Discover Ways to Merge Values & Technology to Help Feed a Growing, Hungry World

Fact: Louisville, Ky., is the home of the cheeseburger which originated in 1934 at Kaelin’s Restaurant on Newburg Road.

Fact: Since 1875, Churchill Downs has been the home of the Kentucky Derby, the first leg of the Triple Crown of thoroughbred horse racing.

Fact: Louisville, Ky., is situated at the widest and the deepest level of the Ohio River that Native Americans, European explorers and settlers used for thousands of years as a major transportation and trading route.

Fact: Louisville, Ky., is the site of the National Institute for Animal Agriculture’s 2013 Annual Conference, April 15-17, and the site of a national Foot-and-Mouth Disease Symposium, April 17-18.

Fact: If you’re involved in animal agriculture—the beef, dairy, swine, equine, poultry, sheep, goats and aquaculture industries, NIAA’s Annual Conference is THE place to network with individuals from across all species and gain highly valuable information from experts who will address “Animal Agriculture’s Vision to Feed the World: Merging Values and Technology,” Speakers will zero in on this challenge to help feed the world and delve into:

• Meeting the demand for food through technology and knowledge
• Using technology and values to tackle catastrophic disease events and natural disasters
• Translating and communicating advancements in agriculture to consumers

Conference speakers will share innovative technologies—those available today and others in the pipeline—that can advance food production. They will also navigate challenging and emotionally charged issues tied to food production.

“The past two conferences brought technology and consumer values to the forefront, and we need to examine the best ways to marry technology and values for the benefit of consumers, animal agriculture and a growing, hungry world,” states Dr. Robert Fourdraine, chair of NIAA’s Annual Conference.

New Committee

NIAA has expanded its net and has added an Aquatic Livestock Committee to its list of species committees. Draft objectives statement for the newly formed Aquatic Livestock Committee underpins its purpose: “To advance sustainable aquatic livestock (aquaculture) industries, the committee will address key issues relevant to farmed aquatic animal health, well-being, seafood safety, public health and environmental concerns.”

“NIAA carries a strong legacy of providing the U.S. livestock industry with a forum to collectively address issues of common interest, and we are now expanding our endeavors to include aquaculture,” states Dr. David Scarfe, Assistant Director, Scientific Activities at the American Veterinary Medical Association, and co-chair of NIAA’s Aquaculture/Aquatic Livestock Committee. “The Aquatic Livestock Committee is a perfect fit for NIAA, as aquatic animal farming involves people producing, raising and caring for aquatic animals in controlled environments.”

Presentations and speakers for general sessions, committee meetings and council meetings are on subsequent pages.
Dear Colleagues,

As a scientist, I appreciate the edge emerging technologies can provide as we tackle our day-to-day business challenges. That being said, my father, an “IBM’er” with decades of successful business experience, taught me well that “the customer is always right.”

So, how do we leverage technology to keep our agriculture and food production businesses ahead of constant challenges while meeting the demands of our extremely diverse customers?

Our challenge is to continue to produce food while reducing our “carbon footprint.” In addition, those in agriculture must maintain food safety, use less water and fewer anti-microbials, improve the quality of life for the animals under our care and meet the food preferences of our consumers. And all of this must be achieved at an “affordable” retail price for consumers while generating sufficient profit to sustain our businesses.

There is no easy answer. That being said, we will hear from many new technology experts at NIAA’s upcoming Annual Conference in Louisville, Ky., April 15-18. Experts will also focus on how to better communicate to the public the advantages to both agriculture and consumers of using these new technologies.

I am also very excited about attending the various Species Committee and Issue Council meetings. Here is where you’ll hear highly targeted cutting-edge information relevant to a specific species or a specific industry issue. Discussions at the end of the presentations are the ideal place to get your burning questions answered by the experts.

NIAA’s Annual Conference provides a platform where we can pool our collective knowledge and continue to move animal agriculture and allied businesses forward in a positive direction.

As an added benefit this year, NIAA is also hosting a symposium at the end of our conference that explores the latest on how to potentially survive a foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) outbreak. This topic is near and dear to my heart because the last U.S. outbreak, while approaching 100 years ago, happened in my home state.

Reading the documents produced at that time—comments like “the most feared disease known to man”—come up often. While I am not so sure FMD is “the most feared disease known to man,” it may be from the perspective of those of us who depend on food produced from livestock (i.e. pigs, cattle, sheep and goats).

Few livestock diseases spread faster or does more economic damage than FMD. And, unfortunately, this bad little virus is still present in many countries around the world. That begs the question: When will FMD strike the United States?

An outbreak of FMD would be devastating to the U.S. agriculture. The good news is that, today, advances in new technologies make preparing now for an FMD outbreak a reality that can have major benefits. I strongly encourage all to make an effort to participate in this symposium and NIAA’s Annual Conference. See you in Louisville.
2013 NIAA Annual Conference
April 15-17 • The Galt House • Louisville, Ky.

Conference Agenda

Monday, April 15
7:30 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.  Kentucky Ag Tour
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.        NIAA Committee Leaders Briefing
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.        New Director Orientation

Tuesday, April 16
6:45 - 8:00 a.m.       Continental Breakfast
8:00 – 9:30 a.m.        Introduction & Welcome
                        Mr. James R. Comer, Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture
                        “Grand Societal Challenges and the Role of Animal Science”
                        Mr. Lowell Randel, Science Policy Director, Federation of Animal Sciences Societies
                        “What Role Will Animal Biotechnology Play in Feeding the World?”
                        Dr. Alison Van Eenennaam, Cooperative Extension Specialist, Animal Genomics & Biotechnology, Department of Animal Science, University of California - Davis
                        “Advances in Nutrition, Feed Efficiency, etc. To Meet the Needs of Growing The Food Supply”
                        Mr. Bryan Dierlam, Director, Government Affairs, Cargill

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Species Committee Meetings
                        • Aquatic Livestock Committee
                        • Bovine Committee
                        • Equine Committee
                        • Poultry Committee
                        • Small Ruminant Committee
                        • Swine Committee

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.      NIAA Annual Business Membership Meeting
                        (Box lunch provided to members who have RSVPed to attend)

2:00 – 5:30 p.m.        Issue Council Meetings
                        • Animal Health Emergency Management Council
                        • Global Animal Health, Food Security and Trade Council
                        • Antibiotics Council

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.        NIAA Awards Reception (Continued on Page 4)
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Wednesday, April 17

6:45 – 8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

8:00 – 11:30 a.m.  Issues Council Meetings
• Animal Care Council
• Animal Identification & Information Systems Council
• Emerging Diseases Council

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  Networking Extravaganza—Lunch on your own

1:00 – 4:30 p.m.  NIAA Closing General Session Speakers &
Food-and-Mouth Symposium Opening General Session:
“Financial Perspective: Impact of Tomorrow’s Technology Trends and Developments on Animal
Agriculture”
Ms. Deborah Perkins, Managing Director, Rabobank International, Dallas Office

“Getting to a Comprehensive Food Safety System”
Dr. John Ruby, Technical Services, JBS USA

“FMD and Animal Agriculture in the Court of Public Opinion”
Dr. Sebastian E. Heath VetMB PhD, Branch Chief for Program Development, FEMA

5:00 – 9:00 p.m.  NIAA Board of Director and Committee Leadership Meeting

Registration Information

Registration Fee if register PRIOR to March 15
Full Registration ........................................................................ $325/person, full NIAA member
(NIAA Annual Conference & FMD Symposium) $400/person, non-NIAA member

Registration Fee if register after March 15
Full Registration ........................................................................ $375/person, full NIAA member
(NIAA Annual Conference & FMD Symposium) $450/person, non-NIAA member

FMD Symposium Only ................................................................. $175/person

One-Day Registration ................................................................. $175/person

One-Day Student Registration ................................................... $50/person

Pre-Conference Tour, Monday, April 15 ................................. $85/person
(includes tours, bus transportation & lunch)

To register, please go online to www.animalagriculture.org
Foot-and-Mouth Disease Symposium
"Fostering a New Preparedness Paradigm: Facilitating a Conversation Among Public and Private Sector Stakeholders"
April 17-18 • The Galt House • Louisville, Ky.

Wednesday, April 17
1:00 – 4:30 p.m. Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) Symposium Opening General Session (in conjunction with NIAA Closing General Session):
“Financial Perspective: Impact of Tomorrow’s Technology Trends and Developments on Animal Agriculture”
Ms. Deborah Perkins, Managing Director, Rabobank International, Dallas Office

“FMD and Animal Agriculture in the Court of Public Opinion”
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Thursday, April 18
7:00 – 7:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast
7:45 - 7:50 a.m. Welcome
7:50 - 8:30 a.m. “Response and Recovery Challenges Faced in FMD Outbreaks in Other Countries: Take Home Lessons for the United States”
Dr. Pam Hullinger, Associate Clinical Professor, Dept. of Medicine and Epidemiology at UC Davis

8:30 - 8:45 a.m. “Government Preparedness Role and Response Framework: Where Animal Health Authority Leaves Off and Private Sector Agency Begins”
Dr. Jon Zack, Director, Preparedness and Incident Coordination Staff at USDA – APHIS-VS

8:45 - 9:15 a.m. “Industry Perspectives on FMD Preparedness: Why Invest Now?”
Mr. Charles Ahlem, Co-founding Owner, Hilmar Cheese

9:15 - 9:35 a.m. Moderated Question and Answer Session
9:35 - 10:05 a.m. “Overview of Current FMD Countermeasures”
Dr. Darrel Styles, Senior Veterinary Officer at USDA–APHIS-VS

10:05 – 10:35 a.m. “Diagnostic Technology Update: Strategic Development and Deployment”
Dr. Sarah Tomlinson, Associate NAHLN Coordinator at USDA-APHIS-VS

10:35 – 11:05 a.m. “Crisis Communications Update: Messages and Channels”
Ms. Stacey Stevens, VP, Media & Industry Affairs, DMI/National Dairy Council

11:05 - 11:35 a.m. “FMD Preparedness: A Wicked Problem”
Dr. Gay Miller, Professor, University of Illinois

11:35 a.m. – Noon Moderated Question and Answer Session

Noon Box lunch provided

12:45 - 12:55 p.m. “Outbreak Terminology: Definitions of Phases, Zones and Premises”
Dr. Patrick Webb, Director of Swine Programs - National Pork Board

12:55 - 1:00 p.m. “Permitting and Movement Control: Progress and Challenges”
Dr. Annette Jones, California State Veterinarian - Director, Animal Health and Food Safety Services

1:00 - 4:30 p.m. FMD Scenario-Driven Discussion

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Closing Session
Dr. Patrick Webb, Director of Swine Programs – National Pork Board
Dr. Sebastian E. Heath, VetMB PhD, Branch Chief for Program Development - FEMA
Mr. Charles Ahlem, Co-founding Owner, Hilmar Cheese
Delve Deeper, Learn Even More During Committee, Council Meetings

NIAA’s committee and council meetings conducted on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning give individuals an opportunity to hear highly targeted presentations and provide input to species-specific topics and various issues of concern to animal agriculture. Check out the speaker line-ups and topics for each committee and council meeting and see which meetings interest you the most.

Following presentations, each committee and council meeting will conduct a business meeting during which attendees discuss industry challenges with the goal of reaching consensus regarding solutions. NIAA members will then vote to adopt, amend or reaffirm resolutions relevant to the committee or council.

Aquatic Livestock Committee, Tuesday, April 16
10:00 — 10:15 a.m.  Welcome
10:15 — 10:45 a.m.  “Current Status of U.S. Aquaculture”
Jeff Silverstein, USDA-Agricultural Research Service
Dr. Christopher Weeks, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University
11:15 — 11:45 a.m.  “Problems, Stumbling Blocks and Solutions for U.S. Aquaculture”
Sebastian Belle, Maine Aquaculture Association
11:45 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.  “NIAA Aquatic Livestock Committee Structure & Function”
Todd Low and Dr. David Scarfe, NIAA Aquatic Livestock Committee Co-Chairs
Identifying Issues & Solutions to Advance U.S. Aquaculture
Facilitated open discussion

Bovine Committee, Tuesday, April 16
10:00 — 10:05 a.m.  Introductions
10:05 — 10:35 a.m.  “Foot-and-Mouth Disease: A Looming Threat for U.S. Cattle Producers”
Dr. Gay Miller, University of Illinois
10:35 — 10:50 a.m.  Question & Answer Session
10:50 — 11:20 a.m.  “Genomic Technologies in Commercial Cattle Production”
Dr. Kent Andersen, Pfizer Animal Genetics
11:20 — 11:35 a.m.  Question & Answer Session
11:35 a.m. — Noon  Bovine Committee Business Meeting

Join Us for a Pre-Conference Tour
A day of fun and learning is on tap for the Pre-Conference Tour, Monday, April 15:
• Alltech Corporate Headquarters and Research Farm – Aquaculture, Ruminant and Equine
• University of Kentucky Beef Research Unit
• Three Chimneys Farm

The day will start and stop at the Galt House, with the buses heading out at 7:30 a.m. and returning around 4:45 p.m. Lunch at the Connemara Golf Club is included in the $85/person tour fee.

Our visit to Alltech’s Headquarters in Nicholasville, Ky., will give us a first-hand look at the epicenter of Alltech’s global operations. Highlights of the tour include the Alltech Center for Animal Nutrigenomics & Applied Animal Nutrition where Alltech collects data on the genetic responses of animals to different dietary conditions. We’ll also check out three of Alltech’s research facilities: aquaculture, ruminant and equine.

Our stop at the University of Kentucky’s 1,500-acre Animal Research Center will put beef, sheep and swine research center stage, with visits to the Animal Science Beef Unit and the Sheep Unit. We’ll speak to key researchers and learn about various research projects.

Three Chimneys Farm, owned by Mr. Mrs. Robert N. Clay and Borges Torrealba Family, is a full-service thoroughbred farm in Lexington, Ky., standing Big Brown, Dyna- morder, Exchange Rate, Flower Alley and other known studs. In 40 years, this farm has consigned approximately $500 million worth of horses at public auction, with their sires’ progeny earning nearly $1 billion and more than 1,000 stakes victories.

To register for this Kentucky animal agriculture tour, please go online to www.animalagriculture.org or call NIAA at (719) 538-8843.
Committee Meetings
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Equine Committee, Tuesday, April 16
10:00 — 10:05 a.m.  Introduction
10:05 — 10:45 a.m.  “Equine Welfare, Where Emotion and Science Collide”
                      Thomas Lenz, DVM, Equine Technical Services
10:45 — 11:10 a.m.  “Unwanted Horse Coalition”
                      Ms. Ericka Caslin, Unwanted Horse Coalition, American Horse Council
                      Walking Horse”
                      David Foley, CAE, American Association of Equine Practitioners
11:35 a.m. — Noon  Panel Discussion
Noon — 12:30 p.m.  Equine Committee Business Meeting

Poultry Committee, Tuesday, April 16
10:00 — 10:10 a.m.  Welcome
10:10 — 10:50 a.m.  “Feeding the World”
                      Dr. Kate Jacques, Alltech USA
10:50 — 11:20 a.m.  “Role of the State Diagnostic Lab”
                      Dr. Joel Cline, Bryan Taylor Diagnostic Lab, Elba, Ala.
11:20 a.m. — Noon  “AI Situation and Cooperative Agreements”
                      Dr. Patricia Fox, USDA/APHIS, Raleigh, N.C.
Noon — 12:30 p.m.  Poultry Committee Business Meeting

Small Ruminant Committee, Tuesday, April 16
10:00 — 10:05 a.m.  Introduction
10:05 — 10:25 a.m.  “Reducing Ovine Progressive Pneumonia by Selecting for TMEM154 Haplotypes in Sheep”
                      Dr. Michael Heaton, Animal Health, USDA/ARS
10:25 — 10:50 a.m.  “Communicating Genetics with Producers”
                      Dr. Debra Aaron, Dept. of Animal and Food Sciences, University of Kentucky
10:50 — 11:10 a.m.  “Goat Herd Improvement Program as Conducted through Kentucky State University”
                      Dr. Kenneth M. Andries, Kentucky State University
11:10 — 11:30 a.m.  “Communicating with the Public”
                      Ms. Madeline McCurry-Schmidt, American Society of Animal Science
11:30 a.m. — Noon  Small Ruminant Committee Business Meeting

Swine Committee, Tuesday, April 16
10:00 — 10:05 a.m.  Introductions
                      Dr. Harry Snelson, Committee Co-Chair
10:05 — 10:20 a.m.  “Swine Industry Efforts to Address Influenza”
                      Dr. Jennifer Koeman, National Pork Board
10:20 — 10:50 a.m.  “Influenza Recommendations for Fairs and Exhibitions”
                      Dr. Bret Marsh, Indiana Board of Animal Health
10:50 — 11:10 a.m.  “PRRS Working Group Update”
                      Dr. Lisa Becton, Swine Health Information & Research, National Pork Board
11:10 — 11:30 a.m.  “Wisconsin PRRS Import Requirements”
                      Dr. Paul McGraw, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
11:30 a.m. — Noon  “SHP Update and Proposed Changes to BR/PRV Program”
                      Speaker to be announced
Noon — 12:30 p.m.  Swine Committee Business Meeting  (Continued on Page 8)
## Council Meeting Agendas

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Dr. Zoe Davies, National Pig Association, England

8:50 — 9:20 a.m.  “Animal Welfare During a Disease Outbreak or Natural Disaster”
Dr. Patrick Webb, National Pork Board

9:20 — 9:35 a.m.  Break

9:35 — 10:20 a.m.  “Coalition for Sustainable Egg Supply Research”
Dr. Janice Swanson, Department of Animal Sciences, Michigan State University

10:20 — 11:10 a.m.  “Engaging with Consumer Values”
Bill Zucker, Ketchum Midwest

11:10 — 11:30 a.m.  Animal Care Council Business Meeting

Animal Identification & Systems Council, Wednesday, April 17

8:00 — 8:10 a.m.  Welcome & Introductions
Dr. Robert Fourdraine, AgSource Cooperative Services and Mr. Victor Velez, California Dept. of Food & Agriculture

8:10 — 8:40 a.m.  “USDA Update on Animal Disease Traceability”
Dr. Neil Hammerschmidt, USDA

8:40 — 9:10 a.m.  “State Animal Disease Traceability Update”
Dr. Dee Ellis, Texas State Veterinarian; Dr. Tony Frazier, Alabama State Veterinarian; and Dr. Keith Roehr, Colorado State Veterinarian

9:10 — 10:20 a.m.  “Sector Group Updates”
- Dairy Cattle
- Beef Cattle
- Poultry
- Livestock Markets
- Swine

10:20 — 10:30 a.m.  Break

10:30 — 10:45 a.m.  “Cattle Imports: Traceability Issues”
Dr. Dave Fly, New Mexico State Veterinarian (Invited), and Dr. Leonard Eldridge, Washington State Veterinarian

10:45 — 11:15 a.m.  “Canada: Recent Developments”
Mr. David Moss, ITS Global

11:15 — 11:30 a.m.  “Early Disease Detection through Traceability”
Mr. Craig Carter, University of Kentucky Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and Professor of Epidemiology in the College of Agriculture

11:30 a.m. — Noon  Animal Identification & Information Systems Council Business Meeting

Emerging Diseases Council, Wednesday, April 17

8:00 — 8:05 a.m.  Introduction

8:05 — 8:45 a.m.  “The 100K Genome Project and Food Safety”
Dr. Bart Weimer, School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California, Davis

8:45 — 9:25 a.m.  “What Role Will Animal Biotechnology Play in Feeding the World?”
Dr. Alison L. Van Eenennaam, University of California, Davis

9:25 — 10:00 a.m.  “FMD in Vietnam: What Can We Learn?”
Dr. Carla Huston, Mississippi State University College of Veterinary Medicine

10:00 — 10:20 a.m.  Break

10:20 — 11:00 a.m.  “The Role of the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Supporting Animal Health and the Food Safety System”
Dr. Hailu Kinde, California Animal Health and Food Safety Laboratory System, San Bernardino Branch School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California, Davis

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Networking, Sharing Information Extend Beyond General Sessions, Committee & Council Meetings

Informal hallway conversations, discussions with vendors, breaks between meetings and NIAA’s reception are ideal times to interact with colleagues from across animal agriculture, share information and learn from each other.

NIAA members include professionals engaged in animal agriculture including producers, veterinarians, scientists, government representatives and allied industries. You do not have to be a member of NIAA to attend its Annual Conference and FMD Symposium. But if you join NIAA today, you can take advantage of a membership’s $50 savings toward the Conference.

Per Dr. Leonard Bull, Bull Mountain Enterprises Inc.: “Animal agriculture is a multi-disciplinary, complex, global industry. NIAA offers me convenient and concise information and an opportunity to help set truly critical priorities for the future of animal agriculture, and therefore hopefully help make a true difference.” (Bull is pictured interacting with constituents in the far left center photo.)