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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## NEAFA Golf for Good Works Funds Northeast Agriculture Education and Outreach

A 4-H trip to visit Scottish farms, college students gathering for a weekend of competition and professional networking, thousands of fair goers experiencing the wonder of a cow giving birth-what do these events have in common? They are all receive funding from the Northeast Agribusiness and Feed Alliance Good Works program with money raised through the annual Golf for Good Works Tournament.

Alliance President Andy Dugan said "The Golf for Good Works Tournament raises money for organizations in New York and New England that conduct education and leadership programming for youth and adults and inform the general public about modern agriculture." Dugan went on to say the Good Works program is a core part of the Alliance mission in support of northeast agriculture.

The Alliance is celebrating the 11th Annual Golf for Good Works Tournament at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona, New York with a pre-tournament reception on the patio of the Shenandoah Clubhouse from 5:30 to 7:00 PM on the Wednesday, June 28.

Historically the Alliance has donated over \$100,000 through its Good Works effort to support agricultural outreach and education programs such as the Northeast Regional Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge, Vermont Technical College Winter Farm Tour, the New York Agricultural Society Foundation, the UMASS College of Agriculture, Future Farmers of America Foundation, the Junior Dairy Leader Program, the New York Animal Ag Coalition's Dairy Cow Birthing Center, LEAD New York and many 4-H activities .

Several past recipients of Good Works funds are expected to attend the reception including Jessica Zeihm of the New York Animal Ag Coalition, Casey Arlig of the New York State Holstein Dairy Quiz Bowl Team, Todd Lighthall of New York FFA, and Meghan Vaill of the Junior Dairy Leaders Program.

The Northeast Agribusiness and Feed Alliance is a 300 member network committed to supporting a thriving northeast agricultural community through advocacy, education and collaboration. Members of the Alliance include feed, seed, fertilizer companies, financial service providers, transportation companies, veterinarians, nutritional services providers, and professional advisors.

Members of the press are welcome to attend the June 28th reception to interview awards recipients.

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