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National Dairy Shrine Announces Lancaster Sophomore Scholarships

Denmark, WI. The National Dairy Shrine is pleased to announce the recipients of the Mike Lancaster Sophomore Merit Scholarships for 2019. These scholarships are designed to encourage qualified sophomore status undergraduate students to pursue careers in the dairy industry or related occupations. This scholarship is named in honor of National Dairy Hall of Fame Distinguished Dairy Cattle Breeder and Klussendorf honoree Mike Lancaster.

Summer Henschel of Plymouth, Wisconsin has been awarded the top scholarship of $1500. Summer is a student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison majoring in Dairy Science with a Pre-Vet Emphasis. Ms. Henschel has been active in the Badger Dairy Club, Collegiate Farm Bureau and the Association of Women in Agriculture on campus, while also participating in Holstein and Brown Swiss breed activities. Summer has served as a research assistant in the laboratory of Dr. Laura Hernandez at the UW as she prepares for her future as a large animal veterinarian.

Additionally, six other sophomore students have been awarded $1000 scholarships. They are Kathryn Bosley of Malone, New York, who is majoring in Animal Science at SUNY Cobleskill. Ms. Bosley has been very active in the College Dairy Club, Sigma Alpha, Beta Beta Beta Honors Society and Pre-Veterinary Club. Kathryn placed 16th at the National 4-H Judging contest and has a strong passion for the Jersey breed. Her plans for the future are to become a veterinarian or attend graduate school in a dairy research field.

Kathryn Gardner of Fayetteville, Arkansas, who is attending the University of Arkansas double majoring in Agricultural Communications and Agribusiness Marketing. Kathryn has served as an Associated Student Government Senator for 2 terms, is active in the Razorback Foundation and Leadership Academy, Arkansas FFA, Collegiate 4-H, and the Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow. Ms. Gardner’s career goals are to work in public policy and legislative affairs while continuing to be an advocate for agriculture.

Lora Wright of Verona, Missouri, who is an Agribusiness Pre-Law major at Oklahoma State University. Lora is the Sigma Alpha Leadership Chair, a member of the Oklahoma State Dairy Club, and the Ag Economics club. She is President of the Missouri Junior Holstein Association and has been a leader in 4-H and FFA at the state level. Lora was the National Judging Collingsworth Award winner in 2018. In the future she wants to obtain a law degree and specialize in estate and dairy succession planning.

Madeline Zutz of Valders, Wisconsin who is a student at the University of Minnesota majoring in Animal Science Pre-Veterinary emphasis. At Minnesota Madeline is active in the Gopher Dairy Club, Beta of Clovia Sorority, and the Collegiate Student Board. Ms. Lutz has also served...
in the Collegiate Mentor program. She has been accepted into the VetFast program at the University of Minnesota to prepare for a career as a large animal veterinarian.

Jessica Mehre of Glenbeulah, Wisconsin, majoring in Dairy Science and Agronomy at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. On campus Jessica serves as the Badger Crops Club Treasurer, WDE Business Chair for the Badger Dairy Club, a member of the Saddle & Sirloin club and a member of the Association of Women in Agriculture. Ms. Mehre has a strong interest in nutrition and has worked in the nutrition lab of Dr Heather White. Jessica plans on obtaining a PHD in Dairy Nutrition and hopes to continue the research into making dairymen more efficient and sustainable.

Lindsey Sarbacker of Edgerton, Wisconsin who is attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison double majoring in Dairy Science and Life Sciences Communication. Lindsey is active in the National Agri-Marketing Association, Collegiate Farm Bureau, Badger Dairy Club and is a co-host of Ag Chat Radio. Her summer internship this year is with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture as a Food Export Intern. With Lindsey’s passion for public speaking and marketing she plans a future in the Agri-Marketing industry.

The annual National Dairy Shrine Scholarship & Awards Banquet will be held in Madison, Wisconsin, on Thursday October 3rd at 5:30 PM. For more information about the students being recognized by National Dairy Shrine or tickets for the Awards Banquet, contact the NDS office at info@dairyshrine.org. Additional information on National Dairy Shrine membership or other activities is also available at www.dairyshrine.org. Dairy enthusiasts are encouraged to become a part of the most important dairy organization helping to inspire future dairy leaders, honor current or past dairy leaders and preserve dairy industry history.

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