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2007 Missouri Livestock Symposium Once Again Features Information on Stock Dogs

The 2007 Missouri Livestock Symposium will feature 4 talks related to stock dogs, according to Garry Mathes, Chair of the Missouri Livestock Symposium planning committee. In addition, the Symposium will have its usual strong line up of nationally and internationally acclaimed speakers on topics related to horses, beef cattle, sheep, meat goats, forages, conservation, wildlife, and more! In fact, Mathes indicates speakers will be coming from 12 states to participate in this year's event.

The stock dog program this year will feature Laura of Joe and Laura Stimatze Working Cow Dogs of Macksville, Kansas. Laura Stimatze will share her expertise on the following topics: selecting a working dog, starting your dog on cattle, and advanced cow dog training. In addition, Dr. Richard Meadows, DVM, University of Missouri School of Veterinary Medicine, will address the subject of care and health considerations for the working dog.

There are no costs associated with attending the Missouri Livestock Symposium unless you wish to attend the Bellamy Brothers concert on Saturday night, December 1. Those tickets are \$10 each. Ticket information is available by calling 660-665-9866.

The Missouri Livestock Symposium hours are 4 pm to 10 pm on Friday, November 30 and 8 am to 10 pm on Saturday, December 1. No pre-registration is needed and there are no costs for admission.

Other highlights of the Symposium include Friday night featured speaker Max Armstrong, (Max is seen weekly on *This Week in Agribusiness* with Orion Samuelson), a classic tractor contest, and induction of this years Livestock Person of the Year into the Northeast Missouri Livestock Hall of Fame. Saturday's program features over 30 speakers on all species of livestock, including author and internationally acclaimed animal scientist Dr. Temple Grandin. Grandin will speak in both the beef cattle and horse sections of the Symposium.

For full program lineup and details check out our Website at <http://missourilivestock.com> or call 660-665-9866 to have a program mailed to you.

The Missouri Livestock Symposium, which also features a free Governor's Style Luncheon on Saturday, is held at the Kirksville Middle School, 1515 S. Cottage Grove in Kirksville, MO.