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- Gabe Brown 2014 Symposium

# Sustainable Agriculture Symposium

# 2015



Saturday November 7<sup>th</sup>, College of Idaho

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# Agenda

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Time	Event	Description
7:30am – 8:00am	Welcome Reception Registration	Participants will be invited to enjoy coffee and juice with light refreshments.
8:10am – 8:30am	College of Idaho President welcome the symposium  Symposium Kickoff SHORT FILM	The ICSA will do an introduction to sustainable agriculture topics and our agenda for the day and start the day with a short film on Sustainable Agriculture
8:30am – 9:30am	Environmental Studies Chair introduction of Glenn Glenn Elzinga  Featured Keynote #1: Glenn Elzinga	Glenn Elzinga is a 20 year veteran of raising grass fed organic beef, successfully marketing through natural food stores and online. Because of personal health challenges, he is passionate about producing food that helps people recover health and vitality. He is a staunch advocate for stewardship of Idaho's natural rangelands. The Elzings live in May, Idaho with a bevy of beautiful cowgirls-their seven daughters. Glenn has been raising grass fed organic beef at Alderspring Ranch for 20 years in high mountain valleys of central Idaho.
9:30am – 10:00am	NETWORKING BREAK	EXPO AVAILABLE
10:00am – 11:30am	PANEL #1: Who's Doing Great things in Agriculture  (Moderated by Janie Burns)	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Casey O'Leary—Snake River Seed Cooperative</li> <li>• Brad McIntyre—McIntyre Farms</li> <li>• George McClelland—Hamanishi Farms</li> <li>• Katie Painter and Avi—Global Gardens</li> </ul>
11:30am – 12:30pm	LUNCH	EXPO AVAILABLE LOCALLY CATERED LUNCH

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Featured Keynotes:  
John Ikerd and  
Glenn Elzinga

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12:30pm – 2:00pm	Rapid Fire Presentations  10-minute presentations on a selected assortment of sustainable agriculture topics.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colette DePhelps (University of Idaho Extension)—The Voice of the Market: best practices for selling to retail grocers and restaurants in the mountain west.</li> <li>• John Brady (Brady's Plant Ranch)—Year around income generation from greenhouses and cold frames.</li> <li>• Dr. Mir Seyedbagheri (Elmore University of Idaho Extension)— Natural ways to enhance soil and plant health and water-use efficiencies</li> <li>• Dan Vandermuehlen(Roots of Seeds )—Agriculture entertainment</li> <li>• Ariel Agenbroad (University of Idaho Extension)—Where do you fit in the food system</li> <li>• Jo Meyers-Philpott (45 Degrees North Farm)— Crown funding for agriculture related programs</li> </ul>
2:00pm – 2:30pm	BREAK	EXPO AVAILABLE
2:30pm – 3:45pm	Panel #2: Livestock, Grasslands, and Dairy  (Moderated by John Van Der Giessen)	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Ikerd-- University of Missouri, Columbia</li> <li>• Sean Mallet—Harmony Organics Dairy</li> <li>• Allen Voortman—Pride and Joy Dairy</li> <li>• Glenn Elzinga— Aldersprings Ranch</li> <li>• Brian Bean—Lava Lake Lamb</li> <li>• Hal Gordon—USDA/NRCS</li> </ul>
	TRANSITION BREAK	
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Closing keynote John Ikerd	John was raised on a small dairy farm in southwest Missouri and received his BS, MS, and Ph.D. degree in agriculture economics from the University of Missouri. He worked in private industry for a time and spent thirty years in various professorial positions at North Carolina State University, Oklahoma State University, University of Georgia, and the University of Missouri before retiring in early 2000. Since retiring, he spends most of his time writing and speaking on issues related to sustainability with an emphasis on economics and agriculture. He currently resides in Fairfield, IA with his wife, Ellen, two dogs, and two cats. Ikerd is author of Essentials of Economic Sustainability, Sustainable Capitalism, A Return to Common Sense, Small Farms are Real Farms, Crisis and Opportunity: Sustainability in American Agriculture, and A Revolution of the Middle.
5:00pm	NETWORKING RECEPTION	KICKED OFF BY GLENN ELZINGA LOCAL BEER/WINE NETWORKING RECEPTION