



ALL ABOUT RECREATION CONFERENCE

Speaker Information

The All About Recreation Conference included many dynamic presentations about recreation, but we could not possibly include all the information in this format. Because so much of the information presented by the speakers is very important, we wanted to make sure you had access to experts in areas of recreation and disabilities. The following is a list of speakers and the topics they presented on at the All About Recreation Conference.

Keynote Speakers

Al Mead, Paralympic Athlete, Vice President and Board Member
Amputee Coalition of America and The Precedent Group
The Precedent Group
1590 Adamson Pkwy., Suite 270
Morrow, GA 30260
770-961-1110
almead@msn.com
Presentation: **"The Ability to Transcend"**

Stuart Schleien, Ph.D., CTRS, Professor and Department Head
Department of Recreation, Parks, and Tourism, UNC-Greensboro
P.O. Box 26169
Greensboro, NC 27402-6169
336-334-5327
sjs@uncg.edu
Presentation: **"Beyond the Special Olympics: All About Inclusive Recreation"**

Cynthia Burkhour, Inclusive Recreation Consultant
Access Recreation Group
2454 Lamplighter Drive
Jenison, MI 49428
616-668-9109
accessrecreationgroup@juno.com
Presentation: **"Recreation: The Spirit of Life"**

Session Speakers

Linda Carson, Ed.D., Director
West Virginia Motor Development Center, West Virginia University
235 Coliseum Box 6116
Morgantown, WV 26506
304-293-3295 ext. 5276
lcarson@wvu.edu
Presentation: **“Developing Community Programs for Families”**

Jennifer Allred, Inclusion Specialist and Paige Tharrington, Resource Consultant
Community Partnerships, Inc.
3522 Haworth Dr.
Raleigh, NC 27610
919-876-5038
Presentation: **”Learning about Community Partnerships: The Inclusive Experience”**

Bob Buck, President and Founder
Eastern Amputee Golf Association
First Swing Golf Clinics
2015 Amherst Dr.
Bethlehem, PA 18015-5606
888-868-0992
info@eaga.org
Presentation: **“Golf for the Physically Challenged”**

Lauren McDevitt, M.S.
North Carolina Office on Disability and Health
CB#8185, Sheryl Mar Bldg, UNC-CH
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-8185
Presentation: **“Recreational and Competitive Horseback Riding Opportunities”**

Cindy Konarski, M.S., Adventure Challenge coordinator and instructor
Western Piedmont Community College
1001 Burkemont Ave, Morganton, NC 28655
828-438-5577
cindyk@wp.cc.nc.us
Presentation: **“Adventrue Challenge: Including Everyone!”**

Nancy Easterling, Educational Specialist and Horticulture Therapist
Catherine Alquire, MLA, OTR/L
North Carolina Botanical Gardens
CB# 3375, Trotten Center
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3375
Presentation: **“Garden Design and Horticulture for Everyone”**

Heather Downey, M.A., Coordinator
VSA, formerly Very Special Arts
1300 Connecticut, Ave., NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036
800-933-8721, ext. 406
heatherd@vsarts.org
Presentation: **“Utilizing Arts Activities to Teach Disability Awareness”**

Bruce Cunningham and Ann Peterson, Carter Park Organizers
Wendy Russell, Executive Director, Arc of Moore County
Southern Pines Elementary School
545 Orchard Rd.
Southern Pines, NC 28387
910-695-0800
cdps@btltelecom.net
Presentation: **“Making the Inclusive Playground Happen”**

Kathy Olevsky, Co-Owner and 4th Degree Black Belt
Kathy Thompson, Director, Rehabilitation Hospital, Wake Medical Center
Karate International
2431 Spring Forest Road, #157, Raleigh, NC 27615
(919) 876-8898
karatein@aol.com
Presentation: **“Teaching Karate to Special Populations”**

Dan Johnson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
5435 East Wind Rd.
Wilmington, NC 28403
910-962-3659
johnsonde@uncwil.edu
Presentation: **“A Model of Friendship Development”**

Cathi Drinkard, Community Support Services Manager
Maria Owens, Self-Advocate and Consumer
Exceptional Children's Assistance Center/Community Partnerships, Inc.
3522 Haworth Dr., Raleigh, NC 27610
919-876-5038
cathi@compart.org
Presentation: **“Circle of Friends/Supports”**

Mike Scholtz, Fitness Director
Duke University Diet and Fitness Center
804 W. Trinity Ave.
Durham, NC 27701
800-362-8446, ext. 232
Presentation: **“Putting Fitness in its Place”**

David Kylie, Director
Adaptive Sports and Adventure Program
Charlotte Institute of Rehabilitation
1100 Blythe Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28203
704-355-1079
nwba@carolinas.org
Presentation: “**Adaptive Sports and Equipment**”

Jeff Smith, TRS/CTRS, Assistant Director Program Services
Jacqueline Cavadi, M.S., Program Representative
Easter Seals of North Carolina
2315 Myron Dr., Raleigh, NC 27607
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Presentation: “**Inclusive Camping and Recreation**”