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Robin became more involved in the accounting activities at NSR, over the years, and was instrumental in the conversion from the DOS financial system to the QuickBooks program, a few years ago. This was a huge undertaking, and there were many days I wouldn’t have blamed Robin for saying, “That’s it; I am out of here.” But, she realized the importance of a better financial system for the NSR and its members. The benefits from this system are contributing to the success of your association.

On a personal note, Robin, I am going to miss our discussions over lunch. I appreciated your input and sound advice you shared with me during a few tough times. Most of all, thanks for being a friend.

Enjoy your time with your family, and always remember, you are loved by your other family, the purebred swine industry. You are truly one of a kind.

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Wanderlust

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That fire has been building since I left Ireland, and I decided it’s about time I did something about it. For a few weeks next summer, I will be traveling around Europe to various countries and historical landmarks. I’m fortunate I made several friends that live abroad during my college career. Most of the time I’m there I’ll be with friends that I miss, but occasionally, I will be alone. When people find out I’ll be in a foreign country alone they automatically panic on my behalf. I, however, feel the exact opposite. I am incredibly excited to be on my own because I get the chance to take it all in. Plus, it gives me the chance to push myself to be a better person and see what I am capable of. It’s a challenge I gladly accept, and I cannot wait.

So next summer, after World Pork Expo and the National Junior Summer Spectacular have come and gone, I will be checked out. I will be feeding the fire in my stomach and traveling to places so wonderful and foreign I can’t even begin to imagine. Yes, I’m a little nervous and scared to be alone in my travels, but that’s overshadowed by the sheer adventure of it all! I encourage you all to find what feeds the fire in your stomach and do what makes you happy, because at the end of the day nothing is more important than being happy.

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Write On
Grace and Robin

Seven hundred words hardly seem enough to describe what Robin Lucas has meant for not only the National Swine Registry (NSR) and its members, but to me, personally. I sat in front of the computer and pounded a few words out on the keyboard, again and again, but they repeatedly fell short and flat. Desperate for some inspiration, I walked away and did what I always do when I’m stuck – I read.

That’s when I found my fellow Mizzou alumna, Kaity Kerwin Holtman’s, editorial on grace. As Kaity pointed out, grace has several definitions. Merriam Webster will tell you grace, a noun, is a way of moving that is smooth and attractive – not stiff or awkward or a controlled, polite and pleasant way of behaving. For those of you that look to a higher calling, you’ll likely know the Bible says grace is the unmerited gift of forgiveness and salvation from God despite all of our transgressions. When I think of a person who exudes grace, I think of someone who is unflappable, poised and calm. And when I think of any of these definitions, I think of Robin Lucas.

In the five years I’ve worked for NSR, Robin has been a mentor, confidant, resource, and in some ways, an “Indiana mom.” It’s amazing when you think about all that has happened within our organization in the last five years. We’ve been directed by three different CEOs. We’ve added events. We’ve hosted the largest swine shows in history. We’ve broken record after record in our industry. We’ve found new ways to serve our members, and we’ve updated the entire accounting system to run through QuickBooks. The common denominator in these accomplishments has been Robin.

I’ve watched her serve as a resource and sounding board for our registry’s leadership. She’s entered thousands of animals into show and sale catalogs. She’s clerked out nearly every national sale we’ve held. And, if you ask anyone who was here during the process how NSR was able to move an entire accounting system to a different program, they’ll tell you it was Robin. Many nights I’d leave my office late after finishing some Seedstock EDGE projects, and there would be one light on in the office and one more car in the parking lot – Robin’s.

If anything is more impressive than her work ethic and dedication to our members, it’s Robin’s character. Like I’ve said, the last five years alone have come with a lot of challenges, yet I’ve never seen her flustered. Instead, I’ve watched Robin conduct herself with cool, collected, calmness again and again. I’ve watched her teach new employees how to enter animals into a sale catalog, talking in her soothing voice. I’ve even watched her re-enter animals after a mistake had been made, pulling out that stack of papers and going through each one – one by one – over again. Now, if there was ever any doubt that Robin is a better person than me, it was erased right there. Faced with a similar situation, I would have reacted in a little more high strung type manner; I would have lost my cool. This is why Robin is an example to me. She’s a person I strive to be more like, and I think it’s rooted in her deep faith. Perhaps, Robin exudes so much grace because she, too, learned by example.

Robin will be missed around the office. But, she has left a shining example of what dedication looks like. I wish you the best, Robin. I know those grandkids will be overjoyed to spend even more time with you.

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Sow farrowing

As the farrowing season begins, it is important to review farrowing procedures and the necessary supplies for the task. The supplies needed for farrowing are as follows:

**Oxytocin:** This is a medication that should be used to help deliver baby pigs by stimulating rhythmic uterine contractions. No more than a 1/2 mL should be used at a time and only if a pig is not present at the canal. Too much Oxytocin given either too frequently or at too high of a dose can cause the uterus to spasm.

**Lutalysé:** This medication is used to induce sows into labor. This should never be given prior to 113 days of gestation, as the piglets may not be fully formed.

**Pig pulling snare:** This is used to help pull baby pigs that are stuck in the pelvic canal.

**OB lube and OB gloves:** The use of lube and gloves is important because the hair and skin of the arm is abrasive. This causes damage to the vaginal walls and can lead to increased infections and/or bleeding.

Common issues that arise during farrowing include pigs that are positioned poorly at birth and a pig that is too big for the pelvis. In the case of malposition, the pigs are most commonly coming toward the pelvic canal with back legs folded forward and the tail-end/back against the pelvic wall. This can be fixed by pushing the animal back into the uterus and the back legs unfolded to be easily pulled out. A pig that is too large for the pelvis of the animal is much more difficult and typically has a less favorable outcome. It may be required to have a veterinarian, and a caesarean section may need to be performed.

In the case of a potential c-section it is extremely important to decide to do this before there is too much internal damage from trying to pull the pigs. Damage to the uterus can make a potential c-section far less likely to save both the sow and babies. A good rule of thumb is if you can’t get your hand through the pelvis and a pig is too large, stop and call your vet.

After farrowing, if assistance is needed, an antibiotic treatment may be required. The babies should be hand dried with a towel and placed under the heat lamp. If farrowing on shavings, be sure to tie the umbilical cord about an inch from the navel to prevent the animal from bleeding out.

The most common complication for the sow post-farrowing is a uterine infection, known as metritis. This can be determined by monitoring the sow’s feed intake and observing her vulva for signs of discharge. If the sow goes off feed or starts having discharge within five days of farrowing, she should be treated with an antibiotic and an anti-inflammatory.

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Pork producers react to Subway’s antibiotics policy

The National Pork Producer’s Council (NPPC) and the Pork Checkoff have released a letter on behalf of American pork producers that details the industry’s stance on antibiotic use. The letter reads as follows.

Dear Subway Management Team and Franchisee Owners:

Any policy decision to eliminate antibiotics from your protein supply sources – poultry, pork and beef – would be a significant departure from what many other food companies are doing in regards to improving responsible antibiotic use. This policy decision could put our food system in jeopardy.

We share the opinion that everyone needs to do their part to use antibiotics responsibly – and reduce the antibiotic resistance threat. This includes quickly phasing out any use of medically important antibiotics (to treat human illness) for growth promotion in farm animals as well as increasing veterinarian oversight, which are actions that farmers and ranchers are already taking.

We believe a move to NO antibiotics of any kind – Subway’s position – could leave livestock without access to animal health medicines and could result in the unnecessary suffering or death of such animals.

Subway is not saying “no” just to those antibiotics used in human medicine. Subway isn’t saying “use antibiotics only when animals are sick.” Subway is saying no antibiotics ever – even when animal health and safety could be at risk. We think that such a policy could compromise the safety of our food system. Sick animals in the food system are not a good idea. Healthy animals help farmers produce safe food.

How will a hog farmer react to a fast-moving disease outbreak that could have been prevented with medicine administered in time? The potential for thousands of animals to unnecessarily die or suffer is a real possibility. These are the consequences that farmers will have to face.

We should all leave open the ability to use antibiotics responsibly when animals are sick or at risk of getting sick. On the best managed ranch or farm, animals can get sick, just as people can get sick in the cleanest and best run households. We believe that insisting on absolutely no antibiotics ignores best practices established by veterinarians, the pork industry and individual farmers who have a direct interest in the welfare of their animals.

Some interest groups may applaud your policy decision. Will those same groups stand with you if large populations of livestock are adversely affected by your new policy?

An opportunity for meaningful input from the national pork industry associations, who represent farmers who care for animals day and night, could have been helpful to you prior to your policy announcement. Our opinion is that these associations could have provided valuable scientific evidence, facts and common sense perspectives that could have helped better inform your policy-making process.

We ask you to meet with us to consider a more balanced approach.

We are eager to share with you the pork industry’s commitment to continuous improvement and antibiotic stewardship. We clearly disagree with your policy. Responsible antibiotic use makes sense. Continuous improvement makes sense. Please remain open-minded to the view that banning all antibiotic use is simply not the answer.

We stand ready to engage in a dialogue with you.

Sincerely,

America’s Pig Farmers
www.porkcares.org

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Upcoming Show Dates & Deadlines

Arizona National

The Arizona National is now an NJSA-sanctioned show. The event will be held in Phoenix, Arizona, on Dec. 27-Jan. 1. For a full schedule see page 48.

Winter Type Conference

The Winter Type Conference will once again be held at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter in Perry, Georgia, in conjunction with the NJSA Southeast Regional. The open show and sale will take place on Jan. 30. A schedule of events can be found on page 49, and show rules and regulations may be found online at nationalswine.com.

Southeast Regional

The Southeast Regional will be held in Perry, Georgia, from Jan. 27-31, in conjunction with the Winter Type Conference. A schedule of events can be found on page 49, and the most up-to-date rules and regulations can be found on nationalswine.com.

Correction

In the October/November issue of the Seedstock EDGE there was a mistake printed in the United Duroc Swine Registry’s advertisement for the Duroc prospect, which will be donated by Weisinger and Hoge at the Fall Classic to support the National Junior Swine Association (NJSA). Pictured in the advertisement was the 2015 Champion Duroc and Reserve Grand Champion Barrow from the National Junior Summer Spectacular (NJSS). This was a mistake by the Seedstock EDGE staff. That barrow was bred by the Fordice family. The 2014 NJSS Champion Duroc and Reserve Grand Champion Barrow was supposed to be pictured as he was bred by Weisingers. We sincerely apologize for the error, and congratulate both firms on such an incredible accomplishment. For the correct version of the ad, please turn to page 64.
Dawson Robert Arnold

Dawson Robert Arnold was born to Brian and Molly Arnold of Otterbein, Indiana, on Oct. 25, 2015, at 12 p.m. at the IU Health Arnett Hospital in Lafayette, Indiana. Dawson weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20 ¼ inches long. He was welcomed by his older brother, Reece, and will be doted on by grandparents: Terry and Vickie Arnold, Liberty Center, Indiana; Larry and Susie Maxwell and Howard and Tanya McCormick of Martinsville, Indiana; and great grandmother Roberta Arnold of Bluffton, Indiana.

Charles Bass

Charles William Baas, 80, of West Bend, Iowa, died Oct. 6, 2015.

Funeral services were held Oct. 10, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Whittermore with Reverend Mark Resner officiating. Burial was in the St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery.

Baas was born March 20, 1935, in Whittermore, Iowa, the son of Lester and Linda (Roeber) Baas. He grew up on the family farm near West Bend, attended St. Paul’s Lutheran School and later graduated from the Whittermore High School in 1953. After his schooling, he began working on the farm.

Baas farmed his entire life, while also raising purebred Hampshire pigs and Duroc pigs. He also worked with his uncles at Roeber Building Service for many years and was a greenskeeper at the Whittermore Golf Course. For the last 30 years, he helped Chuck and Dave Bjostrom with their farming operation.

Baas was an active member of the Kossuth County Pork Producers, Iowa Pork Producers Association and was an elder at St. Paul Lutheran Church. He also enjoyed fishing and sports, especially the Iowa State Cyclones, Minnesota Vikings and the Minnesota Twins.

Baas died Oct. 6, near Burt, Iowa, doing what he loved most, farming. He was 80.

He is survived by his siblings, Ann Helmers and husband, Marlyn, of Algona; Carol Baas of West Bend; Tom Baas and wife, Cindy, of Ames; sister-in-law, Deb Baas, of Algona; aunt, Wilma Roeber, of Britt and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Don Baas.

Earle D. Peffer

Earle D. Peffer, 88, of Albion, Indiana, died on Oct. 8, 2015, at North Ridge Village Nursing Home.

He was born on Nov. 11, 1926, in Albion, to the late Charles and Effie (Ball) Peffer. He married Mary Ethel Bohnenberger on Nov. 11, 1951, in Albion.

Peffer was a retired farmer and involved in many activities. He was an avid hog farmer for more than 60 years, raising thousands of show pigs, mostly for 4-H members. He enjoyed helping youth with their 4-H/FFA experience, having 4-H pig sales at his residence for more than 60 years. Peffer not only enjoyed farming and raising livestock, but also the outdoors. He loved to fish and hunt and especially enjoyed gardening. He loved to spend time with his four grandkids.

Some of his most memorable accomplishments included “Nuff Said,” Champion Hampshire Boar at the Indiana State Fair in 1997, and Champion Spot Boar at the Indiana State Fair for four consecutive years. He became a member of the Indiana Livestock Hall of Fame in 2000, National Spotted Breed Hall of Fame in 1994 and spent more than 60 years raising prize-winning hogs on his family’s farm. He was involved in numerous organizations such as the Noble County Swine Committee, Noble County Extension Board and Noble County Soil and Water Conservation Board. He received an award for 40 Years of Service for Indiana 4-H and was an Indiana State Fair Spot Exhibitor from 1952-1994.

He is survived by his wife, (Mary) Ethel Peffer; son, Larry (Rhonda) Peffer of Indianapolis; daughter, Colleen (Dudley) Parker of Albion; grandchildren, Nichole (Robert) Parker-Webb of Lafayette, Troy (Christina) Parker, Albion, Laurel (Shane) Price, Indianapolis, and Tyson (Amanda) Parker, Albion; and great-grandchildren, Maddison, Morgan, Mackenzie, Jameson, Alyssa and Mayah.

Funeral service was held Oct. 12, 2015, at Harper Funeral Home, Albion Chapel. Burial was at Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery, rural Avilla.

Memorials can be made to the Noble County 4-H Swine Committee in memory of Earle Peffer, or to Parkview-Noble Hospice.

To leave online condolences, visit harperfuneralhomes.com.
Bruce A. Engnell • 1943-2015

Bruce A. Engnell of Macomb, Illinois passed away on Monday, November 2, 2015 at the Peoria OSF Saint Francis Medical Center.

He was born on January 6, 1943 to Lloyd and Florence Opalka Engnell in Moline, Illinois. His parents preceded him in death.

Bruce is survived by his wife, Victoria, their two sons Tim and his children Mikaela & Marshall of Winterset, Iowa and Ty & Ronel Engnell and their children Mason and McLain of Good Hope, Illinois. Two brothers Terry & Becky of Orion, Illinois, Kent & Carolyn of Coal Valley, Illinois, sister-in-law Claudine and Mike Johnson of New Windsor, Illinois and 3 nieces and a nephew and their families also survive.

In 1965 after his graduation from Iowa State University, Bruce became the Logan County Assistant Extension Farm Advisor in Lincoln, Illinois. In May 1967 he accepted the position as an agriculture faculty assistant advisor at the Western Illinois University in Macomb to head the swine department and coach the WIU Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Team. During his career at WIU Bruce became the School of Agriculture's Farm Experimental Station Manager which included working with livestock producers and programs at the WIU Swine Evaluation Station, Performance Bull Test, Ram and Goat Test Station along with instructing the livestock evaluation classes and serving as an advisor to the WIU Hoof & Horn Club.

As a youth he and his brother exhibited purebred Hampshire swine as Engnell Brothers. Bruce and John Torrance formed a nationally successful swine partnership as T & E Durocs which influenced the swine industry history. He and his sons went on to build another generation recognized for swine breeding stock and show pigs as Engnell Brothers. Recent years found Bruce & Ty continuing their swine interest by offering quality breeding stock and show pigs. He was proud that he could work together with Mason & McLain developing their interest in the swine industry. This fall Bruce worked with the West Prairie FFA chapter and their livestock judging program. Bruce retired from Western Illinois University in 2011 after working 44 years helping in the education of many people. Through the years Bruce has been recognized for his many accomplishments related to agriculture and the livestock industry.

Visitation will be Thursday, November 5, 2015 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Dodsworth-Piper-Wallen Funeral Home 201 West Carroll Street, Macomb, Illinois. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 6th at the funeral home.

Burial will be at the Good Hope Cemetery located north of Good Hope, Illinois on U.S. Highway Route 67. Memorials may be made to the Bruce A. Engnell AG Scholarship. Please sign the guestbook and leave condolences at dodsworthfh.com.

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From all of us at the National Swine Registry

May this Christmas be filled with happiness and joy and may this year continue through all that you do.

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Treating people fairly is something Lucas learned while working for the AYC. "I learned how to be an adult, respect others and accept all people through my years working here," she says. "Everybody's got good in them, but everybody's a little different. Instead of fighting it, you learn how to accept it and work with it."

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"With Robin, we feel so comfortable," Shipley says. "She's so easy to talk to, and she's so focused and gives you the best advice she can give you."
The first time Robin Lucas heard those words from the late Glenn Conatser he was asking her to come work for the American Yorkshire Club (AYC) full time. They were six months behind verifying pedigrees and in desperate need of help. Lucas agreed, thinking she was only filling in until they got caught up.

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Lisa Kennedy (l) and Robin Lucas (r) have worked together since 1991. Kennedy says, very few people are as lucky as she was to be able to work with her best friend and role model.

Robin Lucas’ family has always been at the top of her priority list.
Front (l to r): Carson Myers, Kolbie Myers, Kelsey Johnson, Allie Johnson, Aidan French, Rhylee Garcia and Elijah French
Back (l to r): Kayla Myers, Corey Myers, Carrie Johnson, Frank Lucas, Shelby Garcia, Robin Lucas, Josh Johnson and Chastity French

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When Baker opened the office door the next morning it was business as usual. “As much as anything, Robin taught me about patience. Just being around her gives me an element of peace,” Baker says.

Lucas’ calmness and patience are two things Jim Grimm from Maynard, Iowa, appreciates most about her. Watching her work with breeders at Yorkshire Type Conferences, NSR shows and his own sale taught Grimm to stay calm in every situation.

“She doesn’t ever seem like she’s upset,” Grimm says. “When things are going wrong, some people panic. Robin just seems like she is still under control and makes calm decisions. I have never once seen Robin get excited, when there’s a problem. That doesn’t mean she doesn’t care; it just means she’s going to figure it out.”

Shipley trusts Lucas to figure out any problem when he calls the NSR office. “Some people, when you call them with a problem, and you hang up, it’s still your problem. With Robin, if you call her, you don’t have to call back,” he says. “I know it will be solved, and I can move on to the next thing.”

Solving problems for breeders is what kept Lucas coming back to work every day for 35 years. She enjoys every time she is able to relieve a breeder’s concern and reassure them their big problem is really no problem at all. She is also the best person in the office to answer any question breeders have.

She has also enjoyed seeing kids that have participated in NJSA or been NSR interns go on to be part of the industry. There have been times Lucas wasn’t sure the breed associations would go on. When it came to that point, something else always popped up to keep them going, partly due to the influence of the young people Lucas watched grow up and bring new ideas to the industry.

Lucas has also tried to pass on a few lessons to the interns she has worked with. “I’ve tried to teach the kids their rewards in life come from hard work,
Robin Lucas' family has always been at the top of her priority list. She admires her calmness and general comfort talking with her. I just can’t see winning something I didn’t do myself or do right,” she says. “I hope, I am that kind of person. I hope, I have done the job honestly and to the best of my ability.”

Grimm would say Lucas has done the job to the best of her ability, and then some.

“She is one of the most honest, dedicated people I know,” he says. “With Robin, it hasn’t ever been about what she’s getting paid. For her, the reward is getting things done and seeing the breeders and association succeed.”

While Lucas has been committed to serving the breeders, her family has always come first. Kennedy respects Lucas most for that.

“She’s managed to work for 35 years, more than 40 hours most weeks, raise three awesome daughters and never miss one of their events. She’s done it all and never once complained,” Kennedy says.

Working at the NSR office, while raising her girls, gave Lucas a unique opportunity she will always be grateful for. Each of her daughters worked in the office in some capacity, which allowed Lucas to train them for what the work force was like. Lucas was able to give her daughters insight into the working world while working alongside them, something most mothers are not able to do.

Kennedy recalls the first time she met Lucas was when Frank, Kennedy’s brother, brought her home for dinner. This was the first girl Frank had ever brought home for a family dinner, so Kennedy and her mother knew there was something special about Lucas.

Frank and Robin were married in 1975. Aside from her mother, Frank has been one of the biggest influences in Lucas’ life. They’ve grown up together, been each other’s sounding boards and raised three daughters who have gone on to have good families of their own. To Lucas, raising her family was just like working at the NSR.

“It all goes back to that honesty thing and doing your best,” she says. “Raising a family is just like everything else. It’s a job you take a lot of pride in, and you want it to turn out well. I feel like life’s been good to all of us.”

Spending time with her family is what Lucas is most looking forward to in her retirement. With eight grandchildren, she knows she will be busy attending sporting events and county fairs. She is also planning to take care of her mother, the woman who Lucas got her strength and work ethic from.

Shipley understands how important spending time with grandchildren is, but he will miss seeing Lucas at the shows and talking to her on the phone. “I’ll miss having someone who, when she answers the phone, I know her voice, and she knows mine,” he says. “Thank you, Robin, for all your years of service – when you deal with a bunch of farmers, you have to be awfully patient.”

As much as Kennedy knows Lucas will enjoy her retirement, she also knows the NSR office won’t be the same without her.

“Most people don’t get to work with their best friend and sister. She’s been my role model and my biggest supporter. She’s always been here and willing to help,” she says. “There won’t be a day go by I won’t miss her, but I know she’ll help me in a heartbeat, if I need her.”
Passing the Torch is the third article in a three-part series of stories focusing on farm succession planning. Read last month's story following one family through the process of bringing home an off-farm heir.

Passing the Torch
By Katie Maupin

Kyle Baade always dreamed of owning his own purebred seedstock operation. But, even at a young age, he realized it was a lofty goal. After all, it takes money to make money in agriculture. Land, facilities, genetics and feed all cost money, and he didn’t even have two nickels to rub together. Baade decided to pursue a career in veterinary medicine instead. With all paths pointing toward vet school, an unexpected opportunity landed in his lap, which would change his course and help him reach his dreams.

While Baade was dreaming of a seemingly unattainable life raising pigs, John Penner, owner of Penner Genetics, and his wife, Zella, were thinking about what they would do with their purebred seedstock business they’d built for nearly four decades. The Penners had not only raised Hampshire hogs on their 160-acre farm in Plymouth, Nebraska, but they’d raised a family. With their two girls having little interest in returning to the operation, the couple wondered what they would do as they looked toward the future.

Little did Baade or Penner know their paths would cross, and their lives would change. Baade is a fourth generation farmer, but a new opportunity for his family landed him in Plymouth for his junior year of high school. Diving into his new high school’s vocational agricultural program, Baade was asked to be one of four students who worked the Penner Genetics showpig sale, and he was ecstatic.

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pigs, knew how to handle them and saw them well. I came home and told Zella there was one guy there that just really knew his stuff,” Penner says.

What impressed him the most with Baade was not necessarily his skills with swine – though they were apparent – but rather, Baade’s ability to easily interact with people at the sale.

“Here’s a young man that says he has had a passion for raising Hampshires since he was 3-years-old, but it was more about him working with people,” Penner explains.

Helping with Penner’s pig sale became an annual event for Baade. He helped through his high school career and even his first two years of college as he pursued his general education classes at a local community college. When Baade was interning at an equine reproduction facility in California as part of his third year of college, he got a call from Penner.

“John called in March to see if I would help with the pig sale, not knowing I was in California,” Baade says. “Then, he wanted to know if I would be interested in a summer internship, after I finished my internship in California. Before I left in August, he wanted to know if I had any interest in coming back to the farm and taking over his program.”

By the end of that summer, before heading to South Dakota State University to finish his education, Baade made the decision to formally change his major from large animal vet science to animal science. While it may seem sudden or even rash, for Penner to think of handing the reins of an operation he spent four decades building to some boy he’d met at his pig sale, for the Penner family, this wasn’t a new idea. In fact, Penner and Zella had discussed several times, not necessarily retiring, but what the future of their farm would hold. Their own children weren’t interested in taking over Penner Genetics, but the couple wanted to see a young family working together to raise their children on the farm just like they did.

“We are not doing this to try to promote Penner Genetics and Penner Hampshires. We had a great run with that. We were relatively successful. We met a lot of good people, and we still have a lot of good friends. What we are trying to do is to allow a young person to have the same opportunities we had – to build his own operation. We are trying to pass on an opportunity rather than a legacy.” — John Penner

“No doubt this experience has united alongside Penner for three years. He learned the ins and outs of the operation as they discussed different ways the farm could be transferred, pushed pencils, made cash flow charts and amassed piles and piles of paperwork Baade could use to apply for a beginning farmers loan.

“We had three years to put the plans into place,” Penner says. “We visited with some financial people, some attorneys, and we looked at different loan options.”

To Baade, the financial side of the transition was the most challenging. As a young person right out of college, everyone wanted to loan Baade money, until they saw the lack of collateral needed to purchase the house and 10

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acres with the hog operation. So, he looked toward government programs and beginning farmers loans. The piles of paperwork needed not only provided ample time for Baade and Penner to work side by side, but it also gave the duo plenty of time to understand the value of the operation and how best to proceed with the transition.

“If you want someone to take over your operation with a mindset on genetic improvement, it needs to be priced accordingly and realistically so that young person can succeed,” Baade says.

Penner had no misgivings in the department. Although he had invested money in the last decade to improve his swine facility, he knew it was still too small scaled to be of value to larger, commercial swine producers.

“To find someone who was interested in doing what we do with genetics was pretty special,” Penner says. “And I see several operations around the country, where I’m sure young people would be interested in doing just that.”

In 2013, after countless sit downs, with Baade, Penner, Zella and Baade’s new bride of one year, Laura, the crew was finally ready to make the move and finalize financing, only to hit yet another paperwork roadblock with the beginning farmer loans. Rather than keep going that direction, the couple borrowed money from both Farm Credit Services and Penner himself.

While those three years of pencil pushing proved frustrating to Baade from a financial aspect, they were invaluable to him as he prepared to take over the operation.

“The ability for us to work together has been crucial for the success of the transition,” Baade says.

Penner would agree. His goal over the three years they worked toward the transition was not to tell Baade how it should be done, but rather let Baade figure out his own place within the industry.

“Sometimes you learn better by making mistakes. You try to guide and help, but it is always best not to be too overbearing. I just did everything based upon the fact I knew he was the best person to take over this operation,” Penner says. “There are no guarantees in life. There is no guarantee they will make it.”

Baade knows Baade Genetics isn’t a sure thing. He will tell you if you’re not scared to take on such a venture, then you aren’t taking it seriously enough. Yet, he knows he has a strong supporting cast. His wife, Laura, their families, and Penner and Zella were all essential to creating Baade Genetics.

No doubt this experience has united two families that were once strangers by creating a bond over a passion for livestock. Penner says, Baade and Laura have become another set of children to them, and Baade will tell you he’d take a bullet for Penner. Both couples’ dreams came true through each other. The Penners look at the farm they worked for decades and see another young couple having the opportunity to raise their children on the farm, and the Baade family wakes up each day to a life they dreamed about.

“The ability for us to work together has been crucial for the success of the transition.” — Kyle Baade

Today, Kyle and Laura Baade own the 10 acres, house and swine facilities that once were part of Penner Genetics, but John and Zella Penner still serve as mentors to the Baade family. The couple helps out on the operation and enjoys seeing a young family grow on the same farm that created their livelihood for four decades. Through the process, the Penners and Baades have grown as close as family.
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To enter the contest mail in the included form or visit nationalswine.com to enter online.
# 2016 National Picture Judging Contest

## Official Entry Form*

**Instructions**
1. Rank the animals in each of the 10 classes listed to the left.
2. Mark the official entry form (left) with the letter that corresponds to your placing for each class.
3. Only one letter placing per class.

### Class 1
- **Duroc Boars**

### Class 2
- **Hampshire Boars**

### Class 3
- **Landrace Boars**

### Class 4
- **Yorkshire Boars**

### Class 5
- **Duroc Gilts**

### Class 6
- **Hampshire Gilts**

### Class 7
- **Landrace Gilts**

### Class 8
- **Yorkshire Gilts**

### Class 9
- **Grand Drive Barrows**

### Class 10
- **Crossbred Market Hogs**

Entries must be postmarked or entered online by Feb. 1, 2016

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(4-H and FFA team must have four members ONLY; College team must have five members ONLY)

PRINT team members’ names: 1. _______________________ 2. ______________________

3. _______________________ 4. _______________________ 5. ______________________

School or Club Name __________________________________________________________

Address ____________________________City _____________State _____Zip _______

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### Results
Official placings, reasons and contest winners will appear online at www.nationalswine.com after April 15, 2016, and in the April/May 2016 issue of Seedstock EDGE. All ties will be broken by the highest score in chronological class order. First- through fifth-place will be named in each division, and plaques will be awarded to the first-place winner of each division.

### Divisions
Individual divisions include Junior, Collegiate and Senior. Team divisions include 4-H, FFA and College. Teams MUST consist of: 4-H and FFA – four total members (no more, no less); College – five total members (no more, no less). There is NO MAXIMUM number of teams per school or club, but each team must have a different name.

### Entries
Each individual may enter only ONE time, either as an individual or on one team (i.e., cannot enter on both a 4-H and an FFA team). All team entries will automatically be entered as individuals as well. Enter online at www.nationalswine.com, or mail legible entries to: Picture Judging Contest, 2639 Yeager Rd., West Lafayette, IN 47906.

Additional copies of this form can be downloaded at www.nationalswine.com. No reprints will be mailed from the NSR office. Remember, this is an educational event.

Each individual or team member must complete their own entry form, and only one entry should appear on each mailed form. This contest is open to all purebred seedstock enthusiasts in the United States.

*Enter online at nationalswine.com!*
EXPLANATION OF TERMS:

**Expected Progeny Difference (EPD)** – An EPD is the best estimate of a sire’s or dam’s genetic worth, given the information available. It is the actual difference in performance a producer can expect from future progeny of a sire or dam, relative to the future progeny of an average tested parent.

**Swine Testing and Genetic Evaluation System (STAGES™)** – A genetic evaluation system provided to the members of the four breed associations of the National Swine Registry (NSR). STAGES™ utilizes performance records for numerous growth, carcass and maternal measures to predict the genetic value of each pig and its parents.

**EPDs:**
- **Backfat (BF):** Expressed in inches, this EPD is a predictor of the difference in external fat thickness at the 10th rib. Animals with negative (-) EPDs for backfat will produce offspring that have less backfat at harvest than offspring of parents with higher EPDs.
- **Pounds of Lean (LBS):** A genetic predictor of pounds of fat-free lean adjusted to a 250-pound carcass, or approximately a 250-pound live weight. This EPD is calculated from the EPDs for Backfat and Loin Eye Area. A sire with a positive (+) EPD for LBS will produce offspring that yield a higher percentage of lean and have a greater chance of obtaining full value on a lean-based carcass grid.
- **Days to 250 pounds (DAYS):** A prediction of an individual’s genetic merit for growth performance to a 250-pound live weight. Animals with a negative (-) EPD for DAYS will produce offspring that require fewer days to reach market weight when compared to the offspring of individuals with positive (+) genetic values for DAYS. Selection on this EPD will produce progeny that aid in earlier building close outs.
- **Feed Efficiency (FE):** Expressed in pounds, this EPD is a predictor of the amount of feed required to generate one pound of gain during the finishing phase of production and is calculated from the EPDs for BF and DAYS. Selection of sires with negative (-) EPDs will produce progeny that more efficiently convert feed to gain when compared to sires with higher EPDs for FE. This EPD can be used to genetically decrease feed costs.
- **Number Born Alive (NBA):** An expression of the genetic merit for the number of live pigs farrowed in a litter. Daughters of sires with positive (+) EPDs for NBA will farrow a greater number of live pigs than daughters of sires with lower EPDs for NBA.
- **Number Weaned (NW):** A genetic predictor of the total number of pigs weaned within a given parity. Daughters of sires with positive (+) EPDs for NW will wean a greater number of live pigs than daughters of sires with lower genetic values for NW.
- **Loin Eye Area (LEA):** Expressed in square inches, this EPD is a predictor of an individual’s genetic merit for 10th rib loin eye area adjusted to a 250-pound live weight. Animals with a positive (+) EPD for LEA will produce progeny with more loin muscle when compared to the offspring of animals with negative (-) genetic values for LEA.
- **Wean to Estrus Interval (WTE):** Expressed in days, this EPD is a genetic predictor of the number of days required for a female to return to a serviceable heat after weaning. Daughters of sires with negative (-) EPDs for WTE will require fewer days to return to estrus after weaning than daughters of sires with higher EPDs. This EPD is the most efficient selection tool for genetic improvement of fertility and non-productive sow days.
- **Sow Productivity Index (SPI):** An economic index that ranks individuals for reproductive traits. SPI weights the EPDs for Number Born Alive, Number Weaned and Litter Weight relative to their economic values. Each point of SPI represents $1 per litter produced by every daughter of a sire. When sow efficiency is the primary concern, SPI may be the most effective selection tool for simultaneous improvement of maternal traits.
- **Maternal Line Index (MLI):** An economic index designed for selection of seedstock used to produce replacement gilts for crossbreeding programs. MLI weights EPDs for both terminal and maternal traits relative to their economic values, with approximately twice as much emphasis on reproductive traits relative to post-weaning traits. Each point of MLI represents $1 per litter produced by every daughter of a sire.

**Actual Data:**
- **Weight Per Day of Age (Wda):** Based on actual weight and age, this measure is the weight gained per day of age averaged over the life of the pig.
- **10th Rib Backfat (BF):** Expressed in inches, this is an actual ultrasound measure of backfat at the 10th rib and is adjusted to 250 pounds.
- **Loin Eye Area (Lea):** Expressed in square inches, this is the actual ultrasound measurement of the loin eye size at the 10th rib and is adjusted to 250 pounds.
- **Intramuscular Fat (Imf):** Expressed as a percentage, this value is an ultrasound measure of the lipid content of the loin muscle. Higher levels of Intramuscular Fat (IMF) are desired for meat quality based markets.
- **Actual Number Born Alive (Nba):** This value is the actual number of pigs born from the dam’s parity when the pig was born and are measurements taken from the pig’s dam.
- **Actual Number Weaned (Nw):** This value is the actual number of pigs weaned from the dam’s parity when the pig was born and are measurements taken from the pig’s dam.
- **Litter Weight (Lwt):** This is the actual cumulative weight of all pigs weaned from the pigs birth litter. This weight is recorded on the pig’s dam and is adjusted to 21 days of lactation.
Class 1 – Duroc Boars Scenario: Rank these boars as they would be selected for use in a purebred operation that merchandises their branded pork product to high-end retailers and restaurants.

1. EPDs: -3.0 DAYS, +0.02 BF, -1.10 LBS, +0.15 IMF
2. EPDs: -3.1 DAYS, -0.04 BF, +1.30 LBS, -0.10 IMF
3. EPDs: -3.5 DAYS, -0.01 BF, +1.25 LBS, +0.19 IMF
4. EPDs: -2.9 DAYS, -0.01 BF, +1.09 LBS, +0.17 IMF

Class 2 – Hampshire Boars Scenario: Rank these boars as they would be selected for use as terminal sires on F1 Yorkshire x Landrace gilts.

1. EPDs: -3.7 DAYS, -0.02 BF, -0.04 FE, 110 TSI
2. EPDs: -1.8 DAYS, +0.02 BF, -0.01 FE, 105 TSI
3. EPDs: -1.1 DAYS, -0.01 BF, +0.01 FE, 104 TSI
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Class 3 – Landrace Boars  Scenario: Rank these boars as they would be selected for use on Yorkshire females for the production of F1 replacement gilts in a commercial system.

EPDs:
- +0.35 NBA, -0.20 WTE, 121 MLI
- +0.22 NBA, -0.01 WTE, 111 MLI
- +0.26 NBA, -0.12 WTE, 110 MLI
- +0.05 NBA, +0.02 WTE, 106 MLI

Class 4 – Yorkshire Boars  Scenario: Rank these boars as they would be purchased by an NJSA member that competes in the NJSA Premier Breeder program and also utilizes NSR type conferences to market seedstock.

EPDs:
- +0.35 NBA, -0.20 WTE, 121 MLI
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**Class 5 – Duroc Gilts** Scenario: Rank these gilts as they would be purchased for a purebred operation that sells youth show projects and also maintains a commercial customer base.

**Class 6 – Hampshire Gilts** Scenario: Rank these gilts as they would be purchased through the NSR Winter Type Conference sale by a young breeder that operates a small purebred sow herd focused on showpig production.

**Class 7 – Landrace Gilts** Scenario: Rank these gilts as they would be selected as replacements in a large multiplier that utilizes Landrace and Yorkshire genetics as the maternal foundation of their production herds.

**Class 8 – Yorkshire Gilts** Scenario: Rank these gilts as they would be selected as replacements for a club pig operation that utilizes Yorkshire females to generate purebred and crossbred showpigs.
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EPDs: +0.29 NBA, -0.02 WTE, 119 SPI

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Class 9 Grand Drive Barrows

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Class 10 Crossbred Market Hogs

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2015 Eastern Regional

Hamburg, N.Y. • Oct. 8-10

EVENTS: Purebred and crossbred gilt and barrow shows, showmanship, skillathon and sweepstakes contests

JUDGE: Kane Causemaker, Ill.

NO. OF PARTICIPANTS: 134 from 10 states

WINNINGS

• Overall gilt won: One-year lease of an Exiss Trailer
• Overall barrow won: $375
• Reserve overall gilt won: $500
• Reserve overall barrow won: $250
• Breed & crossbred gilt champions won: $250
• Breed & crossbred reserve gilt champions won: $100
• Breed & crossbred barrow champions won: $125
• Breed & crossbred reserve barrow champions won: $50

Res. Champion Overall Gilt & Champion Hampshire Gilt

Res. Champion Overall Barrow & Champion Yorkshire Barrow
Shown by Kelsie Jackson, N.Y.

Res. Champion Yorkshire Gilt
Shown by Brandon Stickler, Ill.

Champion Crossbred Gilt
Shown by Brandon Stickler, Ill.

Champion Yorkshire Barrow
Shown by Breanne Reif, Mich.

Res. Champion Crossbred Barrow
Shown by Chase Ferguson, Md.

Champion Landrace Gilt
Shown by Maddie Fugate, Ill.

Champion Hampshire Gilt
Shown by Mackenzie Hodupp, Ind.

Res. Champion Hampshire Gilt & Champion Bred-and-Owned Hampshire Gilt
Shown by Chasten McConn, Pa.

Champion Duroc Gilt
Shown by Halle Wasson, Ind.

Res. Champion Bred-and-Owned Duroc Gilt
Shown by Griffi  n Meeker, Ill.

Res. Champion Duroc Gilt
Shown by Brendon Knoll, N.Y.

Champion Landrace Barrow
Shown by Gus Mitchem, Ohio

Champion Yorkshire Barrow
Shown by Breanne Reif, Mich.

Res. Champion Yorkshire Barrow
Shown by Kelsie Jackson, N.Y.

Res. Champion Bred-and-Owned Yorkshire Gilt
Shown by Brandon Stickler, Ill.

Res. Champion Crossbred Gilt
Shown by Joe Espey, Pa.

Reserve Champion Crossbred Barrow
Shown by Nick Gardner, Pa.

Reserve Champion Duroc Barrow
Shown by Mackenzie Miller, Pa.

Reserve Champion Hampshire Barrow
Shown by Dillon Knoll, N.Y.

Reserve Champion Crossbred Gilt
Shown by Joe Espey, Pa.

GET THE NUMBER.

A Premise I.D. is required at all NSR shows

For a list of state contacts:

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Res. Champion Overall Gilt & Champion Hampshire Gilt

Res. Champion Overall Barrow & Champion Duroc Barrow

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$100

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$125

• Breed & crossbred reserve barrow champions won:
$50

REGIONAL SHOWS

Champion Duroc Gilt
Shown by Halle Wasson, Ind.

Champion Bred-and-Owned Duroc Gilt
Shown by Carter Arbuckle, Mich.

Reserve Champion Bred-and-Owned Duroc Gilt
Shown by Griffi n Meeker, Ill.

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Champion Bred-and-Owned Hampshire Gilt
Shown by Marissa Miller, Pa.

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### Contests

#### Novice Showmanship – Top 10

#### Junior Showmanship – Top 10
- **Front (l-r)**: 1st: Halle Morehead, Ohio; 2nd: Mackenzie Hodupp, Ind.; 3rd: Madelyn Rennecker, Ohio; 4th: Nolan Barney, Ohio; 5th: Halle Wasson, Ind.

#### Intermediate Showmanship – Top 10

#### Senior Showmanship – Top 10

#### Novice Skillathon – Top 9
- **Front (r-l)**: 1st: Riley Stull, Ohio; 2nd: Madelyn Rennecker, Ohio; 3rd: Mackenzie Hodupp, Ind.; 4th: Chasten McConn, Pa.; 5th: John Stierly IV, N.Y.
- **Back (r-l)**: 6th: Breanne Reif, Mich.; 7th: Halle Morehead, Ohio; 8th: Brayden Payne, Ill.; 9th: Sarah Stierly, N.Y.

#### Junior Skillathon – Top 10

#### Intermediate Skillathon – Top 9

#### Senior Skillathon – Top 10

#### Junior Sweepstakes – Top 10
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#### Intermediate Sweepstakes – Top 10

#### Senior Sweepstakes – Top 10
- **Front (r-l)**: 1st: Taylor Conley, Pa.; 2nd: Bailey Kemp, Mo.; 3rd: Allison Gowanlock, N.Y.; 4th: Kent Way, Ohio; 5th: Gus Mitchem, Ohio
Contests

Novice Showmanship – Top 10

Junior Showmanship – Top 10

Intermediate Showmanship – Top 10

Senior Showmanship – Top 10

Junior Skillathon – Top 10

Intermediate Skillathon – Top 9
Not Pictured: 3rd: Andy Bontrager, N.Y.

Senior Skillathon – Top 10

Junior Sweepstakes – Top 10

Intermediate Sweepstakes – Top 10

Senior Sweepstakes – Top 10

Novice Skillathon – Top 9
Not Pictured: 9th: Elizabeth Dice, Pa.

Novice Sweepstakes – Top 9

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2015 Ak-Sar-Ben
Omaha, Neb. • Sept. 26-27

JUDGE: Jim McCoy, Ohio

Grand Champion Overall Market Hog,
Champion Overall Market Gilt &
Champion NSR Market Gilt
Shown by Brody Nemecak, Kan.

Res. Grand Champion Overall Market Hog
& Champion Overall Market Barrow
Shown by Lindsey Gillmore, Colo.

Res. Champion Overall Market Barrow
Shown by Megan Moore, Iowa

Res. Champion Overall Market Gilt
Shown by Lane Egger, Neb.

Champion NSR Market Barrow
Shown by Kendra Myers, N.D.

Res. Champion NSR Market Barrow
Shown by James DeRouchey, Kan.

Res. Champion NSR Market Gilt
Shown by Grace Jacobson, Neb.

Overall Champion Market Gilt
Shown by Madison Herndon

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Champion Yorkshire Gilt
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Res. Champion Duroc Gilt
Shown by Calle Cauley

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Res. Champion Yorkshire Gilt
Shown by Sarah York

2015 Georgia National Fair
Perry, Ga. • Oct. 16-17

JUDGES: Market Hog Show: Al Schminke, Iowa
Gilt Show: Kent Bennington, Ind.

Overall Champion Market Barrow
Shown by Madison Herndon

Overall Reserve Champion Market Barrow
Shown by Whitley Dale

Overall Champion Market Gilt
Shown by Madison Herndon

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Shown by Caroline Thompson

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2015 State Fair of Texas
Dallas, Texas • Oct. 1

JUDGE: Kent Bennington, Ind.

Grand Champion Market Barrow & Champion Crossbred Barrow
Shown by Lane Noble

Res. Grand Champion Market Barrow & Champion Dark Crossbred Barrow
Shown by Jenna Battle

Champion Duroc Market Barrow
Shown by Kourtland Tray Johnson

Res. Champion Duroc Market Barrow
Shown by Eli Delong

Champion Hampshire Market Barrow
Shown by Jaci Horton

Res. Champion Hampshire Market Barrow
Shown by Claire McCormick

Champion Yorkshire Market Barrow
Shown by Rowdy Huffaker

Res. Champion Yorkshire Market Barrow
Shown by Grayson Blount

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Reserve Champion Duroc Gilt
Shown by Calle Cauley

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2015 Cow Palace Grand National
Daly City, Calif. • Oct. 15-18

JUDGE: Jason Hirschfeld, Neb.

Grand Champion Classic Hog & Champion Market Hog
Shown by Bailey Terra

Res. Grand Champion Classic Hog & Champion Progress Hog
Shown by Kilee Gillard

Champion Prospect Hog
Shown by Jackson Calbreath

Res. Champion Prospect Hog
Shown by Alia Rodgers

Res. Champion Progress Hog
Shown by Caleb Johnson

Res. Champion Market Hog
Shown by Kyle Azevedo

Supreme Champion Gilt
Shown by Eleanor Borba

Supreme Champion Boar
Shown by Cody Jackson

Res. Supreme Champion Gilt
Shown by Rio Pagliaro

Res. Supreme Champion Progress Hog
Shown by Ethan Markle
SHOWS

2015 Keystone Int’l Livestock Expo

Champion Hampshire Boar
Shown by Lance and Mitchell Westcamp

Reserve Champion Hampshire Boar
Shown by Jon Harrison

Champion Hampshire Gilt
Shown by Justine Bennecoff

Reserve Champion Hampshire Gilt
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Champion Duroc Boar
Shown by Katie & Riley Stull

Reserve Champion Duroc Boar
Shown by Jon Harrison

Champion Duroc Gilt
Shown by Colby Hough

Reserve Champion Duroc Gilt
Shown by David Holloway

Champion Landrace Boar
Shown by Lance and Mitchell Westcamp

Reserve Champion Landrace Boar
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Champion Yorkshire Boar
Shown by Sarah Nesbitt

Reserve Champion Yorkshire Boar
Shown by Sarah Nesbitt

Champion Yorkshire Gilt
Shown by Brad Jaeger

Reserve Champion Yorkshire Gilt
Shown by Sarah Nesbitt

CLASS 1 Duroc Boars
1st: Jon Harrison, PA, 18-3 (CGLZ2 RED BULL 10-1)
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SCHEDULE

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NSR Fall Classic
Nov. 18-21, 2015
Stephens County Fairgrounds • Duncan, Okla.

BREEDING ANIMAL ENTRIES FARROWED:
On or after April 1, 2015

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
Wednesday, Nov. 18
8 a.m.: Earliest entries may arrive

Thursday, Nov. 19
9 a.m.: All entries must be in the barn
5 p.m.: Weanling Pig Sift

Friday, Nov. 20
South Arena
7:30 a.m.: Duroc show followed by Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire, Crossbred Boar

Main Arena (Ring B)
8 a.m.: Spot show followed by Poland, Chester White, Berkshire
5:30 p.m.: Selection of the champion
Weanling Pig Prospects (Ring A)
Fabulous Female Sale to follow
(All gilts selected will be sold in this sale.)
6:45 p.m.: Male Weanling Pig Sale (Ring B)

Saturday, Nov. 21
Main Arena (Ring A)
9 a.m.: Duroc sale followed by Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire, Crossbred Boar
Main Arena (Ring B)
9:30 a.m.: Spot sale followed by Poland, Chester White, Berkshire

Open Show Judges:
Duroc: Rick Whitman, Texas
Hampshire: Mike McCoy, Ohio
Landrace: Travis Platt, Ind.
Weanling Sift Judges:
Purebreds: Ryan Sites, Okla.
Crossbreds: Willie Kirkpatrick, Okla.

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Arizona National
Arizona State Fairgrounds • Phoenix, Ariz.

OWNERSHIP DEADLINE: Oct. 31, 2015
ENTRIES FARROWED: April 1, 2015 and after

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
Sunday, Dec. 27
6 a.m.: Barns open
7-11 a.m.: Scales available for swine
10 a.m.: Junior swine check-in deadline
10:30 a.m.: Junior swine orientation
11 a.m.: Junior barrow weigh cards and registration papers due
12 p.m.: Breeding gilt registration paper check and crossbred gilt weigh cards deadline
5 p.m.: Swine Showmanship

Monday, Dec. 28
9 a.m.: Pedigree and Crossbred Gilt Show
1:30 p.m.: Pedigree and Crossbred Barrow Show

Tuesday, Dec. 29
2 p.m.: Breeding Swine Sale

Wednesday, Dec. 30
2 p.m.: Junior Market Auction
6 p.m.: All livestock released

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JUDGE:
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SHOWMANSHIP JUDGE:
Jeremy Jones, Ind.

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NSR Winter Type Conference
Jan. 27-31, 2016
Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter • Perry, Ga.

Held in conjunction with the NJSA Southeast Regional

ENTRIES DUE: Dec. 10, 2015
ENTRIES FARROWED: On or after June 1, 2015

JUDGES:
Duroc: Chris Danner, Ind.
Hampshire: Chris Danner, Ind.
Landrace: Nathan Ray, Ill.
Yorkshire: Nathan Ray, Ill.
Crossbred: Cole Rushing, Iowa

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NJSA Southeast Regional
Jan. 27-31, 2016
Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter • Perry, Ga.

ENTRIES DUE: Dec. 10, 2015
ENTRIES FARROWED: On or after June 1, 2015
OWNERSHIP DEADLINE: Dec. 1, 2015

JUDGES:
Barrows: Cole Rushing, Iowa
Gilts: Todd Beyers, Texas
Showmanship: Nathan Ray, Ill.

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NSR Southwest Type Conference
March 2-5, 2016 • Bell County Expo Center • Belton, Texas

SHOW: Friday, March 4
SALE: Saturday, March 5

- The NSR shows include purebred Duroc, Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire boar and gilt and crossbred boar genetics.
- Berkshires, Chester Whites, Polands, Spots boar and gilt and crossbred gilts will also be exhibited.

ENTRIES DUE: Feb. 1, 2016
ENTRIES FARROWED: On or after July 1, 2015

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Wednesday, March 2
- 12 p.m.: Earliest hogs may arrive

Thursday, March 3
- 9 a.m.: Check-in begins and scanning
- 10 a.m.: All hogs must be in barn

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Friday, March 4
- 7:30 a.m.: Duroc show followed by the Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire boar and gilt and crossbred boar shows
- 8 a.m.: Duroc sale followed by the Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire boar and gilt and crossbred boar sales

Saturday, March 5
- 9 a.m.: Duroc sale followed by the Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire boar and gilt and crossbred boar sales

NJSJ Western Regional
March 10-13, 2016 • Stanislaus Co. Fairgrounds • Turlock, Calif.

ENTRIES FARROWED: On or after Aug. 1, 2014
OWNERSHIP DEADLINE: Jan. 6, 2015

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Thursday, March 10
- 2 p.m.: Show entries may begin to arrive

Friday, March 11
- 8-11 a.m.: NJSJ Registration
- 10:30 a.m.: All NJSJ Gilts and Barrows must be in place. All barrow and crossbred gilt weight cards due
- 11:30-2 p.m.: Skillathon
- Noon: Silent Auction opens
- 2:15-2:30 p.m.: Skillathon review
- 3:30 p.m.: Cookie decorating
- 4:30 p.m.: Exhibitor meeting
- 5 p.m.: NJSJ Barrow Show (Duroc, Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire, Crossbred)

Saturday, March 12
- 8 a.m.: NJSJ Gilt Show (Duroc, Hampshire, Landrace, Yorkshire)
- 10 a.m.-Noon: Judging Contest Registration

JUDGE: Daniel Hendrickson, Ind.

1 p.m.: Judging Contest
Novice Judging Contest immediately following
5-6 p.m.: NJSJ Barnyard Olympics
6:30 p.m.: NJSJ Banquet along with Dessert and Live Auctions*
*Silent Auction will be closing after dinner is served. We will make an announcement 15 minutes before closing

Sunday, March 13
- 7 a.m.: Exhibitor Breakfast
- 7:15 a.m.: Inspirational Service
- 8 a.m.: NJSJ Showmanship Contest (Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Novice)
- Crossbred gilts will follow Showmanship Contest**
** Awards Ceremony to follow Crossbred Gift Show
All NJSJ Barrows and Gilts Released after Awards Ceremony

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Jan. 6, 2015

Saturday, March 12

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Thursday, March 10

NJSA

Robbie Phillips, Texas

10 a.m.:

12 p.m.:

Earliest hogs may arrive

NJSA Gilt Show (Duroc, Hampshire,

5 p.m.:

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25 Peter Farms Online Bred Female Sale, showpig.com

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2 Olsen Yorkshires Online Bred Gilt Sale, olsenyorks.com
3 Brice Canover Bred Gilt Sale, showpig.com
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4 Jan./Feb. Seedstock EDGE ad deadline
5 NJSA Regional Leadership Conference, Champaign, Ill.
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8 Triple B Bred Female Sale, showpig.com
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10 NSR Winter Type Conference & NJSA Southeast Regional entries due
10 Torpedo Farms Bred Gilt Sale, showpig.com
12 Breeder’s Choice Customer Appreciation Bred Gilt Sale, 6:30 p.m., Eaton, Ohio
12 Isler Genetics Bred Gilt Spectacular, 1 p.m., Richwood, Ohio
14 Huinker Durocs Bred Female Sale, showpig.com
14 Peter Farms and Russell Family Showpigs Online Bred Female Sale, showpig.com

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10 Cobb Family Online Sale, showpig.com
11 NJSA Western Regional entries due
20 NJSA Bootcamp, Ames, Iowa

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