

SPoonER MILLS

Cadott • Gilman • Thorp

News & Notes

December 2024



To:

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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!

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.



HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSINGS

Tuesday, Christmas Eve - Closing at 12:00pm

Wednesday, Christmas Day—CLOSED

Tuesday New Year's Eve - Closing at 12:00pm

Wednesday, New Year's Day—CLOSED

NO ADDITIONAL CLOSINGS

PLEASE PLAN YOUR FEED

NEEDS ACCORDINGLY

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

Cloverleaf Farm Supply

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Cadott, WI 54727

Gilman Feed Co

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Gilman, WI 54433

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From the Agronomy Desk...

It's no secret that depressed corn and soybean commodity prices are challenging growers as they make plans for 2025 planting season. It leads to the question, where can I trim cost without decreasing yield and increasing pest pressure? So, I have come up with a few different ideas.

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 prices are 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 the next planting season.

Hoping you all have a great holiday season.

"Think snow," cover and frost are good things.

Henry Burkholder Jr.
Thorp, WI

Your Spooner Mills Agronomy Team,
Tom, Paul, Cory, and Terry



Harvest Date: 5/15/24 Harvest Date: 11/8/24

COMPANY	HYBRID	MATURE	TEST WT.	% MOIST	YIELD@ 15%	RANK
RENK	RK223RR	82	59.1	16.7	149.4	19
RENK	RK227VT2P	82	58.3	16.3	160.0	16
RENK	RK245 Conv	83	57.1	18.7	158.4	17
NK	NK8232-AA	82	57.2	18.4	154.5	18
NK	NK8558-AA	85	58.4	18.9	195.0	5
Legacy	LC354-23PCE	85	55.4	19.2	187.0	9
Legacy	LC361-24VT2P	86	56.9	17.1	166.3	14
Legacy	LC363-23AA	86	57.4	18.4	172.9	12
RENK	RK261VT2P	86	56.5	18.1	176.7	11
NK	NK8711-V	87	57.3	18.5	163.6	15
RENK	RK296AA	89	55.7	19.8	188.5	8
RENK	RK297VT2P	89	58.5	18.5	212.1	2
Legacy	LC391-20VT2P	89	58.7	18.6	209.7	3
RENK	RK4-90 PWE	90	57.0	19.6	212.9	1
RENK	RK300RR	90	56.7	19.6	188.9	7
NK	NK9021-D	90	56.3	19.8	183.4	10
NK	NK9044-AA	90	57.4	19.0	167.6	13
RENK	RK304VT2P	90	56.9	18.0	192.7	6
Legacy	LC404-24VT2P	90	55.9	18.0	203.8	4
Average :			57.2	18.5	181.2	



Frozen Grasshopper

Ingredients

- * 1.5 ounces creme de menthe
- * 1.5 ounces creme de cacao
- * 16 ounces vanilla ice cream
- * ¼ cup milk, optional
- * 1 teaspoon chocolate syrup, as a garnish



Instructions

In a blender, add creme de menthe, creme de cacao, and vanilla ice cream. Blend until smooth. Check consistency and add milk if mixture looks too thick to pour. Serve immediately.

For a non-alcoholic, kid-friendly version omit the creme de menthe and creme de cacao and Add ½ teaspoon of mint extract and a few drops of green food coloring. The full ¼ cup of milk will be needed to thin your milkshake.