

Human-Animal Interaction: Impacting Multiple Species



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1st Human Animal Interaction Conference
Oct. 22-25, 2009

ISAZ-HAI 2009 International Conference
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Conference Registration
Hotel Reservations

Featured Presentations & Speakers:

ISAZ Keynote: Tuesday, October 20

Shared Feelings: Neuropsychological Interfaces Between Animal and Human Emotions

Dr. Jaak Panksepp, Professor, Veterinary & Comparative Anatomy, Pharmacology & Physiology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Washington State University

ISAZ Plenary: Thursday, October 22

Wild Justice, Cooperation, & Fairness: What Humans Can Learn from Animal Play

Dr. Marc Bekoff, Professor Emeritus of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder

HAI Keynote: Thursday, October 22

Bringing it All Together to Benefit All: An International Perspective on HAI Education Especially in the Health/Human Services Sector

Dr. Dennis Turner, Invited Professor for Animal Assisted Therapy/Animal Assisted Activity, Educational Research Center for Anthrozoology, Azabu University, Japan

HAI Plenary: Saturday, October 24

A Tale of Two Species: The Human Animal Bond

Dr. Alan Beck, Dorothy N. McAllister Professor of Animal Ecology, Director, Center of the Human-Animal Bond, School of Veterinary Medicine, Purdue University, Indiana

Special Presentation: Saturday, October 24

The Power of Love: The Science and the Soul Behind that Affection-Connection We Call The Bond

Dr. Marty Becker, "America's Veterinarian"

HAI Workshop: Sunday, October 25

Maintaining the Disabled Person-Assistance Dog Team through Behavioral Intervention: A case study approach

Dr. Ed Eames & Toni Eames, International Association of Assistance Dog Partners California State University, Fresno

Special Symposium: Wednesday, October 23



Scholarships may be available for attendance at this symposium

Research meets practice:

Human-Animal Interaction in Obesity Across the Lifespan

Speakers:

Introduction to Dog Walking and Physical Activity

Jacquelyn Epping, MEd, CDC Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity, Atlanta, Georgia

Epidemiology of Dog Walking for Fitness and Health

Dr. Adrian Bauman, Sesquicentenary Professor of Public Health in Behavioral Epidemiology and Health Promotion, School of Public Health, Institute of Obesity, Nutrition & Exercise, University of Sydney, Australia

Innovative Physical Activity Programs and Obesity in Children

Dr. Audwin Fletcher, Professor, School of Nursing, University of Mississippi, Jackson

Dog Walking as Physical Activity for Older Adults

Dr. Roland Thorpe, Assistant Scientist, Center for Health Disparities Solutions, Johns Hopkins University, Maryland

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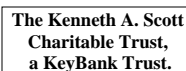
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Overview:

The ISAZ/HAI sequential conferences will provide an exciting opportunity for those working in HAI research and practice to share their latest findings and program outcomes. They will serve as a source of renewal for those who have been working in the field for some time, and as a source of inspiration for those newly joining or contemplating entry into the field. What sets these conferences apart from other HAI conferences is the merging of investigators with those working in HAI practice with the express purpose of stimulating dialog and listening between the two groups. A **Special Symposium** will focus on how human animal interaction may help fight obesity across the lifespan.

Format:

Although the conference agenda includes topics appropriate for both HAI researchers and practitioners throughout the entire event, each group is specifically targeted on certain days, with a combined day in the middle:

Oct. 20-23: ISAZ members & HAI researchers

Oct. 23: Combined day for HAI researchers & practitioners

Oct. 22-25: Healthcare & HAI practitioners

Goals:

The ISAZ/HAI conferences will serve as conversation connecting mechanisms between those working in HAI research and those working in HAI practice. Participants will deepen their respect for each others' HAI work and form new collaborative partnerships.

Objectives:

By the close of the conferences, participants will:

1. Analyze ways that HAI benefits humans and animals.
2. Describe newly learned facets of HAI.
3. Delineate ways to apply new HAI knowledge to their particular field.
4. Establish new professional contacts relevant to their work.

Target Audience:

Investigators and practitioners working in the HAI field, nurses, physicians, veterinarians, social workers, psychologists, physical & occupational therapists, activity directors, students of professional disciplines, those working in animal assisted therapy and animal assisted activity, and members of the general public who are interested in HAI.

Continuing Education Credit:

Conference Themes:

1. Challenges for enhancing HAI:
 - Animal environmental enrichment
 - Shelter animals
 - Animal rescue organizations
 - Animal abuse
 - Animal hoarding
 - Animal relinquishment to shelters
 - Animal bite and attack injury
 - Zoonoses- Infection control
 - Dog/animal fighting
2. Bio-Psycho-Social-Spiritual Wellness Across Species (ONE HEALTH)
 - Obesity/ Physical activity, prevention and treatment
 - Environment/Interchange
 - Cultural ideas and preferences
 - Quality of life
 - Long term care of animals
3. AAA and AAT
 - Professional/Educational training
 - Humane approach to animals doing this work
 - Service animals
4. HAI impacting professional practice
 - Optimizing practice
 - Advocacy
 - Practitioner responsibilities and consequences
 - The right companion animal for the family
 - Mental health area
 - Animal hospice care
 - Role of animals related to children's development
 - Older adults and companion animals
5. HAI crisis planning
 - Pet Evacuation Act
 - Animal emergency
 - Daily care vs. Crises/ Catastrophe care
 - Value of animals during crisis
6. Open track
 - Eco tourism
 - Balance in nature
 - Animal behavior