

## National Award Given to MSU Dairy Scientist

The American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) has selected David K. Beede, Michigan State University (MSU) C.E. Meadows endowed chair professor of animal science, for its 2007 Award of Honor in recognition of his leadership and distinguished service to the association.

The Award of Honor is given annually to an individual with more than 25 years of ADSA membership who has served the association with unusual distinction. Beede served as a member of the ADSA board of directors from 1998 to 2004, and then as vice president and president. He also served on the board of directors of the Federation of Animal Science Societies.

During his 13 years at MSU, Beede has conducted extensive research and Extension programs on dairy cattle nutrition and management. Beede specializes in the environmental benefits of balancing the phosphorus requirements of dairy cattle with farms' environmental sustainability.

"Dave has made significant contributions to the ongoing discourse about dairy cattle nutrition

and the environment through his research and Extension activities," said Karen Plaut, chairperson of the Department of Animal Science. "However, he also finds time to serve his fellow dairy scientists through involvement in professional organizations. This award is a well-deserved recognition."

Beede is an active member of the MSU Dairy and Animal Agriculture and the Environment Area of Expertise teams and serves as publisher of the Michigan Dairy Review (MDR), a statewide publication for the dairy industry funded by the Animal Agriculture Initiative (AAI). The AAI is Michigan's animal agriculture research, teaching and Extension initiative at MSU. The MDR is a free quarterly publication with more than 6,500 subscribers interested in research,



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teaching and Extension by MSU dairy experts.

The AAI is a partnership between MSU, livestock producers and industry organizations and the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Governed by the Animal Agriculture Initiative Coalition, its objective is to address challenges facing Michigan's animal agriculture industry through research and Extension projects. To learn more about Michigan's animal agriculture initiative at MSU, visit [www.animalag.msu.edu](http://www.animalag.msu.edu)

## MMPA Members Honored for Being First MAEAP-Verified Farm in the Upper Peninsula



**Pictured (from left) are Ag Commission chair Jim Byrum, Gov. Jennifer Granholm, Ag Commissioner Todd Regis and honorees Leigh and Rob Getzloff**

State officials recognized Rob and Leigh Getzloff on Friday, August 17 during the Governor's reception at the U.P. State Fair for being the first farm in the Upper Peninsula verified in the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP). The Getzloffs operate Getz-Milk Dairy, an MMPA member dairy farm, located in Menominee county, which is verified in all three MAEAP Systems - Cropping, Farmstead, and Livestock.

MAEAP is a voluntary, pro-active program designed by state and federal agencies, industry and conservation partners and farmers to reduce producers, legal and environmental risks. It teaches effective land stewardship practices that comply with state and federal regulations and shows producers how to find and prevent agricultural pollution risks on their farms.