



SEPTEMBER 2020

Welcome to September! Looks like harvest will be a little earlier this year. We have started burn down days, if you'd like us to check your corn's moisture, please let us know – we'd be happy to help you in any way we can. 320-387-2770. Please look over this **Silage harvest checklist**: Safety first: Make sure you know where everyone is. Wear high visible clothing; make sure it's not hanging. Avoid rollovers on your piles, rest when you can. None of us are invincible! Harvest at correct moisture: In order to greatly increase corn silage quality. Particle length: Don't just set your knives & walk away. Pay attention to this. Make sure all kernels are being broken. This aides in digestion – tighten processors or adjust the length of cut as necessary. Make sure to cover your piles/bunkers immediately after packing has concluded! Don't skip on plastic thickness & use an oxygen barrier to prevent spoilage. For silage bags, seal the end with dirt/sand, etc. Make sure to inspect sides. On your upright silo's, use a silo cap. Using a preservative throughout the entire pile or at the very least-on the last loads that go in a silo, bag or bunker is a good way to ensure freshness when you open them.

This month we've got \$1.00 off all Hershel 7 & 9" sweeps, DEEP discounts in the dairy isle, 10% off all Franklin waters until the 15th, and \$20.00 off all in stock bale feeders!

ADM is offering \$5.00 off all Roughage Buster tubs! Bryant Johnson says: Roughage Buster's patented technology increases fiber digestion resulting in increased gains & healthier livestock; this means your cattle can reach their full potential faster while you spend less to do it! Want more information? Give him a call: 320-221-4101.

Purina has 10% off Wind & Rain Availa 4 & mineral tubs! Katie & Kari say that you should have your cattle on a year round mineral program. A cow that is on mineral year round will consume less mineral than a cow on mineral for just 60 days over calving & you get to reap the benefits of feeding mineral by getting easier breed back, colostrum quality, calf vigor at birth, calves that respond better to vaccines & treatment – overall healthier cows!

Bulk Precon in totes: save \$95.00 a ton! Use Precon to make sure your calves have a great start at weaning! By incorporating RX3 technology, you can prime the immune system in calves & can recognize a sickness 3 days earlier & thus respond 3 days sooner, keeping morbidity & mortality at a minimum. Our goal in weaning calves is to get them eating 3% of their body weight ASAP to keep the rumen functioning healthy. Please talk to Katie Nelson: 320-290-5136 or Kari Heidebrink: 320-630-4786 about Precon for the first 10-21 days after weaning which will result in weight gain & you may qualify for a Great Starts Feeding Trial for your money back!

Don't forget: September is National Breakfast month! The most important meal of the day! Shop the Gilman Creamery for all your breakfast needs: Fresh eggs, cheese, ham steaks, bacon, Canadian bacon, orange juice, hash browns, ranch seasoned potato wedges, & try the new jalapeno cheddar stuffed spuds!

Take care & we hope to see you all real soon!

Gilly & the gang

