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## Welcome... a new BWFA Master Educator School... PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE in Kansas



### Congratulations Recent Graduates and new BWFA Certified Farriers!

Cody Kirk, Danni Marcin, Mitchell Gardner, Ty Batie, Layne Livermont.

Ryan Vander Pluym (2<sup>nd</sup> from right) Instructor of the Farrier Science Program here with Ralph Casey BWFA Executive Director (far right) visiting for their first certification.

**See page 2 for more about new member and TESTER, Ryan Vander Pluymin**



### Congratulations to Moriah Sill

of Tarlton, Ohio for upgrading to the Journeyman I Certification Level on August 13, 2013



At age 19, Moriah attended Red Tomlinson's School in 2011 and received the Apprentice Level. She continued to apprentice with her grandpa here, long time BWFA Member Butch Thomas. Moriah will continue shoeing barrel racing horses, trail, pleasure, offering hot and cold shoeing, has experience shoeing for founder and hoof repair.

From Butch, *"She did very well and I am very proud of her! I am sending these photos so there would be no question she did the work. She loves the horses and enjoys horseshoeing and forging. She will become a very good farrier the longer she works at this trade."*

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## About Ryan....

I am the son of a farrier and have been working in the trade for right at 15 years. I shod my first horse at the age of 12 and was certain that I would not like the craft or pursue it any way. I finished horses for my dad through high school and began shoeing for myself during college.

After graduation I set out on the road chasing my dreams of making a living steer wrestling. I found that shoeing horses helped keep me on the road and supplemented my income very well.

I have now shod horses in 25 different states and focus entirely on rodeo performance horses. I accepted an offer to coach a college rodeo team in 2011 at Pratt Community College in Pratt, Kansas. I began shoeing team horses immediately upon arrival and found very few to be correct or of good quality.

I saw a need for quality farriers in this area and across the states so I began visiting with Lori Montgomery (Chair of the Agriculture Department here) and with great enthusiasm she helped to build a quality 1 year certification program. I feel like our goals and theories are most in line with the BWFA so I contacted Ralph and Ginger Casey and we scheduled our first student certification in the May of 2013. Every student certified through Ralph and I received my Certified Journeyman II Certification with TESTER endorsement.

We have an outstanding group enrolled for fall 2013 and we look forward to working with the BWFA this year and in the future.

I will be flying out to the BWFA Headquarters in November to test for my Master Farrier Certification and tour the facilities there.

# BWFA Upcoming Events

## Mark Your Calendars

### September TBA – Virginia Cowboy Competition

www.sefha.net  
David Tuggle, President  
Southeastern Farrier and Horsemen's  
Association, a BWFA Chapter

(434) 792-3811

### October 19 – Virginia SEFHA 3rd Annual Colt Starter Challenge

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www.sefha.net  
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**October 26**  
Special Event  
For Current Members only  
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## 2013 Equine Flexion Therapy Courses Hosted by the Farrier National Research Center in Georgia

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Sunday, Monday &  
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*[www.horseshoentime.tv/eft.html](http://www.horseshoentime.tv/eft.html)*

### EFT Class August 9, 10, 11, 2013



Carl Pappaganda,  
Race Horse Owner



Josh Phillips Farrier



Patrick Spaulding Farrier  
with Dan Marcum



Becca Phillips  
Wife/Helper



### Equine Flexion Therapy August 2013 Graduates

(l to r) Josh & Becca Phillips of Georgia,  
Dan Marcum, EFT Instructor & Master Farrier,  
Randy Tuck from Virginia, Carl Pappaganda of New  
York and Patrick Spaulding of Florida.

## Equine Flexion Therapy (EFT) designed by Dan Marcum

EFT is a system that can help a farrier become a better farrier. It is a system that can be done in conjunction with a farrier business, or just by itself.

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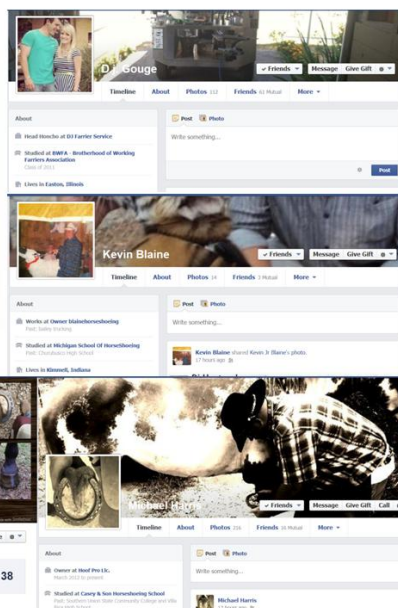


Monday August 12th.....

Just to let you know. I went on my first job today to do some trims. As I was getting things from my truck I was talking about the EFT Class and how much I had enjoyed and gotten from it. The lady started talking about how her horse wasn't collecting itself and asked if I would check it.

First day back, first horse of the day and I was using the EFT. Second job of the day, the lady's daughter does this in Georgia and isn't here much. She asked if I would start working her horses. I'd say that was a good first day back, wouldn't you !!

Randy Tuck BWFA



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It is a very detailed book with  
wonderful photo descriptions of the  
Flexion technique.

[www.bwfa.net/documents/38.html](http://www.bwfa.net/documents/38.html)

## 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**

**Kansas** – Max Williams, Shod Right  
Apprenticeship Program Cimarron,  
417-531-5566  
email: [shodright@yahoo.com](mailto:shodright@yahoo.com)

**Kansas** –Sean McDonough,  
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**North Carolina-**Marcus Pierce,  
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**Oklahoma-** CJ Ward, Tulsa,  
919-697-7384  
email: [blackoakforge@hotmail.com](mailto:blackoakforge@hotmail.com)  
**By appointment only**

**Ohio-** Tom Cable, Zanesville,  
740-819-5571  
email: [tomacable@gmail.com](mailto:tomacable@gmail.com)  
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**Pennsylvania-** Sonny Pistilli,  
Far Hills Forge Bethlehem,  
610-748-8775 or 908-797-4433  
Three-day to one week courses.  
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**Virginia-** David Tuggle, Danville,  
434-792-3811  
email: [tugglefarm@gmail.com](mailto:tugglefarm@gmail.com)

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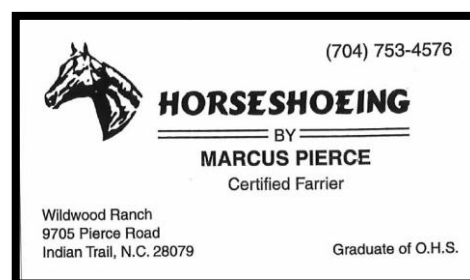
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As a participant in the BWFA Injured Farriers Fund you will have access to funds if ever you need help due to a work related injury. Just write a letter, enclose a copy of a statement from your physician or medical bill, and mail the information to the BWFA office.



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### The BWFA is a Congressional member of the American Horse Council

**FYI...**The AHC was formed in February, 1969, by a group of horsemen concerned about federal legislation affecting their business that was ultimately defeated. In the ensuing forty years, the issues have multiplied, but the AHC is still here representing your interests in Washington and has had continued success. (Read more online)

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### 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](#)