

# J. Alex Munro and Entomology at North Dakota State University

Professor J. Alex Munro was born at Embro, Ontario on January 10, 1896. He was educated at the University of Toronto where he received his BSA in 1922. Professor Munro received his Master of Science degree in Entomology at Kansas State University in 1925 and his PhD in Entomology from Cornell University in 1942. Both his masters and doctors research dealt with aspects of apiculture, particularly, with factors affecting the crystallization and viscosity of honey.

Professor Munro's long and distinguished career included positions at KSU as an instructor in Horticultural Entomology and Beekeeping, in Wyoming as an entomologist in the Bighorn Valley, and a number of foreign assignments as an entomologist with US operations in LaPas, Bolivia, Manila, P.I. and Beirut, Lebanon.

Professor Munro's career at North Dakota State University spanned a period of 25 years from 1926 to 1951. During this time he served as Professor of Entomology, Entomologist and Chairman. During much of that period he was the only staff entomologist.

Doctor Munro was a life member of the Entomological Society of America and the North Dakota Historical Society and a past Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He was a member of Sigma XI and Phi Kappa Phi; he was awarded a Key in Research, Literature and Beekeeping by the Ohio Beekeeper's Association.

In 1958 and 1959 Professor Munro was a US observer at the United Nations, FAO Desert Locust Control Committee Conferences in Rome, Italy.

Before his retirement Dr. Munro served from 1960-1966 as Entomologist for the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum, Arcadia, California.

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## **The Scholarship Award**

The scholarship award was established by Dr. J. Alex and Mrs. Hope Beatty Munro to recognize individuals who have the potential to make significant contributions to the field of entomology. The scholarship is an annual award to a graduate student in the Department of Entomology at North Dakota State University. Scholastic achievements, financial need and the degree of interest in entomology will be considered in the selection of awardees.

#### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- Graduate or undergraduate student conducting research on arthropods who is advised or co-advised by an Entomology faculty member.
- 2. Must be enrolled for at least 1 credit for the fall 2012 semester.

#### Requirements

Submit the following electronically to Diane Pennington (diane.pennington@ndsu.edu):

- 1. Two letters of reference.
- 2. One page statement of interest and achievement in the field of entomology.
- 3. Transcript(s) of grades (need not be originals).

The amount of the award will depend on the number of awards given. Recent years awards have totaled \$900. Each proposal will be reviewed by the Entomology faculty for merit of funding. You will receive notification of the final award in mid-April.

## **Application Checklist:**

- Transcripts (unofficial) or NDSU listing of graduate work at North Dakota State University
- Statement of interest and achievement in entomology
- Two letters of support to accompany application

of Application:

March 23, 2012 5:00 PM

Applications submitted after this date will not be considered.

### **Submit electronically to:**

Diane Pennington diane.pennington@ndsu.edu

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