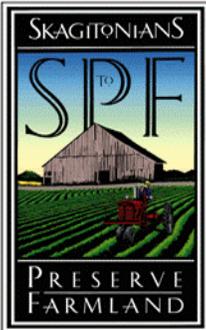


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## SPF's 2012 Challenge Grant

# Double the Impact of Your Membership!

We're making good progress toward our goal to raise \$15,000 in matching individual membership gifts this year, thanks to a generous challenge grant from the Lucky 7 Foundation.

As we go to press, we have raised more than \$6,880 in matches! Thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership this summer! You are awesome! There are three matching gift opportunities with this year's Challenge Grant.

- Members who double their membership level from last year will be eligible for a matching gift, dollar for dollar. For example, if your membership level was \$50 last year and you increase your membership level to \$100 this year, your entire \$100 membership will be matched for a total gift of \$200!
- If you have not renewed your SPF membership for several years, now is a great time to do so because your gift will be matched 100 percent!
- And, new membership gifts this year will have their membership gift fully matched. This is a great way to honor a family member, friend or colleague and help grow our base of supporters.

When you support Skagitonians to Preserve Farmland and our mission to ensure the continued viability of Skagit County agriculture and its required infrastructure, you are not only helping to keep intact one of the last fully functional agricultural valleys in Puget Sound; you are also helping to protect the greatest watershed in Puget Sound!

Skagit farmland is one of the reasons why the Skagit Watershed continues to be the most important salmon-producing river left in Puget Sound. It's one of the reasons why the Skagit Delta is one of the most important waterfowl wintering areas in the Northern Pacific Flyway. It's one of the reasons why the Skagit Delta is home to the largest and most diverse concentrations of wintering raptors in North America. And it's one of the reasons why the Skagit Delta supports 70 percent of Puget Sound shorebirds during migration.

Your membership support creates a strong and respected voice for the preservation of agriculture and all the benefits that sustainable farming provides to Skagit Valley and Puget Sound.

If you have not yet renewed your support for SPF, I encourage you to do so today. We are eager to complete our match before the end of the year, and with your support we'll make it! If you have any questions about the challenge grant, please give us a call at (360) 336-3974.

It is an honor to work on behalf of each and every one of you to protect Skagit agriculture. With your continued support and trust in our mission we will successfully protect one of the greatest agricultural valleys left in Puget Sound.

Thank you from all of us at SPF!

# Meet Our Members



## Who we are:

Dick and  
Lavone  
Reim

## Where we live :

We live on a  
Fir Island acre  
and one half  
mini-farm  
surrounded  
by fields of  
seed crops  
and potatoes  
between the  
forks of the

Skagit River. Lavone moved there in June of 1972. She and Dick were married in 2003 and he joined her in living the rural life at Skagit City Studios and Gardens.

## How long we have been members:

Lavone joined SPF in 1990, right after it was founded. Dick joined in 2003. We both support SPF's efforts 100%.

**Why we support SPF:** We are aware of the fact that we live in one of the most fertile river delta valleys in the world. SPF does a great service by working hard to preserve our farmlands for future generations.

**Would you like to share your story as a member of SPF? Please contact [susanm@skagitonians.org](mailto:susanm@skagitonians.org) or call SPF at 360-336-3974.**



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## In Memoriam - Earl F. Angevine

SPF—and Skagit Valley—lost a passionate advocate for farmland and farmland preservation with the passing of Earl Angevine on May 31.

Earl was instrumental in securing the county's 40-acre minimum lot size on farmland before SPF was founded. During his 12 years of service on the SPF board, he contributed to the success of its mission, including serving as chair of SPF's annual Celebrate Skagit Harvest Dinner & Auction. This year's Harvest Dinner will be dedicated to his memory.

Earl served as Skagit County's first elected full-time Prosecuting Attorney in the early 70s before re-entering private law practice. An active member of the community, he served as president of the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival and Skagit Symphony, and in many leadership roles at Immaculate Conception Regional School and Church. As his legacy lives on, he is missed.

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