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EDUCATION

Master of Social Work, Virginia Commonwealth University, 1986

Bachelor of Arts, University of Virginia, 1983

WORK EXPERIENCE

Chief Writer, Funnier Speeches, LLC, 2009-Present

Write humor for speakers, executives, and others who give presentations.

Columnist, The Observer Newspapers, 2005-Present

Write monthly humor column called *Humor Me* for newspaper with circulation of 60,000.

Director of Everything!, FUNsulting, etc., 1996-Present

Help healthcare staff and leaders achieve a new level of excellence through humor through presentations, seminars, and products. Worked with over 100,000 people in more than 700 organizations.

Adjunct Faculty, University of Virginia, 1997-2005

Taught classes on management and leadership at Northern Virginia Center.

Director of Quality Service, Hospice of Northern Virginia, 1993 - 1996

Developed, implemented and maintained dynamic organization-wide Quality Service program by facilitating quality improvement project teams, conducting customer service training and ensuring adherence to regulatory standards for quality as required by Medicare, Medicaid and JCAHO.

Counseling Manager, Hospice of Northern Virginia, 1989 - 1993

Managed Social Work, Chaplain, Bereavement and Art Therapy programs including supervision of 26 staff members. Provided consultation and education to community groups. Participated on multiple organization-wide committees and task forces.

Social Worker, Children's National Medical Center, Washington D.C., 1988 - 1989

Provided crisis intervention and ongoing individual and group therapy to victims of physical/sexual abuse and neglect.

Social Worker, Hospice of Northern Virginia, 1986 - 1988

Provided individual and group counseling to terminally ill patients and their loved ones in a home care setting.

Auctioneer, Heisman Fine Arts Gallery, 1987 - 1989

Social Work Intern, DeWitt Army Hospital, Fort Belvoir, VA, 1985 - 1986

Social Work Intern, Department of Social Services, Charlottesville, VA, 1984 - 1985
Mental Health Worker, University of Virginia Hospital, 1983 – 1985

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VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Capital Hospice, Quality Committee
Herndon Rotary Club
The Herndon Free Clinic, Herndon, VA
National Speakers Association: Chair, Humor Professional Emphasis Group; Chair, Humor Lab; Chair, Certified Speaking Professional Council; Vice Chair, 2006 NSA Workshop, Chair 2008 NSA Workshop
Compassion International Sponsor
Habitat for Humanity, Northern Virginia
Moderator, Board of Deacons; Elder, Vienna Presbyterian Church, Vienna, VA
Tutor, Fairfax County School System, Youth Detention Center, Fairfax, VA
Tutor, Literacy Council of Northern Virginia, Falls Church, VA
Social Worker, Hospice of the Piedmont, Charlottesville, VA

AFFILIATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Speaking Professional, National Speakers Association
National Speakers Association, Board Member 2005-present
National Speakers Assoc. DC Chapter, President, 2002-2003 Member of the Year, 2005; John J. Daly Founders' Award, 2007, Capital Outstanding Speaker, 2008
Adjunct Faculty, University of Virginia
Board of Directors, Art Gliner Center For Humor Studies, Univ. of Maryland
Herndon-Dulles Chamber of Commerce
Herndon Rotary Club, Board Member 2009-2010, 2005-2006
International Society for Humor Studies
National Hospice Organization

PRESENTATION EXPERIENCE

1986-Present: Over 700 presentations to various local, state and national groups.
Highlights of programs available upon request.

PUBLICATIONS/FEATURES

Is Your Glass LAUGH Full? Some Thoughts on Seeing the Humor in Life (Gilbert Belle Press, 2004)

Contributing author to *Humor Me: America's Funniest Humorists on the Power of Laughter* (Brad Montgomery Publications, 2003)

Contributing author to *Chicken Soup for The Nurse's Soul, 2nd Dose*, (HCI, 2007)

Numerous articles and features available upon request.