

Dairy Shrine to Honor Four Industry Pioneers

The foresight and wisdom of Albert Craig, Dr. Wade Salisbury, Bill Schaefer and Charles Stroh have earned these men recognition as pioneers in the dairy industry by Dairy Shrine. Although the men followed different paths in achieving their individual successes, they all had one common goal and purpose...to better the dairy industry and agriculture as a whole. Each served as a role model and formative figure for our current standards of excellence in the dairy industry.

The four men will be recognized posthumously by Dairy Shrine at the organization's awards banquet on October 5 in Madison, Wisconsin in conjunction with World Dairy Expo.



ALBERT CRAIG (1891-1976) was a true pioneer, not only in the Holstein breed, but in the entire dairy industry. This exceptional man made great headway in his career during the great depression, a time when most people were barely getting by.

Craig served as director of the National Holstein Association for 16 years, where he fulfilled the offices of finance committee chairman, vice president and president. In addition to displaying great leadership on the national level, Craig was also involved with the Pennsylvania Holstein Association for over 30 years where he also filled many leadership roles.

Craig took home to Craola Holsteins his commitment and foresight for the Holstein breed and put it to the test. He took great pride in breeding animals displaying both type and production. His knowledge about breeding quality animals is evident in the fact that he was honored with the Holstein Association's Progressive Breeder Award for 29 years. Not only was he active with his registered Holsteins, but he was also president of family-controlled Chartiers Oil Company.

Remembered by many for his strong personality, Craig took a great interest in young Holstein enthusiasts. He was a supporter of the 4-H program. He would not only sell animals to youngsters, but would also attend their county and district shows to encourage and guide them.

Craig's support for youth has never died. Today his legacy lives on through Penn State's College of Agriculture where the Craola Farm Scholarship Fund has been established. Craig started this scholarship fund by donating his Holstein herd, farm, machinery and products to the university in 1965. Today the balance of the fund for future scholarships totals more than \$89,000.

Craig's quest for excellence followed many paths throughout his life. A graduate of Princeton University with a degree in geology, he served on the boards of his local hospital, mental health clinic and United Presbyterian Church. He also served his country during World War I in the Navy.

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To: 1994 Dairy Shrine Honorees

Subject: Dairy Shrine Awards Banquet

In just a little over a month, on October 5 to be exact, the biggest event of the year for Dairy Shrine will be held...the Annual Awards banquet. I hope you are all planning to attend.

I have enclosed a few copies of our latest newsletter, The Chronicle, which you'll see highlights all of our 1994 honorees. Also, on page 8 are details regarding the banquet, including a ticket order form. Each of you will have two complimentary tickets reserved in your name for the banquet. Tickets for additional family members who will be attending need to be ordered as soon as possible so I know how many places to reserve at the banquet. If you could get that list to me by September 23 it would be most helpful.

As far as lodging arrangements during Expo, if you have not made arrangements, you'll need to call Marlene at the World Dairy Expo office and she will be able to assist you. Her phone number is 608-251-3976.

These are exciting times for Dairy Shrine. Our Permanent Home and Museum at Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin continues to grow, as does our roll of lifetime members. When you are at World Dairy Expo, I hope you will take time to make the half-hour drive to Fort Atkinson. It's a visit you won't forget.

I hope to hear from you soon and look forward to seeing you on October 5.

Sincerely yours,

James Leuenberger
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Secretary/Treasurer

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