

October 2023



Dear Dairy Producers & Friends:

We cordially invite you to our upcoming Washington Dairy Conference, **December 4-6** at the Great Wolf Lodge in Grand Mound, Washington (near Chehalis on I-5).

Thanks to our Title Sponsor, the Dairy Farmers of Washington, dairy producers may register for **Free** for the event. Please register by **November 3**. To register online, go to www.WaStateDairy.com, or you can mail/email the enclosed registration form.

The Dairy Women will host their scholarship auction. Both the Dairy Federation and the Dairy Women will hold annual membership meetings.

EARLY REGISTRATION PRIZE

If you register by **October 25**, you will be eligible for a drawing to win a future stay at the Great Wolf Lodge for you and your family to enjoy. Must be present to win.

HOTEL

We have secured a room block at conference rates for you at the Great Wolf Lodge. Family suites are \$139.00 per night. The resort fee has been waived. There is one water pass given to each registered guest per room. Two ways to reserve your hotel room: 1. Call 800-640-9653 or 2. Reserve online at www.greatwolf.com/grand-mound. You will need to provide the offer code **2312WSDF** when registering. Please have your room reserved by the group rate cut-off date of **November 3**.

SPEAKERS

Our keynote speaker will be Coach Kennedy, the Bremerton High School football coach who takes a stand for free speech and religious liberty to the U.S. Supreme Court and won.

TOPICS

While we are still in the process of scheduling our speakers, some of the topics will be agricultural outlook, program funding for conservation projects, USDA programs, and other resources for dairy farms.

BOARD ELECTIONS

Three of WSDF's board member positions are up for election this year:

- District 1 Position 3 currently held by Dwayne Faber (3-year term)
- District 2 Position 5 currently vacant (3-year term)
- District 3 Position 8 currently held by Ruurd Veldhuis (3-year term)

If you are a Grade A producer and have been engaged in producing dairy products for the five preceding years within the state, you are eligible to run. Those interested need to fill out a Board Candidate Biography form prior to **October 30th**. That form is available online at www.WaStateDairy.com. If you would like a form sent to you or have any questions, please contact the office at 360-482-3485 or Christine@WaStateDairy.com.

Please remember to reserve a hotel room by November 3 and register for the Annual Meeting no later than October 25 to participate in the early registration drawing.

See you in December!

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REASONS TO ATTEND:

- Great speakers – timely topics & updates
- You deserve a break! Let someone else clean up after you for a few days. They want you to leave the towels on the floor!
- Each hotel room gets waterpark passes.
- The Dairy Farmers of Washington are covering all meals for producers.
- Generous time for fellowship with fellow dairy producers and exhibitors.

WSDF District Map

