



Animal Care & Handling Conference

October 19-20, 2017

Kansas City, MO

Thursday, October 19, 2017

6:30 am – 5:00 pm Registration

6:30 – 7:45 am Breakfast

7:00 - 8:00 am Pre-Conference Sessions

Beef and Pork Track	Poultry Track
The ABC's of Livestock Handling <i>Temple Grandin, Ph.D., Grandin Livestock Handling Systems, Colorado State University</i>	The ABC's of Poultry Handling <i>Penny Lawlis, Professional Livestock Auditing, Inc.</i>

8:00 – 8:15 am Break

8:15 – 8:20 am Welcome and Introductions
Janet Riley, Senior Vice President, Public Affairs, NAMI
Ann McDonald, Smithfield, NAMI Animal Welfare Committee Chair

8:20 – 9:10 am Keynote Presentation: Pursuing Elite
LtCol USMC (ret). Andrew Thompson, President and CEO, Thompson Development Group

9:10 – 10:10 am Humane Slaughter Enforcement: Policy and Program Update
Patty Bennett, DVM, Humane Handling Enforcement Coordinator, FSIS
Tiffany Lee, DVM, Director of Scientific and Regulatory Affairs, NAMI

10:10-10:45 am Serving the Meat Industry's Future: Protecting Against Activist Threats
Hannah Thompson-Weeman, Vice President of Communications, Animal Agriculture Alliance

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:00 pm Concurrent Sessions

Pork Track	Beef Track	Poultry Track
<p>Quality Assurance Programs for Pork Production (Pork Quality Assurance Plus, Transport Quality Assurance & Common Swine Industry Audit) <i>Jamee Eggers, Manager – Animal Welfare, Science & Technology, National Pork Board</i></p>	<p>Navigating Pathways to Success-Results of the 2016 National Beef Quality Audit <i>Deb Vanoverbeke, Interim Assistant Dean, CASNR and Endowed Professor, Animal Science, Oklahoma State University</i> <i>Josh White, Executive Director, Producer Education, NCBA</i></p>	<p>Fundamentals and Future Direction in Poultry Stunning <i>Penny Lawlis, Professional Livestock Auditing, Inc.</i></p>

12:00 – 1:45 pm Lunch and Issues, Answers, Actions Networking and Problem Solving Discussion

1:45 – 2:00 pm Break

2:00 – 2:45 pm Reflections on Two Decades of Progress: An Interview With Temple Grandin
Janet Riley, Senior Vice President, Public Affairs, NAMI (moderator)

2:45- 3:15 pm NAMI Animal Handling Guidelines Update
Ann McDonald, Director of Animal Welfare, Smithfield and Paula Alexander, AWB Manager-FSQA, Tyson Foods

3:15 – 3:30 pm Break

3:30 – 5:15 pm Concurrent Sessions

Pork and Beef Track	Management and Policy Track	Poultry Track
<p>3:30 – 4:15 pm Stunning and Determining Insensibility <i>Temple Grandin, Ph.D., Grandin Livestock Handling Systems, Colorado State University</i></p>	<p>3:30 – 4:00 pm Updates on Training and Certification of Animal Welfare Auditors <i>Collette Kaster, Executive Director, PAACO</i></p>	<p>3:30-4:00 pm Poultry Welfare: Transportation <i>Richard Mack, President, Riverdale Poultry Express, Inc.</i></p>
<p>4:15-4:30 Effect of Captive Bolt Lengths in Fed Cattle <i>Helen Kline, Miriam Martin, and Dana Wagner. Graduate Students, Colorado State University</i></p>	<p>4:00-4:30 pm AMS-LPS Animal Handling and Welfare Activities Update <i>Jeff Waite, Chief, Audit Services Branch, USDA-AMS, Livestock, Poultry, and Seed Program</i></p>	<p>4:00 – 4:30 pm Laying Hen Welfare <i>Dr. Janice Siegford, Associate Professor, Michigan State University</i></p>
<p>4:30 – 5:15 Stunner Maintenance and Vet Simulator Demonstration <i>Chuck Bildstein, Product Specialist, Bunzl</i></p>	<p>4:30-5:15 pm Regulatory Update: Live Animal Issues <i>Tiffany Lee, DVM, Director of Scientific and Regulatory Affairs, NAMI</i></p>	<p>4:30-5:15 pm Advances in Turkey Welfare <i>Dr. Marisa Erasmus, Assistant Professor of Animal Sciences, Purdue University</i></p>

5:30 – 7:00 pm **Welcome Reception & Exhibits**

Friday, October 20, 2017

7:00 – 8:00 am **Breakfast**

8:00 – 9:00 am **The Challenge of Legislating Animal Welfare**
Eddie Harper MBE, Livestock Transport Consultant

9:00 – 9:15 am **Break**

9:15 – 10:45 am **Concurrent Sessions**

Pork Track	Beef Track
Management and Policy Track (combined)	
9:15 – 10:00 am Selecting for Success: Identifying Top Performers for Roles in Livestock Handling <i>Leo Bartlett, Bartlett Consulting, Inc.</i>	9:15 – 10:00 am New Beef Quality Assurance Resources <i>Josh White, Executive Director, Producer Education, NCBA</i>
10:00-10:45 am Pig Whispering 101: Teaching Employees and Contractors About the Animals We Work With <i>Jason McAlister, Director of Animal Welfare, Triumph Foods</i>	10:00 – 10:45 am Euthanasia of Sick, Injured or Non-Ambulatory Cattle <i>Dr. Jan Shearer, Diplomate, American College of Animal Welfare, Professor and Extension Veterinarian, Iowa State University</i>

10:45 – 11:00 am **Break**

11:00 – 12:00 pm **Closing General Session: Advanced Animal Handling Bullet Session**
Six Factors of a Robust Humane Handling Program
Temple Grandin, Ph.D. Grandin Livestock Handling Systems, Colorado State University
NSF Animal Welfare Program for Religious Slaughter: Red Meat Module
Dr. Elaine Vanier, Animal Welfare & Animal Feed Program Lead, Supply Chain Food Safety, NSF International
Management Through Measurement
Robert Vanderpool, Yards Manager, Cargill, Wyalusing, PA
Impact of Group Size on Efficiency of Market Hog Movement During Processing
Morgan Schaeperkoetter, Colorado State University and Dr. Robert O. Elder, Seaboard Triumph Foods
The Finley Flank
Ann McDonald, Smithfield

12:00 pm **Adjourn**