

June 22, 2018

## Attention Ag Partners Stockholders:

**Don't forget to attend the stockholders meeting on Thursday, June 28th, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Fisher Center in Hiawatha for the purposes of the unification vote!**

### Meet the Intern with Jessica Neibling - Ag Marketing Tech Intern

- **Where are you from?** Highland, KS
- **Where do you attend college?** Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, MO
- **What year in school are you & what's your major?** I'm a Senior majoring in Agricultural Sciences
- **Why did you choose to major in Agriculture?** I was raised on the farm, so crops and livestock are familiar to me—it's what I know. Since I was blessed to grow up a farm kid, it established a strong passion to live, work, and advocate for the ag industry.
- **How do you want to use your major after you graduate?** I want to share my passion and knowledge of agriculture with those both familiar and unfamiliar to the industry. Particularly through ag communications and or agronomy.
- **Hobbies?** I enjoy taking road trips, taking pictures, and taking naps.
- **Something you should know about me:** I'm the person behind-the-scenes who writes the weekly newsletter and posts on social media (among other things).
- **What do you like about your internship so far?** The overall experience in working with all of the Ag Partners staff and customers has been great, as well as the ability for hands-on training and learning.
- **Name something you hope to learn from your internship with Ag Partners?** I hope to continue to expand my agronomy knowledge-base and get to know more of the growers.



### New Nematode Nemesis — NemaStrike: Tyler DiGiacomo

Monsanto officially received approval of the EPA to accept the release of NemaStrike earlier this spring. NemaStrike is a product now offered by Monsanto Seed Applied Solutions, which targets and attacks nematodes. This nematicide product has a mode of action that stays in the root zone where nematodes thrive. We are currently testing some innovation trials at Ag Partners that will give us data on plant health. Essentially, if nematodes are present in the soil, we want to know how they are affecting our soybeans. For the past three years in Monsanto's field development trials, this product has shown a 68% positive response rate in soybeans, with a 3-bushel increase in yield, when applied to the seed.

In our own independent innovation trials this spring, we placed this product with multiple growers across the region. During the evaluation process, we will monitor nematode pressure in the control area and the NemaStrike applied area, and document any visual differences. If you are interested in hearing more about this product feel free to talk with an agronomist, or visit [Acceleron's website](#).

**(Click the green underlined text or the NemaStrike logo!)**

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### Grain Market Update: Ed Molt

Can you believe it's the first full day of summer, and it's 68 degrees? It just goes to show if you don't like the weather in Kansas, just give it a little time and it'll change. The crops overall look really good around here — for the most part, corn and beans have changed in the last week putting on new growth. On the price side of things, corn and bean remain under pressure this week due to mostly favorable weather and continued escalating trade tensions. Soybeans will finish higher on this Friday afternoon, and corn is steady ahead of next week's grain stocks and acreage reports coming out. There are continued chances for rain in the first part of next week, so hopefully we can all end up with some in the rain gauge.

**Thought for the week:** "Work hard, stay positive, and get up early — it's the best part of the day." -George Allen, Sr.

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