



Montana Farmers Union 106th Annual Convention

October 28-30, 2021 Heritage Inn, Great Falls

Thursday, October 28, 2021

- 10:00-4:00 Resolutions Committee Work Session (Russell Rm)
- 6:00 Dinner: Board, resolutions committee, staff, Cattlemen's Cut-Tentative

Friday, October 29, 2021

- 7:30 am **MFU Board Meeting**
- 9:00 – 10:00 **General Session:** Welcome; MFU Business, MFU Audit
- 10:00 -Break- Snacks and Refreshments! –**Press Event- Mobile Unit**
- 10:15 **Off-site Tour of Ag Processing Solutions, Great Falls**
- Montana Farmers Union Insurance Meeting**
- Noon – 1:00 pm **Luncheon: Keynote Note Address:** Stress Management and Resiliency in Agriculture; Michele Payn, Cause Matters
- 1:10-2:30 **General Session:** Candidate Speeches & policy
- 2:40-3:10 **Training the Next Generation of Farmers:** Kristen Rothe, Missoula Agricultural Center
- 3:10 – 3:30 -BREAK- Snacks & refreshments
- 3:30 – 4:00 **Building a Resilient Food System:** Mike Callicrate, Ranch Foods Direct
- 4:00 – 5:00 -MFU Policy-
- 6:00 -7:00 **Evening Reception sponsored by Farmers Union Insurance**

Keynote Address: Cultivating a Community of Success: The Story of the Red Ants Pants brand, Sarah Calhoun

7:00 **Entertainment: Wylie and the Wild West Band**

Saturday, October 30, 2021

7:30 – 8:30 am **Breakfast- Dan Hildebrandt**, President & CEO of Farmers Union Industries; Rob Larew, President of National Farmers Union; Doug Sombke, President of South Dakota Farmers Union
Q & A with Farmers Union Enterprise State Presidents

8:40 – 10:00 **General Session:** Credentials, Resolutions, By-Laws, Policy
(Voting open 8:40-10:30)

10:00 -10:30 - **BREAK- Snacks and refreshments. Please visit our vendors!**

10:30- 11:10 **Overview of the Montana Premium Processing Co-Op;** Matt Rains

11:10- 11:50 **BREAKOUT SESSIONS:** Please choose one:
1. **Ag Risk Management; Aeric Reilly**
2. **"Taste of Indigenous Foods;** Mariah Gladstone

Noon – 1:20 **Youth Luncheon: Keynote: Launch of Farm to Fashion,** Kate Stephens; Mildred Stoltz Awards, Camp Highlights, Dr. Sreekala Bajwa

1:30 – 2:00 **Resilience and Food Sovereignty;** Mariah Gladstone of Indigikitchen

2:00 – 2:30 **Soil Health Study-** Cole Mannix

2:30 – 3:20 **-Cooperatives in Montana;** Tracy McIntyre; Montana Cooperative Development Center
-Farm Food Safety; Jan Tusick; Mission Mountain Food Enterprise Center

3:20 – 3:30 - **BREAK- Snacks and refreshments**

3:30 – 4:00 **Using the Ag Weather Tool Box,** Dennis Hull, Agro Weather Media

-The afternoon will feature one-on-one appointments.

4:00 – **Policy Discussion if necessary**

5:00 **Happy Hour**

6:00 – 8:00 **Members Banquet:**
-President's address
-Centennial Farm Honors
-Foundation Live Auction

