



**WISCONSIN HOLSTEIN
DISTINGUISHED YOUNG
HOLSTEIN BREEDER**

Personal Information:

Name(s): _____ Age(s): _____ as of (date) _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Farm Name: _____ Prefix: _____

Children with Age: _____

The following thoughts and records are those of the applicant and are true to the best of his/her knowledge.

Signature

Date

Part One - Community Activities (10 pts.): List and discuss your community and dairy involvement. (Organization, position held, recognition received and years served) How do you plan to make a difference in the future? (Please limit to one page and if pictures and/or news releases are included, please limit to two additional pages totaling a possible three pages)

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Part Two – Herd Status (45 pts.)

Herd Statistics: List the herd information that reflects the statistics of your herd at the age you assumed ownership and management responsibilities. Also list your current information and your 3-5 year goals.

	<u>When you assumed Ownership</u>	<u>Current Level</u>	<u>3-5 Year Goal</u>
1. Herd Size:			
87-100% RHA Cows			
< 87% RHA Cows			
Purebreds, not Holstein			
Other			
2. Rolling Herd Average: Number of years on test: _____			
	<u>When you assumed Ownership</u>	<u>Current Level</u>	<u>3-5 Year Goal</u>
Lbs. Milk			
Lbs. Fat			
Lbs. True Protein			
Times milked per day			
TriStar Enrollment (Custom, Deluxe, Premier)			
3. Herd Classification: Number of years herd classified: _____			
	<u>When you assumed Ownership</u>	<u>Current Level</u>	<u>3-5 Year Goal</u>
# Cows			
BAA			
# Cows – Excellent			
Very Good			
Good Plus			
Good			
Fair			
Poor			
4. Herd Recognitions			
Progressive Breeders Registry	<u># of Years</u>		
Progressive Genetic Herd Award			
5. Individual Cow Recognition			
Gold Medal Dam	<u># Earned</u>		
Dam of Merit			
State & National Leader List			
Lifetime Production (>200,000)			
<u># of Animals</u>			
6. Cows on current Locator List			
Bulls sold to A.I.			
State Show Winners			
National Show Winners			
WI Top Performer			

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Part Three – Essay Questions (45 pts.) Maximum 500 words per question

1. Explain how you originally acquired your herd and how has your investment in registered Holsteins been beneficial? What impact will registered Holsteins have on your future?
2. Discuss a management practice or practices (nutrition, housing, herd health, milk quality, or reproductive management are possible areas), where you have made great strides to improve your herd's performance.
3. As a Registered Holstein Breeder what herd improvement or marketing programs have been most beneficial for developing and promoting your herd?
4. What traits or cow families in your herd do you see as most promising for your herd's future?

**Postmark by November 10, 2015.
Mail to: WHA, 903 8th Ave, Baraboo, WI 53913**

Nominee(s) must be between the ages of 21 and 40 (as of January 1 of the upcoming year) and must be a member of the Wisconsin Holstein Association and the Holstein Association USA, Inc. Applicants applying as a couple or as business partners must all meet the age requirements. Herd ownership and/or management responsibility are required, and the herd they manage must be on DHIA test. Applicants may update their application annually. Applications not selected will be retained for the next two years for consideration for this recognition if still eligible.