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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

### MAY

**26:** State Show Hotel Rooms Released

### JUNE

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**14:** State Show Entry Deadline  
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**19:** Region 7 Youth Dairy Show, Hutchinson, MN  
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**23-27:** National Holstein Convention, Lexington, KY  
**24:** Southern MN Youth Dairy Days Show, New Ulm, MN  
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### JULY

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**31:** Mail-In Entry Deadline for Midwest Fall National

### AUGUST

**2:** Online Entry Deadline for Midwest Fall National  
**6:** District X Holstein Show, Clearwater County Fairgrounds  
**7:** District IV Holstein Show, Pipestone County Fairgrounds  
**11:** District V Holstein Show, Carver County Fairgrounds  
**19:** District II Holstein Show, Steele County Fairgrounds  
**30:** Midwest Fall National, MN State Fairgrounds

### SEPTEMBER

**1:** Advertising Deadline for September/October Publication

### NOVEMBER

**1:** Advertising Deadline for December Publication  
**18:** MHA Fall Sale, CowBuyer

### OCTOBER

**1-6:** World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI

### DECEMBER

**1:** Golden Gopher Futurity Entry Deadline

### MARCH

**8-9:** 2024 Minnesota All-Breeds Convention, St. Cloud, MN  
**22-24:** 2024 Minnesota Junior All-Breeds Convention, Willmar, MN

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Kris Gruenes



**Kris Gruenes**  
MHA Board President

Warm Greetings!

After the long, brutal winter, spring has been a blessing! I hope everyone has had a smooth planting season. Our Spring Online Sale in April was successful! I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the summer events.

The National Holstein Convention is taking place in Lexington, Kentucky, June 23-27. I want to wish Jacob Schaefer good luck as he represents Minnesota as a DJM finalist.

Many members are gearing up for their show season. The Minnesota State Show is being held in Hutchinson, Minnesota, June 29-July 1. On Thursday, the Red & White Show will begin at 9 AM with Roger Turner placing cattle. On Friday, Judge Kaleb Kruse will join us for the Junior Show beginning at 9:30 AM. The Holstein Open Show will take place at 8 AM on Saturday with Chad Ryan evaluating.

Field Day will be held on Saturday, July 29, at Olmar Farms in Sleepy Eye, Minnesota. Many great activities are being planned, and we thank the Nelson family for hosting.

If you are interested in consigning an animal to our next online sale in the fall, please contact Nate Donnay.

Mark your calendar for the 2024 All Breeds Convention March 8-9 in St. Cloud, Minnesota. The theme is "Laughter and More in 2024," and the Minnesota Holstein Association board of directors is excited to host the event.

If you have questions or concerns, feel free to give me a call or email at any time.

*Thank you all,  
Kris Gruenes, MHA President*



*On the Cover:*

Photograph by MJHA member, Kiley Lickfelt.

*Congratulations to Kris for being named the  
first female President of the  
Minnesota Holstein Association!*



# From the Minnesota Holstein Staff



**Amanda Bedtke**  
Business Manager



**Hailey Frericks**  
Marketing Manager

Greetings from the MHA office!

Happy June Dairy Month! We are so ready for a busy summer of Minnesota Holstein Association activities.

First, we are happy to welcome Brea Kieffer as our summer intern. She will aid in executing our state show, district shows, and complete projects for the MHA. Brea is a great addition to the team, and her passion for registered Holsteins shines through in her work.

Next, we would like to extend our well wishes to those representing Minnesota at the National Holstein Convention held in Louisville, Kentucky. There are several juniors attending, along with Jacob Schaefer, DJM Semi-Finalist, and Spencer Hackett is vying for another term on the Holstein USA Board of Directors. We are rooting for you!

Preparation is taking place for the 2023 Minnesota State Holstein Show hosted by the McLeod County Holstein Club in Hutchinson from June 27-July 1. We will be utilizing FairEntry once again this year to collect entries. The deadline to register is June 14. The full state show schedule and other related information can be found on our website under the "State Show" tab.

The MHA Field Day hosted at Olmar Farms

in Sleepy Eye, MN, on July 29, 2023, will be an exciting day full of good camaraderie for all. Be sure to join in on the fun and take part in the judging contest and presentations taking place on that day.

Keep a close eye out for the Midwest Fall National Show registration which is being held at the MN State Fair on August 30, 2023. There is a great line up of judges.

We'd like to take a moment to share with you how much we appreciate each and every one of our members. It is truly humbling to share a passion for the dairy industry, particularly the Holstein breed, with so many across Minnesota and South Dakota. We enjoy sharing the excitement of winning a class at state show, receiving an award at convention, and casual conversations at district shows, field days, and other events. You make our job enjoyable and rewarding, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to connect with you.

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*-Amanda and Hailey, MHA Staff*

## JOIN US IN WELCOMING OUR MHA SUMMER INTERN!

We are beyond excited to have an exceptionally talented intern joining our Minnesota Holstein Association team this summer!

Brea Kieffer has been selected as our MHA Marketing and Events Intern and will play a crucial role in executing a successful Minnesota State Holstein Show, district shows across the state, Minnesota Holstein Field Day, and a variety of other activities throughout the summer. She possesses strong marketing and communications skills and will assist in managing the MHA Facebook page; photographing summer events; writing and taking photographs for future publication feature stories; updating our website; and much more!

### *Meet Brea:*

Brea grew up on her family's 350 cow dairy farm, Kiefland Holsteins, located outside Utica, Minnesota. She was very active in 4-H and FFA all throughout high school. She is also very involved in showing dairy cattle through 4-H, MJHA, and various other open and youth shows. She is currently a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin - River Falls studying Biology and Dairy Science. Her classes

in digital graphics and dairy science, along with showing background will aid her in this new position.

Brea is looking forward to meeting new people and helping at State Show and the other Minnesota district shows. She hopes that this internship will help her to gain new marketing skills that will help her in a future career.





# FROM THE FIELD REPORT

## New Holstein USA Regional Representative to Serve Minnesota

Join us in welcoming Dave Lemke as a new Holstein Association USA Regional Sales Representative in Minnesota. Dave recently joined the team at Holstein USA after many years as a dairy farmer himself. Located out of Wadena, Minnesota, Dave is eager to serve dairy farmers in his home state.

“I am looking forward to meeting the people in Minnesota I haven’t met yet,” Dave shares. “I love working with cows and trying to make them better through tools like registration and classification.”

After graduating from high school, Dave attended Dairy Herd Management School in Hutchinson, Minnesota. After this, he began his career as a dairy farmer with a herd of Jersey cows. After farming for nearly ten years, Dave took a different career route for many years. He started milking again in 2009, this time with a herd of Holstein cows. Dave worked with long-time Holstein USA National Sales Manager Steve Peterson to get his grade herd registered and began using programs and services from Holstein USA.

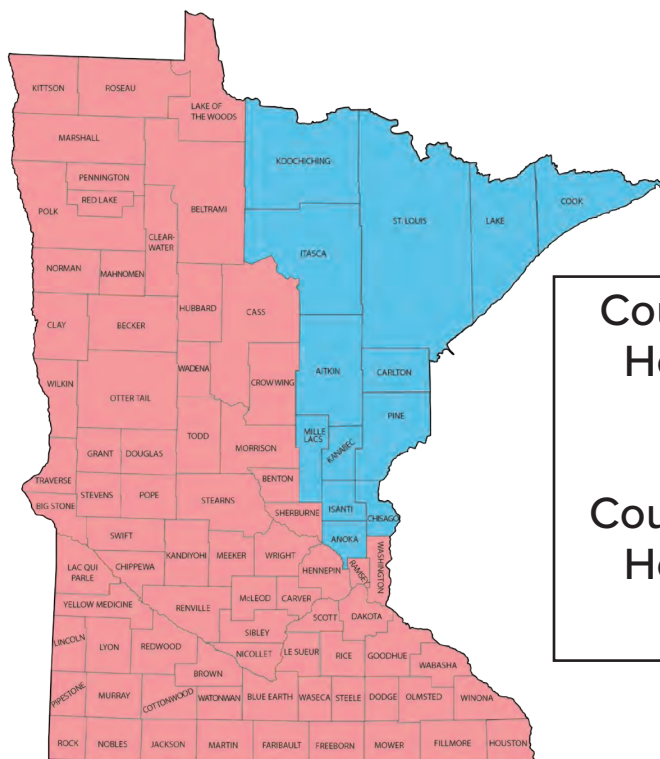
“The first time we classified we had a BAA of around 100, and the last time we were at 110.8, so we made some improvements,” Dave says.

While dairy farming, Dave used several programs and services from Holstein USA, including Holstein COMPLETE, Easy ID, ear tags and Holstein Marketplace Sires. He’s excited to share his knowledge on these programs as he travels throughout the state.

“Holsteins have provided enjoyment for me for 15 years... and now it’s time to give back,” Dave shares.

Dave is on the road finishing his training and starting to visit farms in Minnesota. He looks forward to meeting and working with each of you, and if you need him in the meantime, please contact him at 218.640.6344 or [dlemke@holstein.com](mailto:dlemke@holstein.com).

Dennis Devore will continue to serve parts of Minnesota as well, including the Metro area and Northeastern Minnesota. Dennis can be reached at 319.270.5038 or [ddevore@holstein.com](mailto:ddevore@holstein.com).



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Holstein USA Regional Rep -  
Dave Lemke

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Dennis Devore

# 2023 MHA Field Day

## Schedule

**10:30 AM**

Barns Open

**11:00 AM**

Judging Opens

**11:30 AM to 1 PM**

Lunch Served

**1:00 PM**

Judging Closes

**1:00 PM**

Speaker

**2:15 PM**

Judging & Door Prize

Winners Announced

## Date

**Saturday, July 29, 2023**

## Farm Address

**25894 US Highway 14  
Sleepy Eye, MN, 56084**

## Hotel Accommodations

**AmericInn by Wyndham  
Sleepy Eye, MN | (507) 794-9494**

### STRAY VOLTAGE PRESENTATION

At Field Day there will be a presentation on stray voltage. Olmar Farms owner, Jill Nelson explains what to expect at the presentation!

*"It's much more than a financial drain...come and find out the facts about testing and finding solutions. For decades the dairy industry has been told a story about stray voltage "It's only an excuse for poor managers"...we were lied to. It's NOT an issue you can "manage" your way through. Expert stray voltage electricians will speak about this important topic. With rapidly increasing demands on the power lines servicing our farms, this problem will only get worse. Find out how to protect yourselves and your herd."*

### MEAL

A free meal will be served to all Field Day attendees. It will be prepared by a local smokehouse - 6 East, one you will not want to miss!

### JUNIOR PRESENTATION

Jill Nelson also explains their exciting junior presentation at Field Day:

*"Here is your opportunity to learn from one of the greatest showmen of all time! Mark Rueth, who owns Rosedale Genetics with Nicky Reape in Oxford, WI, will be demonstrating the finer details of taking your showing and animal prep to the next level. Mark has owned, prepared and shown some of the finest cows to walk the colored shavings from Tom Dee to Redrose (1st R&W to win Supreme Champion at WDE). His judging and showing skills have taken him around the globe, judging the World Dairy Expo, Royal Winter Fair, and Swiss Expo. Don't miss this once in a lifetime experience to learn from the best!"*

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*Thank you!*

# OLMAR FARMS



# MHA HOSTS SUCCESSFUL ONLINE SALE

The 2023 Minnesota Holstein Online Spring Sale took place on April 22, 2023. Twenty-four individual animals and three different embryo lots were offered during the spring sale.

The Cowbuyer online auction platform was utilized to manage bidding and closing of the sale. Animals were marketed on the MHA Facebook page, MHA website, featured in membership emails, and listed on the Cowbuyer site.

The sale grossed over \$30,000 across the seventeen lots that sold. The sale was managed by the Minnesota Holstein Association and sale committee Nathan Donnay, Trevor Ekkel, Tracy Schaefer, Tony Kohls, and Lucas Plamann.

## *Sale highlights include:*

### *HIGH SELLER:*

Lot 18 – Mat-Ar-Dor Warrior Glenda-ET | Consigned by: Mitchell Mehrworth | Purchased by: Alan Koebele for \$3,525

Lot 1 – Choice of 3 – Remy-RED x Dessauges Unstop Anna-Red | Consigned by: Dabru Dairy | Purchased by: Duane Levau for \$3,000

The MHA will host another online sale this fall. It will be held on November 19, 2023. More details can be found on the MHA website and facebook page at a later date.



**LOT  
18**



**LOT  
1**

## MIDWEST FALL NATIONAL

### ***Schedule of Events***

**Registration Opens** | Monday, June 26, 2023

**Mail-In Entry Deadline** | Monday, July 31, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

**Online Entry Deadline** | Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

**Arrival** | Monday, August 28, 2023 4 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Guernsey Show** | Tuesday, August 29, 2023 9 a.m. - Judge: Michelle Upchurch, IL

**Milking Shorthorn Show** | Tuesday, August 29, 2023 9 a.m. - Judge: Michelle Upchurch, IL

**Ayrshire Show** | Tuesday, August 29, 2023 10 a.m. - Judge: Michael Creek, MD

**Midwest Fall National Red & White Show** | Tuesday, August 29, 2023 10 a.m. - Judge: Ryan Krohlow, WI

**Brown Swiss Show** | Wednesday, August 30, 2023 9 a.m. - Judge: Phillip Topp, OH

**Midwest Fall National Holstein Show** | Wednesday, August 30, 2023 9 a.m. - Judge: Keith Topp, OH

**Midwest Fall National Jersey Show** | Wednesday, August 30, 2023 9 a.m. - Judge: Mark Rueth, WI

**Supreme Champion Selection** | Thursday, August 31, 2023 10 a.m.

**Departure** | Thursday, August 31, 2023 1-5 p.m.

# CLUB feature

## Youth Recognized at Nicollet County Holstein Meeting

Youth recognition and youth sponsorship were a big part of the Nicollet County Holstein Association's annual meeting held Monday, March 27 at Swany's in Courtland. The group met in conjunction with the Nicollet County DHIA since many members are involved in both organizations. The two meetings were held on either side of a noon lunch, which was sponsored by Isaacson Sales & Service of Lafayette.

Receiving plaques as outstanding youth members were Aiden Schroeder and Dominic Stoecker.

Schroeder of Courtland received the Holstein Association's award as the Outstanding Junior Boy for his work with Registered Holsteins. Though he's only 10 years old, Schroeder has been busy with a variety of dairy activities.

Aiden has shown at the state junior show four times, attended the state junior convention four times, taken part in dairy bowl twice and the dairy speaking contest once. He has exhibited at the Southern Minnesota Youth Dairy Show, the Brown County fair, and has taken a calf to the nursing home to share with residents.

Schroeder has four 4-H dairy project animals this year, all Registered Holsteins, and also shows beef calves.

Stoecker, of Nicollet, received the club's award as the Outstanding Senior. Dominic, 18, is also involved in FFA at Nicollet High School where he's a senior.

Dominic has attended the state junior convention and has taken part in dairy bowl and dairy judging. He got into Holsteins and cattle showing through Tarik and Jasenko Gavranovic and has shown cattle at the county fair. He hopes to advance to the state fair this year.

Stoecker has five 4-H dairy project animals this year, two are Registered Holsteins.

Eleven county junior members attended the All-Breeds Junior Convention at Rochester March 17-18. Alex Schroeder won his division of the speech contest but declined a trip to national as his family will be relief milking for a family that is going. Other county juniors also took part in contests. Jacob Pehrson will be a youth advisor.

The Schroeder kids—Alex, Aiden, and April—reported on youth activities they've taken part in

during the past year. Alex told about competing in the display board and speaking contests at national. He won his division of the display board contest. Aiden talked about the state junior convention and April about the state junior show last summer.

Nicollet County member Jasenko Gavranovic shared his experiences as National Distinguished Junior Member Semi-Finalist at the National Convention.

In action taken during the business meeting, members approved sponsoring the champion and reserve champion awards at the June 24 Southern Minnesota Youth Dairy Show, holding the pizza party for dairy exhibitors at the county fair, and providing financial assistance to the 11 juniors who attended the state junior meeting.

Nicollet County Holstein Association officers were elected at the meeting. Jason Schroeder is president, Jean Annexstad vice president, Ruth Klossner secretary, Peter Seitzer treasurer, and Matthias Annexstad a newly elected director.

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County Holstein member Nicholas Seitzer presented an interesting talk about his six-month experience of working a dairy farm in New Zealand from July 2022 to January 2023. Seitzer spent his time on a 1,050 cow Kiwi cross (Jersey/Holstein) farm at Methven, New Zealand. The farm uses 44 paddocks to graze its animals on 880 acres of pasture.

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President Perry Beranek conducted the DHIA meeting, held before lunch.

Peter Seitzer reported on the state and national DHIA meetings that he attended.

The county DHIA's top cows and herds were recognized during the meeting.

Mike, Rolf, and Jean Annexstad of Annexstad Dairy Farms, Inc. of Norseland had the highest herd average for milk, fat, protein, and dollar value. Paul & Cindy Swenson had the lowest SCC herd. Beranek Brothers had the highest increase in rolling herd average for fat, protein, and dollar value.

Jacob Sjostrom of Lafayette, was re-elected DHIA treasurer. Mike Annexstad is secretary.

-Article By: Ruth Klossner



Aiden Schroeder received the Nicollet County Outstanding Junior Boy Award from county president, Ashley Swenson.



Dominic Stoecker received the Nicollet County Outstanding Senior Boy Award from county president, Ashley Swenson.



County Holstein member Nicholas Seitzer shared experiences from six months of working on a grazing dairy in New Zealand.



# MINNESOTA'S *Holstein of the Year*

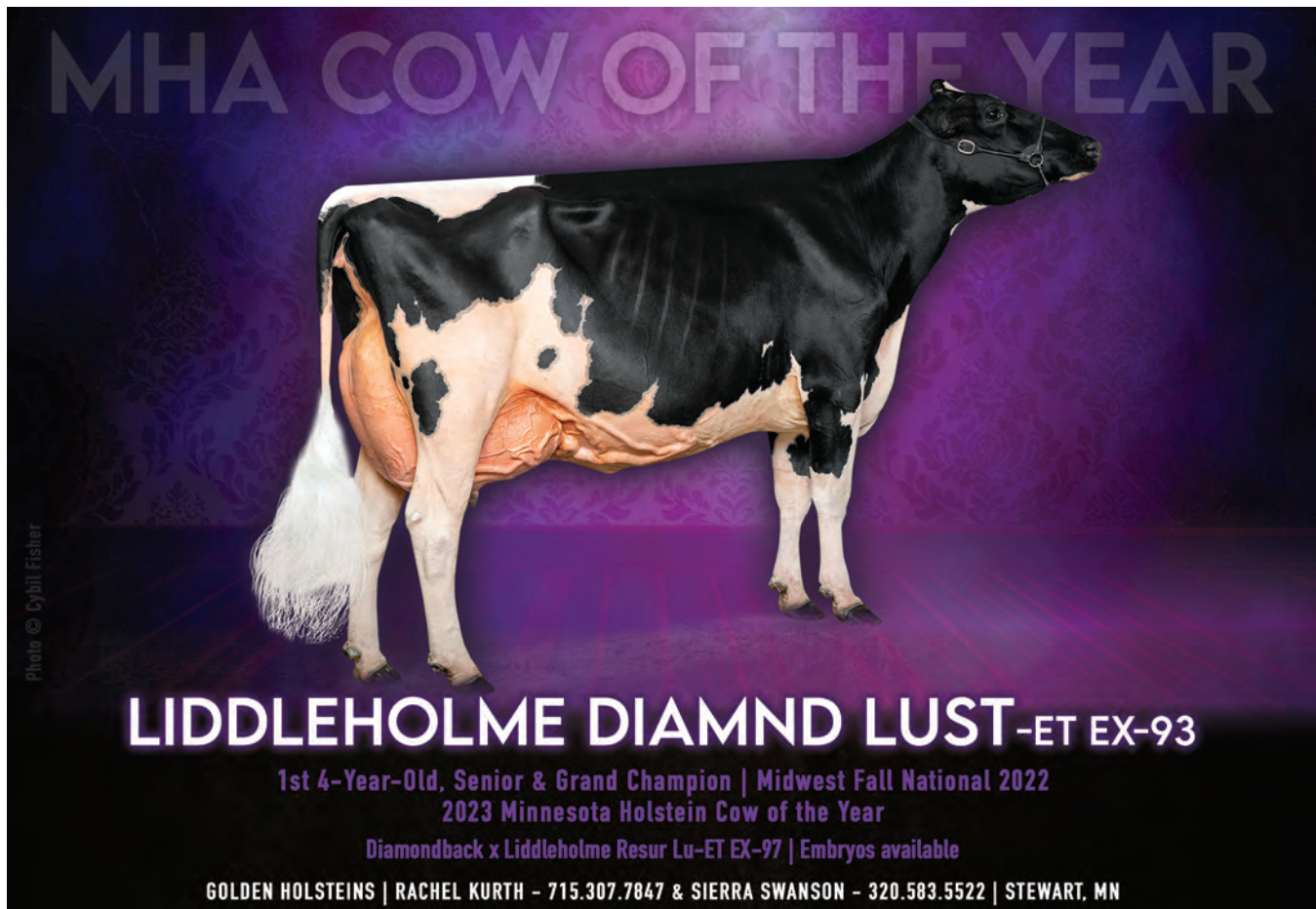
## ABOUT THE CONTEST

This year the Minnesota Holstein Association relaunched the Minnesota Holstein of the Year contest. It is designed to recognize outstanding dairy cattle in the state of Minnesota. The purpose of this contest is to recognize and nominate notable animals that have made an impact on Minnesota's dairy community. This year, there were four entries. Those who nominated each animal were allowed to send in photos and a backstory of their chosen holstein. From there, entries were advertised on the MHA social media pages.

Voting took place during the 2023 All-Breeds Convention, and the winner was announced during the annual meeting. Minnesota's Holstein of the Year as voted on by the MHA is Liddleholme Diamnd Lust-ET, owned by Rachel Kurth and Sierra Swanson. Lust became a fan favorite after she won the Minnesota State Fair Holstein Show this past summer.

The MHA would like to congratulate Lust's owners and team for their great success and are proud to present them with the title of Minnesota's Holstein of the Year!

***"Liddleholme Diamnd Lust-ET EX-93 is a 7th generation Excellent, sired by Diamondback, out of show-winning Liddleholme Resur Lu-ET EX-97. Lust was 1st place 4-Year-Old, Senior, and Grand Champion of a National Holstein show. Outside of the showing, Lust has bred back each year and is due back to be a 4th calf 5-Year-Old in 2023. She has had three natural heifer calves, and her oldest daughter by Jordy has also had one natural heifer calf. In her current lactation, at 202 days in milk, she has produced 23,977 lbs. of milk, 4.0% fat, 3.2% protein, and ME \$6,379. On her high-test day thus far in her lactation, she produced 137 pounds of milk. With her modern stature, show ring accomplishments, and production, Lust is an exciting cow for today, and for the future."***



**MHA COW OF THE YEAR**

**LIDDLEHOLME DIAMND LUST-ET EX-93**

1st 4-Year-Old, Senior & Grand Champion | Midwest Fall National 2022  
2023 Minnesota Holstein Cow of the Year

Diamondback x Liddleholme Resur Lu-ET EX-97 | Embryos available

GOLDEN HOLSTEINS | RACHEL KURTH - 715.307.7847 & SIERRA SWANSON - 320.583.5522 | STEWART, MN

# 2023 DISTRICT SHOW SCHEDULE

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS YEAR'S DISTRICT SHOWS!

Dates have been set for district shows all across the state for the summer of 2023. Check out the information below for details and dates of upcoming district Holstein shows!

## July 3: District VI Holstein Show

Location: Cannon Falls Fairgrounds, Cannon Falls  
Time: Noon  
Judge: TBD  
Show Contact: John Sauber · 952-412-5185

## July 26: District I Holstein Show

Location: Olmsted County Fairgrounds, Rochester  
Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Judge: Tanner Schmaling  
Show Contact: Holly Thompson · 507-251-2928

## July 26: District VIII Holstein Show

Location: Stearns County Fairgrounds, Sauk Centre  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Judge: Andy Stuewe  
Show Contact: Mary Swart · rmswart@tds.net

## August 6: District X Holstein Show

Location: Clearwater County Fairgrounds, Bagley  
Time: 11:00 a.m.  
Judge: Steve Searles  
Show Contact: Mark Titera · 218-694-2413

## August 7: District IV Holstein Show

Location: Pipestone County Fairgrounds, Pipestone  
Time: 10:30 a.m.  
Judge: TBD  
Show Contact: Matt Timmer · 507-360-8199

## August 9: Zumbrota Youth Show

Location: Goodhue County Fairgrounds, Zumbrota  
Time: 9:30 a.m.  
Judge: TBD  
Show Contact: Shelby Mahoney  
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## August 11: District V Holstein Show

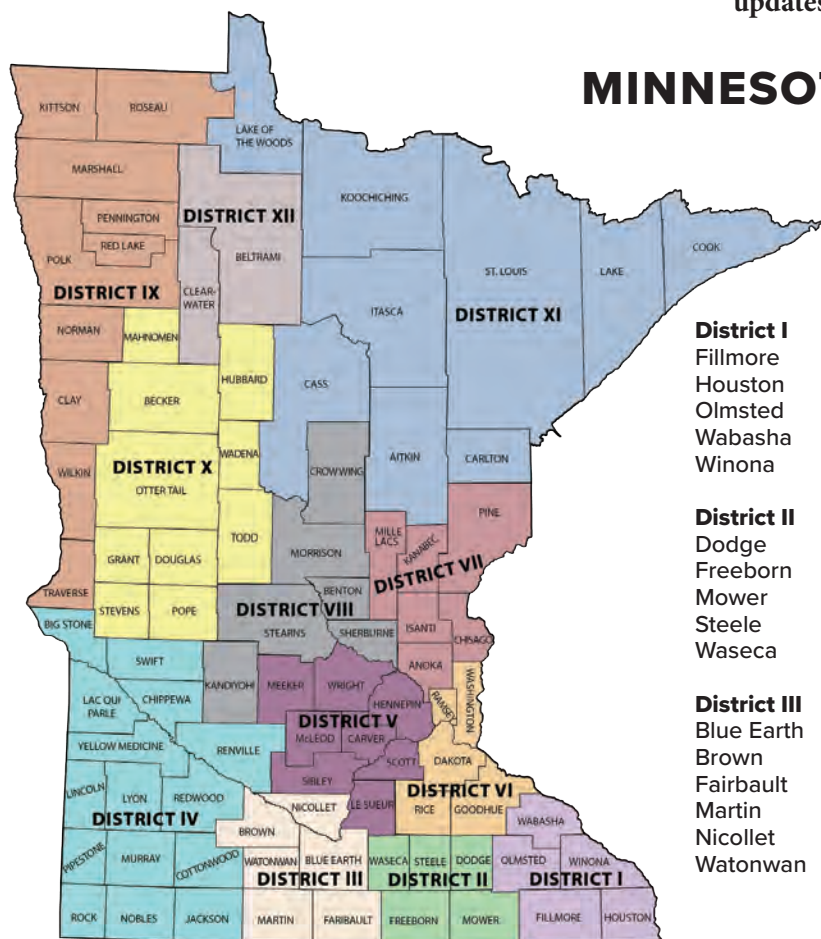
Location: Carver County Fairgrounds, Waconia  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Judge: Tony Kohls  
Show Contact: Dale Schmidt · 612-508-4481

## August 19: District II Holstein Show

Location: Steele County Fairgrounds, Owatonna  
Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Judge: TBD  
Show Contact: Daria Stransky ·  
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Watch the MHA Facebook page for the latest show updates, results and coverage throughout the summer!

## MINNESOTA HOLSTEIN DISTRICTS



**District IV**  
Big Stone  
Chippewa  
Cottonwood  
Jackson  
Lac Qui Parle  
Lincoln  
Lyon  
Murray  
Nobles  
Pipestone  
Redwood  
Renville  
Rock  
Swift  
Yellow Medicine

**District I**  
Fillmore  
Houston  
Olmsted  
Wabasha  
Winona

**District II**  
Dodge  
Freeborn  
Mower  
Steele  
Waseca

**District III**  
Blue Earth  
Brown  
Fairbault  
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# HISTORY CORNER

*By: Ronald Fustice*

Sir Inka May is listed 27 times in the index of Holstein Friesian History, Diamond Jubilee Edition (1960). That fact in itself shows that Sir Inka May was one of the most popular and respected Holstein sires in his time.

In an editorial comment in the May 27, 1939 Holstein Friesian World, marking Sir Inka May's sixteenth birthday, Maurice Prescott noted that more than thirty of the breeders who regularly purchased ads in the magazine were using sires carrying the blood of Sir Inka May. Among these were Pabst Farms, whose Carnation Sensation, a Sir Inka May son, sired the 1938 All-American Get of Sire; Maytag Farms, who owned Prince Ormsby Inka May (the "Washing Machine bull"), another Sir Inka May son, Sir Piebe Inka May Fayne was at Osbornedale Farm in Connecticut. George A. Paull, Matsqui, British Columbia owned Carnation Challenger, the Sir Inka May son of Hazelwood Ormsby Korndyke DeKol and Carnation Farms themselves were using several Sir Inka May sons including Inka the Great, a Sir Inka May son who was the sire of Carnation Inka Perfection who sired U.N.H Perfection Echo (VG-GM). Femco Farm in Minnesota used two Sir Inka May sons; Femco Royal and Carnation Ormsby

Sir Bessie.

In 1940, the Holstein Friesian World began a series of articles featuring bulls of the Holstein breed that have had the greatest impact. Sir Inka May\*RC was the first bull featured. Sir Inka May's lifespan extended almost 21 years when he was put to sleep.

Sir Inka May carried the red gene and spread the red hair color throughout North America. Using Mendel's Principles of Genetics, we can estimate that 50 percent of Sir Inka May's sons and daughters carried the red gene. Today, the name of Sir Inka May appears multiple times in nearly all pedigrees of red & white and red carrier Holsteins worldwide.

Through the years there has been a persistent rumour that Sir Inka May received the red gene from an Ayrshire bull. Unfortunately, this false information has appeared in print and spread by the misinformed.

Sir Inka May was sired by Sir Inka Superior Segis shown above. Minnesota Holstein Company sold Sir Inka Superior Segis privately to Carnation Milk Farms about 1927 where he sired at least two red &



**Sir Inka May\*RC sold for \$12,000 at the Brentwood Sale in Philadelphia (1925)**

Pictured (L-R): Vere Culver, Minnesota Holstein Company; A.C Oosterhuis, Carnation Director of Dairy Extension; Alfred Ghormley, Manager of Carnation Milk Farms, and Merton Moore, merchandising manager for Carnation Milk Farms.

white calves; one from Princess Adelina Segis \*RC 451366 on September 7, 1928 and a year later on Nov. 15, 1929, he sired a red and white calf from Leila Tulip Gem Butter King\*RC 226515.

Sir Inka May\*RC arrived at Carnation in April 1925. There is evidence that a red calf was born at Carnation in 1915 and in 1923/24, Carnation Segis Prospect\*RC (a son of the World Record Segis Pietertje Prospect) sired three red calves at Carnation. Sir Inka May sired 13 red calves at Carnation many from the best cows in the herd. Some of the dams are pictured on the next page.

Clothilde and Coronet (Both red carriers imported from Holland) appear in Sir Inka May's pedigree a total of 15 times. Clothilde appears in the pedigree of Sir Inka Superior Segis ten times. Clothilde appears three times in the pedigree of Sir Inka May's dam, May Walker Ollie Homestead. Coronet appears twice in Sir Inka May's pedigree through his dam who traces to Coronet's Hulleman, a son of Coronet's daughter, Corona. As we can see, there were plenty of red genes in Sir Inka May's ancestry. He didn't need help from an Ayrshire bull!

## 2023-2024 BOARD MEMBERS

At the 2023 All-Breeds Convention in Red Wing, Minnesota, MHA hosted their annual meeting on Saturday, March 4. During the annual meeting, board member elections took place to determine leadership for the Minnesota Holstein Association in the coming year.

There were three active board members running for re-election: Nate Donnay, Trevor Ekkel, and Chris Schulze. Additionally, Jacob Pehrson and Tony Kohls vied for a position on the board. All five members on the ballot were elected to serve in 2023-2024.

Eric Houdek and Luke Olson finished terms on the board, and MHA would like to extend their thanks to them for their years of service and dedication to the association and the Holstein breed.

The newly elected board appointed six members to serve on the executive committee. The 2022-2023 Executive Committee includes:

President: Kris Gruenes, Richmond, MN  
Vice President: Randy Gross, Lake Benton, MN  
Finance Chair: Ashley Swenson, Nicollet, MN  
Eric Sonnek, Foreston, MN; Darrel Rennich, Bruce, SD; and Tracy Schaefer, Lafayette, MN

The MHA Board of Directors is eager to serve the association's members and promote growth among the MHA membership.



### 2022-2023 MHA BOARD MEMBERS:

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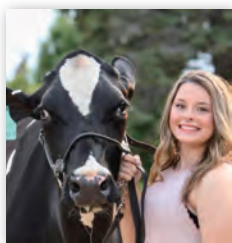
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# JUNIOR MOOS



## From the MJHA President



**Kallie Frericks**  
MJHA President

Hello everyone!

My name is Kallie Frericks, and I am the newly elected MJHA President! It is safe to say that this upcoming year for the juniors has started off on a great foot. Our annual Jr. All Breeds Convention was a hit! Juniors from all corners of Minnesota gathered in Rochester. It was a weekend filled with games, tours, speakers, and lots of laughs. The

new junior board was elected, and I am excited to lead such a motivated, determined, and fun group of individuals! My fellow board members and I have many activities planned within the coming months, keep an eye out for these, and please encourage any juniors that you may know to get involved in our organization. Best of luck this show season!

- Kallie Frericks

### 2022 MJHA Board Members

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Hailey Frericks, Tyler Ratka

The 2023 Minnesota Junior All-Breeds Convention took place March 17-19, 2023, at the Best Western in Rochester, Minn. This convention is held for juniors under the age of 21 who are passionate about the dairy community and the dairy cow. It was a great chance to meet new people throughout the state that share a common interest. Youth from across the state of Minnesota gathered on Friday, March 17, for the beginning of convention—themed Moo-Au. New this year, the jeopardy contest took place Friday afternoon. During dinner, juniors had the pleasure of listening to Dr. Ryan speak about what a day in the life of a veterinarian would be like. All attendees enjoyed activities such as mixers and fun icebreakers, and ended the night with the dairy knowledge bowl test.

Saturday of convention was a busy day filled with contests, tours, the annual awards banquet, and a dance. Juniors started the day by eating breakfast and competing in contests such as the dairy quiz bowl and prepared public speaking. This was a chance for members to present their dairy industry knowledge. The juniors then enjoyed a luncheon followed by a tour of Sheeknoll Farms in Rochester, Minn. While at the farm, juniors learned about nutrition from Scott Ellinghuysen and showmanship from Paula Bauer. At the convention hall, juniors had the privilege of taking part in two workshops. Here, the juniors learned about embryo transfer, dairy judging, and farm succession planning. Attendees learned so much from these industry-leading farmers!

Later that evening, members dressed up for the annual awards banquet with keynote speaker Donna Moenning who has devoted her career to agriculture. She encouraged members to “share their story.” Within the banquet this year, each breed had the opportunity to share any updates and show highlights with the juniors. It was fun to hear from Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Jersey, and Red and White Holstein organizations. The juniors were then recognized for their hard work with the presentation of awards to the winning production records, dairy jeopardy participants, dairy knowledge bowl teams, and prepared public speaking winners. Alexis Hoefs was awarded the Junior Star award for her outstanding involvement in the MJHA organization. Jacob Schaefer was presented with the Distinguished Junior Member (DJM) award, and Kris Gruenes was presented with the MJHA’s Udder Best award for her outstanding work as a junior advisor for the past nine years. The night was capped off with juniors busting out their best moves on the dance floor.

On Sunday, the convention wrapped up with breakfast, the business meeting, election of new officers, door prizes, root beer floats, and one big group game of winkem. The 2023-2024 board was elected and is listed above.

#### Prepared Public Speaking

##### Junior Division:

1st place: Alex Schroeder  
2nd place: Toben Tibor  
3rd place: Aiden Schroeder

##### Intermediate Division:

1st place: Shelby Swanson

##### Senior Division:

1st place: Rachel Visser

#### Folding Display

##### Junior Division:

1st Place: Tanner Howe  
2nd Place: Austin Howe

#### Photo Contest

##### Junior Division:

1st Place: Toben Tibor  
2nd Place: Brooklyn Holtz  
3rd Place: Brooklyn Holtz

##### Senior Division:

1st Place: Garrett Waldenberger  
2nd Place: Garrett Waldenberger  
3rd Place: Kamrie Mauer

#### Junior High Production Award:

1st place: Blake Siewart  
2nd place: Alex Schroeder  
3rd place: Alex Schroeder

#### Junior Star Award

Alexis Hoefs

#### High School Senior Scholarship Winners:

Joseph Achen  
Alexis Hoefs  
Evelyn Scheffler  
Tyler Ratka

#### Junior Memorial Scholarship Winners:

Taylor Fester  
Hailey Frericks  
Kallie Frericks  
Brea Kieffer

#### Dairy Jeopardy

##### Junior Division:

1st place: Monika Frericks  
2nd place: Ashley Mellgren  
3rd place: Molly Albers

##### Intermediate Division:

1st place: Tyler Ratka  
2nd place: Dan Frericks  
3rd place: Mausten Krueger

##### Senior Division:

1st place: Jack Saemrow  
2nd place: Tyler Peters  
3rd place: Brianna Fitzgerald

#### Quiz Bowl

##### Junior Division

1st place: Monika Frericks, Lindsey Gibbs, Kamrie Mauer, and Haddie Walter  
2nd place: Matt Scheffler, Alex Schroeder, Mausten Krueger, Mady Wingert, Maggie Wingert, and Melony Wingert  
3rd place: Livia Kurth, Briecyn Kurth, Grady Schuft, and Atley Strack

#### Quiz Bowl:

##### Senior Division

1st place: Tyler Ratka, Shelby Swanson, Rachel Visser, Kayla Visser, and Preston Welling  
2nd place: Dan Frericks, Garrett Waldenberger, Evie Scheffler, Tyler Peters, and Brianna Fitzgerald  
3rd place: Wyatt Glessing, Mason Glessing, Tanner Glessing, and Tyler Turner

**Congratulations to the Juniors representing Minnesota at the 2023 National Holstein Convention!**







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**SUMMER 2023**





# Piper's Back!



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**Class-A Boom Made-Ya-Look**

DOB 3-26-22

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# Spring SHOW HIGHLIGHTS



*Mercy*

*Mamie*

## BREHAVEN COMERICA

*Mercy* VG-86

Comerica x Cloverfield Edwin Mabel EX-94  
1-9 2X 268D 13,469M 6.9 973F 3.5465P

**1st Sr 3-Yr-Old, Reserve Intermediate  
& Reserve Grand Champion  
Great Lakes Spring Show**

*Mercy is now owned by Craig & Elyse Martin*

## BREHAVEN KEEPER

*Mamie* EX-91

3-11 2X 305D 15,235M 8.6 1303F 4.0 607P

Renmoor Keeper x Peninsula Kaught Mallory EX-95

**1st 5 yr old & Senior Champion  
Great Lakes Spring Show**

*Mamie is owned with Bruce Rendon*



***One of a different color we are  
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HENDEL KAHN LEXY 5993-ET	KAHN X GP-83 TAOS X CRIMSON	+3095	+1,143
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**Calving Interval 13 months**

- Twitch daughters due this summer going back to the Meridian Iowa cow!
- Followed by other paying the bills kind of cows!
- We have cows from Delta Lambda, Delta Gamma, Denver 1426, Lighthouse, Bringham!

And with red, Swingman, Rager, Macho, Diamondback, Rex, Webster, and cows out of Salvator sons, he has put his mark on the breed!

*Overall, they seem like "whisper in the ear" cows. You take them to your herd, give them good feed, treat them with common sense, and in a lot of your barns, with bigger stalls, better air flow, better traffic patterns, these cows should do better than they do in my facilities.*

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*Thank you*

*very much to the bidders at the GTPI Sale, our first choice from Lot 23 sold well. A very special thank you to our crew at the Ohio Spring Sale, you did very well getting Lot 6 and Lot 36 ready for auction! The result was Well Done.*

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**Serving breakfast - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
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**Menu:** scrambled eggs with ham and cheese, pork sausage, pancakes, applesauce, coffee & milk. Three flavors of ice cream from Pioneer Sweets will also be featured.

**Tickets:** Ages 13 and up: \$10, Ages 6-12, \$8, Ages 5 and Under, free. Ice cream tickets: \$2

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*Junior Champion*

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*First Place Spring Yearling*

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# CLASSIFICATION RESULTS

*Finley* VG-86 @2-06  
(Handsome)

**RESERVE ALL-INDIANA  
FALL YEARLING 2022**

**Dam:** (Archival) raised to EX-91

**2nd Dam:** EX-93 3E

**3rd Dam:** EX-95 3E DOM

*Lindsay* VG-85@2-07  
(Sidekick)

**ALL-INDIANA  
FALL YEARLING 2022**

**Dam:** (Explode) VG-88

**2nd Dam:** EX-91 2E

*Axie* VG-85@2-01  
(Diamondback)

**MATERNAL SISTER TO**  
*Acer* - NOMINATED JUNIOR  
ALL-AMERICAN WINTER YEARLING 2021

**Dam:** EX-91 2E

**2nd Dam:** EX-92

*Available:* **A DENVER DAUGHTER DUE THIS SUMMER**

**Dam:** EX-94 2E GMD

**2nd Dam:** Tri-Day Ashlyn EX-96 2E GMD

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**Dam:** Tri-Koebel Destry Farrah-ET EX-94

### SCORING HIGHLIGHTS! Recent 2-Yr-Old Scores

Starward Crushtime Aspen VG86-87MS @2-7  
Starward Unix Endure VG86-86MS @2-8  
Starward Atwood Runway-ET VG86-86MS @2-1  
MS Starward K Doc Avail VG85-86MS @2-4  
Owned with Domecq Family

Starward RoyalCrush Cookie VG85 @2-8  
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Starward RoyalCrush Tomi VG85 @2-0  
Starward Unstopabull Hoax-RC VG85 @2-1

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Please join Lake Ridge Bank in recognizing Nick and Jessica Sarbacker, who were recently awarded the Wisconsin Holstein Association's prestigious 2023 Holstein Horizon Award. This award recognizes members for excellence in owning, breeding, and marketing elite registered Holsteins.

Together with their children, Madison and Melanie, the Sarbacker family has been very active in promoting and advancing Wisconsin's Holstein industry for many years. From their farm, Heritage Holsteins, in Milton, WI, they share their knowledge and support both experienced Holstein breeders, and mentor passionate young people, to support the future and growth of the Holstein industry in Wisconsin.

Congratulations to the Sarbacker family!



# *Aarsvolds Dream SW Valiant*

**"Very Good" - 88 VG-MS DOM**

**7-07 365 2X 34320 4.1 1419 3.2 1108**

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***Junior Champion* at World Dairy Expo in 1981**



**Her life ended at 16 years and 4 months old. We buried her on the lawn at the family farm , with a marker stating her lifetime acheivements.**



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# TRENT HENKES

**NATIONAL HOLSTEIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT-LARGE CANDIDATE  
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The Iowa Holstein Association is proud to support the candidacy of Trent Henkes for an at-large position on the Holstein Association USA Board of Directors. We know that Trent would be a well versed, honest representative for the entire membership.

Trent's strong leadership skills are evidenced by the positions he has held in the Iowa Holstein Association, as well as other dairy related organizations. He served the Iowa Association as president, vice president, board member, committee chair and vice-chair of the National Holstein Convention held in Dubuque, Iowa in 2014. Trent has been elected numerous times as a delegate to the Holstein Association USA National Convention. Locally Trent has been very active within his county and district Holstein Associations and dairy promotion. He and his family are responsible for inspiring many youth to get involved in dairy activities in Clayton County and beyond through the county Share-a-Heifer program. Trent has been a positive advocate for 4-Hers, serving as dairy judging coach for several years and has officiated many contests. His teams are always respected, not only for their winnings but also for their sportsmanship.

Trent and son, Matt, milk 65 registered Holsteins and 10 Registered Milking Shorthorns on their family farm in northeast Iowa. The all registered, 95% homebred herd currently boasts the highest BAA in Iowa in 2022 at 111.7% with 29 EX 25 VG 2 GP. Over the years, Trent has bred 177 Excellents, 23 DOM, 21 GMD and has been a PBR herd for 22 years and a PGA herd for 18 years.

Henkeseen Holsteins was a pilot herd for the Complete Program and feels that it has helped develop quality animals for the herd and for merchandising, resulting in being able to consign high quality animals for auctions, as well as doing very well in the local, district, state, and national shows. Trent has sold over 50 bulls into AI and has marketed embryos worldwide, along with selling females and bulls to other dairymen. He has taken advantage of Marketplace Sires and has had daughters calve from these bulls.

Trent is a very futuristic open-minded individual who will work diligently to ensure that Holstein USA continues to provide viable and innovative services and programs for all of its members whether it's the 50 cow, 500 cow or 10,000 cow dairy. He will work to ensure all voices are heard and new ideas and concepts are pursued to benefit all members regardless of herd size. We are confident that if elected, Trent would serve with integrity, give the necessary time and be an asset to the Holstein Association USA Board of Directors.

*The Iowa Holstein Association*



# Olmar Farms

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## **OLMAR DURHAM BELINDA EX 91**

From the Bunny family. Belinda is finding her place among the elite Brood Cows of Olmar Farms. To date, all of her young daughters have scored VG as 2 year olds. Belinda is from a 2E94 Goldwyn x 93 Morty x 4E92 Marty GMD DOM x 2E 91 Emory.

## **OLMAR MERIDIAN NINNY 2E 93**

Ninny is from the Faithful family that has made Olmar Farms its home for almost 80 years. This family is known for exceptional production. Ninny is the 18 th generation from this line with the Olmar prefix – 12 of those generations are EX or VG with none scored under G+.



## **OLMAR DELTA LAMBDA DAISI EX 91**

Daisi from the heart of the Dazzling Star (Grand Champion MN State Fair) family. This family boasts show winners, bulls in active AI and are top producers at Olmar farms. Except her dam who was lost young, Daisi's nearest 13 generations are all EX or VG.

## **OLMAR CHARISMA COTTONELLE**

Introducing a new family to the Olmar herd. Where strength and power have always been a key herd trait – this family takes it to a new level. The Cindy family came from the Dean Opsahl herd in 2009. This family makes their job look easy, milking off their strength and not requiring a high input diet. Cottonelle is backed by 4 generations of VG and EX dams.



## **OLMAR AXL BELLA LYNDIA G+ 83 (FRESH LESS THAN 1 MO) AND OLMAR CHARISMA BOLOXIE VG 86 2 YR**

These exciting young cows continue the tradition of the Bella/Barbara family with their eye catching type. The next generation of this family is just beginning to write their story and we are excited to see them shine.





# Hosts of the 2023 MHA Field Day

## SATURDAY JULY 29, 2023

Olmar Farms is proud to welcome dairy enthusiasts from across the Midwest for the 2023 MHA Field Day. Our team has put together a great lineup of speakers and contests for attendees to take part in. Read more about Field Day happenings below!

### Stray Voltage Presenters

#### Larry Neubauer – Concept Electric

Larry Neubauer is a master electrician with decades of experience in the field of stray voltage, milking equipment operations and overall electrical wiring requirements of dairies. He has extensive experience in testing for stray voltage, as well as testing cows for actual body resistance (not assumed but known). Larry's testing procedures follow an immutable scientific law, known as Ohm's Law. He has testified numerous times in many courts about issues and findings related to stray voltage, milking equipment systems, farm wiring installations, utility primary neutral conductors and their effects on the operation of his clients' facilities. Larry has also reviewed a great number of scientific articles on the phenomenon of stray voltage and its effect on dairy cows. He has significant personal field experience in both observing and evaluating the effects of electricity at varying levels on dairy cows and how that affects both the cows and farm management.

#### Noble Salisbury, Salisbury Electric

Noble Salisbury, owner of Salisbury Electric Inc., is a Master/Journeyman Electrician with 38+ years of experience in design, engineering and installation of commercial and agricultural electrical systems. He is committed to the development of electrical systems that improve operating efficiency for the agricultural community. Noble works with livestock farms to prevent and mitigate stray voltage from affecting livestock by designing infrastructure to eliminate future issues. He is a certified UL panel builder and holds patents in moisture control retrofits for grain dryers and monitoring of Neutral to Earth Voltage recording for livestock farms.

### Junior Presenter

#### Mark Rueth

JUNIORS!

Here is your opportunity to learn from one of the greatest showmen of all time!

Mark Rueth, who owns Rosedale Genetics with his wife Nicky Reape in Oxford, WI, will be demonstrating the finer details of taking your showing and animal prep to the next level. Mark has owned, prepared and shown some of the finest cows to walk the colored shavings from Tom Dee to Redrose (1 st R&W to win Supreme Champion at WDE). His judging and showing skills have taken him around the globe, judging the World Dairy Expo, Royal Winter Fair and Swiss Expo. Don't miss this once in a lifetime experience to learn from the best!



### Schedule of Events

**10:30 AM** | Barns Open  
**11:00 AM** | Judging Opens  
**11:30 AM to 1 PM** | Lunch Served  
**1:00 PM** | Judging Closes  
**1:00 PM** | Speaker  
**2:15 PM** | Judging & Door Prize  
Winners Announced



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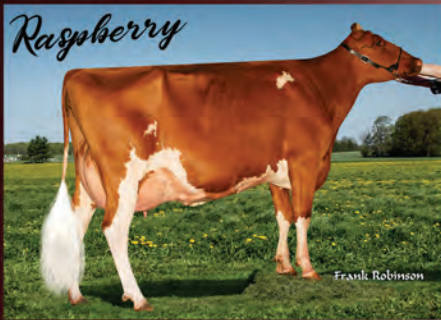
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Dam: MS Wolford D Raspberry-Red EX-92 2E



Full Sister: King-Street Ready2Roll-Red VG-87  
Nom. Jr. All-American Spring Yearling 2020



Ready2Roll's Daughter: MS Kingstreet RockNRoll-Red  
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Sister: King-Street Dback Riptide EX-91  
All-Michigan 4-Yr-Old 2021



Riptide Daughter: King-Street War Rebel-Red  
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2nd Dam: Golden-Oaks Gwyn Classy-ET EX-92  
3rd Dam: Golden-Oaks Champ Rae-ET EX-93 3E  
4th Dam: Golden-Oaks Champ Rae-ET EX-93 3E  
5th Dam: Scientific Beauty Rae-ET RC EX-90 DOM

### CLASSIFICATION **Highlights:**

8 New EXCELLENTS  
8 VG 2-YR-OLDS



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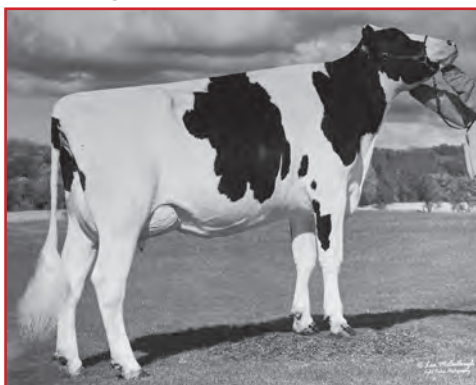
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## GREEN-MEADOW

*Delta* 92699 VG-86 (EX-MS)

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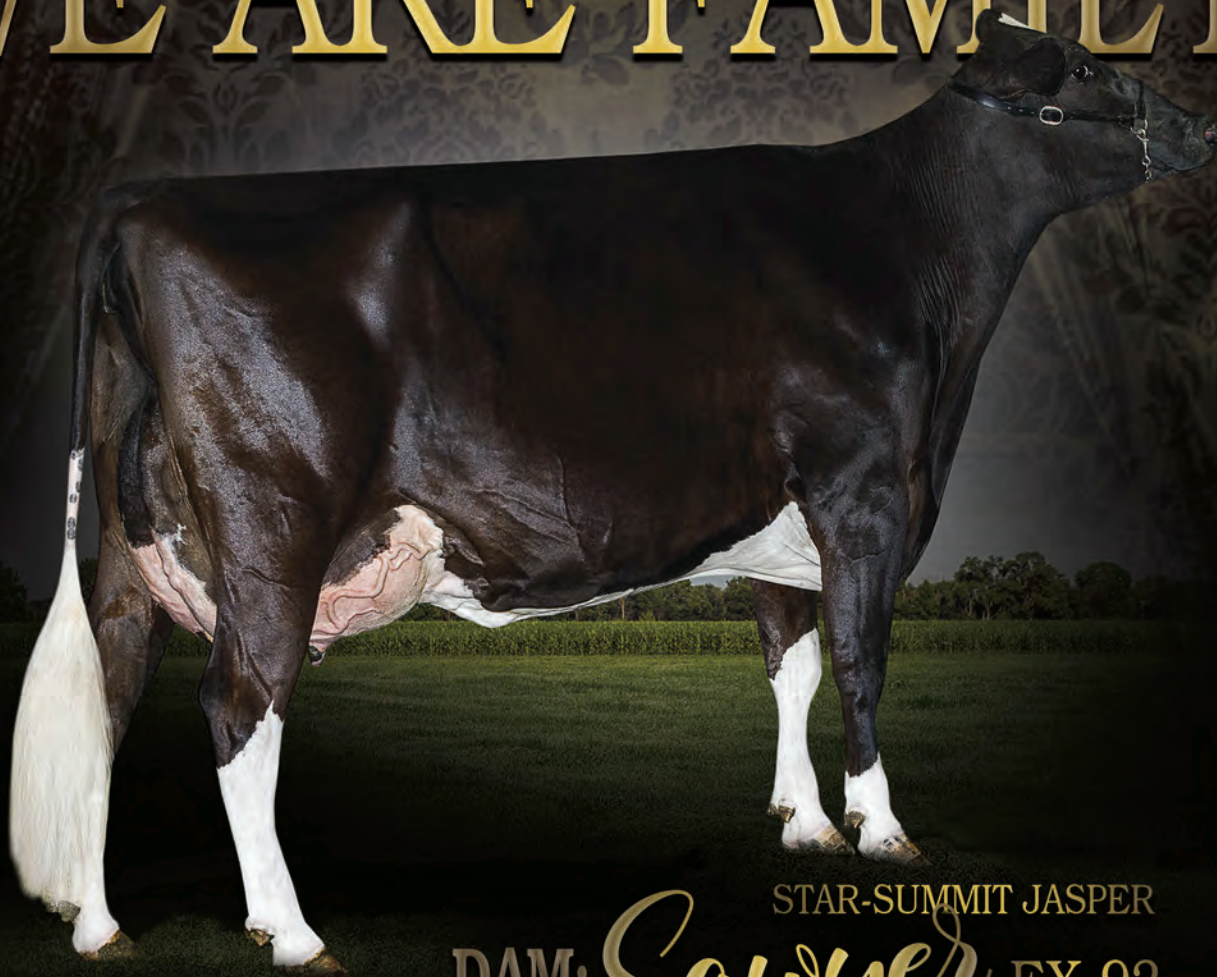
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STAR-SUMMIT JASPER  
DAM: *Sawyer* EX-92

## RECENTLY SCORED FULL SISTERS WENT EXCELLENT!

Star-Summit Goldchip *Sia*-ET EX-90

Star-Summit Gold C *Sada*-ET EX-90

2nd Dam: Star-Summit James Sharon EX-90

3rd Dam: Star-Summit Lee Shannon-ET VG-85

4th Dam: Star-Summit Southwind Sugar VG-88

5th Dam: LWS Patty Segis EX-91 DOM, GMD

36 Years PBR Award  
Classification 111.2%

*Striving for a balance of production & type*  
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Sire: Siemers Exc Hanans 31753-ET 7HO15325

Dam: Re-Jak Dempsey Alaska-ET VG-88 at 3-01 VEV+E

2nd Dam: Re-Jak McCutchen Adelaide VG-86 at 2-07 VVVGV

Maternal Sister to Re-Jak DB Ariel-ET

\*Reserve Grand Champion Indiana State Show 2020

3rd Dam: Prestige-Gen At America-ET EX-90 EEVVE

4th Dam: Butlerview After Alameda-ET VG 86 VEV+V

Full sister to: Butlerview Aftershock April-ET EX-95

5th Dam: Brookvilla Jasper AKA EX-95 EEEE

\*All-American Jr 3 yr old 2008

\*All-Canadian Jr 3 yr old 2008

\*Int. Champion Royal 2008

\*Res. Int. Champion WDE 2008

6th Dam: Brookvilla Mason Abigail GP-80 Can

7th Dam: Brookvilla Charles Angel VG-86 Can VG-MS

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Sire Cutting Edge Foremost

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# 2023 MINNESOTA HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION AWARD WINNERS

The Minnesota Holstein Association is proud to announce it's 2023 Annual Awards Winners. These individuals were honored for their outstanding commitment to the MHA at the 2023 MN All-Breeds Convention held in Red Wing, MN, on March 3-4, 2023. Read more about this year's honorees.

## MHA Person of the Year

### **Darrel Rennich - Bruce, SD**

Darrel Rennich of Bruce, SD, was chosen as the recipient of the 2023 Minnesota Holstein Association Person of the Year.

Darrel is a member of the Minnesota Holstein Association, serves on the Board of Directors, and was the chair of the 2022 National Holstein Convention held in Sioux Falls, SD this past June. The convention welcomed over 1,000 attendees from across the nation to take part in contests, events, farm tours, meetings, and much more. Darrel graciously volunteered to take the chair position back in 2018. In June of 2022, Rennich was able to see his hard work come full circle during the week of convention festivities. His dedication and commitment towards ensuring the event went seamless is greatly appreciated.

Undoubtedly, Darrel is truly deserving of this year's Person of the Year award. The organization is lucky to have Darrel working alongside them to grow and develop the dairy industry. On behalf of the Minnesota Holstein Association, we thank Darrel for his willingness to lead the convention, we are truly grateful.



## MHA President's Award

### **Tony and Maizie Scheffler - Zumbrota, MN**

Tony and Maizie Scheffler of Zumbrota, MN, were chosen as the recipients of the 2023 Minnesota Holstein Association

President's Award. These two individuals have shown their commitment to the organization, especially its youth members for many years.

The Scheffler's have poured a tremendous amount of love and support into providing youth with opportunities to grow within the dairy industry. They are passionate about coaching dairy judging and dairy quiz bowl teams and assisting youth in their area with dairy projects. Their outstanding commitment towards growing youth dairy programs made them stellar candidates for this award.

Thank you Tony and Maizie for strengthening both the junior and adult organizations by exhibiting commitment and passion through all the youth they continue to impact. Your dedication to these programs is greatly appreciated! This award was presented by 2022 MHA Board President, Randy Gross, and Emily Mollenhauer.



## MN Distinguished Young Holstein Breeder

### **Cory Schmidt - Cosmos, MN**

Cory Schmidt of Cosmos, MN, was chosen as the recipient of the 2023 Minnesota's Distinguished Young Holstein Breeder.

Cory has become a notable Holstein breeder in Minnesota throughout the past few years. He has bred some great cattle and is able to market his genetics throughout the nation. The Minnesota Holstein Association is grateful to have young Holstein breeders like Cory, making huge strides in the dairy industry. He is a mentor to many and a friend to all! This young Holstein breeder stays active in organization happenings and has gave countless opportunities to youth to grow in the industry.

On behalf of the Minnesota Holstein Association, we thank Cory for his dedication towards breeding high quality cattle and his

commitment to the organization!

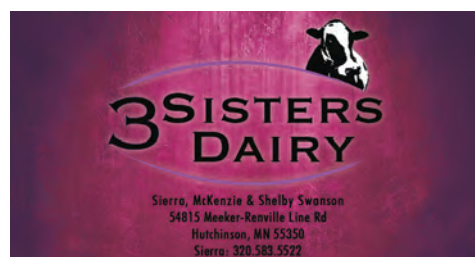


## Longtime Meritorious Service Award

### **Devoine & Linda Kruse - Caledonia, MN**

Devoine and Linda Kruse of Caledonia, MN, were chosen as the recipients of the 2023 Longtime Meritorious Service Award, as voted on by the past presidents of the MHA.

Both Devoine and Linda are longstanding members and supporters of the MHA, and have worked extremely hard to provide acts of service to the MHA membership. Devoine was elected onto the MHA Board of Directors, and has served the state association well. Lane Johnson, past MHA president, presented this award to the Kruse family at the 2023 All-Breeds Convention. He explained how Devoine was always present at meetings, and didn't always say too much, but when Devoine voiced his opinion it was logical and he always followed through. The Kruse family always extended tokens of gratitude and support towards the organization. Thank you Devoine and Linda!







# Final Celebration

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2023 AT 10:30 AM**

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 front end and chest than any other calf her age,  
 just like mama. The promise of Moovin's udder  
 traits is the cherry on top!



### DAM: STARWARD ATWOOD HOLLY-ET EX94-2E

Breakdown of 93-95-88-94-94

She is due back again and looking as good as ever!  
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- Voted Michigan Cow of the Decade - 2022
- All-Michigan 5 yr old 2019
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- 1st Aged Cow Great Lakes Spring Show 2021
- Best Udder in Class GLSS 2021
- Res. Senior & Res. Grand Champion  
Great Lakes Spring Show 2021
- All-Michigan Aged Cow 2021
- Reserve Senior Champion All-Michigan Show 2021

### 2ND DAM:

#### LEANN-ACRES TERRASON HONEY EX-93

7th SR 2 International Junior Holstein Show 2009

### 3RD DAM: LEANN-ACRES JOLT HOLLY-TW EX 92 2E

## BSP Viennas *Valley Girl*

DOB: 12-1-2022

Sire: Chilli Action Colton-ET

*Valley Girl is our best Jersey calf to date!*

*She's the kind that catches your eye from every angle.*

### DAM: KULLCREST VIEWS VIENNA

#### OF BSP-ET VG88@ 2-10

Res. All-Michigan Spring Yearling '21

### 2ND DAM: ARETHUSA RESPONSE VIEW EX-92

Int. Champion Big E '10

#### FULL SISTER TO VIEW:

### ARETHUSA RESPONSE VIVID EX-96

Supreme Champion Royal Winter Fair '14  
 Res. Supreme Champion & WDE Grand '12

#### SISTER TO VIENNA:

### ARETHUSA TEQUILA VISION EX-95

AJCA Res. All-American Production Cow '19

AJCA Res. All American 5-Yr-Old '15

AJCA Res. All American 4-Yr-Old '14

#### 3RD DAM OF VALLEY GIRL:

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As dedicated supporters of local registered Holstein dairy farmers, businesses have the opportunity to join and support the Minnesota Holstein Association through our Corporate Sponsor Program. This program has five levels of sponsorship: Grand Supreme Champion, Supreme Champion, Grand Champion and Honorable Mention. Each level includes recognition as a dedicated sponsor of the Minnesota Holstein Association. As a corporate sponsor for our association, businesses help the Minnesota Holstein Association provide opportunities for dairy producers across the state.

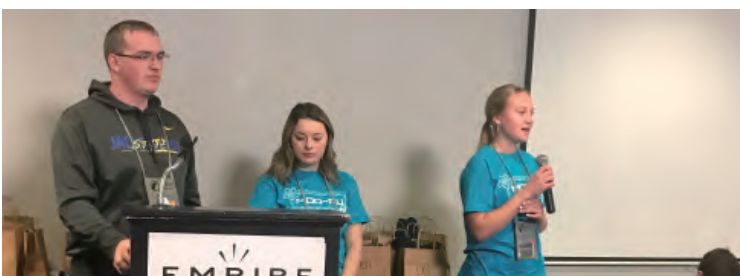
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If you have questions or would like to know more about the program, please contact a MHA board member or the MHA office. Your assistance in helping our organization grow is greatly appreciated.

*Thank you!*









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# 2023 MHA AWARD WINNERS



## PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

Darrel Rennich, Bruce, SD



## MHA PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Tony and Maizie Scheffler, Zumbrota, MN



## MINNESOTA DISTINGUISHED YOUNG HOLSTEIN BREEDER AWARD

Cory Schmidt, Cosmos, MN



## LONGTIME MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Devoine and Linda Kruse, Caledonia, MN



## MINNESOTA DISTINGUISHED JUNIOR MEMBERS

Jacob Schaefer, Little Falls, MN

**These incredible award recipients were honored for their hard work and dedication to the industry at the 2023 Minnesota All-Breeds Convention. Each and every one of these individuals have demonstrated a passion and drive for the Holstein breed. For that, MHA is grateful for powerful leaders like these!**

*Congratulations to all of our award winners!*



# 2024 MN ALL-BREEDS CONVENTION

## MHA TO HOST NEXT YEAR'S CONVENTION

The Minnesota Holstein Board of Director's is excited to host the 2024 Minnesota All-Breeds Convention. It will be held on March 8-9, 2024, at the Kelly Inn, St. Cloud, Minn. The theme of the convention is "Laughter and More, in 2024!" Chairs of the convention are Kris Gruenes and Eric Sonnek.

At convention, MHA is looking to introduce fun and engaging speakers and events to provide attendees with laughter, useful information, and good camaraderie. Special guest Tim the Dairy Farmer will be joining attendees after the banquet for a night of comedy.

Other Activities include:

- Annual Breed Meetings
- Break Out Sessions
- Q & A Rooms
- PDCA Committee Meetings
- PDCA Annual Meeting and Awards
- All-Breeds Banquet
- Bucket Raffle

- Junior Fundraiser
- And more!

The MHA facebook page and website will be where information is posted and details are found. This is surely an event you will not want to miss. The Minnesota Holstein Association is working hard to build a foundation for the convention around a good time, and want to invite all passionate dairy individuals to attend.

If you have any further questions regarding the convention or know of an individual or business who is interested in sponsorship, contact Kris or Eric at the contact numbers listed below. We hope to see you all there!

### 2024 Convention Chairs:

- Kris Gruenes: (320) 493-9704 | [krisarn@meltel.net](mailto:krisarn@meltel.net)
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## MN IS HOME TO RECENT EX-95 COW

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**ABOVE:** Livley on the day she was raised to EX-95, **TOP:** Livley at World Dairy Expo in 2022, **BOTTOM:** Livley's appearance at the MN State Holstein Show.

Sunkist Acres of Glencoe, MN, is now home to Minnesota's newest Excellent 95-point holstein. The Donnay family has worked hard to develop Sunkist Airlif Lexus Livley into the cow she is today. MHA would like to congratulate the team at Sunkist Acres for breeding Livley and are excited to see where her future takes her.

### A Note From Her Owners:

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*Sunkist Airlif Lexus Livley* EX-95





# ANNUAL MEETING: MINUTES

## MINNESOTA HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN BREEDERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Annual Membership Meeting

March 4, 2023

The membership of the Minnesota Holstein Association met on Saturday, March 4, 2023, at Treasure Island Resort & Casino in Red Wing, MN.

Committee meetings took place on Friday from 1 PM to 3 PM.

The annual meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by president, Randy Gross. There were 40 members in attendance.

Lucas P. offered an invocation.

Minutes were commended to everyone's reading. Eric Sonnek made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Kris Gruenes. No discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.

### Financial Report

Ashley Swenson presented a financial report. She explained that the financial materials were printed in a supplemental packet that she encouraged everyone to review and invited the group to request clarification. National Convention was profitable. Finances have been reallocated appropriately. CDs were reinvested at higher interest rates and will resume a three-year rotation. Additional money has been directed into club scholarships. The breeder's seminars were offered free of charge. Additional membership activities are being explored. She encouraged the membership to share any ideas they have to improve organizational activities.

### Awards

The Futurity XLVI winners were recognized.

### Past President's Address

Andy Steinhagen shared that the longtime meritorious service award for 2023 was issued to Devoine and Linda Kruse. He stressed the importance of board members being present at board meetings.

### Staff Update

Hailey Frericks introduced herself as the new marketing manager. The March publication is complete and should arrive shortly. She is working on a catalog for the Spring Sale. A summer intern has been hired; Brea Kieffer.

The Holstein of the Year program was explained, and the winner for 2023 is Liddleholm Diamnd Lust-ET owned by Sierra Swanson and Rachel Kurth. There were over two hundred voters and four nominees.

### Holstein Association USA Report

John Meyer, Holstein USA CEO, was introduced and shared his appreciation to the organization for allowing him to attend. He congratulated the group on a successful National Convention hosted in 2022. Holstein USA is hiring. IDs were down two percent from the previous year. Holstein Complete had a good year. The classification program grew for the fourth year in a row.

John shared details of a recent Michigan State survey. Milking shorthorns and ayrshires will now be part of the classification program.

Randy directed everyone's attention to the convention program where committee meeting minutes are presented. Congratulations were given to PBR and PGH honorees.

### MJHA Report

Taylor Fester, MJHA President, shared that the 2023 Junior All Breeds Convention will take place March 17-19 in Rochester, MN. Nearly 120 youth are registered to attend. Kaleb Kruse will be judging the junior state show in Hutchinson.

### President's Address

Randy Gross expressed his gratitude for all of those planning and attending the 2022 National Convention. Randy Gross commended committee reports to the membership's reading and entertained any questions.

### Nominations Committee Report

Randy Gross brought forward the nominees for the available director positions. He shared that four incumbents are on the ballot – Chris Schulze, Luke Olson, Nathan Donnay, and Trevor Ekkel. Erik Houdek has completed his first term and will not run again. Randy expressed his appreciation to Erik for his time. Additionally, two new individuals are running; Tony Kohls and Jacob Pehrson.

Randy Gross asked for further nominations from the floor. Andrew Steinhagen made a motion to cease nominations; seconded by Rebecca Groos. No discussion was held, and the motion carried unanimously.

Nominees gave a brief introduction. Ballots were distributed. Kenn Mueller and Andrew Steinhagen collected the ballots and counted them.

### 2022 National Convention

Darrel Rennich gave a recap of the 2023 National Holstein Convention. He shared his sincere appreciation to all those who participated and attended. A slide show recapping National Convention was shared.

### Sale/Raffle Committee

Nathan Donnay shared details of the upcoming Spring Sale to be held on April 22. Cowbuyer will be utilized once again. The March publication will have details of early consignments, and the group will continue to accept consignments until March 24. Randy Gross shared that there have been a few online sales in the past, and the committee is looking to grow the program.

Kris Gruenes shared that the raffle was discontinued this year. Minnesota Holstein will host the 2024 All Breeds Convention. During that time, a revamped raffle drawing will take place. Several locations are being explored and will be shared at a later date. They will plan for the second weekend in March.

### Show Committee

Trevor Ekkel explained that State Show will take place in Hutchinson, MN, June 27 through July 1. Future show hosts were shared.



# ANNUAL MEETING: MINUTES

Randy shared the results of the board of director elections. Those elected to the board were Chris Schulze, Jacob Pehrson, Nathan Donnay, Trevor Ekkel, and Tony Kohls.

Ashley Swenson made a motion to destroy the ballots; seconded by Chris Schulze. No discussion was held and the motion passed unanimously.

## Resolutions

Randy Gross shared that there were no proposed changes to resolutions 1-37. A motion was made by Lucas Plamann to accept resolutions 1-37 as presented with no changes; seconded by Rebecca Groos. No discussion was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

Proposed resolution 38 was read:

Resolution 38: Definition of "meat" labeling

Where as dairy cows produce both milk and meat products, and where as honest food labeling, including method of production, is paramount to consumer transparency.

Be it resolved that "meat" be reserved to food/protein sources originating from animal flesh exclusively.

A motion was made by Andrew Steinhagen to approve resolution 38 as presented; seconded by Rebecca Groos. No discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposed resolution 39 was read:

Resolution 39: Staff and Director Thanks

Whereas, Minnesota Holstein business programs and events experienced a successful year, and; Whereas, Minnesota Holstein human resources are the wealth of our

organization, Therefore, be it resolved that the membership of the Minnesota Holstein Association (MHA), friends and guests present express our thanks to Amanda Bedtke, business manager; and Hailey Frericks, marketing manager; the MHA Board of Directors, committee members, volunteers and hosts who directed and assisted in the success of any aspect of the Minnesota Holstein Association, with special recognition for the production of the Midwest Holstein News.

A motion was made by Kris Gruenes to approve resolution 39 as presented; seconded by Lucas Plamann. No discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposed resolution 40 was read:

Resolution 40: Thanks to our Volunteers and Event Hosts. Be it resolved that the members of the Minnesota Holstein Association (MHA), friends and guests present express our thanks to the West Central Holstein Club for the success of the 2022 MN State Show, and the PDCA and the MN Ayrshire Breeders' Association for successfully hosting the 2023 annual meeting.

A motion was made by Kris Gruenes to approve resolution 40 as presented; seconded by Lucas Plamann. No discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Chris Schulze to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Lucas Plamann. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amanda Bedtke  
Business Manager

## OBITUARY: RONALD UTER



Ronald Edward Uter, age 85, of Waverly passed away on Friday, March 31, 2023 at The Good Samaritan Society of Howard Lake.

He was born on September 16, 1937 in Marysville Township. He grew up on the family farm north of Waverly.

Ron graduated from Howard Lake High School in 1955. He furthered his education at The University of Minnesota School of Agriculture in St. Paul which led him to an opportunity to be an exchange student in

Sweden for one year. He returned from Sweden and joined The Army Reserves.

Ron met Kay Rachel at a dance at The Maple Lake Pavilion.

In October of 1963, Ronald was joined in marriage to Katherine and together they raised their three children on the farm where they resided until his passing. It was on this farm that Ron developed a fine herd of cows. Many of his cattle were registered Holsteins and the farm was known as Merryville Farm.

Ron was a devoted husband, father and farmer. He was a lifetime member of Zion Lutheran Church, baptized and confirmed at Swedesburg Lutheran Church in Marysville Township.

He was a member of The Lake Region Co-op Board, Wright County Extension Committee, Western Oil Transport Co-op, Marysville

Township Board and Wright- Hennepin Holstein Association.

Ron was known for his love of spending time with his family on the farm, was a longtime 4-H Dairy Project Leader and enjoyed helping the children to train and groom their 4-H dairy cattle.

While not farming, he was an avid Gopher sports fan, regularly attending home football games and was also an avid Twins fan.

Ron and Kay loved camping at Minnesota State Parks, taking the grandchildren whenever they could. Ron was a proud grandfather and great grandfather. He was delighted anytime he was able to attend a grandchild's sporting event or to hold a great grandchild.

Ronald is survived by his wife of almost sixty years: Katherine of Waverly; his daughter: Michelle (Mike) Schwartz of New Ulm; his sons: William (Vicki) Uter and Steven (LoriLynn) Uter all of Waverly; twelve grandchildren: Meghan (Josh) Laffen, Joseph (Ellen) Uter, Katelyn (Derek) Skovbroten, Michael (Megan) Uter, Mackenzie (Zack) Hegseth, Jack (Kathleen) Schwartz, Jessica Uter, Zachary (Jordyn) Uter, Nicholas Uter, Cassandra Dick, Meghan Zwak and Sophia Zwak; eleven great grandchildren; his sister: Thyra Russell of Davis, California; brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by his mother Ellen, his father-in-law & mother-in-law Bill and Eleanor Rachel, brothers-in-law Pat Rachel and Warren Russell.

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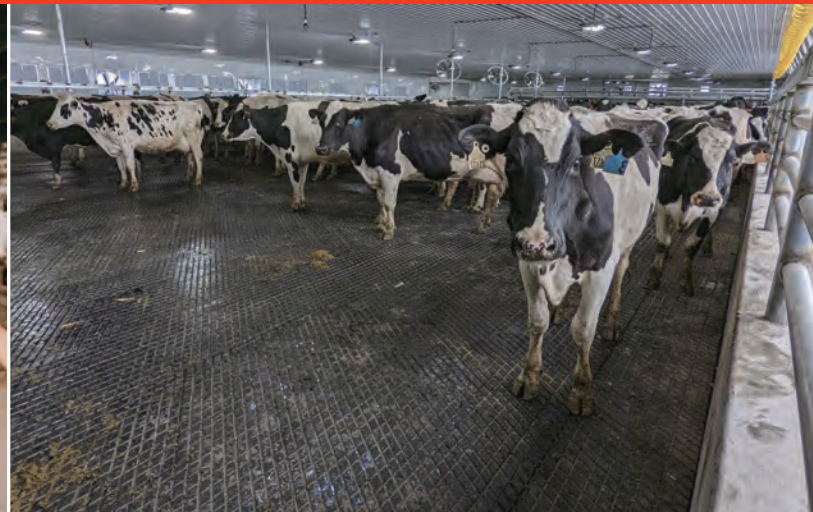




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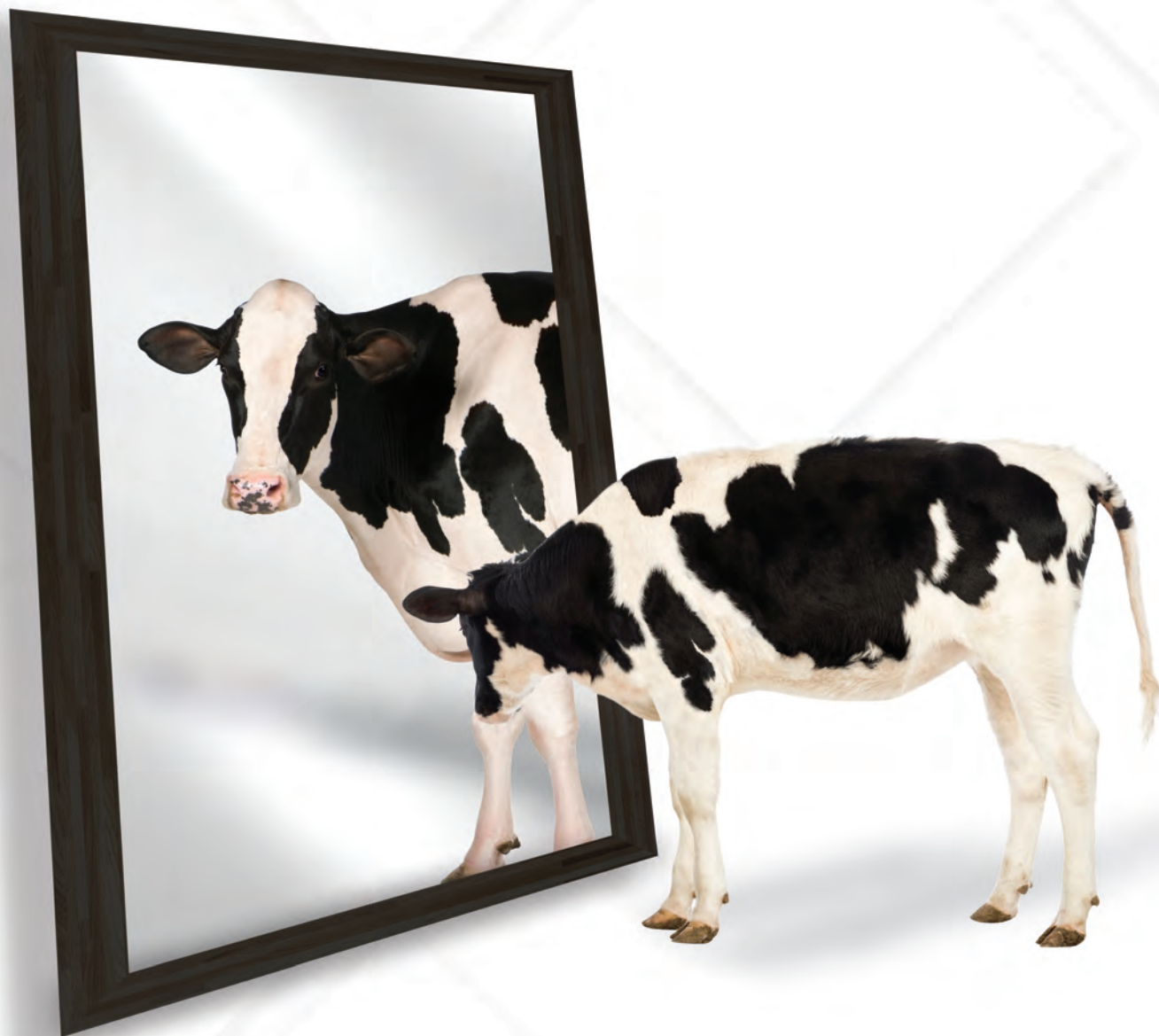


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