

Building Bridges — Creating Connections

2017 Penn-Del AER Conference At-A-Glance

April 26-28, 2017

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

Registration in the Central Hallway					
Session I 1:00 – 2:30 pm	Opening Session and Welcome – Central Ballrooms B and C Rebecca Renshaw , Penn-Del AER Chapter President Vince McVeigh and Angela Humbertson , Conference Committee Co-Chairs				
	Keynote Address — Transforming Hidden Figures: The Pivotal Role of Blindness Professionals to the Development of Blind and Low Vision Students Who Are Hidden Figures No More! Denna Lambert , Program Manager, NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center				
Break 2:30 pm – 2:50 pm Central Hallway					
Session II 2:50 – 4:00 pm	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D&E	Harris
	Strategies to Work with Students Who Have Multiple Disabilities and Visual Impairments Nicole Johnson Kathleen Stanfa	Creating Simple Tactile Maps Using the 3D Pen Nick Leon	Transition: The Bridge Connecting Today's Youth to Their Futures Shelly Faust-Jones Lynn Fox	Stand Up for AT — A Make and Take Kits for first 25 participants; observers welcome. Scott Dougherty Douglas Williams	Not Your Grandpa's Rehab Center: The Iris Network Blindness Rehabilitation and Vocational Training Center's Focused Approach on Employment Readiness John Mc Mahon Karen Shane Cote
Session III 4:10 – 5:20 pm	MATS (Make and Take Sensory Programs) Jennifer Eaton Erika Rothermel Jessica Fluck	Roadmap to the Seeing Eye Jody Vargas	Troubling Transitions: Helping Teens Bridge the Gap between Instruction and Application Andrea Dasch Eva Worsley	Information and Collaboration through Cloud Computing: Cyber Space or Outer Space to You Jule Ann Lieberman	Roundtable on the Implementation of Unified English Braille (UEB) Mary Nelle McLennan Frances Mary D'Andrea
♦ Dinner on your own ♦ Silent Auction open from 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Cameron Room ♦					
♦ Salus University's Social 5:30 – 7:00 pm in O'Reilly's Tap Room ♦ Hospitality opens at 7:00 pm in McCormick ♦					

Thursday, April 27, 2017

Continental Breakfast 7:30 – 8:30 am Central Hallway ♦ Vendor Exhibits in the Heritage Room						
Session IV 8:30 – 9:40 am	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D	Central E	Harris
	A COMS's Contributing Hand to Low Vision Driving! Chuck Huss	What Do the Numbers Say? Easy Connections to Demographic Data in Pennsylvania and Delaware Rebecca Sheffield Mark Richert	Supporting Braille Instruction through Play: Concept Development to UEB Stephanie Herlich Helene Holman	Building Bridges between State Standards and Daily Teaching Methods for Children with Multiple Disabilities — A Team Approach Dena Petrella Diane Evrard Catherine Alfery Mark Kislán	A New Paradigm in Notetakers: The Newly Leveled Playing Field Andy Leach	VRT and OT Practice: Bridging the Gap in Adapted ADL Service Delivery Lachelle Smith Dawn Ciccarone
Break 9:40 – 10:00 am Heritage Room Silent Auction will be held in the Cameron Room 8:00 am – 6:00 pm						
Session V 10:00 am – 12:15 pm	General Session – Central Ballrooms A and B					
	Midnote Address — No Limits Leadership: Demonstrating Determination and Success in Your Profession Kirk Adams , President and CEO, American Foundation for the Blind					
	Penn-Del AER Chapter Meeting Rebecca Renshaw , Penn-Del AER Chapter President					
Lunch Buffet 12:15 – 1:00 pm Central Ballrooms C, D, and E Coffee and dessert will be served in the vendor exhibit area, Heritage Room.						
Session VI 1:00 – 2:00 pm	Poster Session – Central Hallway					

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Vendor Exhibits Open in the Heritage Room until 6:00 pm						
Session VII 2:00 – 3:10 pm	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D	Central E	Harris
	Staying Abreast of Bioptic Driving News in the USA and Canada Chuck Huss	Understanding and Developing the IEP Transition Grid to Reach Secondary Transition Outcomes Lynn Fox	Bobby's Journey: A Team Approach to Working with a Student with Complex Needs Barbara Maurer Lauren Seaman Lori Amin	Individualizing Braille Literacy Instruction for Print Readers with Visual Impairments Missy Garber	Touching the Future: Connecting Assistive and Mainstream Technology for STEM Subjects in the Classroom Mike Tindell Kate Morrow	Building Bridges to Ensure Continuity of Services for Students Who Are Visually Impaired Jennifer Edgar
Break 3:10 pm – 3:30 pm in the vendor exhibit area, Heritage Room						
Session VIII 3:30 – 4:40 pm	Is That a Service Dog? A Modern-Day Challenge Facing Service Dog Teams Becky Davidson Kathy Rooney	Cultivating Super Thinkers: Strategies to Engage Students with Visual Impairment in Critical and Creative Thinking within the Context of the ECC Kim Zebehazy	Reinforcing and Assessing Braille Instruction with the iBraille Challenge App: Results of a 16-Week Interventional Study Tessa McCarthy Frances Mary D'Andrea	Towson University Graduates a Screenwriter Frank Irzyk Tobias Vogelstein	Building Partnerships with the Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services Joe Strechay Stan Swaintek	Team River Runner Bill Butler Jennifer Eaton
Reception 5:00 – 6:00 pm Heritage Room Penn-Del AER Awards Banquet 7:00 pm Central Ballrooms C, D, and E						

Friday, April 28, 2017

Continental Breakfast 7:30 – 8:30 am Central Hallway					
	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D&E	Harris
Session IX 8:30 – 9:40 am	O&M Roundtable Tessa McCarthy	I Have a Vision Loss, but That's Not All! Karen Shane Cote	The Bridge to the 21st Century Is a Look at the Past: VRT Skills in a New Era of Funding Limits Stephanie Van	Getting to Know You: A Social Skills and Ability Awareness Curriculum Monica Turner	Using Eye-Gaze Technology to Maximize Functional Vision: Assessing, Playing, Communicating Kelly Lauer Melissa Brown
Session X 10:00 – 11:10 am	Scanning with Restricted Visual Fields, Central Scotoma, or Acuity Loss – Mundane to Life-Saving Skills Dona Sauerburger	Nighttime Glare: A Case Study Kerry Lueders Grace Fontanez Eric Reuter Christian D'Angelis Lindsay Johnson	Building Bridges for Students with Visual Impairment and Multiple Disabilities Using the APH Tactile Connections Kit Megan Chapman Carol Boudwin	College-, Career-, and Community-Ready: AT for Students with Visual Impairment Douglas Williams Justin Laffey	Show, Tell, Share, and Collaborate: Bridging TVI and VRT Team Connections to Teach the ECC Christie Peel Jo Ann McNamee
Break 11:10 – 11:30 am Central Hallway					
Session XI 11:30 am – 12:45 pm	Closing Session – Central Ballrooms A and B				
	Footnote – The Power of Braille to Build a Bridge Representatives of the National Prison Braille Network (NPBN) Nancy Lacewell , Director, Government and Community Affairs; Coordinator, National Prison Braille Network, American Printing House for the Blind (APH) Howard Parker , Accessible Textbook Editor, APH				
	Conference Wrap-Up Rebecca Renshaw , Penn-Del AER Chapter President Vince McVeigh and Angela Humbertson , Conference Committee Co-Chairs				
<p style="text-align: center;"> We hope to see you at next year's conference in Harrisburg April 25-27, 2018 At the Best Western Premier Central Hotel & Conference Center </p>					