



35-Year Members Honored

MMPA Honors 35-year Members at Annual Meeting

MMPA President Elwood Kirkpatrick recognized the following MMPA members as 35-year members at the State Annual Delegate Meeting on March 20. He commended them for their dedication to the dairy industry and MMPA.

Bad Axe Local

Karl Hass
Daniel Thuemmel

Barry-Eaton Local

Leonard Pixley



Evart Local

Wybe Koolstra
Peter Renne
Walter Renne
Kenneth Van Polen

Frankenmuth Local

Jacob Daenzer

Hillman Local

Ronald Skiera

Jackson County Plus Local

Duane Heisler

Lansing Local

Richard Heyboer

Mid-Michigan Local

George Hazle
John Houska
Joseph Houska Jr.
Robert Skriba

Mt. Pleasant Local

Donald Judge

Muskegon Local

Wayne Hecksel
Roger Schmidt

Southern Sanilac Local

Joseph Welter

Sunrise Local

Richard Beck
Ronald Perrin

Upstate Local

Richard J. Fettig
Gerald Olsen
William Olsen
William Topolinski

Vassar Local

Norman Bergdolt
John Keinath

West Huron Local

Ronald Lutz

What MMPA looked like in 1972, when these members joined:

Glenn Lake was president

MMPA was 56 years old

MMPA had 5,967 members in 1972

The average producer shipped 474,843 pounds of milk in 1972

The average value per shipper was \$28,862 in 1972

The average price of milk was \$6.08/cwt. in fiscal year 1972

MMPA marketed 2.8 billion pounds of milk in 1972

Jack Barnes was general manager

Today, MMPA is 91 years old

As of Sept. 30, 2006 MMPA has 2,376 members

MMPA members shipped, on average, 2,188,565 pounds of milk in 2006

The average value last year was \$297,448 in 2006

The average price of milk was \$13.59/cwt. in fiscal year 2006

MMPA marketed 3.5 billion pounds of milk in the last fiscal year

The 1972 MMPA Annual Report noted the following events:

- At the 1972 Annual Meeting, delegates approved merging Districts 3 and 7, lowering the number of MMPA districts to 11 and affecting the make-up of the cooperative's board of directors.
- MMPA closed and sold the Imlay City facility and increased milk handling capacity at the Ovid plant.
- MMPA and Michigan Farm Bureau approved an agreement to work closely on state legislative and regulatory matters.