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National DHIA honors students with \$1,000 scholarships

FITCHBURG, Wis. (February 11, 2020) – The National Dairy Herd Information Association (DHIA) Scholarship Committee awarded \$1,000 scholarships to 14 high school seniors and college students. Judges evaluated applicants on scholastic achievements, leadership in school and community activities, and responses to DHI- and career-related questions. To be eligible for a National DHIA scholarship, applicants must be a family member or employee of a herd on DHI test, a family member of a DHI employee, or an employee of a DHI affiliate. The DHI affiliate for the herd or affiliate employee must be a National DHIA member.

This year's National DHIA scholarship winners are Jared Baudhuin, Brussels, Wis.; Dylan Duncan, Meadville, Pa.; Tessa Flournoy, Orland, Calif.; Chelsie Fuller, Newark Valley, N.Y.; Grace Haase, Somerset, Wis.; Ross Herber, Utica, Minn.; Brooklynn Hollis, German Valley, Ill.; Mary Holtz, Maquoketa, Iowa; Shelby Kuechle, Eden Valley, Minn.; Laura Littrell, St. Johnsville, N.Y.; Calissa Lubben, Edgerton, Minn.; and Justin Thomforde, Goodhue, Minn.

For the 12th year, National DHIA has awarded scholarships in memory of Joe Drexler, who worked for NorthStar Cooperative DHI Services (now known as CentralStar Cooperative Inc. - DHI Services). Sanne de Bruijn, daughter of Bert and Annette de Bruijn, Vicksburg, Mich., and Tyler Schroepfer, son of David and Jolynne Schroepfer, Birnamwood, Wis., are this year's recipients. NorthStar members and employees, friends and family contributed nearly \$10,000 to establish this scholarship fund.

Money generated from the annual National DHIA Scholarship Auction primarily funds the organization's scholarship program. Investments and donations also help build the fund. Plus, proceeds from "The Big Book of Moo" sales support the scholarship program. Go to: <http://Moo.CartoonistBook.com> to order the 160-page book. To donate to the National DHIA Scholarship Fund, contact Leslie Thoman at 608-848-6455 ext. 108 or lthoman@dhia.org.

On July 1, 2020, the 2021 National DHIA Scholarship application will be posted on the National DHIA website at: www.dhia.org/scholarship.asp. Applications are due Nov. 30, 2020.

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