Grow Your Farm

Participants will have an opportunity to:

- Tap into the knowledge of skilled, innovative farmers.
- Network with other farmers and make friends.
- Learn critical farm management skills such as creative financing and innovative marketing strategies.
- See local 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 and business plan.
- Meet farmers who have diversified their products.

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Tools for Beginning & Established Farmers

10 Session Program
April 5th, 2012 through May 31st, 2012

Location
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Training and support for beginning farmers and others who want to evaluate and plan their farm enterprise. Participants will attend a set of practical seminars and field days to learn and network. Instructors and farmers teach the sessions.

- Build networks
- Create a mission
- Set goals
- Plan for profit
- Explore new agricultural alternatives
- Study practical legal issues
- Tour farms
- Gain technical advice
- Learn sustainable practices
- Obtain new resources

**Program Specifics**

**Who:** Prospective farmers, beginners with limited experience and experienced farmers who want to make a "new beginning" with alternative methods.

**Fee:** $200 per farm business (2 people). Fee includes seminar materials, speakers, and a subscription to "Ag Opportunities" — a monthly e-newsletter from the Missouri Alternatives Center.

**Registration Deadline:**
Monday, April 2nd, 2012
(Enrollment limited to 25 farms)

**Make check payable to:**
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