

**Tour de Forage** is a series of regional meetings. If you are unable to attend the St. Augusta meeting, consider joining us at another site:

**January 21** - Northeast MN Forage & Grassland Council Winter Meeting  
The Event Center  
201 W 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Floodwood, MN

**January 23** - Southeast MN Forage Council Winter Meeting  
Stewartville Civic Center  
105 1<sup>st</sup> Street East, Stewartville, MN

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Midwest Forage Association  
4630 Churchill St., #1  
St. Paul, MN 55126

**2025**



**Central MN Forage Council & MFA Winter Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 22, 2025**

**St. Augusta American Legion  
1894 247<sup>th</sup> Street  
St. Augusta, MN 56301**

This is one in a series of regional meetings. If you are unable to attend the St. Augusta meeting, additional sites are listed in this brochure.

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**St. Augusta Tour de Forage • January 22**  
**Central Minnesota Forage Council & MFA Winter Meeting**  
**St. Augusta American Legion**

- 9:00 Registration/Exhibits/Welcome**
- 9:15 Forage Value of Cover Crops for Livestock, A Match Made in Heaven**  
Jim Paulson, Fieldstone Seed - Caledonia, MN
- 9:45 Forage 360**  
Randy Welch, Forage Genetics International - Madison, WI
- 10:15 Forage & Sustainability Metrics – Making the Grass a Little Greener**  
Erin Cortus, University of Minnesota - St. Paul, MN
- 10:45 Alfalfa Persistence is Profit**  
Scott Newell, University of Wisconsin-Ext. - Madison, WI
- 11:30 Local Forage Update**  
Taylor Herbert, University of Minnesota-Ext. - Buffalo, MN
- 11:45 MFA & NAFA – Working for You**  
Chelsea Russell, Midwest Forage Association - St. Paul, MN
- 12:00 Exhibitor & Sponsor Introductions**
- 12:15 Lunch/Exhibits**
- 1:00 Manure Management to Enhance Alfalfa & Forage Production**  
Melissa Wilson, University of Minnesota - St. Paul, MN
- 1:30 Practical Approaches to Stress Relief in Agriculture**  
Ted Matthews, Minnesota Rural Mental Health - Hutchinson, MN
- 2:00 Incorporating Cover Crops into Cropping Systems: Forage & Manure Management**  
Bryan Decker, La Crosse Seed a DLF Division - Hartford, WI
- 2:30 Working with Limited Management Tools for Alfalfa Weevil**  
Anthony Hanson, University of Minnesota - Morris, MN
- 3:00 Board & Membership Meeting**



**Location: St. Augusta American Legion**  
 1894 247<sup>th</sup> Street, St. Augusta, MN 56301

**Agenda was prepared by MFA and Taylor Herbert.**  
**For questions on presentations, contact:**  
 MFA – 651.484.3888 – mfa@midwestforage.org

**Online registration available at:**  
**midwestforage.org**

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**Save the Date!**  
**University of Minnesota**  
**Beef Cow/Calf Days**  
**January 21-23 & February 3-7**

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**For additional information, visit:** [www.extension.umn.edu/beef](http://www.extension.umn.edu/beef)

**St. Augusta Tour de Forage Preregistration Form**

*Preregistration requested (not required), to make adequate meal plans and efficient use of resources.*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Farm/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Check One:**

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*Seed*

*Other: \_\_\_\_\_*

**Circle:**

*Beef*

*Commercial Hay*

*Dairy*

*Equine*

*Other: \_\_\_\_\_*

\_\_\_ **Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**2025 Tour de Forage Preregistration Fee**

**St. Augusta**                      **\$25.00**    \$

**Tour de Forage**                      *On-site \$30*

*Registration includes proceedings, meal, and presentations.*

**'25 CMFC/MFA**                      **Membership Dues \$55.00\***    \$

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