

1978 CONFERENCE & ANNUAL MEETING  
NATIONAL SWINE IMPROVEMENT FEDERATION  
Holiday Inn-West, St. Louis

SUNDAY DECEMBER 3, 1978

- 2:00 pm - MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS (Sea Rover Room)  
Dr. Dixon Hubbard, USDA, Washington, DC, Presiding
- 3:00 pm - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (Pirates Cove Room)  
Bill Funderburg, NSIF President, Greenville, OH, Presiding
- 7:00 pm - OPENING GENERAL SESSION (Quarterdeck Room)
- 7:00—NSIF Program Update  
Conference Plans—Dr. Irv Omtvedt, University of Nebraska  
Committee Assignments—Dr. Dixon Hubbard, USDA, Washington, DC  
Update on Revised Guidelines—Dr. Wayne Robison,  
North Carolina State University
- 7:30—Swine Industry Update—Marv Garner, National Pork Producers  
Council, Des Moines, IA
- 8:00—European Swine Testing Program—Dr. Maurice Bichard,  
Oxfordshire, England

MONDAY DECEMBER 4, 1978

- 8:00 am - WORKSHOP SESSION I: REPRODUCTION & SOW PRODUCTIVITY  
John Beckett, Gillespie, IL, Presiding (Quarterdeck Room)
- 8:00—Measuring Boar Fertility—Dr. Phil Dziuk, University of Illinois
- 8:45—Discussion Regarding Male Fertility
- 9:30—Break
- 10:00—Components of Sow Productivity—Dr. Keith Irvin, Ohio State  
University
- 10:45—Discussion Regarding Productivity Evaluation
- 8:00 am - WORKSHOP SESSION II: LIVE ANIMAL EVALUATION & SOUNDNESS  
Dr. Gene Isler, Ohio State University, Presiding (Cutlass-Buccaneer Room)
- 8:00—Evaluating Structural Soundness—Dr. Howard Miller, Mississippi  
State University
- 8:30—Discussion on Soundness
- 8:45—National Barrow Show Results & Trends—John Phillips,  
Hormel Co., Austin, MN
- 9:30—Break
- 10:00—Nutritional Considerations Regarding Soundness—Dr. E.R. Peo,  
University of Nebraska

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10:00—Soundness and Visual Appraisal Considerations—Dr. Gene Isler,  
Ohio State University

10:15—Carcass Evaluation Considerations—Dave Stevens, Northwood, IA

8:00 am - ON-THE-FARM TESTING PROGRAM SYMPOSIUM

Glenn Conatser, American Yorkshire Club, Presiding (Cutlass-Buccaneer  
Room)

8:15—Selection for Sow Productivity—Lynn Cole, Mt. Blanchard, OH

8:45—Whole Herd Testing—Max Waldo, DeWitt, NE

9:30—Reproductive Trait Considerations—Dr. Keith Irvin, Ohio State  
University

9:45—Growth & Feed Efficiency Considerations—Dr. R.J. Jones, North  
Carolina State University

10:00—Soundness & Visual Appraisal Considerations—Rick Maloney, National  
Spotted Swine Record Association

10:15—Carcass Merit Considerations—Dr. Dick Epley, University of  
Minnesota

10:30 am - BREAK

11:00 am - GENERAL SESSION: WHERE ARE WE HEADED? (Quarterdeck Room)  
John Beckett, Gillespie, IL, Presiding

11:00—On-The-Farm Testing Programs—Glenn Conatser, American Yorkshire  
Club

11:15—Central Test Station Programs—Keith Leavitt, University of Missouri

11:30—NSIF's Future Role—Dr. Irv Omtevd, University of Nebraska

11:45—Open Discussion

Noon LUNCHEON MEETING FOR NSIF BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN  
(Pirates Cove Room)

2:00 pm - CONFERENCE ADJOURNS