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Experience

Director/Trainer	Youth Change Workshops Train teachers, counselors, and youth professionals in N. America on counseling and teaching troubled youth. Provide conference, agency, school, community, and distance learning workshops. Keynote speaker/trainer at national conferences, universities, and institutes including Calif. Association of Counseling and Development Conference, WAVE National Youth Professional Institute, Washington State University At-Risk Institute, Calif. Court School Educator's Conference, and the Calif. Placement Worker Conference.
Author	Personal Power Series A four volume lesson series for use with mainstream and troubled youth, published by Pro-Ed Publishers, Austin, Texas.
Author	Breakthrough Strategies to Teach and Counsel Youth Resources An eleven volume series, and 10 hour DVD Workshop. Author of 24 books, several book series, and hundreds of educational posters.
Director	YWCA Girls' Emancipation Program Design, implement and administer innovative independent living program, which was selected by a national policy group as one of the top girls' juvenile justice programs in the country. This program aided 100% of its grads to secure employment, 80% returned to school and only 10% recidivated.
Consultant	Clackamas County Educational Service District Provide program design, implementation, and consultation to teachers and counselors serving emotionally disturbed teens in school and day treatment settings.

Education

Master of Science	Psychology, Counseling and Social Work Western Oregon State College, 1978
Child Treatment Certificate	Department of Social Work/Continuing Ed Portland State University, 1977
Bachelor of Science	Psychology/Counseling University of Oregon, 1975

Accomplishments

Top 10 National Speaker	Nationally Ranked #3 Elementary Educator Speaker, #6 High School Education Speaker, #8 Education Administrator Speaker By SpeakerWiki, January, 2011. Also ranked as the #6 Oregon Speaker, and #6 Portland Speaker.
Featured Columnist	SEEN Magazine Current, regular contributor to the nation's leading print publication for K-12 educators in the Southeastern U.S.
Recent Features and Awards	Posters Featured in Hit Movie, Diary of Wimpy Kid, 2010 During 2011-2011, website selected a Top 50 Resource for Schools, Google Favorite Place, Top 100 Continuing Ed Site, School Zone Top Site, and Alexa Top K-12 Ed Site. A volume of the Breakthrough Series was selected one of the nation's Top 100 Books on Domestic Violence.
Member/ Past Member	Oregon Association of Youth Care Workers Oregon Girls' Coalition and National Girls' Task Force, Oregon Juvenile Justice Alliance, Oregon Juvenile Services Commission's Young Woman's Study Task Force, Oregon Juvenile Justice Committee.
Trainer	Cable TV's Mind Extension University Program The Breakthrough Strategies Workshop aired throughout the U.S. and beyond. This electronic course was offered for university credit
Author	Adolescence Magazine, The Corrections Compendium, and The Child Welfare Report, The Child Welfare Report Articles featured in the 1990s.
Nominated	Lewis Hines National Award for Service to Youth Nominated by Oregon's Governor, 1988
Accredited	Breakthrough Strategies Workshop Selected Past/Current Accreditations Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board, Kentucky Dept. of Education, Oregon Social Worker Board, California Behavioral Science Examiners' Board. Workshop presented for continuing education credit from Portland State University, Washington State University, California State University/Hayward, Seattle Pacific University, and others.

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