



At-a-Glance

2019 Penn-Del AER Conference
Charting Our Course: Together Toward Tomorrow
April 24 – 26, 2019



Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Pre-Conference Copy

Registration in the Central Hallway					
Pre-Conference 8:45 am – 12:15 pm	Penn-Del AER Professional Development Pre-Conference Workshop: Focus on Leadership — Heritage Rm Amy J. Armstrong , PhD, CRC — Chair and Associate Professor in the Department of Rehabilitation Counseling at Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA				
Session I 1:00 – 2:30 pm	Opening Session and Welcome — Central Ballrooms A and B Angela Humbertson , Penn-Del AER Chapter President Rebecca Renshaw , Conference Committee Chair and Holly Russell , Assistant Chair <hr/> Keynote Address — “ ” Bernadette Kappen , PhD — Executive Director of the New York Institute for Special Education				
Break 2:30 – 2:50 pm, Central Hallway					
Session II 2:50 – 4:05 pm	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D & E	Harris
	Technology and Learning Media Assessment... Douglas Williams Brenda Loughrey	Braille Tech Tools and Student Productivity... Peter Tucic Kate Morrow	Fun Science Activities for Young Children: A Hands-On Approach Marilyn Winograd Lillian Rankel	ALL ABOARD: Discovering a Collaborative Pathway Toward Independent Living ... Lachelle Smith Emily Vasile	Educational Rights and Realities of Blind Students Carlton Anne Cook Walker Anna Walker
Session III 4:15 – 5:30 pm	From Scooting to Cruising: Taking Small Steps to Help Students with Multiple Disabilities... Tessa McCarthy Staci Wills	Overbrook School for the Blind “VanGoghs for Art Education” — Making Art Accessible for Everyone Susan DiFabio Frank Irzyk	How It Took a Village to Help a Veteran Return to Work Katie McCormick Karen Shane Cote John Mc Mahon	Using Universal Design in Learning (UDL) to Reach All Learner as a Starting Point for Creating Optimal Learning Environments Lisa Yochimowitz	Simplified Calculating Strategies for the Cranmer Abacus Using the Double-A Method Thomas Forrest, Jr

Wednesday Evening, April 24, 2019

◆ Dinner on your own ◆

◆ Silent Auction open from 5:30 – 7:00 pm, Cameron Room ◆

Come see the tempting wares that are up for grabs! Bidding starts at 5:30 pm on Wednesday and ends at 6:00 pm on Thursday.

◆ University Socials from 5:30 – 7:00 pm, O'Reilly's Tap Room ◆

Visit with fellow graduates of Kutztown University, Salus University, and University of Pittsburgh in an informal atmosphere.

◆ Meet-the-Board Reception from 7:30 – 9:00 pm, Lobby Bar ◆

Get to know your Penn-Del AER Chapter Board of Directors at this "end of the day café"!

◆ Penn-Del AER Hospitality opens 9:00 pm, McCormick Room ◆

Join the fun and games—literally—and enjoy snacks and a BYO night cap with conference friends.

Thursday Morning, April 25, 2019

◆ Continental Breakfast 7:00 – 8:00 am, Central Hallway ◆

◆ Vendor Exhibits, Heritage Room ◆

Session IV 8:15 – 9:30 am	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D	Central E	McClay
	Bioptic Driver Training: Making a Difference for Persons with Visual Impairment Chuck Huss	CVI Connect in the Classroom Julie Kushman	Using Expanded Core Curriculum-Based Games... Marty Schultz	Changing Your World One Step at a Time: Practices for Making a Difference Dona Sauerburger Stephan Sauerburger	Introduction to iPhone X Gestures with Apps Michael Bryant	We Taught the Law and the Blind Community Won Heather Dougherty Maria Lepore-Stevens

◆ Break 9:30 – 10:00 am, Heritage Room ◆

◆ Vendor Exhibits, Heritage Room ◆ Poster Session, Harris Room ◆

◆ Silent Auction opens at 9:00 am and ends promptly at 6:00 pm, Cameron Room ◆

Session V 10:00 am – 12:15 pm	General Session — Central Ballrooms A and B
	Midnote Address — " " Kevin E. O'Connor , MA, MS, CSP — Kevin E. O'Connor & Associates Ltd.
	Penn-Del AER Chapter Meeting Angela Humbertson , Penn-Del AER Chapter President

Thursday Afternoon, April 25, 2019

♦ 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 – 2:15 pm	Poster Session — Harris Room Vendor Exhibits — Heritage Room					
Vendor Exhibits open until 6:00 pm, Heritage Room						
Session VII 2:15 – 3:30 pm	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D	Central E	McClay
	Charting Pathways to Tomorrow: The Power of Positioning and Movement Cortney Divito Melissa Kowalkowski	“So you’re a teacher of the visually impaired! Do you know sign language?” Christine Snellman	Creating Accessible PDF Documents and Forms Brenda Loughrey Debby Holzapfel	Using iOS Devices to Access Books and Literacy Activities for Students with Multiple Disabilities Amanda Whelan	Supporting Braille Users in High School Math and Science... Maria Baldwin Michele Resch	The Sweet Spot for Magnification: Functional Implications of Refraction and Its Impact on Magnification Karen S. Cote
Break 3:30 – 3:45 pm Vendor Exhibit Area, Heritage Room						
Session VIII 3:45 – 5:00 pm	Working with Challenging or Grieving Families Kevin O’Connor	Eyes on Demand: A Comparison of Be My Eyes and Aria Londa Peterson	Truly SWIFT Transcription: ...Using the Duxbury Braille Translator Brenda Loughrey Patricia D’Ascenzo	Game Their Gains: Mastering Motivation through Game Design Principles Stephan Sauerburger	Vispero in Education: Affordable Software for All Students Michael Wood	“You Got Them Now?” Responding to the Public on Community O&M Lessons Maria Lepore-Stevens

Thursday Evening, April 25, 2019

♦ Kick-back Happy Hour with Exhibitors 5:00 – 6:00 pm, Heritage Room ♦
♦ Penn-Del AER Awards Banquet 6:30 pm, Central Ballrooms C, D, and E ♦
♦ Awards Reception 8:30 – 10:00 pm, Lobby Bar ♦ Join us as we toast our 2019 award recipients!

Friday, April 26, 2019

Continental Breakfast 7:00 – 8:00 am, Central Hallway						
Session IX 8:15 – 9:30 am	Central A	Central B	Central C	Central D & E	Harris	Heritage
	Blind in Pennsylvania and Delaware but Not in Virginia Rachel Schles	Blind Coding Academies: "A Modest Proposal" Anthony Candela	DATA Analytics, Braille Innovations Damian Pickering Tyler Brown	Braille Challenge Mobile App: What Did We Learn about... Braille Reading? Frances Mary D'Andrea Tessa McCarthy	Ethical Dilemmas: How to Ethically Navigate through Situations TVIs May Face Nicole Johnson Kathleen Stanfa	Double Session Painting with a Maureen Army Michael Bryant
Session X 9:45 – 11:00 am	At Your Beck and Call: Voice-Activated Home Assistants... Jule Ann Lieberman	Dyslexia and Braille Readers Angel Perez	Show Your Stuff: Creative Equipment in Vision Professions Maria Lepore-Stevens	PA's Career Readiness Indicator Connection to the ECC... Jennifer Edgar Jacki Lyster	Helping Youth with Visual Impairments Accelerate Their Futures Anisio Correia	Limited to 25 Double Session
Break 11:00 – 11:30 am Central Hallway						
Session XI 11:30 am – 12:45 pm	Closing Session – Central Ballrooms A and B					
	Footnote – " " Father James Warnke , MSW, LCSW – Retired from Private Practice and Ministry					
	Conference Wrap-Up Angela Humbertson , Penn-Del AER Chapter President Rebecca Renshaw , Conference Committee Chair, and Holly Russell , Assistant Chair					
We hope to see you at next year's conference in Harrisburg April 22 – 24, 2020 Best Western Premier Central Hotel & Conference Center						