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2017 CATTLEMEN'S SUMMER ROUND –UP

Cattlemen to gather in Great Lansing Area for Annual Summer Event

Cattle producers from around the state will gather in the Greater Lansing Area on June 23-24 for the annual Michigan Cattlemen's Association Summer Round-Up. The MCA Summer Round-Up is hosted by a local MCA members and features opportunities for all cattle producers to learn and network with one another.

"The event includes opportunities for everyone," says MCA President Carl Vander Kolk. "Anyone interested in the cattle industry is encouraged to attend." The Round-Up gets started at 1:00 PM on Friday, June 23 at the Michigan State University Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health (DCPAH) located at 4125 Beaumont Rd., East Lansing.

The first portion of the program will include a variety of important topics including:

- **Finding the Right Diagnosis** - Why DCPAH's expert veterinary diagnostics should be part of you cattle health program.
- **Animal Disease Traceability and RFID** – This session will cover Michigan's cattle identification rules, how RFID information is captured, and what happens in a TB trace investigation.
- **MSU Beef Center-** An overview of the MSU Beef Center's teaching, research and extension focus.

The second portion will take place at the MSU Beef Center Farms. Participants will rotate between two tracks:

- **Track 1 - RFID and Animal Husbandry** – Explore the advancements the RFID technology and learn to use these tools for record keeping and management. Learn cattle husbandry techniques including correct tag placement, implanting techniques and injection procedures.
- **Track 2 – Research that Matters to Cattlemen** Join researches at the MSU feedlot and learn firsthand how MSU research applies to cattlemen. Projects will be displayed in multiple stations throughout the facility.

The action then moves to the Banquet and Conference Center of DeWitt for an evening that includes a social hour, the MCA Annual Awards banquet, and a keynote address from Elwood, Neb. cattleman and National Cattlemen's Beef Association President, Craig Uden. Afterward, relax with fellow cattle producers and participate in the live auction.

The popular agriculture tour begins Saturday morning. Tour stops include GGS Genetics, Stony Creek Essential Oils, and AgroLiquid. The tour concludes with a lunch featuring barbequed beef brisket.

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The MCA Summer Round-Up is an excellent way for producers from around the state to network, share ideas and find solutions to challenges. Anyone with an interest in the cattle industry is welcome and encouraged to attend. For registration and hotel information, check out the MCA website at www.micattlemen.org or contact the MI Cattlemen's Association office at (517) 347-8117.

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