

**Call for Nominations:
Indiana Dairy Producer of the Year
and
Indiana Young Dairy Producer of the Year**

Again in 2016, Indiana Dairy Producers will be awarding the Indiana Dairy Producer of the Year and the Indiana Young Dairy Producer of the Year Awards. These awards are to recognize outstanding accomplishment, professionalism, and leadership among Indiana's dairy producers. Award recipients will be announced at the IDP annual meeting at 10:00 am at the new Indiana Corn and Soy office building at 8425 Keystone Crossing in Indianapolis on February 3, 2016.

The Indiana Dairy Producer of the Year is awarded to a dairy producer who has portrayed the dairy industry in a positive light and has been successful in the dairy industry over a period of time. Past recipients were Fred Beer (2007), Tom Neuenschwander (2008), Doug Leman (2009), Dave Forgey (2010), Brian Rexing (2011), Leontien Van de Laar (2012), Derek Herrema (2013), Michael and Jan Heckaman (2014), and Henk and Linda Sevenhuysen (2015).

The Indiana Young Dairy Producer of the Year is awarded to a dairy producer, 35 years of age or younger, who is actively involved in a successful dairy farm and shows promise as a leading dairy producer for this industry's bright future in Indiana. Past recipients were Lukas Hively (2007), Joe and Amy Kelsay (2008), Max and Carrie Jo Bollenbacher (2009), Nathan and Sarah Kuehnert (2010) Kerry and Christiana Estes (2011), Kelly MacKennon (2012), Brian Houin (2013), Lance Sommers (2014), and Luke and Kim Minich (2015).

IDP is seeking nominations for the Dairy Producer of the Year and Young Dairy Producer of the Year awards. Nomination forms are included with this announcement. Nominations may be submitted to Dr. Mike Schutz, Purdue University CES, 615 West State Street #104, West Lafayette, IN 47907, mschutz@purdue.edu. Nominators can self-nominate or submit a nomination for a worthy fellow dairy farmer. Dairy industry representatives are also encouraged to submit nominations. Membership in IDP is not required to submit nominations for these awards. Nominations are due by January 19, 2016 to Dr. Mike Schutz. Winners will be selected by academic and industry advisers of Indiana Dairy Producers, based on nominations submitted.

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Nomination Form

IDP--Dairy Producer of the Year

(due January 19, 2016)

Person Being Nominated _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Farm Description _____

Reason for Nomination _____

Involvement in Leadership, Community, Agriculture Activities

Submitted by _____ Telephone _____

Organization (if any) _____

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Nomination Form

IDP--Young Dairy Producer of the Year

(35 years of age or younger)

(due January 19, 2016)

Person Being Nominated _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Farm Description _____

Reason for Nomination _____

Involvement in Leadership, Community & Agriculture Activities _____

Submitted by _____ Telephone _____

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