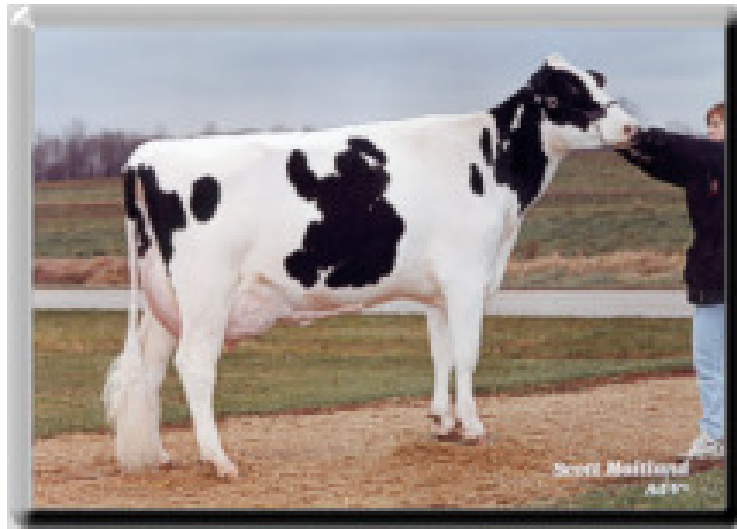
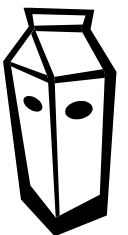


68th Annual Ashtabula County Dairy Banquet



**Saturday, March 24, 2018
7:00 p.m.
Jefferson Community Center
Jefferson, Ohio**



Program
DSU President – Jason Brinker

Invocation	David Marrison
Dinner	Brian Cole & Roger Sherman
Introduction of Guests.....	David Marrison
Election of Directors	Lisa Kalas
Dairy Princess Contest.....	Lindsey Gray
Ohio Ayrshire Update	Nicole Mann
A Look Back at Her Year as Dairy Princess.....	Teresa Polchin
Ohio Honor Roll	David Marrison
Production Awards.....	Jason Brinker & Joel Baldwin

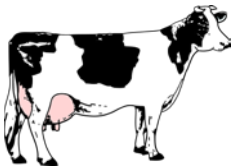


HIGH INDIVIDUAL COW AWARDS
BEST OF THE MONTH HERDS
LOW SOMATIC CELL AWARD
MOST IMPROVED HERD ROTATING TROPHY
HIGH ECM AWARD



Director Election Results	Lisa Kalas
Crowning of 2018 Dairy Princess.....	Lindsey Gray
Door Prizes & Raffles	Directors
Adjournment	Jason Brinker

Dairy Service Unit Board of Directors



Jason Brinker, President.....	724-771-0587
Lisa Kalas, Vice-President.....	440-319-6348
David Marrison, Secretary	440-576-9008
Joel Baldwin, Treasurer	440-224-2562
Lindsey Gray, Dairy Princess Crd.....	440-313-6793
Tom Coltman.....	440-228-8796



Monetary Banquet Donations

Ashtabula County Holstein Club- \$200
Bossy's Way- \$100 (princess donation)
Centerra Co-op- \$200
Countryside Veterinary Service- \$100
Kalmbach Feed- \$100
WG Dairy- \$100

Mower

Robinson Equipment Company Inc

Cupcakes

Lisa Brail

Pies

Brinker Dairy

Cheese Plate

Pine Grove Jersey Farm

Placemats & Napkins

Compliments of Farm Credit Services

Milk

Compliments of Cold Springs Milk Cartage, and
Rowdy Cow Creamery

Flowers

Kathy Strong & Barb Anderson
Kalas Farms

2017 OHIO BREED AVERAGES

(Averages from Official Herds with 10 tests)



Breed	No. Herds	#'s Milk	#'s Fat	#'s Protein	#'s ECM
Ayrshire	6	16,145	645	525	17,641
Brown Swiss	16	19,840	844	693	22,714
Guernsey	5	17,063	813	588	20,605
Holstein	245	25,625	954	783	26,716
Jersey	62	17,865	861	640	21,872
Milking Shorthorn	3	14,437	561	463	15,524
Mixed - Crossbred	21	24,441	982	788	26,740



2017 OHIO HONOR ROLL

(Official Herds with 10 tests)

Name	Breed	State Ranking
Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss	Brown Swiss	1 st
Bossy's Way Farm	Holstein	14 th
Alfa-Creek Farms	Holstein	17 th

2017 ASHTABULA COUNTY HERDS

Name	Township	Cows	Milk	Fat	Protein	ECM	Number of Tests
Bossy's Way Farm	New Lyme	173	29,596	1,130	924	31,376	12
Alfa-Creek Farms	Andover	272	27,749	1,185	840	30,844	12
Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss	Andover	44	24,416	1,191	803	29,548	12
Springer Dairy Farms	Lenox	112	24,213	900	768	25,444	7
Wilson Dairy Farm	Jefferson	171	24,120	893	744	25,106	6
Gaylord Millard & Son	Pierpont	256	24,960	888	752	23,788	12
Ringbyre Jersey Farm	Monroe	407	18,336	935	717	23,588	12
Polchin Holsteins	Cherry Valley	36	20,758	780	666	21,980	12
Whitetail-Glen Farm	Monroe	25	14,024	536	433	14,838	12
Pine Grove Jersey Farm	Sheffield	79	11,314	563	419	14,194	10
County Averages	-----	156	21,099	875	682	23,259	11

2017 Low Somatic Cell Herds

(Herd with under 125,000 SCC)

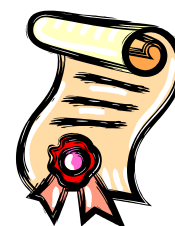


Farm	Township	Average Somatic Cell Count
Ringbyre Jersey Farm	Monroe	83,000
Wilson Dairy Farm	Jefferson	96,000
Bossy's Way Farm	New Lyme	111,000

2017 Most Improved Herd (Herd with positive 500+ ECM gain)



Farm	Township	ECM Increase
Gaylord Millard & Son	Pierpont	1,172#
Bossy's Way Farm	New Lyme	1,124#
Wilson Dairy Farm	Jefferson	467#
Ringbyre Jersey Farm	Monroe	412#



2017 Best of the Month Herds

Month	Farm	Township
April, May, June, July, August, September, October, & November	Bossy's Way Farm	New Lyme
January, February, & March	Alfa-Creek Farms	Andover
December	Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss	Andover



2017 High Individual Cows

		<u>Brown Swiss</u>	
2 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss	932	27,460# Energy Corrected Milk
3 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss	851	30,192# Energy Corrected Milk
4 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss	788	36,128# Energy Corrected Milk
Aged Cow	Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss	698	42,000# Energy Corrected Milk*
		<u>Crossbreds</u>	
2 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	887	21,516# Energy Corrected Milk
3 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	708	45,848# Energy Corrected Milk*
4 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	827	34,128# Energy Corrected Milk
Aged Cow	Alfa-Creek Farms	529	31,604# Energy Corrected Milk
		<u>Holstein</u>	
2 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	1273	36,944# Energy Corrected Milk
3 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	199	41,824# Energy Corrected Milk
4 Yr. Old	Bossy's Way Farm	1812	43,856# Energy Corrected Milk*
Aged Cow	Bossy's Way Farm	1651	38,120# Energy Corrected Milk
		<u>Jersey</u>	
2 Yr. Old	Ringbyre Jersey Farm	687	28,124# Energy Corrected Milk
3 Yr. Old	Ringbyre Jersey Farm	428	30,800# Energy Corrected Milk
4 Yr. Old	Ringbyre Jersey Farm	100	31,524# Energy Corrected Milk*
Aged Cow	Ringbyre Jersey Farm	59	29,328# Energy Corrected Milk
		<u>Red & White Holstein</u>	
2 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	35	27,584# Energy Corrected Milk
3 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	4485	31,652# Energy Corrected Milk
4 Yr. Old	Alfa-Creek Farms	842	33,320# Energy Corrected Milk*
Aged Cow	Alfa-Creek Farms	785	29,776# Energy Corrected Milk

* Top ECM cow for breed

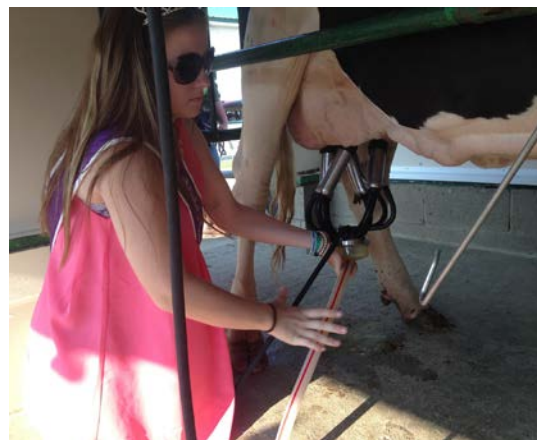


2017 Dairy Princess Contest



KASSIDY BRINKER _____ **DAUGHTER OF JODI BRINKER AND JASON BRINKER**
ALLISON GRAVES _____ **DAUGHTER OF ADAM & APRIL GRAVES**

**THANK YOU TO TERESA POLCHIN
FOR SERVING AS OUR 2017 ASHTABULA COUNTY DAIRY PRINCESS**



CONGRATULATIONS TO NICOLE MANN - 2018 OHIO AYRSHIRE QUEEN



2018 Door Prize Donors

Ashtabula County Dairy Service Unit
Autozone of Jefferson
Dave Ballentine
Bossy's Way Farm
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Pine Grove Jersey Farm
Piper Processing
Pueblo Real' in Jefferson
Ringbyre Jersey Farm
Orchard Creek Soaps
Orwell Oil & Gas
Robinson Equipment Company, Inc
Springer Dairy Farms
Katie Stokes
Westford Milling

*And the
Winners
are...*

Dairy Memories – We Are Dairy Strong



Ashtabula County Dairy Service Unit Annual Meeting Minutes Saturday, March 18, 2017 at the Camp Beaumont Boy Scout Camp

President Jason Brinker called the 67th Annual Meeting and Banquet of the Ashtabula County Dairy Service Unit to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Augustus Center at Camp Beaumont in Rock Creek, Ohio. David Marrison gave the invocation. The Camp Beaumont staff served an outstanding meal to 80 dairy farmers, family and guests.

The Dairy Service Board was very excited to be invited to host this year's banquet at Camp Beaumont. This 1,200 acre Boy Scout Camp located just north of Rock Creek, Ohio is one of Ashtabula County's hidden treasures. Thanks to Bill Roloff and his staff for opening their doors to our dairy farmers.

David Marrison introduced guests present. Special thanks were offered to banquet donors: Centerra Co-op; Paul Robinson & Company; Pine Grove Jersey Farm; COBA Select Sires; Cold Springs Milk Cartage; Farm Credit; and Rowdy Cow Creamery. Thank you to Lisa Brail for the outstanding cupcakes and to Kathy Strong and Barb Anderson for their assistance with the flowers. We were very pleased that both Ashtabula County Commissioner Casey Kozlowski and Dr. John Patterson, Ohio District 99 House of Representative were in attendance to provide the crowd with legislative updates.

Lindsey Gray conducted the annual election of Directors. She reported the terms of Joel Baldwin, Jason Brinker and Lisa Kalas were up for re-election. Nominations were asked for from the floor with none given. Therefore the election of Joel, Jason and Lisa were accepted by general consent.

Lindsey Gray conducted the 2017 Dairy Princess Program. This year we had two excellent candidates for the 2017 Ashtabula County Dairy Princess. Raeann Eldred (daughter of Myron & Rosmarie Eldred) and Teresa Polchin (daughter of Shannon Kidwell & Tony Polchin) both presented excellent speeches to the banquet assembly. After tabulating the votes and factoring in the interviews conducted before the banquet, Teresa Polchin was crowned as the 2017 Ashtabula County Dairy and Raeann Eldred selected as the runner-up. Special appreciation is extended to Katie Stokes who served as the 2016 Ashtabula County Dairy Princess. Katie gave a recap of her year and shared a slide show of her activities. Thank you to Katie for a great job representing our dairy industry.

David Marrison presented the Ohio Elite Awards. Congratulations to Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss Farm of Andover Township for being the 1st place Brown Swiss herd in Ohio. Additionally, Alfa-Creek Farms of Andover Township and Bossy Way Farm of New Lyme Township were recognized for placing as the 4th and 15th place Holstein herds in the state of Ohio for 2016.

The Dairy Service Unit Board of Directors presented production awards to the high individual cows, monthly top herds and low somatic cell award. Five farms were recognized for having top cows in Ashtabula County by breed and age. Alfa Creek Brown Swiss received all 4 Brown Swiss awards and Alfa-Creek Farms won 4 Crossbred Awards, 3 Holstein Awards and 2 Red & White Holstein Awards. Ringbyre Jersey swept all 4 Jersey Awards; Bossy's Way Farm won 1 Holstein Award; and Jason Brinker Dairy won one Red & White Holstein Award. The farm with the top cow in each breed was presented with a polo shirt. Congratulations to Alfa-Creek Farms (Aged Holstein Cow) for having the top producing cow in 2016 (47,888 pounds).

Three herds received a box of candy for being best of the month herd winners. Alfa-Creek Farms was the top herd in the county for 9 months, Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss Farm for 2 months and Bossy's Way Farm for 1 month. For the 12th year, the low somatic cell award was presented. This award is given to the herd on test that has the lowest rolling herd somatic cell count. Congratulations to the Wilson Dairy Farm of

Jefferson Township for winning this award with a herd SCC average of 92,000 for 2016. They received a nice vest for winning this award.

Four herds (Wilson Dairy Farm, Polchin Holsteins, Pine Grove Jersey Farm & Ringbyre Jersey Farm) had over 500 pounds positive gain to their rolling herd average during 2016. Congratulations to Wilson Dairy Farm of Jefferson Township for being the winner of the most improved herd rotating trophy with a 1,077# energy corrected milk gain.

The top Holstein Herd Award went to Alfa Creek Farms of Andover Township, the top Jersey Herd went to Ringbyre Jersey Farm of Monroe Township, and the top Brown Swiss Herd went to Alfa-Creek Brown Swiss of Andover Township. The top herd in Ashtabula County for 2016 was Alfa-Creek Farms whose herd produced 29,131# Milk, 1,251# Fat, 892# Protein and 32,548# ECM. The Boggs family was presented with a nice vest for being the top herd in the county.

David Marrison presented the special raffles. Joyce Stokes won the snow blower donated by Paul Robinson & Company, the Boggs family won the jacket raffle donate by Conneautville's Farmers Exchange, and Mark Gray won the 50/50 raffle. The directors and our new dairy princess presented door prizes. A special drawing was held for all youth. We are extremely grateful to the following businesses who donated door prizes: Ashtabula County Dairy Service Unit; Andover Auto Parts; Dave Ballentine's Pest Control; Bortnick Tractor; Bossy's Way Farm; COBA Select Sires; Conneautville's Farm Exchange; Krystowski Tractor Sales; David Marrison; Orchard Creek Soaps; Robinson Equipment Company; Pine Grove Jersey Farm; Piper Processing; Progressive Dairy; Ringbyre Jersey Farm; Katie Stokes; and Bob Sumeral Tire. The highlight of the door prizes were the new blue Ashtabula County Dairy Service Shirts. These will be a great way to promote our local dairy industry.

There being no further business, President Brinker adjourned the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

