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**CLASSIC ROCK GROUP AMERICA HARMONIZES
AT THE 2011 STANISLAUS COUNTY FAIR**

Turlock, CA (March 24, 2011) – Whether you get there by plane, train, automobile or on “A Horse With No Name,” get to the Stanislaus County Fair to hear the classic-rock sounds of America.

The Grammy winning group, **America**, will perform on **Sunday, July 17, 2011, at the Stanislaus County Fair**. The group will appear on the **Budweiser Variety Free Stage** at **8:30 p.m.** The concert is hosted by **Sunny 102.3** and is free with the price of Fair admission.

“America has had long-standing success,” said Adrenna Alkhas, spokesperson for the Stanislaus County Fair. “The classic sounds of this group are sure to have fair-goers of all ages swaying in their seats.”

Art imitates history in the creation of America, the band that is, with both band and country having origins in England. The band’s founding members met in high school in London in the late 1960’s and quickly harmonized their way to the top of the charts. America became a global household name and paved the way with an impressive string of hits following the success of their first #1 single, “A Horse With No Name.” Their best-known tunes, which also include “I Need You,” “Ventura Highway,” “Don’t Cross The River,” “Tin Man,” “You Can Do Magic,” “Lonely People” and “Sister Golden Hair” were cornerstones of 1970’s Top 40 and FM rock radio. America has accrued six certified gold and/or platinum albums, with their first greatest hits collection, *History*, hitting over four million in sales. After over four decades of musical legacy, America continues to have enduring appeal.

Don't be one of the "Lonely People" left out of this musical event, and make plans to be at the 2011 Stanislaus County Fair Sunday, July 17.

The Stanislaus County Fair's 2011 lineup on the **Budweiser Variety Free Stage** includes:

- Clint Black – Friday, July 15, 2011
- America – Sunday, July 17, 2011
- MercyMe – Monday, July 18, 2011
- Clay Walker – Tuesday, July 19, 2011
- Big Time Rush – Wednesday, July 20, 2011
- Joan Jett and the Blackhearts – Friday, July 22, 2011
- Joe Nichols and Heidi Newfield – Saturday, July 23, 2011

The 2011 Stanislaus County Fair opens for its 100th anniversary celebration Friday, July 15 for a 10-day run. Fair guests can count on an award-winning experience that has been 100 years in the making. Discounted Fair admission tickets, unlimited ride wristbands and Arena event tickets will be on sale beginning Saturday, April 30, 2011. Visit the Fair's website for complete ticket sale details at www.stancofair.com.

The 2011 Fair will feature a newly renovated children's area, which will include the highly-popular Rainforest Adventure, sponsored by Sky Trek Aviation, which debuted in 2009. Also planned for 2011 are nine nights of metal-mashing motorsports plus one night of rodeo in the FoodMaxx Arena, a total of five stages of live entertainment, upwards of 30,000 local exhibits and over 1,750 animals.

To receive future Fair announcements by text message, text the word "FAIR" to 99299. Fair enthusiasts can also follow how the 2011 Fair is developing at twitter.com/stancofair. In addition, become a fan of the Fair at facebook.com/stancofair. Fair news and event listings are also available at myspace.com/stancofair.

The mission of the Stanislaus County Fair is to provide a family and community oriented experience promoting agriculture, entertainment and technology. For more information about the award-winning Stanislaus County Fair, or to host a company picnic during the Fair, visit www.stancofair.com.

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