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*(See image attached: (L to R) Randy, Cassandra, Frank, Cyndi and Scott Brooks operate the F & C Brooks & Sons Farm Established in 2008)*

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**Kingston Dairy Farm Awarded Dairy of Distinction Honors**

The New York Dairy Farm Beautification Program (NYDFBP) was incorporated in November 1983 to honor attractive dairy farms with the Dairy of Distinction Award. The Award program is based on the concept that these attractive farmsteads will enhance consumer confidence in the wholesomeness of milk, stimulate milk sales and encourage public support for the industry.

The F & C Brooks & Sons Dairy farm in Kingston, NY was established in 2008. They have been raising heifer replacements since 1993 as well as corn and hay production. In 2009 they applied for the Dairy of Distinction Award. The roadside farm judging is based on several criteria, including: clean and attractively finished buildings; neat landscaping, ditches, roads and lanes; and well maintained fences. Also taken into account are the conditions of other aspects of the farm operation such as cleanliness of animals, the barnyard, feed areas and manure management. The Brooks are only the second Ulster County dairy to win this award. The previous winner was the Eastern NY Correctional Facility Dairy Farm in 1996.

The Brooks dairy consists of 60 Holstein cows and 50 heifers; they are a Certified Raw Milk producer and also sell free range eggs. These sales are available 7 days a week between the hours of 4-6PM. Their farm is located at 285 Tongore Road in Kingston, NY. They can be reached at 845-687-4074.

We congratulate the Brooks on receiving the Dairy of Distinction Award and wish them the best of luck on their new business venture.

For more information about Dairy Production in the Hudson Valley contact Larry R. Hulle, Dairy Science Educator for Cornell Cooperative Extensions of Orange & Ulster Counties.

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