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**Easter Seals Wisconsin Recognizes Adam Faust with Personal Growth & Development Award**

Madison, WI—Easter Seals Wisconsin held their biennial Recognition Dinner on October 9 at Nakoma Golf Club in Madison. The event is an opportunity to honor people and organizations that have made a significant impact on the programs and services of the organization and the disability community. This year, ten individuals, families, and organizations were recognized as honorees with distinguished awards.



Adam Faust accepts the award for Personal Growth & Development from Easter Seals Wisconsin Board Member Andy Crooks.

One of the people honored was Adam Faust, a progressive dairy farmer from Chilton, Wisconsin. Adam's challenges made him an ideal candidate for Easter Seals Wisconsin's FARM Program which serves farmers with disabilities. Although born with spina bifida, the challenges of Adam's disability did not stop him from making a successful career in the agricultural industry. He connected with the FARM program for assistance on how he could accommodate both spina bifida and leg amputation and succeed as a farmer, and has been plowing full-speed ahead ever since.

Adam doesn't let his physical restrictions limit his work or his life. He has creatively modified some of the accommodations recommended by the FARM program, with the help of UW engineering students. Adam has served as an ambassador for the nationally renowned Easter Seals FARM program and AgrAbility of Wisconsin, serving as a guest speaker for the Easter Seals annual campaign kickoff event, Starry Night, presenting on accommodation for dairy farmers at the National AgrAbility Conference, and serving on the AgrAbility Advisory Council.

**About Easter Seals Wisconsin:** For over 90 years, Easter Seals Wisconsin ([www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com](http://www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com)) has provided services that help children and adults with disabilities gain greater independence. Easter Seals' primary services – vocational rehabilitation, respite services, camping and recreation, information and referral, and public education – benefit close to 10,000 individuals with disabilities and their families each year throughout Wisconsin.

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