PENNSYLVANIA JUNIOR HOLSTEIN FARM TO FARM MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Pennsylvania Holstein Association is sponsoring a new program for Junior members. The program will offer Junior members the opportunity to interact and learn farm management principles and ideas from successful herd owners in Pennsylvania.

Four to six representatives will be chosen to attend the Pennsylvania Junior Holstein Farm to Farm Management Program to be held June 11-13, 2010. The program will bring together outstanding Pennsylvania Junior Holstein members from across the state who want to return to active dairy farming as either a herd owner or dairy herd manager. The participants will have the opportunity to visit herds of various sizes and management styles. They will learn management techniques that will improve their abilities to manage a dairy operation. Farm visits and detailed information from each farm will allow the participants to better understand herd management ideas and philosophies of successful dairy farms.

To be considered for this program, the applicant must be a member of the Pennsylvania Junior Holstein Association and complete this form, answers the questions below, and include <u>two letters of recommendation</u>. Application information must be returned to Pennsylvania Holstein Association by May 10, 2010. A selection committee will chose the representatives to the conference based on the applications returned. Nominees must be between 17-20 years of age as of June 1, 2010.

Name:	Date of birth:	
Phone number:	email:	County:
Mailing Address:		

Answer the following questions and attach to this form (either typed or neatly printed). Please do not exceed the word limits for each answer.

- 1. <u>List</u> the three most meaningful Holstein activities you have completed or offices you have held and explain (50 words or less for each) why each was significant to you.
- 2. Explain how your Holstein activities have helped influence your career goals of management or owning a dairy farm (250 words or less)
- 3. Briefly discuss what you consider to be the \underline{two} biggest challenges facing the dairy industry today. (300 words or less total)

Return By May 10, 2010 to: Pennsylvania Holstein Association 839 Benner Pike State College PA 16801