



Lee & Rose WARNER COLISEUM



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"The newly named Lee and Rose Warner Coliseum is seen as the most magnificent and prominent focal point of the fairgrounds. It represents the important way that Lee and Rose Warner contributed to the fair and to the community. This gift is an expression of my personal indebtedness to Lee and Rose Warner. My indebtedness is everlasting for the care and guidance they gave me.

My uncle Lee was instrumental in shaping today's fairgrounds and significantly expanding horticulture displays of what he deemed 'the best fair in North America.' He served the State Fair from 1919 to 1944 as a dedicated member of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society Board of Managers. As vice president he saw the State Fair as having a major role in the 'great drama of growth in this glorious Northwest — economically, socially and educationally.'

Rose Warner, a community activist and philanthropist, was a steadfast supporter of the State Fair, especially its horticulture and nature activities. Together, Lee and Rose generously supported a great many worthwhile community projects."

— DONALD McNEELY, *Trustee*
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