

ELIGIBILITY

1. Any person living in the county.
2. Must have reached their 25th birthday, but not have reached their 36th birthday by 01 January of each year.
3. Must be actively involved in a dairy farm operation. (any breed)
4. Preferably to have 4-H or Junior Farmer experience.
5. Person to have shown leadership and been involved in a variety of interests. (ie. community)

COUNTY COMPETITION

Send application to County Holstein Club Secretary.

County Winners must be declared by 01 March.

One winner to be chosen in each County.

APPLICATION FORM

Available from County Club Secretaries, Breed Secretaries, Holstein Representatives and Directors.

On the forms supplied, the following questions to be answered:

- name
- address
- phone number, fax, e-mail
- birth date
- type of operation
(owner, partnership, employee, other)
- size of farm (acres owned and rented)
- number of dairy cattle
- number of milking cows
- list activities, accomplishments in community, 4-H Clubs, Junior Farmers, County Club, local breed Association, etc.
- briefly describe the type of operation in which you are involved with respect to:
 - (a) buildings
 - (b) crops grown
 - (c) feeding systems
- outline your
 - (a) breeding programs
 - (b) cattle
- highlight the changes which you have initiated since becoming involved in the farm operation.
- outline the changes which you hope to make with respect to priorities and finances required to make your operation more efficient.
- What direction do you feel your breed should take in the future?
- How can the Ontario Holstein Branch or other Ontario Dairy Breed Associations be of more benefit to you, the member?

- What are your thoughts on the future of the Ontario dairy industry?
- If chosen for this award, what can you do for your Ontario dairy industry?
- Are you available to travel 5 to 6 days?

Selection to be decided through application (20%) and personal interview (80%).

EVALUATION

1. *Knowledge*

Knowledge of breed, dairy practice, milking management, financial management, sire selection, logical matings, merchandising and sale of animals, etc.

2. *Practical Experience*

3. *Leadership*

In community, 4-H clubs, Junior Farmers, etc.

4. *Personality*

To be determined through a personal interview.

DISTRICT COMPETITION

District winners to be chosen from county winners in each of the following districts by April 1st :

- Western Ontario
- West-Central Ontario
- East-Central Ontario
- Eastern Ontario

District winners will be announced at the Ontario Spring Discovery Show.

District winners will receive an all expense paid trip to World Dairy Expo, Madison, Wisconsin with farm visits enroute.



Established in 1994 to promote education of Ontario Dairy Youth.

Contributions to this Trust Fund are considered charitable under Revenue Canada and receipts will be issued for all donations.

At the present time the Trust Fund is used to fund:

- Ontario Dairy Youth Award
- 4-H Inter-County Dairy Judging Competition
- Scholarship Program
- Youth Events
- Development of Educational Material

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