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February 2019 Newsletter

Celebrate Canada's Ag Day!
Come see the film
February 12th - Roxy Theatre



Before the Plate Screening

Help Farm & Food Care SK Celebrate Canada's Agriculture Day! Join us and watch the documentary film *Before the Plate*.

Before the Plate features John Home, the head chef of the downtown Toronto restaurant Canoe (an Oliver & Bonacini restaurant), as he follows each of 10 ingredients featured at his restaurant back to the farmers who grew the food.

"Before the Plate is a genuine and passionate documentary that encourages everyone to be more engaged with the source of their food." - Ryan Tipps, Ag Daily

Where: Roxy Theatre, 320 20th Street W Saskatoon

When: Tuesday, January 12, 2019

Showtime: 7:00 p.m. (Panel discussion to follow)

Cost: \$7.00 includes free popcorn



Canadian Food Focus

Farm & Food Care SK is excited to be launching a new website about food on March 20, 2019.

Canadian Food Focus is a gathering place to tell our Canadian food and farming stories. This site will share recipes, explore how food is grown and raised, and provide useful advice to help you make confident food choices.

For a sneak peak of what the website has in store, follow Canadian Food Focus on [Facebook](#) and @cdnfoodfocus on [Instagram](#).



2018 Champion Award Recipient: Sherri Grant

The 2018 Food and Farming Champion Award recipient is Sherri Grant. Sherri ranches at Val Marie with her husband Lynn and family. Sherri has been a dedicated volunteer to the beef industry and beyond. She has served on numerous boards over the years, including almost 30 years' involvement with Canadian Western Agribition, with much of her time going towards teaching children about agriculture. Sherri has even co-written a children's book, *Where Beef Comes From* which explains the beef cattle production cycle in Canada. Sherri uses social media and her talents as a photographer to showcase the day-to-day operations of her ranch.



Volunteer Opportunity - Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month

Visit a classroom during the month of March and share your personal agriculture story. Ag in the Classroom will match you up with a classroom (or several if you are willing) in your area and provide you with a book or activity to share with students.



[Click here to Volunteer](#)

Ag in the City



[Ag in the City](#) will be held Saturday, April 13, 2019 at Lawson Heights Mall in Saskatoon. Farm and Food Care SK is excited to host this event in 2019.

Ag in the City is a free family event that that helps urban audiences learn more about agriculture by identifying connections between farming and food. Ag in the City offers hands-on demonstrations with farm animals, crops, food preparation, science activities and agriculture careers. Cooking demonstrations and an agriculture trivia game will be part of the main-stage show.

More information can be found on celebrateagriculture.ca.

An Evening with Brad Wall & Farms at the Table Conference

Farm & Food Care SK kicked off December with two great events! We partnered with the NSBA to present an evening with Brad Wall on December 5th and quickly followed that with our Farms at the Table Conference on December 6th.

On the evening of December 5, Wall told the crowd a 'cautionary tale' of Western Canada's energy sector, where detractors have been able to negatively paint the industry and stagnate development. The agriculture sector needs to learn from that lesson, Wall insisted, drawing a comparison to the 1993 movie *Tombstone* in which one brother dies in the arms of another. "Energy and agriculture are the foundation of much of what is good in this province." He encouraged the audience to speak up for these industries: "We need to be less circumspect, more bold. The consequences are the jobs of your neighbours."

The Farms at the Table Conference once again was filled with great speakers, covering a wide selection of topics. Tamar Haspel, a correspondent with *The Washington Post*, challenged attendees to ask themselves: "When was the last time I changed my mind on something important?" A producer panel of three producers, Travis Heide, Adrienne Ivey and Ross McDonald, discussed different production methods, such as organic cropping and raising beef using hormones and without hormones. Terry Tyson, General Manager with Grain Millers of Canada, explained how his company has adapted to meet consumer demands. Patricia Chuey, a well-known dietitian and food commentator, spoke about food fads, consumer trends and Canada's new Food Guide. Lots of food for thought at this year's conference!



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