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2010 NARHA Region 3 Conference



Presentation Title, Presenter & Bio

Hillbilly Gypsies (Friday night entertainment)

The Hillbilly Gypsies are a West Virginia native string band who specialize in playing their own homegrown style of Appalachian old time music, mixed with a hard drivin' bluegrass sound. In addition to their original material, The Hillbilly Gypsies play an eclectic mix of traditional and quite often, not-so-traditional bluegrass standards and catchy old fiddle tunes.

"Medicine and Horsemanship--Bringing [Medical or Healthcare] Clientele to Your [Program or Farm]" visit www.horsensei.com - *Dr. Beverley Kane, M.D.*

Dr. Kane is on the clinical faculty at Stanford University School of Medicine where she teaches both Medicine and Horsemanship and a class on the maintenance of doctor-patient rapport during the use of the electronic health record.

Now in its 6th year at Stanford, Medicine and Horsemanship teaches interpersonal skills and leadership to medical students, healthcare professionals, and others from backgrounds as diverse as Stanford Engineering and Stanford School of Business. Dr. Kane's private practice, Horsensei Equine-Assisted Learning and Therapy (HEALTH), additionally conducts programs for corporate groups and for those seeking psychospiritual growth through experiential learning with horses. Horsensei's vision is to have Medicine and Horsemanship taught at many more medical centers.

"Hippotherapy Focus" – Changes in movement after Hippotherapy - *Dr. Timothy Shurtleff, MA, OTD, OTR/L*

Dr. Shurtleff's was awarded a Horses for Humans research grant in 2006 to study the effect of Hippotherapy on trunk/head stability, and upper extremity reaching. His primary research interest is in analyzing movements, of adult and pediatric patients with disabilities using state of the art technologies. He is particularly interested in the study of the efficacy of hippotherapy, using the movement of a horse as a tool in therapy. He is expanding the hippotherapy focus, developing methods of assessment of occupational performance and participation changes that occur outside of the riding arena, in "real life" and "on the ground" as a result of participation in hippotherapy and other sport and high-demand activities.

"Caring for the Therapy Horse" - *Dr. James Henderson, DVM*

Dr. Jim Henderson is a Fairmont, WV native. He earned his undergraduate degree from WVU in 1977. He attended Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine, graduating in 1981 with his DVM degree. Dr. Henderson started Tri-County Veterinary Services, a mobile large animal practice in the north-central WV area, with a focus on equine and large farm animal medicine and surgery.



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“Tips for Working with Riders with Autism” - *Dr. Susannah Poe, Ed.D*

Susannah Poe is a licensed psychologist and an associate professor of Child Development in the Pediatrics Department of the WVU School of Medicine. She has training in diagnosis, education, and behavioral interventions for young children with developmental disorders. Dr. Poe’s areas of focus are the diagnosis and treatment of young children with autism, behavioral feeding disorders in children with developmental disabilities, and anxiety disorders in children.

“Marketing your Non-Profit Organization” - *Charles R. Harman, MSJ*

Chuck Harman has served as Director, External Relations for NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) since 1998. Mr. Harman previously served as Director of Communications for NAMI. NAMI is a national non-profit health organization with more than 1,000 chapters nationwide. Mr. Harman is also an adjunct faculty member at the P.I. Reed School of Journalism at West Virginia University where he teaches the senior capstone course in health care public relations. He received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees from WVU and completed a non-profit leadership program at the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

“Modern & Innovative Therapeutic Equipment that has been proven effective in assisting children during their therapeutic lesson to become more independent.” - *Milinda Kirkpatrick, NARHA Instructor, Executive Director, Shining Hope Farms*

Make the Most of your lesson time with the assistive equipment that greatly aids the sidewalkers/therapist while spotting children with disabilities on horseback.

“Special Olympics Equestrian Sport Coach’s Class for Certification” – *Lewis C. Dyer*

Lewis Dyer is a senior quality engineer for Michelin Tire Corporation presently located in Lexington, SC. He is married and has two children, Lew has MR which is how Lewis became involved in Special Olympics over 20 years ago when his wife and he become Certified Special Olympics Equestrian Sport Coaches. Lewis presently serves as the SC Equestrian Sport Head for South Carolina Special Olympics and serves on the Area 7 SCSO Steering Committee. He has been the SC’s equestrian sport head for 11 years during which time he organized and started the SC State Special Olympics Equestrian Competitions plus has been doing classes for certification of SOI Equestrian Sport Coaches since 2001. He was instrumental in sending 3 SC Special Olympics Equestrian Athletes to Ireland for the SOI Summer Games in 2003.

“Taking Care of Business”: *Developing Your Business Plan - Thomas Arnold, Director of Parking Authority, Morgantown, WV*

“Ground Lessons”- a discussion with “Bring One Share One” (bring a ground lesson or 2 to share) - *moderated by –Ken Ashton*



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“Brain Mapping – Can EAAT re-grow the brain?” - *Susan Ellen Hill, PT, Professor, Fairmont State University*

”Consistency is key: Aligning therapy goals through a team approach”

- ***Dr. Claire St. Peter Pipkin PhD***

- Dr. Pipkin holds a Ph.D. in Psychology, with an emphasis on Applied Behavior Analysis, from the University of Florida. She has been an equestrian since 1985 and an Assistant Professor of Psychology at West Virginia University since 2006. Her primary interests include management of problem behavior through changes in the environment, school-based applications of behavioral principles, and the translation of basic science to practice.

“Disabilities Panel- talk to the experts, and have you disabilities questions answered” *Chaired by: Dr. Mary Beth Mandich PT PhD Assoc Dean, Prof Program and Chair Physical Therapy*

“CAT Center Accreditation Training” - Lesley Shear

- Lesley Shear has been a Lead Visitor for the NARHA Accreditation program since 1995. She has presented the CAT (Center Accreditation Training Course) and the Associate Visitor Training Course (AVTC) nationally and regionally. Lesley is the founder, Executive Director and Head Instructor at Circle of Hope in Barnesville, Maryland. She is the past chair of the NARHA Accreditation Committee and currently holds the position of Advisor to the committee.