



*"Ensuring excellence and changing lives through equine-assisted activities and therapies"*

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**September 2011  
PATH Intl. Announces 2011 Scholarship Winners**

**Denver** – Twenty-one individuals have been awarded scholarships to attend the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.) Conference and Annual Meeting in Lexington, Kentucky.

The event, sponsored by Purina, will be November 9-12 at the Hyatt Regency Lexington and will feature the Horse Expo, keynote luncheon speaker Phil Tedeschi, educational seminars led by industry experts, discussion forums and networking opportunities, and the much anticipated awards banquet on Friday night.

PATH Intl. received more than 140 applications, and a team of three judges who are each experts in the equine-assisted activities and therapies (EAAT) industry chose the winners. Twenty of these individuals received the general scholarship and one individual received the Marjorie V. Kittredge Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy and Learning (EFP/L) Scholarship, which was offered for the first time this year. All winners must be PATH Intl. members, and the winner of the Marjorie V. Kittredge award must also be an EFP/L professional or studying to become one. Scholarships cover the cost of the conference registration of \$675. The conference, including educational credits, is valued at more than \$2,600.

Congratulations to our 2011 PATH Intl. Conference scholarship winners!

**General Scholarship Winners:** Kelly Adams, Joan Blank, Cait Budde, Dorrie Fuchs, Faith Elliott, Naomi Heller, Hannah Homnick, Daniel C. Johnson, Tracy Ellen Krinard, Emily Langer, Elizabeth A. Large, Emery Laws, Maggie McDonald, Amber Miller, Kristin M. Pfahl, Stephanie Roeter, Vanessa Russell, Rebecca Still, Madison Thomas and Kalina Welch

**Marjorie V. Kittredge Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy and Learning Scholarship:**  
Kathryn Schroeder

Find more information about conference sessions, the conference hotel, the conference travel deals and fun things to do in Lexington on our [conference page at www.pathintl.org](#). If you would like information on donating to PATH Intl.'s scholarship fund, contact [Megan Ream](#) at (800) 369-7433, ext. 107.

About PATH Intl.:

*Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.), formerly NARHA, was formed in 1969 to promote equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. At more than 800 member centers, a total of 42,000 children and adults find a sense of independence through involvement with horses. These member centers range from small, one-person programs to large operations with several certified instructors and licensed therapists. In addition to therapeutic equitation, a center may offer any number of equine-assisted activities including hippotherapy, equine-facilitated mental health, driving, interactive vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work or stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. There are more than 24,000 volunteers, 2,000 instructors, 5,700 therapy horses and thousands of contributors from all over the world helping people at PATH Intl. centers.*