SPOONER MILLS

News & Notes

December 2025

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Talk to an agronomist if you'd like to get your seed, fertilizer, or chemical booked before the end of the year!



Friday, December 26th

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oThursday, New Year's Day- January 1st

PLEASE PLAN YOUR FEED NEEDS ACCORDINGLY



* HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Clover Leaf Farm Supply

Your local supplier of LP gas. Tanks, leased tanks, and cylinder exchanges

Call for tank fills when tank is at 25%.

Please keep pathways to tank clear
of objects and snow.

Spooner Mills Mineral Special

Booking thru January 31st

Special details to be determined

Special includes:

Cow Minerals, Dry Cow Minerals, Heifer Minerals, Beef Minerals, Vitamin Paks

Must be current on your account. Product must be taken and paid for by June 30th, 2025. No Exceptions. Speak to Paul or Tim about how we can help you with your mineral needs!

Spooner Mills of Thorp

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From the Agronomy Desk...

It's no secret that depressed corn and soybeans commodity prices are challenging growers as they make plans for 2026 planting season. It leads to the question, where can I trim costs without decreasing yield and increasing pest pressure? I have come up with a few different ideas for you.

*Take a maintenance year: Consider a 'maintain' strategy instead of a 'build' mode. Using current soil tests and nitrogen modeling, calculate the least amount of fertilizer needed to maintain soil fertility levels for next year rather than building them up.

*Don't apply where it's not needed: Take into consideration those areas where soil fertility is already higher, as revealed by soil tests.

Can fertilizer applications be trimmed back in those fields without detrimentally affecting yield? By how much? This might not be a fit for all farms.

*Don't sacrifice macros for the micros: Consider the cost-benefit ratio of micro-fertilizer packages in the overall context of your entire fertilizer bill and soil fertility rates. Micros can take yields over the top but crops still need their primary fertilizer needs taken care of first.

*In-season approach with nitrogen: This may be a better fit for farms that have access to manure. Rather than apply all your nitrogen at once, consider waiting to top dress and see where the price is at that time and if it's worth the added expense.

Pre-pay season is upon us, so set aside a time to sit down and plan for next planting season.

Hoping you all have a great holiday season. "Think snow," cover and frost are good things.

Your Spooner Mills Agronomy Team,

Tom, Paul, Cory, Terry, and Jesse

LINUS BURKHOLDER THORP, WI

Planting Date: 5/10/2025 **Harvest Date:** 9/25/2025

Hybrid	% MOISTURE	CP % of DM	NDF % OF DM	NDF dig. As % of NDF- 30hr	NDF Dig Rank	Starch % DM	Starch Rank	NEL Mgcal /lb	Yield DM tons/A	Yield @70% tons/A	Yield Rank	LBS. MILK/ TON	MILK/ TON RANK	LBS. MILK/ ACRE	MILK/ ACRE RANK
RENK 245	62.04	7.07	39.00	48.26	3	39.82	2	69.87	8.92	29.73	5	3232	3	28829	4
NK 8558-AA	62.59	7.00	35.22	46.30	5	43.00	1	70.70	9.73	32.42	2	3271	2	31816	2
MUSTANG 35C91PCE	62.75	7.18	41.22	48.71	2	36.40	5	67.69	9.69	32.28	3	3094	4	29965	3
MUSTANG 25P88PCE	64.15	7.54	36.98	47.23	4	38.92	3	71.10	9.77	32.56	1	3304	1	32277	1
RENK 300	58.00	7.89	39.72	48.97	1	37.57	4	63.91	9.24	30.80	4	2852	5	26352	5
AVERAGE	61.91	7.34	38.43	47.89		39.14		68.65	9.47	31.56		3151		29848	

Dennis Hudson - Starks - Corn

Planting Date: 5/6/2025 Harvest Date: 10/30/25

			Test	Test	BU/A @	Yield
Brand	Hybrid	Maturity	Weight	Moisture	15%	Rank
Mustang	22ZK88	89	55.3	19.7	159.69	20
Legacy	391-20	89	56.8	18.4	144.08	21
Mustang	25P88	89	55.9	19.2	162.34	19
Mustang	22Z90	90	57.4	17.9	170.49	14
Mustang	32P91	91	55.6	18.9	171.03	12
NK	8558	85	54.5	19.9	162.81	18
NK	8711	87	55.9	19.5	169.06	15
NK	9231	92	55.4	19.4	189.13	7
Rob-See	4255	92	55.6	19.3	192.44	5
Rob-See	4109	91	55.2	18.7	181.47	8
Rob-See	4166	91	55.8	19.1	178.44	10
Rob-See	4213	91	55.1	19.7	191.95	6
Renk	RK296	89	54.2	19.9	194.30	3
Renk	RK444	93	55.5	19.7	176.17	11
Renk	RK485	94	56.1	20.1	193.34	4
Brevant	B83W32	83	55.7	19.0	195.05	2
Brevant	B86J43	86	55.3	18.4	165.38	17
Brevant	89A44	89	55.3	19.6	181.35	9
Brevant	B91K05	91	54.8	19.9	195.94	1
Dairyland	2919	89	56.2	19.5	165.52	16
Dairyland	3159	91	55.0	19.9	170.57	14
Plot Average			55.6	19.3	176.69	

Linus Burkholder - Corn

PLANTING DATE: 5/10/25 HARVEST DATE: 10/14/25

			TEST	%	YIELD@	
COMPANY	VARIETY	MAT	WT.	MOIST	15%	RANK
Renk	RK245	83	53.9	22.3	187.2	6
NK	NK8558AA	85	55.0	22.8	208.3	3
Mustang	22C86 VT2P	86	55.7	22.2	202.2	4
Mustang	3591 PCE	87	52.7	23.3	231.2	2
NK	NK8711-V	87	54.8	22.6	190.0	5
Mustang	25P88 PCE	88	55.9	23.3	233.3	1
Renk	RK300	90	54.3	22.4	175.1	7
NK	NK8232AA	82	54.4	18.7	146.0	8
Average			54.6	22.2	196.7	

Dennis Hudson - Home - Corn

Planting Date: 5/7/25 Harvest Date: 10/30/25

			Test	Test	BU/A @	Yield
Brand	Hybrid	Maturity	Weight	Moisture	15%	Rank
Dairyland	2919	89	57.7	18.2	206.44	9
Dairyland	3159	91	56.8	18.8	208.71	8
Legacy	391-20	89	57.3	18.3	203.88	11
Mustang	22Z90	90	57.3	18.2	217.68	5
Rob-See	4255	92	56.5	18.3	215.51	6
Rob-See	4166	91	57.4	18.8	224.64	3
Rob-See	4109	91	57.2	17.9	212.13	7
Renk	RK304	90	56.8	18.2	225.70	2
Renk	RK297	89	56.6	18.3	193.76	12
NK	9771	97	56.0	21.3	217.92	4
NK	9044	90	56.7	20.3	225.77	1
Brevant	B91W35	91	59.6	18.9	206.36	10
Plot Average			57.2	18.8		