in creating the new Crafts Project Manual. Additionally, she has judged public speaking and record books at the club, district and regional levels.

Melanie served as the South East Leader Delegate on the 4-H Saskatchewan Board of Directors. She volunteered on a variety of committees, including assisting the provincial office organizing for the 4-H Saskatchewan 100th Anniversary Gala Celebration.

Melanie has been an amazing role model, leader and mentor to all who have been fortunate to cross paths with her. She continues to be a huge 4-H fan, supporter and promoter.

# 2019 – Richard Moellenbeck



Richard Moellenbeck resides near Englefield, where he and his family operate Bell M farms, a Purebred Shorthorn cattle and commercial cattle operations. Richard also works off the farm, as a livestock inspector in the Humboldt area.

When asked to describe Richard, most people would describe him as a family man – he is the son of Elizabeth and the late Arnold Moellenbeck, husband to Rhonda, father to Ryley, Raylene, Russell and Royce, as well as soon to be father-in-law to Rhiannon and Marshall.

4-H has been a constant part of Richard's life. He first joined the Englefeld Multiple 4-H Club (which became the Bar West 4-H Beef Club) as a member when he was 10 years old. In 1988, Richard transitioned from member to leader.

He has been a leader of the Bar West 4-H Beef Club in District #21 for 31 years. In total, Richard has been involved in 4-H for 42 years.

Richard's 4-H club is proud to have him as a leader. He has helped youth who aren't from a farming background or living on a farm join the 4-H beef project by boarding their animals and spending extra hours teaching them the basics of animal husbandry.

When he had his 30 year anniversary as a leader, Richard's 4-H club made a presentation to him, explaining his importance to the club. According to the members, he shows a lot of patience while leading. When their meetings get off track, Richard stays calm and gets them back on topic. They all have great memories of Richard as a leader and are grateful to him for sharing his knowledge. They describe Richard as honest, patient, respectful, encouraging, dedicated, humble and fair.

The members said "The 4-H motto is Learn to Do by Doing and you have guided many members in your 30 years of leadership to do just that. You have given to your club, your community and your country not only in your years as a 4-H leader but also in your years as a 4-H member."

Richard has not only been involved in 4-H at his club level – he has also held many other positions including District #21 President, Regional Chairperson of the Melfort 4-H Regional Show & Sale and a board member on the Melfort Ag Society as a 4-H representative.

Richard has dedicated his time and knowledge to many boards outside of 4-H, including Holy Guardian Angels Parish council, Saskatchewan Livestock Association, Saskatchewan Shorthorn Association, and Canadian Shorthorn Association.

Richard is an example of a great humanitarian and a worthy recipient of his induction into the "Saskatchewan 4-H Hall of Fame."



# 2020 – Donnett Elder



Donnett Morrow grew up on the family farm in Page County, Iowa. Her parents, George and Edwena Morrow were 4-H leaders and were honoured by the 4-H Page County Citizenship Award as long-time leaders and contributors to the 4-H youth of Page County. Donnett and her five siblings each completed eight years as 4-H members.

Donnett attended University with her studies in Home Economics and Psychology.

Donnett was a chaperone for the first 4-H Exchange between the Page County, Iowa, United States and Weyburn 4-H District, Saskatchewan, Canada. Donnett joined three other chaperones and thirty-eight 4-H members from Page County for the two-week exchange trip to Saskatchewan.

The International 4-H Exchange program was founded in 1959, by Harry-Jae Elder, Fillmore, Saskatchewan, with its focus to broaden 4-H members knowledge of another country and culture. Both areas were agriculture based with extensive 4-H programs that provided all with interesting, rich experiences with wonderful host families. Donnett was billeted with a family south of Weyburn.

A romance unfolded between Donnett and Harry-Jae through a year and half of letter writing, and the return exchange of the Weyburn 4-H District members to Page County Iowa. Donnett and Harry-Jae were married in College Springs, Iowa, December, 1960. (Mrs. Jesse Field Shambaugh, Clarinda, Iowa, Founder of 4-H for the United States attended their wedding.). Donnett and Harry-Jae farmed northeast of Fillmore, Saskatchewan. They have five grown children, 10 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren. They hosted 6 Exchange students from Mexico, Japan and France for up to a year as well as 4-H exchange students. Harry-Jae was inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame, 1999.

Donnett was a 4-H Leader for 29 years for girls and boys in the Fillmore 4-H Club, teaching Sewing, Advanced Sewing, Crocheting, Outdoorsman, Photography, Cooking, and Spotlight on the World. Each 4-H member brought such interesting experiences to their project. All the activities were enjoyable; whether making a buddy burner to cook toast and eggs, bannock on a caragana stick over a bonfire with 10-year old boys or teaching teenagers to sew lovely dresses, blouses, trench coats, sheets, towels, pizza cooking, and origami folding. Photography brought in-depth study of light and subject. Spot Light on the World was an exceptional project with eight girls selecting the country of Israel one year, Haiti the next. Trips to visit the Hadassah ladies in Regina was certainly a highlight for learning another culture. An International Tea was held by inviting ladies from different cultures in our community as guests.

Every 4-H member was a delight to lead as they completed a project, a record book, and presented a demonstration or speech.

Donnett judged at 4-H Achievement Days for 35 years throughout Saskatchewan.

# 2020 – Blaine Harland



Blaine Harland's 4-H career began in 1971 when he joined the Fort Pitt Beef Club at the age of 10, and so began a lifelong commitment to the 4-H program. Following his years as a member, Blaine stayed involved in 4-H, first as a volunteer and then as a leader until 2017. 4-H has long been a priority for the Harland family, with Blaine's mom, Pat, being a member of the Fort Pitt Beef Club from 1951-1956, and a leader from 1972-1983.

Blaine put the skills he learned during his years in 4-H to good use. Leadership and public speaking skills were a great asset during his 38 year career in the oil and gas industry, where Blaine held various senior management positions. His cattle judging skills from 4-H led to opportunities to judge many local shows, including Agribition, Edmonton Farm Fair, and Saskatoon Mexabition. The highlight of Blaine's judging career was judging the World Simmental Show in Calgary. His leadership skills from 4-H also helped Blaine during his years as director on the Lloydminster Agricultural Exhibition Association board, where he served on the 4-H Expo Committee and the Stockade Roundup Committee. Blaine also coached minor hockey in Paradise Hill for a number of years, and is currently a member of the Turtleford Summer Cattle Show Committee.

Shelly, Blaine's wife, also volunteered many hours of her time to the 4-H program. Their three children Chad, Jill and Bethany

participated as members of the Paradise Hill 4-H Multi Club, excelling in showing and judging cattle, public speaking and the record book competitions.

Some examples of Blaine's special contributions include hosting beef project meetings, fall & spring weigh days and also pre-achievement day clipping and showmanship clinics. Blaine and Shelly also coordinated the sale of the members' fed steers at the St. Walburg Regional Show. They found buyers for the steers and handled the bidding on sale day on behalf of the buyers. This ensured the steers sold for a fair price that both the members and buyers were happy with. Blaine also personally delivered the steers to the processing plants for the buyers after the sale, and would even feed them for a week or two if the processing plant needed more time – all at no charge to the members. Despite his busy schedule, Blaine always took the time to help any member of the club who needed assistance, showing them how to train a calf to lead, or how to best clip a calf, and encouraged members to try new ways of doing things. Blaine also enjoyed organizing many educational tours for the members.

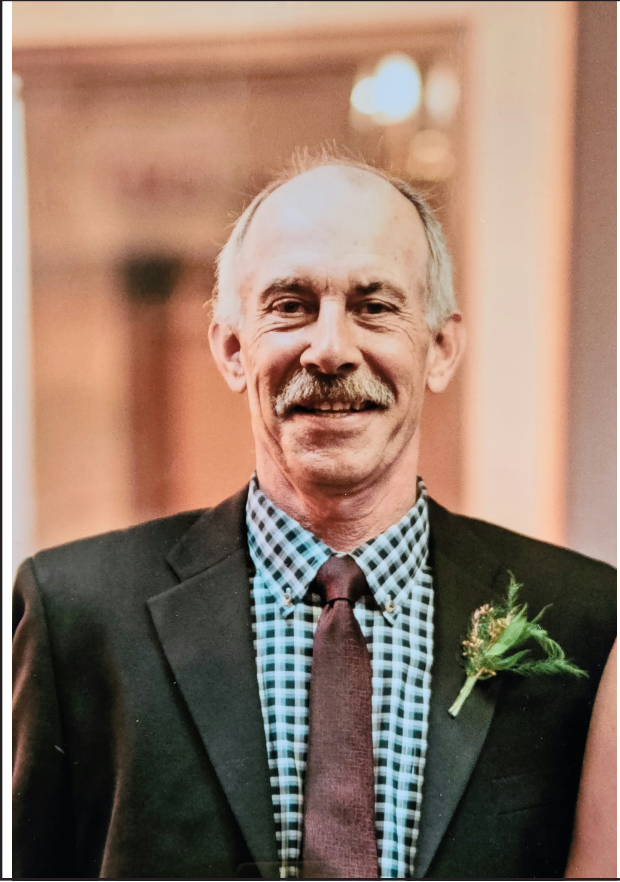
Working with family on the Little Willow Creek Ranch holds a special place for Blaine and Shelly. Along with his parents Ervin and Pat, his brothers Scott and Ted and their wives Bev and Adele, the family runs a large ranch in the Frenchman Butte area, featuring Simmental cattle. Thanks to the many hours Shelly spends heat detecting, Blaine especially enjoys his time A.I.'ing cows, and he always looks forward to calving season.

Over the years, Blaine's commitment to 4-H gave hundreds of members the opportunity to learn from his positive influence and extensive knowledge base. On behalf of all the members and their families, thank you, Blaine!

Nominated by District #38 4-H Council



# 2021 – Doug Oleksyn



Doug has been involved with 4-H as long as he can remember. Starting off as a member in the Bits, Boots and Bridles 4-H Club, he later became a leader in the very club he began with. Later, he became a project leader with the Wild Rose 4-H Beef Club where he and his wife raised their four children being heavily involved in the 4-H program.

Doug has been not only a project leader but has served as an Assistant Leader as well as a General Leader over the years. He has always been thoughtful, supportive and dependable who very much follows the 4-H motto of "Learn To Do By Doing" in all aspects of his life.

Not only has Doug been involved with 4-H at the club level, but he has been involved at the district and regional levels as well. He was a commit member for many years for the North East Regional 4-H Beef Show and Sale. He has been involved in the planning, capital budgeting, sponsor recruitment and appreciation for many years. He has often acted as the Ring Marshall and barn manager for the sale calves.

Doug has a strong belief that 4-H members need to show

appreciation for support from their community (sponsor and buyer appreciation letters) as well as community cleanup projects like garbage picking in Shellbrook and highway ditches. He has always promoted and encouraged and is a strong proponent of mentoring whether with the older members to the younger 4-H members, but also between successful individuals and businesspeople in the community and the local 4-H members.

Doug has always willingly shouldered additional responsibilities serving on various committees, councils and projects as the need arose. He has served as a counselor with the R.M of Shellbrook and now serves as reeve.

*"Doug is an outstanding example of what 4-H is all about. He strived to make everyone in his 4-H club feel welcome and did his best to pass on the knowledge that gained from his many years of being involved in the 4-H community."* – from a current 4-H member

Nominated by District #32 4-H Council

# 2022 – Stanley & Susan Lock



Susan Lock was born Susan Richards in Regina in 1959. She grew up on a mixed farm at Assiniboia Saskatchewan with her Parents, Roy and Donna Richards and her old brother, Mark. Susan grew up playing many sports throughout high school but volleyball and basketball were always her favorite sports to play. Pond hockey in the winter and swimming in the dugout in the summer with her many cousins that grew up on the neighboring farms were a must as a child.

Throughout all the activities that Susan participated in, 4-H always came to the top. She started in the Assiniboia 4-H club at the age of 9 right to 18 and loved every part of it. Susan participated with both light horse and beef. Many summers were spent at 4-H camp at the beloved camp Rayner on Diefenbaker Lake. Singing songs around the

camp fire by Hitchcock's cabin, swimming and having chicken fights on the hitching post where always a great time. Susan was awarded the Toronto leadership seminar trip in 1977 through 4-H selections as well as went on a 4-H exchange trip to Colorado that same year. Susan met many great friends at 4-H camp and one special fella that caught her eye in 1976. A young blonde man from West Central Saskatchewan by the name of Stanley Lock. After graduating from Assiniboia high school Susan moved to Saskatoon to pursue a career in health care, graduating from the Kelsey Institute in 1979 with her nursing degree.

Stanley Lock was born and raised in Macklin Saskatchewan with his parents James and Violet Lock with his two younger sister Jennifer and Nora. He grew up on a farm 6 miles north of town, where the Lock family started farming in 1924 and still farm to this day. Stanley grew up like many young farm boys in Saskatchewan, playing hockey in the winter and summer following, seeding, riding horses, putting up hay and all the other activist that goes along with it. Always finding the time for some swimming at Dillberry lake just north of the farm.

One of Stanley's great passions in life, that started at a young age, is working with cattle - in particular the Hereford breed. 4-H was the right fit for Stanley, as he bought his first purebred heifer in 1975, starting as a 4-H member with the Senlac club at age 10. Stanley showed in the Battleford Regional 4-H show until the age of 18 for many years with a steer and a heifer.

As an older member, Stanley also enjoyed going to 4-H camp at Camp Rayner on Diefenbaker Lake, meeting many great friends and catching the eye of a young red haired lady from Southern Saskatchewan. Stanley was awarded the National Citizenship trip to Ottawa in 1976 with 4-H Selections. In 1974, Stanley went on an exchange trip to Minnesota with several other District 30 members.

Susan and Stanley married in 1980 and moved back to Macklin to farm and start a family. Together they have three kids, Kimberley, Jonathan and Amy. All three of the kids enjoyed growing up on the farm and were very involved with 4-H. Stanley and Susan's roll switched from 4-H members to 4-H leaders. Stanley was the general leader for nine years, beef leader for 13 years, and district 30 president, also for nine years.

Stanley and Susan where also beef leaders for the Manitou Multi club, and before long the Senlac multiple club had grown in size and was able to attend 4-H Expo on their own. Susan was the clover bud leader for Senlac for nine years, beef leader for 13 with Senlac and was the district 30 leader delegate to the provincial AGM for six years. Susan also was the North West regional leader delegate to the provincial board for four years. Susan was once again selected to the Toronto Leadership seminar, this time as a leader in 2000.

After being leaders in the community for years their focus has switched again from leaders to cheerleaders. Stanley and Susan now enjoy spending their time watching their grandsons play hockey and show cattle both in 4-H and in the fall shows at Lloydminster Stockade and Western National Hereford show in Red Deer. Kim and her husband, Brian have two boys Colton and Blake who both enjoy playing hockey in Macklin and are members of the Senlac Multi club in both beef and archery. Amy and her husband, Ryan have two boys Austin and Liam whom play hockey in Unity and are also part of the Senlac Multi 4-H club in both beef and archery. Their two girls, Harper and Aubrey are currently 4-Her in training while they help their older brothers with chores since they are not quite old enough to join just yet. Jonathan and his wife, Kaleen work alongside Stanley and Susan on the farm with a new addition expected as of March 15th. All three of the kids farm right now with Jonathan and Kim's husband Brian full time with Stanley and Susan on the original farm and Amy and her husband Ryan Farming north east of Senlac.

Lock Farms now consists of 350 cows both purebred Horned and Polled Hereford and commercial cows that are Hereford based. A large amount of grain land that is used for wheat, canola, barley, oats, flax, and faba beans. Jonathan and Kaleen run a herd of purebred black and red angus cows. The Hereford and Angus bulls are sold in the Premier Hereford and Angus sale on the first Monday in February at Northern Livestock Sales in Lloydminster with great sale partners: Ayrey Family of Evesham and the Moncreiff family of Senlac.



# 2023 – Harvey Welter



Harvey has been an active participant with 4-H since 1982, wherein he has held several positions, such as being a General Leader, mentor, volunteer, and judge for various events and projects. In the fall of 1982, Harvey became the General Leader of the Viscount 4-H Beef Club, where he held the position for 15 years. During those 15 years, Harvey was an intricate member in developing and maintaining the club's stability, while also ensuring club members felt supported and confident in any projects they tackled. Harvey is an embodiment of the motto "Learn to do by doing" by welcoming calls from youth to share in his vast knowledge and experiences as a positive, respectful, and involved role model.

Nonetheless, after retiring as the General Leader for Viscount 4-H Beef Club, he and his wife, Cindy, continued to be supportive members by attending numerous activities the club hosted, including Achievement Day and steak nights. While in attendance for any function hosted by the club, Harvey offers words of encouragement and appreciation for the members, as well as towards the leaders for the work they have accomplished in

continuing to make the club successful. Although Harvey was a General Leader for 15 years, he also dedicated his time to other 4-H projects, including the Prairieland Junior Ag Showcase, in which he volunteered his time to be on the Steer Sale committee. While in his committee role, Harvey employed his strong moral compass and belief in the 4-H program to ensure successful sales for the members, clubs, and buyers, while also giving all parties involved recognition for their efforts.

Throughout the 40 years with 4-H, Harvey has been an intricate part on both the local and regional levels. In following the learn to do by doing mantra, Harvey is always willing to share his knowledge and expertise in a positive and enthusiastic way with anyone who may have questions regarding livestock marketing.

The best way to describe Harvey is best said from a 4-H member:

*"Harvey & Cindy Welter continue to support 4-H in the local community and always show up for the Viscount 4-H Beef Club Achievement Day to see how the club has continued to flourish. Without the longevity of his time of service, strong and dedicated leadership along with his continued support the Viscount 4-H Beef Club would not be what it is today. The example set by Harvey Welter has established a high bar for leaders & members to follow."* - 4-H Member

Nominated by District# 21 4-H Council