

The Saskatchewan Agriculture Graduates Association (SAGA) proudly represents the interests and accomplishments of graduates from the college and school.



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91st Annual SAGA Reunion Weekend – January 9 and 10, 2026

Our next reunion weekend and banquet is a celebration of 91 years of University of Saskatchewan (USask) agriculture grads gathering together. The reunion banquet will be held at the home of Saskatchewan agricultural history—the Saskatoon branch of the Western Development Museum (WDM).

Jan. 9, 4 – 7 pm: Friday Night Social at USask Agriculture Building Atrium, guided tours and Gabfest in ASA Lounge

Jan. 10, 7 am – 5:30 pm: SAGA Hockey Tournament in Waldheim

Jan. 10, 4 – 9 pm: Reunion: Banquet at WDM, followed by Mixer, 9 pm – 1 am

Recognition of years 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1986, 1996, 2006, 2016 and 2021

Honorary life members for 2025

Kevin Hursh and Grant Devine were recognized as Honorary Life Members of SAGA at the 2025 Reunion Banquet.

Kevin Hursh '80 C graduated with distinction from the College of Agriculture in 1980, serving as Ag Student Association President and Senior Stick in his final year. Following graduation, he worked for 15 years doing farm news for CTV in Saskatchewan, establishing a weekly half hour show called Farmgate. Kevin and his wife Marlene run Hursh Consulting & Communications based in Saskatoon. Through the years, Kevin has served as executive director of the Inland Terminal Association of Canada (ITAC), the Canary Seed Development Commission of Saskatchewan and Sask Mustard. Kevin and Marlene managed communications for Crop Production Week for many years. The Hurshes also own and operate a farm near Cabri, growing a wide variety of

crops including chickpeas, large green lentils, maple peas, brown mustard and Canary seed. For more than 40 years, Kevin has written a weekly column, which for many years has been published in *The Western Producer*. He has also written for other farm publications and can often be heard on Saskatchewan radio stations. In 2021, Kevin received a Distinguished Agrologist Award from the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists. In 2023, Kevin was inducted into the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame.

Donald Grant Devine '67 C was born in Regina and was raised on his grandfather's farm near Lake Valley. After earning his degree from the University of Saskatchewan, he completed his Master's in Agricultural Economics from the University of Alberta in 1970, before attaining his PhD in Agricultural Economics from Ohio State University in 1976. Grant taught agricultural marketing and consumer economics at the University of Saskatchewan from 1976-79. From 1982-91 he served as the Premier of Saskatchewan, while also holding the agriculture portfolio. While in these roles several agricultural policy initiatives were implemented such as reducing interest rates for farmers and homeowners, introducing the Net Income Stabilization Account and Gross Revenue Insurance Programs and creating Ag-West Bio Inc. the first biotechnology industry-government association in Canada. Grant was involved in the NAFTA negotiations between Canada, United States and Mexico and was a leading advocate for the fundraising to build the new Agriculture Building on the USask campus. He currently serves on the Land and Facilities and Finance and Investment committees of the Board of Governors at USask and has a farm and ranch near Moose Jaw.

2025 SAGA highlights

Terry Grajczyk '83 C is the president.

Ella Grimeau was recognized as the SAGA Scholarship recipient for 2024-25 at the 2025 Reunion Banquet.

The June 2025 SAGA newsletter (available online at saskaggrads.com and to members by email or by mail) contained class photos of the 2025 reunion, 90th anniversary

celebration.

The SAGA executive has approved the establishment of two new awards sponsored jointly by SAGA and the College of Agriculture and Bioresources.

Distinguished Graduate Award

This award is presented to graduates of agriculture programs at the University of Saskatchewan in recognition of significant achievement which contributes positively to society.

Distinguished Graduate Young Achievement Award

This award is presented to graduates of agriculture programs at the University of Saskatchewan who show promise of contributing significantly to society. Nominees must be 40 years of age or less at the time of nomination.

Information will be posted on the SAGA and college websites when details are finalized.

Stay in touch

If you're a SAGA member and have changed your contact information (email address, mailing address) – please reach out to us, to make sure we have your most up-to-date information:

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Call for volunteers

SAGA is a volunteer-led organization dedicated to creating community for College of Agriculture and Bioresources graduates. Each year we need volunteers to be chairpersons to organize their classmates for the annual reunion. Are you interested?

SAGA invites all degree, diploma and certificate graduates of the College of Agriculture and Bioresources to join our alumni association, see saskaggrads.com for more information.