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Martinson Presented USDGA Amber Award

BISMARCK, N.D. – The U.S. Durum Growers Association (USDGA) has presented its Amber Award, given annually to individuals who have shown outstanding commitment and dedication to the durum industry, to Mark Martinson of Rolette, North Dakota.

Martinson was born and raised in Rolette, where he now farms and ranches with his wife, Lori. They have four daughters and five grandchildren.

The Martinsons run a cow/calf operation and raise a variety of crops and cover crop grazing mixes. In addition to farming and ranching, Mark has been involved with USDGA, North Dakota Grain Growers Association, National Pasta Association and Northern Crop Institute. Martinson is a current director on the Farm Credit Services of the North Dakota board of directors.

“Mark’s impact on the agricultural community cannot be overstated,” USDGA President Scott Monke said. “He has demonstrated a longtime dedication to the durum industry. Mark has certainly earned this prestigious award.”

USDGA’s mission is to increase the profitability of durum production through effective market development and promotion and coordinated communication and educational outreach. For more information, please visit www.durumgrowers.com.

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