NIAA’s purpose is to provide a forum to facilitate and engage industry leaders and organizations to derive solutions on the most current issues in animal agriculture.
From Your Chairman

It has been my honor to serve our industry for another year, alongside my fellow members and leadership, as well as the staff who make up the NIAA team. I would like to thank you all for your continued achievements and dedication.

Every year brings changes and challenges. 2017 was also a year of opportunity for the National Institute for Animal Agriculture to bring to our constituency and stakeholders throughout animal agriculture the time and space for collaborative discussion, consensus-building and leadership on the issues impacting our industry and our ability to thrive.

Last year’s NIAA Annual Conference, held in Columbus, Ohio in April 2017 was themed “U.S. Animal Agriculture’s Future Role in World Food Production—Obstacles & Opportunities” where the focus was on the globalization of food production. Discussion centered around disease traceability, hormone and antibiotic use, animal welfare, sustainability influences on world herd health, and the impact of market-driven, value-added programs, financial trends, and the impact of global trade on productivity here at home. A pre-conference Ag Tour of area industries included stops at Select Sires, Price Farms Organic and Johnson’s Real Ice Cream.

Following the Annual Conference, a special workshop entitled “Animal Care Standards: How Laws, Company Commitments, and Public Perception Have Changed the Landscape” where we considered the complex topic of animal welfare and well-being.

What began as a follow-up event to our Animal Disease Traceability forum and ID-Info Expo from previous years, the 2017 Strategy Forum on Livestock Traceability held last September in Denver, Colorado, opened the door for us to explore ways to move forward throughout the industry. A significant outcome from the Strategy Forum was the formation of the Cattle Traceability Working Group that includes professionals from various segments of the cattle industry, commercial organizations and producer associations who work collaboratively to enhance traceability to protect animal health and market access.
Co-hosted with USAHA, the Strategy Forum provided a platform to discuss the results from state and federal working groups and proposed changes to the USDA ADT program, and included panel discussions and next step conversations.

The topic’s importance and the intense interest it garnered led the leadership of NIAA to continue the dialogue at our 2018 Annual Conference, expanding the focus on the issues of Livestock Traceability to include all of animal agriculture.

The seventh in our series of Antibiotics Symposia: Antibiotic Stewardship: Collaborative Strategy for Animal Agriculture and Human Health was held in November in Herndon, Virginia. All sectors of the animal food production industry and partners in human medicine and public health came together for collective and continued dialogue around one of the most important topics in animal and human health today.

Since 2011, the NIAA-hosted Antibiotics Symposium has provided a setting for a thoughtful exchange of ideas for the betterment of animal and human health. Through the years, NIAA and its partners have been at the forefront of bringing stakeholders together to analyze, evaluate, and discuss the use of antibiotics and the threat of resistance. Our industry’s approach to the use of antibiotics in animal agriculture has evolved at a rapid pace in the six years since the first NIAA Antibiotics Symposium and will continue to be at the forefront of this vital conversation.

We recognized the progress our industry has made while acknowledging the continued challenges we face going forward. As before, we provided the opportunity to identify our common values, share our knowledge and experiences in discussion and honest dialogue, and look for areas of consensus to take us into the future.

As mentioned previously, the 2018 Annual Conference broadens the discussion on Livestock Traceability, with the theme of Livestock Traceability: Opportunities for Animal Agriculture, being held in Denver, Colorado. This topic is critically important to industry associations, government agencies, consumers, and the media; with impact across the animal agriculture industry.

The outstanding presentations and discussions for this year’s agenda include a look at the future of ADT from USDA’s Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Gregory Ibach, and reviews of emerging technologies such as IBM’s Food Trust™ deployed on Blockchain, a panel discussion on data management, and more. And, as always, including alternate perspectives, opinions and experiences makes this conference unique.

We are excited to host our Canadian partners as they share their own journey and give us insight into our efforts at animal disease traceability.

A new feature of this year’s Conference, which will further maximize the effectiveness of our meeting, is having the NIAA Species Committee members included into the Issue Council discussions. All the issues which matter to individual species groups will now be part of the larger conversation in the six different Councils meetings, and the Aquatic Livestock Committee meeting.

The Traceability and the Real World Interactive Workshop immediately follows the 2018 Annual Conference, with an even deeper dive into traceability to include panel discussions and a working session on action items and next steps, as well as an update from our Cattle Traceability Working Group.

We have also introduced a new Technology Showcase featuring the latest technology, products and services focused on Livestock Traceability.

Every NIAA-hosted event provides a unique platform for our members, the animal ag industry at large, and our community. We continually keep our members informed through our NIAA Weekly News Bulletin, emailed every Thursday morning, our Twitter feed @NIAA_Comm, which includes our activities during events, and our Facebook page www.facebook.com/animalag. We also provide other educational resources such as this year’s Beef Checkoff Webinar on Antimicrobial Resistance: What Beef Producers Should Know, featuring Bob Smith, DVM, of Veterinary Research and Consulting Services, LLC.

The industry leaders in animal agriculture who support NIAA as a group of peers helps drive positive change from within, defining the strength of our organization. I feel privileged to have served this exceptional organization as Chair again this year. Thank you to all who served, participated, attended and wished us well. I look forward to all that this year has to offer!

Sincerely,

Dr. Tony Forshey
As a member-driven non-profit, the National Institute for Animal Agriculture works to unite and advance the aquatic livestock, beef, dairy, equine, poultry, small ruminant, and swine industries comprising animal agriculture.

NIAA’s Board of Directors represents a cross-section of state and national association leadership, private practice and government veterinarians, extension specialists, educators, researchers, state and national government regulatory personnel, producers, and allied business professionals.

NIAA’s volunteer Board of Directors governs the organization, provides continuity for the organization, monitors programs and services, and accounts to the members and the public for the operations and services of the organization and expenditures of its funds.

NIAA provides industry professionals with opportunities for knowledge and education leading to improvement in food animal production. Its focus is to create a safer and continuingly wholesome food supply, improved animal care and handling, and the eradication of costly diseases threatening the health of the country’s domestic animal population.
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“U.S. Animal Agriculture’s Future Role in World Food Production - Obstacles & Opportunities” was the theme of the 2017 National Institute for Animal Agriculture’s Annual Conference held April 3-6, 2017, in Columbus, Ohio. The Conference went beyond the implications of import and export, and trade negotiations and political concerns, to include how animals are treated and how resources are used worldwide.

Understanding future trends within the animal industry is crucial, and conference presenters provided a holistic perspective on this important topic. The challenges and opportunities of global trends affecting agriculture have arisen from unprecedented population growth, and subsequent food production requirements. Food consumption, particularly meat consumption, has also increased with rising standards of living in China, India and other parts of the world. U.S. producers provide protein products to consumers in multiple international destinations.

Today’s consumer-driven marketplace brings value-added programs and verifiable standards for which the end user must pay an increased price. World-wide regulation may take second chair compared to market-driven standards where producers comply with programs which enhance market reach and trade.
U.S. animal agriculture will play an increasingly international role as population and average income rise around the globe. Today, livestock export is a significant employer and contributor to both producers’ bottom lines and the U.S. GDP.

At the time of the 2017 NIAA Annual Conference, a new, incoming political administration left the future of trade negotiations unclear. However, on the international stage, action was needed for the U.S. agricultural industry to remain competitive, regardless of the political atmosphere.

Industry members sought to position themselves as key leaders in conversations about feeding the world, reminding their trading contacts that they are indeed long-term partners, creating strong business-to-business bonds regardless of possible short-term policy.

U.S. animal agriculture needs to stay informed of new innovations in technology, as well as methods and regulations, including investing in livestock traceability, to meet the demands of the global marketplace. It is important for the industry to get involved in U.S. negotiations by helping educate Congress, even if it means knocking on the doors as new members of the cabinet and their deputies take office in Washington.

The animal agriculture industry must be prepared to help overcome barriers such as negative perceptions toward agriculture by reminding the world that U.S. livestock products are high quality, consistent and safe.

Following the Annual Conference, NIAA hosted a workshop on *Animal Care Standards: How Laws, Company Commitments, & Public Perception Have Changed the Landscape* on animal welfare and well-being. The takeaway from this workshop centered around communication. The question of what constitutes an acceptable quality of life for animals requires both scientific and value judgments. A majority of consumers feel knowledgeable about food, but not about agricultural practices. This offers a tremendous opportunity for the animal agriculture industry to tell their story.

**2017 ANIMAL CARE STANDARDS FORUM PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Chelsea Good, J.D. – Animal Care Standards Planning Chair, Livestock Marketing Association  
Mr. John Saunders – Annual Conference Planning Chair, Where Food Comes From, Inc.  
Mr. Ernie Birchmeier – Michigan Farm Bureau  
Ms. Kathryn Britton – Where Food Comes From, Inc.  
Dr. Kent Fowler – California Department of Food and Agriculture  
Mr. Dave McElhaney – Allflex, USA
Co-hosted by NIAA and USAHA, the 2017 Strategy Forum on Livestock Traceability provided a platform to discuss the results from state and federal working groups and proposed changes to the USDA ADT program, panel discussions and next step conversations.

The Animal Disease Traceability (ADT) rule is designed to allow animal health officials to trace a covered animal forward from the location where the animal was officially identified and back from the animal’s last location, which is often the termination point or slaughter plant. It also includes information on the animal’s interstate movements.

The system was set up as a foundational framework to be expanded over time. The two basic requirements are the identification of livestock with ‘official identification,’ and documentation of livestock when traveling across state lines. Four years after its implementation, the USDA solicited stakeholder feedback through a series of listening sessions around the country. The ADT State/Federal Working Group condensed this feedback into a list of recommendations and NIAA Strategy Forum attendees participated in reviewing these proposed changes.

Several states have state traceability rules requiring mandatory premises ID registration, collaboration between the state departments of agriculture and motor vehicles, and leveraging the scope and reach of state livestock brand inspection.

Ninety-five percent of the world population is outside the United States, and as that population grows in economic status, the global demand for beef increases. The key to global export markets is traceability. Many top international beef exporters employ traceability as a key component of their programs. Including traceability as a significant part of the United States export program can make the United States competitive in this world market.

The topic’s importance and the intense interest it garnered led the leadership of NIAA to continue the dialog at our 2018 Annual Conference, expanding the focus on the issues of Livestock Traceability to include all of animal agriculture.

THE STRATEGY FORUM ON LIVESTOCK TRACEABILITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mr. Glenn Fischer, Allflex USA Inc
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Mr. Neil E. Hammerschmidt, USDA-APHIS-VS
Dr. Paul McGraw, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture
Dr. Eric Moore, Norbrook Inc.
Dr. Randy Munger, USDA-APHIS-STAS
Dr. Boyd Parr, Clemson University Livestock Poultry Health
Mr. Ben Richey, United States Animal Health Association
Dr. Aaron Scott, USDA-APHIS-VS

CATTLE TRACEABILITY WORKING GROUP

One outcome from the Strategy Forum was the formation of the Cattle Traceability Working Group. Their goal is to enhance cattle identification and traceability to better serve the needs of producers, marketers, exporters, and animal health officials. The Cattle Traceability Working Group is made up of professionals from various segments of the cattle industry, commercial organizations and producer associations who work collaboratively to enhance the traceability to protect animal health and market access. Five sub-groups have been formed to address each of the relevant issues including Communications & Transparency, Collection Technology, Responsibilities & Opportunities, Information Liability and Data Storage & Access.
Antimicrobial Stewardship has been defined many ways by many different entities, but all generally describe improvement of antimicrobial use by coordinated action. The goal of antimicrobial stewardship is to optimize the judicious use of antibiotics.

Supporting antimicrobial stewardship requires the engagement of multiple diverse stakeholders. A collaborative approach, involving partnership of both public and private entities, fostering an ongoing dialogue is essential to successful strategy, policy, implementation, and control. The NIAA Antimicrobial stewardship symposium is in its 7th year, and much progress has been made.

There is much unknown about antibiotic resistance, yet research continually reveals new findings. The microbial world is a complex, adaptive system. Public-private partnerships and coordinated plans across disciplines and across countries are essential for progress to continue toward the goal of antimicrobial stewardship. The common antimicrobial stewardship goal of all stakeholders is to optimize animal and human health, animal welfare, animal well-being, food safety, and food security.

Antibiotic resistance is a political issue because food security is a political issue. Food security is the foundation of civilization and is intimately linked to international security and global health. It is with a sense of urgency we strive to meet the goals of reducing illness and death in humans while preventing suffering and loss in agricultural and companion animals while maintaining a robust, healthy and sustainable food supply in a global marketplace.

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Vital activities which can be conducted immediately were identified at the 7th Annual Symposium, such as stewardship and infection prevention. In addition, it is important to raise awareness through education and leadership and communicate that all aspects of production of food animals are governed by well-established scientific information.

Other concepts outlined at the Symposium could take one to five years to complete and implement, such as focused research and development, One Health surveillance, field studies to see if the systems currently being put in place will work, global integration, and even the development of new antibiotics.

Because of the issues raised and the conversations begun at the NIAA Antibiotics Symposium, cattle producers, through the Beef Checkoff, have met with our colleagues at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Public officials from human health side in conjunction with the animal agriculture community have entered the discussion together, seeking common ground and ways to coordinate efforts.

The next steps, looking forward to the 2018 NIAA Antibiotics Symposium, are centered on communication, collaboration and continued research. As discussed at the 2017 meeting, One Health solutions with voices from animal, human, and environmental health are critical to continue the work on this major social issue.
We’ve made state-by-state livestock transport information easy to find and understand, but now we need your help to get the word out.

3 Easy Ways to Share!

1. Post an informational flyer on your website – go to animalagriculture.org or usaha.org for the InterstateLivestock.com flyer that you can easily post to your site.

2. Visit www.animalagriculture.org for a web-ready button to place on your website.

3. Send the site link to your contacts (www.interstatelivestock.com).

Make interstate livestock transport information a priority by helping share this information. Help safeguard animal health across the country!

As a veterinary office we look up current requirements on a weekly basis for a variety of situations and more often than not receive different answers depending on who answers the phone at each state’s office vs. their online system. Having everything in one place with specific questions provided to make the process easier has helped greatly and our clients as well as our office appreciate the reduction in last minute changes.

Highlights:

- The twelve-month rolling average is up 45% since August 2017.
- 26,066 sets of regulations provided to users in the last year with the following breakdown per species:
  - BOV 16149 (Cattle)
  - CPN 1352 (Goats)
  - EQN 5308 (Equine)
  - OVI 1257 (Sheep)
  - POR 2000 (Swine)

Thank you, thank you, thank you for this website!
Committees and Councils

The National Institute for Animal Agriculture serves the animal agriculture industry by providing opportunities to build consensus across the aquatic livestock, beef, dairy, equine, poultry, small ruminant, and swine communities. NIAA extends continuing education and communication linkages to animal agriculture professionals across the industry. NIAA is dedicated to eradicating diseases endangering the health of animals, wildlife and humanity; promoting a safe and wholesome food supply for our nation and the world; and advancing best practices in environmental stewardship, animal health and welfare.

Aquatic Livestock Committee
To advance sustainable aquatic livestock (aquaculture) industries, by addressing key issues relevant to farmed aquatic animal health, well-being, seafood safety, public health and environmental concerns.

Chair: Mr. Todd Low – Hawaii Department of Agriculture

Animal Care Council
To identify and monitor issues surrounding the care and handling of livestock and to develop resources and educational materials for distribution to industry, producers, educators and other individuals interested in livestock care issues.

Co-Chairs: Dr. Jim Logan – Wyoming Livestock Board
Dr. Peter Mundschenk – Arizona Department of Agriculture

Animal Health Emergency Management (AHEM) Council
To provide a forum for representatives from animal agriculture, the veterinary profession, governmental agencies and academia to address animal health emergency management (AHEM) issues that may adversely affect animal agriculture or public health.

Co-Chairs: Dr. James Averill – Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
Dr. Nick Striegel – Colorado Department of Agriculture

Animal Identification & Information Systems Council
To play an important role in bringing unresolved issues such as advocating cost-effective technologies and systems for modernizing the identification of livestock that has significant implications for residue avoidance, disease control and providing management information to producers.

Co-Chairs: Mr. Glenn Fischer – Allflex USA, Inc.
Dr. Boyd Parr – Clemson University
Antibiotics Council

To enhance an animal agriculture industry that is aligned with judicious antibiotic use policies and practices.

The mission of the Antibiotics Council of NIAA is to facilitate and encourage:

1. The judicious use of antibiotics in food animal production to ensure public health, food safety, animal health and welfare
2. Applying sound sciences as the basis for decision making and policy development regarding antibiotics in food animal production
3. Education and communication on the role, benefits, risks and most current information on antibiotic uses in food animal production
4. Leadership and partnership with food chain stakeholders (from farms to consumers to allied industry, etc.) to promote judicious antibiotic use policies and practices

Co-Chairs:  
Dr. Eric Moore – Norbrook, Inc.  
Dr. Leah Dorman – Phibro Animal Health Corporation

Global Animal Health and Emerging Diseases Council

Stay abreast of emerging animal diseases and educate the NIAA membership about them. Create resolutions and position statements regarding emerging animal disease issues, which are aimed at benefiting animal health and U.S. animal agriculture. By action of the NIAA Board of Directors and Committee concurrence, the Global Animal Health Council and Emerging Diseases Council have merged.

Co-Chairs:  
Dr. Julie Smith – University of Vermont  
Dr. Carla Huston – Mississippi State University

Food Security, Regulatory & Trade Council

Identify current problems with national and international trade by cross-disciplinary discussion between government, academia, and industry and recommend solutions through the novel application of information, communication, and technology.

To enhance and assure the wholesomeness of products derived from livestock and to encourage research to identify, develop and implement management strategies to avoid and eliminate contamination from products derived by livestock.

Co-Chairs:  
Dr. Linda Hickam – Missouri Department of Agriculture  
Dr. Hector Cervantes – Phibro Animal Health
About NIAA

National Institute for Animal Agriculture (NIAA) was founded to serve animal agriculture professionals and organizations as a source for information and education, a host for consensus-building discussion and collaboration, and a conduit for connections and communications to promote better understanding within and about the animal agriculture industry.

Who is NIAA?
Members include professionals in animal agriculture including producers from across the industry, veterinarians, educators, governmental agency specialists, researchers and scientists, and allied industry representatives. NIAA serves the entire animal agriculture spectrum including aquatic livestock, beef, dairy, equine, poultry, small ruminant, and swine.

NIAA also represents professionals in these fields:
- Animal Health
- Animal Care & Handling
- Animal Production (on-farm)
- Animal Identification
- Information Systems
- Environmental Issues
- International Trade
- Biosecurity
- Biotechnology
- Preventative Health Strategies
- Disease Eradication
- Emergency Management
- Antimicrobial Resistance
- Sustainability

NIAA MEMBERS...

CONNECT with fellow industry professionals uniting the animal agriculture community.

REPRESENT your business to state and national leadership across all sectors of your industry.

DRIVE positive change within animal agriculture.

PARTICIPATE in decision-making actions leading to resolutions on essential industry-wide challenges.

“The first year I joined I attended the second antibiotic symposium held in Columbus, Ohio in 2012! I had the opportunity to network with veterinarians, scientists, industry, producers, state and federal employees, food supply groups, etc. all who shared a common interest in antibiotics. What I learned during this symposium and subsequent symposia I have brought back to Auburn to share with our colleagues and students. Auburn has completed several research projects and increased education of proper usage and disposal of antimicrobials by both humans and animals.”

– Dr. Sue Duran, Veterinary Pharmacist - Auburn University
Services and Benefits
- Serve on Committees & Councils — be integrally involved in addressing key issues affecting animal agriculture
- Become a Leader — utilize talents and enhance your leadership portfolio by serving with a prominent national organization
- Voting Rights — allows you to influence industry direction
- List Serves — peer-to-peer interaction and discussion on timely topics
- Receive News & Information for Animal Agriculture
- Weekly News Bulletin — stay abreast of industry news and information relating to key issues in animal agriculture
- Virtual Membership Directory — be listed with a direct link to member organization sites
- Discounts on Meeting Registrations — save money on educational meetings/conferences/continuing education opportunities

Membership in the NIAA is open to all persons and entities, subject to review and approval by the NIAA Board of Directors. Membership in the NIAA is not based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, religion or political beliefs. The NIAA provides a forum for open discussion on differing viewpoints affecting agriculture. However, NIAA’s Board of Directors reserves the right to deny an application for membership when, in its sole discretion, it determines that an applicant’s membership will be unduly disruptive or contrary to the mission and goals of the NIAA.

Membership Categories
National Associations and Commercial Organizations
Membership for organizations and corporations that operate at a national or international level, as well as federal agencies (such as USDA, APHIS, FSIS, FDA and DHS). Multiple organization contacts permitted within this membership, full voting privileges.

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Membership for state government agencies, diagnostic laboratories, university-affiliated groups or associations that operate at a state level, and also federal agencies at regional locations. Multiple organization contacts permitted, full voting privileges.

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Membership for self-employed or small entities, such as producers, practitioners, retirees or others that do not fit a state or national level membership. Single contact, full voting privileges.

NIAA Mission
NIAA’s purpose is to provide a forum to facilitate and engage industry leaders and organizations to derive solutions on the most current issues in animal agriculture.
The National Institute for Animal Agriculture (NIAA) continues to impress me with their ability to keep pace with the rapid changes that affect the current livestock industries. NIAA is able to maintain a balanced view of both industry challenges and public expectations and is able to bring these issues into a forum for relevant and effective discussion.

– Todd Low – Hawaii Department of Agriculture
2017 NIAA Membership continued

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Ohio Dairy Producers Association
Producers Livestock Marketing Assn
Purdue University
Southeast United Dairy
University of California - Davis System
University of Missouri VMDL
University of Tennessee
Western Dairy Association

I was very impressed by the organization of the meeting, the level of the speakers and the different stakeholders coming together with an open mind and collaborative spirit. I think a key benefit of being part of NIAA is being part of a team which passionately works together to learn and try to solve complex issue in the animal agriculture space.

– Lucas Pantaleon DVM, MS, DACVIM, MBA – Senior Clinical Veterinarian Advisor, Virox Animal Health

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NIAA Annual Awards

Chairman's Award
NIAA Board Member Mr. David McElhaney, Allflex USA, receives the 2017 Chairman's Award from Dr. Tony Forshey, NIAA Board Chair.

Meritorious Service Award
Dr. Sunny Geiser-Novotny accepts the 2017 NIAA Meritorious Service Award on behalf of Mr. Neil Hammerschmidt. The award is presented by NIAA Board Chair Dr. Tony Forshey.

Presidential Award
NIAA Board Member Dr. Carl Heckendorf, Colorado Department of Agriculture receives the 2017 NIAA President’s Award from Katie Ambrose, NIAA Executive Director.

Advocate for Animal Agriculture Award
The 2017 Advocate for Animal Agriculture Award is presented to Ms. Sarah J. Bohnenkamp. The award is presented by NIAA Vice-Chair, Dr. Nevil Speer.