

featured project **FOUR CLOVER DAIRY INC.**

The Van Wieren family originated from Groningen, Holland where they milked 70 cows in a Surge tie stall with four milkers before upgrading to a D-5 herringbone parlour. In September of 2000, parents Egbert and Tineke Van Wieren along with their two sons, Harry and Mike immigrated to Canada to pursue better growth opportunities in dairy. The brothers met their spouses after immigrating to Canada and they now have 3 children (Harry) and 4 children (Mike).

In Canada they bought a former pig farm where they built a new milking facility with a Westfalia Surge D-10 parallel parlour, and a 5 row center feed alley dairy barn in March 2001. At that time they started with 85 milking cows, and they have now grown to 185. Overall their farm has grown from 100 acres to 350 acres. Be sure to check-out the original open house ad on the last page of the newsletter!

In February 2013, they retired their parlour and transitioned to robots with 3 Boumatic robots retrofitted into the original dairy barn. In January 2017 they added one more robot when the cows moved into a new 6 row perimeter feed dairy barn with sand bedding. The old barn with mats was renovated for heifers. The new dairy barn featured GEA manure equipment and Jourdain stabling, and the barn was on the DLS car tour that took place in December of 2017.

The Van Wieren brothers decided to transition back to a parlour which started up in October 2018. Be sure to check-out our recent video featuring their new milking facility @ go.dairylane.ca/fourclover



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EMPLOYEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

DLS is pleased to welcome the following people to the Dairy Lane team:



Owen Gray

*Dairy Equipment Install
and Service Technician*



Lance Groshok

*Stabling Install
and Service Technician*



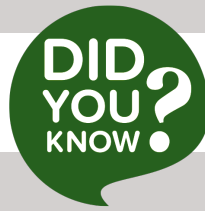
Zach Pattie Taber

*Stabling Install
and Service Technician*



Jackie Vollick

Accounts Receivable



DLS offers video surveillance installations?

Video Surveillance is highly recommended in order to report entries, see deliveries and address concerns for trespassing in Bio Secure Environments.

Video surveillance can be used to check on automated equipment. This can be done via your mobile devices from pretty much everywhere. Among other things, a surveillance system can help monitor your milk tank for proper handling and/or be used in settling disputes if something goes wrong.

Most video surveillance systems are used for detecting simple movements. The video surveillance system from DLS, however, not only identify movements, but also can be focused to help determine and specifically identify tag numbers, license plates and faces.

Being able to see video surveillance footage via cellphones, tablets and/or PC's and laptops is only one highlight you will enjoy.

Ask for a free onsite survey and quote today, to discuss our many networking opportunities. Marlon Thuemler, who is featured in the Employee Spotlight this month, is the one who heads up all the video surveillance projects.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Marlon Thuemler

*IT/Network & Automation
Service Technician*

Joined DLS January 2014

In 2014, Marlon immigrated from Germany to settle in Canada. He soon found the perfect career at DLS and has become an invaluable member of the team!

His specialty is working with farmers to help them benefit from controlling their farm equipment from virtually anywhere using a computer or even a cell phone!

Although Marlon is out servicing our customers most of the time, whenever the internet goes down or a computer isn't working, he is the one to get the call to come in and save the day, and make sure the office staff is taken care of. He is known for announcing his presence with a cheery, "Yoohoo!!!"

Marlon is so busy, he claims not to have any hobbies or pastimes; we know that deep down he is a big teddy bear though, and that is just a cover as he spends all the time he can with his son and daughter.

Thanks for all the long hours and hard work you put in Marlon!! We definitely appreciate all you do for our customers!



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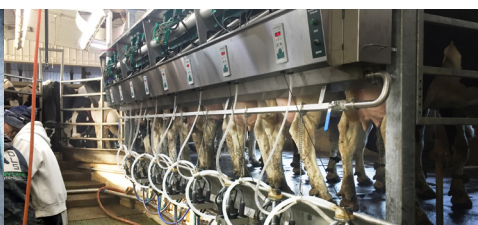
product of the month

Since 2015, we have been fabricating complete, individual indexing parallel parlours in-house, for use with GEA electronic components. These include stainless steel cabinets, galvanized parlour frames, and galvanized parlour stalls with vertical lift and individual indexing. The first complete DLS parlour was for Rene Brinke at Bruggert Farms in Clinton, and the largest completed to date is a D-25 parlour at Kie Farms.

There are now over 25 completed DLS parlours installed across Ontario, and our customers tell us they particularly appreciate how smooth and quick the cows turn into the parlour stalls! You can see the DLS parlour in action by watching the video from this months featured project, Four Clover Dairy @ www.go.dairylane.ca/fourclover. All the pictures shown here are from Four Clover Dairy.



JOB PROGRESSION HIGHLIGHTS



1 SML Farms Thorndale, ON

There is several DLS parlours that will start-up in the next few months, including this DLS / GEA D-10 vertical lift parallel parlour with individual indexing at SML Farms. The new parlour will be accompanied with a DLS crowd gate and sort gate, and a new 6 row tail to tail sand barn with a pack.

2 New Morning Holsteins Seaforth, ON

On Tuesday March 19, 8 members of our milking install crew were moving fast (literally!) to switch-out this parlour cabinet and components for new DLS parlour cabinets with GEA components at New Morning Holsteins Seaforth location! We finished in 10 hours, working in between the morning and afternoon milking. It was great team work! Check-out the time lapse video of this @ www.go.dairylane.ca/newmorn

3 Bolton Manor Holsteins Thamesford, ON

Over the winter, the DLS Biogas crew has been working on the biogas plant at Bolton Manor. It is coming along well and is projected to start-up later this summer. The digester tank will be 30m diameter, and it will run a 250 kWel engine.

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BARN OPENING

THE VAN WIEREN FAMILY OF

Saturday, February 24, 10 am - 3 pm

FOUR CLOVER DAIRY FARM
Invite You To Their Barn Opening

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FEATURED TWEET



Remco Brinke
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Heifers are all settled into the new barn.



come out to the cheesefest in support of **HANK SCHUURMANS & FAMILY**

This year at the CDX, the 2019 CheeseFest event will honour the Schuurman family and the Canadian Milk Tour, which as many of you know, began in June 2018 to promote the Canadian dairy industry from coast to coast.

In case you had missed it, Henk and Bettina Schuurman had started the Canadian Milk Tour and were driving across the country on a tractor. On July 9, there was an

unfortunate accident on the highway where Bettina tragically lost her life. After recovering from injuries, Henk and his family resumed the tour to complete the journey and honour Bettina's memory.

Come out to the CheeseFest at the Cow Coliseum on April 3 at 4:00 pm to show your support for the Schuurman family and enjoy some delicious cheese!



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