

2020 State Convention Workshops

Session 1 - Keven Bradley has been the state Extension Weed Scientist and Professor in the Division of Plant Sciences at the University of Missouri for the past 16 years. He will be here to discuss weed resistance, new seed and chemical technology, and a few other interesting things you might want to know when it comes to plant science.

Session 2 - Dr. John Kruse is the Associate Extension Professor and Education Director, he also coordinates the Agricultural Business and Policy Extension division at MU. Before that we worked for FAPRI for 15 years and work in the private sector for 15 years for companies like Pioneer, HIS-Global Insight, and his agricultural analysis firm WAES. He will be discussing grain and livestock markets from a global level, how tariffs and the global economy affect our prices and where he thinks the markets will be going in the future.

Session 3 - David Bunge with Azimuth Renewables has worked all over Missouri and the rest of the country developing utility scale solar projects, but has worked in all aspects of the solar industry, from manufacturing to finance. He will be here to talk about how you can earn some extra money with solar energy. Whether you have some land that might be suited for a large scale solar farm or you just would like to add some solar panels to your roof or yard.

Session 4 - W.B. Young Company is a 60 year old business located in Marshall MO that is a distributor and manufacturer of grain storage, handling and drying equipment. They will be sending a representative to discuss some of the different grain drying and storage systems out there and what their advantages and disadvantages are

Session 5 - Eric Bailey has been the MU extension specialist for Beef Nutrition for the past 2 and a half years, prior to that he was a professor and researcher at West Texas A & M specializing in ruminant nutrition. He will be talking about some lessons learned from feeding livestock in the harsh 2018-19 season, as well as some other tips and nutritional facts you might need to know when it comes to feeding your livestock.

Session 6 - Barry Graskewicz is a 26 year veteran of the Missouri State Hwy Patrol who has worked the past 5 years in the rural crimes unit covering the northern half of the state working on ag related crimes. He will be doing a presentation on some of the things he deals with on a day to day basis and what you need to be looking out for on your farm

Session 7 - Lance Conway lives on a small farm in East Central MO and works as a research specialist and Precision Ag instructor at the University of Missouri. He got his degrees in Agronomy and his current research aims to connect agronomy, soils, and precision agriculture technology. He will be going over what to do with all that GPS data, maps, and other precision data you have been collecting over the years and how to utilize it to its full potential

Session 8 - We will be having a roundtable discussion on cover crops from farmers who have been utilizing them for years. What they have been using, how they implement them into their system and what they have learned works for them and what doesn't.

Session 9 - Gene Hatch has been a meteorologist for the National weather service since 1999. He is also the climatologist for the Springfield station and works closely with agricultural businesses and organizations in southern Missouri. He will be here to talk about what the national weather service does and how they go about predicting weather months in advance

Session 10 - Francis Skalisky from the Mo dept of Conservation will be putting on a wildlife presentation hopefully more info to come

Session 11 - YF executive committee Member Seleene Lewis will be teaching a class on how to make leather earrings. There will be a cost \$8 for each set of earrings you make to cover the cost of materials Hopefully more info to come.

Banquet Entertainment

Daphne Jeffries President of the Camden County historical society will be putting on a presentation about some of the lesser known history of the Lake of the Ozarks. She will be talking about the farming that was going on in the area that is now under water, why the dam was built, the controversy it caused, the benefits it had, and some other fun facts along the way.