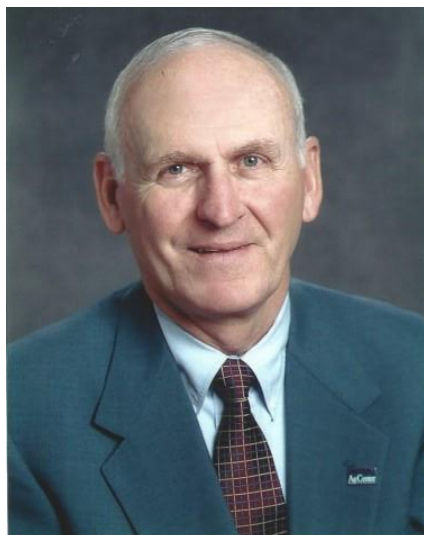


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1. One of the major concerns of AAEA is the significance of the profession in policy and in the scientific community.
2. Actions to improve the situation:
 - A. Continue to increase the funding of C-FARE so they can provide more joint programs between AAEA and legislators to determine policy scenarios in advance of legislation.
 - B. Expand the policy arena to include other areas where we have expertise such as health and hospitals and diversity.
 - C. AAEA and C-FARE need to develop a relationship with the National Academy of Sciences so the profession is represented on important studies.
 - D. Maintain the Farm Foundation to spread the results of policy and scientific research.
 - E. Use more Extension personnel in determining the research agenda and in communicating results.
 - F. AAEA could use its influence to improve Formula and Competitive Funding for both research and extension.

- G. Earmarks are back! Use them for important local projects.
3. What results in three years?
 - A. More funding for research and extension projects
 - B. Improved networking between AAEEA and all government agencies.
 - C. Recognition of Ag. Econ. and Applied Economics in authorship of major national studies.