

Ohio Agricultural Council

SERVING ALL PHASES OF OHIO AGRICULTURE

The Ohio Agricultural Council is composed of individuals and representatives of organizations interested in agriculture. Its purposes are educational, charitable and scientific.

- 1) To provide a vehicle through which those interested in agriculture may work together.
- 2) To provide a place where members may exchange ideas, strive to achieve mutual understanding and where they may coordinate their actions.
- 3) To build a favorable image of Ohio's agriculture through an effective public relations program.

- Since 1966, has sponsored the Annual Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame.
- Annually co-sponsors Ohio suite at National 4-H Club Congress.
- Bi-annually sponsors Salute to Ohio Legislators.
- Special meetings to promote Ohio agriculture with other industry leaders.
- Cooperates with the College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, government agencies, and agricultural groups in promoting agricultural conferences to build favorable image of Ohio's total agricultural industry.
- Assists students who are considering careers in agriculture.
- Annually supports State FFA Leadership Conference.
- In 1984, initiated the serving of an all Ohio luncheon to the OSU football press and OSU VIP guests in the stadium press box.
- Assists with the OSU LEAD program.
- In 1992, initiated AgVenture Exploring Ohio Agriculture magazine for Ohio 4th grade students.
 - Distributed to more than 6,130 Ohio 4th grade teachers.
 - Reaches more than 180,000 fourth grade students.
 - Three editions per year at a cost of \$100,000.
 - Emphasizes the importance of food and fiber production, processing and distribution system, farm production, restaurants, grocery and garden stores, food processors and their importance.

THE
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HALL OF FAME

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Honoring Ohio's Great Agriculturalists



33rd

Annual Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame

Presented August 14, 1998 • Rhodes Youth Center
By The Ohio Agricultural Council

OHIO EXPO CENTER • THE OHIO STATE FAIR

**A message from
OHIO'S GOVERNOR:**

For the eighth consecutive year, it has been my honor as Ohio's Governor to participate in the induction ceremony honoring our most outstanding agricultural leaders - members of the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame. I salute this year's inductees and offer my congratulations to the members of the Ohio Agricultural Council to continuing such a worthwhile recognition program. I hope that these inductees serve as an inspiration to all who strive to support, promote and improve agriculture.

George V. Voinovich, Governor
State of Ohio



**A message from
DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE:**

As we near the turn of the century, we are seeing the agricultural industry face many challenges and changes as it continues to grow. One thing that will never change, however, is the need for leadership from individuals who have dedicated their lives to serving others through agriculture. I extend my sincere gratitude to this year's Hall of Fame inductees and their families. Their commitment and sacrifice over the years have been vital in keeping our industry #1.

Fred L. Dailey, Director
Ohio Department of Agriculture

**A message from
OHIO AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL:**

Welcome to the 33rd Annual Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame. Today, we honor four prominent agriculturalists for their outstanding service, dedication, leadership and contributions to the agricultural industry.

We congratulate the inductees, and it is with great pride we place their names and pictures permanently in the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame in the Rhodes Center.

It is a privilege for the Ohio Agricultural Council to sponsor this prestigious event.

Alice Walters, President
Ohio Agricultural Council



OFFICIAL PROGRAM

- All Ohio State Fair Band Omar Blackman
Conductor
- Parade of the National & State Colors,
Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation 4-H and FFA Representatives
- Presiding Alice Walters
President, Ohio Agricultural Council
- Breakfast All Ohio Menu
- All Ohio Youth Choir Charles R. Snyder
Conductor
- Enshrining 1998 Portraits and Plaque Awards Fred L. Dailey
Ohio Director of Agriculture
Bobby D. Moser
*Vice President of College of Food, Agricultural
and Environmental Sciences and Dean, OSU*
- Acceptance of 1998 Hall of Fame Portraits Harold Crowe
Chairperson, Ohio Expositions Commission
- Beautiful Ohio Led by Ray Miller

- Grape Juice Provided by Meier's Winery
- Tomato Juice Provided by Hirzel Canning
- Potatoes Provided by Ohio Potatoes Growers Association
- Beef Provided by Ohio Beef Council
- Eggs Provided by Ohio Egg Marketing Program
- Ham Provided by Ohio Pork Producers Council
- Milk & Cheese Provided by American Dairy Association
& Dairy Council Mid East
- Flowers Provided by Ohio Florists' Association

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THE DISTINGUISHED 1998 INDUCTEES



Edward Oxley Elliott

Edward Oxley Elliott gave 46 years of his life to agriculture. His marketing concepts led to the development of the Certified Angus Beef Program (CAB), which resulted in the marketing of certified angus beef in the US and in 19 foreign countries.

Elliott was one of the first to market his own farm products to the consumer through the restaurant industry. The formation of his own restaurant in Mt. Victory serves as a leading example of this marketing concept to the Ohio Restaurant and National Restaurant associations.

He was the first farmer to be elected President of the Ohio State Restaurant Association in 1973 and has been a member of the National Live Stock and Meat Board, National Restaurant Association and the North Central Ohio Restaurant Association, serving as the President in 1967. Awards include the Ohio Restaurant Association "Life Time Service Award," Ohio Restaurant News Hall of Fame, Ohio Food Service Industry Outstanding Person and the National Restaurant Association Honorary Director award.

Elliott died May 23, 1992 at age 76.



George R. Johnson

George R. Johnson, Columbus, served as chairman of the Department of Animal Science at The Ohio State University from 1958-1983. As chairman, he worked to unite the Ohio livestock interests with those of the academic programs of the university, cooperative extension and research activities.

Within the Department of Animal Science, he organized specialty faculty groups including teaching, research and extension personnel. He researched discoveries in extension and teaching programs, discussed existing problems and conducted research to solve the problems.

He was a member of the American Society of Animal Science, serving as chairman of the Extension Section, vice-president and president of Midwestern Section and national director. Awards include Distinguished Service Award from the Ohio Sheep Improvement Association, Outstanding Service Award from the Ohio Pork Producers Council, Honorary State Farmer Degree from the Ohio FFA Association and the Meritorious Service to OSU College of Agriculture Award by the College Alumni Society.



Richard H. L. Chichester III

Richard H. L. Chichester III, Plain City, has worked with Select Sires for 27 years. Since 1973, he has served the organization as General Manager. His accomplishments include increasing the units of semen sold from 1.4 million units to 5.4 million units and increasing the international sales from 24,000 units to more than 1.5 million units.

Chichester was an invited guest on the 1998 Gov. George Voinovich Trade Mission to South America. He is a well known speaker about the dairy industry and is recognized worldwide as a good-will ambassador for the U.S. dairy and beef genetics industry.

He has been a member of the National Association of Animal Breeders, serving as member and chairman of the Manager's Committee, a past member of the Sire Evaluation Committee, delegate to the National Convention and currently serves as the president of the Board of Directors. Awards include World Dairy Expo Industry Person of the Year Award, Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Animal Breeders and National Dairy Shrine Guest of Honor.



Douglas J. Michael

Douglas J. Michael, Urbana, has been an instrumental leader in the potato industry. He began his career farming with his father and today, farms nearly 2,000 acres with his family.

He and his family have a reputation of using new production and marketing techniques on the farm. They have used the electric-driven center pivot irrigation systems, the latest mechanical harvesting techniques, hydrocoolers and slush icing of produce, computer-controlled potato packaging and barrel washing for potatoes.

He has been involved in the National Potato Council for 34 years, serving as the secretary, treasurer, vice president and president. He was an original supporter and organizer of the National Potato Promotion Board. He was also president of the Ohio Potato Growers Association and the National Potato Council. Awards include Potato Man of the Year Award and the Golden Potato Award from the National Potato Council. The family farm received the "Farmer of the Year" award given by the Rotary Club in 1987.

GREAT AGRICULTURISTS PREVIOUSLY INDUCTED

- 1966: Leo L. Rummell—educator and farm writer
Glen H. Stringfield—plant breeder
Louis J. Taber—farm organization leader
- 1967: Carl R. Arnold—economist and finance expert
David W. Galehouse—seed producer, conservationist and educator
Harry C. Ramsower—agriculture educator
- 1968: L.P. Bailey—breeder of Jersey cattle
Oscar E. Bradfute—farmer and cooperative leader
John T. Brown—farmer and lawmaker
Howard M. Call—farmer and community leader
C.M. Ferguson—educator and administrator
A.B. Graham—founder of the 4-H club
Perry L.-Green—lawmaker and cooperative leader
Henry P. Miller—writer and master farmer
Amos I. Root—evangelist of modern beekeeping
A.P. Sandles—booster of Ohio fairs
Charles E. Thorne—writer and soil scientist
Norton S. Townshend—educator and legislator
Joseph E. Wing—writer and alfalfa pioneer
- 1969: Harold Anderson—founder of grain business
Uri T. Cox—farmer and plant propagator
Leon M. Evans—farmer and banker
Lawrence A. Kauffman—teacher and sheep specialist
Forrest G. Ketner—cooperative leader and marketing specialist
Edward H. Knight—farmer and mechanical inventor
Murray D. Lincoln—cooperative founder and agriculture leader
Glen G. McIlroy—farmer and farm manager
Joseph Oppenheim—teacher and inventor
Virgil Overholt—teacher and drainage specialist
Charles Plumb—educator and administrator
Martin L. Ruetenik—vegetable specialist and innovator
Arthur L. Smith—vegetable grower and industry leader
Howard J. Zeigler—farmer and livestock breeder
- 1970: Cosmas D. Blubaugh—soil and water conservationist
Edmund Secrest—educator and forester
John A. Slipher—educator and soil conservationist
Samuel S. Studebaker—farmer and farm credit leader
- 1971: Bryce C. Browning—conservationist and educator
Benjamin Basil Brumley—farmer and cooperative leader
George L. Cooley—cooperative leader and grape grower
Wheeler J. Welday—fruit grower and industry leader
- 1972: Charles A. Dambach—educator and conservationist
LeRoy Albert Demorest—inventor and beef cattle breeder
F. Edward Seitz—vegetable grower and industry leader
Charles Julius Williard—educator and agronomy industry leader
- 1973: Wilbur H. Bruner—educator and animal scientist
Max M. Scarff—farmer and seed producer
Lewis F. Warbington—cooperative leader and humanitarian
Carlos Grant Williams—educator and administrator
- 1974: Lewis Charles Chadwick—educator and horticulturist
John M. Davis—dairy farmer and industry leader
Earl W. McMunn—agriculture editor and writer
Douglas Stanfield—educator and farm organization leader
- 1975: Wayne Brown—marketer and retailer
A.B. Evans—purebred livestock breeder and farmer
Walter R. Krill—educator and administrator
Thomas S. Sutton—educator and researcher
- 1976: A.Z. Baker—marketer and organization leader
Joel S. Coffey—educator and livestock industry leader
John H. Dunlap—farmer and conservationist
John-D. Siebenthaler—nursery and landscape industry leader
- 1977: Walter L. Bluck—educator and farmer
Darwin R. Bryan—youth leader
John M. Grierson—farmer and farm credit leader
Warren G. Weiler—educator and administrator
- 1978: Max Drake—dairy industry leader
Charles S. Latchaw—farm organization leader
Forest Don Loudenslager—farmer and hog producer
Lottie M. Randolph—agricultural leader and homemaker
- 1979: Joseph W. Fichter—teacher and lecturer
Elden R. Groves—farmer and communicator
C. Clayton Terrell—grain and livestock farmer
Dwight Wise, Sr.—grain, dairy and beef cattle farmer
- 1980: Leonard M. Bettinger—pioneer in nursery industry
Martin Luther Howell—dairy industry leader
Thomas C. Kennard—innovative environmentalist
Kenneth N. Probasco—agribusiness leader
- 1981: Beatrice J. Cleveland—4-H youth leader
Richard H. Kellogg—pioneer in artificial dairy breeding
Robert C. Miller—agri-newscaster and youth supporter
William H. Zipf—agribusiness communicator
- 1982: Ralph E. Bender—educator and administrator
Harry A. Caton—farm organization leader
Willard W. Ellenwood—orchardist and livestock breeder
Everett G. Royer—farm manager and soybean leader
- 1983: Roy M. Kottman—educator, leader and innovator
John Sawyer—environmentalist and industry leader
Henry H. Schriver—lecturer and cooperative leader
John M. Stackhouse—government leader and farmer
- 1984: Robert P. Hester—farmer and cooperative leader
Ralph A. Howard—vocational educator
Suzanne Macino—government agricultural assistant
Harold L. Porter—government leader and plant specialist
- 1985: Robert O. Grieser—farmer and conservationist
Cecil H. Robinson—farmer and corn seed producer
Wilbur "Bill" Stuckey—educator and safety specialist
Charles E. Wyckoff—farmer and electric cooperative leader

GREAT AGRICULTURISTS (continued)

- 1986: Wallace Barr—educator and economist
Dale T. Friday—educator and exhibition leader
D.C. Kiplinger—educator, floricultural and organizational specialist
Lawrence E. Kunkle—educator and meat specialist
- 1987: Samuel C.-Cashman—journalist and organizational specialist
Floyd I. Lower—educator and potato specialist
Jacob McQueen—lecturer and soybean pioneer
Frank B. Sollars—organizational and financial specialist
- 1988: Earl F. Kantner—educator and youth leader
John H. Klippart—author, narrator and organization leader
James M. Lewis—farmer and dairy breeder
Eugene C. Wittmeyer—educator, researcher and horticulturist
- 1989: Louis Bromfield—author and conservationist
James E. Dougan—educator and vocational agriculture leader
Wilbur A. Gould—educator and food processing leader
Fred H. Johnson—beef cattle breeder and leader
- 1990: George G. Greenleaf—agriculture leader and consultant
Rueben R. Jones—dairy farmer and conservationist
Edward Huber—inventor and industrialist
Homer Price—educator, leader and horticulturist
- 1991: Roy Battles—agriculture communicator
Shirley A. Brooks—agricultural liaison assistant
Ralph Grimshaw—educator and animal scientist
Oscar Share—educator and leader
- 1992: Eugene V. Endres—floriculturist and leader
George Gist, Jr.—agronomist and leader
Berlin W. Kagy—veterinarian and artificial insemination innovator
William E. Krauss—researcher, leader and administrator
- 1993: Floyd Heft—soil and water conservationist
Earl Poling—dairy marketer and educator
James Utzinger—educator and horticulturist
Merlin D. Woodruff—auctioneer
- 1994: Bob Evans—“Sausage King” and environmentalist
Robert Gottesman—wine industry leader
William J. Richards—farmer and conservationist
Dean W. Simeral—lobbyist for rural Ohio
- 1995: Clarence Durban—conservationist
Clifton Kerns (C.K.) Elliott—agricultural marketer
William D. Fulton—horticulturist
George W. Smidley—inventor
- 1996: Carl S. Akey—livestock feed industry entrepreneur
Richard Dawson—pork industry leader
Freeman S. Howlett—educator and horticulturist
J. Gordon Riehl—cooperative leader
- 1997: Arnett J. Gordon—farmer and humanitarian
G. Edwin "Ed" Johnson—agricultural communicator
C. William Swank—leader and spokesperson for agriculture
Vernon L. Tharp, DVM—veterinarian and educator

REPRESENTING ALL PHASES OF OHIO AGRICULTURE

Enshrinement in the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame is Ohio's highest recognition of an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the agricultural industry. Each year four persons are honored. The number of deceased may not exceed two.

NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Persons wishing to nominate an individual who he or she believes is deserving of consideration for induction into the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame may secure a nomination form through any Council member or by writing the Ohio Agricultural Council, 5250 Williamsburg Circle, Hilliard, Ohio 43026-1735. Nominations must be submitted by May 1, 1999, in order to be eligible for consideration in 1999.

The selection process is such that members of the Hall of Fame committee appoint three other individuals to a selection committee. This selection committee functions separate and apart of the Hall of Fame committee. In order to retain the high degree of integrity, the identity of the members of the selection committee is kept in confidence and precautions are taken to avoid the possibility of an individual serving on the selection committee more than one time.

DID YOU KNOW

...that the frames which encase the portraits of the Hall of Fame inductees are made from Buckeye wood?

...that several other Hall of Fame programs have been patterned after the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame which had its beginning in 1966?

...that 145 of Ohio's outstanding agriculturists have been enshrined into the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame?

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OHIO AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL

1965-.....	George Greenleaf	1980-81	Roy Becker
1966-.....	Karl Kahler	1982-83	Paul Slade
1967-.....	Charles Whitney	1984-85	Gene Endres
1968-.....	Max Drake	1986-87	Wally Erickson
1969-70	Gerald Hiller	1988-89	John Foltz
1971-72	George Robey	1990-91	Andrew Stevens
1973-74	John Root	1992-93	Jack Heavenridge
1975-76	W.R. Tullis	1994-95	Dick Isler
1977-.....	Richard Kellogg	1996-97	Bill Stalter
1978-79	William Davidson		

THE OHIO AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL ACTIVE* MEMBERSHIP ROLL

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 Ohio Grape Industries Program, Ida Froehle
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 Ohio Potato Growers Association, David M. Kelly
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 Ohio Sheep Improvement Association, Jim Chakeres
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 Ohio Turkey Marketing Program, Alice Walters
 Ohio Vegetable & Potato Growers Association, Mike Pullins
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 Ohio Young Farmers Association
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 Producers Livestock Association, Dennis Bolling
 Select Sires, Inc., Richard Chichester
 WRFD Radio, Heather McConnell

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Dwight Harris	Harold L. Porter	Roy Zimmerman
Floyd E. Heft	Jim Ramey	
Jim Helt	Ken Reisch	
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