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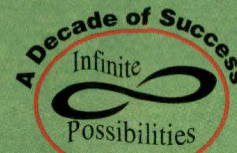
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 **TRAN 2005**
Annual Conference

AWARDS PROGRAM

November 20-22, 2005
The Woodlands, Texas

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**2005 Annual
Texas RehabACTion Network**

*Awards and Recognition
Ceremony*

**Monday, November 21, 2005
Six o'clock in the evening**

**The Woodlands Waterway Marriott
The Woodlands, Texas**

Awards Evening Dedicated to Dr. Lex Frieden



Our “Champion of Champions” in Vocational Rehabilitation is Dr. Lex Frieden. This Awards evening is dedicated to his many VR accomplishments. He is the Senior Vice President at TIRR (The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research) in Houston, Texas. He is also Director of TIRR's Independent Living Research Utilization Program (ILRU) and Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Baylor College of Medicine. Dr. Frieden was appointed by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the U.S. Senate on July 26, 2002, as Chairperson of the National Council on Disability, an independent federal agency located in Washington D.C. The Council is charged with making recommendations on disability policy issues to the President and Congress. A graduate of Tulsa University, Dr. Frieden has been honored as a Distinguished Alumnus. He also holds a master's degree in social psychology from the University of Houston. He has done additional graduate work in rehabilitation psychology at the University of Houston with support from an SRS doctoral fellowship, and he has been awarded a World Rehabilitation Fund Fellowship to study programs for disabled people in Europe. In 2004, he was awarded an honorary doctorate in law (LL.D.) by the National University of Ireland.



Loranda Weikel has a long and distinguished career in theater arts as both a performer and an educator. She graduated from Kansas State University with a double major in radio/television and speech/theater arts. She later received her teacher certification from the University of Houston. Loranda currently teaches theater arts at Goodson Middle School in the Cy-Fair Independent School District. She is an active volunteer at Texas Children's Hospital where she provides entertainment to the children who are patients at the hospital using her skills in radio production and drama. She was among the first female, African American, television reporters in the US. She also earned the distinction and title of Miss Black Teenage Kansas.

Loranda is married to Robert Weikel, Operations Director for Regional Program Support in DARS Region IV. She is proud to be the mother of Brandon and step-mother of Rachel and Kara. We are pleased to welcome this talented and goal-oriented hostess as the Gala Awards Ceremony Mistress of Ceremonies.

DIONYSUS THEATRE

Dionysus Theater is a non-profit organization that provides theatre experience for teens and young adults who are disabled, disadvantaged, chronically ill, or those able-bodied actors who want to help us spread our message of love, dignity and tolerance of all disabilities.

Debra Nowinski: Artistic
Director/Playwright/Founder
Glenn Sharp: Musical Director/Composer
E.J. Nolan: Songwriter/Audio Technician

CAST

Marquia Banks
Lori Evans
Greg Tambera
Jacob Penzell
David Richards
Aurelia Webb
Samie Anne Battaglia
Ana Calvo

VIGNETTES

Love is a Disability—Song
Spiritual Love—Talk To Me—Marquia
Metro Lift
Ana's Story—In My Room
Jailhouse Blues
Samie The Super Star
Lori's Song
Say My Name—Light of Love

Awards & Dinner Theatre November 21, 2005

Mistress of Ceremony
Loranda Weikel

Red Carpet Gala

Opening Remarks

Inspiration

- Wayne Calder, Shepherd of the Heart UMC

Dinner is served

- Dr. Lex Frieden, "Champion of
Champions" in Vocational Rehabilitation

Awards

- ❖ Outstanding TRAN Committee Member
- ❖ 2005 TRAN Member of the Year
- ❖ 2005 TRAN Non-member of the Year
- ❖ TRAN Member of the Decade
- ❖ TRAN Officer and Retiring Board Member

The Dionysus Theatre Troupe

Awards

- ❖ Ken Vogel Memorial Award
- ❖ Vernon "Max" Arrell Lifetime
Achievement Award
- ❖ TRAN Legislator Award
- ❖ ARAN Award

Awards/Recognition Committee

- Raul Tello & Stephanie Jenkins

Closing Remarks

- Del Gardner, Cruisin' With the Commissioners
- Cheryl Guido, Conference Chair

❖ **OUTSTANDING TRAN STANDING
COMMITTEE MEMBER**

(Outstanding, Hard Working, Committee
Member)

Nominees

*Juanita Barker
Cheryl Guido
Raul Tello
Dennis Tyler*

❖ **TRAN MEMBER OF THE DECADE AWARD**

Nominees

*Ted Candler
Michelle McCall*

❖ **TRAN MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

(Promotes the Mission of TRAN)

Nominees

*Arnold Gamez
Daniel Glenn
Cheryl Guido
Jim Haile
Karen Mitchell
Tom Poole
Berta Roque
Mary Saenz*

❖ **TRAN AWARD**

(Outstanding contribution to the
accomplishment of TRAN's mission by a non-
member)

Nominees

*Aurora Aguilar
Steve Christopher
Alice Davis
Robert Magnes*

❖ **KEN VOGEL MEMORIAL AWARD**

(A supervisor who promotes teamwork, a
great leader, promotes and encourages
communications, motivates others to grow
personally and professionally, dedicated to
performance, etc.)

Nominees

*Tony Lawrence
Barbara Madrigal
Jeremy Martin
Antonio Ocana, Jr.
Earl Ridle
Tim Spong
Dorothy Suratt
Laurie Truelove
Frankie Watson
Donna Williams*

❖ **LEGISLATOR AWARD**

(A legislator who has provided exceptional
assistance and support to the efforts of
public rehabilitation)

Nominees

*Tommy Williams
Judith Zaffarini*

❖ **VERNON "MAX" ARRELL AWARD**

(Lifetime achievement providing assistance
and support to public rehabilitation)

Nominees

Jackson King

❖ **TRAN OFFICER & RETIRING BOARD
MEMBER**



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CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS
IN VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION**

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WOW!



Welcome To

TRAN

10th Anniversary

TRAINING CONFERENCE

The 2005 Conference Committee



President's Message

As President of the Texas RehabACTion Network, I appreciate the opportunity to welcome each of you to our 10th Annual TRAN Training Conference in the beautiful Woodlands, Texas. The 2005 TRAN Annual Conference Committee's Theme is "In Pursuit of WOW!" From all indications, their dedication to this Pursuit is Infinitely Possible.

The Mission of the Texas RehabACTion Network, Inc. (TRAN) is to advance the Public Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program assuring effective service delivery for persons with disabilities. Our Mission is accomplished by (1) Advocating, educating and mobilizing legislative and public support; (2) Providing training conferences, forums and other effective communication methods for VR professionals; and (3) Fostering the highest standards of professional conduct.

In the spirit of our Mission, we are proud to enhance your professional growth. We are pleased that you have taken the opportunity to attend and know that this will be a most rewarding experience for you.

Thank you.

Marguerita Vincentini

Texas RehabACTion Network
2005 President

2005 TRAN LEADERSHIP

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Loretta Brown / Janie Escobedo / Jenny Hall
Jackson King / Roy Larsen / Cheryl Guido / Juanita Barker

—TRAN COMMITTEES—

ADVOCACY & CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY ~ *Jim Haile, Chair / Maria Nava, Co-Chair*
ANNUAL CONFERENCE ~ *Cheryl Guido, Chair*
AUDIT ~ *Bud Croom, Chair*
BY-LAWS ~ *Chuck Brewton, Chair*
COMMUNITY INITIATIVE ~ *Jerald Stewart, Chair / Keith Stanford, Co-Chair*
CONTINUING EDUCATION/PROGRAM ~ *Irma Falcon, Chair Kathleen Neville, Co-Chair*
DATABASE ~ *Brenda Hills, Chair*
HISTORICAL ~ *Robert Marx, Chair / Diane Miller, Co-Chair*
MEMBERSHIP ~ *John Weeks, Chair*
NOMINATING ~ *Linda Payne, Chair / Juanita Barker, Co-Chair*
PLANNING ~ *Dennis Kutach, Chair*
RECOGNITION ~ *Raul Tello, Chair / Lila Muse, Co-Chair*
SERVICE PROJECT ~ *Robert Gerhardt, Chair*
WAYS AND MEANS ~ *Delbert Gardner, Chair*
WEB, NEWSLETTER, PUBLIC INFORMATION/PRINTING ~ *Ted Candler, Chair*



In Pursuit of WOW!

We're so excited that you are here to help us celebrate at our 10th Annual TRAN Training Conference. We are introducing a new concept this year in order to mentor and prepare for future leadership roles in TRAN, I have selected Cheryl Guido as the 2005 Conference Chairperson. I wholeheartedly support her, and you will find Cheryl to be a very dedicated, motivated and knowledgeable Conference Chair.

We have carefully chosen an amazing site in The Woodlands, Texas. Our Conference will provide you with numerous opportunities to be educated and entertained! The 2005 TRAN Annual Conference Committee's Theme is "In Pursuit of WOW!" We've followed the concepts of business guru, Tom Peters, and we are working on your behalf to provide you with a firsthand experience of "WOW!" throughout the conference.

While you may be familiar with a number of training sessions, you will also experience a number of 'new and creative' opportunities designed to enhance and improve our delivery of VR services. These Training Initiatives include thirty-six (36) dynamic Break-Out Sessions, four (4) inspiring General Sessions and a choice of three (3) locations for an offsite Rehabilitation Facility Tour. Our speakers include distinguished university faculty, physicians, psychologists, and renowned Rehabilitation professionals who are all experts in their chosen fields. To enhance your learning experience, we have included many Planned Activities where you are sure to find something for everyone. You may be quite familiar with some of these events, but you will also have the opportunity to experience a number of 'new and creative' adventures. Our Planned Activities include the glamour and glitz of Live Dinner Theatre, Live Music, Mixers, and Dances. We will also stimulate your body, your mind and your soul with a Golf Tournament, a Walk-A-Thon, delicious Food, a Silent Auction, Raffles, Door Prizes, and Fun at the Movies.

And finally, you will also be free to enjoy "Special Moments". These sublime events include Chats with the Commissioners, Recognition for Retirees, "Photo Ops" with Senior Executive Leadership, Recognition for our ARAN National Leadership, a Memoriam for our Deceased Public Servants in the Last 10 Years, and Red Carpet Recognition of Outstanding Rehabilitation Professionals.

We are In Pursuit of WOW! Please come prepared to be amazed by this stimulating, creative, and enjoyable experience!

Frankie F. Watson, CRC
Conference Administrator
10th Annual 2005 Conference
Texas RehabACTion Network



A Few Words of Welcome

On behalf of the Texas RehabACTion Network (TRAN), it's my great privilege to welcome you to The Woodlands for the 10th Annual TRAN Training Conference.

Each year, a number of vocational rehabilitation (VR) conferences are held throughout the world. However, the "Decade of Success ... Infinite Possibilities" Conference is of special importance because we are providing both foundation and advanced training topics for VR professionals in Texas.

Congratulations on your decision to learn more about how to provide World Class Rehabilitation to persons with disabilities in Texas! You have made the right choice.

We hope you will enjoy the luxurious accommodations, delicious food, lively entertainment, dynamic training sessions as well as many other unique and exciting opportunities. A Water Taxi ride is an enchanting experience all by itself, so trust me; you will not want to miss it. Together with our diverse and dedicated committee members, our committed supporters, and The Woodlands Chamber of Commerce, we are making every effort to ensure a rewarding and successful 2005 TRAN Conference.

So friends, we thank you for joining us to explore the future of rehabilitation, to contribute your knowledge to our growing pool of expertise, to renew your acquaintances, to make new friends, and to enjoy our hospitality. We have wonderful opportunities for you to discover and enjoy.

Cheryl Guido

2005 Conference Chair
10th Annual 2005 Conference
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Welcome!

Retirees



10TH ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

November 20-22, 2005

2005 Conference Agenda — Texas RehabACTion Network

Conference Administrator: Frankie Watson • Conference Chair: Cheryl Guido

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2005

PRE-CONFERENCE (Optional)

Attend this optional day at your own expense.

Saturday Afternoon

12:00 NOON SET UP

- **SILENT AUCTION** - Facilitators: *Anne Cruz & Tess Horton*
- **EXHIBITS** - Facilitator: *John Barker*
- **REGISTRATION** - Facilitator: *Evette Johnson*

2:00 P.M. 2005 ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Alden Bridge The Woodlands Hotel & Conference Center

Attendees: *All Conference Committee Members*

Facilitator: *Joyce Cooley*

Saturday Evening

6:00 P.M. WORSHIP EXPERIENCE AT LAKEWOOD CHURCH

- Greenway Plaza, 3700
- Southwest Freeway, Houston, TX

Facilitator: *Frankie Watson*

9:00 P.M. A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: *THE NOTEBOOK*

Woodlands Plot Outline: A love story about Noah & Allie. She suffers from Alzheimer's disease. They live in a nursing home where he reads daily stories to her from a weathered notebook...

Starring: Gena Rowlands, James Garner

Facilitators: *Libby Davis & Maria Murphey*

 *Popcorn & lemonade will be available.*

11:00 P.M. EVENING ENDS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2005

OPENING DAY

Sunday Morning

7:30 A.M. ● EXHIBITS SET UP - Facilitator: *John Barker*

● **REGISTRATION OPENS** - Facilitator: *Evette Johnson*

● **WALK-A-THON BEGINS** - Facilitator: *Charles Lewis & James Bell*

● **SILENT AUCTION OPENS** - Facilitator: *Anne Cruz*

● **GOLF TOURNAMENT BEGINS** - Facilitator: *Kim Olson*

- The Oaks Course
- 2301 N. Millbend Drive
- The Woodlands, Texas, 77380

8:00 A.M. CYBER-CAFÉ OPENS

Conroe Sponsor: *Brenda Hills*

Sunday Afternoon

ATTIRE: Business Casual

12:00 NOON *WELCOME TO HOUSTON! RECEPTION BEGINS - Facilitator: Cheryl Guido*

EXHIBIT HALL GOOD FOOD, GOOD FUN, GOOD MUSIC!

SPECIAL GUEST MUSICIAN: Besim Bajraktarevic

WINNERS CIRCLE FOR WALK-A-THON - Facilitator: Terry Boyce

2:45 P.M. *WILLIS HIGH SCHOOL BAND PRE-SHOW - Facilitator: Carolyn Wilburn*
EXHIBIT HALL

3:00 P.M. **OPENING PLENARY**

EXHIBIT HALL

Eileen Faxas, Mistress of Ceremony

Facilitators - Frankie Watson & Cheryl Guido

- FIREWORKS PRESENTATION
- WILLIS HIGH SCHOOL BAND
 - Principal: *Ben Cooper*
 - Band Director: *Wendy Marquart*
- NATIONAL ANTHEM
- INSPIRATION
 - *Pastor Wayne Calder, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church*
- PROCLAMATION FROM THE WOODLANDS
 - *Texas State Senator Tommy Williams*
- RECOGNITION OF RETIRED PUBLIC SERVANTS
- HAPPY 10TH ANNIVERSARY
 - *Conference Chair Cheryl Guido*

1ST GENERAL SESSION

President Maggie Vincentini, Presiding

PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE OF TRAN

Dennis Kutach & Jim Haile

ANNOUNCEMENTS: *Conference Chair Cheryl Guido*

- **EVENTS:** *Terry Boyce*
- **GENERAL SESSIONS:** *Gretta Wright*
- **TRAINING PROGRAMS:** *Karen Mitchell*
- **ENTERTAINMENT:** *Del Gardner, Jr.*

5:00 P.M. *CLOSING by Conference Chair Cheryl Guido*

Sunday Evening

ATTIRE: Evening Casual

6:30 P.M. **AN EVENING IN THE WOODLANDS - Waterway 4**

Waterway 4 BUFFET, COCKTAILS, LIVE MUSIC, AND DANCING!

Sponsor: TOUCHSTONE NEURORECOVERY

Band: Toast & Jam

Facilitator: Del Gardner

9:00 P.M. **A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: A BEAUTIFUL MIND**

Woodlands Plot Outline: A math prodigy overcomes years of suffering with schizophrenia to win the Nobel Prize.
Starring: Russell Crowe, Ed Harris
Facilitators: *Libby Davis & Maria Murphey*
 *Popcorn & lemonade will be available.*

11:00 P.M. EVENING ENDS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2005

TRAINING DAY

Monday Morning

ATTIRE: Business Casual

7:00 A.M. BREAKFAST IS SERVED

EXHIBIT HALL • **WINNERS CIRCLE FOR GOLF TOURNAMENT**
Sponsor: D & R ENGRAVERS
Facilitator: *Terry Boyce*

8:00 A.M. CYBER-CAFÉ OPENS
Conroe Sponsor: *Brenda Hills*

8:00 A.M. **OPTION A: FACILITY TOURS**
HOTEL LOBBY **TRANSPORTATION & PICK-UP**
Facilitator: *Tasheara Jennings*

- TRANSITIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY
Galveston, Texas
Facilitator: *Kathy Finley*

8:00 A.M. **OPTION B: 2ND GENERAL SESSION**
EXHIBIT HALL **"CHARACTER DRIVEN SUCCESS"**
Dr. Beverly Chiodo, Texas State University
Facilitator: *Gretta Wright*

10:00 A.M. BREAK

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- TOUCHSTONE NEURORECOVERY
Conroe, Texas
Facilitator: *Donald Watson*
- THE INSTITUTE FOR REHABILITATION & RESEARCH
Houston, Texas
Facilitator: *Karina Pulido*

10:15 A.M. **OPTION B: BREAK-OUT SESSION #1 (1A - 1L)**
Facilitators: *Karen Mitchell, Beverly Kmiecik, Linda Robinson*

WATERWAY 1 RETIREES BRUNCH - Facilitator: *Anna Bounds*

Sponsor: Adaptive Driving Access

11:30 A.M. SILENT AUCTION CLOSING

EXHIBIT HALL Facilitator: *Anne Cruz*

12:00 NOON LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

Monday Afternoon

ATTIRE: Business Casual

1:00 P.M. BREAK-OUT SESSION #2 (2A - 2L)

Facilitators: *Karen Mitchell, Beverly Kmiecik, Linda Robinson*

2:15 P.M. BREAK

2:30 P.M. BREAK-OUT SESSION #3 (3A - 3L)

Facilitators: *Karen Mitchell, Beverly Kmiecik, Linda Robinson*

3:45 P.M. BREAK

4:00 P.M. ARAN BOARD MEETING

Attendees: *ARAN Board Members Only*

4:00 P.M. 3RD GENERAL SESSION

EXHIBIT HALL A TRIBUTE TO PUBLIC SERVANTS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

"CULTURE & VALUES: A LEGACY THROUGH LETTERS"

Dr. Beverly Chiodo, Texas State University

4:45 P.M. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Conference Chair Cheryl Guido

- **AWARDS:** *Raul Tello*
- **CRUISIN' WITH COMMISSIONERS:** *Del Gardner, Jr.*
- **WORLD CLASS REHABILITATION:** *Mike Schepperly*

5:00 P.M. CLOSING by Conference Chair Cheryl Guido

Monday Evening

ATTIRE: Dressy Casual

Facilitators - *Raul Tello, Stephanie Jenkins, Del Gardner*

5:45 P.M. RED CARPET GALA

BALLROOM Loranda Weikel, Mistress of Ceremony

- **INVOCATION**
 - *Pastor Wayne Calder, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church*

AWARDS DINNER

- **DINNER IS SERVED**
- **PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**
- **RECOGNITION OF RETIRED PUBLIC SERVANTS**

DINNER THEATRE

INTRODUCTION OF DR. LEX FRIEDEN

- THE DIONYSUS THEATRE TROUPE

Vignettes from *Return to Love* will be performed by the award-winning Dionysus Theatre Troupe.

9:00 P.M.
Water Taxi

CRUISIN' IN THE WATER TAXI WITH THE COMMISSIONERS

Tour de Lights - Facilitator: *Del Gardner*

- Commissioner Terry Murphy, DARS
- Assistant Commissioner Terry Smith, DRS
- Assistant Commissioner Barbara Madrigal, DBS

9:00 P.M. A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: *I AM SAM*

Woodlands

Plot Outline: A man with mental retardation fights for custody of his 7-year-old daughter, and in the process teaches his cold-hearted lawyer the value of love and family.

Starring: Sean Penn, Michelle Pfeiffer

Facilitators: *Libby Davis & Maria Murphey*

 *Popcorn & lemonade will be available.*

11:00 P.M. EVENING ENDS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2005

T-SHIRT DAY

Tuesday Morning

ATTIRE: Casual

7:00 A.M. BREAKFAST IS SERVED

8:00 A.M. CYBER-CAFÉ OPENS

Sponsor: *Brenda Hills*

8:00 A.M.

Ballroom

CLOSING GENERAL SESSION

Gretta Wright, Facilitator

Mike Schepperly, DRS Program Director

BELLAIRE BELLES - Bellaire High School

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Moderator

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"WORLD CLASS REHABILITATION"

Columbia (*Meri Perra*), Russia (*Bruce Peveto*), Canada (*Della Richhart*), Viet Nam (*Marie Shotwell, Tammy Bui, Trang Ngo*), Nigeria (*Dr. Stephen Akhiemokhali, Ekere Williams*), Philippines (*Anne Cruz*), Mexico (*Raul Tello*), Honduras (*Lucretia Martinez*), China (*Jean Wong*), Bolivia (*Elizabeth Richardi*), Guyana (*Francis Drepaul*)

10:00 A.M. CONFERENCE CLOSING *Conference Chair Cheryl Guido*

DEPARTURE

- *Pastor Wayne Calder*, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church

BREAK

10:30 A.M. TRAN ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING BEGINS

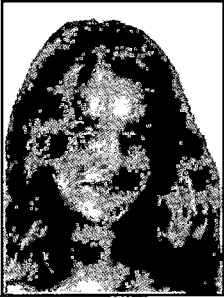
12:00 NOON TRAN ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING CLOSSES

**Happy Anniversary to TRAN! It has been my
Honor to serve the membership as your treasurer!
Jim Wilson**

**HOUSTON AREA REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION
Welcomes TRAN to the Woodlands.
Congratulations on a successful 10 years!
H.A.R.A.**

**Happy Big 10th TRAN! And many more!
Jan Boyd UST II
DARS Dallas Southeast Field Office**

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS



Eileen Faxas is our Opening Plenary "Mistress of Ceremony!" Eileen was, until March, a consumer reporter on KHOU (Channel 11). She now spends much of her time auditioning band members. As she gears up for a new career, her goals are big: performing at the White House, singing on the Grammy's, having a European leg of her big tour. There's no time for small-time goals. Eileen Faxas is proud to be part of the "Katrina CD". The CD is produced by a group of independent musicians and proceeds will go to relief effort.

"I have gigantic dreams ... If I quit my job for this, why would I dream little? I did it because I want to go all the way." Eileen Faxas dedicates her life to helping everyone be all that they can be! Motivating and encouraging people are her passion.



Senator Tommy Williams is a public servant dedicated to assuring that public servants receive the best compensation that the State of Texas can provide. He has advocated for what is in the best interest of state employees. He is a resident of The Woodlands and is present at our conference to proclaim that vocational rehabilitation professionals are welcome in The Woodlands. He brings a strong record of public service, business achievements and community involvement to the people of Southeast Texas. In November

2002 Texans showed their confidence in Williams by electing him to the Texas Senate with 64% of the vote. He is a three-term member of the Texas House of Representatives and is an outspoken advocate for Texas taxpayers, and a recognized leader in budgetary issues. During his work in the Texas House of Representatives, Williams negotiated the historic annexation moratorium between the City of Houston and The Woodlands. Senator Williams also led a successful effort to increase school funding for thousands of school children all across Texas. As a Texas Senator, Williams serves on the Senate Finance Committee, Education Committee, Criminal Justice Committee, and is Vice-Chair of the Senate's State Affairs Committee.

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Bush and confirmed by the U.S. Senate on July 26, 2002, as Chairperson of the National Council on Disability, an independent federal agency located in Washington D.C. The Council is charged with making recommendations on disability policy issues to the President and Congress. A graduate of Tulsa University, Dr. Frieden has been honored as a Distinguished Alumnus. He also holds a master's degree in social psychology from the University of Houston. He has done additional graduate work in rehabilitation psychology at the University of Houston with support from an SRS doctoral fellowship, and he has been awarded a World Rehabilitation Fund Fellowship to study programs for disabled people in Europe. In 2004, he was awarded an honorary doctorate in law (LL.D.) by the National University of Ireland.

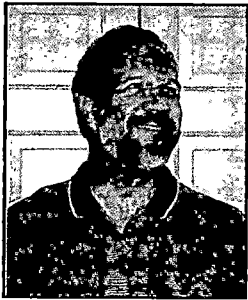


Loranda Weikel has a long and distinguished career in theater arts as both a performer and an educator. She graduated from Kansas State University with a double major in radio/television and speech/theater arts. She later received her teacher certification from the University of Houston. Loranda currently teaches theater arts at Goodson Middle School in the Cy-Fair Independent School District. She is an active volunteer at Texas Children's Hospital where

she provides entertainment to the children who are patients at the hospital using her skills in radio production and drama. She was among the first female, African American, television reporters in the US. She also earned the distinction and title of Miss Black Teenage Kansas.

Loranda is married to Robert Weikel, Operations Director for Regional Program Support in DARS Region IV. She is proud to be the mother of Brandon and step-mother of Rachel and Kara. We are pleased to welcome this talented and goal-oriented hostess as the Gala Awards Ceremony Mistress of Ceremonies.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS



Wayne Calder is the 2005 Conference Committee Spiritual Director. He has spent countless hours supporting the conference and it's committee members to include attending committee meetings. Through his efforts he has inspired the committee members. He has intentionally influenced the quality of the conference planning. Wayne comes to us from South Africa. Like many of us, he comes from an "unchurched" family. After starting in youth ministry in South

Africa, Wayne was invited to study in the United States. He arrived in 1988 to complete his Masters Degree in Divinity at the Fuller Theological Seminary in California. Wayne served as an associate pastor at two United Methodist Churches in California as part of the Pacific Conference. He was ordained an elder in 1994. He moved to Texas in 1996. In the Houston area Wayne first served at Asbury UMC in Pasadena and then as senior pastor at Genoa UMC. He was appointed senior pastor at Shepherd of the Heart in June of 2003. He is also currently the youth camp coordinator for the Texas Annual Conference South District where he has successfully served for the past two years.

Wayne is married to Terri Calder and has a teenaged step-son. Outside of the Kingdom, Wayne's hobbies include bicycling, traveling, and building and collecting model cars. He is also interested in race cars and giant mining equipment. Wayne is known for his relevant and inspiring messages, engaging stories, and entertaining use of props. The conference committee members have truly enjoyed meeting with Wayne and have called upon him numerous times.



Dr. Beverly Chido, "Doctor of Encouragement", is the 2nd and 3rd General Session Keynote Speaker. She has been highly recommended and is a business educator at Texas State University. She is also a consultant and seminar speaker for professional organizations, community programs, and industry. Dr. Jerome Supple, President of Texas State University, said, "She has won every teaching award this university has to offer." Additionally, she has

received state and national recognition for her teaching, including National Business Teacher for 1997 by the National Business Education Association. She has also been "Hero of the Day," on CBS national TV program, "This Morning." Dr. Chido is an inspiring speaker that teaches about the importance of character.

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Dr. David A. Rosenthal, Ph.D., CRC, has written many articles in our professional Journal of Rehabilitation. We have recently discovered that he has traveled around the world studying Vocational Rehabilitation. He is an Assistant Professor of Rehabilitation Psychology and Special Education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Prior to teaching at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Dr. Rosenthal was an Associate Professor at University of Wisconsin-Stout (1997-2002), and an Assistant Professor at Penn State University (1994-1997). Dr. Rosenthal attained his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in Rehabilitation Psychology. He has worked as a vocational placement specialist, a vocational consultant in the private sector, an expert witness in workers compensation litigation, a rehabilitation psychologist trainee, and a special educator/program director. Dr. Rosenthal presently serves on the Executive Council of the American Rehabilitation Professional Preparation and Standards as well as serving as a Commissioner for the Commission for the Certification of Disability Management Specialists, chairing the Research and Examination Committee. Dr. Rosenthal is the recipient of a 2001-2002 Rehabilitation Distinguished Fellowship Award from the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, and he was also honored with the University of Wisconsin-stout Outstanding Research Award in 2001.



Charl deVilliers, 1st deaf sailor to circumnavigate the globe alone, is the husband of former area manager Beverly deVilliers. For Charl deVilliers, the world is silent. Though it is devoid of sound, it is vibrant with action and rich with experience. Deaf since a burn accident destroyed his hearing as a child, he dreamed of becoming the first deaf person to sail solo around the world. He is also an experienced sky diver. From the small town of Palacios, on the south Texas coast, he left the Americas behind and sailed his Tartan 37, "Island Time" across the Pacific Ocean. After a hero's welcome in South Africa, he continued northwest across the South Atlantic Ocean to enter the Caribbean Sea near Trinidad, and then sailed directly back to Palacios. He arrived in Palacios on December 19, 2004. He did indeed set a world record—the first deaf person in history to sail alone around the world. Mr. deVilliers also helped set deaf world record at Skydive San Marcos, Texas, beating the 7-way record in Australia in the 90s. Mr. deVilliers was part of the deaf sky diving team proving that there are no limits on determination.



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Break-Out Session #1 • Monday, 10:15 AM—11:30 AM

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- 1A | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: Serving the College-bound Consumer
SPEAKER: Beth Case, M.A., Disability Counselor, PEC/SOTAC
Outreach Specialist, North Harris College
SUMMARY: This training will provide strategies to assist college bound students with physical disabilities be successful students. Cultural issues, attitudes, independence, & rehabilitation technology will be discussed.
PROGRAM LEAD: Ronnie Stewart FACILITATOR: Janice Lucas
ROOM: Indian Springs
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- 1B | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: ADD/ADHD
SPEAKER: Daniel Fox, Ph.D., & David Tharp, Ph.D., Advanced Neurotherapy Solutions
SUMMARY: This training will define ADD/ADHD, how it is diagnosed, & the current treatment modalities that will increase successful outcomes.
PROGRAM LEAD: Jane White FACILITATOR: Anthony Norman
ROOM: Waterway 7
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- 1C | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: Brain Injury
SPEAKER: Christine Dantche, M.A., CRC, Vocational Program Director, Touchstone Neurorecovery Center
SUMMARY: This training will provide various methods used for individuals with brain injuries & the therapies which affect their improvement. Participants will gain a better understanding of what impacts recovery from brain injury.
PROGRAM LEAD: Harold Whitfield FACILITATOR: Jason Ferguson
ROOM: Cochran's Crossing
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- 1D | TRACK: Blindness
TITLE: The Blind Experience
SPEAKER: Deana Graham, Ph.D., Director of Training, Criss Cole Rehab Center
SUMMARY: While blindfolded, participants will learn lessons in independent living. This will be an experience that will increase awareness & respect for individuals with significant visual impairments. Offered 3 times.
PROGRAM LEAD: Dorothy Reid FACILITATOR: Dorothy Barriett
ROOM: Alden Bridge
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- 1E | TRACK: Blindness
TITLE: Specialized Technology
SPEAKER: Joe Steinkamp, Consultant, Adaptive Technology Unit, DBS



SUMMARY: See & try telecommunication equipment that is used by blind & visually impaired people that allows them to adapt to their environment.

PROGRAM LEAD: Gertrude Johnson FACILITATOR: Chris Berry

ROOM: College Park

1F | TRACK: Self Improvement

TITLE: Unconscious Communication - Body Language

SPEAKER: Steven Hunter, MSW, Regional Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services, DARS

SUMMARY: Come learn how we use our bodies to communicate through the eyes of a deaf person. Come find out what you are really saying!

PROGRAM LEAD: Millette Scott FACILITATOR: David Garza

ROOM: Waterway 6

1G | TRACK: VR Process

TITLE: Psychological/Neuropsychological Evaluations

SPEAKER: Larry Pollock, Ph.D., Neuropsychologist, Project Reentry

SUMMARY: Discussion will explain how & why psychological/neuropsychological evaluations are useful diagnostic & planning tools. Participants will have a chance to see how they are administered & try limited parts of the testing themselves.

PROGRAM LEAD: Sharon Johnson FACILITATOR: Kristen Patt

ROOM: Grogan's Mill

1H | TRACK: VR Process

TITLE: Job Placement Strategies

SPEAKER: Beverly McCracken, Owner, Star Staffers

SUMMARY: The owner of a successful employment agency will explain how to approach employers to get them interested in our consumers.

PROGRAM LEAD: Beverly Kmiecik FACILITATOR: Kim Turner

ROOM: Harmony Bend

1I | TRACK: Caseload Management

TITLE: Interviewing Strategies

SPEAKER: MaryFrances Wasson, BFA

SUMMARY: Learn from a panel discussion with successful RSTs who know how to effectively interview our consumers to achieve a comprehensive profile

PROGRAM LEAD: Telly Cobbs FACILITATOR: Lourdes Sandoval

ROOM: Spring

1J | TRACK: Caseload Management

TITLE: Client Assistance Program (CAP)

SPEAKER: Karen Stanfill, CRC, Advocacy, Inc.

SUMMARY: Understand more; learn how to work with this federally-funded program where the mission is to advocate for consumers with disabilities.



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PROGRAM LEAD: Wilma Davis FACILITATOR: Daniel Johnson
ROOM: Panther Creek

1K | TRACK: Ethics
TITLE: The Release of Information in Complex Situations
SPEAKER: Tajauna Dunning, Disability Law & Resource Project
SUMMARY: Learn about the Disability Law Resource Project ILRU & participate in a discussion regarding situations in which professionals may release confidential information without a signed release.

PROGRAM LEAD: Carol Martinez FACILITATOR: Willi Powell
ROOM: Waterway 8

1L | TRACK: Caseload Management
TITLE: Stay & Work (SAW)/Return to Work (RTW)
SPEAKER: Speaker: Danny Taylor, M.Ed., CRC, Texas Department of Workers' Compensation (DWC)
SUMMARY: Learn how DWC will partner with DARS & TWC to help injured workers stay on the job or return to work sooner. Stay & Work (SAW) & Early Return to Work (RTW) are concepts which will benefit workers in their recovery.

PROGRAM LEAD: Irene Richardson FACILITATOR: Dana Carter
ROOM: Sterling Ridge

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Break-Out Session #2 • Monday, 1:00 PM—2:15 PM

2A | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: Brain Related Behaviors
SPEAKER: Dr. Sharon Brown, Neuropsychologist, Nexus Health System
SUMMARY: This training will explain the relationship of the brain to behaviors, especially in individuals with chronic mental illness & brain injuries. Discussion will illustrate treatment methods to reduce the impact of inappropriate behaviors on employment.

PROGRAM LEAD: Sandra Joyner FACILITATOR: TBA
ROOM: Waterway 7

2B | TRACK: Caseload Management
TITLE: SSA Benefits in Plain Language
SPEAKER: Reuben Taniguchi, M.Ed., CRC, Project Director, Benefits Planning, Assistance, & Outreach (BPAO) Program, United Cerebral Palsy of Tarrant County
SUMMARY: This training will explain how Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors can help consumers understand & use their SSA benefits as they approach a goal of working. Questions about Ticket to Work will be answered.

PROGRAM LEAD: Tamieko Chandler FACILITATOR: Kerry Park
ROOM: Indian Springs



- 2C | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: Drug/Alcohol—Substance Abuse
SPEAKER: Kent Foster, Ph.D., & Janet Bitner, M.S., Texas
NeuroRehab Center
SUMMARY: This training will discuss the relationship between
substance abuse & substance dependency. Participants
will learn about a program with a history of success.
PROGRAM LEAD: Anita Bauer FACILITATOR: Karla Bryant
ROOM: Sterling Ridge
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- 2D | TRACK: Blindness
TITLE: Blind Experience
SPEAKER: Deana Graham, Ph.D., Director of Training, Criss Cole
Rehab Center
SUMMARY: While blindfolded, participants will learn lessons in
independent living. This will be an experience that
will increase awareness & respect for individuals with
significant visual impairments. Offered 3 times.
PROGRAM LEAD: Danny McDonald FACILITATOR: TBA
ROOM: Alden Bridge
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- 2E | TRACK: Blindness
TITLE: Website Accessibility
SPEAKER: Denise Smith, E-Business Consultant, Idea Integration
SUMMARY: Participants will learn why computer page accessibility
matters, what makes Web pages accessible, what kinds
of individuals are helped, what ADA standards say
about computer accessibility & how to help plan an
accessible Web page.
PROGRAM LEAD: Juanita Jackson FACILITATOR: TBA
ROOM: College Park
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- 2F | TRACK: Deafness
TITLE: Deaf Culture & Their Language
SPEAKER: Ann Horn, M.A., Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services, DARS
SUMMARY: This discussion will teach participants about deaf
culture, & their creative, imaginative, capable
language.
PROGRAM LEAD: Brenda Butler FACILITATOR: TBA
ROOM: Cochran's Crossing
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- 2G | TRACK: VR Process
TITLE: History of the Rehab Act
SPEAKER: Sandy Hansmann, Ph.D., University Of Texas-Pan
American at Edinburg, & Shawn Saladin, Ph. D.,
University Of Texas-Pan American at Edinburg
SUMMARY: Learn the answers to these questions: What was the original
intent of the Rehab Act? How does is it currently impacting
vocational rehabilitation services to our consumers? Do we have
a different view of it now as we are building our caseloads? What
is the impact on quality services & meaningful outcomes?



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| 2H | TRACK: | VR Process | | |
| | TITLE: | How to Read Medical Records | | |
| | SPEAKER: | Stephanie Slattery, M.Ed., Instructor, Medical Terminology, Tomball College | | |
| | SUMMARY: | This presentation will help participants know what those abbreviations mean, how terminology of different body systems can help them understand medical records, & even how to decipher physicians' handwriting. | | |
| | PROGRAM LEAD: | Daniel Warthling | FACILITATOR: | Virginia Tamborello |
| | ROOM: | Harmony Bend | | |
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| 2I | TRACK: | Self Improvement | | |
| | TITLE: | Win-Win: When You Don't Have All the Answers | | |
| | SPEAKER: | Bill Wheeler, MBA, Chief Financial Officer, DARS | | |
| | SUMMARY: | This training will teach you how to handle difficult situations, circumstances & how to achieve Win-Win solutions for all involved. | | |
| | PROGRAM LEAD: | Mary Davenport | FACILITATOR: | Danielle Brown |
| | ROOM: | Panther Creek | | |
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| 2J | TRACK: | Self Improvement | | |
| | TITLE: | Fish! How to Manage Your Daily Work & Have Fun Doing So | | |
| | SPEAKER: | Laura York, M.A., DARS/DRS Staff Training Director | | |
| | SUMMARY: | Management encourages a remarkable way to boost morale to improve the quality of consumer services. Imagine a workplace where everyone brings energy, passion, & a positive attitude to work every day. Learn how work made fun gets done. | | |
| | PROGRAM LEAD: | Cindy Anderson | FACILITATOR: | Jason Hartzog |
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| 2K | TRACK: | Ethics | | |
| | TITLE: | Getting to the Heart of How to Make Ethical Change Happen | | |
| | SPEAKER: | Billy Brookshire, M.A., Senior BT&D, DBS | | |
| | SUMMARY: | This session will explore the reason why so many ethical change initiatives fail. Old methods & philosophies rely too much on "data gathering, analysis, report writing, & presentations" instead of a creative approach aimed at grabbing the "feelings that motivate useful action." The heart of ethical change happens because the players are led to "see" & "feel" the change. | | |
| | PROGRAM LEAD: | Doris Lindsey | FACILITATOR: | Travis Anderson |
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2L | TRACK: Self Improvement
TITLE: Comprehensive System of Professional Development
SPEAKER: Linda Holloway, Ph.D., University of North Texas
SUMMARY: A panel of program graduates & participants will discuss & answer questions about their efforts to become Qualified Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors (QVRCs). They will describe the academics, the challenges, & how they manage work, school, & home.
PROGRAM LEAD: Linda Lyons FACILITATOR: Jason Ferguson
ROOM: Spring

2005 TRAN Conference Break-Out Session #3 • Monday, 2:30 PM—3:45 PM

3A | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: Autism
SPEAKER: Dr. Avrim Fishkind, Medical Director, Neuropsychiatric Center
SUMMARY: This training will present a discussion of Autism including a definition & current treatment methods. Participants will learn from a caregiver's perspective the hopes & expectations for consumers with Autism as they transition from childhood to adulthood.
PROGRAM LEAD: Albert Wetz FACILITATOR: Thelma Scott
ROOM: Panther Creek

3B | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: Mental Retardation: What Is Possible?
SPEAKER: Maria Quintero, Ph.D., Assistant Deputy Director, MHMRA Harris County
SUMMARY: This training will provide examples of various methods used to help persons with mental retardation achieve successful employment.
PROGRAM LEAD: Jennie Ferrell FACILITATOR: TBA
ROOM: Sterling Ridge

3C | TRACK: Disabilities
TITLE: Rehabilitation Technology/Equipment: Adoption Rates
SPEAKER: Shawn Saladin, Ph.D., University Of Texas-Pan American at Edinburg
SUMMARY: This training will present practical information about why consumers are reluctant to utilize purchased rehabilitation technology. Through counseling & guidance, participants will learn how to discern when a consumer is a viable candidate for assistive technology.
PROGRAM LEAD: Peggy Giesie FACILITATOR: Billie Joan Roberts
ROOM: Cochran's Crossing

3D | TRACK: Blindness
TITLE: Blind Experience



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SPEAKER: Deana Graham, Ph.D., Director of Training, Criss Cole Rehab Center

SUMMARY: While blindfolded, participants will learn lessons in independent living. This will be an experience that will increase awareness & respect for individuals with significant visual impairments. Offered 3 times.

PROGRAM LEAD: Laura Gardner

FACILITATOR: TBA

ROOM: Alden Bridge

3E | **TRACK:** Self Improvement

TITLE: Who Moved My Cheese?

SPEAKER: Randi Turner, DARS, DRS, Office for Deaf & Hard of Hearing

SUMMARY: This session reveals the profound truth about change. People are often faced with unexpected change. You will learn how to discover for yourself how to deal with change so that you can enjoy less stress & more success (however you define it) in your work & in your life.

PROGRAM LEAD: Ruby McIlveen

FACILITATOR: Lucky Howe

ROOM: Waterway 8

3F | **TRACK:** Deafness

TITLE: Hearing Loss; What Can Help?

SPEAKER: Teri Wathen, Regional Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services, DARS

SUMMARY: Ms. Wathen, an expert on deafness & hearing loss, will discuss & demonstrate the various kinds of technology available that can make equal access a reality.

PROGRAM LEAD: Karen Williams

FACILITATOR: TBA

ROOM: Waterway 6

3G | **TRACK:** VR Process

TITLE: Vocational Evaluations

SPEAKER: Riva Trant, M.Ed., Chief Evaluator, Lighthouse of Houston

SUMMARY: This training will provide you with useful tools to help you understand & make appropriate decisions when analyzing a vocational evaluation report.

PROGRAM LEAD: Clifford McIlveen

FACILITATOR: Gwen Varnado

ROOM: Spring

3H | **TRACK:** VR Process

TITLE: Working in Partnership

SPEAKER: Zeke Romo, B.A., Director of One-Stops, SERCO

SUMMARY: Learn how a company that operates Workforce Centers in five areas of Texas can work with rehabilitation counselors in job placement.

PROGRAM LEAD: Jovita Hollins

FACILITATOR: TBA

ROOM: College Park

3I | **TRACK:** Ethics

TITLE: Purchases Over \$5000 - Are You Legal?



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SPEAKER: David Johnston & Suzanne Hamilos, M.ED. Certified
Texas Purchasing Managers, DRS

SUMMARY: Learn about state laws that apply to purchasing &
participate in a discussion of ethical situations faced
by those who spend public dollars.

PROGRAM LEAD: Jelondra Phillips FACILITATOR: TBA

ROOM: Harmony Bend

3J TRACK: Caseload Management

TITLE: Grooming the Consumer for Job Seeking

SPEAKER: Elaine Welcome, Divisional Vice President, Foley's
Division of Macy's Stores

SUMMARY: This training will communicate great counseling tips
for counselors who assist consumers applying for a
job, dressing for success, & preparing their attitude for
success in the workplace.

PROGRAM LEAD: Anita Bauer FACILITATOR: Karla Bryant

ROOM: Grogan's Mill

3K TRACK: Ethics

TITLE: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

SPEAKER: Jenny Hall, Office of Civil Rights, HHSC

SUMMARY: This EEOC training will provide you with strategies on
how to prevent employment discrimination from
occurring in the workplace. It will offer training,
technical assistance, outreach, & education programs
to help employers, employees, & stakeholder groups
understand & prevent discrimination.

PROGRAM LEAD: Lloyd Wills FACILITATOR: Marcus Bucek

ROOM: Waterway 7

3L TRACK: Self Improvement

TITLE: Personal Training

SPEAKER: Amir Kazemi, Ph.D., PT, APEX Physical Therapy

SUMMARY: Excited about learning new techniques for weight &
stress management? Come & learn specialized
exercises for various parts of the body. Try some low
impact exercises to increase strength & stamina.

PROGRAM LEAD: Ekere Williams FACILITATOR: Denise Watson Hail

ROOM: Indian Springs



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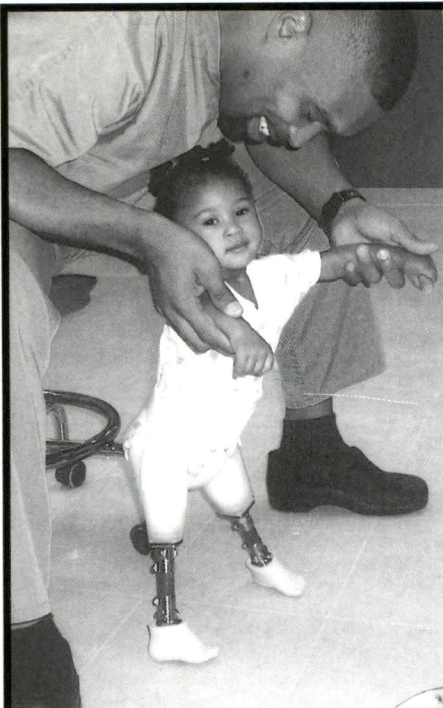


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We both spend our lives helping others have better ones!

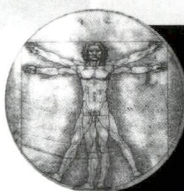
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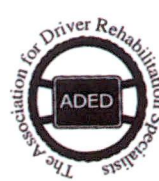
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