



**Missouri Farmers Union 100th Anniversary  
Homecoming Convention  
West Plains Civic Center & Opera House  
Schedule of Events**

**Thursday, January 25**

5-8 PMAII-Natural Bounty: Reception at Ozark Mountain Pork Cooperative in Mountain View  
\*Members and guests are invited for tours and a reception

**Friday, January 26**

- 8 AM Registration and Trade Show Opens at the West Plains Civic Center
- 8:30 AM Welcome to West Plains & Call to Order
- Mayor Joe Paul Evans
  - MFU President Russ Kremer
- 8:45 AM The Future of Farmers Union Panel Presentation
- Robert Carlson, North Dakota Farmers Union
  - David Coker, Arkansas Farmers Union
- 10:15 AM Morning Sessions:  
Option 1: Sustainable Economics  
Option 2: Organics in the Ozarks  
Option 3: Government Livestock Intervention
- Noon Cooperative Development Luncheon
- 1:30 PM MFU Officer Reports
- Russ Kremer, President
  - David Ketsenvurg, Vice President
  - Barbara Ross, Secretary
  - Lowell Schachtsiek, Treasurer
- 2 PM Election of Officers/Directors & Delegates to the National Farmers Union Convention
- 2:30 PM Afternoon Sessions:  
Option 1: Increasing Farm Income Through Carbon Credits  
Option 2: Distinctiveness of Farmers of the Middle & Farmer Ethics  
Option 3: Southern Missouri Agriculture
- 4:30 PM Missouri's Bounty Reception: A Gathering of Friends to Enjoy Missouri Food & Drink
- 6 PM Banquet with Keynote Address by Wayne Cryts  
Awards Presentation  
MFU 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
\*To be held at Opera House where first meeting of MFU took place in 1907

**Saturday, January 27**

- 8 AM Registration & Trade Show Opens
- 8 AM Shaping the Future of Farm Policy
- Congressman Russ Carnahan
- 9-11 AM Book Signing by Wayne Cryts
- 9:15 AM MFU Policy Adoption
- 11 AM MFU Bylaws Consideration
- Noon Awards Luncheon
- 1:30 PM Inclusion Leads to Success: Minority Farmer Workshop
- 1:30-4 PM Missouri Farmers Union Credit Union Second Annual Meeting