



## Connecting with Supporters, Donors and Sponsors of the Agricultural Institute of Canada Foundation (AICF)

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*We're pleased to share with you some of the initiatives that have been underway with the AICF. We value the connection that we have with you, our donors, sponsors and supporters. This newsletter highlights the recent activities and accomplishments of your Foundation as well as those who made it possible. Thank you for your continued interest in our work and your generous contributions. We welcome your comments, feedback and your support.*

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### Recipients of Douglas McRorie Memorial Scholarships Announced

The AIC Foundation is pleased to award six scholarships to deserving post graduate students. The students applied for the scholarships and were awarded based on their Academic record, Research area, Leadership, and Career goals as outlined in their applications. The 2005 recipients are:

- Clotilde Bélanger, from Edmonton, Alberta enrolled at the University of Alberta in the M.Sc. Agricultural and Resource Economics Program. Her research will study dairy policy issues, related to the impact of a trans fat ban on the demand for butter in Canada.
- Neha Chugh, from Guelph, ON enrolled in the M.Sc. (Planning) in the School of Rural Planning and Development at the University of Guelph. Her research will examine ethical codes of conduct and their impact on the trans-national corporate agenda
- Evelyn Froehlich, from Selkirk, Manitoba enrolled at the University of Manitoba in the Faculty of Graduate Studies Master of Science program. Evelyn's research will examine improving the Canadian beef supply chain through brand marketing.
- Christine Gibb, from Hudson Quebec enrolled in the Masters of Science, collaborative program in Rural Extension Studies, University of Guelph. Christine's post-graduate studies will focus on the relationships between biodiversity and sustainable community development in a developing county.
- Vanessa Goodman, from St Albert, AB enrolled at the University of Alberta's Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research in the MBA/MAg combined Masters in Agricultural Business Program. Vanessa's research project will examine

world markets and trade and the impacts of safety concerns and public perceptions of agriculture products.

- Bryce Stewart, from Edmonton AB enrolled in the M.Sc. in Agricultural and Resource Economics program at the University of Alberta. Bryce will study productivity and growth in Prairie Agriculture.

AICF offers the six annual scholarships of \$1500 to post-graduates majoring in agricultural business, economics, finance or trade. The scholarships are made available through the generosity of the RBC Foundation.

The Scholarships were created in 1990, in honour of past-president and agri-finance leader, Doug McRorie, P.Ag., FAIC. Doug served as the Vice-President of Agriculture for the Royal Bank and was a well-respected agricultural leader in Canada.

Thank you to the RBC Foundation for their support of this worthy scholarship fund. Thank you also to individual donors who have made donations to support this scholarship fund.

### Your AIC Foundation

The AIC Foundation Board of Governors is pleased to welcome Derek Read, PAg, from Winnipeg, Manitoba to the AICF Board. Derek owns his own business, "Derek Read Appraisal & Consulting Services" after having spent a number of years as an agricultural account manager with the Royal Bank out of their Winnipeg office. Welcome Derek to the AIC Foundation board!

### Thank you

Thank you Shirley Blakley for all your help with AICF office and admin support. You will be missed!

## AICF Klinck Lecture

AICF supported the Klinck Lecture as the opening plenary presentation at the AIC Forum – “Identifying Strategies to Support Sustainable Agriculture in Canada” in Quebec City. Dr. Marcel Mazoyer, Professor Emeritus at the National Agricultural Institute of Paris-Grignon, France was the lecturer. His presentation focused on the global issues of sustainable development in agriculture.



Mr. Marcel Mazoyer poses here with Jean Sullivan in front of the AIC Foundation display at the AIC Forum in Quebec City. M. Mazoyer was this year's Klinck Lecturer.

## Making a Gift to the AIC Foundation

The AIC Foundation was set up in 1988 as a charitable organization to:

- Conduct agricultural research on matters of national importance to Canada,
- Undertake policy research into the Canadian Agricultural and food sector and develop information and data upon which sound agricultural policy can be established; and
- Develop agricultural education programs for the agricultural community and general public with respect to the national importance of agriculture.

You can help by supporting the Foundation with a financial contribution. Your donation will ensure that the Foundation can continue to promote the important role that agriculture plays in our society to ensure a safe, abundant and nutritious food supply.

To make a donation please call 1-888-277-7980 or download the Donation Form from the website at [http://www.aic.ca/about/pdf/Reply\\_Form.pdf](http://www.aic.ca/about/pdf/Reply_Form.pdf) and send it to us by mail or fax. Your donation is tax creditable and your support will be recognized in our AICF annual report. Thank you to all our supporters!

## Plans for 2006

In 2006 the AIC Foundation will continue to develop partnerships to promote agriculture and its role in providing a safe affordable and nutritious food supply. Updates to the AICF bylaws are underway and a new investment policy has been approved by the board.

AICF will be partnering with the AIC on the development and implementation of the Annual forum to be held in Winnipeg in November 2006.

AICF will also be launching the Dr. Karl C. Ivarson Scholarship in 2006 and the board continues to work to complete the details on a nutrition initiative relating to the International Union of Nutritional Sciences. Funding for continued support for the Douglas McRorie Memorial Scholarship Fund is also underway.

## AICF Tribute Circle

Making a donation to the AICF Tribute Circle is a special way to honour loved ones and to celebrate special occasions or achievements. Donors to the Tribute Circle receive a receipt for income tax purposes and a letter is sent to the family or person being honoured to acknowledge the gift. To make a donation, contact the AICF office by mail or by phone. Donations to the Tribute Circle have recently been made in tribute to the following individuals:

In memory of:

- Mr Rollie Hayman, PAg NS
- Robert Mowat, Nepean, ON

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