

**CORPORATE MEMBERS**

Manitoba Agriculture,  
Food and Rural Initiatives

**PLATINUM - \$1,000**  
Manitoba Pork Council

**GOLD - \$500**  
Canadian Wheat Board  
Manitoba Ag Days  
Paterson Grain  
Syngenta Crop Protection  
Canada, Inc.  
Westoba Credit Union

**SILVER - \$250**  
Albert T. Chapman  
Bruce & Lesley Campbell  
City of Winkler  
Connery's Riverdale Farms Ltd.  
Dairy Farmers of Manitoba  
Dr. Leonard Shebeski  
Donald Flatt  
Federated Co-operatives Limited  
J.R. Simplot Company  
Klondike Farms Ltd.  
Koch Fertilizer Canada, Ltd.  
Manitoba Canola Growers  
Association  
Manitoba Cattle Producers  
Association  
Manitoba Rural Adaptation  
Council Inc.  
Manitoba Seed Growers'  
Association  
Manitoba Women's Institute  
Myrna Kraft  
Portage Mutual Insurance Company  
Reg Forbes  
RM of Alexander  
RM of Blanshard  
RM of Cornwallis  
RM of Dufferin  
RM of Hamiota  
RM of Hanover  
RM of Louise  
RM of North Cypress  
RM of Pembina  
RM of Rosser  
RM of Springfield  
RM of Strathclair  
RM of Wallace  
RM of Woodworth  
TD Canada Trust

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - *Bob Roehle***



I consider it both a privilege and an honour to be the president of the Manitoba Agricultural Hall of Fame (MAHF) because I was born and raised in Manitoba and have spent my entire career in the agricultural industry. In my lifetime I've seen, experienced and benefited from the tremendous changes that have occurred in Manitoba and Canadian agriculture. Advances in agriculture and the quality of rural life have come in many forms—higher yielding and disease-resistant grain varieties, the introduction of new crops, new breeds of livestock, new and better machines and new ways of doing things. I well remember the arrival on our farm of the rubber-tired John Deere D replacing the steel-wheeled 10-20 McCormick Deering tractor; the Massey Harris pull-type combine replacing our old stationary threshing machine; the brand new IH pull-type swather and then the self-propelled one with a hay conditioner replacing the rickety old binder and horse-drawn hay mower; the IH bailer and side delivery rake replacing the horse-drawn dump rake, the wooden hay sweep and the stacker; the Surge milking machine and bulk tank reducing long hours of family labour; the automated barn-cleaner and manure spreader replacing the team of horses and the old stone-boat; artificial insemination replacing angry and unpredictable herd sires. Nor will I forget the first night rural electrification brought light from a 60 watt bulb to my mom's kitchen—and all the household appliances and farm mechanization that followed. And then came the telephone, the larger school units and the big yellow school buses and improvements to the rural road network. Since then we've seen the introduction of crop insurance, advance payments on farm-stored grain, new marketing arrangements, new agri-chemicals, computers, biotechnology, GPS and a host of other advances.

But it wasn't really until I began earning my own living that I came to fully appreciate that all these changes in our industry, and the lifestyle improvements they brought, didn't just happen on their own. They happened because of people—people who had the vision, the courage, the smarts and the persistence to figure out better ways to accomplish the same tasks more efficiently and more cost effectively than the generation before them. I began to realize that our industry was indeed standing on the shoulders of giants—often ordinary people who had gone the second mile and by their words, actions and commitment to excellence had a profound and positive influence on our industry and our society. Many of these people were from right here in Manitoba. It is these folks that the MAHF was set up to recognize and immortalize in the Agricultural Hall of Fame located in the Keystone Centre in Brandon. Since the MAHF was established in 1976, 134 individuals (including spouses) have been inducted into the Hall of Fame. We know that there are many others out there yet to be so honoured. We therefore urge each of you to identify these individuals and send in your nominations with the necessary supporting documentation so that they too will be recognized for their contributions to agriculture in our province.

**OFFICE MANAGER'S MESSAGE - *Pat Bailey***



With Christmas over for another year, I look forward to 2009 with renewed anticipation. I am eager to see what the next twelve months will bring now that we have established so many new initiatives with respect to the branding and promotion of the Manitoba Agricultural Hall of Fame (MAHF). We know that our immediate future will see us saying a heartfelt goodbye to five retiring board members. To say that we will miss them is an understatement. While each is unique in his own way particular way, and each has his own manner, their contributions to the future viability of the Manitoba Agricultural Hall of Fame will be felt long after they have moved on. So hats off to Garry Workman, Bob Anderson, Reid Lumbard, Glenn Arnott and Blaine Johnson. Thank you for your time and efforts - we hope to see you often and we wish you all the best.

Secondly, it's that time of year again when we send out our membership requests. Your continued support of the MAHF is vital to our organization. By renewing your membership, you will help us to continue the legacy of seemingly ordinary Manitobans who have made extraordinary contributions within the field of agriculture, both locally, nationally and in some cases globally. So, please send in your renewal today and I ask that you encourage others to join our organization as well.

**Our New Website....**

The Manitoba Agricultural Hall of Fame is undergoing a bit of a facelift. With a new logo and a revised website - check us out.

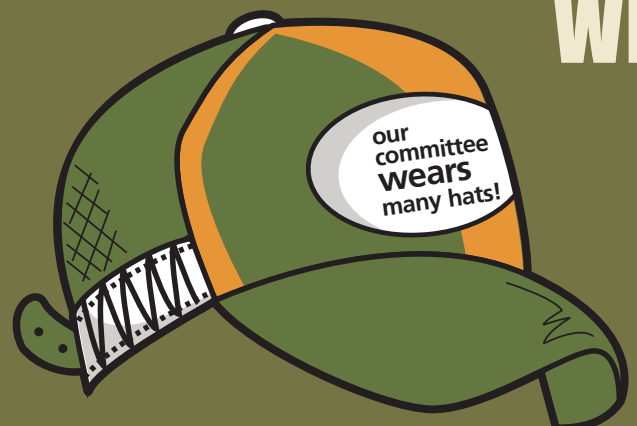


**William Shepard May**

First Manitoban to win the "Silver Pig Trophy"



**public relations**



**Wha**

TH  
Ma  
pla  
Key  
mo  
To  
all  
sig  
of  
Ha