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Celebrate Our Dairy Farmers
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It's been one heck of a year. Through it all, our farmers have been strong and steady. They have added extra hours onto their already long days to ensure that we have safe and healthy foods on our table each night. They also have weathered unpredictable markets, pricing, and supply issues. Producers and processors are hard workers, they give back, and they make up so much of what we value in rural communities.

While COVID vastly changed last year's celebrations, I'm excited to see what this June Dairy Month has to offer. I am excited to celebrate our community members who make Wisconsin the dairy powerhouse that it is. I am also happy that many of us will be able to make in person connections that we so sorely missed last year.

If you're interested in supporting your local dairy farmers, you have many options to act on. Buy some local milk, branch out to try a specialty item (like my favorites - goat cheese or another specialty semi soft cheese), or find the nearest June dairy brunch and attend. Don't forget to check in on your local farmers too. As a former farmer, I understand the unique challenges farmers face in their day-to-day operations, as well as the stress that this incurs. Unfortunately, COVID-19 put additional strains on already overworked women and men. Everyone needs a shoulder to lean on and a good friend to confide in. Reach out to your friends and check in on them. Lastly, this June Dairy Month, don't forget to thank the dairy producers, processors, and grocers for helping keep Wisconsin's dairy safe and easily accessible.