

Carter (6) & Rhett (3) help
Papa close planter boxes.



Layman's Language

"A farm is more than land and crops.

It is a family's Heritage and Future."

Sometimes the spring planting season means all hands on deck. This spring, it included the next generation! The boys love being on the farm doing just about anything, and to be honest, I like having them here too.

Having the grandkids around helps to take my mind off of the current happenings in the world, particularly the focus on Covid-19. While I recognize the unknowns of this virus pose a very serious health risk to some, the damage we've seen to our economy is just beginning. These events will have major impacts on our economy and society for years, even when we do return to normal. While other economies around the world are slowly returning to business as usual, I am very concerned, and frankly infuriated, that we seem to be at a standstill, with virtually no end in sight. I believe a game has begun no one wants to see to fruition. One mandate will lead to another, and another, and we may end up in a state where no one wins. It surely paints a different picture of the future than the one I had envisioned for the next generation.

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Spring Progress

Moisture (too much or not enough) is still the name of the game we play, year after year. Following a wet April, we were able to start planting corn and soybeans both on May 7. We got rained out for a few weeks before getting back in the last week of May, and we finished planting corn on June 8 and soybeans on June 9. Most of our acres then went almost three weeks without a measurable rain. The rest of the summer has been spent watching the radar as storm cells develop only to fizzle out at the county line. We have been able to catch a sprinkle or occasional shower just when we needed it most, although we are still too dry across the majority of our acres. We are hopeful to finish out the growing season with good weather and have a smooth fall harvest.



Summer Party Update

As much as we enjoy gathering together at the end of August each year, with the current situation concerning Covid-19 and out of respect for all, we will not host the party this year.

We will miss each of you, but are looking forward to hosting an even better gathering in 2021.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and have a safe and blessed fall.

Jan & Cindy