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DMI Awards Milk & Dairy Product Scholarships

Denmark, WI. The National Dairy Shrine is pleased to announce the recipients of the NDS / DMI Milk and Dairy Product Scholarships for 2018. These generous scholarships made possible by Dairy Management Inc. and NDS to encourage students to pursue careers in dairy product or milk marketing, dairy product development and/or quality control or similar roles in the dairy & food industries.

Emily Annexstad of St Peter, Minnesota has been awarded the top scholarship of $1500. Emily is double majoring in Animal Science and Agricultural Communication & Marketing at the University of Minnesota. Emily is secretary of the campus National Agri-Marketing Association, serves as a Midwest Dairy Ambassador, was vice president of the Beta of Clovia Sorority and is active in the Gopher Dairy Club currently serving as President. Ms. Annexstad had also served as the 64th Princess Kay of the Milky Way. Emily plans on a career in dairy communications championing the positives of the dairy industry.

Additionally, three other undergraduate students have been awarded $1000 scholarships. They are Kathryn Gardner of Fayetteville, Arkansas who is majoring in Agricultural Communications and Agribusiness Marketing at the University of Arkansas. 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.

Ashley Warren of Watkins, Minnesota who is attending the University of Minnesota majoring in Agricultural Communications & Marketing. At Minnesota Ashley is the Secretary of the Gopher Dairy Club, President of the Beta of Clovia Sorority and active in Meeker County 4-H & Litchfield FFA activities. Ashley plans on using her public speaking and communication skills to enter a career in agricultural marketing.

Samantha Schuessler of Antigo, Wisconsin who is attending Cal Poly and majoring in Dairy Science with an agricultural communications minor. Samantha is a member of the Los Lecheros Dairy Club, the Cal-Poly Dairy Judging team, and Sigma Alpha Sorority. At home she is a member of the Wisconsin Junior Jersey Breeders, has leadership roles in 4-H educational events and serves as a contributor for Cowsmopolitan magazine. Her career goals include marketing and communication possibly for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Dairy Management Inc.™ (DMI) is the nonprofit domestic and international planning and management organization responsible for increasing demand for dairy products and ingredients on behalf of dairy producers and importers. DMI manages the American Dairy Association® and National Dairy Council®. DMI has also established affiliate organizations, including the U.S.
Dairy Export Council®, Innovation Center for U.S. Dairy® and the Dairy Research Institute®. For more information, please visit www.dairy.org

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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