



1989 Inductees



Warren G. Grebner

Warren G. Grebner began his cooperative career in 1951. That year he was employed as a fieldman by Farmland Industries, a Kansas City-based regional farm supply cooperative.



In 1963, after 12 years with Farmland, Warren Grebner was appointed assistant general manager of the South Dakota Wheat Growers at Aberdeen. The following year he was named general manager, becoming only the second general manager in the Wheat Growers' 63-year history. During his tenure, the association's total annual sales rose from \$6 million in 1963 to \$150 million in 1984. During that time net savings to patrons amounted to \$32 million.

Warren Grebner was the first recipient of Farmland Industries' Dreyer Award for Outstanding Cooperative Management in 1969. Additional honors included selection as the South Dakota Agri-Business Man of the Year in 1974, the Omaha Bank for Cooperatives' "Cultivate a Manager" Award in 1986 and the National Co-op Month Planning Committee's Cooperative Career Award in 1987.

He served as a member of the board of directors of the South Dakota Association of Cooperatives and the American Institute of Cooperation.

In 1970, he was selected by the Cooperative League of the USA to be an exchange manager to cooperatives in Argentina. He also assisted in training co-op managers from Argentina, Indonesia, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia and Uganda, through the International Cooperative Training Center.

Darrell Mosesen

A native of Howard, Darrell Mosesen's father and grandfather were both active in organizing and building South Dakota cooperatives. His father,



G.L. Mosesen, managed the Farmers Union Cooperative Brokerage at Sioux Falls and served as State Area Manager for Cenex. G.L. is also a member of the Co-op Hall of Fame.

Darrell Mosesen joined the Cenex staff in 1951 as a member of the St. Paul-based regional cooperative's credit department. He was named Assistant Credit Manager in 1953, Credit Manager in 1959 and Assistant General Manager in 1962. He became Senior Vice President for Finance in 1971 and was named President and Chief Executive Officer in 1981 and held that position until 1987.

During his term, Cenex acquired Western Farmers, a regional co-op serving the Pacific Northwest, and Solar Gas, a privately held company. The co-op also entered into a joint venture with Land O'Lakes, another Minnesota-based regional cooperative.

Mosesen served on the board of directors of several other co-op institutions including: the National Council of Farmers Cooperatives, Insurance Acquisition Corporation, Farm Credit Services of St. Paul and the Central Bank for Cooperatives at Denver.

He also served as chairman of the Graduate Institute on Cooperative Leadership at the University of Missouri-Columbia. In 1988, the National Farmers Union honored him with its Award for Meritorious Service to Farmers Union and American Agriculture.