

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **4-H Dairy Project Committee Meeting Scheduled**

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The fall meeting of the Manitowoc County UW-Extension 4-H Dairy Project Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Manitowoc County Office Complex. Anyone interested in dairy youth activities for 2006 and beyond are encouraged to attend this meeting.

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### **Ag After Hours Scheduled**

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Wilfert Farms, 7528 Manitou Drive, Two Rivers, will host an Ag After Hours event on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m. Wilfert Farms raise quality home-grown produce, including corn, peas, watermelons, cucumbers, beans, peppers, carrots, cauliflower and pumpkins.

Approximately 130 people attended the first-ever "Dairy After Hours" event held at Kappelman's Meadow Brook Farms on June 29<sup>th</sup>. One of the goals of these events is to inform non-farm business owners and municipal officials that agriculture is truly a business. The Ag After Hours program is sponsored by the Manitowoc County UW-Extension Office, Manitowoc County Government and the Manitowoc Two Rivers Area Chamber of Commerce Vision 2011.

RSVP by contacting the Chamber at 684-5575 or fax 684-1915.

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### **Protecting the Lake Michigan Shoreline Program Scheduled (A five-part educational series)**

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Two sessions remain of a 5-part series entitled, "Protecting the Lake Michigan Shoreline". The seminar series is sponsored by Manitowoc County UW-Extension, U.S. Geological Survey, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Manitowoc County Government, UW-Discovery Farms Project, and Manitowoc County Discovery Farms Advisory Workgroup.

The first three sessions dealt with the different types of farming systems that exist in Northeast Wisconsin, understanding agricultural non-point pollution and the goals of the Discovery Farms Program.

Following is a listing of the dates and topics for the remaining sessions.

- August 18 – How is the water quality data collected?
- August 30 – What are we learning from the data in Northeastern Wisconsin?

Each session will run from 4-6 p.m. and will be held at the Manitowoc County Office Complex at 4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc. To register, please call Dawn at 683-4168.

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## **Tile Line Drainage Demonstration**

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Approximately 125 crop consultants, federal, state and local agency representatives, farmers, environmentalists and others attended two tile line drainage field days held on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Gries family farm. Participants learned about how tile lines work, tile line maintenance, as well as the potential impact of sediment and other water-borne constituents on surface water quality. The field day was sponsored by the University of Wisconsin Extension, Manitowoc County UW-Extension and the Manitowoc County Discovery Farms Workgroup.

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## **Dairy Futurity Scheduled**

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The first-ever Culver's Dairy Futurity is scheduled for Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. The Futurity will be held in the Walters Building at the Manitowoc County Expo grounds. The general public is encouraged to attend this free, exclusive dairy cattle exhibition. For more information, contact Todd Cavanaugh, Brenda Meyer, Brian Herr or Jim Neuser. Information is also available at the Manitowoc County UW-Extension office.

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