

2010 Klussendorf Trophy

Mike Stiles, Waverly Farm, Clear Brook, Va., was named the 69th winner of the Klussendorf Trophy, the highest recognition given to a dairy cattle showman in the United States. Mike received the silver trophy designed by Tiffany Co., New York, N.Y., after being selected earlier that week by members of the Klussendorf Memorial Association.

He and his brother, Paul, made history by becoming the first siblings to both receive the Klussendorf Trophy. Paul received the honor in 2006.

Mike owns and operates his herd of 400 Jerseys at Waverly Farm along with his brother. They have produced more than 500



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Excellent Jerseys, and in a December 2009 appraisal had 102 Excellent and 99 Very Good animals on site. Mike has also sent more than 100 bulls from Waverly Farm into A.I., both nationally and internationally.

This Master Breeder has long been recognized by his peers in the industry, garnering coveted awards from the American Jersey Cattle Association and National Dairy Shrine, including the Max Gordon award in Louisville. Mike has exhibited numerous Grand Champions at World Dairy Expo and The All American Jersey Show in Louisville, Ky., where Waverly Farm has been named Premier Breeder 17 times, and Premier Exhibitor 14 times, and exhibited the National Grand Champion cow six times and Reserve National Grand Champion eight times.

Mike joins a list of distinguished Jersey breeders as past recipients of the Klussendorf Trophy. The list includes Carl Bourne, Paul Sparrow, Lewis Porter, George Barlass, Max Gordon, Lowell Willis, Norman Nabholz, Alta Mae Core, Bill Taylor, Stephen White, Brian Sayles, Paul Stiles, Barry Quickfall and Mark Rueth.