

R&M Farms / Walters Ag, LLC



Fields of Green



Showcasing our Farm to a Global Audience.

This year our farm has had the opportunity to showcase our operation to scientists and ag company representatives from around the globe. We were able to give them feedback on products as well as show some people what agricultural production is like in Fillmore County, Nebraska.



The first group that came to our farm was a group of engineers with CaseIH that develop and design planters. They were curious to get feedback on their planter designs from farmers who had put them through a season's test in the field. They asked us many questions and thoroughly looked over our planter for any design flaws or changes that would benefit the farmer after we had had the chance to put many acres on it. The team that came out was mainly based out of near Chicago, IL and Manitoba, Canada (where the planters for CaseIH are built). We also had the chance to pick their brains and resolve issues that we had been having with our equipment and technology on tractors as well. So, having the team to the farm was very productive for both as we both were able to collaborate and understand their products better...cont. page 2

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Pioneer Farm Award Recipients



(Pictured receiving the award are L-R Debbie Hoarty Fillmore County Ag Society, Diane Walters, Kelsey Walters, Spencer Walters, Weston Walters, Rick Walters, Mike Walters, Camella Walters, Wade Walters, Whitney Walters, and Abby Walters)

Community Involvement

Wade, Spencer, and Mike helped organize and run a fundraiser for the 50 Flags Veterans Memorial in Shickley that helped raise around \$70,000 towards the completion of the Veterans Memorial.

On July 14th at the Fillmore County Fair in Geneva the Walters Family was awarded the Nebraska Pioneer Farm Award. This award is given to families who have owned the same piece of land for over 100 years. Our farm where Spencer lives and where our shop is at has been in the family since 1919. The land was first owned by John and Mary Marson (Marie's uncle and aunt) then purchased by Harry and Marie Walters in 1950. After that Dick and Joan Walters owned it for their lives then it passed on to Rick and Mike Walters who own it today. With Wade and Spencer back on the farm and Spencer's son Weston this would mark 6 generations of our family who have farmed this piece of land.

Commodity Prices 7-19-19

Corn:

Shickley Grain
Harvest Delivery \$3.91
FlintHills Harvest Del \$4.18

Soybeans:

Shickley Grain
Harvest Delivery \$8.19
Cargill Harvest Del \$8.31



...continued from page 1. The second group we hosted in June was a group of research scientists with Compass Minerals who make various fertilizers and crop biological products. Their team of scientists was on a road trip across Nebraska and Kansas being exposed to what agriculture and farming is like in a real-world field vs in a lab which is what they were accustomed to. For a few it was their first time to step in a corn field and see how the nutrients they designed performed in the real world. The group was a group of agronomists, chemists, and researchers from St. Louis and Brazil.