



## Rural Issues Discussions

What's on your mind? Health Insurance? Buffer Zones? Property Taxes? Prices for dairy or crops? Ditch mowing? Something else? Do you have some ideas you would like other farmers to know about? Now is your chance to share your ideas.

We are scheduling Rural Issues Discussions around the state, and will be out to meet with you, featuring President Gary Wertish, Vice President Bryan Klabunde, Farmers Union staff, Minnesota State Commissioners, and national and local experts on specific issues such as health care, renewable energy and the 2018 Farm Bill.

### Monday, March 27

9:30 AM People's Energy Co-op, 1775 Lake Shady Avenue S., Oronoco, MN 55960

- **Mike Rothman, Commissioner, MN Department of Commerce**
- **Emily Johnson Piper, Commissioner, MN Department of Human Services**
- **Matt Wohlman, Deputy Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**

2:00 PM Blue Heron Coffee House, 162 W 2nd St, Winona, MN 55987

- **Mike Rothman, Commissioner, MN Department of Commerce**
- **Matt Wohlman, Deputy Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**

### Wednesday, March 29

9:30 AM Unhinged Pizza, 425 Merger St, Norwood Young America, MN 55368

- **Mike Rothman, Commissioner, MN Department of Commerce**
- **Emily Johnson Piper, Commissioner, MN Department of Human Services**
- **Matt Wohlman, Deputy Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**
- Gary Wertish, MFU President

1:00 PM South Central College, Room E112, 1920 Lee Boulevard, North Mankato, MN 56003

- **Mike Rothman, Commissioner, MN Department of Commerce**
- **Emily Johnson Piper, Commissioner, MN Department of Human Services**
- **Matt Wohlman, Deputy Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**
- Gary Wertish, MFU President

7:00 PM River City Eatery, 344 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Windom, MN 56003

- Gary Wertish, MFU President

### Thursday, March 30

9:30 AM American Legion, 220 19th Ave SW, Willmar, MN 56201

- **Emily Johnson Piper, Commissioner, MN Department of Human Services**
- Gary Wertish, MFU President

1:30 PM Holiday Inn, Courtyard Room 4, 5637 MN-29, Alexandria, MN 56308

- **Emily Johnson Piper, MN Commissioner of Human Services**
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### Friday, March 31

- 9:30 AM Initiative Foundation, 405 1st St SE, Little Falls, MN 56345
- **The Honorable Tina Smith, Lieutenant Governor, State of Minnesota**
  - Gary Wertish, MFU President
- 2:30 PM Dry Dock Bar & Restaurant 2820 Midway Road Duluth, MN
- Gary Wertish, MFU President

### Tuesday, April 4

- 9:30 AM Roseau Diner & Inn, 806-3rd St. Hwy 11 West, Roseau, MN, Guests:
- **Dave Frederickson Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**
  - **Rob Larew, Vice President of Government Affairs, National Farmers Union**
  - Gary Wertish, MFU President
  - Bryan Klabunde, MFU VP
- 1:30 PM Mike & Linda Hanson & Sons Dairy Farm, 33307 180th St. NE, Goodridge, MN.  
(Doesn't work with GPS) Location from junction of Hwy 219 & Hwy 1, two mi. east, one mi north on 230th and 1/2 mi east.
- **Rob Larew, Vice President of Government Affairs, National Farmers Union**
  - Gary Wertish, MFU President
  - Bryan Klabunde, MFU VP

### Wednesday, April 5

- 9:30 AM Frying Pan Restaurant, 2920 US 10E, Moorhead, MN 56560
- **Dave Frederickson Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**
  - **Matt Wohlman, Deputy Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**
  - **Rob Larew, Vice President of Government Affairs, National Farmers Union**
  - Gary Wertish, MFU President
  - Bryan Klabunde, MFU VP
- 1:30 PM Bella's Café , 116 3rd St W, Park Rapids, MN 56470
- **Matt Wohlman, Deputy Commissioner, MN Department of Agriculture**
  - **Rob Larew, Vice President of Government Affairs, National Farmers Union**
  - Gary Wertish, MFU President
  - Bryan Klabunde, MFU VP

### Thursday, April 6

- 10:00 AM Wintergreens, 306 Credit Union Dr NE, Isanti, MN 55040
- **Rob Larew, Vice President of Government Affairs, National Farmers Union**
  - **Speaker, Minnesota Department of Commerce**
  - Gary Wertish, MFU President
  - Bryan Klabunde, MFU VP