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Iowans of the Day Selected for the 2015 Iowa State Fair

DES MOINES, IOWA - The Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation and Cookies Food Products are pleased to announce the recipients of the *Iowan of the Day* award for the 2015 Iowa State Fair.

Each winner will have their own day at the Iowa State Fair. He or she will be recognized on the Anne and Bill Riley Stage and presented as an *Iowan of the Day*. Along with accommodations at the Downtown Des Moines Marriott, they will each receive a cash prize, Grandstand and Iowa State Fair admission tickets, use of the *Iowan of the Day* golf cart, and one year subscriptions to the *Iowan* and *Iowa Gardening* magazines.

The Blue Ribbon Foundation began the *Iowan of the Day* award in 1997 to honor those Iowans who have truly made a difference in their communities. This year, the judges reviewed hundreds of nominations and selected those that demonstrate integrity, Iowa pride, hard work and dedication.

“We are so pleased to recognize these tremendous individuals as *Iowans of the Day*,” said Peter Cownie, Executive Director of the Blue Ribbon Foundation. “Their volunteerism, dedication and service to their community, and to the state of Iowa, make each deserving of this honor.”

The 2015 *Iowan of the Day* recipients are:

John and Janis Ruan of Des Moines
Jary Quandt of Westside
Richard and Juanita Schillig of Bettendorf
Bret Mace of Estherville
Caroline Lehman of New London
Dennis Carlson of Hampton
Mike Quinlan of Iowa City
Elaine Bohling of Greenfield
Steven Palmer of Urbandale
Shawn Tait of Exline

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