



Director's Message



I am pleased to highlight this past spring's CFLD accomplishments. As you will read, our programming efforts are designed to develop students', educators' and community members' individual leadership capacities. Through team and community-based learning experiences we are enhancing the ability of participants to take the lead in their spheres of influence.

From improving struggling students' self-leadership (Leadership for Life) to developing motivated CAFE students (Turner Leadership Academy, Explorations in Leadership), we are equipping the next generation to gain knowledge, practice skills, and apply leadership competencies to real world situations.

Debbie Anderson, Executive Director at Strides to Success, was our very well-received 2014 Duvall Leader in Residence. As a leader in the field of Equine Assisted Learning (EAL) she provided a series of engaged learning opportunities at various venues throughout Fayette County and to groups within CAFE. Initial feedback from participants has been very positive regarding knowledge gained and networks developed among community organizations and educators. This fall we will follow up with evaluation assessing the impact of our 2014 Leader in Residence on the equine community.

Plans are underway for our Spring 2015 Duvall Leader in Residence, Dr. Bob Long, Visiting Distinguished Professor of Nonprofit Leadership at Murray State Univ. He will be joining us for a week of activities that will draw upon his 15 years with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation (Vice-President for Programs) and as an Endowed Professor of Youth Leadership Studies at the University of Northern Iowa.

The CFLD continues to offer for-fee leadership development workshops to both non-profit and for-profit organizations. The Junior League of Lexington hired Lissa Pohl to provide a workshop on Leveraging Organizational Assets to its board members in January 2014.

After rating the CFLD's Herd Dynamics for Leaders workshop "A five star learning experience!", Russell West, Associate Dean of the Beeson Center and Professor of Leadership Education at Asbury Theological Seminary, contracted with the CFLD to take 45 of their executive ministers through a similar experience in August, 2014.

These are exciting outcomes for the CFLD! I'm looking forward to another semester of building leadership capacity in Kentucky through education, research, networks of leadership partners and services. Dr. Tricia Dyk, Director pdyk@uky.edu

Leadership for Life - Pilot Class

In Fall of 2013, Lissa Pohl and Jamie Dunn, Director of First Year Success, teamed up to pilot a leadership development class for CAFE students who found themselves on academic probation after their first semester at UK. Spring 2014 they launched Leadership For Life (GEN 109), a one credit hour class designed to support this student population and increase their successful completion of college. Students had the opportunity to take a series of nine two hour workshops that focused on developing their self and social awareness, understanding their learning styles, leveraging their innate strengths, practicing listening skills, and improving their study habits by reintroducing them to the various campus resources such as The Study, The Writing Lab, and the main campus Counseling and Career Center. Further evaluations will be made to determine whether to offer this pilot class again in 2015. Students who successfully completed the class will be surveyed to gain valuable feedback. For more information please contact Lissa Pohl at lissa.pohl@uky.edu

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2014 Leader in Residence

March 24th– March 28th 2014

Hosted by the Center for Leadership Development at the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, the leaders in residence program, brings to the UK campus nationally and world-renowned leaders who are known for their ethical style of decision making and their focus on youth leadership development.

“Debbie Anderson was chosen to be our leader in residence this year because of her expertise in developing educational curriculum that facilitates learning through the horse. Our intention is for her to be able to share best practices with Kentucky based equine assisted learning programs that offer similar services in their communities”

- Lissa Pohl, Assf. Director Center for Leadership Development

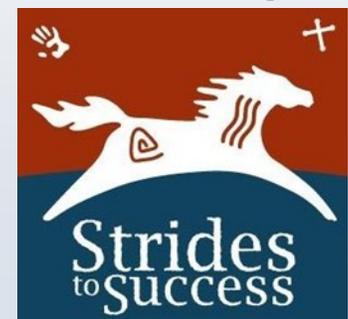
SUCCESS OF EVENTS

Debbie Anderson was only in Lexington, KY for five short days, yet she presented to over 209 individuals including: high school and college students, public school administrators and teachers, university faculty, interested community members, 4-H volunteers, local equine assisted learning programs and equine professionals. Her ability to share her equine inspired curriculum and program development success, created enormous networking opportunities throughout the Bluegrass. Debbie was able to facilitate two live horse demonstrations at Locus Trace Agriscience High School in Fayette County, which were all well attended and provided actual lessons in equine assisted learning to high school students.

Debbie Anderson



Debbie serves as the co-founder and Executive Director at Strides to Success, located in Plainfield, Indiana. Debbie has been involved professionally in the horse industry for over 35 years as a vet tech, world champion riding instructor/coach, as well as, a PATH certified therapeutic riding instructor. Strides to Success, founded in 2004, is an Equine Assisted Learning (EAL) facility in the heart of Indianapolis that connects horses with kids, adults and veterans for educational and mental health purposes, as well as life skills development.



Events

Date	Event	Description	Attendance	Position
3/24	Lexington Catholic High School		26	K-12 teachers HS Students
3/24	Georgetown Equine Program		12	College Students Equine Faculty
3/25	Providence School	Woodford County School Administrators curriculum development	6	Equine Instructor Asbury College Student UK Faculty
3/25	UK Ag. Education Class	Presentation on equine assisted learning curriculum	20	UK Faculty Ag. College Students Graduate Students K-12 Instructors
3/25	Private Reception	Welcoming Debbie Anderson to the bluegrass	14	Equine Professionals K-12 Instructors 4-H Agents Central KY Riding for Hope Life Adventure Center
3/26	UK CLD Lunch and Learn	"Equine Assisted Learning Programs Promote Social Capital and Community Building"	20	UK Faculty Central KY Riding for Hope Equine Professionals Community Members College Students
3/26	Public Panel Forum	"Educational Programming with Horses- A Win/Whinny for Kids and Communities"	14	Central KY Riding for Hope 4-H Agents Equine Professionals
3/27	The Life Adventure Center		5	The Life Adventure Center
3/27	Midway College Equine Program	A Live Demonstration with Horses	22	Equine Students Midway Faculty Dean of Equine Sciences
3/28	UK Ag Equine Programs	"Creating a Diverse Equine Assisted Activities Facility: A Sound Economic Model"	17	4-H Agents Equine Professionals Equine Instructors
3/28	Locust Trace AgriScience High School	A Live Demonstration with Horses	33	High School Students The Life Adventure Center Faculty K-12 Instructors Equine Professionals

The Leader in Residence program is sponsored by the W. Norris Duvall Endowment for Youth Leadership, Ethics and Service.

More information is available at www.ca.uky.edu/cfld/Duvall



On April 28th, 2014, Alex Bugg and Brian Welch, with family and friends, celebrated at their much deserved graduation reception for the Turner Leadership Academy (TLA). TLA mentors, Lissa Pohl and Jason Headrick, were also on hand to congratulate Alex Bugg, an Ag Biotech major (pre-med), and Brian Welch, an Ag Education major in CLD. Both these young men are exemplary students who will continue to develop and apply their leadership skills and knowledge in their chosen fields.

Every year students are asked to submit their leadership portfolios to be judged by the TLA Advisory Committee to determine who will receive a \$500 award. This year's Best Portfolio winner was Alex Bugg.

This past year has been bitter sweet for those who have been involved with the TLA as we suffered the loss of Lois Turner, the widow of the late Dr. Larry Turner, to cancer. Not only did we say farewell to an amazing woman and teacher but we are also bidding goodbye to the Turner Leadership Academy. However, feedback from the 20 TLA graduates who completed the program has shown that it has been a very powerful experience for them.

Thanks to the following faculty and staff who supported these and other students in developing their leadership potential in the CAFE: Tricia Dyk, Doug McClaren, Jason Headrick, Jeff Bewley, Ken Jones, Ingrid Adams, Anthony Pescatore, Lisa Collins, Maggie Cook-Newell, Mark Mains, Ashley Osborne, Deana Reed, Steve Isaacs, Quentin Tyler, Robert Holley, Lori Garkovich, Maria Cattai De Godoy, Tammy Stephenson, Amelia Brown, and Kimberly Henken.

In 2013—2014 the CFLD offered two semesters of the Explorations in Leadership certificate program and had 13 students graduate. Students in this program participate in a series of nine experiential workshops, and have to be engaged in at least one campus organization where they are consciously applying the leadership skills and knowledge gained in the classroom. They are graded on their participation, their attendance, and on their written reflective essays which document their growth and development as a leader.

In the Fall we had the following five students complete the semester long program: Sarah Gossett (Agriculture), Mahogany Livers (Food Science), Kelly Moore (Community & Leadership Development), Rae Esha Shabazz (Education), and Tyler Uetrecht (Natural Resources).

In Spring of 2014 another seven students graduated. This included: Tonia Bayless (Human Nutrition), Geneeka Brown (Food Science), Eli Earich (Ag Econ), Michael Gash (Ag Econ), Jad Husayni (Natural Resources), Evie Kester (Natural Resources), and Shea Sickles (Animal Science).



“Loved this class. Class size should be doubled. People need to know this stuff!”

Geneeka Brown –EIL



Lissa Pohl with Brian Welch and Jason Headrick



Best Portfolio Winner Alex Bugg



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