



NPLC Gazette

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- For those flying to NPLC—your best bet will be Indianapolis. Ground transportation is being negotiated.
- Indiana’s oldest bar is in Lafayette!
- The Lafayette—West Lafayette community is home to an institution called Purdue University.

2015 ANNUAL MEETING

Time to check your calendars and make a commitment to attend the 2015 NPLC Annual Meeting **May 4–6** in Lafayette, Indiana. Our hosts will be the Swine and Dairy folks. The ever diligent NPLC Board of Directors is developing what is believed to be a stellar lineup of relevant topics, speakers and activities, including a visit to Fair Oaks Farm (where I assume we’ll be having a blast at the swine and cheese party — get it?).

it happen for 2015. We wouldn’t want you to miss any of the intellectual exchanges or special opportunities for genuine social interaction. Thank you in advance for your attention to this important matter.



Fair Oaks has piglets!

leadership.” Our goal, as always is to provide a variety of information to help you do your jobs and to make you a better conversationalist at dull parties. Of course, as we’ve often noticed, much of the learning is from each other during informal times. I hope you’ll agree that NPLC members, regardless of species, represent a rich resource for personal and professional growth.

The board also talked about the common challenges we all face regarding youth programs. NPLC members are encouraged to share their success stories and promising ideas for youth development. What works? What new programs are being considered?

On a less exciting note, at the board meeting in October, the topic of “delinquent” members was discussed. If your organization has not caught up on NPLC dues payments, now would be a great time to make

Among the topics on the agenda for the 2015 Annual Meeting: “Latest in the World of Genetics,” communications and marketing tools, the business of meetings and “servant

BOARD MEMBERS

Steve Taylor
Debbie Fuentes

Neal Smith
Bryce Shumann

Amy Smith
Darrell Bilke

Aron Weir
Zane Akins

Stay tuned for more details about NPLC 2015

Be sure we have your email address!

NPLC AT THE FFA CONVENTION

Based on the information and feedback received to date, you should consider our cooperative venture at this year’s FFA Convention a success. Special thanks to Amy Smith and all the gang of folks who supported the exhibit area and provided information to help

tell the story of purebred livestock. NPLC invested in the project along with specific breed participants. Thanks to all who assisted financially!

One of our challenges is to help each other sustain the effort to communicate with

young leaders. Most of us can attest to the fact that few factors create more strength for a breed association than new blood, new ideas and new perspectives. Specifically, we must continue to provide opportunities for growth — theirs and ours!