President’s Message

Estate planning is one of those things I tend to procrastinate on.

But accepting my inevitable departure from this earth ultimately leads me to the process of estate planning. And that helps me focus on what’s been important to me and who and what I’d like to help support when I’m gone.

My wife, Karen, and I hope to someday leave financial gifts to organizations and initiatives we truly believe in. National Dairy Shrine is one of those.

We want to support National Dairy Shrine because it supports the dairy industry — an industry we deeply admire and appreciate, and one that I grew up with and where I spent a big part of my career.

Dairy Shrine’s timeless core mission is clear and easy to support:

• Honor past and present dairy leaders — through an annual awards program that recognizes outstanding individuals in the dairy industry at a banquet at World Dairy Expo.
• Inspire future dairy leaders — through a broad range of scholarships and ongoing support of youth dairy programs.
• Record dairy industry history — through a fascinating museum at Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

For nearly 70 years, National Dairy Shrine has been pursuing this mission.

The reality, though, is that this costs money. And the work of National Dairy Shrine depends on the financial support of many people who care about the dairy industry.

For the last six years, I’ve had the privilege of serving on the National Dairy Shrine board of directors, so I’ve seen firsthand how estate and other financial gifts get used to power the vision of the organization. Each contribution is put to good use.

First, I can attest that the day-to-day operations of National Dairy Shrine are managed in a fiscally responsible way. Every expense is monitored and scrutinized, helping ensure National Dairy Shrine will have the funds it needs to carry out its mission to the fullest extent possible.

Second, I can assure you that as National Dairy Shrine’s funding grows, so does its ability to support key initiatives, such as museum updates and improvements. Or sponsorship of important industry youth events, such as the National 4-H Dairy Conference and National Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest. Or annual youth scholarships — in 2018, some 40 scholarships totaling $47,000 — will be presented to students at colleges across the country who excel in leadership, academics, and student activities.

Almost all of these students will pursue careers in the dairy industry, and many will become the industry’s future leaders. Supporting them now ensures the dairy industry will continue to thrive and prosper for generations to come.

If you’re grateful for the role National Dairy Shrine plays in supporting the dairy industry, then we hope you’ll consider deepening your connection by making a financial commitment through your will or estate plan.

There are all kinds of beneficiary arrangements that can be set up in a will or estate plan, from something as basic as naming National Dairy Shrine as a beneficiary of cash, a life insurance policy, retirement plan assets, or real estate to identifying a portion of your will to go to National Dairy Shrine.

If you need assistance finding an attorney who will work with you, we can help direct you to individuals who specialize in estate planning.

If you’d prefer not to name National Dairy Shrine in your estate plan, then please keep the organization in mind as you make year-end charitable donations or memorialize a relative, friend, or mentor in the dairy industry. Every contribution is greatly appreciated.

With your support, National Dairy Shrine will continue to strive to play an important role in the dairy industry. Your financial commitment will help advance National Dairy Shrine’s mission, so a new generation of dairy industry enthusiasts and leaders can benefit from all that it has to offer.

Thank You!
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Guest of Honor
Dr. Gordon Doak, CEO of the National Association of Animal Breeders is recognized with the National Dairy Shrine's most prestigious Guest of Honor award. This award, presented annually, recognizes a contemporary dairy leader for outstanding accomplishments and contributions to the dairy industry.

Gordon Doak, who has spent more than 30 years working to improve the genetics of farm animals through artificial insemination, grew up on a dairy farm near Osborn, Missouri. In 1965 he enrolled at the University of Missouri where he went on to earn Bachelor’s, Master’s, and PhD degrees in Animal Science.

Upon graduation, his career activities have had a tremendous impact on the promotion of U.S. genetics and marketing of germplasm worldwide through the auspices of the National Association of Animal Breeders and Certified Semen services, Inc. During his tenure, he has also been a strong proponent of advancing science, technology and innovation in the AI and allied industries.

As President and CEO of the National Association of Animal Breeders, and its subsidiary, Certified Semen Services, Inc., Gordon has been instrumental in the development and administration of numerous policies and programs for the AI industry that have benefitted livestock improvement in dairy and beef cattle in areas of identification, sire and semen health, semen quality, genetic evaluation, marketing and promotion.

Over the years, Doak has travelled to more than 20 countries to negotiate health and genetic requirements and work to reduce non-tariff trade barriers. He has worked closely with Congress and the USDA Agriculture Research Service to ensure funding for the Animal Improvements Programs Laboratory and collaborated with other industry organizations to form the Cooperative Dairy DNA Repository (CDDR) to improve the accuracy and reliability of genomic evaluations.

Through the years, Doak has served as Chairman of the Board of U.S. Livestock Genetics Export, Inc. on three different occasions, been involved with the Council on Dairy Cattle Breeding (CDCB) since its beginning in 1988, and has had a significant role in guiding the CDCB through negotiations of the Non Funded Cooperative Agreement with ARS-USDA, which led to the successful transition of the US genomic evaluations.

Doak has also worked diligently to educate people about the importance of genetics and genomics, going on to co-author “The Artificial Insemination and Embryo Transfer of Dairy and Beef Cattle-9th edition,” a handbook and laboratory manual for students, herd operators and persons involved in genetic development.

Dr Doak and his wife Becky have one son and live in Columbia, Missouri.

Distinguished Breeder
Randy Kortus, along with his late wife Jana, operated Mainstream Holsteins, Jerseys & Ayrshires. This outstanding herd comprised of three different breeds totaling about 90 cows, exhibits high production, progressive genetics, and exceptional type in all three breeds. Particularly outstanding are the high lifetime production records made in the herd with 64 Holsteins over 200,000 lifetime milk, 14 over 300,000 and 1 over 400,000. Also 3 Jerseys in the herd have over 300,000 lifetime milk, including the highest lifetime U.S. Jersey Cow, Mainstream Jace Shelly. The Mainstream Dairy has been on continuous DHIR test through Washington State DHIA for over 40 years.

The Mainstream herd has bred 83 Excellent Holsteins, 52 Excellent Jerseys and 8 Excellent Ayrshires. The herd routinely classifies all three breeds and has a current classification average of 89.1 on the Holsteins, 87.3 on the Jerseys and near 90 on a limited number of Ayrshires. In the Holstein breed the herd has bred 45 Gold Medal Dams and 22 Dams of Merit. In Jerseys this herd has completed 163 “Hall of Fame” records. The March 2018 AJA report shows Mainstream Jersey cows holding 11 of the top 25 Jersey milk records, 9 of the top 25 Fat records, 11 of the top 25 protein records and 12 of the top 25 cheese yield records.

Over the years, the Kortus family has focused on consistency in breeding; balancing genetics to produce strong families with superior milk production, persistent lactation curves, high type and long, productive lives. “We strive to find cow families and sires that deliver persistence in lactation and other traits,” Randy explained. “We want cows that are successful and a pleasure to work with, cattle that not only purebred breeders appreciate, but also that commercial dairymen desire to own.”

Randy and his late wife, Jana, were a dynamic duo in creating thoughtful breeding decisions. “We would have pleasant debates during our daily milking time, discussing every mating,” Randy said. Before her passing in 2016, Jana took the lead on the Jersey herd while Randy managed the Holstein herd. In time, their children, and now grandchildren, learned the significance of mating decisions and brought their own ideas into the family farm.

Mainstream makes use of all of the genetic tools available using genomic testing along with production testing, embryo transfer, and classification to build a superior herd. They use high genomic sires and sexed semen when appropriate to build their genetics. The A.I. industry has found its way to Mainstream many times over the years as this has herd bred over 100 A.I. sires in the Holstein & Jersey breeds. One of the real icons in the Holstein breed Mainstream Manifold has sold over 1.5 million semen units worldwide and has over 62,000 milking daughters globally. Mainstream Iatola Sparky...
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was an early exciting young Jersey genomic sire that has also developed into a well known proven sire.

Because of a super supportive wife Jana and their children, Randy has also been able to serve in leadership roles on All West-Select Sires board (for over 25 years), two times as President along with serving on the Select Sires National Board for 20+ years, including a term as President. Randy has served as a board member of National Dairy Shrine and on the World Wide Sires board of directors. Randy has been on 55 trips to 27 different countries over the years judging national shows and sharing his knowledge and expertise on dairy cattle breeding and management. In addition, Mr. Kortus has served as a local school board President and as a Treasurer of his church.

Mr. Kortus and his wife Jana have also been long time supporters of dairy youth activities and the Washington dairy industry. Jana & Randy received the Washington State 20 year 4-H leader award. Randy Kortus has also been honored with the NAAB Director Award in 2014, the Washington State Holstein Master Breeder award in 2017 and from Holstein USA the Mainstream herd has been recognized as a Herd of Excellence 6 times, the Progressive Breeder Award for 10 years and the Progressive Genetics Award for 27 consecutive years.

Pioneers
A 2018 honoree is the well-known polled Holstein cattle breeder, David Burket. David, from East Freedom, Pennsylvania, has dedicated over 60 years to the development and promotion of quality breeding, becoming an internationally recognized leader in developing polled and red & white Holstein cattle. David took over the family farm in 1946 at the age of 14 after his father suffered an injury.

What started out as a fringe area of interest to some in the dairy industry, the incorporation of polled genetics has now exploded into mainstream application, from David’s work and effort in promoting the benefits of polled cattle to dairy breeders around the globe.

Burket is one of the first breeders to place a polled Registered Holstein sire into an Artificial Insemination (AI) organization in 1975, when Burket Falls ABC became available through American Breeders Service (ABS). Today, researchers have determined that about two-thirds of the present polled Holstein population trace to this bull. Several more polled sires have followed to widen the Burket Falls influence.

David, his wife Betty, and their sons continue to own and operate Burket Falls Holsteins, which was started in 1960. Burket Falls has developed outstanding genetics over the years, including red & white and black & white Holsteins and breed changing polled cattle. Over 150 Burket Falls bred animals have been classified Excellent. Over 65 have been designated Gold Medal Dams and Dams of Merit as well as numerous All-American nominations in both black and white Holsteins. The number of cattle sold to fellow breeders has only built the legacy of Burket Falls’ genetics.

David has also found the time to serve his community and industry. David has been active in his church as well as serving the Pennsylvania Holstein Association in various roles for over 30 years. Burket served on numerous National Breed Association committees as well as the Pennsylvania Dairymen’s Association and PA Farm and Home Administration.

David has been recognized as a Pennsylvania Holstein Hall of Fame member, a Larry Moore Distinguished Breeder by the National Red & White Dairy Cattle Association and a recipient of the Chesapeake Bay Clean Water Farm Award.

A 2018 honoree is the well-known Red & White enthusiast, genetics marketer, and international consultant Ronald Eustice. Eustice of Burnsville, Minnesota and Tucson, Arizona has dedicated more than 50 years of service to the dairy and beef industries. Ron was born in Waseca, Minnesota and received his schooling at the University of Minnesota and later received a Masters in Business Administration.

Ron started his career out of college with Successful Farming magazine as a marketing specialist. His talent was soon recognized by the breeding industry and he began a 7 year association with Carnation Genetics. First headquartered in Mexico where he directed sales and taught A.I. technique to dairymen in their Spanish language. Ron ultimately became General Manager of Carnation Genetics. In 1977 Ron became the International Marketing Director of American Breeders Service. Later in 1984, Mr. Eustice became the International Marketing Director for Land O’ Lakes and was involved with technology transfer and farmer training in countries around the world including a three year assignment in Indonesia.

During his career, Ronald has represented the U.S. dairy industry in more than 80 countries. He has authored or co-authored multiple educational articles in national dairy and beef publications as well as several chapters in food safety text books.

Ron was an early promoter of red and white dairy cattle. He purchased his first red and white dairy cow in 1963 when he was a college freshman working in the University of Minnesota dairy barn. This passion for the breed led him to be successful in the show ring as well. In 1968, he showed the first prize three year-old and Reserve Grand Champion at the first National Red and White Show at World Dairy Expo. His passion for Red & White Genetics has led him to author the most comprehensive book on the history of Red &
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Ron served Minnesota beef and dairy producers for 22 years as Minnesota Beef Council Executive Director and developed the nation’s first Dairy/Beef Quality Assurance training program. Ron has worked as a translator and interpreter for numerous international guests during the World Dairy Expo since 2014 and is an international expert on food irradiation & food safety still traveling internationally.

Ron and his wife Margaret have three children.

The well-known Brown Swiss breeder and leader George Harris of New Milford, Connecticut, has had an outstanding career with the Brown Swiss breed and was a proud supporter of agriculture education.

Upon graduating from Radcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture in 1954, George returned to the family farm in Wethersfield. In 1958 George and his wife Vivian moved to New Milford, Connecticut and began Harris Hill Farm, continuing to breed registered Brown Swiss that his grandfather had imported from Switzerland before 1900. He developed an outstanding herd of Swiss and furthered the industry by breeding one of the elite sires of his day Harris Hill Tom Jones and the great brood cow Harris Hill Tina L (4-E), as well as several other show winning females.

George started working with the National Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders Association in 1981 as a part-time Eastern Field Representative. He began working full time later that year as a field representative and classifier through 1987. George then became the Executive Secretary/Treasurer of the National Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders Association in 1988, moving to Beloit, Wisconsin. He retired from that position in 1994 and continued working part time as a classifier until 2005.

George has continued to be very active with the Brown Swiss breed. He served as a member of the Brown Swiss Sire Committee for Eastern A.I. and co-chaired the 2001 National Brown Swiss Convention with his wife, Vivian. George has also been invited to judge shows in multiple countries.

George has always been a proud supporter of youth work and education in agriculture. George and his neighborhood friends were instrumental in starting the Winding Brook 4-H Club in Wethersfield as youth leaders in the mid-1940s. Continuing on with the New Milford club as an adult leader, George has offered many 4-H members the opportunity to exhibit calves at the fair and coaching them for the show ring.

The Harris Hill farm now surrounded by urban sprawl is still operated by the Harris Family and puts on numerous educational events for local students. Each October the farm hosts approximately 1200 school children for an educational harvest event.

Zane Akins was born in Bethel, Kansas and began his career as a farmer in the early 1960s, just after acquiring a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture at the University of Missouri.

He then spent two years as a service technician for the Northern Ohio Breeders Association before landing his first role with the Holstein Association of America. Zane was employed with the organization for more than 26 years, running the business as chief executive officer between 1978 and 1990 and executive vice president of Holstein-Friesian Services, Inc. during that same time period.

In 1991, Akins formed Zane Akins and Associates in West Brattleboro, Vermont, where he served as president. He also worked as the business manager for the Legacy Clinic from 2012 to 2015.

Zane has been involved within his community just as much as the dairy industry. He has worked in various capacities for the Windham County United Way, the Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, the Windham Humane Society, and the Brattleboro Area Boys and Girls Club. Additionally, he served as regional vice president, on the board of directors, and as grand president for Alpha Gamma Rho, where he was later recognized with a Man of the Year Award by the Chicago alumni chapter in 1991 and inducted into its AGR Hall of Fame in 2006.

One of this year’s honorees is the well-known photographer and merchandiser Gerald Strandlund. “Jerry” of Bellingham, Washington, has been promoting cattle and breeders through his photos, publications and mentoring support for all his life.

Strandlund, born and raised on his parents’ dairy farm in Mora, Minnesota, grew up milking 19 cows. Jerry attended the University of Minnesota completing the Herdsman Short Course. He continued his undergraduate studies and in 1962 graduated with a degree in Animal Husbandry. In 1958, Jerry was the first recipient of the Frank B Astroth Scholarship at the University of Minnesota.

His respect for topnotch dairy cattle and passionate agriculturists was fostered through a number of internships while studying at the University of Minnesota including Hugo Albrecht, Carnation Milk Farms, Piney Hill Farm, and Elmwood Farm, just to name a few. During college Jerry was also exposed to some of the great showmen of the time. Jerry notes that he had occasion to work for two of the early Klussendorf Award honorees. In 1959 Jerry worked with Al Hay traveling some 5,000 miles in a box car with the Carnation Farms show string which featured the All American aged cow that year. Then, in 1961 he worked at Elmwood Farm, Lake Forest,
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Randy and Jennifer Gross of Ash Grove Dairy, LLP in Lake Benton, Minnesota have been named the Progressive Commercial Dairy Managers of 2018. This award, given by the National Dairy Shrine, is designed to recognize outstanding dairy managers who have introduced and applied effective management and business practices to help achieve a more profitable dairy business. It acknowledges young dairy managers early in their careers and encourages others to look at a career in dairy production.

The Gross family has pioneered a rather unconventional path in the world of family dairy operations. Although he was active in 4-H in his youth, Randy did not grow up on a farm and Jennifer’s family sold their cows while she was studying dairy science at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. This left no family farm for the Grosses to take over; they had to start from scratch. After gaining ten years of experience from managing a 3,600-cow dairy in Ellkton South Dakota, the Gross family took a confident leap to purchase their own farm.

Established in 2016, Ash Grove Dairy, LLP, named after the Gross family homestead in South Dakota, is a new construction, cross-ventilated free stall barn permitted for 1,383 cows and 200 calves. Although Ash Grove is a new construction, the Gross family is constantly making progress. “Ash Grove, LLP was designed and built with the future in mind. While we currently house 1,200 milking cows, the barn was built so we can expand 50% to the east and 50% to the west, providing enough room for expansion.”

Randy and Jennifer are passionate about the success of their farm, not only investing in animal welfare, but also providing a satisfying work environment for their employees. “Another way we determine success, which is not as clear cut as calculating
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pregnancy rates or feed efficiencies, is employee retention and development. Jennifer and I are really pleased that of our 14 employees, nine have been with us for seven to thirteen years, choosing to follow us from our former dairy in South Dakota to our new farm in Minnesota.”

Randy and Jennifer are dedicated to the dairy industry and look for new ways to improve their herd and management style. “As our herd matures, and new technologies are implemented, we expect this to see improvement. We’re already seeing this occur.” Ash Grove has recently started regular classifications and genomic testing. They have also begun an embryo transfer program to improve their herd more rapidly, hoping to generate 4-H projects for their sons and create an Ash Grove, LLP family legacy.

New NDS Membership Sponsor Programs
Since the beginning, memberships have been an important source of income to fund all of the activities of National Dairy Shrine. The lifetime membership rolls now number over 19,500. However, the income from memberships has been decreasing over the last decade as we are not adding as many new members as we have in the past. The majority of current new members come from sponsorships by great organizations like Dairy Farmers of America, and AllFlex USA.

NDS has a desire for all of the top graduating students in dairy related programs at major dairy colleges to be members of National Dairy Shrine. Several great students have recently graduated from top dairy schools without becoming members of NDS. These future dairy leaders have not been exposed to the admirable goals of NDS and the ways they could potentially give back to the dairy industry through a NDS membership.

Recently several NDS members have initiated the enrollment of graduating seniors as NDS members at their alma mater. Since these students are the leaders of tomorrow it is great that they are learning about NDS at this early stage in their career. Hopefully these young people can become the leaders in advancing the National Dairy Shrine mission in the future by serving on committees or even the board of directors.

This spring graduating seniors at Iowa State University were honored by becoming sponsored members in National Dairy Shrine. Alumni donors donated to fund their memberships. Likewise top students were honored at the Gopher Dairy Club Banquet at the University of Minnesota and 10 more students were added from California Polytechnic State University by alumni donors.

What a great way to honor dairy students and provide funds for such a worthy cause. If you would like to start a sponsored membership program at your alma mater please feel free to contact the national office to get started.

Members Who Have Affirmed National Dairy Shrine with a Gift in Memory or as to Honor

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Student Recognition Awards
The NDS Senior Student Recognition program recognizes graduating seniors planning a career related to the dairy industry who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, academic ability, and a sincere interest in dairy cattle. Each university is allowed to nominate up to two candidates for this recognition in any given year. The highest winner receives a $2000 award, the second a $1500 award and the other winners receive $1000 awards.

The top award winner of $2000 is Gabriella Sorg from Hastings, Minnesota who majored in Animal Science and Agricultural & Food Business Management at the University of Minnesota. The second award $1500 goes to Laura Jensen of Comstock, Wisconsin. She is graduating from the University of Minnesota with a degree in Animal Science. The next $1000 recipient is Jordan Siemers from Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin, who received an Animal Science degree from Cornell University. Then Emma Brenengen from Middletown, Maryland, who majored in Animal Science at Penn State University. Following is Kirby Krogstad from Baltic, South Dakota, who majored in Dairy Production at South Dakota State University. Next is Marina Sweet from London, Ohio, who was an Animal Science - Bioscience major at the Ohio State University. Next is Jill Seiler from Valley Center, Kansas who majored in Agricultural Communications & Journalism at Kansas State University. The final senior recognition honoree is Nicole Hardy from Perkasie, Pennsylvania, who was a major in Dairy Science at Virginia Tech.

McCullough Scholarships
The Marshall E. McCullough Scholarships are given in memory of Marshall McCullough, the well-respected nutrition researcher and educator from Georgia. This scholarship is presented to two high school seniors planning to attend a four-year college or university to major in an agricultural communications field. Receiving the $2,000 McCullough scholarship is Ashley Hagenow of Poynette, Wisconsin. She plans to use this scholarship as she continues her education at the University of Minnesota, where she will major in Agricultural Communications and Marketing with a minor in Animal Science. Receiving the $1500 McCullough scholarship is Sarah Lehner of Delaware, Ohio. She will be majoring in Animal Science at Ohio State University. Both seek a future role in mass communications as Dr. McCullough desired.

Kildee Scholarships
Receiving a H.H. Kildee Graduate Studies $3,000 Scholarship is Gabriella Sorg of Hastings, Minnesota. Gabriella attended the University of Minnesota and will be entering graduate school at the University of Minnesota in Agricultural Economics.

Trent Dado of Amery, Wisconsin, has been selected as this year's recipient of the H.H. Kildee Undergraduate Studies $1000 Scholarship. He attended the University of Minnesota and majored in Animal Science.
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Maurice Core Scholarships
These $1000 scholarships are given in honor of Maurice Core, the long-time Executive Secretary of the American Jersey Cattle Association, and former Executive Director of the National Dairy Shrine. The funds for this award were donated by the friends of Maurice Core. The Core Scholarships are given to freshman status students working toward a degree in dairy/animal science or related majors.

Receiving Maurice Core $1000 Scholarships are Summer Henschel of Plymouth, Wisconsin, who is a student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison majoring in Dairy Science with a Pre-Vet Emphasis. Next is Kalista Hodorff from Eden, Wisconsin who is majoring in Dairy Science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, then Anna Tarpey of Wildwood, Missouri who is attending the University of Missouri majoring in Animal Science, next is Madeline Zutz of Valders, Wisconsin who is a student at the University of Minnesota majoring in Animal Science. The final recipient is Isabella Portner of Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, who is majoring in Dairy Science at Iowa State University. All of these college freshmen have been excellent students and already very active in campus activities.

Iager Scholarships
The Iager Scholarship for $1000 is awarded annually to students in a two year agricultural school pursuing a career in the dairy industry. It is based on academic standing, leadership ability, interest in the dairy industry and plans for the future. This scholarship was started with a generous donation from the Charles and Judy Iager family of Fulton, Maryland.

The recipients this year are: Kaleb Kruse of Dyersville, Iowa, who is attending Kaskaskia Community College majoring in Dairy Science & Agricultural Business and Lauren Robison from Mulberry Grove, Illinois who is attending Kaskaskia Community College and majoring in Animal Science & Agribusiness.

Sophomore Merit Scholarships
The Mike Lancaster Sophomore Merit Scholarships are designed to encourage qualified undergraduate students to pursue careers in the dairy industry or related occupations. This scholarship is named in honor of Distinguished Dairy Cattle Breeder and Klussendorf recipient Mike Lancaster.

Emily Annestad 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.

Additionally, three other undergraduate students have been awarded $1000 scholarships. They are: Madeline Meyer of Ionia, Michigan, who is majoring in Animal Science at Michigan State University, Shoshana Brody of Baltimore, Maryland, who is attending Penn State University majoring in Animal Science, and Sarah Thomas of Snow Camp, North Carolina who is attending Virginia Tech and majoring in Dairy Science.
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Junior Merit Scholarships
The Merton Sowerby Junior Merit Scholarships are designed to encourage qualified undergraduate students to pursue careers in the dairy industry or related occupations. This scholarship is named in honor of National Dairy Hall of Fame Pioneer and Klussendorf recipient Merton Sowerby.

Haely Leiding of Fountain, Minnesota has been awarded the top scholarship of $1500. Haely is an Agricultural Education major at the University of Minnesota.

Additionally, five other undergraduate students have been awarded $1000 scholarships. They are: Elisabeth Regusci from Modesto, California a major in Dairy Science at California Polytechnic State University, Jared Sanderson of Sandusky, Michigan who is attending Michigan State University majoring in Animal Science, Erica Helmer of Plymouth, Wisconsin who is attending the University of Wisconsin – River Falls majoring in Dairy Science, Alexandra Gambonini of Petaluma, California who is attending California Polytechnic State University and double majoring in Dairy Science and Agricultural Business and Kayla Leiding of Fountain, Minnesota who is attending the University of Minnesota majoring in Agricultural Communication & Marketing.

NDS/DMI Education & Communication Scholarships
These generous scholarships are made possible by Dairy Management Inc. and NDS to encourage students to pursue education or communication careers in the dairy product industry or related food industries. Major areas include Marketing, Education, Food Science, Nutrition (Human), Public Relations, Promotion, Social Media and Communications.

Emily Annexstad of St Peter, Minnesota has been awarded the NDS / DMI Education & Communication top scholarship of $1500. Emily is an Animal Science and Agricultural Communication & Marketing double major at the University of Minnesota. Additionally, five other undergraduate students have been awarded $1000 scholarships. These $1000 recipients are: Rebekka Paskewitz of Browerville, Minnesota a Agricultural Education major at South Dakota State University, Haely Leiding of Fountain, Minnesota, who attends the University of Minnesota and is majoring in Agricultural Education, Abigail Hopp from Chatfield, Minnesota, who attends South Dakota State University and is double majoring in Agricultural Communications and Dairy Production, Christy Achen from Lakin, Kansas who is attending Utah State University majoring in Agricultural Communication & Journalism, and Brooke Trustem from Evansville, Wisconsin, who attends the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is majoring in Dairy Science.
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NDS / DMI Milk Marketing & Dairy Products Scholarships
These generous scholarships are 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.

Morgan Krause of Buffalo, Minnesota has been awarded the NDS / DMI Milk & Dairy Products top scholarship of $1500. Morgan is an Animal Science and Agricultural Communications double major at the University of Minnesota.

Additionally, four other undergraduate students have been awarded $1000 scholarships.

These scholarship recipients are Lauren Heberling of Carsonville, Michigan who is majoring in Agribusiness Management at Michigan State University. Brooke Roberts of Whitelaw, Wisconsin who is attending the University of Minnesota majoring in Agricultural Communications. Next is, Rebecca Roberson of Sioux Falls, South Dakota who is attending South Dakota State University and majoring in Dairy Manufacturing, finally Leta Larsen of Scottville, Michigan who is attending the Michigan State University and majoring in Agribusiness Management.

Klussendorf Scholarships
The Arthur B. Klussendorf Memorial Association honors those who most nearly exemplify the character and ethics of the late, legendary showman and dairy cattle fitter. The Klussendorf scholarships are made available as a result of gifts from Association members especially from the late Klussendorf member Chris Kampf, who won the Klussendorf award in 1956.

Mary McGehee did not grow up on a dairy farm, but she says that dairy cattle have been a part of her life as long as she can remember. McGehee hails from Okeechobee, Fla., and just finished her first year at Illinois’ Kaskaskia College.

Carly Olfus resides in Petaluma, California, and is a junior at Oklahoma State University. She has a passion for breeding quality Jersey and Holstein cattle. In the future, she looks forward to working with dairy farmers to enhance the production capabilities of their cows.

Christopher Sweeney from Appelton, NY grew up showing dairy cattle with his cousins in 4-H. Sweeney is a senior at Cornell and is excited to become a fifth-generation dairy farmer on his family farm.

McKown Scholarships
Money raised by the McKown family and friends of the late “Whitey” McKown, named an honorary Klussendorf member in 1997, make up the funds available for the McKown Scholarships.

Katelyn Allen is the third generation on her family’s dairy, Glen-Toctin Farm, in Jefferson, Md. She is a senior at Virginia Tech where she is an active member of the dairy science club and competes on the college’s dairy judging team.
2018 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Alexandra Gambonini’s favorite hobbies, are dairy judging, showing, and dairy bowl. She is the fifth generation on her family’s Gamlake Dairy, located in Petaluma, Calif. She believes that her studies at Cal Poly have given her the hands-on experience to be successful in the future.

Carley Krull is from Lake Mills, Wis., where her family has registered Holsteins, Red and Whites, and Jerseys. She is a junior at Iowa State University studying dairy science and international agriculture.

Tanner Morrison grew up in Peterson, Minn., and is currently a junior at the University of Minnesota. He feels incredibly blessed to have grown up working with his family on their dairy farm, Esperanza Cattle Company.

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The 2018 National Dairy Shrine Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet to be held:

**Thursday October 4, 2018 in Madison, WI**

**Time:**
- 4:30 p.m. NDS Annual Mtg.
- 5:30 p.m. Reception
- 6:30 p.m. Banquet
- 7:30 p.m. Program

**Place:**
Alliant Energy Center Exhibition Hall, Madison, WI.

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Tickets can be pre-ordered by mail using the form below. Persons whose ticket orders and payment are received by September 12 will receive an acknowledgement of payment but will need to pick up their tickets at the NDS registration table prior to the banquet.

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