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SAUK CITY, WIS. – Mr. Roger King has been honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Wisconsin Association of Agricultural Educators (WAAE). King was presented this honor at the WAAE Professional Development Conference held June 25-29, 2023 in Oshkosh at the Best Western Waterfront Hotel and Convention Center.

Roger's impact has certainly been felt not just in Holmen, and not just in our state. Roger's tireless dedication to our profession is something we should emulate. From the start of his career, Roger has been fully engaged in our profession at the local, state and national level. While some may settle with "going with the flow," Roger always continued to find innovative ways to teach agriculture. One such way was in 2003 when Roger participated in the first NAAE Agriscience Teacher Ambassador Academy. But his impact didn't end in his own school after this program. He was a presenter and collaborator in the very first Agriscience Inquiry Institute.

Roger has continued to share his knowledge and wisdom through NAAE Professional Development Programs and has hosted numerous state and national-level workshops because he wants to prove that every teacher can make a difference with hands-on instruction. Those who know Roger, know that he is an open book and will share anything and everything with you. If you are a teacher struggling with how to enhance your teaching in a particular subject area, he will load up totes full of goodies and help show you how to enhance your teaching practices. Aside from his work with professional development, Roger has been active in our state and national associations by serving on numerous committees. He is a firm believer that our professional organizations are our responsibility to maintain and encourage others to get involved. There is something to be said about the advice of an old wise owl, and plenty of members of this organization, both state and nationally, look to Roger's opinions and guidance.

Region III has selected Roger as the National winner and he will travel to Phoenix, Arizona the end of November to be recognized.

*WAAE is the professional association for agricultural educators in Wisconsin. Members include 410 middle school, high school, technical college and university educators. The focus of the association is to provide professional development, legislative support and educational resources for teachers to enhance their local agriculture education programs.*

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