

## **Dairy Barn Project: Fundraising Update – April 6, 2010**

Kemptville Campus is raising \$300,000 - \$360,000 to acquire an Automated Milking System for the new Dairy Education and Demonstration facility. The Campus is pleased to report that there has been **significant** support for the project from the community; starting with \$150,000 raised by the Kemptville College Foundation, which includes \$100,000 from the Ottawa Valley Seed Growers Association. In addition, Eastern Breeders and Weagant Farm supplies have donated at the "Founder" level (\$10,000 - \$25,000).

Earlier this year, OAC Dean Rob Gordon launched a challenge to all Kemptville Alumni and designated \$20,000 from OAC priority funds to be used as a matching incentive to encourage pledges of support for the Dairy Barn Project from Kemptville Alumni.

The Alumni – led by Mac Johnston, Ed Schouten, and Nick Thurler and Robert Byveld accepted the challenge and committed to raise \$100,000 by the end of March 2010. To date our running total is sitting at \$296,000 and still going strong. **The Dairy Education and Demonstration Facility** will bring Kemptville Campus to the leading edge of dairy technology, and better position us to continue to deliver industry-driven quality education.

The Campus would like to thank all those who have supported this project to date, and encourage those considering a donation to help us achieve our goal – we are almost there!