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**Beef Cattle Producers to be Treated to an “Informational Smorgasbord”
At 2007 Missouri Livestock Symposium November 30 & December 1**

Doors to the popular Missouri Livestock Symposium open at 4 pm on Friday afternoon, November 30, according to Committee Chair Garry Mathes. Mathes indicated “the Missouri Livestock Symposium is the best deal around.” That would be hard to argue based on the fact everything is free and the program lineup features nationally acclaimed speakers, relevant topics, a sold out trade show, and more.

The Missouri Livestock Symposium is held in Kirksville, Missouri, with this year’s event being held Friday, November 30 and Saturday December 1. Hours for the show are 4 to 10 pm on Friday and 8 am to 10 pm Saturday. No registration is needed and there are no costs, along with some free meals, nationally known speakers, free trade show, and name entertainment making it a great bargain for anyone interested in livestock or agriculturally related information.

This year’s Beef Section of the Missouri Livestock Symposium includes the following speakers and topics: “How Commercial Producers Can Turn Cattle Information Into Profits” by Mark Gardiner, Gardiner Angus Ranch, Ashland, Kansas; “Products and Strategies that Improve Cattle Performance on Fescue Pastures” by Dr. Dee Cross, Clemson, South Carolina and Dr. Dave Davis University of Missouri Forage Systems Research Center; “Cattle Handling Facilities – Learn From One of the World’s Best”, Dr. Temple Grandin, Fort Collins, Colorado; “The Latest on BVD” by Dr. Julia Ridpath, USDA – National Veterinary Services Laboratory, Ames, Iowa; “Keeping Feed Costs in Check” with Dr. Justin Sexten, University of Missouri.

Other program sections boast excellent topics and nationally recognized speakers as well. “Beef cattle producers will want to also look at what is being offered in the forages section and stock dog sections,” according to Mathes.

The Missouri Livestock Symposium also includes a great horse section lineup that features clinician Ken McNabb of Cody, Wyoming and several other great speakers.

The Symposium concludes Saturday evening, December 1, with a 7:30 pm concert featuring the Bellamy Brothers. The concert ticket costs are \$10 each and represent the only expense associated with the Symposium. Seating is limited and tickets are sold on a first come first serve basis. Call 660-665-9866 for ticket details.

Mathes adds that if this isn’t enough to motivate you, “we’ll also have Max Armstrong of RFD-TV fame on hand to speak Friday night after the free beef supper.

To learn more about the Missouri Livestock Symposium go to <http://missourilivestock.com> or call 660-665-9866.