

T H AGRI-CHEMICALS, Inc.

"Good People to Grow With"

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well, Mother Nature continues to give us problems. The high winds we have had this past month have raised havoc with a lot of our crops. Carrots, cucumbers and some other crops have had to be replanted and others have been setback because of sand blasting. Earlier heavy rains, especially, in the eastern part of the state caused soil crusting, washouts and drown outs in many fields. This has made it necessary to replant a lot of corn fields. Potatoes in the Central sands are closing the rows and fungicide sprays have started. Sweet Corn and Snap bean planting continues. Any of the crops that were planted early are growing rapidly. Winter Wheat will certainly be harvested early and should allow growers to plant soybeans after. Cranberries are hooking and insect sprays are being applied.

T H celebrated its 30 year anniversary on June 1st. This is a milestone that could not have been reached without the support of you our good customers. Our growth continues as we expand our marketing area, add more new products and increase our marketing efforts in additional crops. We are fortunate to have a group of dedicated personnel who understand agriculture and the importance of getting you the product you need; when you need it. My hope is that agriculture continues to be strong and we can grow our businesses and prosper together.

Thanks again for all of the support you have given us. It is deeply appreciated!

Sincerely,

Robert L. Zimpel
President

**30 YEARS
OF SERVING
CUSTOMERS IN
AGRICULTURE!**



HAPPY 30TH ANNIVERSARY!

June 1st T H Agri-Chemicals, Inc. reached it's 30th anniversary! With all the changes that have occurred in agriculture in the past thirty years, the good and the bad, T H has not only survived but been successful. 30 years in business, serving our customers, is something we are all proud of.

There are three main people at T H that have been the back bone of this company and the reason for it's longevity. Robert Zimpel, President, has shown how important agriculture is to him by serving the customers with fairness and honesty. His love of agriculture shows in everything he does. Steve Rosenthal, Vice President, has shown expertise in his knowledge of various crops and has immersed himself in the agricultural community. Not just serving customers but by serving on various ag boards in the state which shows his dedication to agriculture in Wisconsin. Last but not least, Sandy Hall. She has been with Bob and Steve since T H became a privately owned company in 1982. She has shown great loyalty and dedication to T H and helped it become successful in her position as Office Manager. She has spent many years serving the customers and helping Bob and Steve keep T H growing.

Without the three of them T H would not be what it is today. They should be very proud of their success, not only in life, but in serving the agricultural community.

Jeannine Chilewski



HEADLINE—What have we seen so far?

The first crop application results are back, and it paid big \$\$\$\$. Results on 11 different plots in southern WI showed, increased wet tons by 1.02 tons, NDF 3%, Milk \$/ton 47 points, and crude protein by .22%. You should consider spraying your second crop at 6-8 inches of regrowth. Use 6 oz per acre and you can add in an insecticide if you need to. Benefits we see are better leaf retention, and healthier plants from the disease control. BASF says “Green all the way to the dirt.” Treated plants showed leaves all the way to the ground. If you have questions please call, but it looks very convincing.

Jeff Luttrupp, CCA



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CHEMICAL SHORTAGES

By now many of you know that we are experiencing shortages of various chemicals. Bayer is out of corn herbicides. Without Liberty being available, you need to consider other alternatives for weed control in Liberty link corn and soybeans. Syngenta is out of Callisto and we have experienced significant delays in getting Lumax. Syngenta is also sold out of Warrior. BASF is sold out of Status. The majority of the companies won't have product available until the 4th quarter of 2012.

We anticipate heavy insect pressure in a variety of crops this year, so it wouldn't surprise me to see shortages occur with insecticides also. We currently have a good supply of insecticides and fungicides on hand.

Bob Zimpel

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FUNGICIDE IMPROVEMENT

Fungicide spraying will start very soon. Growers can improve fungicide efficacy by adding Hook to your spray program. Hook has 6 products in it to improve and help fungicides last longer and work better.

Hook has a spreader, sticker, deposition agent, penetrator, activator and a drift control agent – ALL – IN – ONE product. Hook will really help in an intensive irrigation program. Hook should be applied at a rate of 1 quart per 100 gallons. Hook can be used by ground or air. Remember to ALWAYS ADD HOOK LAST!

Steve Rosenthal, CCA

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INSECTS

It looks like this will be the year of the insect. We are currently spraying various crops for Variegated Cutworms, Black Cutworms and Loopers. Aster Leaf Hopper spraying is being done in carrots and spraying for Colorado Potato Beetles has started on potatoes in the Central Sands.

No matter what crop you are growing, make sure you are monitoring things closely because insects can do a significant amount of damage in a short time. Call Jeff, Steve, Craig or myself for recommendations if you have a problem.

Bob Zimpel

MESSENGER GOLD

Potato growers are beginning to make fungicide applications in the southern part of the state. Growers should be starting to put the first application of Messenger Gold on fresh market and processing potatoes. The first application of 2 ounces per acre should be made at tuber initiation with the second application of 2 ounces 2 weeks later. A third application of 2 ounces should be made two weeks before vine kill.

Seed potato growers should make the first application at hooking with the second application 2 – 3 weeks later. This earlier application can also increase set in seed potatoes.

Messenger Gold can be applied with all fungicide and insecticide programs. Messenger Gold is also labeled on other crops such as Apples, Cranberries, Peas, Snap beans, Strawberries. Please give us a call for more information.

Steve Rosenthal, CCA

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TH SUMMER HOURS

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

7:00 A.M.— 5:30 P.M.

AND

SATURDAYS 7:00 A.M.—NOON

2 TRUCKS FOR SALE — CALL T H (only 1 truck shown)



2005 Ford F250 4X4 Super Cab Lariat Edition, 8' Box
Engine: 5.4L-FI
Current Mileage: 222,000
Transmission: 5 Speed Automatic
Color: Dark Green
Interior: Tan leather interior
Price: \$7,000

T H RETURN POLICY

T H will accept product returns only if the product is in clean, re-salable condition. We will not accept dirty, water stained, or greasy containers. Any containers that have been opened or the seals broken will not be accepted. The policy is for everyone's protection against contamination. Remember, don't send anything back that you would not accept if we were delivering it to you. We will also need products returned in a timely fashion.

We will be unable to accept returns on

Herbicides or Insecticides after July 31st, 2012.

Christmas Trees



INSECT ALERT!

Growers should monitor fields for rapid insect development. Recent warm weather and state wide rains have been ideal for increased insect activity. Look for Aphids and Mites in your plantations. Give us a call with any problems.

NEW ROOT APHID INSECTICIDE!

Growers that have a problem with Root Aphids now have a new insecticide to control this damaging pest. Movento is now labeled for Christmas trees plantations. The rate is 5 10 ounces per acre and you can use up to 20 ounces per season. Please let us know how this product works if you try it.

Steve Rosenthal, CCA

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