

# University of Minnesota Senior Dairy Cattle Judging Team – 2015

## All American Dairy Show, Harrisburg, PA

Leading the competition of 15 collegiate teams, the U of M placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall in the dairy cattle judging contest held September 14 at the All American Dairy Show, Harrisburg, PA. The Minnesota team was also 1<sup>st</sup> in the Ayrshire breed, 1<sup>st</sup> in Brown Swiss, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Jersey and 4<sup>th</sup> in Holstein. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row and the 4<sup>th</sup> time in the past 6 years the U of M has placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall in the Harrisburg contest.

U of M contestants were Vincent Migliazzo, Atwater, CA (1<sup>st</sup> individual overall), Nathan Donnay, Glencoe, MN (4<sup>th</sup> overall), Eric Houdek, Caledonia, MN (10<sup>th</sup> overall), and Dane Thompson, Turtle Lake, WI. Individually, Migliazzo was also 1<sup>st</sup> in oral reasons, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Ayrshire, 4<sup>th</sup> in Brown Swiss, and 9<sup>th</sup> in Holstein. Donnay was 6<sup>th</sup> in Brown Swiss, 8<sup>th</sup> in Guernsey, and 9<sup>th</sup> in Jersey, and Houdek was 9<sup>th</sup> in reasons, 1<sup>st</sup> in Ayrshire, and 10<sup>th</sup> in Holstein.

The margin of victory was substantial at 15 points.



First-place collegiate team in the dairy cattle judging contest at the All-American Dairy Show, Harrisburg, PA, from the U of M (L-R): Dr. Les Hansen, coach; Dane Thompson, Mary Liebenstein, student coach; Eric Houdek, Vincent Migliazzo, Nathan Donnay, Alicia Thurk, coach; and Scott Ellinghuysen, coach.

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## World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI

The U of M's dairy cattle judging team placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall by an incredible 54-point margin in the national intercollegiate contest held September 28 at the 2015 World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI. The margin of victory is the second largest in history. The all-male Minnesota team was also 1<sup>st</sup> in oral reasons, 1<sup>st</sup> in Holstein (by a 17-point margin), 1<sup>st</sup> in Jersey (by a 17-point margin), and 1<sup>st</sup> in Red & White (by a 16-point margin). Furthermore, team members place 1<sup>st</sup> overall individually in 5 of the 7 breeds of cattle in the contest.

U of M team members were Vincent Migliazzo, Atwater, CA; Nathan Donnay, Glencoe, MN; Eric Houdek, Caledonia, MN; and Matthew Hanson, Goodridge, MN. Individually, Migliazzo was 1<sup>st</sup> overall (by a 5-pt margin over teammate Nathan Donnay). Donnay, in turn, was 2<sup>nd</sup> overall by a 7-pt margin over the 3<sup>rd</sup> individual overall. Houdek was 6<sup>th</sup> overall, and Hanson was 11<sup>th</sup> overall.

Also, Migliazzo was 1<sup>st</sup> in reasons, 1<sup>st</sup> in Brown Swiss, 1<sup>st</sup> in Holstein, 1<sup>st</sup> in Red & White, and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Jersey. Donnay was 1<sup>st</sup> in Jersey, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Holstein, 5<sup>th</sup> in Milking Shorthorn, 6<sup>th</sup> in Red & White, and 7<sup>th</sup> in Brown Swiss. Houdek was 1<sup>st</sup> in Milking Shorthorn, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Red & White, 8<sup>th</sup> in Holstein, and 8<sup>th</sup> in Jersey, and Hanson was 4<sup>th</sup> in Red & White, 6<sup>th</sup> in Jersey, 9<sup>th</sup> in Guernsey, and 9<sup>th</sup> in Milking Shorthorn.



First-place collegiate team in the national intercollegiate dairy cattle judging contest at World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI, from the U of M (L-R): Dr. Les Hansen, coach; Alicia Thurk, coach; Scott Ellinghuysen, coach; Matthew Hanson, Eric Houdek, Nathan Donnay, and Vincent Migliazzo.

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### North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, KY

By a decisive 31-point margin, the U of M's dairy cattle judging team placed 1st overall in the intercollegiate contest held November 8 at the North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, KY. The Minnesota team was also 1st in oral reasons, 1st in Brown Swiss, and 1st in Holstein among 17 four-year university teams.

This follows previous victories this fall by U of M teams at the All-American Dairy Show, Harrisburg, PA (1st overall by a 15-point margin) and at World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI (1st overall by a 54-point margin).

The Minnesota team was also 2nd in Jersey, 3rd in Ayrshire, and 5th in Guernsey. Team members were Crystal Siemers-Peterman, Cleveland, WI; Matthew Hanson, Goodridge, MN; Mary Liebenstein, Dundas, MN; and Austin Davis, Cokato, MN. Individually, Siemers-Peterman was 1st overall, 1st in reasons (by a 4-pt margin), and 1st in Brown Swiss. Hanson was 3rd overall, and Liebenstein was 5th overall.



First-place collegiate team in the intercollegiate dairy cattle judging contest at NAILE, Louisville, KY, from the U of M (L-R): Dr. Les Hansen, coach; Crystal Siemers-Peterman (high individual), Matthew Hanson, Austin David, and Mary Liebenstein.