

## Grow Your Farm

**Grow Your Farm** participants will have an opportunity to:

- Tap the knowledge of some of the most innovative and skilled farmers operating in the Midwest.
- Develop lifelong friendships and networks with other beginning farmers.
- Learn critical farm management skills such as creative financing and innovative marketing strategies.
- See sustainable farming practices being used on real farms under a variety of conditions.
- Learn to view a farm as an interconnected system and learn how goals determine farming practices.
- Craft a tailor-made farming/business plan.



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## Program Specifics

**WHO:** Prospective farmers, beginners with experience on their own farm, experienced farmers wishing to make a "new beginning" with sustainable farming methods.

**WHERE:** The seminars will be at the Phelps County Extension Office, 200 N. Main, Rolla MO.

**FEE:** \$300 per farm business for 2 people. Each additional person is \$25 per person. Fee includes seminar materials, speakers, conference/field day fees and refreshments; and a subscription to "Ag Opportunities" — a monthly e-newsletter from the Missouri Alternatives Center.

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**Tap into the knowledge of Missouri's most innovative and successful farmers.**

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January 21  
February 4 & 18  
March 3 & 17 & 31  
April 14 & 28  
May 12

6:30 - 9:30 pm

\$300.00 for all sessions  
Pre-register by January 11, 2008

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**Grow Your Farm is an educational training and support program** designed to help people who want to evaluate and plan their farm enterprise. Grow Your Farm participants will engage in networking with a variety of successful, innovative farmers; attend practical, high quality seminars, field days and conferences.

**Tap into the knowledge of Missouri's most innovative and successful farmers.**

- Build networks
- Set goals
- Plan for profit
- Explore new agriculture alternatives
- Instructor and farmer-taught
- Seminars
- Best practices
- Farm tours
- Technical advice
- Learn sustainable practices

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## **Class Schedule 6:30 - 9:30 pm**

Date: January 21, 2008

Session 1: **Identifying Values and Creating Goals**

Date: February 4, 2008

Session 2: **Walking the Farm**

Date: February 9, 2008

Session 2A: **Walking the Farm—Farm Tour**

Date: February 18, 2008

Session 3: **Assessing Opportunities**

Date: March 3, 2008

Session 4: **Planning the Business**

Date: March 17, 2008

Session 5: **Keeping the Records**

Date: March 31, 2008

Session 6: **Marketing Your Farm Products**

Date: April 14, 2008

Session 7: **Understanding Rural Legal Issues**

Date: April 19, 2008

Session 7A: **Farm Tour**

Date: April 28, 2008

Session 8: **Participants Presentations**

Date: May 12, 2008

**Farm Tour and Graduation Potluck Picnic**

## **Registration Form**

Pre-Paid Registration due by:  
January 11, 2008

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Work \_\_\_\_\_

Home \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Program Fees:**

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(Scholarships may be available upon request)

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### **Mail check and registration to:**

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