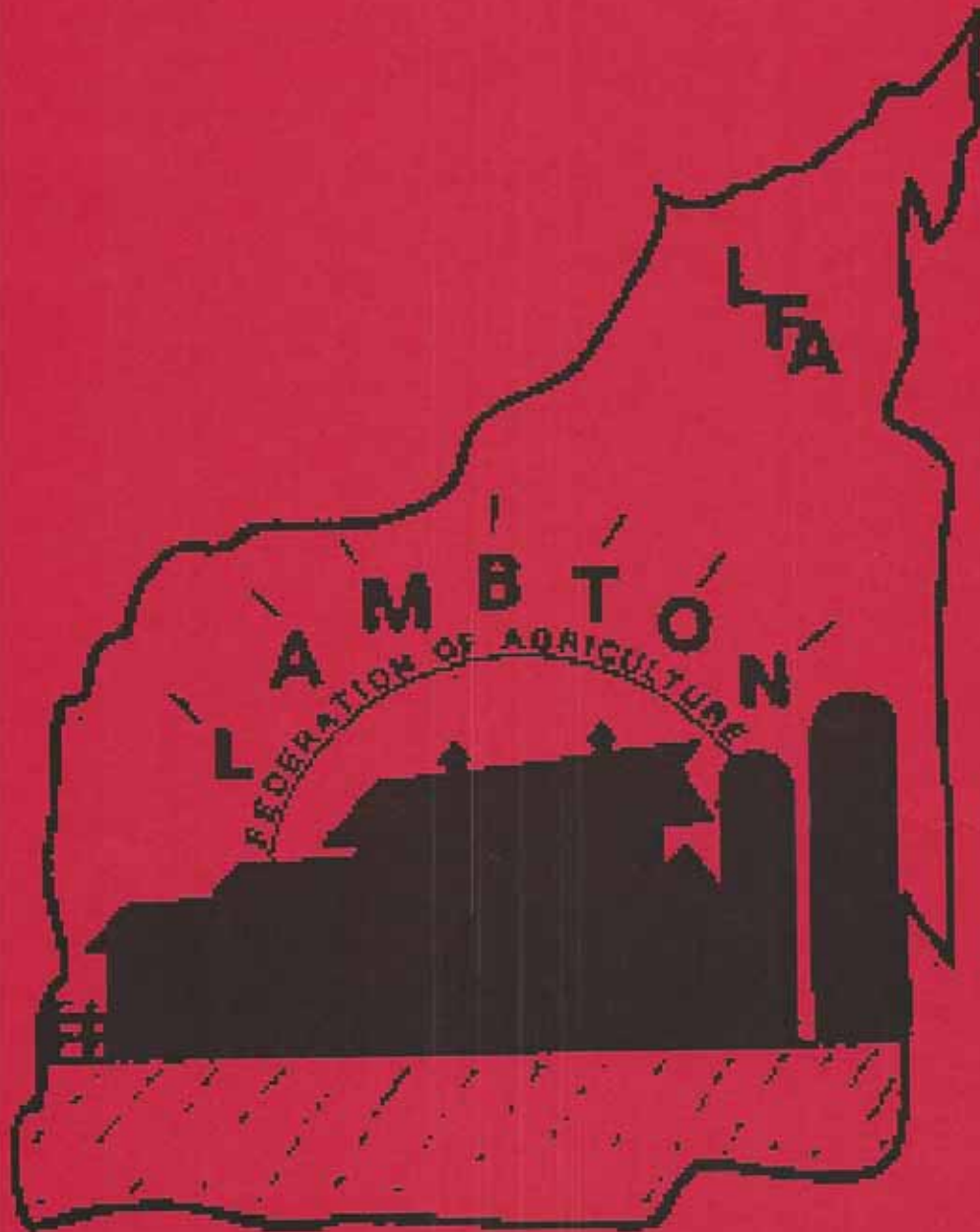


LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE
ANNUAL BANQUET AND MEETING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2007
FAIR BUILDING, WYOMING



*The mission of the LFA is to be an Advocate for Agricultural Producers
through Networking, Education and Communications with Community
and Governments.*

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Munro Honey

Lambton Pork Producers

For the contributions to our "Taste of Lambton" appetizers and favours

Program for Lambton Federation of Agriculture Annual Banquet & Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 2007

CHAIRPERSON FOR THE EVENING: KEN DUNLOP, ACTING PRESIDENT

- 6:00 P.M. **Social Time**
- A taste of Lambton table featuring pork
- 6:30 P.M. **Welcome** Ken Dunlop
O Canada Sung by Matthew Krall
Approval of Minutes of the last meeting as printed
Motion to approve Reports
 - Treasurer's report
 - Appointment of Auditor for 2006-2007 Fiscal Year
 - Committee Reports**Report of Nominating Committee**
& Election of Officers Rebecca Lunn deWit
 - ~~Motion on how to vote for election—paper/show-of-hands.~~
 - Appoint scrutineers
 - Declare all offices vacant – nominations from floor
 - Election of directors
 - Election of President
 - Election of 1st Vice
 - Election of 2nd Vice
 - Motion to destroy the ballots**Resolutions**
New Business
- 7:00 P.M. **Grace** George Dickenson
Dinner
Introduction of Head Table Debbie Gilliard
Introduction of Guests Bill Milliken
Thanking Fair Board for dinner Joe Dickenson
President's report Ken Dunlop
Greetings from:
 - Pat Davidson, MP for Sarnia-Lambton
 - Bev Shipley, MP for Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
 - Bob Bailey, MPP for Sarnia-Lambton
 - Maria Van Bommel, MPP for Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
 -**Introduction of Guest Speaker** Chris Williamson
 - Chad Anderson, Canadian Food Grains Bank**Thank guest speaker** Kevin Forbes
Presentation of scholarships: Tom Lassaline, 2nd Vice
 - William & Dorothy Abraham scholarship
 - Joyce Anderson scholarship
 - Bell scholarships (2)
 - Timothy & Patrick Kerrigan scholarship
 - Dona Stewardson scholarship
 - Lois Wakefield scholarship**Presentation of scholarships by Women's Institute** Ann McGugan
Presentation of pins to new directors and executive
Presentation by Ken Dunlop
Door Prizes
Announcements

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Acting President, Ken Dunlop

Hello to everyone. This is a short president report for the past year as some of you know Debbie Coke was at the helm of LFA until October when Debbie had a career change that also led her to stepping down from LFA. I would like to thank Debbie for all the work she has done for LFA in the past and wish her well on new adventures in life.

There are a few of the things we did this year starting with BDO days in December and we participated in the Podolinsky days (even the snow didn't keep our members at home). We hosted our OFA president Geri Kamenz in April and we started the tour in Thedford at the apple orchard of Twin Pines Orchards & Cider House where we had our first round table discussion of the day. We proceeded to Kucera Farm supply in Alvinston for stop number two, followed by stop three at Southwest Ag Partner at Rutherford and finished the tour in St Clair Twp at the farms of Doug and Dave McGee and Derrek and Bert Vandendool.

We also hosted our annual spring meeting with the commodity groups in April and the MP and MPP's.

We took our display board to all 5 Lambton area fairs. One more highlight was meeting that Pat Davidson's office organized with the federal Ag Minister in November for a round table discussion.

These are just some of the things that happen thru the year. We are looking for new members to sit on the board so please give serious thought to joining the board. If you are interested, please let me know.

Yours in farming Ken Dunlop.

PROMOTION REPORT – Don McCabe

Lambton Federation has been very active this year promoting the organization at various events. Some of these include the following:

1. BDO Financial Management and Tax Seminar on December 11, 2006 which was held in Wyoming. We sponsored the snacks at break time and helped to organize the day's event. This year's event will be December 10th in Alvinston.
2. LFA sponsored two young farmers to Young Farmers Forum at the OFA convention in Toronto. Dan Bryson and Joe Dickenson both represented Lambton well at this event.
3. We put our display up at the Chamber showcase in October, 2006 and directors were on hand to answer any questions people might have had.
4. Our display made it to all the area fall fairs including Petrolia, Wyoming, Forest, Alvinston & Brigden.
5. The display was also set up at Beef Focus in Alvinston, our annual meeting & Lambton Cattlemen's & Lambton Soil & Crop's annual meeting.
6. LFA put out three newsletters in the Voice of Farmer during the year, updating members on upcoming events and issues.
7. We sponsored four grocery certificates to winners from Lambton who entered their names into a draw at the Farm Show in London.
8. We continue to support Farm Safety in their events which included the Farm Safety Blitz Ad and sponsor a delegate to their annual convention.
9. We continue to do a monthly radio show which airs on CFCO on the third Wednesday of each month and on CHOK at various times.
10. Lambton was proud to have a couple of local farm faces on the OFAC calendars and we purchased some for distribution.
11. The website continues to provide information on upcoming events, issues and local Lambton news. If you wish any event or news event to be submitted, please contact the office.
12. We continue to help support the Lambton Jr. Farmer's in their events, including helping supply hamburg patties and our BBQ at the fundraising events. Lambton 4-H Association also benefits from our financial support and assistance.

LOCALLY LAMBTON FOOD AND FUN MAP

In 2006, the federation produced the "Locally Lambton Food & Fun Map" which featured farm businesses that sold produce or activities within Lambton County. Lambton businesses have expressed an interest in having this map reproduced in 2008 and we look forward to working in partnership with county groups in reproducing the map. We would be happy to hear from anyone who would like more information regarding the advertising or sponsoring of the map project. Please call the office at 519-828-5028 if you are interested in more information.

NEWSLETTER

The newsletter was published 3 times last year. It includes a list of the current directors and their telephone numbers, along with the office contact information. There is also a "What's Upcoming" column where you can connect with LFA in the community. We hope you find it informative and interesting to read. Watch for the next newsletter in December.

Chris Williamson and Brenda Miner

SCHOLARSHIPS REPORT

We would like to thank all the young people who sent in applications this year. It was a very tough decision and we wish to congratulate the winners. Unfortunately we cannot award a scholarship to every applicant as they are all deserving. A special thanks to the committee who made a hard task seem easy. Thanks to Irene Jardine, Bryan Boyle and Ken Dunlop.

Tom Lassaline

A Year in Review An OFA Perspective

Submitted by Becky Lunn-de Wit, OFA Member Service Representative for Lambton and Middlesex counties

Contact 519-264-1444; toll free 1-877-668-3276 or rebecca.lunn@ofa.on.ca

As farming in 2007 comes to an end, the enthusiasm for a new year is just beginning!

I would like to thank Martha Harris and Janine Lunn for doing a great job of covering the Member Service Position while I was on a one year parental leave. Although I was not directly involved with OFA over the course of the year, I was still able to keep up to date on the agricultural issues through our farm business. My husband and I had a little boy and he is already proving to be the next generation farmer!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns or issues.

Highlights of 2007

OFA convention elects new President

Geri Kamenz, a Spencerville area livestock and cash crop farmer in Grenville County, was elected president of the OFA at the 2006 annual OFA convention in Toronto. Geri had served three terms as vice-president of OFA and previously on OFA's Executive Committee. He takes over the post held for four years by Ron Bonnett, an Algoma area cattle producer.

Geri intends to place strong emphasis on working with other farm organizations and he wants to consult with farmers, commodity organizations and OFA staff in his search for solutions. "I want to inspire these people to reach for better things for Ontario farmers," he commented.

Source Water Protection

The Clean Water Act was proclaimed into legislation on July 3, after a long and complicated path over the last seven years. Across Ontario there are 19 Source Water Protection Committees, each region is made up of municipal and sectoral representatives (including agriculture) and the general public.

Agricultural communities throughout Ontario held elections during the summer and fall to vote on the candidates that will represent agriculture on the Source Water Protection Committees. To learn more about who the ag representatives are in your community, contact OFA.

Following up on the success of its EnviroFarm exhibit, the Ontario Federation of Agriculture presented EnerFarm at this year's Outdoor Farm Show. The EnerFarm is a comprehensive look at what forms of energy farmers can produce for society. The miniature EnerFarm had everything from solar energy production to biomass energy production and wind power energy systems.

Since energy production was the main focus we also decided to look at potential ways of conserving energy and the OFA believes that conserving energy must go hand in hand with energy production.

39th General Provincial Election

On October 10th, voters took to the polls for a general election and re-elected Premier Dalton McGuinty and his colleagues for another four years. "As we have told the Premier, Ontario farmers can and do provide solutions – solutions that stimulate economic growth, provide green, renewable energy, sustain the environment and provide healthy food for a healthy population. We simply need sound public policy to achieve these solutions," comments Geri Kamenz, OFA's president.

OFA restructuring

The process began at the 2005 OFA convention when delegates asked for change to the organization's governance structure. After a year of consultations, the structural review committee reported to the 2006 convention, and delegates there approved moving to the next stage in the process – implementation.

Through out 2007, farmers at all levels of the organization from grassroots members to board members and the executive leadership have focused on coming up with an organization capable of getting the results modern agriculture needs and demands. The final details from the implantation committee will be discussed at the OFA annual convention in November.

JR. FARMER REPORT

By Joe Dickenson

Lambton County JF had a very successful year in 2007. Currently, one of our members Joe Dickenson is the Past Provincial President and the JFAO delegate elect to the OFA. Our Provincial Director, Steve Murphy has been elected as a Deputy Sheriff to ensure that the provincial meetings stay on course and business gets done.

In June, we welcomed 6 international delegates for 2 weeks and the entire province for the weekend before Canada Day with our now world famous Lambton County Boat Cruise - in its 3rd year. We were also very successful in our favourite environmental cleanup - the Battery Drive and would like to thank LFA members for their support of it, as well as their support of the 1st Annual JFAO Golf Tournament and the fundraising silent auction to be held at the OFA's Annual General Meeting. This year we've helped around home with our food booths at TSC, the Lambton County Plowing Match and working the bar for the Petrolia Fair Dance. Our popular Farm Olympics have made an appearance at the Bridgen Fair and Wyoming Fair to well received crowds.

The JFAO has had a great year as well with an increase in membership for the first time in over 10 years, solid sponsorship, outstanding turnout by members at provincial events and a new lease, office location and relationship with the main office of the OFA.

Next year, the Lambton County Junior Farmers plan to continue our environmental projects with the Battery Drive and our Road Cleanup (Plank Road), continue to support the local 4-H Association by awarding the winner of the chili cook-off with the prize money and run a farm hiker tour in Lambton County to help our farmers educate the public.

INTERNET COMMITTEE REPORT

Kevin Forbes

The committee met two times this year and the website continues on the good foundation that the previous chair, Don McGugan Jr. established. We welcome everyone to submit news articles and highlights from local meetings or happenings for publication on the LFA website. If you have an upcoming event, we would be pleased to include it in our events calendar.

Advertising on the Lambton Federation website

Lambton Federation is seeking new businesses who would like to advertise on the LFA website. The advertisements that appear on this site help to fund the development and ongoing costs of publishing this website for our members and the public. Once our expenses are met, excess advertising revenue is earmarked for use in providing LFA Scholarship funds to local students.

Placing an advertisement on the LFA website is an economical and effective method of reaching a target audience. And remember, not only are you supporting our organization, advertising costs are a 100% deductible business expense. To obtain more information on the advertising rates, please contact the LFA office at 519-828-5028. Please check out the LFA website at www.lfawebsite.org

Rural Lambton Stewardship Network

In 2006/07 there was a St Clair/Sydenham Stewardship Initiative. Twenty four farm families did projects such as tree planting, wetland-oxbo riparian buffer, warm season pasture, tall grass prairie buffer, and surface drainage study and erosion control.

McKellar Tract

Materials were purchased to construct a viewing stand which is going to be wheelchair accessible.

RLSN received a Great Lakes Renewable Foundation donation.

They will also be doing projects with the Shell property, Hwy 40, Ontario Power Generation and Imperial Oil.

This past summer RLSN did a tour of some of the projects to see the progress made in the past year.

They are also a donator to the Lambton Kent Agriculture in the Classroom.

“People cannot continue to lead healthy lives without sufficient farmlands to produce local food, forest to help purify the air and protected watersheds to provide safe drinking water.”

Lambton Kent Agriculture in the Classroom

This past year saw the “10th” annual Gala Fund Raiser. We managed record donations. What a nice feeling after all the dedicated work that all the volunteers put forward.

The LKAITC sends a representative to the Science Education Partnership meetings in Sarnia. The LKAITC gave a donation to the SEP to help further the agricultural part of the curriculum.

Harvest Days were September 26, 27, and 28th and October 3, 4, and 5th. Over the 6 day period 634 students from 19 schools attended. This was a cost of approximately \$6500.00. There are 280 students on a waiting list. They may have the chance if a spring event gets off the ground at Ridgeway Campus. They are also in the planning stages of making a Lambton event for students mostly of the Sarnia, Pt. Edwards area schools for spring 2008.

LKAITC is working on plans and details for the 2008 Gala Fund Raiser Night, set for March 28, 2008. The Gala meal will once again be followed by silent and live auction items. As well many companies and individuals make donations which help put agriculture back into the classroom. A big “Thank You” to all Lambton businesses as well as other individuals that donated last year.

LKAITC also attended the National Ag Awareness meeting in London in May 2007.

A special word of thanks to everyone that helps out. Their special skills and talents are very much appreciated.

Both reports Submitted by Dennis Bryson

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2007 – one busy year for OFA

Farm Income

Farm income continues to be the priority issue for the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA). Although agriculture continues leading the way in productivity and efficiency, it hasn't been enough as farmers struggle to achieve prices from the marketplace that are sufficient to sustain a sound farming business. Rising costs, a strong dollar and languishing commodity prices continue to challenge our rural economy.

Efforts are constantly being made to improve market revenue – such things as improved ag awareness, work at the federal level for improved labelling regulations, and ongoing promotion of local food initiatives.

Improvements to safety nets are still objectives of the OFA and the Canadian Federation of Agriculture – flexibility and predictability are essential for farmers to plan the growth of their businesses. A major advance came in June with OMAFRA Minister Dombrowsky announced intentions to introduce a three-year pilot Risk Management Program. That announcement was coupled with a \$55 million fund to offset increasing input costs for Ontario farmers.

OFA will continue its efforts, in partnership with the commodity sector to secure necessary programs such as a Self-Directed Production Insurance program for horticulture and Production Insurance for the livestock sector.

The Growing Forward program was announced at this year's Fed-Prov-Territorial meeting in June. That program replaces the Agricultural Policy Framework and features AgriInvest, AgriStability, AgriRecovery, and AgriInsurance – all aimed at improving income security for farmers in Canada.

Taxation

Property Tax issues continue to trouble Ontario farmers as efforts are made to achieve competitive tax systems with neighbouring jurisdictions. OFA has worked with its commodity partners to develop a policy on value-added ventures that would encourage value-added business development.

OFA has also been working with commodity partners to change the rules for the Retail Sales Tax exemptions on building materials used for farm cold storage buildings and horticultural packing sheds.

Minister Sorbara recently announced an extension to Retail Sales Tax exemption by expanding the definition of farming to include post-harvest activities. Building materials for structures involved in cleaning, sorting, grading and packing crops are now exempt. The savings to the horticulture industry alone is millions of dollars.

Ecological Goods and Services

As part of its provincial election campaign in 2007, OFA has been seeking recognition for agriculture for the ecological goods and services it provides to society. This is already happening in other parts of the world – Norway and Japan as examples – where farmers are compensated by society for maintaining the environment and the rural landscape.

Energy

Ontario agriculture has emerged as an increasing force in the energy sector, capable of a significant contribution to electrical energy needs and fuels for combustion – all of this from a sector that has energy costs as a major input cost. Because of the great significance of government's energy policy on the contribution agriculture can make to Ontario's energy supply, OFA continues to seek more favourable regulations to improve its position in the energy sector.

Controlling damage by wildlife

OFA continues its pressure on the provincial government for better compensation for damage to crops and livestock by wildlife. In collaboration with resource industry partners, we are seeking expansion of the list of predators and compensation levels to reflect changing circumstances.

Updating OFA's governance structure

In search of improvements to the way OFA does its business, a structural review process has been ongoing since the 2005 convention. The 2007 convention will deal with a final report from the Implementation Team. If accepted the proposed changes will mean significant revisions to how OFA operates.

Strategic Planning

As part of the structure review, a strategic planning process was recommended for OFA. As part of that process, six strategic objectives have been developed to guide the priorities of the OFA in the coming years – action plans are being developed along with ways of measuring progress. The plan will focus efforts over the next three to five years, but will be subject to regular reviews and updates.

LFA Annual Meeting
November 17, 2006
Wyoming Fair Building, Wyoming

- 6:00 Members and guests enjoyed a "Taste of Lambton" and a social time
7:05 pm Singing of "O Canada" – led by Vanessa Zimmerman, along video on "O Canada"
Grace – Dennis Bryson
Dinner
8:00 pm Welcome – Debbie Coke
Introduction of Head Table – Don McGugan Jr.
Introduction of Special Guests – Don McGugan Jr.
Thank You to Caterer – Tom Lassaline
8:05 pm President's Report – Debbie Coke
Debbie thanked the board members, map sponsors, bus rally supporters, and annual meeting committee
8:10 pm Introduction of Guest – Dennis Bryson
Guest music – Wendell Ferguson
8:45 pm Thank You to Guest – George Dickenson
8:50 pm Greetings from:
Lambton Warden, Jim Burns
OFA Vice President, Paul Mistele
OFA Executive, Don McCabe
MP Bev Shipley
MP Patricia Davidson
MPP Maria Van Bommel
OMFRA, Bryan Boyle

9:00 pm Presentation of Scholarships – Ken Dunlop

The 2006 Scholarships were presented to:

Nevin McVicar	\$500.00	Bell Scholarship
Rebecca Sisson	\$250.00	William & Dorothy Abraham Scholarship
Kevin Straatman	\$250.00	Bell Scholarship
Pamela Miner	\$500.00	Joyce Anderson Scholarship
Sarah MacDougall	\$200.00	Timothy and Patrick Kerrigan Scholarship
Vanessa Zimmerman	\$500.00	Dona Stewardson Scholarship
John Hogvorst	\$500.00	Lois Wakefield Scholarship

- 9:15 pm presentation of scholarships by Women's Institute representative, Anne McGugan to Brittany Boyle and Ashley Clubb
9:30 pm presentation of gift to Marilyn Jones, past Secretary-Treasurer
9:35 pm musical entertainment
9:30 pm Door prizes
9:35 pm Musical Entertainment
9:50 pm Call business meeting to order

It was **moved** by George Dickenson, **seconded** by Doug McGee **to accept the minutes of the 2005 Annual Meeting.** The motion was **carried.**

It was **moved** by Irene Jardine, **seconded** by Tom Lassaline **to accept the financial reports as presented.** The motion was **carried.**

It was **moved** by Irene Jardine and **seconded** by Tim Fugard **that World Data Centre be appointed as auditor for the 2006 – 2007 fiscal year.** The motion was **carried.**

Tom Perkes, Manager for Service Representatives for Southwestern Ontario conducted the elections and appointed Martha Harris, MRS rep. and Bryan Boyle, OMAFRA, as scrutineers for election of directors.

All positions were declared vacant.

The nominating committee advised that Chris Williamson, Tony Beernink, Ken Dunlop, Mike Van Wieren, Bill Milliken, Scott Kramer had all agreed to let their names stand for the positions of Directors at Large.

George Dickenson was nominated from the floor.

Nominations were closed. All names as noted above were acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Dennis Bryson had agreed to let his name stand for the position of Director for Township of Warwick.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Dennis Bryson acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Kevin Forbes had agreed to let his name stand for the position of Director for City of Sarnia.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Kevin Forbes acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Gail Gustin had agreed to let her name stand for the position of Director for the Town of Plympton-Wyoming.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Gail Gustin acclaimed.

The nominating committee had no names for the position of Director for the Township of St. Clair.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed with the position vacant.

The nominating committee advised that Debbie Coke had agreed to let her name stand for the position of Director for the Township of Dawn-Euphemia.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Debbie Coke acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Tim Fugard had agreed to let his name stand for the position of Director for the Township of Enniskillen.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Tim Fugard acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Tom Lassaline had agreed to let his name stand for the position of Director for the Township of Brooke-Alvinston.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Tom Lassaline acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Debbie Gilliard had agreed to let her name stand for the position of Director for the Municipality of Lambton Shores.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Debbie Gilliard acclaimed.

It was announced that Rob Johnston, Ken Dunlop and Don McCabe were acclaimed as OFA representatives at the Regional Meeting.

The nominating committee advised that Tom Lassaline had agreed to let his name stand for the position of 2nd Vice President.

Kevin Forbes was nominated from the floor and accepted nomination.

Nominations were closed.

Tom Lassaline was elected.

The nominating committee advised that Ken Dunlop had agreed to let his name stand for the position of 1st Vice President.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Ken Dunlop acclaimed.

The nominating committee advised that Debbie Coke had agreed to let her name stand for the position of President.

No nominations from the floor.

Nominations were closed. Debbie Coke acclaimed.

There were no resolutions.

The BDO seminar will be held December 11, 2006.

Presentation of pins to our newest directors: Gail Gustin, Mike Van Wieren, Bill Milliken and Scott Kramer.

Debbie presented Brenda Miner with a flower arrangement and thanked everyone for coming out.

At 10:10 pm the meeting was adjourned by Ken Dunlop.

2006-2007

LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE

2006-2007

NAME	POSITION	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	SEPT	MTGS	MTGS	TOTAL	
													REG. TOTAL	COMM	MTGS ATTENDED	
Anderson, Chad	St. Clair			1		1	1	1	1				1	6	1	7
Dennis Bryson	Warwick (Past President)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				1	9	20	29
Debbie Coke	Dawn-Euphemia (President)	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1			8	64	72
Ken Dunlop	Regional Director (1st Vice)	1	1	1		1	1				1		1	7	11	18
Tom Lassaline	Brooke-Alvinston (2nd Vice)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	10	20	30
Tony Beerink	Lambton Shores	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	10	7	17
George Dickenson	Director at Large	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	10	5	15
Kevin Forbes	Sarnia	1	1	1	1	1	1				1			7	3	10
Tim Fugard	Enniskillen		1	1		1	1	1			1		1	7	1	8
Debbie Gilliard	Lambton Shores	1	1		1			1			1		1	6	1	7
Gail Gustin	Rep for Pork Producers		1				1	1					1	4	1	5
Irene Jardine	Rep for Women's Institute		1	1			1	1					1	5	3	8
Rob Johnston	Regional Director	1			1	1	1	1	1		1		1	8	2	10
Krammer, Scott	Director at Large				1									1		1
Don McCabe	Regional Director						1	1		1			1	5	7	12
Don McGugan Jr.	Rep for Jr. Farmers	1	1		1									3	2	5
Chris Williamson	Director at Large	1	1	1	1	1		1			1		1	8	10	18
Mike Van Wieren	Director at Large				1		1							2		2
Joe Dickenson	Jr. Farmer Rep				1	1	1	1	1		1		1	6	3	9
Bill Milliken	Director at Large			1	1	1		1	1		1		1	7	6	13

NOTES:

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November 9, 2007

Directors and Members
Lambton Federation of Agriculture

Dear Members:

RE: 2007 year end

We have reviewed your accounting records as at September 30, 2007 with your secretary and have found them to be in balance for the year then ending.

The statements and records were verified and found to be in balance and properly kept in accordance with good accounting principles.

The statements attached here to reflect the position of your association at September 30, 2007

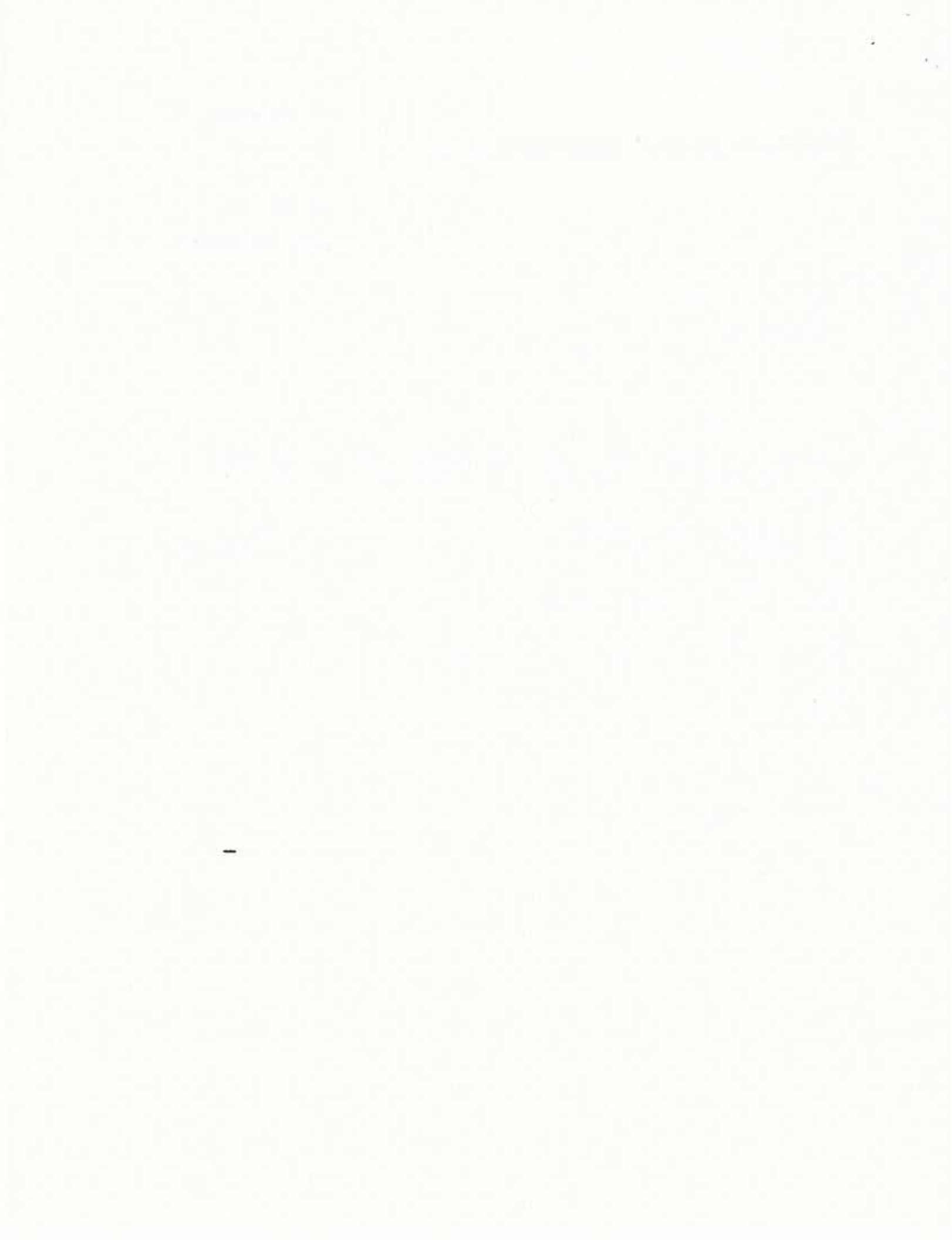
Your 2007 records were more detailed than in the past few years leaving a better paper trail for audit purpose.

Thank you for the opportunity to have been of service to you in 2007.

Yours truly

World Data Service Ltd.

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LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE

BALANCE SHEET

SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

ASSETS

Cash in Bank Savings	\$ 1,142.98
Cash in Bank Chequing	\$ 2,778.36
GIC - operating	\$39,474.41
GIC - scholarship money	\$16,000.00
Cash in Reserve account (MRS)	\$33,233.05

Total Assets **\$92,628.80**

MEMBER EQUITY

Balance from 2006	\$71,798.00
Plus scholarship money (LFA)	\$16,000.00
Profit for 2007	\$ 4,830.80

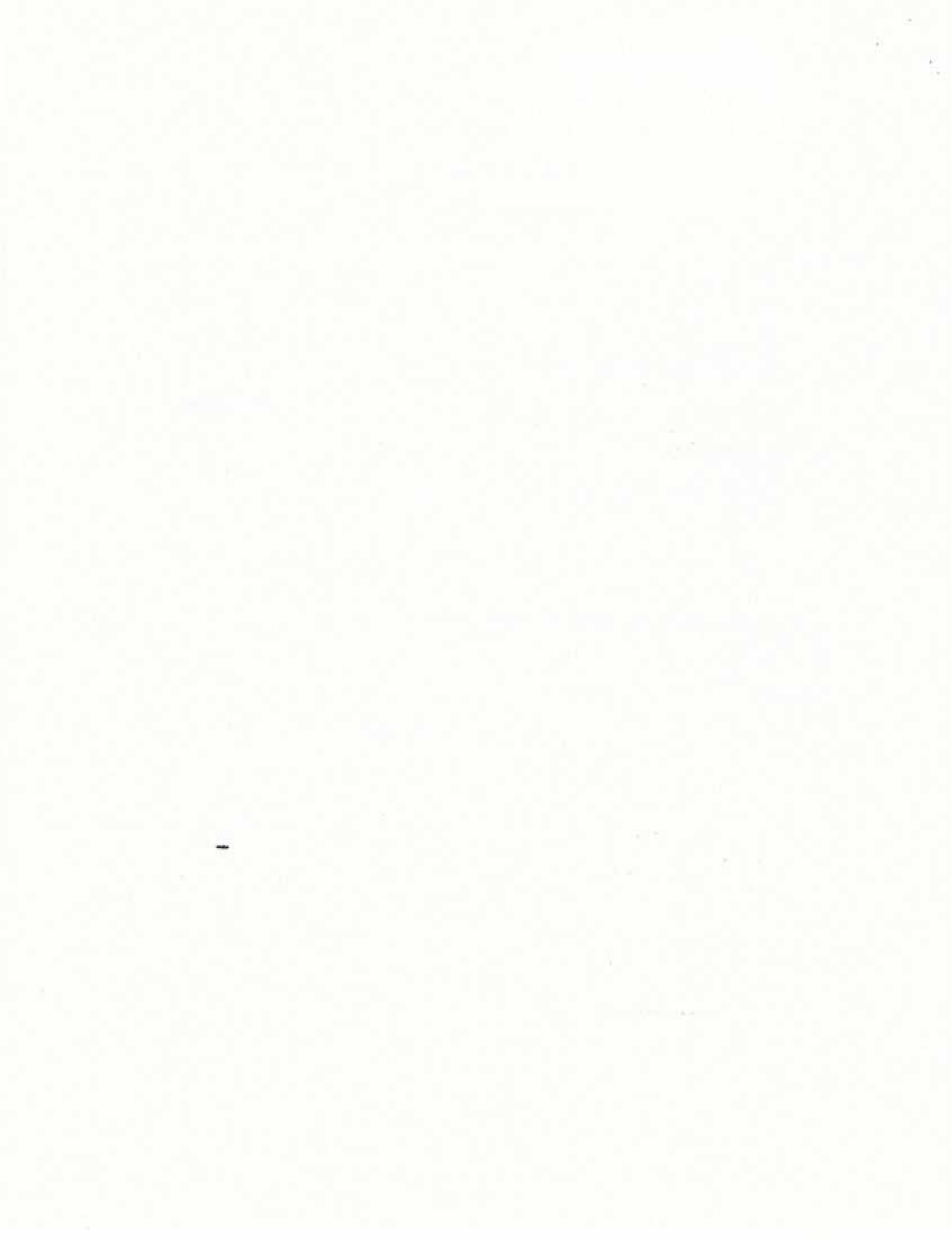
Total Equity **\$92,628.80**

SCHOLARSHIP MONEY HELD IN TRUST

Bell-Federation	\$15,000.00
Bill & Dorothy Abraham	\$ 3,500.00
Kerrigan	\$ 2,000.00

Total **\$20,500.00**

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LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007

RECEIPTS

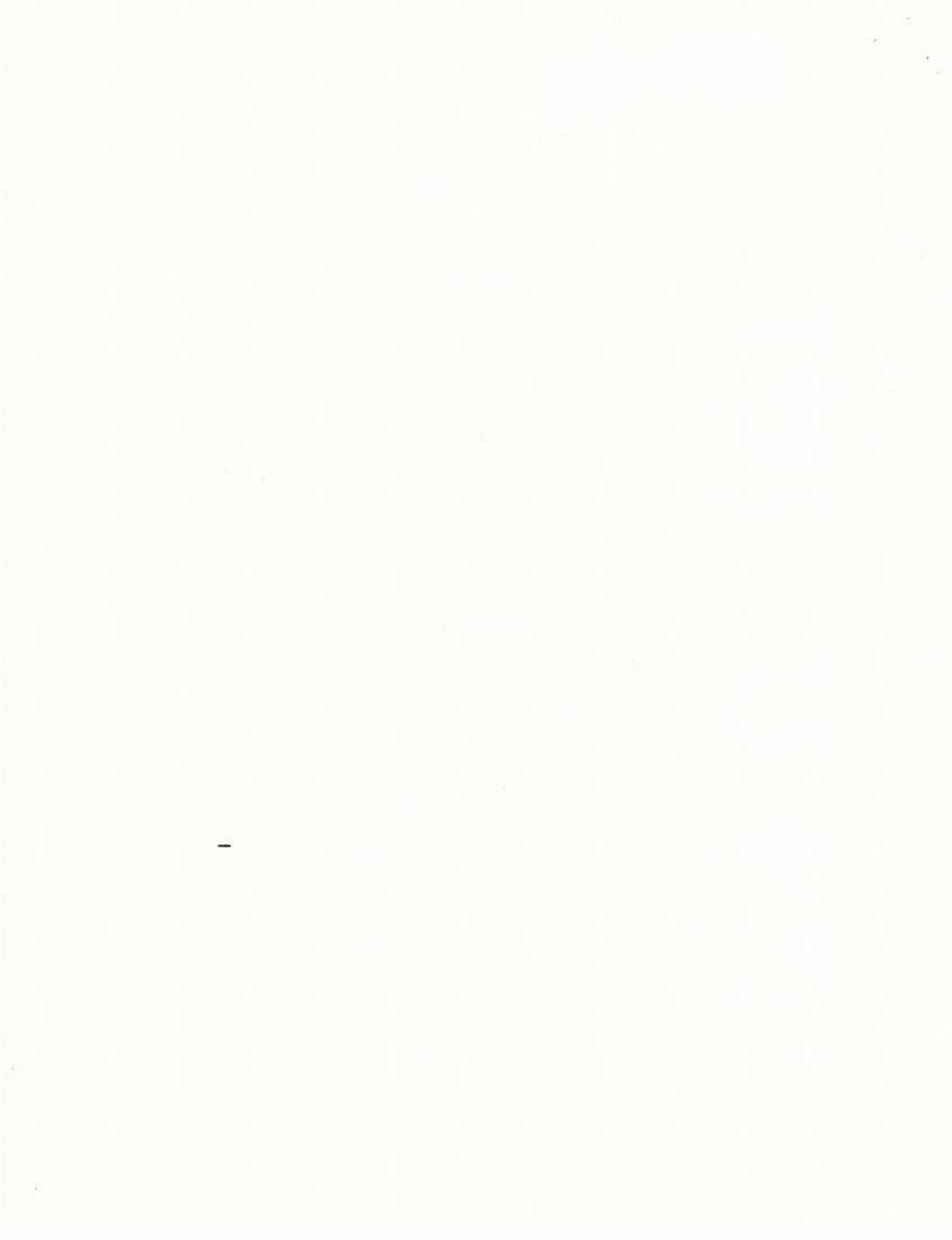
Annual Meeting	\$ 1,698.50
Convention	\$ 131.18
Donations	\$ 2,000.00
Interest	\$ 2,722.93
Interest scholarship	\$ 1,438.30
Internet sales	\$ 725.00
Misc. Income	\$ 25.00
OFA Rebate	\$46,400.00
Political Awareness	\$ 225.00
Regional Meeting	\$ 705.00
Total	\$56,070.91

EXPENSES

Advertising & Newsletter	\$ 976.79
Annual meeting	\$3,182.94
Consumer Relations, PR, Promotion, Training	\$5,235.57
Contract Labour	\$5,572.50
Convention	\$5,580.15
Donations	\$1,642.45
Internet Maintenance	\$ 238.50
Mileage	\$6,459.30
Miscellaneous	\$ 438.99
Monthly meeting	\$ 21.84
Office expenses	\$3,508.14
Per Diem paid to directors	\$9,780.00
Political Awareness	\$ 628.95
Projects	\$3,846.58
Regional meeting	\$1,328.09
Scholarship payments	\$2,700.00
Service Charges	\$ 99.32
Total	\$51,240.11

Surplus for 2007

\$4,830.80



BELL FEDERATION SCHOLARSHIP
(In Trust)
October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007

INCOME:

Balance October 1, 2006		\$15,000.00
GIC Interest		\$ 600.00
From General Fund		\$ 150.00
Withdraw	\$750.00	
Total	\$750.00	\$15,750.00

GIC Community Trust

BILL & DOROTHY ABRAHAM BURSARY
(In Trust)
October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007

INCOME:

Balance October 1, 2006		\$3,500.00
GIC interest		\$ 152.25
From General Fund		\$ 97.75
Withdraw	\$250.00	
Total	\$250.00	\$3,750.00

GIC Pacific & Western

KERRIGAN SCHOLARSHIP
(In Trust)
October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007

INCOME:

Balance October 1, 2006		\$2,000.00
GIC interest		\$ 68.00
From General Fund		\$ 132.00
Withdraw	\$200.00	
Total	\$200.00	\$2,200.00

GIC \$2,000.00 Laurentian

ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP
(LFA money)

INCOME:

Balance October 1, 2006		\$6,500.00
GIC interest		\$ 234.00
From General Fund		\$ 266.00
Withdraw	\$ 500.00	
Total	\$ 500.00	\$7,000.00

GIC \$6,500.00 Community Trust

STEWARDSON SCHOLARSHIP
(LFA money)

INCOME:

Balance October 1, 2006		\$6,500.00
GIC interest		\$ 260.00
From General Fund		\$ 240.00
Withdraw	\$ 500.00	
Total	\$ 500.00	\$7,000.00

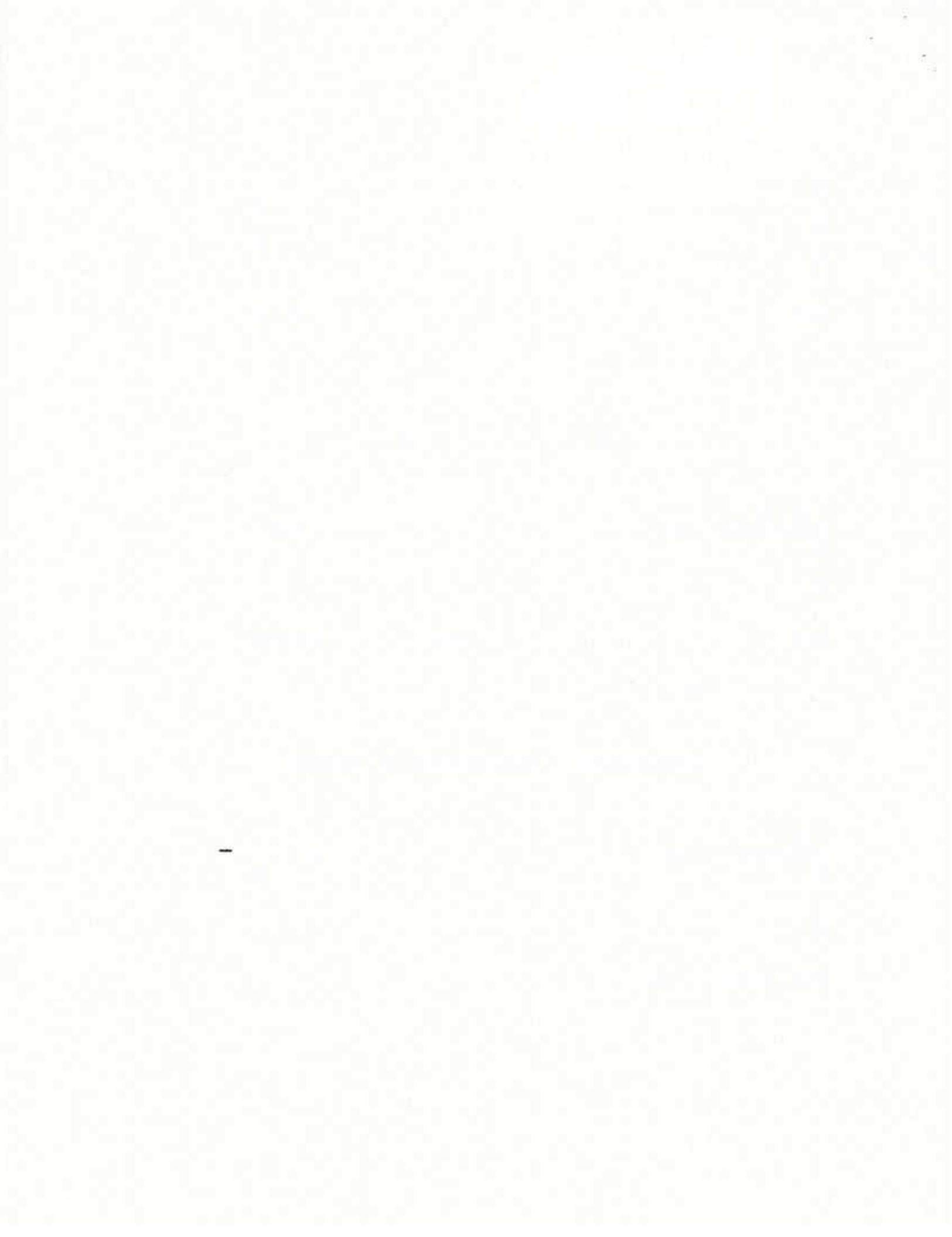
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STEWARDSON & ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP
(LFA money)

INCOME:

Balance October 1, 2006		\$3,000.00
GIC interest		\$ 124.05
Withdraw	\$124.05	
Total	\$124.05	\$3,124.05

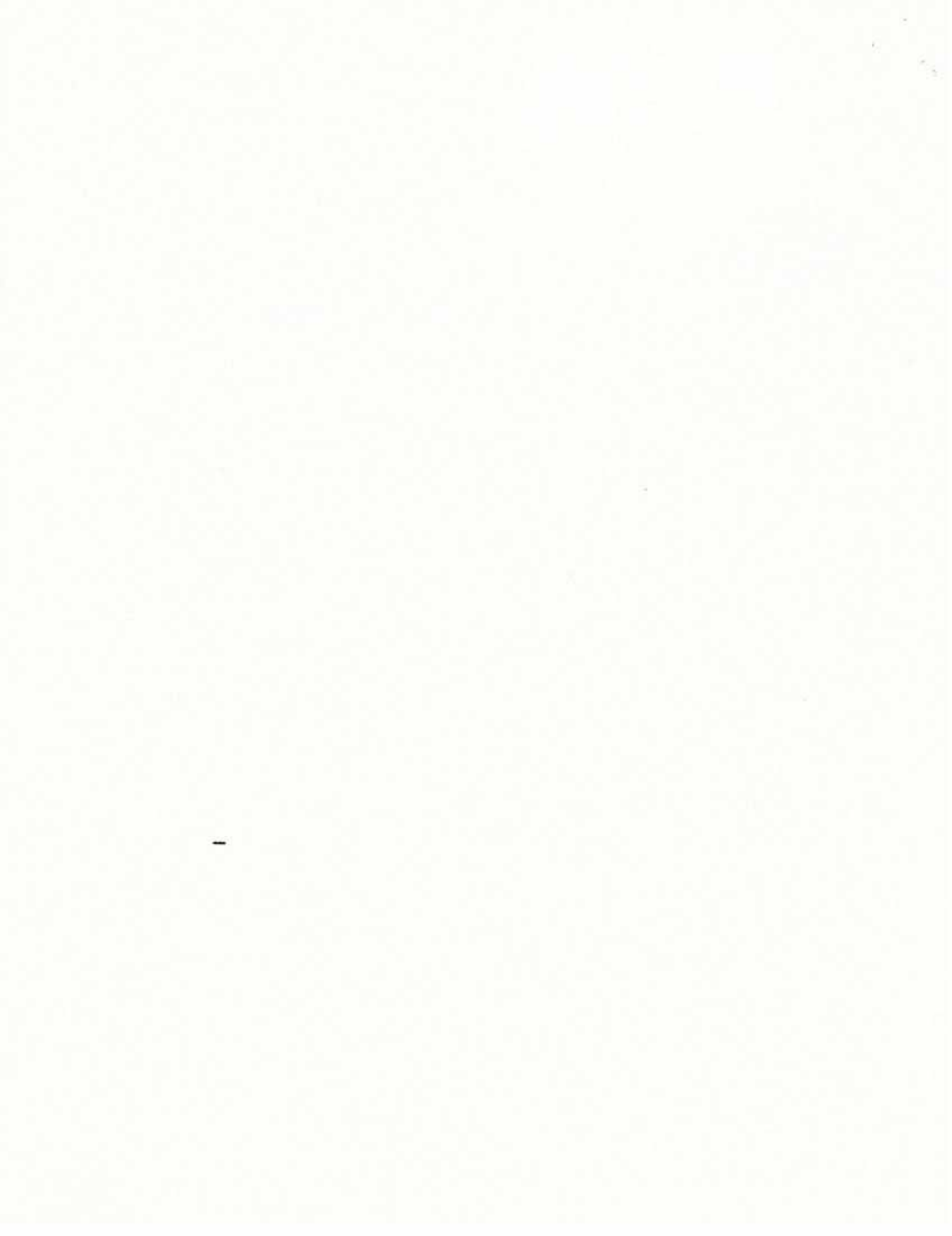
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WAKEFIELD SCHOLARSHIP
(LFA money)

INCOME:

No investment		
From General Fund		\$500.00
Withdraw	\$500.00	
Total	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>



29th Farm Financial Management and Tax Seminar

Co-Sponsored by: BDO Dunwoody LLP
Lambton Federation of Agriculture
Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food and Rural Affairs

When: Monday, December 10, 2007

Where: Brooke Alvinston Inwood Community Complex
Alvinston, Ontario

Time: Starts at 9:30 a.m. (sharp) and finishes at 2:30 p.m.

Agenda

Chairman - Donald W. Dafoe, BDO Dunwoody LLP

- 9:10 - Coffee and doughnuts, provided through the courtesy of Farm Credit Canada
- 9:30 - Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food - 2007 update
Bryan Boyle, Regional Information Coordinator, OMAFRA
- 10:00 - 2007 Tax Update and Estate Planning Tips
BDO Dunwoody LLP
- 10:30 - **Break**
- 10:45 - Windmill Power Generation... From a Farmer's Perspective
Mike Snobelen, Snobelen Farms and Elevators, Ripley Ontario
- 11:45 - Lambton Federation of Agriculture - 2007 update
- Noon - **Lunch**
Provided free of charge through the courtesy of Advantage Farm Equipment Ltd.,
Kucera Farm Supply Ltd., Podolinsky Equipment Ltd. and BDO Dunwoody LLP
- 1:00 - Potential of Organic Production and Marketing
Toni Felder, Field Farms Ltd., Petrolia
- 1:45 - Experiences of marketing farm products through value added markets
Earl Morwood, Brooke Township – "Marketing Hay and Straw"
Mark Vansteenkiste, Lambton Shores – "Establishing an Estate Winery"
Tony Hogervost, Warwick Township – "Marketing Horticultural and Specialty Crops"

Registration: You must pre-register by phone, fax or by mail

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