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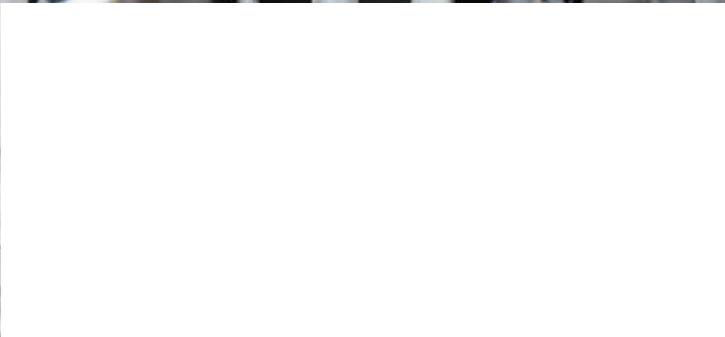


**JUNE DAIRY MONTH,
LIVE AND IN PERSON**

ANOTHER BIRD'S-EYE VIEW

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW
BEFORE GOING SOLAR**

**TAYLOR ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
ANNUAL MEETING IS
TUESDAY, JUNE 28**





PLAN TO ATTEND YOUR ANNUAL MEETING

Kenneth Ceagske,
President/CEO

I am looking forward to seeing many of you later this month at the annual meeting. This will be my first INDOOR annual meeting since arriving here in 2020. It will be at the Centennial Community Center in Stetsonville on Tuesday, June 28.

As mentioned in past Taylor Reports, we have five candidates for two open seats on the board. Lisa Kohn, Catherine Lemke, Sara Matyka, Dave Makovsky,

and Paul Woods are in the running. With the bylaw changes last year to the voting process, there will be only one ballot. You will be asked to vote for up to TWO candidates that you would like to see on the board, and the highest two vote getters will be the newly elected board members.

Also, we have another collection of bylaw amendments to consider, mostly cleanup and modernization of

the language in the bylaws. Last year, we voted on a few changes to move towards a singular ballot and allow for options for voting other than by attending the annual meeting. This year we have taken a more comprehensive look at the bylaws to make sure that all of the bylaws align with each other and eliminate any that may lead to confusion.



JUNE IS DAIRY MONTH

June has been officially designated as National Dairy Month since 1939. It was established as a way to encourage people to drink more milk through the warm summer months, but it has evolved to serve as a tribute to the dairy industry and all that it means for the country. Here in Wisconsin, the dairy industry generates \$45.6 billion. Here are some other facts and figures about Wisconsin's dairy farms:

- **Number of Licensed Dairy Herds:**
6,483 herds (March 1, 2022)
- **Number of Dairy Cows:**
1,273,000 dairy cows (March 2022)
- **Average Number of Cows Per Dairy Farm:**
196 dairy cows (March 2022)
- **Total Monthly Milk Production:**
2.72 billion pounds (March 2022)
- **Monthly Milk Production Per Cow:**
2,140 pounds or 249 gallons
- **Daily Milk Production Per Cow:**
69 pounds or 8.0 gallons

Source: Wisconsin Agricultural Statistics Service (WASS)

PROUDLY WISCONSIN

-Cheese Facts-

Cheese is the pride of Wisconsin. In fact, we've been obsessively making cheese since before we were even a state. Check out the facts below to see why Wisconsin is a world of cheese in just one state.



WISCONSIN WON MORE AWARDS THAN ANY OTHER STATE AT THE 2019 U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP CHEESE CONTEST BRINGING THE AWARD COUNT TO OVER



6,000
SINCE 1995

Cheesemaking is a family business in Wisconsin, in fact nearly 40% of all the dairy companies are multi-generational, with some going back as far as

FOUR GENERATIONS



Wisconsin cheese is available in



98% OF THE NATION'S GROCERY STORES

Learn more at [WisconsinCheese.com](https://www.WisconsinCheese.com)
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Celebrate JUNE DAIRY MONTH

37th Annual Town and Country Dairy Breakfast

Taylor County Fairgrounds
Corner Highways 13 & 64, Medford, WI 54451

Please make plans to attend a celebration of the industry that defines our state and makes us who we are. June Dairy Month is a time when we all come together to embrace our title as the one and only America's Dairyland.

MENU:

Choice of omelet (plain, ham and cheese, or the works), sausage, fresh buttermilk biscuits and honey, milk, cheese curds, and ice cream.

Carry-outs available

\$5 per person

5 and under FREE



Sunday, June 12, 2022
6:30 a.m. to noon

Event sponsored by: Town & Country Dairy Breakfast Committee



ABBOTSFORD



33rd Annual

33rd Annual

DAIRY BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Serving 7 a.m. to 12 p.m.

at **ENSIGN ROLLING ACRES**

Evan, Taylor & Family

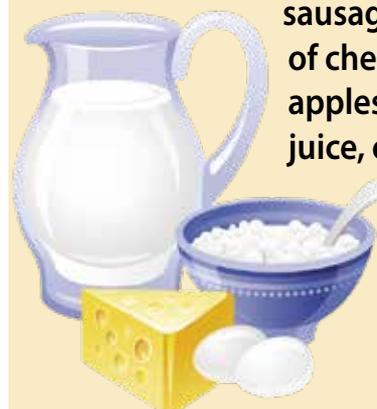
**107645 County Line Rd.,
Dorchester, WI**

*6 miles north of 29 on Hwy. F, then 1/4 mile west on County Line Rd. OR
5 miles east of Dorchester on Hwy. F, then 1/4 west on County Line Rd.*

There will be bussing to/from the Abbotsford School District's south parking lot and the farm.

First bus leaves school at 7 a.m. • Last bus leaves farm at 12 p.m.

Please enjoy this year's delicious menu consisting of pancakes, maple syrup,



sausages, variety of cheese, butter, applesauce, cookies, juice, coffee, white or chocolate milk & ice cream

PRICES

Ages 6 to adult\$5
Kids ages 0-5FREE

A variety of raffle prizes and door prizes will be given away!

Live on-site radio broadcasts throughout the morning!

Breakfast Sponsored by
Abbotsford FFA Alumni

SAFETY TIPS FOR BEFORE, DURING, AFTER THE STORM

Storm season is in full swing. Many summer storms have the potential to produce tornadoes—they can happen anytime, anywhere, and can bring winds over 200 miles per hour.

In April, a video of NBC Washington chief meteorologist Doug Kammerer went viral. During a live broadcast, Kammerer called his teenage son to warn him of a tornado that was headed straight for their home. Knowing the kids were likely playing video games and not paying attention to the weather, he told them to head straight to the basement. Kammerer debated if he should call his family on-air, but he knew it was the right thing to do. Luckily, the kids made it safely through the storm.

As adults, we understand the importance of storm safety, but younger children and teens may not realize the dangers storms pose. That's why it's so important to talk to your family and have a storm plan in place. Here are several tips you can share with your loved ones.

Before the Storm

- Talk to your family about what to do in the event of a severe storm or tornado. Point out the safest location to shelter, like a small, interior, windowless room on the lowest level of your home. Discuss the dangers of severe thunderstorms; lightning can strike 10 miles outside of a storm. Remember: When you hear thunder roar, head indoors.
- Make a storm kit. It doesn't have to be elaborate—having a few items on hand is better than nothing at all. Try to include items like water, non-perishable foods, a manual can opener, a First-Aid kit, flashlights and extra batteries, prescriptions, baby supplies, and pet supplies. Keep all the items in one place for easy access if the power goes out.

During the Storm

- Pay attention to local weather alerts—either on the TV, your smartphone, or weather radio—and understand the types of alerts. A thunderstorm or tornado watch means these events are possible and you should be prepared; a warning means a thunderstorm or tornado has been spotted in your area and it's time to take action.

- If you find yourself in the path of a tornado, head to your safe place to shelter, and protect yourself by covering your head with your arms or materials like blankets and pillows.
- If you're driving during a severe storm or tornado, do not try to outrun it. Pull over and cover your body with a coat or blanket if possible.

After the Storm

- If the power is out, conserve your phone battery as much as possible, limiting calls and texts to let others know you are safe or for emergencies only.
- Stay off the roads if trees, power lines, or utility poles are down. Lines and equipment could still be energized, posing life-threatening risks to anyone who gets too close.
- Wear appropriate gear if you're cleaning up storm debris on your property. Thick-soled shoes, long pants, and work gloves will help protect you from sharp or dangerous debris left behind.

Summer is a time for many fun-filled activities, but the season can also bring severe, dangerous weather. Talk to your loved ones about storm safety so that everyone is prepared and knows exactly what to do when a storm strikes.



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