Missouri Farm Leases

A program meant to educate landowners and tenants on Missouri Farm Leases will be held February 12, 2019, at the Harrison County Extension Office, located at 1505 Main, Courthouse Basement, in Bethany. The course will be instructed by a team of MU Extension Agricultural Business Specialists via live-stream, and will be held from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The course fee is \$30 per person, which includes materials and a light meal. Additional family members sharing course materials may attend for \$15. Pre-registration is required by February 8.

"Farm leases are a popular topic with cash rents at their current level and crop prices dropping, so landlords and tenants need to make certain they are getting what they believe they should be," said Mary Sobba, agriculture business specialist with University of Missouri Extension and one of the workshop presenters. "There are many issues both farm landlords and tenants need to be aware of and this program is designed to address these issues."

Specific topics addressed during the course include: current cash rents in Missouri and trends, what items to discuss and include in a lease, terminating a farm lease – when and how to do it legally, recreational (hunting) leases – what you should be aware of, and livestock and crop share arrangements – keeping them fair for both sides.

The team of MU Extension Agricultural Business Specialists have experience working with both tenants and landlords, and will share real-life experiences from across the State.

This program is open to all interested citizens. Please call the Harrison County Extension Office at 660-425-6434 or email harrisonco@missouri.edu to pre-register.