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WALSAA Celebrates 50 Years of CALS Connections for Life

It's the 50th anniversary of WALSAA, the Wisconsin Agricultural and Life Sciences Alumni Association, and the organization's flagship events will celebrate and showcase its 50 years. WALSAA has served its members as their Connection for Life to CALS, the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at UW-Madison.

When WALSAA was established in 1972, the organization embarked on a remarkable journey of service and fellowship with alumni and friends of CALS. "As alumni, we can act more effectively than any single group to build the image of greatness and at the same time enjoy the fellowship of working together," said Roger Biddick, the first WALSAA president at the inaugural annual meeting.

WALSAA's flagship events, the WALSAA Football Fire-Up, and Summer Picnic during Wisconsin Farm Technology Days will showcase 50th anniversary special events. "I am excited to welcome alumni and friends of UW-Madison's College of Agricultural and Life Sciences to celebrate WALSAA's 50th Anniversary at these events," says Taylor Fritsch, WALSAA President. "We look forward to honoring WALSAA's legacy of service while building momentum for the next 50 years. Our 50th Anniversary will reconnect alumni and friends with colleagues and the campus community. We hope to see you at one of our flagship events!" Members should check the quarterly newsletter, WALSAA Express, and follow the organization's Facebook and Instagram pages to learn more about the 50th Anniversary special additions.

Student Support For the past 50 years, WALSAA has supported numerous CALS students annually through the Outstanding Sophomore Award scholarships, Farm and Industry Short Course awards, Student Organization Impact Grant awards, and new in the 50th year Senior Impact Awards. In 2022, WALSAA has awarded more than \$20,000 in student scholarships and awards. WALSAA also provides funding for the CALS Ambassadors who are the recruitment team engaging with prospective high school students. Additionally, WALSAA supports students by providing alumni members as speakers for student organizations on topics such as resumes, interviews, goal setting, and life transitions from college to the first career. WALSAA members serve as mentors for students in aligned career fields.

Advisor Support To recognize faculty and staff advisors, WALSAA developed and endowed the WALSAA Advising Award. Established in 1997, the award is given to a member of the CALS faculty for exceptional student advising service.

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CALS grads with new WALSAA 50th shirts

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Rolling With the Changes



Taylor Fritsch, WALSAA President

As the saying goes, the only constant in life is change. Certainly, the past two years have brought us all no shortage of change! This issue of the *WALSAA Express* highlights news of change in several areas.

WALSAA 2022-27 Strategic Plan

Over the past 15 years or so, WALSAA and CALS have experienced a great deal of change. Recent alums want to engage with their alma mater in different ways, and WALSAA must continue to evolve to serve CALS alumni and students. The WALSAA Board recently completed a strategic planning effort to help guide our efforts over the next five years. The plan is built around four strategic priorities:

- 1. Student Engagement.** Grow opportunities for alumni to support and engage with current CALS students and student organizations.
- 2. Alumni Engagement.** Serve as a CALS Connection for Life for CALS and FISC alumni.
- 3. Financial and Organizational Sustainability.** Maximize WALSAA's impact by building organizational strength.
- 4. Partnerships.** Build strong relationships with CALS and UW-Madison collaborators.

These broad strategic priorities are paired with strategies and tactics we will look to implement to advance WALSAA. We look forward to sharing more about the plan in future issues of the *WALSAA Express*.

Farm and Industry Short Course

Speaking of change, we know that many of you learned last month of significant changes coming to UW-Madison's historic Farm and Industry Short Course (FISC) program—more specifically, the replacement of the 16-week residential FISC program and associated certificates with a new program model. While the FISC program and brand will live on in the form of these flexible (online, in-person or hybrid) non-credit programs targeted to the agriculture industry, we know that many of our members (among them many FISC alumni) are disappointed and concerned about this change.

The FISC program has long attracted an audience of students for whom a four-year undergraduate program may not have been attractive. FISC ensured that these students were able to get hands-on education from faculty and researchers at UW-Madison while networking with a cohort of their peers. Many FISC alumni have gone on to have great success in farming and agribusiness and have remained strong supporters

and advocates for CALS as a result of their time at FISC. At a time when the agriculture industry faces unprecedented workforce and human capital challenges, serving these students remains of paramount importance.

WALSAA will remain engaged with Ag Hall regarding the future of this program, and we will pass along opportunities for stakeholders to weigh in. I encourage members with an interest in this program to reach out to Associate Dean for Extension and Outreach Doug Reinemann at doug.reinemann@wisc.edu.

To those FISC alumni reading this column, please rest assured that WALSAA remains steadfast in its commitment to supporting and connecting FISC alumni. Please reach out to me if you have suggestions or comments on how WALSAA can contribute to your success.

CALS Dean Search

Change is also coming to CALS' leadership. Last fall, CALS Dean Kate VandenBosch announced her intention to step down from the deanship this summer. Dean Kate has been a strong supporter of WALSAA, partnering with us on several fronts. In commenting on her expected departure, Provost Scholz called her "unflappable and wise"—an apt descriptor if there ever was. Dean, thank you for sharing your time and talents with CALS and the greater UW-Madison community. While Dean Kate's final regular column in the *WALSAA Express* appears on the next page, we hope that she will remain in touch with CALS and our WALSAA members.

Strong leadership is needed to ensure CALS' continued strength. A search for Dean Kate's successor is underway, with the expectation that a new dean could be in place as early as this summer. Public presentations from finalists are scheduled during the month of April. I encourage you to stay attuned to the search process and look for opportunities to welcome the new dean in the near future.

Taylor Fritsch (B.S. 2014)

CALS MESSAGE

Thank You for Always Moving Us 'All Ways Forward'



Kate VandenBosch, CALS Dean and Director

All Ways Forward, the largest comprehensive campaign in UW–Madison’s history, came to an end in December 2021. And now, with final numbers in hand, I can happily report that it was a resounding success — for both the campus and CALS. For this, we owe our thanks to the efforts of dedicated alumni like yourselves and to many other donors and friends of the university.

Many of you have likely already heard of the campaign, but for those who are unfamiliar, here’s a little background. In fall 2015, UW set an ambitious goal to raise \$3.2 billion by the end of the decade to ensure the university remains a world-class, world-changing institution. The COVID-19 pandemic caused some interference, but an extra campaign year put things back on track — and then some.

UW raised \$4.2 billion — far surpassing the initial campaign goal — thanks to the generosity of more than 265,000 donors. And at CALS, I’m proud to say we surpassed our own goal of \$150 million by more than 18%. Here’s a closer look at some other notable numbers:

- Total campaign funds raised: \$177,301,372
- Number of donors: 13,321
- Funds raised for facilities: \$33.6M
- Planned gift total: \$32,775,028
- Student support: \$18.5 million
- Faculty support: \$23.4 million
- Research support: \$18 million

We also raised \$4,778,650 for our CALS Fund, a versatile pool of resources that helps the college quickly adapt and respond to emerging needs. And we garnered \$108,751 for QuickStart, our early-start program for first-year CALS. The QuickStart total includes a significant contribution from WALSA, and for that, we can’t thank you enough.

Although UW is a public university, fundraising has become more critical than ever to its mission, and to that of CALS. Private funding is one of the largest pieces of the university’s fiscal pie — more than state revenue, more than federal financial aid, and just slightly below what the university gathers in both tuition and federal grants. Private financial support lets us do things we otherwise couldn’t do, whether that’s with facilities, faculty, students, or programs.

The All Ways Forward campaign also helped us foster relationships with donors and alumni like you. We learned about your goals and the goals we all share, and this helped us modify and improve our own vision for the future. As a result, we created stronger connections with our supporters.

Again, you have our deepest thanks. You’ve helped ensure that UW and CALS remains world leaders in research and innovation and education and outreach — now, and forward, into the future.

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OSA LOOK BACK

Celebrating 25 Years of Outstanding Sophomore Awards



Jenny Martin

Last year, WALSAA celebrated 25 years of Outstanding Sophomore Awards. We continue to share a look back to previous recipients.

Jenny Martin of Madison, Wisconsin was a recipient of WALSAA's Outstanding Sophomore Award. Martin is a Director at Filament Marketing and is a past WALSAA board member.

We asked how WALSAA had an impact on their lives and what advice they would offer current students. Martin shared, "It was an honor to be named one of CALS' 2003 Outstanding Sophomores and a blessing to receive the

scholarship. I was responsible for funding 100% of my college education. Nearly 20 years later, I am still so very grateful for the generous scholarship support I received. OSAs, take every opportunity to explore, connect, experience, and learn from the endless and amazing CALS people, organizations, and opportunities around you."

Watch for more Outstanding Sophomore Award look backs in future issues. A special insert is included in this newsletter featuring the 2022 WALSAA Outstanding Sophomore Award recipients.

CALS AMBASSADORS

Student Recruitment



Siwei Qian, WALSAA Student Representative

Spring semester went well for CALS Ambassadors. We continued to hold a mix of in-person and virtual events. We held seven spring information sessions with three of them being held online. To improve the experience for guests, our chairs and advisor, Lauryn, provided additional training for ambassadors and we continue to standardize our tour guide experience.

As prospective students receive admission notifications, CALS ambassadors are actively participating in a variety

of events. We held a virtual drop-in night on March 1 to answer questions from admitted students. We assisted with Your UW Days on March 11, March 25 and April 8. We also helped with CALS Admitted Students Day on April 22. During these weeks, admitted students participated in workshops about living and studying at UW-Madison. They also had a chance to talk to advisors and have a campus tour led by CALS ambassadors.

CALS STUDENT AMBASSADORS 2021-2022

Kate Goodwin *Events co-chair*
Biology and global health

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Biology and global health with environmental studies and leadership certificates

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Agricultural and applied economics and environmental studies

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Microbiology

Paul Lyons
Genetics and genomics with global health certificate

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Tanner Oyen
Agronomy with business management certificate

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Biology with global health certificate

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Biochemistry and microbiology



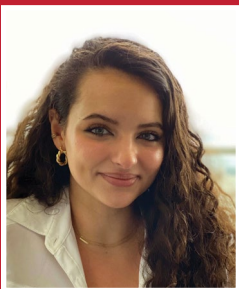
Nicole Broege • Dairy Science

Nicole Broege is a UW dairy science major from Janesville, Wisconsin. She is also co-owner of Rock-Edge Holsteins, a 20-head registered Holstein herd.

Broege is involved in several UW student organizations that she is passionate about and knows will prove valuable later in her professional career. She is secretary of the National Agri-Marketing Association, Outreach chair of the Badger Dairy Club, and treasurer of the Collegiate Farm Bureau and Association of Women in Agriculture (AWA). She was the

Wisconsin Holstein Association's Outstanding Holstein Girl in 2021 and previously served as chair of that organization's Junior Activities Committee. Her work experience additionally includes three years as a calf care manager at a Jersey farm.

Broege appreciates the *"versatility in the diversity of majors" offered at CALS, majors which can lead to hundreds of different career opportunities. "I feel blessed," she says, "to have found a home in CALS because I have made connections with fellow undergraduates and CALS staff that will last a lifetime."*



**Gabrielle Conidi • Animal Sciences and
Conservation Biology**

Gabrielle Conidi of Hinsdale, Illinois, is a double major in animal sciences and conservation biology at the UW. A member of the Pre-Veterinary Club, she hopes to pursue a veterinary career in conservation or zoological medicine.

Conidi currently works as a student veterinary assistant at the UW Veterinary Care Clinic – Special Species and as a research assistant in the Comparative Genetics and Orthopedics Laboratory. She has previously held summer

internships and volunteer positions at a wildlife preserve and several veterinary clinics. In her hometown, Conidi has been active in the O'Brien School for the Maasai and the Hinsdale Humane Society where she was Junior Board president. She also takes part in competitive and recreational horseback riding.

As a mentee, Conidi credits COMPASS, the Collaborative Mentorship Program for Animal and Dairy Science Students, with *"showing me how diverse CALS is and connecting me with faculty in other areas. There is something for everyone in CALS," she says. "Between the clubs, majors and classes there's so many interesting areas to study."*

***Meet the 2022
Outstanding
Sophomore Award
recipients!***

Each year, WALSAA names 10 second-year CALS students at the University of Wisconsin-Madison as outstanding sophomores. The award focuses on the qualities that truly exemplify an outstanding student, including leadership, service, experience, and academic success. Continue reading to learn more about this year's award winners and why they are truly outstanding.

Since 1972, WALSAA has been THE alumni association of the UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) and Farm and Industry Short Course (FISC).

WALSAA is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that supports the connection of students, faculty and alumni to the UW-Madison College of Agricultural & Life Sciences.

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Kirsten Gahan • Microbiology

Kirsten Gahan is from Pewaukee, Wisconsin. She is in the Honors in Research Program and working towards a degree in microbiology and a certificate in entrepreneurship. Gahan took part in the CALS QuickStart Program before her freshmen year. She says, *“QuickStart connected me with students, resources, professionals and opportunities that helped me to develop a better understanding of what the world of science looks like today.”*

Gahan is a member of Alpha Omega Epsilon and the Pre-Veterinary Club. She is a mentor in the Building Academic Social and Emotional Supports (BASES) program which works with homeless children. She also works part-time as a research assistant in the UW’s Lee Lab and as an animal handler in a daycare and boarding facility for dogs.

Gahan believes “social misinformation” is one of today’s biggest challenges. To overpower this false information, she says as a future scientist, *“I will strive to make research and scientific knowledge more accessible and intelligible to everyone.”*



Megan Moede • Agricultural Business Management

Megan Moede is from Algoma, Wisconsin. She is an agricultural business management major with plans to add a second degree in life sciences communication in preparation for a career in marketing or public relations.

Moede is an active member of the Association of Women in Agriculture (AWA), National Agri-Marketing Association, Badger Dairy Club and AgChat. She is a Renk Scholar and previously earned the James W. Crowley 4-H Leadership Award. Moede assists with her family’s dairy animals and small animal veterinary clinic and also works part-time as a sales representative for an apparel/promotional products company. Megan and her brother won Supreme Champion Cow honors at

World Dairy Expo’s Junior Show in 2019 with their Red & White Holstein, and in 2021 she was a partner in the Junior All-American Summer Yearling Jersey.

Moede appreciates the “community-based individuality” of CALS. *“I thank CALS,”* she says, *“for helping me to narrow my interests and presenting me with an encouraging community that promotes the value of practical academic involvement.”*



Molly Olstad • Life Sciences Communication

Molly Olstad is from Stoughton, Wisconsin, and pursuing a degree in life sciences communication and a certificate in entrepreneurship.

Olstad is a member of the Association of Women in Agriculture (AWA), Badger Dairy Club and Collegiate Farm Bureau. She is vice-president of programming/fundraising, and past secretary, of the National Agri-Marketing Association. As a digital media/marketing intern at Farm Journal, and now a communications intern with the Dairy Innovation Hub, she has gained valued work experience. Olstad is past president of the Dane County Junior Holstein Association. In 2019, she was co-owner of the Supreme Champion Heifer in both the Junior and

Open Shows at World Dairy Expo with a Red & White calf.

Olstad appreciates feeling part of a big, yet small, family at CALS. As she says, *“I believe CALS is the best of the best because not many people attend a big school and end up making so many connections within their college.”*



Rosalie Powell • Environmental Studies and Life Sciences Communication

Rosalie Powell of Madison, Wisconsin, is working towards a double major in environmental sciences and life sciences communication at CALS.

Powell is a member of Campus Leaders for Energy Action Now (CLEAN UW) and the Wisconsin International Scholars Honor Program. Powell is currently an intern at the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection in their Bureau of Land and Water where she is contributing towards programs that promote sustainable farming practices. She is also a Chief Election Inspector for the City of Madison. She has previously worked as a research assistant in an UW ecology and conservation laboratory.

Powell believes the greatest challenge in her field is communicating the science and solutions of climate change. She states, *“I want to empower communities and give them access to the scientific resources and funding they need to mitigate and adapt to the impact of climate change. It’s no use to mourn the loss of our natural areas – I want to do something to save them.”*



Aryan Saini • Biology

Aryan Saini of Madison, Wisconsin, is a biology major with a certificate in global health student at the UW with plans to pursue medicine and become a doctor.

Saini’s experiences, both on and off campus, are helping to prepare him for that future. He is a volunteer at Meriter Hospital in their elder life program, a Board member for Habitat for Humanity, and an undergraduate research scholar and assistant in a laboratory. He is a mentor and school tutor for children experiencing homelessness in Madison as part of the Building Academic Social and Emotional Supports (BASES) program and is a student assistant and tutor for a UW math class. Saini previously was a mentor at the UW Center for Academic Excellence (CAE).

He recently took a part-time job as a Wisconsin Union event manager.

Saini is appreciative of the many things CALS offers stating, *“Through its academic, service and research opportunities, CALS provides an enriching experience to students allowing them to pursue their passions in the classroom and beyond.”*



Kelsey Schneider • Genetics and Genomics

Kelsey Schneider comes from River Falls, Wisconsin. She plans to take the knowledge she gains from her CALS degree in genetics and genomics and apply it to a career as a physician.

Schneider is a member of the American Medical Student Association (AMSA) Pre-Medical Chapter and the Archery Club. She works part-time as an image processor at an aortic imaging research lab in the UW’s School of Medicine and Public Health. Schneider is very involved with the Arthritis Foundation and has played an active role on several of its committees and as a camp counselor. She is also a volunteer for the Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP) at Meriter Hospital.

Student research experiences have been a highlight for Schneider at CALS, in particular the “Tiny Earth” research-based courses offered through the Department of Plant Pathology. Schneider says of her favorite class, *“The Tiny Earth Program has transformed me from student to scientist, and that is an experience I know other CALS students will savor, value and learn from.”*

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**2022 Outstanding
Sophomore Award Recipients**





Lauren Sroda • Biological Systems Engineering

Lauren Sroda is a biological systems engineering major and Honors in Research Program student from De Pere, Wisconsin. She credits the CALS QuickStart program with helping her better prepare for college.

Through the Midwest Poultry Consortium's Center of Excellence (COE) scholarship/internship program, Sroda took summer classes at Iowa State University in poultry and interned with a poultry company before her sophomore year. Sroda has since restarted the UW's Poultry Club and is its president. She is a member of the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers and chaired their Engineering Expo. Sroda is a Cengage student ambassador and works part-time on the UW Chancellor's Olin House event staff.

As an engineer, Sroda plans to focus on food production within the poultry industry and how to make it more sustainable. *"By making connections and educating myself about the poultry industry before I graduate," she says, "I will get a better grasp of what problems I can think about solving and have a jumpstart into the industry."*



Sydney Taylor • Global Health and Spanish

Sydney Taylor of Cottage Grove, Wisconsin, transferred after a year at UW-Oshkosh to UW-Madison where she now majors in global health and Spanish. Her long-term goal is to become an epidemiologist.

Taylor is active in the American Red Cross where she is a blood donation program volunteer coordinator. She works as a student assistant in the UW School of Medicine and Public Health's Division of Infectious Disease and as an undergraduate researcher in their Westergaard Lab where she is helping to analyze the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on people who inject drugs. While attending UW-Oshkosh, Taylor gained additional work experience as a peer wellness educator and a research study data collector for the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"The Covid-19 pandemic ultimately led me to become interested in the field of global health," says Taylor. "My decision to declare a major within CALS has been reaffirmed countless times. I attribute my success to the immeasurable support and outstanding advising provided by CALS."

Congratulations to all of our 2022 Outstanding Sophomore Award recipients!

We are proud of all of our 2022 Outstanding Sophomore Award recipients and look forward to what they will accomplish in the years to come. We would also like to thank all of the applicants for this year's award and wish them good luck as they finish school.

The ability for WALSAA to provide this type of support is at the core of its mission and solidifies its connection to CALS. Starting with donations and continuing with annual silent auctions, WALSAA has been able to generate continued scholarship support over many years to deserving students of CALS. If you are interested in supporting students and advisors, visit www.WALSAA.org.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Life Sciences Start, Leads to Personal Success



Jared Wendt

One of the factors that lead to the success of CALS and WALSAA is that we have students and alumni who come from a wide variety of backgrounds and in various career fields. Life Sciences Start, Leads to Personal Success features some of our members that have taken their degrees, skills or passions learned from Life Sciences into new careers, community or personal development. Read on to learn how their degree in a Life Sciences major led to success.

Meet Jared Wendt

B.S. Food Science, 2013

Business Management at Cargill on short term IT project assignment

What brought you to your current career?

There is a huge need for food product innovation that consumers desire and that drives value for food companies. After graduation, my Food Science degree led to a career in food operations management that prepared me to do product innovation on ground beef for Cargill. That led to managing the ground beef business for various large foodservice and retail customers. In this role, oversight of profit & loss, delivering projects to market and improving the business. Having a deep understanding of the business has led to a short-term assignment to implement new software to manage our operations.

It's rewarding to see CALS grads being sought after and utilizing their degree and skills outside of their major. How have you adapted to your career area and how did your CALS degree support you or help you navigate the change?

The CALS degree does a good job of exposing students to a variety of disciplines to foster a desire to learn outside of one subject area. Keep that thirst for knowledge, skill development and experiences. My focus was on providing value to the business and learning new skills that were needed in my subsequent roles. CALS prepares students for great careers by focusing on what we can do for others, as opposed to just what the business or organization can do for the individual.

How did you come to be involved with WALSAA?

My involvement as an undergrad was as a CALS Ambassador at UW-Madison and as an alumnus on the screening committee for the 2022 Outstanding Sophomore Award.

What was the biggest influence UW-Madison and/or WALSAA had on you?

The biggest influences that UW-Madison can offer anyone are meaningful leadership experience and robust work experiences. The world is thirsty for talent that can solve problems and contribute immediately after graduation. A great way to prepare for your career is to take risks in college. A few great ways are by leading a student organization, moving away for a summer internship, or studying a tough problem in a research lab. For me, it was as president of the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and the work experience with Bucky's Butchery and my internship with ConAgra.

What message would you give to current and potential members?

Aim to struggle well. Work on tough problems. Make mistakes and learn from them. Work on your craft to improve, for by improvement you will find enjoyment in your work. Much is made of following your passion, and while useful, passion alone can't supplant skill development and expertise for ultimate job satisfaction. Lastly, in whatever vocation you choose, be extremely thoughtful about who you work with. Work with people you trust who want the best for you.

FIRE-UP SILENT AUCTION

Looking for a great way to support current Badgers? Consider a donation to our WALSAA Football Fire-Up Silent Auction! Proceeds benefit UW CALS students through the Outstanding Sophomore Award scholarships, student organization Impact grants and FISC awards. Contact Stephanie Hammerly, admin@walsaa.org or 608.438.1994, for more information or to confirm your donation!

FISC CORNER

WALSAA Student Awards



Outstanding FISC Student Awards

Five scholarships were presented to students who displayed excellence in leadership, service, academics and work experience. This year's winners are: \$1,000 to Halei Heinzl, Oconomowoc, Wis.; \$500 to Madalyn Miller-Nielsen, Lake Mills, Wis.; \$500 to Jacob Roden, Cedarburg, Wis.; \$250 to Leo Ehlen, Elkhorn, Wis.; and \$250 to Heidi Juedes, Marshall, Wis.

Activities and Leadership Awards

Four awards were presented to students actively involved in campus organizations and leadership opportunities. This year's winners are: Tyler Bramstedt, Howards Grove, Wis.; Leo Ehlen, Elkhorn, Wis.; Halei Heinzl, Oconomowoc, Wis.; and Madalyn Miller-Nielsen, Lake Mills, Wis.



Academic Excellence Awards

Seven awards were given to students with the highest grade point averages in the FISC program. This year's winners are: Tyler Bramstedt, Howards Grove, Wis.; Carly Epping, Monticello, Wis.; Halei Heinzl, Oconomowoc, Wis.; Hannah Hensel, Pittsville, Wis.; Jacob Roden, Cedarburg, Wis.; Rachel Schumann, Barneveld, Wis.; and Riley Thomson, Sheboygan, Wis.

WALSAA SUMMER PICNIC & FISC REUNION

2022 TICKET ORDER FORM

Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 4 p.m. ♦ Marshfield Ag Research Station ♦ 208356 Drake Ave N, Stratford, WI
Online registration available at: www.WALSAA.org



The University of Wisconsin-Madison's College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CAL S) and Farm and Industry Short Course (FISC) alumni and friends are invited to the annual WALSAA summer picnic during Wisconsin Farm Technology Days. It will be held on **Tuesday, July 12 from 4 to 7 p.m.** at Marshfield Ag Research Station, 208356 Drake Ave N, Stratford, Wisconsin. Join us to catch up with old friends, network with new friends, meet Alice in Dairyland, and enjoy a tour of the research station. The host of the 2022 Wisconsin Farm Technology Days is Roehl Acres Farm & Rustic Occasions, N7779 County Highway K, Loyal, Wisconsin. The 2022 WALSAA Farm and Industry Short Course Reunion will be held in conjunction with the picnic. A short program for the FISC Reunion will begin at 5:30 p.m. with presentations for the Friend of Short Course, Service to Agriculture, and J.S. Donald Excellence in Teaching awards. We will have a 50/50 raffle to help raise scholarship funds for deserving FISC students. FISC alumni and supporters are encouraged to bring others who might have an interest in supporting the FISC program. Varsity sponsors include American Foods Group and Compeer Financial. Crave Brothers Farm, LLC is a Badger Sponsor and Daluge Travel and Wisconsin Corn Growers Association are Red sponsors for this year's reunion. Register online at **www.WALSAA.org**, or you can mail in this form. Register by June 25 for \$15. Registrations will also be accepted the day of the event for \$20. For more information, contact WALSAA at admin@walsaa.org or 608.438.1994.

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Registration MUST BE POSTMARKED by June 25.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

July 12 ♦ WALSAA Summer Picnic/FISC Reunion
Marshfield Ag Research Station, Stratford

Sept. 10 ♦ WALSAA Football Fire-Up
Celebrating 50 Years of WALSAA!

RED JACKET AWARD NOMINATIONS

WALSAA is seeking nominations for the 2022 WALSAA Daluge Red Jacket Award. The Red Jacket Award was established in 2016 in recognition of lifetime service to WALSAA. It is named after two of WALSAA's most dedicated alumni, Rick and Peggy Daluge. A red jacket will be presented to someone who has helped WALSAA grow each year in their honor. Nomination form available at www.WALSAA.org. Please send your nominations to WALSAA, PO Box 5177, Madison, WI 53705-5177, or email to admin@walsaa.org by July 1.