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Newsletter of Farmers Elevator & Exchange Co.—107 So. Chestnut Street - Monroe City, Missouri 63456 - ph. 573/735-4543 or 888/842-2090



Manager's *Corner* We invite comments from you our readers of this newsletter which has evolved over time into the publication you now receive. You may be unaware that we also post this newsletter on our website. If you know of someone far away who has interest in the activities here at Monroe City, urge them to log on to www.farmerselevator.net. As you may have seen in recent days, currently there is an upgrade of a storm sewer and some other utilities along Summer Street between

Vine & Chestnut Streets in Monroe City. If you deliver grain to our elevator or pick up supplies on days when the roadway is closed, please see the map below for an

alternate route into our main facility. We welcomed Tina Powers of Monroe City to our staff in late March. She wants to help us provide the service vou have come to expect at this co-op! One comment I have heard over time is that no one grows tired

of seeing



photos of grandchildren, so I am sharing above a photo of our granddaughter Lauren who recently celebrated her 1st birthday in March. Grandma Evelyn and I get pretty excited when we get to spend time with 'our' girls. Everyone here is very anxious for spring planting season 2017 to get into full swing! We sincerely want to serve the needs of your farming operation! **Thanks!**

The local community around Monroe City joined thousands of other individuals in ag communities across the country in an effort to



gather supplies to assist those farmers and ranchers stricken by wild fires last month in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Colorado who lost everything needed to function as a working operation. Within a 24-hour period in mid-March, cash donations exceeding \$5,000 poured in to buy fencing supplies, fence posts, wire, gates, feed, milk replacer, gloves, boots from Farmers Elevator and other local businesses. The effort started with a few contacts made by local farmer and current vice president of the Missouri Farm Bureau Todd Hays who along with other area farmers, businessmen and employees of the Farmers Elevator assisted in loading a trailer that was sent to Ashland, Kansas.



Grime STOPPERS Hand Wipes—Pick up a package of <u>25</u> for only \$4.95. Handy for a tool box, pickup or tractor! We also offer a bucket of <u>150 for only \$31.99</u> for the shop. Grime STOPPERS Kill Germs, Clean & Soften hands!

Attn: FFA and 4-H Members:

Let us help you get your livestock projects off to a good start and headed into the winner's circle. We offer quality show feeds! Call or stop by to discuss a program that fits!





Once again we are enduring Mother Nature's mood swings in Missouri! Please consider these key items before you go to the field:

- Burndown of no-till and cover crops: Plan ahead and <u>contact us</u> <u>now</u> to order these applications to avoid bottlenecks later in the season. It is most effective to burn down early, then apply your residual herbicide at planting. This will allow the residual herbicide to be more effective for a longer period of time.
- ◆ Seed treater—Plan ahead: We will be treating all of the soybeans purchased in bulk. Our equipment does an excellent job of

treating quickly, but the process takes time. We ask if you are picking up treated seed, (in boxes or bulk), that you call ahead of when you plan to arrive to pick up seed. Our goal is to make the pick-up process simple for you, therefore, in order to keep your day efficient and to reduce excessive waiting time, call us at least 2 HOURS in advance of your arrival. We also invite you to schedule a seed pick-up time several days in advance. This will help us help you. Thank you!

- Seed Treatments: If in addition to basic treatment you want specialty products applied, i.e. nematicides like Clariva or ILeVO, contact us now so we have the products on hand and so we don't incur any delays.
- ♦ High management practices including V5 fungicide applications and side-dressing UAN applications: Start planning now for late-season fungicide on growing corn and soybeans! Planning ahead allows the process to work on a more timely manner. Please Do Not Wait until crops are infested with disease to use fungicide as a rescue—Yield losses will already be affected. There is talk of rust in wheat out west. Early season rust in wheat is usually an indicator of what to expect in corn and soybeans later in the season. Rust info is available at: RustTracker.org that tracks rust in wheat crops globally!

• Call Us: Communication is key to getting ahead and staying ahead of upcoming challenges in the fields this

season. **Key contact numbers** to place orders, ask recommendations, order custom application, plan seed treatment and all other crop production services are—>

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