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NAIDC elects board members, executive committee

The North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge (NAIDC) board of directors elected two new board members: David Prentice, DVM, Elanco Animal Health, Elgin, Ia., and Christie Stanley, PhD, Land O'Lakes Purina Feed, Amarillo, Tx.

In addition, the NAIDC board elected new officers to lead the group. Luciene Ribero, APC, Inc., Visalia, Ca., is incoming chair, while Michael Van Amburgh, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., was elected vice chair, and Owen Bewley, Prince Agri Products, Susquehanna, Pa. is finance chair. Returning executive committee members include Coleen Jones, Pennsylvania State University, Craigs ville, Va., as program chair, and Tami Tollenaar, Tollenaar Holsteins Dairy, Elk Grove, Ca., as publicity chair.

Other NAIDC board members include Devin Albrecht, Prairie State/Select Sires, Hampshire, Il.; Jean Conklin, Yankee Farm Credit, ACA, White River Jct., Vt.; Chris Dei, Sierra Vista Nutrition Consulting, Fresno, Ca.; Marcia Endres, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Mn.; Barry Putnam, Cargill Animal Health, Ithaca, N.Y.; Jon Robinson, PhD, Fresno State University, Fresno, Ca.; Amy te Plate Church, Genex, Shawano, Wi.; and Dave Winston, M.S., Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Va.

Retiring board members are Rob Sheffer, Cargill Animal Nutrition, Albany, N.Y. and Kas Ingawa, PhD, NC State University/Dairy Records Management Systems, Raleigh, NC.

NAIDC manages and operates one national and four regional contests. The national contest will be held March 29-31 in Roanoke, Va. Regional contest dates and locations include: Northeast, October 27-29, Watertown, N.Y.; Southern, November 17-19, Live Oak, Fl.; Midwest, February 1-3, location tba; and West, March 2-3, Visalia, Ca.

The North American Dairy Challenge was established as a management contest to incorporate all phases of a specific dairy business. It strives to incorporate a higher-learning atmosphere with practical application to help prepare students for careers in the dairy industry. The first NAIDC was held in April 2002.

Generous contributions from dairy industry companies, foundations and dairy producers support the North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge. If you'd like to join the list of supporters, please contact an NAIDC board member or Executive Director Molly Kelley at naidc@wdexpo.com. NAIDC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax-exempt organization, and contributions to Dairy Challenge are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

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