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Jerry Stovin 1922-2005

Jerry Stovin, who died peacefully, aged 82, at his twin brother Bob's home in Canada on 10th September, worked patiently at winning those causes that most interested him. He was tenacious but also gentle in this, even if the cause sometimes became a lost one.

Born in Unity, Saskatchewan, on 11th October 1922, he enjoyed acting at the Regina Little Theatre as a young man. From 1942 to 1946 he served in the Canadian Army, translating Nazi communications into French. After the war Corporal Stovin was stationed in Europe for a year.

In 1947 he was accepted into the Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he graduated with a Fine Arts degree in Drama.

By 1955 Jerry had crossed the Atlantic to advance as an actor in Britain where his talent was soon recognised. Appearances in radio and television followed, and in films such as *The War Lover* and *Lolita*.

Jerry was receptive to the calming influences of Eastern spirituality. He ran the London office of the movement for transcendental meditation, and visited the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi in India in 1968, finding himself in company with the Beatles and Mia Farrow.

Always keen to extend his thinking, Jerry studied economics at the School of Economic Science, London. For many years he contributed his volunteer effort to the Henry George Foundation, and would patiently explain land economics to anyone who wished to hear. Jerry was not averse to slipping a pamphlet from the Foundation into his correspondence on other matters. When the Foundation staged some social event, Jerry shone in the mini-plays or

charades that were performed.

For thirty years Jerry also enjoyed ceramics. His 'raku' fired pots and other work was held in high esteem, and he exhibited at Morley Gallery with the London Potters, a group which he had joined since its inception.

Jerry Stovin never married. He remembered fondly a girl from his youth. But since her, he said, he never found the right person.

After a period in hospital, his family from Canada celebrated with Jerry an 'Aloha' party in the garden of his council flat and then flew him back to Calgary where his last few weeks were spent with people he loved. **L&L**

Robert Young 1935-2005

A fine man and much loved fellow traveller in the pursuit of economic justice Robert was always cheerful but determined. He will be sadly missed by his many friends. As a student, follower and teacher of the ideas of Henry George for over forty years and member of the Foundation's Editorial Review Panel his understanding of Natural Law was considerable. **L&L**

diary

19th November 2005, LSE, London
Conference: **From Ownership into Stewardship**. For details contact:
Rosamund Stock on 0845 458 0610

November 2005, Colombo, Sri Lanka
Conference: **Putting Land First?
Exploring the Links Between Land and Poverty**. Go to www.cepa.lk

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