

## **Memorial Day, May 26, 2014**

### **Did you remember your Veterans today?**

**1.3 million Veterans have died in wars  
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**October 26, 27, 28**

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*This is a CFE, Continuing Farrier Education Course offered by the FNRC 1 day \$300 or 3 days \$900 - includes Dan's book. For info and slideshows go to*

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**September 10-14 and 17-21 (Wednesday – Sunday, each week) 10 days only**

\$125.00 per day also includes room and board (as available)

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Bring your own rig, or just hand tools and use our shop equipment. Steel, shoes, and horses will be provided as needed.

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**Instructor: Ronney DeBoard, BWFA Master Farrier with 47 + years' experience**  
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Can be offered for Apprentice and Journeyman levels

(Please see certification requirements page at [www.bwfa.net](http://www.bwfa.net) for details and test fees)

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A Great Continuing Education Opportunity with CEU offered upon request.

**October 22-26 (Wed – Sun) 5 days only**

(Same as above) with

Link Casey, Ronney DeBoard, Tom Cable and several other Master Farrier Tester Guests.  
Apprentice, Journeyman AND Master Farrier Levels will be offered

### Plan Now

To Be Announced For This Fall & Winter: Other locations across the U.S. for testing

## In response to the Farrier License Articles we Posted in the March eNewsletter

Good afternoon guys, Licensing came to the construction business in Oklahoma in 1955. Here is what you may expect. Formation of an administrative authority, now each horse you shoe will help support this authority. Besides your annual license fee, which must be duplicated in each City, County, besides the state. You will be required to post bond, and probably \$10,000 liability insurance. Your insurance company however will not write less than 500,000. Before you start your truck you have paid at least \$1500 in license's and insurance, conservative estimate. Then you will need permits for each customer you have, with a cash escrow in each jurisdiction to cover inspection cost. You cannot leave when you are finished until the inspector arrives, counts your nails, and so forth. He will issue you a green tag for each inspection, to keep permits straight. Now if he gives you a red tag you will pull your shoes and tomorrow, same horse, another inspection fee, same thing.

***This is just to get started before they really get creative.***  
***Good Luck, C. J. Ward***

## Don't Forget about

### Monthly Forge Classes

Contact these TESTERS/Schools  
for dates and fees:

**Arkansas-** John Burt, JDC School of Basic Farrier Science, Fouke,  
870-653-5766 or 903-293-1113  
email: [JDCfarrier@cablone.net](mailto:JDCfarrier@cablone.net)

**Georgia-** FNRC/BWFA LaFayette,  
Forge practice/testing  
706-397-8047  
email: [info@bwfa.net](mailto:info@bwfa.net)  
**3rd weekend each month:**  
**Fri, Sat, and Sun - attend 1, 2 or 3days**

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## New this issue will be a FAQ section (Frequently Asked Questions)

As we go back into the history of the BWFA, some of the same questions are being asked by current members.

### **Our first subject will be the Grandfather Clause.**

As members were accepted by testing, it was the thought of the Editor of the Anvil Magazine, Mr. Rob Edwards, that we offer a Grandfather Clause for farriers similar to other organizations. Agreed by the Board and membership, it was introduced in the Anvil Magazine to begin January 1992 and end on December 1992. So for a solid year, applications poured in. The requirements were to complete and sign the BWFA Certification Application and send with the Annual Dues with two forms of referrals, one from a farrier and one from a veterinarian and optional horse owner client. Three board members personally reviewed and called these individuals to verify their information and speak with one on one. In many instances, BWFA members were referring other farriers who would have to have 15 or more years of making a living at shoeing. Those who desired to become a TESTER were asked to attend a BWFA Clinic coming to or near their home state and go through the testing procedures with other TESTERS, Master Educators and farriers actually testing. That year alone, we gained 22 school owners and 30 TESTERS and thousands of members.

By popular demand and suggested again by Rob Edwards, The Grandfather Clause was extended until March 1993 and then Closed. No more.

We occasionally receive phone calls from farriers who would like for us re-open it for them, but we just cannot do that unless we offered it again for all farriers. That subject has not come up by enough members.



South Eastern Farriers & Horseowners Association

#### 2014 Colt Starting Challenge



On Saturday, October 18, 2014, SEFHA will host their 4th Annual Colt Starting Challenge. This contest features full-time horse trainer teams who work within a three-hour radius of Chatham, VA. While demonstrating natural horsemanship training, these professionals will take unbroken horses they have never seen before and transform them into relaxed, confident mounts. At the end of the day, the trainers and their equine "students" will compete in an obstacle course to determine the winner of the Colt Starting Challenge.

The Third Annual Colt Starting Challenge is recognized as the biggest and best competition of its kind in the region. Anyone with an interest in Natural Horsemanship will be mesmerized by the talents of these three trainer teams, and horse owners looking for a quality trainer will see three teams of the best put their reputations on the line.

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 18, 2014.

**VIDEO:** Click [here](#) to hear more about our challenge.

**LOCATION:** Olde Dominion Agriculture Complex, 19783 US Hwy 29 South, Chatham, VA, 24631.

**TICKETS:** \$15 per person. You can buy tickets at the door. You can also buy tickets via PayPal. If you buy a ticket via PayPal, please **PRINT** your receipt and bring it with you.

**May 17<sup>th</sup> 2014**

**St. Jude's Ride**

Sefha BWFA Farriers will be setting up a booth with all proceeds going to St. Jude's. Contact David Tuggle, President at: [tugglefarm@gmail.com](mailto:tugglefarm@gmail.com)

**June 7, 2014**

**Despooking Clinic**

**June 10<sup>th</sup> 2014**

**Chapter Meeting at El Casadora's**

# EQUINE PHYSIOGNOMY

*By Barry Denton, BWFA MASTER Farrier, TESTER, Hall of Famer, Past BWFA Board Member of Arizona*

Say physiognomy three times fast! How do you even pronounce that word and what does it mean? It is from the Greeks: physis meaning 'nature' and gnomon meaning 'interpreter'. It would be the assessment of a horse's personality or character from their face. If we were applying this to humans we would call it profiling. Talk about something that needs to be done at airports. For example let's take the pig-eyed horse. We all know as a rule of thumb, because of the eye's location and the smallness of the eye that pig-eyed horses tend to not see well. As a result the pig-eyed horse may tend to be spooky and difficult to train because of this. So, as a result trainers may opt for a horse with a big soft eye because it would tend to be more trainable. Of course there are exceptions to every rule, but it works most of the time.

Remember, you were taught not to "judge a book by its cover", but we still tend to go with first impressions as they tend to be right more than they are wrong. This is all part of physiognomy; the ability to read a horse.

My dentist swears he can tell a person's personality by the shape of their mouth and how they wear down their teeth and I absolutely believe him. Look at how much archeologists learn from the teeth of ancient Egyptians. I'll even take it one step further and tell you I can tell the personality of a horse from the hooves and how he wears his shoes. The power of observation is much more powerful than people realize. While the American Civil Liberties Union may cry foul when it comes to profiling people, trained law enforcement people can size up criminals in a hurry. All this applies to the horse and what a valuable tool it can prove to be. If you learn just the basics of physiognomy it may save you many horse training headaches down the road.

Physiognomy can be traced back to the Greeks and has been written about many times down through the years. Some folks in recent years have made a good living from it by giving clinics and seminars and convincing folks they know something the general horse population doesn't. The good part of this is that if you learn it correctly it will work time and again.

In general there are four types of disposition in horses according to what Prof. Jesse Beery wrote in 1909. The first is the horse I spoke of earlier with the big soft eye. This horse will also be broad between the eyes and have plenty of room from the eyes to the top of the poll. He will have nicely formed ears that will be wide apart and project from the head at an angle and never vertically. Horses with these characteristics are usually receptive to discipline and easy to train. Type number two is the pig-eyed horse with a bulge between the eyes. Usually his eyes are small and he comes with a heavy jowl, Roman nose, and thick throatlatch. These horses can be difficult to train because they tend to be very stubborn. This is the sullen horse we all dread.

Type number three is very distinct because of his eye placement. Number three's eye projects forward and sideways allowing it to see both before and behind simultaneously. The eyes will be quite big and will have a staring frightened look in them. This horse will be very quick to act and will go all out when it does. Unlike number two that balked at everything, this horse will want to do everything himself very quickly. Even though it will resist hard it will surrender unconditionally when conquered.

Number four has a very prominent forehead, small pig eyes, and a dished face. This horse reacts without cause and when you aren't expecting it. He is the calculating type that will act nice once or twice just to get you later.

Most horses fall into these categories or a combination of categories. Now we all know that there are lots of other telltale characteristics that indicate personality such as hair swirls, exposed scalars, and differently shaped ears among others. Good horsemen are great observers and quite aware of all these personality indicators. If you are just learning about horse's physiognomy may be the next important subject you need to learn. Besides that it's fun!

## FYI BWFA HISTORY



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## NATIONAL NEWS BULLETIN JAN. 1991

### FROM OUR PRESIDENT

#### DIRECTIONS AND GOALS...

All associations should have directions and goals to succeed. We must not let it be said that the BWFA does not have these goals and directions. Our Master Educators and BWFA Testers must understand our directions and goals for they are the leaders. How then can we serve our association best? Number one is by being active. Knowing the direction and being able to answer questions. Ninety-eight percent of the public has no earthly idea what a Farrier is. This has to be changed. Why? If we are going to stop incompetency then the public must know what competency is. The majority of the public has some idea what a horseshoer is which is something like this: Anyone can nail a shoe on a horse. It doesn't take much skill for that. This idea must be changed by educating the public.

Number two is that we must educate the Farrier wherein that he can be proud of his trade and not ashamed of it. This is a big job and can only be accomplished by bannng together as brothers pulling in one direction. United, we can make a stand, divided we can only fall. This is why we need fellowship, which is number three. We must see these things as a whole. We must have small teaching clinics to promote fellowship, to educate and sharpen our skills as craftsmen. We must let the public view our skills as true craftsmen. It would not take Abraham Lincoln to figure out what needs to be done. However it does take true leaders to get even simple jobs done. So let us go forth with these simple directions:

Educating the Public  
Sharpening Our Skills As Craftsmen  
and Promoting Fellowship

The year 1991 will bring about many new projects for the BWFA. Each one has a reason and a purpose. In order to make these projects successful. We need your participation, for after all you will benefit. By letting the public see us as dedicated craftsmen, then we do not have to explain why we charge \$65.00 to put shoes on their horse and the fellow down the street is nailing them on for \$25.00. By offering the fellow down the street an opportunity to become educated we can only help ourselves and our cause. We can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar, as the old saying goes!

In 1991, we will erect a museum. Bill Burgee will be heading up this project. When I first heard of the idea, I snickered. But the more I thought about it, the more impressed I became. (Continued Page 2)

### BWFA TESTING IN KENTUCKY

Ralph Casey

Testing can be fun and a learning experience, I believe if we go at it with the right attitude. We are trying hard to design such a test. In all my experience I have never had such a good time as I had in Kentucky or met Farriers with better attitudes than this group of eleven people. Ric Redden, the veterinarian from Versailles, Kentucky well-known for his works relating to laminitis in equine, gathered together a group of Farriers from his area to be introduced to the BWFA. After a warm and generous welcome, all ears were tuned into my introduction assisted by Bucky Hatfield. We were accompanied by BWFA Tester, Thomas Whaley of Sevierville, Tennessee and Steve Sandidge, secretary of the BWFA of Georgia. The enthusiasm generated at this small gathering led directly into testings for everyone for the rest of the afternoon and into the evening. At the end of the day we had six persons passing their Master Farrier test, Four passing at Journeyman II Level and one to pass at the Apprentice II Level. Of the eleven people present, four were chosen to represent their state as BWFA Testers. The day was a total success. I want to thank Dr. Redden for his generous hospitality of using his facilities and offering accommodations for the BWFA during their stay. (Continued Page 2)



Left to Right Back Row: Thomas Whaley, Ric Redden, D.V.M., Travis Crain, Brian Cozine, Victor Sambrano, Russell Isaacs, Dale Gregory and Bob Peacock Front Row: Bucky Hatfield, Steve Sandidge, Steve Norman, Joe Carroll, Diane Finch, D.V.M., Mike Young and Ralph Casey.

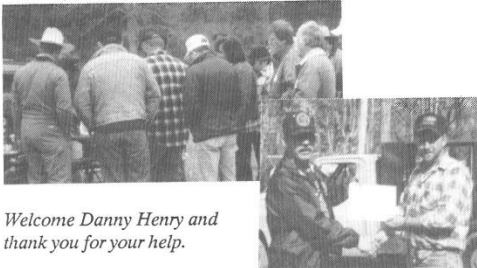


## FYI BWFA HISTORY

### 1991 CLINICS . . .

#### Sevierville, Tennessee

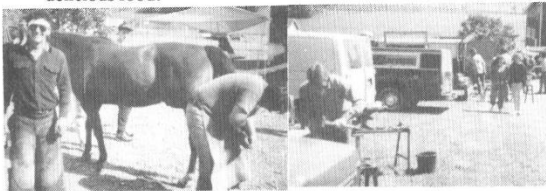
They really worked hard in Sevierville, Tennessee to have a good clinic. Tom Whaley never fails to impress me with his hard work but the person who impressed me the most with her hospitality and hard work was Tom's wife. We salute you, Pat Whaley and look forward to returning on July 27th for your second clinic.



*Welcome Danny Henry and thank you for your help.*

#### Pitman, Pennsylvania

What a turn out of farriers in Pennsylvania! Chris Trasatti worked hard and offered his community of Pitman the chance to see what "professional farriers" can do for the horse. This beautiful small town in the mountains was filled with friendly neighbors who came out to help and learn thanks ladies for the delicious food!



#### Congratulations! West Virginia

Jim Flesher is our new B.W.F.A. Tester in West Virginia Kathleen Flesher is our Horseowner Director for the state of West Virginia and Pam Clutter is our Assistant Horseowner Director. These three worked VERY hard and had a successful clinic on May 19 with over 250 in attendance! Details in the next bulletin.



Renewal of annual dues . . . Keep up with your dues, check your membership cards. Mail your cards in directly to the B.W.F.A. Headquarters for renewal cards to be returned or bring it to a clinic where it can be processed in one day. I encourage each member to help at least one other member to join the B.W.F.A. before the end of the year. Share this information with friends - They would thank you for it!!

#### West Palm, Florida

The clinic was a small gathering and was a great success. Sometimes we learn more at small clinics than we do at large ones. The welcome was great and I met many new friends. We look forward to returning to WPB in the winter months.

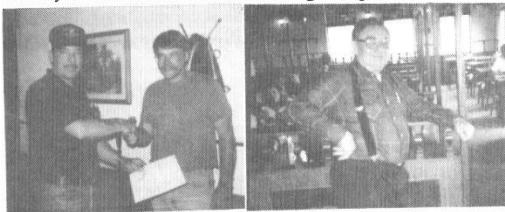


*James Morgan and John Biehl  
Good look at the Calgary  
Competition this year!*



#### Canada

Welcome Hans Wiza, into the B.W.F.A. and Thank-You Ed Redlick for helping me travel through Canada. Everyone was friendly and I look forward to returning in September.



Another Horseshoeing School has joined the B.W.F.A. Master Educators. We welcome . . .

Meredith Manor International Equestrian Centre of Waverly, West Virginia.

Ronald Meredith, Owner.

Herb Schneider, Instructor, Master Farrier

Glen Erickson, Asst. Instructor, Journeyman II

It will be a pleasure to attend their clinic on August 11, 1991!



*Students and local horseowners gathered around to hear Mr. Casey's lecture at the Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton Georgia.*

## BWFA Membership Benefits include:

Watch Horseshoe'n Time clips at [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) search Horseshoe'n Time.

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Scan this code with your smart phone to save the BWFA contact information into your contact list.

### American Horse Council Newsletter



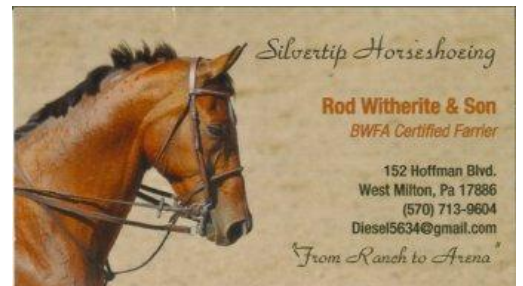
As a member of the AHC the BWFA also receives their electronic newsletter. We can now share this with our members on our [website](http://www.bwfa.net)

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*Revised 9/10*

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