

1977 Iowa Master Farm Homemakers Guild Inductees

Recently honored as Iowa Master Farm Homemakers for 1977 were five outstanding farm women. They were recognized for their fine work with their families, their homes, and community services.

These women represent the many homemakers in rural Iowa who make such contributions.

A total of 190 farm wives have received this award since the program was started in 1928. This is the 37th year Wallaces Farmer has sponsored the program.

Judges for 1977 were: Maxine Loudon, Grinnell, president of the Iowa Master Farm Homemakers Guild; Elizabeth Elliott, assistant dean and state leader, home economics extension programs, Iowa State University; Louise Rosenfeld, program assistant, office of foreign student and visitor services, Iowa State University; and Joanne Couey, home editor of Wallaces Farmer.

Dorothy Frazer - IMFH Class of 1977

Marion County

As a working partner with her husband, Dorothy Frazer schedules her activities so she will be available for field work during planting and harvest season. She also helps keep records for the farm operation. The Frazers raise hogs, cattle, and grain. Part of their land is a Century Farm.

The Frazers are involved in many community activities. Mrs. Frazer holds an office in Eastern Star, Star, has served on the 4-H committee, and is active in Farm Bureau, having served three years as women's county chairman. In politics, Mrs. Frazer has been county mobile registrar and precinct committee woman. She is involved in People United for Rural Education and served on a committee for a new elementary school building in the Conrad area. She also helped work out a middle school program.

Her work with the Conrad United Methodist Church includes teaching Sunday school, working with youth, administrative board members, women's organization, and chairperson of the social concerns work area. She was chairman of the Waterloo District United Methodist nominating committee.

Some of Mrs. Frazer's other activities are working with the American Cancer Society, Grundy County Resettlement Committee, Village and Vale Federated Women's club and neighborhood Sunshine Club.

The Frazers have two sons. Don, a 1976 graduate of Iowa State University, is assistant cashier and loan officer of the Atlantic State Bank in Atlantic, Iowa. His wife is Diane. Dean is in seventh grade.

Mary Jensen - IMFH Class of 1977

Butler County

Key to the philosophy of Mary Jensen is service to others-within her family, her church, and her community.

As a strong helpmate to her husband, Mrs. Jensen works in their large dairy operation. She is also secretary for their home based till planter and cultivator sales and service.

The Jensens are active members of the Church of Christ in Clarksville. They take an interest in all its activities. Mrs. Jensen has served as secretary of the Clarksville school alumni association and is a member of band boosters.

She held several offices and served on many committees of the Farm Bureau. She was county Farm Bureau women's chairman for 2 years.

Other community activities are the Butler county Health Improvement Association which sponsors a free blood pressure clinic and issues scholarships to students entering the medical field. Mrs. Jensen has also worked on the Easter Seal campaign.

Politics are another of her interests. She helps with the campaigns of her party's candidates.

Mrs. Jensen is a vocal soloist. She also sings in the Clarksville community choir and in her church choir.

The Jensens have three children. Debra is a graduate nurse at Allen Hospital in Waterloo Pam is a freshman at Minnesota Bible College in Rochester, Minnesota.. Marque is a high school sophomore.

Mabel Longhorn - IMFH Class of 1977

Chickasaw County

Increased knowledge and understanding have always been the goals of Mabel Longhorn. She has taken several classes at night to learn crafts and sewing, and attended sessions that would give insight into young people's thinking.

The Longhorns raise grain and livestock. Mrs. Longhorn works in the fields when needed. As a member of the United Methodist Church in New Hampton, she has taught Sunday school a number of years, been on many committees, and held office in WSCS. Mrs. Longhorn is a past officer of Music Parents Organization.

Mrs. Longhorn is chairman of the extension home economics committee. She belongs to the Happy Homemakers Extension Club and has held all offices. She was a 4-H leader for 8 years. Now she judges style revues and achievement shows for local clubs. In 1971, the Longhorns received the Outstanding 4-H Family award in Chickasaw County, and were given honorary 4-H member awards.

Mrs. Longhorn was township chairman for Iowa Tuberculosis and Health Association for 10 years, and helped with many charity fund raising drives for other organizations.

The Longhorns have five children. Gary served 3 years in the army. He is now a trucker and lives in Waterloo, Iowa, with his wife, Sharon, and three children.

Glen also served 3 years in the army. He, with his wife, Nancy, and four children, farm near Sumner.

Roger was in the navy for 4 years. He graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology with three degrees. He, his wife, Florence, and stepson live in Wooton, England, where he is employed as a computer manager with Marine Management Systems.

Janis graduated from Wartburg College. She teaches instrumental music in South Clay Community Schools and lives in Webb, Iowa.

Roy attended Iowa State University for 2 years and is now assistant manager of Hardee's restaurant in Ames.

Carol Rice - IMFH Class of 1977

Cerro Gordo County

Leola and Carrol Rice are community minded. Mrs. Rice was a 4-H leader for many years and judged various achievement shows. As a member of the United Methodist Church in Swaledale, she has served as president of the women's organization, belongs to a Bible study group, Christian Women's Club, is church school superintendent, and chairs the education . committee. She is also active in mission school and vacation Bible school.

Mrs. Rice has been an active member of PTA and president of Music Mothers Organization. She has held offices in Farm Bureau and served on many of its committees, presently serving as county chairman of the women's committee. In politics, Mrs. Rice has participated in many local, county, and state events.

Mrs. Rice is a full time partner in their grain and livestock operation. On their farm, the Rices have hosted an International Farm Youth Exchange from Argentina and an American Field Service representative from Paraguay. They have also had several foreign students as guests in their home.

Mrs. Rice has helped with many community drives. Currently she is serving on a committee which has recently completed a retirement home in Swaledale.

The Rices have five children. Calvin is a graduate of Cornell College with a masters degree from the University of Ohio. He is Senior Programmer for International Business Machines in Rochester, Minn. He and his wife, Pat, have two children.

Harlan graduated from Cornell College and farms near Rockwell, Iowa, with his wife, Marlene, and their two children.

Margaret (Mrs. Tom) Hitzhusen, a graduate of Iowa State University, lives in Geneseo, Illinois with her husband and two children.

Jeanette (Mrs. Wes) Hansen is an ISU graduate who lives in Nampa, Idaho, where she works in Christian education and counseling.

Carolyn (Mrs. Dave) Just, an ISU graduate, is the accounting officer of Commercial State Bank in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Helen Stamp - IMFH Class of 1977

Harrison County

Helen and Ted Stamp do general fanning. Mrs. Stamp has had her turn on the tractor, helping to plow, harrow, and disc. She still lends a hand when it's time to rake and bale hay, and takes care of a large garden.

For 23 years, Mrs. Stamp was a 4-H leader, organizing the first club in her neighborhood. Active in St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Neola, Mrs. Stamp served 3 years as president of the high school Rosary and Altar Society. She was president of PTA at Minden. She has held all offices in the Friendly Neighbor Club. Interested in crafts, she started the Stitch and Chatter Club.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Stump was a school teacher. She recently retired after resuming her teaching career 10 years ago. She also owned and operated a beauty shop for many years.

The Stamps were members of the steering committee that organized a club for senior citizens which meets twice a month.

With their love for travel, the Stamps have toured most of the US, including Hawaii and Alaska. They have also visited Tahiti, Australia, New Zealand, Italy, Switzerland, France, Austria, Germany, Holland and England.

The Stamps have three children. Babetta (Mrs. Bill) Lucke works as an X-ray technician in Mercy Hospital at Council Bluffs, Iowa. She and her husband and four children farm near Persia.

Dannie is a captain in the Air Force, with masters degrees in aerospace and business from Iowa State University. He and his wife, Mary, have two children.

Nadine (Mrs. Norman) Ridder graduated from Wayne State College and teaches in Omaha, Nebraska. She and her husband have one child.