

Volunteer Champion Awards

SAASE held the awards luncheon on Saturday February 26th during the convention. SaskEnergy has been a sponsor of the SAASE convention over the past number of years, and this year expanded their sponsorship to include the awards luncheon. With the new partnership with SaskEnergy the SAASE awards luncheon has been named the SaskEnergy Volunteer Champion Awards. SaskEnergy will sponsor the awards program over the next three years.

For this year's awards SAASE was very lucky to have the Minister for the Environment and Minister responsible for SaskEnergy - Dustin Duncan - present the awards. The awards presented this year were for Honorary Life Memberships, as well as Anniversary awards. The Moosomin Agricultural Society celebrated its 125th anniversary this year and the Invermay Agricultural Society celebrated their 100th anniversary.

The SAASE Honorary Life memberships were awarded to 4 different volunteers this year. Bernard Kemick was nominated by the Swift Current Ag. and Ex. Lilian May Goldsmith was nominated by the Maryfield Agricultural Society. Ruth Szmuto and Isabelle Polvi were both nominated by the Moosomin Agricultural Society.

Volunteers continue to be the lifeblood of all of our agricultural societies. SAASE thanks SaskEnergy for their involvement in recognizing the volunteers that have devoted their lives to the betterment of their agricultural societies, communities and province.



Gayleen Gurr from the Moosomin Ag. Society accepts an Honorary Life Membership Award on behalf of Ruth Szmuto from Minister Dustin Duncan



Lilian May Goldsmith - nominated by the Maryfield Agricultural Society



Isabelle Polvi - nominated by the Moosomin Agricultural Society



Bernard Kemick - nominated by the Swift Current Ag and Ex



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