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Thank you **TAM MADDOCK** for your

8 YEARS
OF DEDICATED SERVICE

*We wish you all the best in your new
position with Northern Crops Institute*

WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT



MICHAEL AXT

Greetings to my FFA Family,

I first want to congratulate Mr. Pete Hetle on his retirement from teaching, and for his service as the FFA Advisor in Grant County. His years of service to our family and the students have impacted our entire state and we wish you the best as you enjoy your time of relaxation.

Congratulations to the 2019-2020 officer team on your election to lead North Dakota FFA for the year ahead and to our state winning teams and individuals who will be representing North Dakota at the National FFA Convention this fall. Your hard work and dedication are very much appreciated and truly admired.

It is hard to find the right words that express my gratitude to all of team Ag. Ed. for what you do to make the experiences of our students possible. Without your time, much of what our students learn would not be possible. To our sponsors and donors: You are also an important layer to making the North Dakota FFA as impactful and as powerful as it is. Without your support, the programs, curriculums and events we put on for our North Dakota members and students would be impossible.

As I write this there is still much of summer left; however, with the activities I know you have planned, it will go fast, and as you plan for the year ahead, I would like to present you with a challenge. My challenge is this: Do something that is not expected for the culture you live in. Try something new or attempt to get yourself into something outside of your comfort zone. It is when we do this that accomplishments become endless.

In closing I want to give my personal thanks to Tam for all she has given to the FFA for the past 8 years and wish her and her family the very best in the years to come.

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael D. Axt".

Michael D. Axt

ND FFA Foundation President

2018-2019

YEAR IN REVIEW

6,142

North Dakota FFA **Members**

NEW RECORD MEMBERSHIP!

86

Chapters and Programs
in North Dakota

50

Years of women in the FFA

273

FFA jackets given through
Blue Jackets Bright Futures

\$31,000

Given in Bakk Farm **SAE Grants**

\$38,267

Raised on
Giving Hearts Day 2019

90

Years of the North Dakota
State FFA Convention

361

ND FFA Members attended
the 2018 National Convention

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109

ND FFA Foundation stipends given to allow
members to attend and compete at National Convention

140

State Degree recipients

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51

American Degree recipients

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26

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5 NEW WOMEN STATE OFFICERS
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FFA STATE RECAP

National FFA President

Luke O'Leary, *Guest Speaker*

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Ag Education Instructor

Justin Benz, *Beulah*
Alumni/FFA Volunteer, Livestock Official

Cody Wardner, *Mercer*
Alumni/FFA Volunteer, Livestock Official

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Ag Country Farm Credit

William (Bill) Ongstad, *Harvey*
Alumni

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2019 STAR FARMER

In 2015 Ryan, with the help of his family, was able to start his farming enterprise by renting 210 acres and planting wheat and soybeans. His operation has since expanded to a total of 790 acres in 2018 and he diversified his crop production to include corn, wheat, soybeans, sunflowers and rye.

Ryan farms alongside his father and brother and uses a labor/equipment exchange to cover some of his expenses and additional labor. He was able to purchase his own tractor, combine and heater for use in the farming enterprise. Ryan contributes much of the growth and success of his SAE to diversification of crops that are more marketable and profitable.

Ryan is the son of Tim and Andrea Muggli of Carson. He is a member of the Grant county FFA Chapter, and his advisor is Mr. Pete Hetle.

To learn more about these ND FFA Star Awards, read online at ndffa.co/2019starfinalists



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2019 STAR

Stuart did not grow up on a farm, but his dream of farming started at a young age while playing with toy tractors and semi-trucks, hoping someday to drive the real equipment. His SAE catapulted his dream. As a sophomore

he started working weekends on a family farm near Sisseton, SD, completing field work, milking cows and miscellaneous jobs. That summer he began working for



2019 STAR

Abbigale's research includes seven projects in the plant and animal science pathways. Her research has covered feed efficiency, parasite control, reproduction, soil health, fertilization and meat labeling. The "Effects of P.G. 600 and CIDRs on the Conception Rate of Ewes" and "Which Beef Breeding

Protocols are Best for Sheep?" were two of her favorite projects.

During the research she used CIDRs, Lutalyse, GNRH and P.G.



2019 STAR

What started as two lawns and a small John Deere mower has grown into Nelsen Lawn Care and Snow Removal. As owner/operator, Keaton provides seasonal lawn care, landscaping, tree trimming and snow removal for customers in and around the Leeds, ND area. His reputation for having

an excellent work ethic and attention to detail quickly spread and has doubled his customer base every year. He is now mowing 40 yards that include

IN AG. PLACEMENT

STUART BOWAR, WAHPETON

Leinen Farms, now called West Edge Farms. Stuart leaves school during co-op placement class and works until 9:30pm. Stuart is responsible for fall tillage on about 4,600 acres.

On fall weekends he works 17-hour days to ensure all acres are tilled. His employer, Tim Fenske, noted Stuart is ambitious and responsible with pride in the operation as if it was his own. He is versed in all aspects of the

operation. He hauls grain to market, operates welders, the grain cart, hauls fertilizer, hauls water during spraying season, helps mix the chemicals and maintains and repairs equipment and facilities.

Stuart is a member of the Wahpeton FFA Chapter. His advisors are Mr. Darin Spelhaug and Ms. Cassidy Ziesch. He is the son of Barry and Shelly Bowar.

IN AGRISCIENCE

ABBIGALE STEEKE, SCRANTON

600 to determine how they affect the reproduction success of ewes. Her latest project involved the public perception on meat labeling involving 765 anonymous volunteers ranging from 18-76 years of age from several states.

Her work has attracted the interest of veterinarians, beef and sheep ranchers. She was asked to present at the ND Lamb and Wool Convention where over 65 people attended her

session. She presented at Dickinson State University and the Bowman-Slope Ag Banquet. She also finished ninth in the Animal Systems pathway at the National FFA Convention.

Abbigale is the president of the Scranton FFA Chapter. Her advisor is Mrs. Misty Steeke. She is the daughter of Trevor and Misty Steeke.

IN AGRIBUSINESS

KEATON NELSEN, LEEDS

residential, commercial, cemeteries and the Leeds Golf Course.

With the growing customer base, Keaton had to adapt his business to meet customer wants and needs. He had numerous clients approach him with questions on tree trimming, tree removal, general landscaping and in the offseason, snow removal. This pushed him to acquire needed equipment such as multiple toro mowers, trimmers, a chainsaw and a skid steer to provide full-service year

round. He hopes to continue to offer his services for the next few summers and looks to add an employee to help cover while he is away for college.

Keaton is the son of Kyle and Kim Nelsen. He is a member of the Leeds FFA Chapter and his advisor is Mr. Wade Anderson.



RYAN MUGGLI

2019 STATE CONVENTION

CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT RESULTS

Advanced Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Max Muggli,**
HIGH TEAM: **Lisbon**

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Dealers Association, Titan Machinery, Darren & Kristin Hoyme,
Rolla FFA

Intermediate Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems

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HIGH TEAM: **Minot**

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Basic Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Thatcher Volk,**
HIGH TEAM: **Rugby**

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Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems Sweepstakes

HIGH TEAM: **Rugby**
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Agricultural Communications

HIGH INDIVIDUALS: **Caleb Hauck,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

Oakes-Sargent Central

Amy Volk, Rugby

Kiara Larson, Rugby

Abi Sulzman, Scranton

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Dairy Cattle Management and Evaluation

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Brooke Kunz,**
HIGH TEAM: **New Salem**

New Salem

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Dairy Cattle Handlers

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Chayla Kuss,**
HIGH TEAM: **Carrington**

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Environmental & Natural Resource Management

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Cauy Ellingson,**
HIGH TEAM: **Edgeley-Kulm**

Edgeley-Kulm

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Farm & Agribusiness Management

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Adam Gorseth,**
HIGH TEAM: **Carrington**

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Floriculture

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Grace Solemsaas,**
HIGH TEAM: **Minot**

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Food Science & Technology

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Janae Weigel,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

Napoleon

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Meats Evaluation & Technology

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Dawson Bibb,**
HIGH TEAM: **Munich**

Munich

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Milk Quality & Products

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Claire Moffet,**
HIGH TEAM: **New Salem**

Wyndmere

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Nursery/Landscape

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Olivia Svanes,**
HIGH TEAM: **Des Lacs-Burlington**

Napoleon

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Quiz

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Christina Greuel,**
HIGH TEAM: **Harvey**

Kindred

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Credit Services of Mandan, AgCountry Farm Credit Services, Rick Vannett*

Small Animal/Veterinary Science

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Kaitlynn Klebe,**
HIGH TEAM: **New Salem**

Towner

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Animal Systems Division I

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Cora Schaunaman,**
HIGH TEAM: **Ashley**

Animal Systems Division III

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Savana Bader,**
HIGH TEAM: **Wishek**

Animal Systems Division VI

HIGH TEAM: **Anna Stoppleworth & Christina Greuel,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

Environmental/Natural Resources Division I

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Kathryn Schneider,**
HIGH TEAM: **Ashley**

Environmental/Natural Resources Division II

HIGH TEAM: **Christopher Pfeifle & Keeda Beach,**
HIGH TEAM: **Ashley**

Environmental/Natural Resources Division III

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Madelyn Schmidt,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kidder County**

Environmental/Natural Resources Division VI

HIGH TEAM: **Tayla Redepenning & Cassie Monson,**
HIGH TEAM: **Grafton**

Food Products & Processing System Division II

HIGH TEAM: **Avery Sanford & Sophia Freitag,**
HIGH TEAM: **Scranton**

Food Products & Processing System Division III

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Bailee Pierce**

Food Products & Processing System Division IV

HIGH TEAM: **Kayla Hoyme & Riele Shaw,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

Food Products & Processing System Division VI

HIGH TEAM: **Skyla Folden & Madison Myers,**
HIGH TEAM: **Garrison**

Plant Systems Division III

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Kiersten Boehm,**
HIGH TEAM: **Richland 44**

Plant Systems Division IV

HIGH TEAM: **McKenna Braaten & Elliot Mathias,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

Power, Structural, and Technical Systems Division I

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Braden Schlatter,**
HIGH TEAM: **Glen Ullin**

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HIGH TEAM: **Cort McDonald & Jorgen Swenson,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

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HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

Power, Structural, and Technical Systems V

HIGH TEAM: **Bailey Shock & Andrea Berger,**
HIGH TEAM: **Mandan**

Power, Structural, and Technical Systems VI

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Tanner Kempf,**
HIGH TEAM: **Ashley**

Social Systems Division I

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Lillian Steeke,**
HIGH TEAM: **Scranton**

Social Systems Division II

HIGH TEAM: **Jack Stoppleworth & Trey Heinrich,**
HIGH TEAM: **Kindred**

Social Systems Division III

HIGH INDIVIDUAL: **Sierra Strenge,**
HIGH TEAM: **Wyndmere**

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HIGH TEAM: **Max**

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HIGH TEAM: **Scranton**

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HIGH TEAM: **Max**

EVENT RESULTS

Courtesy Corps

HIGH INDIVIDUAL:
Allison Zenker,
Gackle-Streeter

NATIONAL QUALIFIER:
Paige Elston,
Edgeley-Kulm

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Talent

HIGH INDIVIDUAL:
Rose Wendel, LaMoure
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LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENT RESULTS

Creed Speaking

Ashlyn Williams, Maddock A.S. Gibbens
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Demonstration

Kayla Ehls & Sebella Sorenson, New England
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Extemporaneous Public Speaking

Janae Weigel, Napoleon
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Employment Skills

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 Toby Wolf, *Belfield*
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 Mitch Stuber, *Bowman County*
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 Chayla Kuss, *Carrington*
 Cody McClean, *Carrington*
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 Grayson David Macrae Pease, *Des Lacs-Burlington*
 Jacob Haugen, *Des Lacs-Burlington*
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 Braydin Diede, *Edgeley-Kulm*
 Cauby Ellingson, *Edgeley-Kulm*
 Emma Rae Leppert, *Edgeley-Kulm*
 Lucas Nitschke, *Edgeley-Kulm*
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 Kristin Schaaf, *Glen Ullin*
 Lexi Gietzen, *Glen Ullin*
 Ashlei Stanczyk, *Grant County*
 Austyn Rafteseth, *Grant County*
 Evan Friesz, *Grant County*
 Ryan Muggli, *Grant County*
 Allison Cross, *Granville*
 Grace Bachmeier, *Granville*
 Bethany Anderson, *Harvey*
 Brian Friedt, *Harvey*
 Dixie Lynn Posey, *Harvey*
 Grace Anne Schimke, *Harvey*
 Katelyn Voeller, *Harvey*
 Kristian Roth, *Hazen*
 Mack Buckmier, *Hettinger*

Austin Schmidt, *Kidder County*
 Jaxon Deckert, *Kidder County*
 Iris Dukart, *Killdeer*
 Karly Dee Bang, *Killdeer*
 Kylee Boltz, *Killdeer*
 Payton Will Pavlenko, *Killdeer*
 Steena Larsen, *Killdeer*
 Anna Stoppleworth, *Kindred*
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 Kariann Sahl, *Richland 44*
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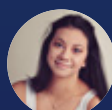


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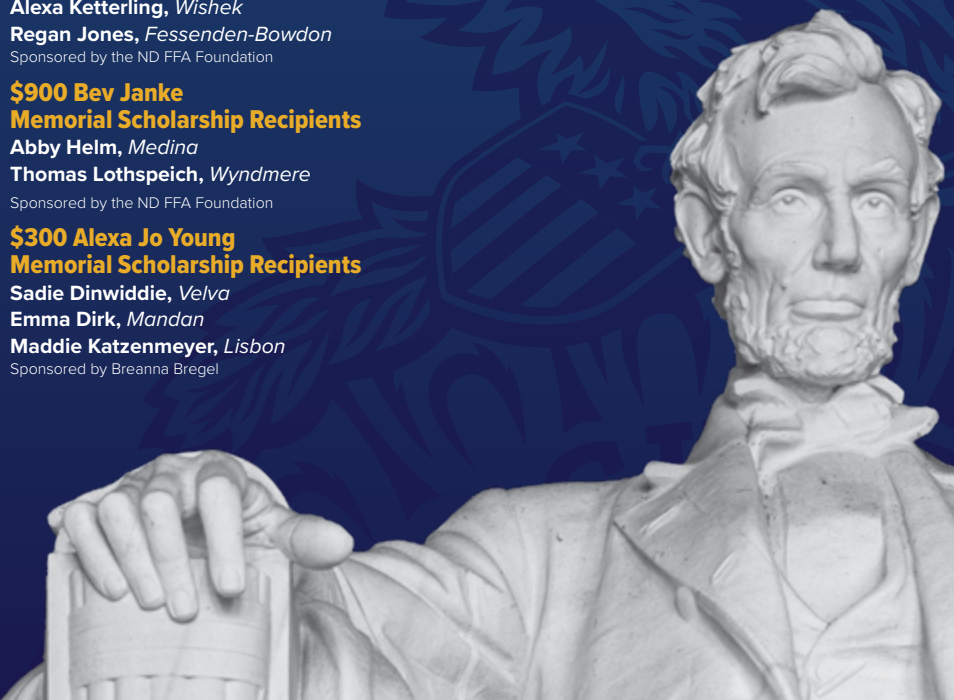
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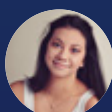
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EVENT RESULTS

Agricultural Communications

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Wishek - 7th Place (Gold)

Cassidy Walth - 3rd Place (Gold)

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Agricultural Technology & Mechanical Systems

Grant County - 3rd Place (Gold)

Ryan Muggli - 8th Place (Gold)

Kurt Muggli - 10th Place (Gold)

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Dairy Cattle Evaluation

New Salem - 11th Place (Gold)

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Environmental & Natural Resources

Lisbon - 11th Place (Silver)

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Towner - 37th Place (Bronze)

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EVENT RESULTS

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Power, Structural and Technical Systems Division III

Reid Mickelson, Rolla - Silver

Power, Structural and Technical Systems Division IV

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Social Systems Division V

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Social Systems Division VI

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BY TAM MADDOCK

It is the fourth Monday of the month and that means Ruby's Pantry will be open for business. As we round the corner I'm struck by the hustle and bustle that captures my senses. As volunteers work to unload the truck, I want to ask where I can help, but I fear it would disrupt this efficient machine. Everyone knew their job and soon the large semi-trailer was empty.

I immediately like this place. "Participants," not "the hungry" or "the needy" is the language used for those participating in the food program. There is definitely something unique to this story.

Then, I see Lianna, the subject of the assignment I had created for myself to visit this special space. I quickly realize her volunteers need her and questions from me will need to wait. She has a job to do. Lianna is the youngest site coordinator in the country for this non-profit called Ruby's Pantry. I learned about Lianna when reading her college scholarship application to the ND FFA Foundation. She is a Wahpeton FFA member and one of only a handful of female members. She was much too humble to admit she helped coordinate the pantry, stating only that she worked there. At the age of 18, Lianna is being asked question after question.

"Where should we put the product coming off the truck?"

"What's the best placement of items?"

"What is the allotment for the participants tonight?"

Lianna takes it all in stride, calmly offering answers and bringing order to all matters.

I fire off a few quick questions. "How many volunteers typically show up?"

"Sixty to one hundred," Lianna says.

"How many people will you serve tonight?"

"We have just over 200 who have pre-registered, but there are always drop-ins."

"How does this work? How does one qualify for assistance?"

"If you eat, you're eligible."

I overhear her discussing the night's allotment to the participants and surely my ears have failed me. Lianna reports that tonight's allotment starts with twenty pounds of chicken! Twenty pounds!

"Each?!" I embarrassingly interject.

Her smile was all she used as a confirmation as she proceeded with her job at hand.


The story continues.

Read all about Lianna and Ruby's Pantry here:

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Lianna Seibold, pictured above, is the youngest site coordinator in the country for the non-profit organization, Ruby's Pantry.



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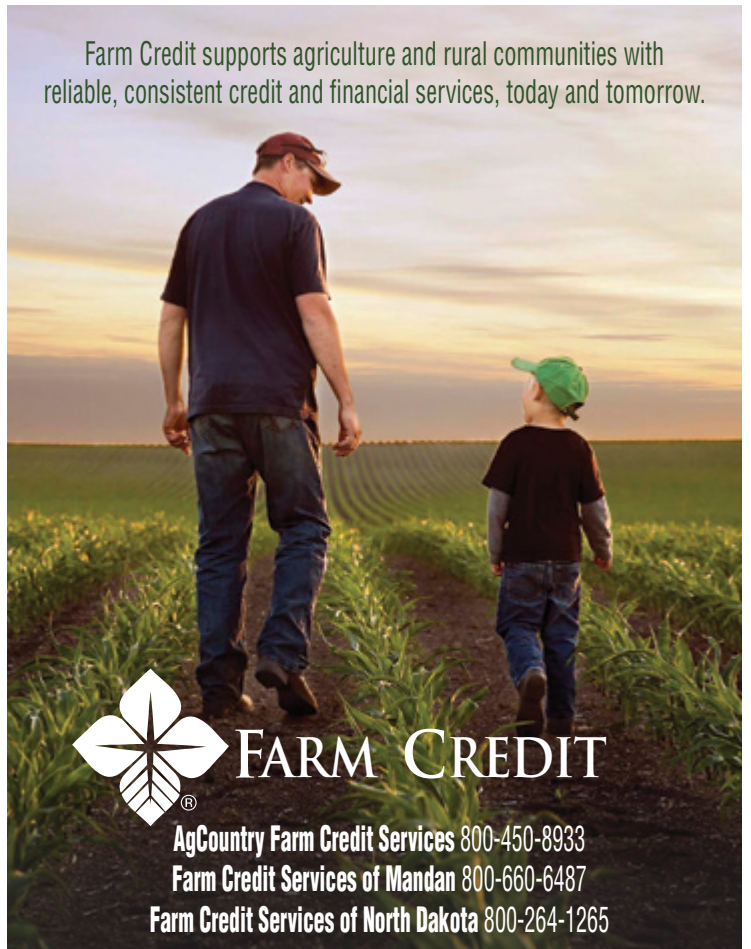
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