Extension’s Public Purposes and Value in Troubled Times

As we celebrate the legacy of the Morrill Act and look forward to the Cooperative Extension System’s centennial in 2014, we need to ask some fundamental questions.

- What is Extension?
- What are its public purposes and value in troubled times like ours?
- How does it fit with efforts to reshape and strengthen higher education’s public engagement work?
- And what does it offer to the urgent work of renewing and sustaining our economy, our environment, and our democracy?

We’ll take these questions up in conversation at this event, drawing lessons from forgotten aspects of Extension history, and from contemporary work in Minnesota and elsewhere.

This event is part of UMN Land Grant 150, a yearlong celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Morrill Act of 1862—legislation that laid the groundwork for the land-grant research university’s ongoing mission: learning, discovery, and engagement for the common good.

IN-PERSON EVENT / WEBINAR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
4:00 P.M. — 5:30 P.M.

Continuing Education and Conference Center, Room 42
St. Paul Campus
University of Minnesota

Please register to attend in person or online at:
http://jcsept19.eventbrite.com

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