



MARYLAND HOLSTEIN NEWS

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

*****IMPORTANT NOTICE***** The Maryland Holstein Association is accepting dues payment with debit or credit card via our website. Go to <https://marylandholstein.com/membership/> for more information and to make your dues payment online, as well as make any changes to your directory listing (only if changes are needed) and donations to the scholarship and junior trip fund. Be sure to scroll down for directory change form and donation buttons. For those who wish to continue paying by check, the membership renewal form is enclosed. **Note, there may only be two members per family/farm, per membership, per address. If Maryland Holstein materials need to be sent to more than one address, there must be a membership for each address. If there are more than two people on your membership form, only the first two listed will be considered members.** Membership fee is \$50, plus 40 cents for each registered/identified Holstein ancestry female that has freshened. Dues should be paid by January 31. State membership allows animals to be registered at the lowest price. Included in membership are Farmshine, Maryland Holstein Annual and newsletters. The membership directory is published in the printed annual only, not online. To be listed as a breeder on the association website directory to advertise your herd, there is a \$20 fee, payable with membership. There is also space to elect this payment on the online form.

DONATIONS

The scholarship committee and junior committee are accepting donations, including major gifts. If interested in giving, write separate check to Maryland Holstein Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions are tax deductible. A box on the membership form and the website designates funds for scholarships or junior trips. We appreciate your support of Holstein youth. Please note, the trip fund is in particular need of donations.

MARYLAND HOLSTEIN GEAR

Maryland Holstein gear is available online on our clothing site: <https://www.bonfire.com/store/maryland-holstein-gear/>. This on-demand order site also kicks back a few dollars to help the association with each sale.

MARYLAND HOLSTEIN FUTURITY

Information and entry forms for the Maryland Holstein Futurity are included. Entries are due December 31.

UPCOMING DAIRY DATES

Visit <https://ansc.umd.edu/extension/dairy-extension/dairy-youth> for more information on upcoming 4-H dairy events and for 4-H dairy bowl, judging and skillathon resources. Tentative industry and 4-H upcoming dairy events are listed below.

MD Dairy Shrine Banquet - 6:30 p.m., February 22, Howard County Fairgrounds
(<https://sites.google.com/site/mddairyshrine/home>, mddairyshrine@gmail.com)

MD Holstein Banquet - March 21, New Windsor Fire Hall

MD 4-H Dairy Skillathon - March 22, Carroll County Extension Office

MD 4-H Dairy Bowl - April 12, Carroll County Extension Office

MD Holstein Spring Show - April 19, Howard County Fairgrounds

MARYLAND HOLSTEIN BANQUET

The Maryland Holstein Association is hosting an awards banquet Friday, March 21, at the New Windsor Fire Hall. The event will feature food, fellowship, awards and junior recognition. A fun auction will benefit junior member activities, including their national convention trip. Please consider bringing an item for the auction. More details to come.

MARYLAND HOLSTEIN SPRING SHOW

The Maryland Holstein Spring Show is set for Saturday, April 19, at the Howard County Fairgrounds. Class sponsors are needed, contact Laurie Savage at marylandholstein@gmail.com.

MARYLAND ANNUAL BOOKLET

Sarah Davis is serving as editor of the Maryland Annual. Send ads to her or contact her for assistance in building ads at 410-984-0129 or sarahpoweldavis@gmail.com. She accepts camera-ready ads. Ads are due February 1.

Commercial Prices

Diamond Sponsor | \$750 - three spots available

- full-page ad in the current Maryland Holstein Annual at the inside cover page, first page or back cover page
- sponsorship of upcoming spring show, including company logo on ringside banner and Cowsmo show coverage website
- support toward complimentary spring show exhibitors breakfast

Gold Sponsor | \$500

- full-page ad in the current Maryland Holstein Annual interior pages
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Silver Sponsor | \$300

- half-page ad in the current Maryland Holstein Annual interior pages
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Bronze | \$125

- half-page ad in the current Maryland Holstein Annual interior pages

Sapphire | \$75

- quarter-page ad in the current Maryland Holstein Annual interior pages

Breeder Prices

\$50 add-on option for spring show sponsor farm logo on Cowsmo show coverage website

Full page: \$130 + design, \$154

Half page: \$80 + design, \$95

Quarter page: \$50 + design, \$60

1/8 page: \$30 + design, \$36

JUNIORS

The Maryland Holstein Junior Jamboree will be offered in early 2025. The National Holstein Convention will be in St. Louis, MO, June 23 to 26, 2025, and the jamboree is held to select and prepare youth who wish to attend the convention to compete in youth contests. Holstein Distinguished Junior Member and Young Distinguished Junior Member books will be due at the end of January. Books can be given to Gary Brauning or mailed to 3175 Bowen Drive, Finksburg, MD 21048. For more information on this program, contact Gary Brauning at 443-375-6963 or braunsidefarms@verizon.net. Juniors who join the national organization are automatically state junior members. To become a Holstein junior member or for more junior contest information and rules, visit www.holsteinusa.com and click on juniors. Junior members are also eligible for scholarships.