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Oregon Dairy Women Crown 2023-2024 Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassadors

Salem, Ore. – March 7, 2023- The Oregon Dairy Women are proud to introduce the 2023-2024 Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassadors. Clancey Krahn, representing Linn and Benton Counties was crowned the 2023-2024 Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassador and Clara Blaser, representing Tillamook County was crowned Alternate Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassador during a ceremony Tuesday night.

Krahn, 18, is a senior at Scio High School. She lives and works on her family's dairy farm, Royal Riverside Farm, in Albany. She's integrally involved in every aspect of her family's dairy including feeding, milking, and herd health. As a high school student, Krahn has been active in FFA, National Honor Society and Scio High School Leadership.

Blaser, 21, is a 2020 graduate of Tillamook High School. She is now a student and employee at Tillamook Bay Community College working as a success coach and pursuing an associate degree in agriculture science and forestry. She grew up in Tillamook where her family has been actively engaged in the dairy community. She also raised Brown Swiss dairy cattle as a member of the Tillamook FFA Chapter and Tillamook County 4-H for many years.

Both young women look forward to a busy year informing and educating the public about the dairy industry. They will spend the next twelve months traveling statewide attending fairs, town meetings and public events as a representative of Oregon's dairy farmers. Much of their reign will be spent in Oregon schools delivering educational presentations about life on a dairy farm and the nutritional benefits of consuming dairy products.

Upon being crowned, both women received scholarships to continue their education. Outgoing Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassador Krisarah Nygren received over \$11,000 for her year dedicated to the Oregon dairy industry, personally informing over 10,000 students of the benefits of dairy products and life on a dairy farm in schools and community events.

The other state finalists include Liz Collman, Clackamas County; Sienna Mahaffy, Coos County; Karli Britton, Klamath County and Morgan Smith, Yamhill-Polk Counties.

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Oregon Dairy Women (ODW) is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization with the main objective to promote the dairy industry. The ODW mission is to promote greater use of all dairy products through outreach and educational programs.

Since 1959, the Oregon Dairy Women's Dairy Princess Ambassador Program has served as the premier advocate for the Oregon Dairy Industry in collaboration with the Oregon Dairy Farmers Association and the Oregon Dairy Nutrition Council. The ODW award scholarships, and provides financial support to 4-H and FFA programs, Oregon Agriculture in the Classroom, Oregon Ag Fest, Summer Ag Institute, Adopt-a-Farmer and judging teams.



Clancey Krahn (right), 2023-2024 Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassador and Clara Blaser, 2023-2024 Alternate Oregon Dairy Princess Ambassador. Photo Credit: Katelyn Nicole Photography