



CHA 2026 International Conference “*Tentative*” Schedule Cheff Riding Center, Augusta, Michigan

Schedule is Subject to Change

Thursday, October 15, 2026

- 8:00am** ***Breakfast on Your Own (provided w/ hotel room)***
- 9:00am Registration and Vendor Tables Open ~ *(all day beverages served) ~ Conference Center Foyer*
- 10:00am Certifier Networking Brunch ***(pre-registration required)*** ~ Zula Room
- 12:00pm** ***Light Lunch Served***
- 1:00pm Roundtable Discussions ~ Beth Powers Moderator ~ *Bravo/Charlie Room*
Giving Direction: Linking the Horse & Rider ~ Dr. Bob Coleman
Things Will Slow Down After Busy Season: But They Don't ~ Celia King
The Heart of Riding ~ Sanna Roling
Volunteer: Where to Find Them & How to Keep Them ~ Melissa Howard
Are Falls Preventable? ~ Lisa Lombardi
TBD ~ Julie Goodnight & Darrell Nephew
- 4:00pm** ***CHA Annual Membership Meeting ~ President Jennifer Eaton ~ Bravo/Charlie Room***
- 5:00pm** ***Regional Member Meetups ~ TBD***
- 6:00pm** ***Dinner on Your Own***

Friday, October 16, 2026 *(15 minute breaks between each session)*

- 7:00am** ***Breakfast on Your Own***
- 8:15am Registration & Vendor Tables Open ~ *Cheff Riding Center*
- 9:00am The Single Biggest Problem in Communication ~ Celia King ~ *Classroom*
Effective Seat Aids ~ Jo-Anne Young ~ *Main Arena*
Ride With Your Whole Body ~ Holly Hanz-Ax ~ *Parish Therapy Arena*
- 10:30am Hoof Care 101 ~ Rich Scoval ~ *Classroom*
Mounting/Dismounting Techniques ~ Tammi Gainer & Team ~ *Main Arena*
Riding the Western Pattern ~ Dustin Boehmer ~ *Parish Therapy Arena*
- 11:45am** ***Lunch Served***
- 12:00pm Keynote: Working Equitation: What Does it Mean: Incorporating into Your Lessons ~ Julie Goodnight
~ *Main Arena*
- 1:30pm Friendly.....But Still the Boss ~ Celia King ~ *Classroom*
Equicize: Mounted Exercises to Improve Rider Fitness ~ Sally Batton ~ *Main Arena*
Cantering: Take the Lead: Change the Lead ~ Ingrid Pearson ~ *Parish Therapy Arena*

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- 3:00 pm The Fishbowl Effect ~ Daniel Stewart ~ *Classroom*
Improving Transitions ~ Katherine Berg ~ *Main Arena*
Saddle Fitting Techniques ~ Darrel Nephew ~ *Parish Therapy Arena*
- 6:00pm **“Boots & Bling” Evening Gathering @ Hotel ~ Bravo/Charlie Room**
Daniel Stewart Keynote Speaker ~ “The T Strategy”

Saturday, October 17, 2026 (15 minute breaks between each session)

- 7:00am **Breakfast on your own (provided w/ hotel room)**
- 8:15am Registration & Vendor Tables Open ~ *Cheff Riding Center*
- 9:00am If You Want It Done Right, You Have to Do it Yourself....or Do You? ~ Celia King ~ *Classroom*
Bold Brave Breakfast Bootcamp ~ Daniel Stewart ~ *Parish Therapy Arena*
Therapeutic Riding Lesson: Does it Really Look Different? ~ Emily Fields & Diana Beardsley ~ *Main Arena*
- 10:30am Equine-Related Liabilities & Equine Activity Liability Acts: How They Work & How to Comply with Them ~ Julie Fershtman ~ *Classroom*
Need for Speed: Good to Gallop ~ Julie Goodnight ~ *Main Arena*
Chiropractic & Body Work ~ Dr. Rachel Wright ~ *Parish Therapy Arena*
- 11:45am **Lunch Served**
- 12:00pm **Battle Creek Hunt Club Demonstration**
- 1:45pm Equine-Related Insurance Mistakes to Avoid ~ Julie Fershtman ~ *Classroom*
Correctly Teaching the 3-loop Serpentine ~ Jo-Anne Young ~ *Main Arena*
Developing the Power Leg & 2-point Through Exercises ~ Sally Batton ~ *Parish Therapy Arena*
- 3:00pm Thank you gathering: Raffle Basket Draw (**Must be present to win!!**) ~ *Main Arena*
- 7:00pm **Dinner on Your Own ~ Enjoy Kalamazoo while visiting with old & new friends!!!**

Happy Trails & Safe Journey Home!!!!