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A Training and Wellness Sanctuary for Dogs and their Humans.

**Enhancing Well-Being and Education** with Pet Assisted Therapy.

### **Professional / Experience**

- Founder and President of New England Pet Partners, Inc., 2007, non-profit, 501(c)(3)
- Founder and Manager of Dog Talk Training and Wellness Sanctuary, LLC, 1995. •
- Author of Awareness Centered Training ACT, Train Your Dog, Change Your Life and ٠ publications of dog training, behavior, dog/human relationships and pet assisted therapy.
- Dog Training Instructor, Behavior and Wellness Coach, Pet Assisted Therapy Counselor
- Business Administration, Daily Operations, Non-Profit Board President, Fund-Raising

## Education, Professional Certifications (a lifelong journey)

- MA Counseling Psychology, Antioch University, 1995
- BS Organizational Management, Lesley University, 1989. •
- Board Certified Counselor, (NBCC #40374): 1995 present. •
- Registered Yoga Teacher (RYT): Yoga Alliance (#25738) present. •
- Canine Massage and Acupressure: Tall Grass Animal Acupressure and Pet Massage Institute ٠
- Family Mediation Certificate of Completion 1997 / Marital 2000. ٠
- Licensed Animal Evaluator and Instructor, Pet Partner's Program, 1990 present. •
- R.E.A.D.<sup>®</sup> Instructor (Reading Education Assistance Dogs), 2005 present #012). •
- Certified Professional Dog Trainer- #1020213) 2002 -.
- Association of Pet Loss and Bereavement Certificate of Training 2006.
- Life Coach Certificate of Completion Success-Motivation-Coaching-2001. •

### **Other Professional Experience**

- Alternative Pathways Private Practice
- Family Mediator Nashua Mediation •
- Life Coach (G.R.O.W.), Certified Life Coach •
- Yoga Fit, Daily Doga, Yoga Alliance •
- Antioch University: Internships, 1990-1995: Family Therapy Institute, UpReach Therapeutic • Riding, U-Mass - Lowell Counseling Department.
- Regional Administrative Manager, Wang Laboratories, 1980-1990.
- Administrative Assistant, C.R. Bard (USCI), 1975-1980.
- Customer Service Secretary, Cambridge Radiopharmaceuticals, 1971-1975. •
- River Valley House, Care Facility, Lowell, MA, 1968-1971 (pt assistant).

# **Publications / Books**

- <u>Dog Talk Media</u> Publications
- Awareness Centered Training ACT, Balboa Press, Division of Hay House, 2012.
- Train Your Dog, Change Your Life, Howell Book House, Wiley Publishing, 2001
- Canine Training and Survival Guide, Dog Talk Media, 1991.
- Websites: Dog Talk, New England Pet Partners, Daily Doga, Social Media
- Articles published for Journals, Magazines and online at <u>www.dogtalk.com</u>
- Oprah Magazine February 2011 | Dog World | Latham Foundation | Interactions APDT Chronicle | More Magazine Digital Online

# Workshops / Presentations

- NEPP Presents—power point Pet Assisted Therapy for Health Care Organizations
- Presenter: Association of Pet Dog Trainers on Creating an Interactive Family Oriented Training Program (Memphis, San Diego and various organizations).
- Mediation Presents Workshop on domestic abuse and violence with children and pets.
- Educational workshops on dog training, behavior and well-being Dog Talk
- Pet Partner Team Handler's Course Licensed Instructor
- Pet Partner Team Instructor's Practicum Licensed Instructor
- Reading Education Assistance Dogs (READ ®), Previously Licensed Instructor

## **Professional Memberships**

- National Board of Certified Counselors—(<u>NBCC</u>)
- Association of Professional Dog Trainers (<u>APDT</u>) Charter
- International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants (IAABC)
- Yoga Alliance—(<u>YA</u>)
- American Council on Exercise (ACE)
- Pet Partners Program (PPP)
- Reading Education Assistance Dogs (<u>READ</u>)
- Jane Goodall Institute (JGI)
- Latham Foundation— (<u>LFO</u>)
- Hudson Chamber of Commerce
- New Hampshire Non-Profits

### **Community Service**

- Co-Founder of the <u>Pet Wellness Festival</u> raising awareness about pet education and wellness.
- Active Pet Assisted Therapy Volunteer Team, Mentor, Trainer at New England Pet Partners.
- Community Service Hours (school-to-career) students participating in Pet Assisted Therapy.

### Mantra

*Balance, Relationship, Education and Well-Being while living and learning with dogs Enjoying the Journey* 

**References** (available upon request)