



Member Participation from the Past to the Present...



8.19.2004 School Owners enjoying a business meeting about the future of Horseshoeing schools. (L-R) George and Suzy Goode, Tucson School, Tom McNew, Lookout Mountain School, Reggie and Marcella Kester, OK State School, with his son and wife.



1992 Tom Whaley, Shelby Holland, Marcus Pierce, Ralph Casey, Bucky Hatfield, front; Tony Phillips, Steve Sandige ...the BWFA go getters !



2007 Student Farrier Contest, Link Casey's team.



2009 Convention, Chuck of Florida continuing his education as assistant during a demo.



2010 Doug Eidiener, SC school owner, Hall of Fame Inductee donated his anvil to display in the Museum



2010 Forge Clinic Tina Entzein of Maryland upgrading her certification



2014 Welcome New BWFA Members!
TESTER Link Casey with Jerry Schweinlein of New York, Chris Duhon of Louisiana, Joshua Nixon of North Carolina, Bob Clemens of Georgia, with TESTER, Ronney DeBoard.



2014 George Cheripka of Pennsylvania with TESTER, Link Casey. At the young age of 16, George apprenticed with a farrier who recommended he attend a school to return home and continue his apprenticeship in hopes of starting his own farrier career.

Texas EFT Graduates!



Annie Wiggins left, Kris Kornegay right



Matt Morian left, Jodi Morian



Chad Harding



Tiffany Harding



2014 Equine Flexion Therapy Courses Hosted by the Farriers' National Research Center in Georgia

**Introduction on
Sat. October 25
EFT Course
October 26, 27, 28
Sun, Mon, Tues
Sign up by Sept. 30!**

- To supplement your income
- Offer your Clients More
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- Stay at the top of the Equine Industry
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Instructor Dan Marcum of Texas
This is a CFE, Continuing Farrier Education Course
offered by the FNRC 1 day \$300 or 3 days \$900 -
includes Dan's book. For info and slideshows go to
www.horseshoentime.tv/eft.html
[Click here to find an EFT Specialist](#)

Equine Flexion Therapy (EFT) Designed by Dan Marcum, Equine Adjuster, Farrier

EFT is a system that Dan has copyrighted from his training and work with his own massage therapy. As a horseman and farrier he saw a need to provide his clients' horses with relief from their rigorous show training and schedules.

The EFT is NOT new, flexion is commonly used in warming up and most trainers and riders adhere to a regimen. But...

Flexion therapy allows for more flexibility and comfort while aligning the spine without chiropractic adjustments.

Muscle therapy and deep motion flexing can help prevent the spine from being pulled out of alignment.

Thermal imaging before and after is just a good visual for students and (clients) where your hands do the feeling.

This is a great Equine Continuing Education Course as a supplemental income for farriers who WANT to learn and offer more for their customers.



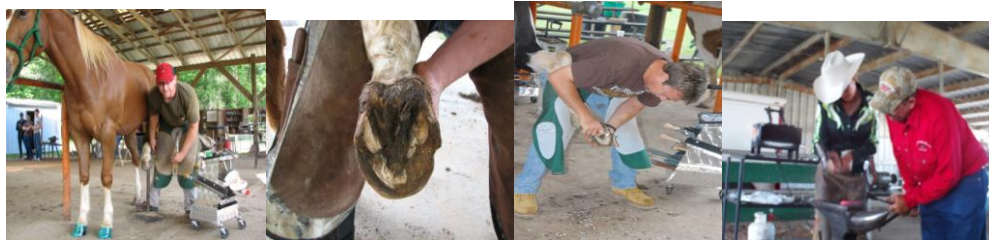
Angie Raliff left, Allie Sabo right



Allie with Instructor
Dan Marcum

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September 10-14 and 17-21 (Wednesday – Sunday, each week) 10 days

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(Please see certification requirements at www.bwfa.net for details and test fees)

Testing is NOT required to attend the forge classes, just offered.

A Great Continuing Education Opportunity with CEU offered upon request.

October 22-26 (Wed – Sun) 5 days only

(Same as above) with

Link Casey, Ronney DeBoard, Tom Cable, Doug Eideiner, Dan Marcum, Master Farrier TESTERS and Guests.

Apprentice, Journeyman AND Master Farrier Levels will be offered

Saturday, October 25 Fall Clinic

with BWFA seasoned farriers here to help new members succeed in their farrier careers. This is YOUR chance to meet and greet those who VOLUNTEER their attendance and their knowledge. Admission is free, no vendors, you can watch or you can in and get your hands dirty. The more people attend the more subjects we will address.

(The EFT Course will follow on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday.)

Don't Forget about

Monthly Forge Classes

Contact these TESTERS/Schools
for dates and fees:

Arkansas- John Burt, JDC School of Basic Farrier Science, Fouke, 870-653-5766 or 903-293-1113
email: JDCfarrier@cablone.net

Georgia- FNRC/BWFA LaFayette, Forge practice/testing 706-397-8047
email: info@bwfa.net
**3rd weekend each month:
Fri, Sat, and Sun - attend 1, 2 or 3 days**

Kansas – Max Williams, Shod Right Apprenticeship Program Cimarron, 417-531-5566
email: shodright@yahoo.com

Kansas – Sean McDonough, Wichita, 316-207-4121 email:
equinehoofspecialists@gmail.com

North Carolina- Marcus Pierce, Indian Trail, 704-753-4576
email: dpierce926@aol.com

Oklahoma- CJ Ward, Tulsa, 919-697-7384
email: blackoakforge@hotmail.com
By appointment only

Ohio- Tom Cable, Zanesville, 740-819-5571
email: tomacable@gmail.com
3rd Saturday every month

Pennsylvania- Sonny Pistilli, Far Hills Forge Bethlehem, 610-748-8775 or 908-797-4433
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Virginia- David Tuggle, Danville, 434-792-3811
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The BWFA is now a Vocational Rehabilitation Vendor in North Carolina



"Thank you so much to Link Casey, Miss Ginger, Mr. Ken, (wonderful Cook) Ronney De, and all the folks that support the testing for BWFA and help execute professional standards and education. Although I attended another school I was instructed how to prepare myself for the exam and was able to test in a comfortable yet professional setting. I encourage others to test BWFA and join today. Great group of people."

Lillian Dixon Moore of North Carolina with Link Casey, TESTER, BWFA President

BWFA Headquarters:

Big Thanks to Lillian Moore of Nashville, North Carolina. She was instrumental in negotiating funds through the North Carolina Dept. of Health and Human Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services in the Goldsboro, NC area.

The BWFA is now a Vendor for that area. The office supported the fees for her three day continuing education forge practice class and farrier certification testing in Georgia.

Thanks to a new BWFA farrier and her friend, Franz Robinson of North Carolina, she learned about the BWFA opportunities. They both had attended horseshoeing schools who are members of the BWFA Master Educator Division. Now, other farriers in that area of NC, have an opportunity to do the same. Contact the BWFA and let us know if YOUR county may offer the same opportunity for YOU.



South Eastern Farriers & Horseowners Association

SEFHA events in Virginia

September 27: Cowboy Competition - Danville, VA at the Tuggle Farm, 5392 Old Richmond Road, Danville, VA 24540. Different obstacles for the horses. Mounted or in-hand. Free for SEFHA members. \$25 for non-SEFHA members but it will include SEFHA membership.

4th Annual 2014 Colt Starting Challenge hosted by SEFHA a BWFA Chapter

On Saturday, October 18, 2014, SEFHA will host their 4th Annual Colt Starting Challenge. This contest features full-time horse trainer teams who work within a three-hour radius of Chatham, Virginia. While demonstrating natural horsemanship training, these professionals will take unbroken horses they have never seen before and transform them into relaxed, confident mounts. At the end of the day, the trainers and their equine "students" will compete in an obstacle course to determine the winner of the Colt Starting Challenge.

When Saturday, October 18, 2014

Video Click [here](#) to hear more about our challenge

Location: Old Dominion Agriculture Complex, 19783 US Hwy 29 South, Chatham, Virginia 24531

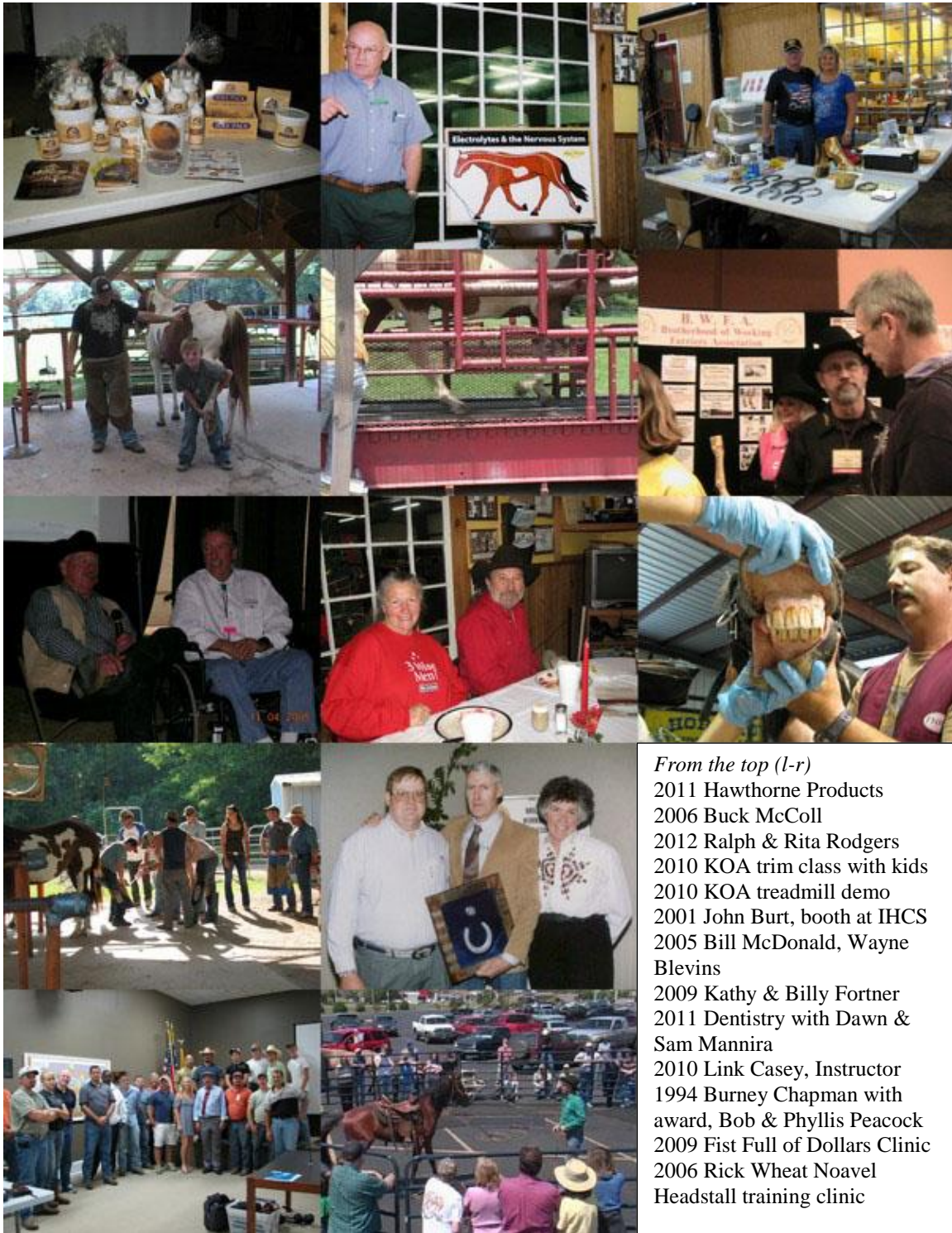
Tickets: \$15.00 per person. You can buy tickets at the door. You can also buy tickets via PayPal. If you buy a ticket via PayPal, please PRINT your receipt and bring it with you!

They have photos and a large calendar of events at their website: www.sefha.net

Email David Tuggle, SEFHA President, BWFA TESTER at sefha1@gmail.com or tugglefarm@gmail.com



*David Tuggle
2011
"Go-Getter"
Award*



From the top (l-r)
 2011 Hawthorne Products
 2006 Buck McColl
 2012 Ralph & Rita Rodgers
 2010 KOA trim class with kids
 2010 KOA treadmill demo
 2001 John Burt, booth at IHCS
 2005 Bill McDonald, Wayne Blevins
 2009 Kathy & Billy Fortner
 2011 Dentistry with Dawn & Sam Mannira
 2010 Link Casey, Instructor
 1994 Burney Chapman with award, Bob & Phyllis Peacock
 2009 Fist Full of Dollars Clinic
 2006 Rick Wheat Noavel Headstall training clinic

Funny Stories by Marcus J Pierce,
BWFA Master Farrier and Tester of Indian Trail, North Carolina
2001 BWFA Hall of Fame Inductee
1992 S.H.O.E. Chapter Founder and First President.

The Tale about the “WILD Little Horse”

I run across all sorts of people and horses, but one of the funniest things I ran across was a lady with a wild young Paso. I was working at this barn one day and she asked, if she gave it some drugs to claim it down little, could I do her horse. So like a fool I said yes. Even with the drugs, the horse didn't want you to touch it. I did the best I could and the horse got trimmed. The lady seemed to like it ok, so I kept working on the horse for about a year. Sometimes the Vet would come out and put the drugs in him and it still would be a fight. They even got the horse some help with training, but it was still a fight and the horse hated the whole thing. Then one day the lady said I would not be doing the horse any more that she had found a farrier from Mexico that was just doing Pasos. He was going to do the “*little wild horse from hell*” from now on, and that they knew how to do them better than a US farrier.

Well, about a month later I saw her at the barn and asked her how the “*little wild horse*” was doing. She said the horse was just fine, the new farrier was great, they didn't have to use drugs anymore, and the horse stood fine. I was shocked.

“Not that horse?!” I said, but she said “Yes, he is doing great.” I asked, “What is your new farrier doing differently?” (I needed to know this trick in case I ran into a wild horse again). She said, “He just takes his time and the horse stands fine.”

Wow! This must be Super Farrier! I have to meet him.

Well about six months later I got to the barn and there was Super Farrier's truck at the barn. I thought, “Oh boy, I get to learn a new trick that will make my job easier.” So I jumped out of my truck, but I don't see him working anywhere. I ask one of the boarders where he is shoeing at, and she says he is around back working on the “*little wild horse*.” YES! I am just in time. The boarder tells me no one can go back there while he is working on him. Well, that doesn't stop me. I have got to know this trick. As I get to where this Super Farrier is working I stop dead in my tracks. This “*little wild horse*” is tied up by his neck sideways to the hitching post, he is wearing a blindfold, his outside hind leg is scotch hobbled, he has a lead chain under the upper lip, and his outside front leg has a hobble strap ready to be put on him. There is already a lot of blood on the floor and the trimming has not started yet.

The farrier sees me and we shake hands.

I ask a few questions, “How long does it take you to tie him up?”

“About an hour.” he says. The lady was right, he takes a lot of extra time with the horse.

“Does the horse still fight you all tied up?”

“Yes, he says, but it's harder for him to hurt me. See, the blood so far is his not mine.”

When he hobbled up that last foot the horse went nuts and he pulled his other feet off the ground and swung from the hitching hitting his head hard. The farrier went to work on the “*little wild horse's*” feet while he was knocked a little silly.

I went back inside the barn to start working on the other horses. A little later that lady that owned the “*little wild horse*” came by. She said that the new farrier was still doing fine and had no trouble doing her horse.

I guess the words NO TROUBLE have different meanings in Mexico!

FYI BWFA HISTORY – News Bulletin from January/February 1993



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& School Owners*



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Jan.-Feb. 1993

A Bright Future Ahead . . . from the President and Director

One of the hardships as President and Director of the Brotherhood of Working Farriers Association has been the requirement of an enormous amount of traveling throughout this country. However, I believe it is necessary for the President or Director to spend a great amount of time traveling and asking questions in order to have the necessary information required to make important decisions.

In doing this I gained a computer bank of information. I have spent many countless hours sorting out major problems that each individual faces each and every day in their career as a farrier.

If our association is here to help the every day farrier, then we must use a majority of our revenue to benefit the individuals who contribute their dues each year.

One issue that was brought to my attention more than any other was that horse owners needed to be educated about the horseshoers role. This was relayed to me by farriers AND horse owners!

If farriers are going to spend much of their time in continuing their education in order to enter a certification program, then we must help inform the horse owner of just how important the certification is.

One of my first steps in solving this problem was to include the horse owner in our educational clinics. In the past two years, these have proven to be very successful. However this was just the tip of the iceberg.

The next step was to create printed material such as the booklet "Certified Horseshoers" which is laid out in the simplest of layman terms but very informative. In this modern day, you must get the readers attention first. This was accomplished in our literature with the one statement printed on the front cover, "Riding an improperly shod horse can endanger the riders life!!" Believe me, this got his attention! The object was to build up the farrier's image, to help increase the farrier's revenue and to promote sound shoeing by certified farriers.

Oh, I know this statement brought about some criticism from some farriers worrying about law suits. But the simple fact is, that riding a properly shod horse could also endanger the riders life! Before this booklet was printed, I spent many hours with my attorney going over the pros and cons. He assured me that making this statement was probably the best move on the farriers part because he did need to get the horse owner's attention about farrier education and it would not bring about an outbreak of law suits.

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Scenes from our 1st Annual National Convention



SURPRISE! SURPRISE!

Ralph Casey and Bucky Hatfield were presented with 10 carat gold B.W.F.A. Emblem Rings as the 1st B.W.F.A. Hall of Fame Inductees! Presented here by Marcus Pierce (left) and Bill Scott (Right)



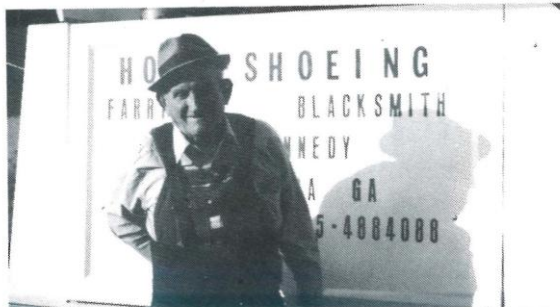
Over 100 Appreciation Awards were given out to members, companies, and associations in recognition of their personal and professional support of the B.W.F.A. - These are only a few - Steve Bloom, Across the Anvil East, Marcus Pierce accepting for Walt Taylor of the World Farriers Association, John Claudon, Anvil Brand Shoe & Tool Co., Bob Peacock, Farrier Science Clinic, Susan Hewlison, Horse Owner Director of Ontario Canada, Alle Hayes, Horse Sense, Remco Van de Linden, Delta Horseshoe Co., Debra Crane, Horse Owner Director of N.C., Danny Finnegan, Equine Hoof Management, Treece McCullen of Treece Photography, N.C.

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March/April 1993



*A visit to Arkansas in March (L to R)
John Burt, Tim Hoover, Joe Shell, Larry Pierce, Diane & Jerry Plunkett*



*Judd Nelson, well known blacksmith from Sugar Valley, GA
is our "BIRTHDAY GUEST" on June 26th.*

FAQ

The BWFA started the first Farriers Hall of Fame beginning in 1992.
The museum opened in 2000.

The BWFA was the first farrier group to invite horse owners to join the membership.

The BWFA was the first to offer more than 2 levels of certification in order to encourage a farrier student to join right out of school.

We offer 7 levels of certification.

The BWFA was designed to have two divisions;

The BWFA for certified farriers and the BWFA Master Educator School Division.

July/August 1993

Scenes from past clinics and Convention:



Rob Edwards, publisher of ANVIL Magazine, received an Appreciation Award in 1992



Clint Carlson of St. Croix received our "1992 Manufacturer of the Year" Award



Under the Big Tent with the Anvil Brand Shoe Co. display at the Farriers Research Laboratory. (left to right): Ronnie DeBoard, Tom Kennedy, Ralph Casey, John Claudon, Bucky Hatfield, Bob Peacock. See you in Texarakana!

BWFA Membership Benefits include:

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