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Top five most significant judging experiences:

- All seven shows are fairly equal in quality and competition
- Each was a positive learning experience for myself
- Each had some high quality animals, Some worthy to show at World Dairy Expo

In addition to judging conformation classes, this judge also enjoys:

- Youth Shows
- Showmanship

Our Dairy Judge today is Mark Keller from Mount Horeb, WI. He is a 1987 Graduate from The University of Wisconsin Platteville in Agriculture Economics and a minor in Animal Science (Dairy Emphasis). In College was active with Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, Pioneer Dairy Club, past co-chair of Pioneer Dairy Club Sale and Platteville Dairy Cattle Judging team. Work in the Ag. Business field for 12 years after college before coming back to the home farm in 1999. At that time, started Kellercrest Registered Holsteins, Inc. with his brother Tim and Tim's wife Sandy. Married in 2010 to Wife Kareen. To date, Kellercrest has placed over 100 bulls in AI, developed 62 Gold Metal Dams, 25 Dam of Merits, 19 National Elite Performer Cows, and 11 Regional Elite Cows. Kellercrest now has 18 cows over the 300,000 lbs. of lifetime milk, 50 cows over 250,000 and 130 cows over 200,000 lbs. lifetime totals. Kellercrest has received the Progressive Breeder Registry Award 21 times and the Progressive Genetic Herd Award 23 times. For a herd of over 300 cows, Kellercrest has a 107.0 BAA and ranks in the top twenty nationally for herds over 150 Cows. Kellercrest has been active in the show ring as well. Showing in a number of local, state and national shows, including shows like Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin State Fairs, along with District 6 Show, Wisconsin Championship Show, Midwest Spring National Show, Worlds Dairy Expo and Louisville. To date, Kellercrest has developed four All-Wisconsin Cows. Today, Mark keeps busy with the day-to-day operations with Kellercrest, Also, Co-Chair and member of The Farmers for the Upper Sugar River, a farmer lead watershed group to help conserve and protect soil and nutrient runoff. Kellercrest also host a number of Educational Farm tours for The Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin (formally known as Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board), World Wide Sires, PDPW, has hosted Dane County Breakfast on the Farm and local 4th grade kids among others.