

Five Buckles



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Happy New Year! As time passes, some things change, but some things stay the same. Thirty-three years ago, I attended North Dakota State University (NDSU) and was fortunate to live in a house with six other like-minded agriculture fellas. Now, my son Stran is enjoying the same arrangement at NDSU this year. I told him many times that, with all the connections I made at college, if I broke down while traveling, I would more than likely be able to find a couch within 30 miles to sleep for the night.

As we visit with him, I often catch myself reminiscing about my time at NDSU, as many of our paths are going

in the same direction. Stran is active in the Saddle and Sirloin Club, as well as on the livestock judging team. He also works at the NDSU Beef Unit. He's having so much fun at Sheila's and my alma mater that it's no surprise his sister plans to go there next year as well.

The picture of Stran and his roommates makes me smile with pride as I know that they are all going to be contributors to the success of the beef cattle industry in the future.

A while back, NDSA President Randy Schmitt's son, Ty, called him old and got a good laugh from it, but Randy got the last laugh when he changed the Wi-Fi password at home. ☺



Stran Ressler shares a house with six other North Dakota State University agriculture undergraduates. Pictured are (back, L to R) Jarret Henke of Center, Stran Ressler of Mandan, (middle) Myles Reichman of Billard, Minn., Forrest Sears of Wheatland, (front) Gavin McKittrick of Bowman and Grant Carlson of Bismarck. Connor Johnson of Parshall is not pictured.

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HOW THE SERVICE WORKS

- Members contact the NDSA.
- A site visit is scheduled.
- A site visit and evaluation are conducted.
- NDSA recommendations are prepared and delivered to members.
- The NDSA helps members file appropriate paperwork, seek cost-share assistance and identify qualified resource people, if applicable.