Leaders in Fund Drive Effort

Principal leadership for the fund drive which began in the fall of 1960 was spearheaded by the men as listed. The names of hundreds of “workers” could not be listed, yet they provided an invaluable part of the team which is rebuilding the Winter Show buildings. More than 3,000 individuals and businesses contributed to the facilities now in use. Their names are all engraved on a large 48” x 96” plaque hung in the Winter Shows Arena.

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  John St. Germaine, Argyle (Task Force)

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  Edgar Olson, Fosston

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  Willard Purath, Red Lake Falls

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  Hilding Grahn, Roseau

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  Louis Toelle, Nashua

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  Sheldon Preston
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  Robert Stone

Task Force Chairman:
  Herman Natwick, Ada

Red River Valley Winter Shows

Board of Managers, Inc.

The management and direction of the Red River Valley Winter Shows is governed by a sixteen-member Board of Directors who have incorporated as a non-profit corporation. The directors are duly elected representatives of thirteen area-wide cooperating farm or farm-service organizations.

The routine coordination of the appropriate activities of this Board of Managers is delegated to a full time executive director with an office to be located in the new building.

1960 Officers and Board Members

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