

## Internationally Known Stock Dog Trainer Featured at the 2009 Missouri Livestock Symposium Stock Dog Program

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Danny Schilling of Bois D'Arc, Missouri has been selected to share his expertise on stock dog training at this year's Missouri Livestock Symposium which will be held December 4-5 in Kirksville, Missouri.

Danny and his wife Velda, are proprietors of Danvel Farm where, in addition to training stock dogs, they have had a cow-calf operation since the 1960's.

Danny is the past president and current vice president of the Mid-States Stock Dog Association where he has also earned the Year End High Points award. He is also a herding judge for the United States Border Collie Handler's Association and has judged trials in Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Mississippi. He was also chosen to judge the 2005, 2006 and 2007 Brazilian National Sheep and Cattle Dog Championships.

Danny is also a popular clinic presenter and has experience working with a variety of herding breeds including Border Collies, English Shepherds, Australian Shepherds, Australian Cattle Dogs, and ever German Shepherds.

Danny Schilling will give three talks at the 2009 Missouri Livestock Symposium that will cover dog selection, starting your dog, and advanced training.

In addition to Shilling, the Missouri Livestock Symposium features speakers from 11 states. There are programs on horses, beef cattle, sheep, meat goats, forages, consumer topics, and renewable energies.

The Missouri Livestock Symposium will be held at the Kirksville Middle School Complex, 1515 South Cottage Grove, Kirksville, Missouri. Symposium hours are 4 PM to 10 PM on Friday, December 4, and 8 AM to 5 PM on Saturday, December 5. There is no charge (except for concert tickets which are optional) to attend the Missouri Livestock Symposium and no pre-registration is needed.

The 2009 Missouri Livestock Symposium will also feature nationally syndicated AgriTalk Host Mike Adams on Friday night and Curb Recording Artist and country music singer Steve Holy ([www.stev holy.com](http://www.stev holy.com)) on Saturday night at 8 PM. Holy has had number #1 hits with *Brand New Girlfriend* and *Good Morning Beautiful*. Concert tickets are sold on a first come first serve basis. To purchase tickets or for ticket information call 660-665-9866. Seating is limited.

Check the web site at [www.missourilivestock.com](http://www.missourilivestock.com) or call 660-665-9866 for more Missouri Livestock Symposium details (or you can email [lanen@missouri.edu](mailto:lanen@missouri.edu) and put MLS in the subject line).

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