



2023 MINNESOTA STATE FAIR RESULTS 50 YEAR AWARD

Name	Town	Claim to Fame
Gordon Toenges	Alden, Minn.	4-H, FFA, open livestock exhibitor, open sheep superintendent, Board of Managers
Thomas Rush	Minneapolis, Minn.	Past sales in ice cream, owner of West End Creamery
Minnesota Rusco	New Hope, Minn.	Minnesota Rusco
William Erb	Saint Paul, Minn.	Owner/operator of Mr. E's Drink Time
Jon Heyer	Saint Paul, Minn.	Past Employee, musician for Catholic Mass, Vegetable exhibitor
Haakon Vaadeland	Park Rapids, Minn.	Open Class Poultry exhibitor
Tim Foss	Omaha, Neb.	Open Class Dairy Exhibitor
Randy Peterson	Woodville, Wis.	Open Class Dairy Exhibitor
Deb Zeller	Victoria, Minn.	Horse exhibitor, part owner of Wine Country, Fine Arts exhibitor and Studio Here demonstrator
Larry Abdo	Minneapolis, Minn.	Sales and delivery with Gopher Ice & owner of Big Fat Bacon
Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church	Minneapolis, Minn.	Salem Lutheran Church Dining Hall
Robert Kirschner	Apple Valley, Minn.	Owner of Kirschner's Bier Stube & Leinie Lodge
Dianne Benoit	Homosassa, Fla.	Employee of past vendors, past nut vendor and currently operates Caribbean Smoothies
MN Purebred Dog Breeders Assn	Bloomington, MN	Minnesota Purebred Dog Breeders Assn. exhibit outside Pet Pavilion



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Wildwood Farm	Buffalo, Minn.	4-H, FFA and open beef & sheep exhibitor
David Strum	Aurora, Colo.	Past wholesale distributor for vendors, current Owner/operator of Pretzel Factory
Minnesota Apples	White Bear Lake, Minn.	Minnesota Apples booth in Ag-Hort building
Louise Worm	Lakefield, Minn.	4-H, FFA and open sheep exhibitor
Clair Drescher	Alden, Minn.	4-H, FFA and open swine exhibitor & past FFA swine superintendent
Charles Worm	Lakefield, Minn.	4-H, FFA and open sheep exhibitor
Hubbard Broadcasting	Saint Paul, Minn.	Hubbard Broadcasting
Majorie Johnson	Robbinsdale, Minn.	Blue Ribbon Baker