

# Minnesota Junior Holstein Association News

## January 2021

*It is no surprise that things have looked differently over the past few months. The Minnesota Junior Holstein Association board is excited to be holding virtual contests on March 20th, 2021, as well as an in-person event on May 1st, 2021. Registration can be submitted online at [www.mnholstein.com](http://www.mnholstein.com) or through our MJHA Facebook page. We encourage all junior members to participate in a contest. It is a great way to connect with friends and make new ones!*

**Moosic to my Ears:  
2021 Minnesota Junior All-Breeds  
Virtual Contest Day  
March 20, 2021**

**Convention Day  
Twin Spruce Farm  
17565 CR 43 in Richmond, MN  
May 1, 2021**

### **March 20th Contest Schedule**

9:00 - Online Voting Opens for Pictures\* &  
Poster Boards  
9:00 - Board Applications Released (due  
April 23, 2021)  
9:00-10:00 - Speech Contest  
10:00-12:00 - Jeopardy (Junior,  
Intermediate, Senior)  
12:00-1:00 - Lunch Break  
1:00 - Quiz Bowl (Junior & Senior)  
8:00 - Google Forms Voting Closes

### **May 1st Convention Schedule**

9:30-10:30 - Registration  
10:30-12:00 - Workshops  
12:00-1:00 - Lunch & Speaker  
1:00-2:30 - Workshops  
2:30-3:00 - Games  
3:00-5:00 - Refreshments, Business  
Meeting, Speaker, Awards  
5:00- Transition Board Meeting  
*\*\*Workshops will feature an udder  
dissection, hoof trimming, nutrition, and  
reproduction\*\**

***These two events are free thanks to  
our generous sponsors!***

***Register for both events online at [www.mnholstein.com](http://www.mnholstein.com) or by visiting the MJHA Facebook page. Please complete your sign up by March 8, 2021.***



# Virtual Contest Day Information

## Photo Contest

Do you have a great photo from a junior event or one of you with your project animal? Attach them on your google form when you sign up for convention. The photos will be put into a google form to be voted on by other junior members. Submitted photos will also be considered for inclusion on Minnesota's Banner at the 2021 National Junior Convention.

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## Public Speaking Contest

The prepared public speaking contest is open to all juniors ages 9-21. Contestants can choose any subject pertaining to dairy cattle and the dairy industry.

*Juniors - ages 9-13, 3-5 minute speech*

*Intermediates - ages 14-17, 6-8 minute speech*

*Seniors - ages 18-21, 6-8 minute speech*

Speeches will be given on zoom; participants will give their speech to a judge with nobody else present. Each speech will be recorded on zoom to accommodate for any internet issues.

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## Dairy Bowl

Dairy Bowl is one of the big events MJHA members can compete in at convention. Juniors will have the opportunity to display their knowledge of the Holstein breed and the dairy industry. Dairy Bowl will be held via zoom, and participants will have the opportunity to form their own teams or be paired with other junior members upon request. All participants will gather in one large zoom room for rules. When your team is participating you will be put into a breakout room with the team you are against. The contest will be conducted as normal, with phase one consisting of 12 questions to be answered individually by one team at a time, and phase two consisting of 15 toss-up questions that members of either team can answer. We will be using a program called ccg.buzz to "buzz in." This program allows us to see which participant buzzes in first keeping the contest fun and fair.

Junior members who are not in the breakout room participating in the contest will stay in the large zoom room to chat with other junior members and games put together by board members.

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## Dairy Jeopardy

Dairy Jeopardy is a contest for individuals who are quick on the buzzer and want to test his or her dairy knowledge. The contest is open to all Minnesota Junior Holstein members ages 9-21. Dairy Jeopardy will be using the same platforms as Dairy Bowl. Participants will have the opportunity to buzz in to answer questions for their respective point values.

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## PBR & Long Range Production Awards

Long range production awards for 50,000 100,000 and 150,000 pounds of milk will be given out to juniors at the convention banquet. Long range production awards will be open to all breeds. High milk, high fat, and high protein awards are also given for the age divisions 2-year-olds, 3-year-olds, 4-year-olds, and 5-years over. The Minnesota Junior Progressive Breeders Registry award will also be presented at the banquet. The application for these awards need to be submitted to the MHA office by February 19, 2021. This is a great way for you to get the recognition that both you and your cow deserve. *Application available online.*

# Convention Day Information

The Minnesota Junior Holstein Board would like to invite you to Twin Spruce Farms on May 1, 2021, for a day of fun games, educational workshops, guest speakers, a farm tour and a banquet. The day will start at 9:30 am and end with the banquet at 3:00 pm. Junior members are encouraged to come, and adults are welcome to stay and participate in the day's activities.

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## ***JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2021***

**Minnesota Junior Holstein Association**  
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**(320) 259-0637**  
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**New Member / 1<sup>st</sup> Time Membership-- \$20.00**

**(one year state membership and lifetime national junior membership)**

**Annual State Junior Membership Renewal-- \$5.00**

**Lifetime State and National Membership-- \$60.00**

**Subscription to the Minnesota Holstein News-- \$25.00**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Names** \_\_\_\_\_

**Junior Club** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this card with check payable to MJHA*

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## **Running for MJHA Board**

Once again older members have the exciting opportunity to run for MJHA board. Please think hard before running for the board. This is a task that takes great dedication and hard work. We encourage all of those who are ready to give it their all and to be a part of something great to run for the board.

Applications will be available on March 20th and are due back to the Junior Holstein board April 10th. Applicants will be asked to create a short video introducing themselves and tell why they would like to run for the board. New board members will be voted in on May 1st at Convention Day. If you have any questions, contact any MJHA board member or the MHA office. Good Luck! *Application available online and below.*

## ***Minnesota Junior Holstein Association Board Member Application*** ***(available online as well)***

**Name:**

**Age:**

**Years attended MJHA All-Breeds Convention:**

**Describe your involvement in the dairy industry:**

**Describe your involvement in organizations:**

**Why do you want to be an MJHA board member?**

***MJHA HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION***

Two \$200 Scholarships Awarded

**Deadline: February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Applications must be RECEIVED by the due date)**

**Requirements:**

- Present member of MJHA
- Current High School Senior
- Must be used for post-secondary education
- Completed application
- One letter of recommendation from a high school teacher/advisor

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Names \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer items 1-4 on a maximum of two typewritten pages:

(40 points) Junior Holstein Activities: Describe all involvement and leadership activities in local, state, and national levels (committees, offices, tours, shows, etc.)

(25 points) Academic Records—List all classes taken and grades earned in high school. Transcripts are accepted, but are not required. Please indicate class size and rank.

(25 points) Community Involvement and Leadership (4-H, FFA, Church, School, Community, etc.)

(10 points) Future Plans—Briefly describe future plans and goals, indicate where scholarship will be used.

Letter of Recommendation—written by a high school teacher/advisor.

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***MJHA JUNIOR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION***

Two \$250 Scholarships Awarded

**Deadline: February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Application must be RECEIVED by the due date)**

**Requirements:**

- Present or former MJHA member
- Must be currently enrolled in post-secondary education as a full-time student in good academic standing. College freshmen are eligible to apply
- The scholarship can only be received once
- Enclose a copy of your college transcript
- Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the selection committee.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

College Attending \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_

Year in School \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions:

(30 points) What has been your involvement with the Minnesota Junior Holstein Association?

(10 points) List your college activities.

(10 points) List your activities in the last few years.

(50 points) Essay (250 words minimum for each essay question):

- 1) What do you see yourself doing in 2-5 years after graduation and how do you intend to benefit the agricultural industry?
- 2) Discuss 2 or 3 ways to keep the MN Holstein Association strong and viable in the future.

### ***MJHA JUNIOR STAR AWARD***

This award is given at the annual convention to honor juniors with outstanding involvement in the Minnesota Junior Holstein Association. Junior must be 9-21 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 and may only receive this award once.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Year in  
School \_\_\_\_\_ Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Holstein Related Information**

Are you a current member of the National Association? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Attendance (1 point each)**

Have you attended the state junior convention? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years:

Have you attended the state junior show? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify what years:

Have you attended a junior or adult club meeting? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which club and how many years:

#### **Participation (2 points each)**

Have you participated in Ag Olympics? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years:

Have you attended and participated in a fitting and clipping workshop? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years:

Have you exhibited at the state junior show? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years:

#### **Assistance and outstanding participation/attendance (3 points each)**

Have you assisted at the Minnesota Junior Holstein Association spring sale lunch stand? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please specify which years:

Have you helped at the MJHA state show lunch stand? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years:

Have you exhibited at a national junior show? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years and which show:

Have you participated in the dairy bowl competition at the state junior convention? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years:

Have you participated in the speech competition at the state junior convention? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify which years:

On a separate paper, write a story (500 words maximum) about your Holstein involvement. Tell how you became involved with MJHA, what you learned from your project experiences and anything related to your activities, goals and plans for the future.

**Submit this application form to the MJHA office no later  
than February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021.**



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### **Upcoming MHA/MJHA Events:**

February 5, 2021 - March Minnesota Holstein News & Midwest Holsteins Advertising Deadline  
February 15, 2021 - Futurity XLIV Entries due to the MHA Office  
February 19, 2021 - Scholarship & Star Award applications due to the MHA Office  
March 8, 2021 - Junior All-Breeds Virtual Contest and Convention Day Registration Due  
March 20, 2021 - MN Junior All-Breeds Virtual Contest Day  
May 1, 2021 - MN Junior All-Breeds Convention Day at Twin Spruce Farm  
June 19-24, 2021 - National Holstein Convention, Lancaster, PA  
June 26, 2021 - MHA Field Day, Hosted by Ash-Grove Dairy  
July 6-10, 2021 - MHA State Show, Farmington, MN

