

MILK FROM GRASS TO THE GLASS SUMMER 2017 NEWSLETTER 651-464-0776 autumnwoodfarmllc.com

NEWS ON THE FARM

The county fair is an event our family looks forward to each summer. While most attend county fairs to enjoy carnival

rides, fair food, and entertainment, the fair means something different for us. For many years, we have trained dairy cattle to show in the dairy show along with a handful of other dairy farm families in our county.



Before we can begin

working with our animals, we have to determine which heifers and cows should be shown! Mom keeps her eyes open all year long, paying special attention to the cattle she thinks will be looking at their prime when the county fair arrives. Around May, we decide which of our cattle should go to the fair, and in June we start working with them.

Getting the cattle ready for the fair can be a tedious process. From the start, even putting a halter on an animal that has not had that experience can be alarming for them. Throughout our time working with and training our cattle, we work on leading them with their head held high, walking at a nice smooth pace, and setting their feet up correctly for optimal viewing by the judge. Before the fair, we wash and clip the hair so each show cow and heifer is looking pristine. Before we know it, it's time to take inventory of our supplies, pack up the trailer and head to the fair! Throughout the week at the county fair, the cows and heifers enjoy a "vacation", as they are fed in their stalls, cleaned up after, and washed every morning.

This year at the Washington County Fair Open Class Dairy show, we were excited to have two of our cows do especially well. Autumnwood Solar Sunny earned Grand Champion of the Holstein show, while Autumnwood Moses Satin earned Reserve Grand Champion of the Holstein show! The cattle are always excited when they exit the trailer and realize they are home, often running back to their pens or the pasture. For now, supplies are put away and the cattle used to their normal schedules. Until next year!

IN MEMORY OF TOBY

For 14 years, we had the blessing of having a wonderful companion and farm dog to work alongside. We are thankful for the life Toby brought to the farm each day from dawn to dusk. He will lay forever next to the animals with his



grave near the calf barn. We will miss you, Toby!

WHERE TO PURCHASE OUR PRODUCTS

AUTUMNWOOD DAIRY STORE 19435 Granada Ave. N. • Forest Lake, MN 55025 Monday-Friday Noon - 6pm • Saturday10am-4 pm

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