Welcome to the 2012 International Conference in the Pacific North West!

This year, we welcome you to Canyonview Equestrian Center and College in Silverton, Oregon. Traveling to the CHA conferences has brought me to wonderful venues that I would not have seen otherwise. The sessions this year continue to offer a wide spectrum of seminars and mounted lessons, with some sessions that this particular venue has made possible. There are sure to be sessions that will challenge you to expand and improve your teaching and management skills, as well as your view of the industry. I feel certain that there will be additions to the library of true-as-I-remember-it stories this year, especially from the Working Cow Classes and Roman Riding. Thank you for what you do for CHA and the horse industry!

Brent Morgan, CHA President

Welcome to Oregon, CHA’s Region One!

CHA Region One is one of our largest regions. I love having our International Conference here as we get to see so many of our members from this area of the U.S. and Canada. I am very excited about the speakers and sessions we have lined up for this event. Thanks to each of them for volunteering their time and talents to educate us. Thank you to our host site Canyonview Equestrian Center and College. We are excited to learn more about your programming and meet your staff, students and horses! I love the Pacific Northwest and am looking forward to this event and all the knowledge that will be shared to better our own programs, students, horse and equine facilities back at home. Let the networking begin to keep our horse experiences safe, effective and fun!

Christy Landwehr, CHA Chief Executive Officer

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Canyonview Equestrian Center and College (CEC) offers a ministry-based horsemanship program. Located on 87 acres just outside of Silverton, Oregon students learn to conduct safe and effective horsemanship programs as a tool of Christian ministry. CEC also hosts public camps as well as the two-year college program. Camps include week-long camps for children throughout the summer and during winter and spring break. The Center holds weekend camps for adults and children as well as an eight-week fellowship riding program that combines Bible study and riding lessons. Both English and Western riding disciplines as well as a vaulting program are taught. CEC is a two-year resident college that attracts students from all over the U.S. Each year eight students are accepted. Enrollment is limited because of the intense focus on ministry and horsemanship. First year students learn Western, Hunt Seat and Dressage regardless of prior riding experience, through lessons and theory classes. Second year students train a colt and specialize in either Reining-Working Cow or Combined Training. All students and staff are CHA certified riding instructors. Graduates are employed with trainers, boarding/training stables, guest ranches, Christian camps and veterinarian practices. They also work as CHA instructors or clinicians or pursue additional schooling. Visit www.canyonviewequestriancollege.us

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2009 ......................................................... Tim Alderson
2008 ......................................................... Jack Breeds
2007 ......................................................... Lynn O’Brien
2006 ......................................................... Beth Powers
2005 ......................................................... Bill Enns
2004 ......................................................... Lynn Squire
2003 ......................................................... Christine Guenther
2002 ......................................................... Dodi Stacey
2001 .......................................................... Jo-Anne Young
2000 ......................................................... Michal Kayes
1999 .......................................................... Susanne Valla
1998 .......................................................... Barbara Christian
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1996 .......................................................... Susan Harris

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2011 .......................................................... Saddle Up Safely – University of KY
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2006 .......................................................... American Vaulting Association
2005 .......................................................... NARHA
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1996 .......................................................... Lexington Helmets

CHA STONE SCHOOL HORSE OF THE YEAR
2011 .......................................................... Chewy – Living Water Ranch – Fairbanks, Alaska
2010 .......................................................... Cider – Center Lake Bible Camp – Tustin, MI
2009 .......................................................... Bollyangles – Paradise Ranch – Springfield, TN
2008 .......................................................... Smokey – Dream Catcher Stables – Spring, TX
2007 .......................................................... Doc – Golden Gate Vaulters – Golden, CO
2006 .......................................................... Domino’s Crescent Moon – Eagle Creek Orr – Griffin, GA
2005 .......................................................... Mr. Peach – Emigrant Spgs Hmnn – Grass Valley, CA
2004 .......................................................... Woody – Woodloch Stables – Hugo, MN
2003 .......................................................... Shotgun Jetta – TLC Stables – East Swansy, NH
2002 .......................................................... Yeller – Rancho Vista Therapy Ctr – Fort Collins, CO

CHA INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR
2011 .......................................................... Megan Rai Ferguson of Saint Andrews, Manitoba
2009 .......................................................... Steven Lantvit of La Porte, Indiana
2008 .......................................................... Tanya “T” Cody of Tallahassee, Florida
2007 .......................................................... Jennifer Willey of White Bear Lake, Minnesota
2006 .......................................................... Karen Pilkowsky of Irwin, Pennsylvania
2005 .......................................................... Lori Hall McNary of Escondido, California
2004 .......................................................... Rachel Gincig of Aurora, Colorado
2003 .......................................................... Cyndey Adler of Burien, Washington

CHA CLINIC INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR
2011 .......................................................... Terry Williams of Blanchester, Ohio
2010 .......................................................... Heidi Potter, Guilford, Vermont
2009 .......................................................... Stan Loewen, Mead, Kansas
2008 .......................................................... Millie Binkley, New Johnsonville, Tennessee
2007 .......................................................... Jo-Anne Young, Houghton, New York
2006 .......................................................... Tara Gamble, Edmonton, Alberta
2005 .......................................................... Polly Haselton Barger, Nashville, Tennessee
2004 .......................................................... Barbara Klatt, Lancaster, Ohio
2003 .......................................................... Darla Ryder, Weatherford, Texas

CHA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
2010 .......................................................... Patrick Mullins, Bumpass, Virginia
2009 .......................................................... Fred Bruce

Special Events

CHA Annual Awards Banquet
Saturday Night, October 13th at 7 p.m. – Canyonview

Help us celebrate in our best dress (black jeans are fine!) as we toast the following award winners:

CHA Volunteer of the Year
CHA Instructor of the Year
CHA Clinic Instructor of the Year
CHA Volunteer of the Year

CHA Distinguished Service Award

Mounted and Hands-On Horse Sessions
All mounted and hands-on horse sessions will be held in the indoor or covered arenas at Canyonview. Four riding spots are available for almost every mounted session. Riders sign up ahead of time at registration for the session of your choice. Make sure to note riding ability at the top of each form, do not sign up to ride in a class that is being taught at a higher level than you ride. Limit one ride time per person for the entire conference to make sure we have enough room for all. Riding spots are not open to day rate participants. All are welcome to audit all sessions. Keep in mind that all riders will be given a thorough safety check before starting their session. Helmets and boots are required and not provided.

Working Cow and Roman Riding Fundraiser
Come and learn how to work a cow off horseback and/or roman ride for $5 with all proceeds going to CHA for the scholarship fund.

CHA Clinic Staff Meeting – Canyonview
Friday 8 a.m. during breakfast

CHA Regional Directors Meeting – Canyonview
Saturday 8 a.m. during breakfast

Exhibits & CHA Product Line – Canyonview
Please take the time to shop and check out the great items on sale from CHA, our sponsors and vendors. Remember CHA Life Membership at Conference is only $650, savings of $100!

Opening Session and Annual Membership Meeting
Thursday, October 11th at 1 p.m. – Canyonview

Welcome to Oregon address by Ren Bannerman and then the CHA Annual Membership Meeting to find out the state of your association and the Ins and Outs of making your CHA membership work for you!

CHA Meet and Greet Reception at the Double H Western Wear Tack Store
Thursday, October 11th 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy finger desserts while you meet fellow CHA members from all over the U.S. and Canada

Trail Encampment Dessert and Cowboy Poetry
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Come and join us for a wonderful dessert and poetry under the stars on Friday night!

Big Circle Dance Party
Friday evening

Dance the night away and learn new dances and enjoy the music.

Photographs and Video
By being an attendee at this event you are allowing CHA to capture your image on photography, video or both and use it to further promote CHA and educational conferences in the future. Thanks to Moving Images NW and the Kays for their support!
Conference Presenters
Thank you to all of this year’s volunteer presenters. Your willingness to share your expertise is much appreciated!

Melissa Bannerman
Melissa is a graduate of Oregon State University and has a BA degree in Business. She is a CHA Master Instructor, CHA Assistant Clinic Instructor for Standard clinics, and a CHA Vaulting Clinic Instructor. She has 15 years of teaching experience. Melissa is also currently working toward her USDF Instructor Certification.

Driving – Training Arena
– Saturday at 9 a.m.
Driving basics for singles and teams. Are you interested in CHA driving certification? Melissa and Phil will take the mystery out of what you need to know. If you have a draft horse or a mini and anything in between, this workshop will help you understand the basics of safe driving. We will look at harnessing form to function as well as hands-on driving a single horse hitch. Hands-on driving limited to first 12 participants. Others may audit and learn from coaching.

Vaulting Basics – Training Arena
– Friday at 1 p.m.
Basics of a vaulting program will be covered and opportunity to try moves on the barrel and horse. Come audit or try as much or little as you want with Patti and Melissa. Good horses and spotters will help you be successful! Be warned; vaulting is addictive!

How to Make a Cross Country Course – Oak Lodge Round Table Talk – Saturday at Noon
Come and share your ideas for creative ways to make cross country jumps and find out ways to save money making them.

Advanced Vaulting – Training Arena - Saturday at 2:30 p.m.
What can we do next? Simple Freestyle moves that you can do and teach your students. Learn new moves or practice ones from the first session.

Ren Bannerman
Ren is a graduate of Warren Wilson College with a BA in Recreation. He is a CHA Master Instructor and CHA Clinic Instructor for Standard and Combined Clinics. Ren has more than 35 years of experience showing, teaching, training, and managing facilities throughout the United States. Ren has gained experience in all aspects of the horse industry and has worked with some of the country’s leading experts.

Working Cow Classes – Training Arena – Thursday 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. – $55 per participant
The sessions will concentrate on the fundamentals of working cattle from a horsemanship perspective. Using horses to help in reading the cow, developing the stop and the turnaround in both the horse and rider, etc.

Gymnastic Exercises for Jumping at all Levels – Main Arena – Friday at 1 p.m.
This session will focus on how gymnastics can be used at all levels of teaching jumping. Set ups, different combinations and distances will be used and explained.

Equine Therapy Programming – Oak Lodge – Friday at 9 a.m.
There is a great need for equine assisted therapy programs in urban areas where many children who benefit from these programs reside. Unfortunately, most equine assisted therapy programs are in rural areas, so families have to travel extended distances in order for one child to receive one hour of therapy a week. White Bridle Society created a program using miniature horses that’s unique and very effective, and we provide the program in the Dallas - Fort Worth metroplex in an urban area. The program utilizes school teachers as volunteers to facilitate therapy and improved cognitive function in children with autism and other developmental delays.

Patricia Bogart-Head
Patti has been teaching, training, riding, and showing many disciplines for over 40 years. She started with gaited Saddlebreds and Walkers, then went to Hunter/Jumpers. She loves dressage, eventing, western pleasure and equitation and barrel racing. Patti has also driven Saddlebreds, Welsh Roadsters and Hackneys. Her students have had success showing in many disciplines and in many breeds.

Inexpensive Ways to Improve Your Equine Facility – Oak Lodge – Saturday at 1 p.m.
Come to this session to find out how to improve your equine facility on a shoe-string budget. Patti has unique and creative ways to make your equine business shine without spending a fortune.

Brook Boleyn
Brook is the Executive Director of White Bridle Society, an organization that uses miniature horses to facilitate a therapeutic learning program for children with autism. This program is “one of a kind” in the world and is a model for effective equine programs in urban areas. Brook’s background is in geology, and she holds a Master’s degree and worked in the industry for a number of years and was active in the AAPG (American Association of Petroleum Geologists) and wrote industry activity reports for several years that were published in the journal. In the 90’s, she changed professions and worked in retail as a manager for Dillard’s before embarking on a free lance career as a stylist in the film industry. During her childhood and most of her professional life, she was active in community service projects; so one of her great desires in life is to be useful and helpful. In 2007, Brook became interested in horse rescue and founded White Bridle Society as a rescue with the intent of starting a therapy program with horses. Two years later, she launched the White Bridle program which presently serves autistic children in Grand Prairie, Texas in a city park.
Danvers will educate you on the farrier science. About horse shoeing, barefoot concepts, come to this session with your questions as a board member for CHA. A life-long horseman and a practicing farrier since 1972, Danvers specializes in shoeing sport and performance horses. In addition to his home practice, Danvers travels extensively as a consultant and specialist for farrier concerns. He served as a supervisor for the Official Farriers at the Alltech FEI 2010 World Equestrian Games; additionally, he serves as an Official Farrier for the Rolex Kentucky 3-Day Event. A proponent of continuing education and voluntary certification, Danvers is one of 18 Approved Examiners in the American Farriers Association’s (AFA) certification program and conducts clinics. Danvers maintains an active role within the larger equine community, producing and reviewing articles for numerous publications and serving within a variety of organizations, including service as a board member for CHA.

Farrier Science – Farrier School – Saturday – 10:30 a.m.
Come to this session with your questions about horse shoeing, barefoot concepts, specialty shoes, lameness issues, etc. Beau and Danvers will educate you on the farrier science.

English, EFM, and is a CHA Site evaluator as well as being a level two EGALA facilitator. Butte Creek Ranch is a western based horse program offering year round half day and full day trail rides as well as nine day, 180 mile pack trips. Special programs at Butte Creek may include cowboy camp, ranch roping, ranch horsemanship, and back country camping workshops. For the last three years Scott has been actively practicing equine assisted psychotherapy for a Portland based residential treatment center. In his off time, you may find him ranch roping, reining or at a horsemanship clinic.

Facility Maintenance – Oak Lodge Round Table Talk – Saturday - Noon
Wouldn’t our facilities look great if it weren’t for horses and people – well we’ll have a look at some tips to manage this. We’ll look at 3 key ideas to help see and manage the maintenance of our buildings and grounds around the equine facilities we own.

Bill Enns
Bill Enns managed Pioneer Chehalis camp and Conference Center for Intervarsity Christian Fellowship in British Columbia for 20 years. Bill was introduced to CHA in 1984 and credits CHA manuals and certification for the huge success he enjoyed developing a very successful summer camp riding program. CHA support and material were key in developing riding staff and programs for summer and Outdoor Ed. programs. Bill served on the CHA board from 1989 to 2002 and has retained his membership and certification. Since leaving this management position Bill worked for a painting company and was able to buy the company five years ago.

Teddy Franke
Teddy Franke is a recent transplant from Alaska. He is now living in north central Oregon where he manages Badger Creek Ranch. The ranch operates as the horsemanship side of Camp Morrow, a Christian camp and conference center. Over the years he has served in a number of capacities such as a riding instructor, 4-H resource leader, pack guide, CHA Region 11 Director, teamster, trainer, guest speaker and others. He values versatility in horsemanship, and maintains a variety of certifications through CHA including Standards, Pack and Trail, EFM, and IRD. He is on a mission to use horses to develop the next generation of leaders.

Hands-On Knots and Hitches – Trail Encampment – Saturday – 10:30 a.m.
If you have always thought it would be handy to know the basics of pack hitch or are a rope crazed knot enthusiast, this session is for you. Scott and Teddy will walk you through fun, basic packer knots as well as demonstrate a number of different packing hitches. If nothing else, the stories of good horses, bad wrecks, and it really getting western will be entertaining for all. So whether you are an old time packer or just working to expand you trail knowledge this is the place for you. Happy Trails and we will see you at the TE for a cup of cowboy coffee and some good networkin’.

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Tammi Gainer

Having grown up around horses, Tammi began her professional equine career in 1989 as a trail guide at a large ranch camp where she was first exposed to the world of equestrian vaulting and attended her first CHA Standard Instructor Certification Clinic. Tammi joined the instructor staff at Pegasus Farm, one of the largest therapeutic equestrian centers in the US, in the spring of 1995. While working at the Farm part-time and home schooling her three children, Tammi also spent much time working under several trainers in both reining and dressage and achieved PATH instructor certification. In 2000, she achieved CHA Master Level Instructor and clinic staff status and has since earned CI status in the IRD and Vaulting programs as well. In 2005 Tammi was promoted to Equestrian Director at Pegasus Farm where she now manages all aspects of the equestrian programs that include 250 plus students each week participating in areas such as horsemanship, driving, vaulting, veterans, and work programs. In September 2007 Tammi was elected to the CHA Board of Directors and asked to chair the Education & Training Committee & she is the current Board Secretary. Last year, she was honored the CHA Volunteer of the Year Award for her outstanding work with CHA in the booth at the Ohio Equine Affaire, on the board, etc.

Successful Trade Show Booth Tips
– Oak Lodge Round Table Talk –
Saturday – Noon

Tricks of the trade to run a booth at a trade show or event. Helpful items to have with you, things to do when you are crazy busy or bored out of your mind.

Julie Goodnight

Julie has more than a quarter-century of horse training experience. Her varied background ranges from dressage and jumping to racing, reining, colt-starting, and wilderness riding. She teaches “Classic Skills for a Natural Ride” and travels coast-to-coast and beyond to film her television show, Horse Master, as well as to appear at horse expos, conferences and clinics. Her training and teaching techniques are frequent features of Horse & Rider, The Instructor, Trail Rider and America’s Horse. In 2008 she was named Equine Affaire’s Exceptional Equestrian Educator—one of only three awards ever given. Julie is clinic staff for CHA and the association’s international spokesperson. Visit www.juliegoodnight.com.

Improving Transitions – Riding with Finesse and Precision
– Main Arena – Friday – 9 a.m.

“All of training occurs in transitions,” a tenet of classical horsemanship that is often overlooked. This presentation will offer a

Chris Rahn at Cheley Colorado Camps:
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detailed look at preparation for transitions and use of all of the aids for smooth and prompt transitions.

**Western Dressage – Training Arena – Friday – 4 p.m.**
Learn more about the rules, procedures and judging for this up and coming new sport and what makes it different from traditional dressage. We’ll discuss the most important fundamentals of Western Dressage—collection, straightness, control of the front end, control of the hind end and canter departures.

**Improving the Canter – Refinement, Control & Departures – Main Arena – Saturday – 10:30 a.m.**
Beyond the first canter lies a long list of skills to be accomplished. We’ll talk about a logical progression in developing canter skills for both horse and rider, focusing on teaching the cue, improving departures, feeling and understanding leads and controlling speed and direction.

**Teaching Young Riders – Main Arena Viewing Area – Thursday – 2 p.m.**
Come learn how to design creative riding programs for children ages 4 - 8. This age group is typically an untapped market in the horse world. Although these students may be too young to ride independently, there are many effective techniques that can be used to help kids gain confidence and competence and off the horse.

Christine Guenther
Christine has been the CHA Region 1 director for 20 years. She has her BA in Elementary Education and lives in Silverton and teaches Kindergarten. Culmination of years of hard training and working with her daughter Elsie and her horse Remy resulted in one World Championship, two reserves, and 5th overall at the 2012 Pinto World Show in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Christine and Kathy have many years experience in teaching young riders, and will enthusiastically share their program ideas and teaching aids with you.

Lori Hall-McNary
Lori is a third generation cowgirl, owner and trainer of Rockin’ L & D Ranch in Southern California. Lori’s won local, state, and national gymkhana championships, and is a certified California Gymkhana Association Judge. Lori is also a Western ACI for CHA. As a trainer and instructor one of Lori’s proudest accomplishments is of a student that qualified for the National Barrel Racing Association World Show her rookie year on a nineteen year old “throw away” horse. Lori’s best known for her patience, persistent and perseverance in working with

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both students and horses to accomplish their riding and showing goals. Lori was the CHA 2005 Instructor of the Year and was named a 2007 America’s Top 50 Riding Instructor from ARIA. She is the current Region 10 Director for CHA.

**Marketing Your Equine Business – Round Table Talk**  
**– Saturday – Noon**

Learn from CHA Region 10 Director and Assistant Clinic Instructor, Lori Hall-McNary who has had great success with Living Social, Groupon, Swaggle and local daily deal vendors. This interactive talk with share how to create and promote your own daily deal success without going broke.

**Gymkhana Events and How to Incorporate Them into Your Lessons – Main Arena**  
**– Friday at 2:30 p.m.**

Gymkhana is a fun way to teach simple and flying lead changes, pivots and rollbacks, quick slide stops, accelerated and downward transitions. Lori will teach tips on introducing the most popular gymkhana events (barrels, poles, keyhole) plus other patterns into your lesson program. A few gymkhana patterns have a rich history in the military of yesteryear where both speed and skill were needed for combat. While other gymkhana patterns were created by Indians and cowboys to prove they had the most versatile horse.

**Donna Hawkins**

Donna unequivocally advocates “well-being,” that is, health and happiness, as the ultimate non-negotiable goal for all equine endeavors. She directly correlates well-being with the degree of physical, mental and emotional balance of both athletes in the equine/equestrian partnership. Drawing on her highly accredited academic background and equine certification Donna synergistically applies and willingly shares a wealth of knowledge, skills and techniques to promote the concept of well-being throughout the horse industry. Her passion for the attainment of that end is readily evident with each of the hats she wears - coach, educator, trainer, competitor, show judge, farmer, coach evaluator, osteopathic facilitator, and most importantly, perpetual learner.

**– Saturday – 9 a.m.**

**Osteopathy: A Holistic Approach Treatment – Round Pen**  
**– Saturday – 1 p.m.**

Osteopathy is a key component in the holistic promotion and maintenance of the horse’s well-being. It is a non-invasive therapy that uses a variety of soft tissue and joint-mobilization techniques to help improve movement and behavior. The pain cycle is interrupted so that the horse can heal himself. The horse guides the process. Osteopathy is exceptionally beneficial in cases in which clinical signs such as pain and deteriorated performance are evident, but the underlying cause(s) cannot be diagnosed in veterinarian terms. Since each case is unique, a thorough analysis of the horse’s current performance, physically, mentally and emotionally, precedes the development and implementation of the treatment plan.

**Carole Herder**

Carole is President and Founder of Cavallo Horse & Rider, Inc. based in British Columbia, Canada. She holds a degree in business administration from Grant MacEwan, studied Economics and Psychology at the University of Alberta, won the Royal Bank of Canadian western Trail Blazer ‘Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Award’ and is versed in hoof anatomy with an emphasis on function and physics. She co-authored the book, The Cavallo Barefoot Trim, and has contributed articles for various publications including Equine Wellness and American Horse Publications. Following her belief that keeping horses natural and barefoot alleviates hoof problems, she designed and developed the Cavallo Simple and Sport Hoof Boots. In 1993, Carole designed and developed the Total Comfort System Saddle Pads to address the other ‘hot spot’ for horses ridden under saddle – their sore backs. Providing comfort for horses is Carole’s passion. Ms. Herder presents clinics worldwide, striving to educate horse owners while identifying, designing, and manufacturing products that improve the level of comfort for horses and the people who care for them. In her spare time she enjoys trail riding and barrel racing on her Quarter Horse mare.

**Understanding the “Hot Spots” in Horses**  
**– Oak Lodge**  
**– Saturday – 9 a.m.**

What happens to the horse’s back while ridden under saddle? What happens to the horse’s hooves ridden with metal shoes, hoof boots and barefoot? Learn how your understanding of these concepts can change the life experience of your horse and what you can do TODAY to make a difference. Understand the function of hoof boots and saddle pad—both the benefits and potential issues.

**Teresa Kackert**

Teresa has been CHA Clinic Instructor since 2003. She is also Chris Irwin Natural Horsemanship ‘Double-Gold’ Certified and a Richard Shrake Resistance Free Riding Master Level Trainer/Instructor. Teresa is the creator of the ‘Soft Touch’ Training Program - Classical Equitation & Natural Horsemanship and has over 20 years professional experience as a rider, competitor, trainer, instructor, clinician and personal coach. She is founder of Great Horses of America, consignment Horse Sales company and co-founder of Pink Heart Pony Kids, Inc. 501(c)3 NPO. Teresa specializes in: confidence building in both horse and rider, horse behavior modification, motivational personal coaching and skill enhancement for riders & horses of all levels and disciplines. www.GreatHorses.org, GreatHorses@msn.com

**Many Ways to Use Ground Poles and Cones to Improve Riding**  
**– Main Arena – Friday – 10:30 a.m.**

Come to this session to take home useful exercises for all levels of riders in all disciplines with the use of arena props such as ground poles and cones.
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See you next year!
Larry Killam
Larry lives in Colorado with his wife, Luana. He is a Level One instructor who loves to work with children and use John Lyons techniques. In 1997 he started HorseGate Ministry using his horses. Using biblical principles he teaches an array of subjects dealing with horsemanship. He offers individual classes and group setting at churches, camps, and equestrian events. His knowledge comes from such trainers as John Lyons, Debbie Bibb, Lew Sterrett, Paul Daily, and Julie Goodnight. He has successfully completed an apprenticeship program with Debbie Bibb a John Lyons Certified Trainer. He volunteers at Iron Horse Christian Youth Ranch teaching children and training rescue horses. He has written his first book titled, Horse Tales, which are four short horse stories from the Bible with a pinch of kid’s imagination.

School Horse Training
– Oak Lodge Round Table Talk
– Saturday – Noon
There are so many variables between teaching a child to ride properly and having a horse that responds well. I would like to hear from other instructors in how they handle those variables. For instance, how well does the horse need to be trained? Will the horse give to the bit, back up, side pass, and/or turn on haunches or forehand? If one horse is used by two different instructors who train both horse and student differently will that horse perform well enough to teach children to ride properly, etc.? Jennifer Mack
Jennifer has worked as a civilian horse trainer and riding instructor for Portland Mounted Police for fourteen years. She is certified as a drill instructor through the instructors program at London Metropolitan Mounted Branch. She is an Oregon native, who blends classical dressage and military riding with common sense horsemanship.

Desensitizing Horses to Stimuli the Mounted Police Way – Oak Lodge – Friday at 10:30 a.m.
Learn how to condition the mind of your horse to be a safe and levelheaded partner. Learn what types of stimuli to use to prepare your horse for common situations. Learn how to troubleshoot and avoid typical pitfalls when desensitizing.

Keely Kohl
Keely has been a STOTT Pilates Certified Instructor since June 2009. She has been teaching private and group classes in the Salem, Oregon area since 2008. Keely has an extensive background in dance and dance education, which is where she was first exposed to the benefits of Pilates. After feeling the dramatic changes Pilates made in her own body, she developed a passion for wanting to teach others how to make those changes in their own lives. “I experience so much joy when I hear the stories of how Pilates is changing the lives of my students. Their excitement about the changes they are experiencing is contagious and reminds me why I love teaching so much.” Keely is excited for the opportunity to share the benefits of Pilates with equestrians. She has grown up around horses and holds a great respect for dedicated riders. Keely is also a professional photographer and is the owner of Keely K. Studios, a portrait photography studio located in Salem, Oregon.

Pilates for Equestrians – Oak Lodge – Saturday – 2:30 p.m.
Pilates has many benefits, some of which include better balance, flexibility, increased mind-body awareness, healthy posture, pelvic and shoulder stability, increased focus and concentration, and strength. In this workshop, we will be exploring the basic principles of Pilates and how they can affect not only your life as an equestrian, but also your everyday life. We will discuss good posture (how it affects you and how it affects your horse), how to stretch effectively and safely, breathing, and the importance of core strength and flexibility. I will be giving you a handful of exercises to try and to take home. During the workshop, you will get a taste of what Pilates is all about, some basic tools to incorporate it into your life, and a better feeling body by the time we’re done.

Jim McDonald
Jim is a lifelong horseman and a lifelong learner. In the year 2000, he started a non-profit organization dedicated to horsemanship education. Part of its mission is to make the joy of a relationship with a horse available to people who would not ordinarily have that opportunity and that was the original motivation for founding the Graham Equestrian center (www.Grahameq.org). They work closely with anyone who wants to advance their horsemanship skills and knowledge. Jim is currently on the CHA Board of Directors and will be treasurer and is an AQHA Professional Horseman.

How To Make Obstacles To Spice Up Your Lessons – Oak Lodge – Friday – 2:30 p.m.
Using obstacles gives students a reason to learn new skills and helps them improve previously learned skills while having fun. Obstacles need to be study, colorful, safe and portable to be effective in your program. During this informal talk, you will learn about many interesting, inexpensive obstacles you can make or purchase. Attend this lecture to learn how to improve your program with fun, colorful, safe new toys everyone can enjoy.

Obstacle Work To Use In Your Lessons – Main Arena – Saturday – 1 p.m.
Now that you know what to use, we’ll teach you how to use them! Obstacles make your lessons exciting, fun and more educational. Learn how to use poles, cones, bridges and other obstacles in your lesson program to teach lengthening and collection, counting strides, lateral work, or simply improve basic control at all gaits. You and your students will love it!
Kim Meeder

Kim's life was torn apart at the early age of nine by her parents’ murder-suicide. She has since chosen to rise above the pain and become a powerful influence in the lives of many disadvantaged youth. On the day of her parents’ funeral, Kim experienced the special emotional comfort a horse could provide. This healing refuge became the foundation for all that was to follow. Through the love of a little mare and a merciful God, Kim’s life was saved. In 1995, Kim and her husband Troy made the decision to transform their 9-acre cinder quarry into a ranch for kids. Crystal Peaks Youth Ranch (CPYR) was born. This unique non-profit organization rescues abused and neglected horses and nurtures them back to health. These same horses are then used in the ranch’s riding program for children. Approximately 85% of the children who come to CPYR are disadvantaged in some way. The ranch focuses on individual instruction for each participant with one leader, one child and one horse...free of charge.

Having assisted in the rescue of more than 300 horses, CPYR currently supports 25 to 30 horses and welcomes four to five thousand visitors every year. The ranch also works closely with nearly all local youth and family organizations. Although the ranch activities are designed for “at risk” youth, all children are welcome.

In 2003, Multnomah Publishers released Kim’s first book, Hope Rising. Her book has been well received nationwide and abroad and has been translated into German, Chinese and Slavic. It has spurred numerous requests for magazine, television and radio interviews. Her radio interview on Focus on the Family with Dr. James Dobson was their number one show of 2004. Bridge Called Hope, Kim’s second highly anticipated book was released September 2006. It was also featured on Focus on the Family and became one of the top five shows of 2007. Her third book Blind Hope, an unwanted dog and the woman she rescued was released in 2010. Her Blind Hope interview with Focus on the family became one of the top five shows for 2010. Her interview with Family Talk Radio was chosen as their premiere show in 2010. The message of hope through this book has continued to spread nationwide and abroad and has been translated into Korean as well. Her fourth book, Fierce Beauty, choosing to stand for what matters most, released in October 2011 is rapidly gaining notoriety and praise, some of which comes from endorsements by Dr. James Dobson and Luanne Craine—Family Talk Radio, Dr. Julie Slattery—Focus on the Family, Meredith Andrews—Recording Artist, and Chris Telfer—Oregon State Senator.

Keynote Speaker – CHA Awards Banquet – Saturday at 6 p.m.

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Training basics for singles and teams. Are you interested in CHA driving certification? Melissa and Phil will take the mystery out of what you need to know. If you have a draft horse or a mini and anything in between, this workshop will help you understand the basics of safe driving. We will look at harnessing form to function as well as hands-on driving a single horse hitch. Hands-on driving limited to first 12 participants. Others may audit and learn from coaching.

Mike Pilato

Mike has been a certified athletic trainer for 22 years. He began researching the concept of the equestrian as an athlete in 2003 under the mentorship of Doris Bixby-Hammett and Drusilla Malavase. His research into this area includes gender differences as they relate to riding mechanics, injury management and falling safety, fitting the rider to the horse and adapting sports medicine to meet the needs of the horse-riding athlete. He has presented at several CHA Regional conferences, United States Pony Club national meetings and The British Horse Societies Annual Instructor Meeting. His work has appeared in several publications and the Equestrian Medical Safety Association Newsletter.

An Athletic Testing Model for Predicting and Solving On-Horse Problems
– Oak Lodge
– Friday – 4 p.m.

The equestrian coach/trainer is at a disadvantage compared to other sports coaches, when it comes to solving problems with the equestrian athlete. This course reviews the Athletic Model, its application to equestrian sports and provides the instructor with a simple off-horse test protocol to compliment the on horse testing used by coaches/trainers to solve on horse problems.

Heading for the Hills
– Trail Encampment
– Friday at 10:30 a.m.

Are you planning an overnight trip or a week-long adventure? We’ll look at essentials, and non-essentials for the trip as well as packing tips for getting it all into camp in one piece. Ideas for easy one night trips or lunch rides that make it a memorable experience.

Seasonal Staff Training Lecture
– Main Arena Viewing Area
– Thursday at 3:30 p.m.

Seasonal staff can be your biggest blessing or your worst nightmare. We’ll look at some tried and true techniques to jump start your seasonal staff with realistic expectations. Plus, a lesson on equipping your staff with the right tools for the job.

Driving – Training Arena
– Saturday at 9 a.m.

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Beth Powers

For the past 25 years, Beth has been the Equestrian Director at YMCA Camp Willson, in Bellefontaine, Ohio. She oversees the year round health and welfare of a herd of 44 horses and ponies. Beth has served on the board of CHA and is the current Vice President, a site visitor for both CHA and the American Camp Association. Beth is also currently on the American Youth Horse Council Board (AYHC) of Directors and was the 2006 CHA Volunteer of the Year for her work in the CHA booth at the Ohio Equine Affaire, and all of her work on CHA committees, board and providing editorial content and games for all of the TeamCHA Newsletters.

Kathy Reimer

Kathy is a CHA master instructor and former assistant clinic instructor from Mission B.C., and has been certified for 25 years. She volunteers in the horsemanship program at Timberline Ranch and teaches Western and English lessons at Silverhill Farm.

Teaching Young Riders – Main Arena Viewing Area – Thursday – 2 p.m.

Come learn how to design creative riding programs for children ages 4 - 8. This age group is typically an untapped market in the horse world. Although these students may be too young to ride independently, there are many effective techniques that can be used to help kids gain confidence and competence on and off the horse. Christine and Kathy have many years experience in teaching young riders, and will enthusiastically share their program ideas and teaching aids with you.

Tara Reimer

Tara Reimer BSc. Ag has always been involved with horses including 30+ years of show ring experience. Tara spent 15 years with 4-H.

From a young age, she has driven and shown the family’s Belgian hitch and now enjoys her own team at home. Tara and her husband, Derek, own/operate Cloud 9 Ranch near Steinbach, Manitoba where she spends most of her time teaching Western and English riding and vaulting lessons, training horses, judging and giving clinics. She is a CHA Clinic Instructor certifying riders coaches across Canada and USA and she is the CHA Region 2 Director. She is also an AQHA Professional Horseman. Through Equine Canada she is a General Performance Judge and Western Coach. Tara continues to show horses and enjoys the challenge of preparing young horses for futurities. She loves horses no matter the discipline. She has experience showing AQHA, Futurities, Open shows, Gymkhana, Reining, Rodeo and Working Cow Horse Events. Tara’s passion is teaching, humans or horses. She is proud of all her

Successful Trade Show Booth Tips – Oak Lodge Round Table Talk – Saturday – Noon

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**Schooling Figures – Oak Lodge Round Table Talk – Saturday at Noon**

This talk will focus on arena schooling figures and how to set one pattern for different levels, skills and goals.

**Dawn Ross**

Dawn has been involved with a CHA program since 1995. Most recently working as an Instructor of Animal Science for Oregon State University and Coach of the 2012 National Champion, Intercollegiate Western Equestrian team (IHSA).

**Horsemanship Patterns for any Discipline – Training Arena – Thursday at 2 p.m.**

This session will demonstrate how to use horsemanship patterns to improve any riding program.

**Patti Skipton**

Patti was introduced to vaulting over 35 years ago, while attending school at Rawhide Vocational College. While there, she learned all aspects of Western Horsemanship, but fell in love with the sport of vaulting. Since that time, she has started vaulting programs in numerous camps, and established two large, competitive vaulting clubs. In 1994, Patti’s team (Monte Vista Vaulters in CA) was chosen to represent the US at the World Eq. Games in The Hague. In 1996 she coached the vaulting “Friendship Team” who demonstrated at the Olympics in Atlanta. Six years ago Patti and her husband moved to WA to work at Warm Beach Camps. Patti soon had a vaulting club (Warm Beach Vaulters), established which is currently the third largest in the nation. With the World Eq. Games being held in KY in 2010, Patti trained and longed a horse for the S African team to compete on at the games. She also coached the “Friendship Team” who performed there as well. Patti was chosen AAVA “Trainer of the Year” for 2009 and “Mentor of the Year” for 2010. Roman Riding is a newer addition to Patti’s “horsey” interests!

**Vaulting Basics – Training Arena – Friday at 1 p.m.**

Basics of a vaulting program will be covered and opportunity to try moves on the barrel and horse. Come audit or try as much or little as you want with Patti and Melissa. Good horses and spotters will help you be successful! Be warned; vaulting is addictive!

**Advanced Vaulting – Training Arena – Saturday at 2:30 p.m.**

What can we do next? Simple Freestyle moves that you can do and teach your students. Learn new moves or practice ones from the first session.

**Roman Riding – Main Arena – Saturday at 4 p.m. – $55 per participant**

**Harris Statema**

Harris comes at the Equine Nutrition aspects from several different sides. His wife and he started a feed store in 1978, owned and operated it for 28 years. He bought and sold a large quantity of hays over the years, so worked hard at finding the right hay for the customer at the best price. Throughout this time frame, Harris fell in love with horse nutrition and that created a desire to educate himself in all aspects to better serve and educate horse owners. His goal on any farm is to provide optimal nutrition to enable each horse to reach its genetic potential – using the theory that a balanced horse will always be more cost effective for the owner. He has worked with some of the best horses in the world, but also with many horses with issues to solve. But behind all this, he has Dr. Steve Duren and Dr. Tania Cubitt (Performance Horse Nutrition) as back up to make sure that he can give the owner the best information and education.

**Nutrition for the Older and Problem Horse – Oak Lodge – Friday at 1 p.m.**

This session will cover more of the problem horse issues, including the aged horse, metabolic horse and the horse that works on a regular basis, and the potential problems of each. We will look at choosing hays (if you have a choice) how to maximize what you get out of hays, and how to fill in the deficiencies. We will go in-depth into the role of starch and sugars in hays and pasture, and how to control affected horses and will end with creating a healthy horse and the immune system to minimize potential problems.

**Teaching Techniques for Riding Instructors – Oak Lodge – Thursday at 2 p.m.**

**Preparation for a CHA Clinic – Training Arena – Friday – 9 a.m. to Noon**

In this group of classes you will learn how to prepare a successful lesson plan which encompasses all different learning styles that you can take to the arena. You will also get an opportunity to participate in a clinic setting, see an example of a 12-15 minute lesson and if time permits have a chance to teach a lesson and be evaluated. This is a great opportunity if you want to take a CHA clinic to prepare you for what to expect or if you have already attended a clinic and need a refresher or practice. You will also have a chance to ask questions so you have a better understanding of the CHA clinic process.

**Beau T. Whitaker, CJF**

Beau grew up in the high desert of central Oregon. There he was involved with horses since a youth. Through cowboying, rodeoing, and training he earned his respect for the equine animal. He then moved to Corvallis, OR where he studied to be an agricultural teacher at Oregon State University and received a Bachelor’s of Science degree. During his time at Oregon State University Beau also attended and graduated from Linn Benton Community College’s Farrier Science Program. He has studied under some well-respected farriers, such as Don Hook and Larry Bewley. He traveled within and out of the state of Oregon with Don Hook for two years. Beau is a Certified Journeyman Farrier...
by the American Farriers Association and currently runs a multi-state farrier service. He is also an active member of the American Farriers Association. He and His wife, Nicole are the owners and founders of OFS. Beau enjoys spending time with his family and being a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Farrier Science – Farrier School – Saturday – 10:30 a.m.

Come to this session with your questions about horse shoeing, barefoot concepts, specialty shoes, lameness issues, etc. Beau and Danvers will educate you on the farrier science.

Susan Xanthopoulos
A veteran rider, trainer and USDF Silver Medalist, Susan is co-founder of J&S Sport Horses Inc. Over the years, she has successfully trained and ridden horses to FEI level. Susan’s thoroughbred horse Parable, placed 12th in Prix St. George, in the 1989 California Championships. Susan continued training Parable to Grand Prix. Parable was sold and became a school master for several owners. Her Warm Blood mare Alexa, became a first-level dressage champion in California in 1996. She advanced Alexa to Intermediate I. Because of her background as an Occupational Therapist and knowledge of kinesiology, Susan recognized the value of biomechanics when it comes to training horses and riders. She studied biomechanics from Gerd Huschmann, DVM, from Germany and all current research around the world. Susan incorporated this knowledge to design complex systems of training that improved balance and the overall well being of both horse and rider. As the shift from Classical Riding to Modern Show Dressage took place in the early 2000’s, Susan noticed that many trainers were beginning to contradict each other, causing confusion for riders and horses. Determined to solve this issue, Susan began to combine the traditional practices of dressage (i.e. Gustav Steinbrecht) with the teachings of several top riding instructors. Combined with her biomechanics training, Susan began to promote positioning and riding that proved the overall movement of the horses. By teaching her own riders about biomechanics, her students were riding the horse in a more natural style that was not only biomechanically correct, but decreased long-term injuries to the horse. Susan focuses on improving straightness (making students aware of crookedness) Connection, Balance and Rhythm (learning timing in footfall, slowing down the feet, so the horse can balance correctly). Susan’s students ride with the goal of creating a harmonious partnership between horse and rider. And although Susan teaches and trains to FEI, she has a real love for other disciplines as well, including western, hunt seat, trail, and eventing. She is planning to continue her education by getting her Master’s Degree in Biomechanics and use the research to further improve communication between horse and rider.

The Research on Biomechanics of Horse and Rider – Oak Lodge – Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

Our current era of technology has allowed equine movement to be studied in depth, hence... Biomechanics. We now can use MRI and other electrical images to see what occurs when a horse moves with or without a rider. This helps to enhance our ability to improve the way we train and ride. Learning from this research, from top veterinarians and universities will change the way you look at riding forever. In this lecture we will discuss current research from Dr. Gerd Heuschmann and Dr. Hilary...
Clayton. Both of these veterinarians have made great advances in demonstrating how the horse is meant to use its back and how humans can permanently damage the horse by riding incorrectly. Mechanical mechanisms such as the Nuchal Ligament are very important to understand how the horses back lifts to support the rider. Another important discussion within Biomechanics will be straightness of the horse and rider during training.

**Mounted Session on Biomechanics – Training Arena – Saturday at 1 p.m.**

During the mounted session we will show how the back comes up using ground work. You will learn important stretches to help heal horses that have been injured from being poorly ridden. We then will progress to the mounted session discussing further how to stretch your horse under saddle and develop a correct connection. Riding correctly with the back up and always pushing contact toward the mouth will not only improve your success but will help your horse to have a healthier back. (A horse who’s ridden incorrectly first starts with a sore back and eventually other lameness’s will show up in the hocks, stifle etc). Also taught in this session, will be the importance of straightness of the horse and rider, as most riders ride their horses crooked!

JoAnne Young

JoAnne has been teaching riding and training horses for over 40 years, and is happy that she is still learning. Every student and every horse bring fresh challenges that keep life interesting. She has been privileged and blessed beyond her wildest dreams to study with such wonderful instructors as Walter Zettl (dressage coach to Canadian event team when they won bronze at Los Angeles Olympics), Bertin Potter in Germany, Molly Sivewright (FEI judge and past chair of the Fellows of the British Horse Society), Carel Eijkemaar (FEI judge), Eddo Hoestra (F.E.I. Trainer) and Doris Halstead (Physical Therapist and author of “Releasing the Potential: Physical Therapy Modalities for Horse and Rider.” Jo-Anne is the author of the M.A. thesis: “Preparing students for riding instructor certification through college curricula.”

**Visuals to Use with your Students to Improve Grasp of Essential Theory – Oak Lodge – Thursday at 3:30 p.m.**

Teaching riding by using just words is about as easy as teaching someone born blind to understand and appreciate colors! It is hard to use words alone to guide people to grasp and implement effectively the essential theory behind the skills. Tools to simplify your teaching and enhance your riders’ learning will be presented. Bring your notebooks, but bring your own effective methods to share, too!

**Developing ‘Feel’ in Riders – Main Arena – Friday at 4 p.m.**

Without “feel,” riding becomes wooden and mechanical. Without “feel,” riders’ progress can be stymied or frustratingly slow. Exercises, comparisons, and word pictures you can use to guide riders to true feel will be taught.

**Exercises to Improve Responsiveness and Balance – Main Arena – Saturday at 9 a.m.**

We instructors know that we can only teach our riders to progress to the level of the capabilities of the lesson horses we (or they) have available. This workshop will present ways to fine tune our equine partners and raise their level of training, so we can then guide our students further up the ladder of excellence. These methods will also enhance the horses’ enjoyment of their work as our valued partners.
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