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## Capitol Update By Senator Howard Marklein May 29, 2015

### *Ice Cream for Breakfast in June*

What's wrong with ice cream for breakfast? NOTHING!

June is Dairy Month in Wisconsin and throughout our state, farms and agricultural groups are hosting Dairy Breakfasts on local farms. On most Saturdays and Sundays in June, you'll find dedicated volunteers cooking pancakes, scrambling eggs, providing tours of farms and scooping ice cream...for breakfast!

As your State Senator, I plan to attend most of the breakfasts in the 17<sup>th</sup> Senate District and will be volunteering at several of them. There is nothing better than talking about agriculture while enjoying breakfast on a farm! Please consider attending a breakfast near you.

Green County              Saturday, May 30 – 6 -10 a.m.  
Wegmueller Dairy Farm – W4581 Montgomery Road, Monroe

Juneau County              Saturday, May 30 – 5-9 p.m. – Dairy Month Kick-off dinner instead of breakfast!  
Summit Ridge - N795 Hwy 58, Wonewoc

Iowa County              Saturday, June 6 – 6:30-10:30 a.m.  
Nels-Vale Farm – 6767 Amacher Hallow Road, Arena

Lafayette County              Saturday, June 13 – 6:30-11 a.m.  
Kevin & RaeAnn Makos Farm – 1295 County Road C, Argyle

Sauk County              Saturday, June 13 – 7 – 10 a.m.  
US Dairy Forage Research Center – S8822 Hwy 78, Prairie du Sac

Grant County              Sunday, June 14 – 7 a.m. – noon  
Grant County Fairgrounds - 916 E Elm St, Lancaster

Richland County              Sunday, June 14 – 7 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Sylvan-T Farms - 19811 County Highway EE, Richland Center

Vernon County              Saturday, June 20 – 7 – 11 a.m.  
Little Ridge Dairy – S493B Little Ridge Road, Ontario

For a full listing of breakfasts and other dairy events held throughout the state, please visit the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board's website: <http://www.dairydaysofsummer.com/>

The dairy industry is one of the largest pieces of our economy and a major employer. Wisconsin has more than 10,000 dairy farms, 400 dairy plants, and more than one million dairy cows. Dairy production is by far the largest agricultural sector in the state and generates \$43.4 billion annually for Wisconsin's economy.

The Dairy Breakfasts and other events give local farmers and agricultural organizations a chance to share experiences on the farm and new, innovative technologies with citizens who may not otherwise have an opportunity to visit a working farm. Many attendees take away a deeper appreciation for the hard work and effort required for farming, as well as a new impression of the technology and expertise our local farmers employ to deliver the best products to the market. The host farms and volunteers are proud of their operations and the contributions they make to our local and statewide economies.

As your State Senator, I am looking forward to visiting most of the local breakfasts to enjoy the delicious meal, friendly conversation and a tour of each farm I visit. I encourage you to take the time to kick-off your summer with Dairy Days this year.

For more information and to connect with me, visit my website <http://legis.wisconsin.gov/senate/17/marklein> and subscribe to my weekly E-Update by sending an email to [Sen.Marklein@legis.wisconsin.gov](mailto:Sen.Marklein@legis.wisconsin.gov). Do not hesitate to call 800-978-8008 if you have input, ideas or need assistance with any state-related matters.

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