

## **Clark-Newman-Clayton Award**

**This award is in recognition of a person who has made an exceptional contribution to pedigreed seed production in Canada and to Canadian agriculture through research, plant breeding or administration.**

**The recipient is to choose a Canadian University who will be requested to name a suitable post graduate student to receive a \$2,500 grant from the CSGA. The person chosen by the University must be personally involved in a seed related project of value to seed growers.**

**This award is named in honour of three men, George Clark, Leonard Newman, and Orrin Clayton who made outstanding contributions to the development and growth of the CSGA. Orrin Clayton's name was added to the award in 2002 when he retired after 43 years with the CSGA.**

### **Clark-Newman**

1991 – Mr. Jack Johnson – Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture

1994 – Dr. Keith Downey – University of Saskatchewan – graduate student  
Wilhelmina Drost

1996 - Ed McLaughlin – University of Guelph – graduate student, Brenda Cole

1999 – Dr. Ernest Reinbergs- University of Guelph – graduate student, Michelle Beath

### **Clark-Newman-Clayton Award**

2002 – Dr. Al Slinkard – University of Saskatchewan graduate student, Rob Gulden

2005 – Dr. Bryan Harvey – University of Saskatchewan graduate student,  
Sherisse Reimer

2007 – Dr. Ronald Depauw – University of Saskatchewan graduate student,  
Thomas Zatorski

The 2007 recipient of the Clark-Newman-Clayton award is Dr. Ronald Depauw of Swift Current, Saskatchewan

**Dr. Ron M. DePauw**  
*Swift Current, Saskatchewan*



Ron DePauw was born in rural Saskatchewan and raised on a farm near Treherne, Manitoba. In 1967, he graduated from St. Louis University with a B.A., and later received his M.S.c and Ph.D. from the University of Manitoba. In 1972, Ron married Else Marie and they have three children.

Ron has devoted his life to reducing business risk for producers, to meeting consumers' requests for safe and nutritious food, and to improving end-use suitability factors. From 1970 to 1972, he worked on a wheat breeding project sponsored by CIDA in Kenya. Ron then spent five years as a wheat and canola breeder at the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Research Station in Beaverlodge, Alberta. Since 1978, he has been a hexaploid wheat breeder at the Research Centre in Swift Current, Saskatchewan. He has actively participated in the registration of 32 cultivars of wheat and 5 cultivars of triticale.

Dr. DePauw spearheaded the development of experimental wheat classes such as Canada Prairie Spring-Red and Canada Prairie Spring-White with the first cultivars registered in this class in 1985. Since then the Canada Prairie Spring class has grown to become the third largest wheat class in Canada. His hard red spring wheat-breeding program has produced cultivars with wide adaptation, shifting the negative relationship between grain yield and grain protein concentration with AC Barrie setting a new production standard. For the past six years over 50 percent of all of the wheat grown in Canada derives from cultivars that he and his team developed. As Section Head he manages 68 people and about \$3 million in annual research grants and soft-money.

Ron has received the following Honours and Awards:

- 1988 ... Distinguished Agrologist by Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists
- 1991 ... Saskatchewan Order of Merit by Province of Saskatchewan
- 1993 ... Canada 125 Medal
- 1994 ... Fellow of the Agricultural Institute of Canada
- 1994 ... Honorary Life Member Saskatchewan Seed Growers' Association
- 1998 ... Honorary Life Member Canadian Seed Growers' Association
- 1999 ... Agcellence Award by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

2000 ... Fellow of the Canadian Society of Agronomy  
2002 ... Public Service Volunteer Recognition Award.  
2002 ... Commemorative Medal Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II  
2003 ... Order of Canada  
2005 ... Saskatchewan Centennial Medal

Ron has been involved in the following Committees & Professional Memberships:

- Advisory Committee on Plant Breeders Rights
- Prairie Registration Recommending Committee on Grain.
- Joint Expert Committees on Grain.
- Expert Committee on Grain Breeding.
- Subcommittee on Wheat, Rye and Triticale to ECGB (Former Chairman).
- Subcommittee on "Triple-M" and Utility Wheat to Joint Committee for Direction on Grain Classes for Domestic and Export Markets.
- Saskatchewan Advisory Council on Grain Crops (Former Chairman).
- Western Canadian Wheat Growers' Association Research Advisory Committee.
- Agricultural Institute of Canada.
- Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists (Former Branch President).
- Saskatchewan Seed Growers Association (Director)
- Canadian Society of Agronomy.
- Canadian Seed Growers' Association
- Wheat Technical Advisory Committee to Western Grains - Research Foundation

Ron has been active in the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic parish serving on the separate school board and a refugee committee. Ron has taught judo at the local club since 1978 as a volunteer and started practicing judo in 1962.

## Recipient of the Clark-Newman-Clayton \$2,500 scholarship

### Tom Zatorski, PhD student

*Saskatoon, Saskatchewan*



Tom Zatorski, a PhD student in the Department of Plant Sciences and Assistant Barley and Oat Breeder at the Crop Development Centre (CDC), University of Saskatchewan is the recipient of the \$2,500 scholarship.

Tom is from a farm near Mackay, Alberta, a small town west of Edmonton. He obtained his BSc Agriculture in Plant Science from the University of Alberta in 1992. After working as a barley breeding technician at the Field Crop Development Center at Lacombe for two and a half years

he moved to the University of Saskatchewan in a graduate program with Dr. Bob Baker, obtaining his MSc in 2000.

Since then he has been Assistant Barley and Oat Breeder working with Dr. Brian Rosnagel at the CDC and in 2004 began pursuing his PhD on a part-time basis while maintaining his full-time position at the CDC. The title of his proposed research is "Investigating phenolic compounds with antioxidant activity in oat and barley."