

AUGUST NEWSLETTER



Carlson Customer Appreciation Dinner Thursday, August 14

Join us Thursday, August 14 for food, drinks, & fun here at our shop as our way of saying thank you for doing business with us!

The infamous smoked porkchops will be served starting at 5:30 pm. Bring the whole family out, hope to see you there!

Fall Spraying

Consider a fall herbicide application with Autumn Super to burndown emerged weeds, control winter annuals, and provide residual control for cleaner fields from the start in corn & soybeans.

Dicamba May Be An Option for 2026

While there is no official approval yet, it seems very likely that dicamba products will be approved for use on soybeans in the 2026 growing season. We will update you as we learn more this fall.

Crop and Weather Updates

Though we have had some challenges arise this season, crops are still on track for strong yields this year. We are slightly ahead on GDUs compared to this time last year, but we also have significantly more moisture available to the crops. The August 4th Crop Progress and Condition Report rated topsoil moisture at 95% adequate or surplus as Iowa had the second wettest July on record. A majority of corn is in the dough and dent stages, with 85% rated good to excellent. As for soybeans, 65% of plants were setting pods and 80% were rated good to excellent.



Late Season Scouting

As grain fill progresses, plant health is as important as ever, with lots of potential still on the table. While some situations do not have viable treatment options at this stage, scouting is still important. We recently have started to see Southern rust and tar spot teaming up to attack plant health, leading some farmers to apply a second pass of fungicide. Gray leaf spot and northern corn leaf blight have also been present, but fairly minor in severity. As for soybeans, we have seen some fields starting to show SDS symptoms, and some with plants toppling over. Overall we are still very optimistic about the crop this season.



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