

2010 Southeast Nebraska Diversified Ag Tour

Register by:
September 3

Friday, September 10th

Extension is working to provide numerous resources and expertise to the agriculture industry and help agriculture evolve with the changing rural environment.

Gary Lesoing, Extension Educator in Nemaha County, will provide information pertaining to the **Farm Beginnings Program**. In addition he will report on the efforts of Extension and **SARE (Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education)** involving the Local Food Systems, Diversified Agriculture and the Rural Advantage/Healthy Farms Conference.

Carpooling drop-off schedule

- 5:30 p.m. - Hickman Carpooling Drop-off
- 6:00 p.m. - Tecumseh Carpooling Drop-off
- 6:30 p.m. - Auburn Carpooling Drop-off
- 7:00 p.m. Nebraska City Carpooling Drop-off
- 7:15 p.m. - Falls City Carpooling Drop-off

** Times may be subject to a slight change.

Take part in this hands-on educational adventure!

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The 5th Annual Diversified Ag Tour provides unique experiences to learn about CSA (Community Supported Agriculture), organic crop and livestock production, free range poultry and eggs, honey, flowers, cheese making, vegetable and herb production, as well as Farmer's Markets and direct marketing.



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- 6:00 a.m. - Hickman Carpooling (north side of Subway)**
- 6:45 a.m. - Falls City Carpooling (north side of Courthouse)**
- 7:00 a.m. - Nebraska City Carpooling (Kimmel Education and Research Center)**
- 7:30 a.m. - Auburn Carpooling (north side of Courthouse)**
- 8:00 a.m. - Tecumseh Carpooling (north side of Courthouse)**

* Meet at the closest car pool meeting location at the respective time. Transportation will be provided to each Tour Stop. Times may be subject to slight change.



8:30-9:45 a.m. — Sunny Slope Farm, Filley, NE

Merlin and Rita Friesen operate a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) in which persons can buy shares. Their vegetables and strawberries are organic. They also produce honey, free range eggs, and have pastured broilers and turkeys. They are in the process of developing an orchard, berry fruits, and grass-finished beef.

11:00-1:00 p.m. — West Blue Farm, Milford, NE
(Lunch at this location)

Dave and Deb Welsch, along with their children, Ben and Rebecca are the owners and operators of this facility that has had organic crops since 1993. They have also been direct marketing farm fresh meat since 1990. All the beef has been raised on the farm since birth, and the chickens are brought in at one day of age.

1:30-3:00 p.m. — Shadow Brook Farm, Denton, NE

A small, family (The Loth Family) owned certified organic specialty vegetable and herb farm. Offer cut-flowers, grass-based beef cows, compost, and dairy goats which provide milk for the Dutch Girl Creamery Artisan cheese production. They also provide CSA shares, sell products at 5 farmer's markets as well as to local grocery stores and restaurants.

3:30-4:30 p.m. — Branched Oak Farm, Raymond, NE

Doug and Krista Dittman, along with sons Nelson and Andreas own and operate this 230 acre dairy farm. Their primary focus is certified organic, grass-based dairy cows, which provide the milk used in creating farmstead cheeses made on the farm.



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