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CARROLL ASSUMES AACRC PRESIDENCY

(December 7, 2005) [Secret Harbor](#), Anacortes, WA, 360-293-5151, announced in the Fall/ Winter edition of The Sounder newsletter that Brian Carroll, President/ CEO, is now Board President of the American Association of Children's Residential Centers (AACRC).

EAGLE'S NEST PROFILED IN ARTICLE

(December 7, 2005) [Carol Grieve](#), Assistant to Director, [Eagle's Nest School for Boys](#), Woodland Park, CO, 719-689-2906, announced the school was profiled in the hardcopy edition of the UTE Pass Courier on November 16, 2005, in a story titled "A Place To Heal." Founded in 2004 by Bill Dean, Eagle's Nest is a seven to nine month program for boys, ages 14 to 17 with academic underachievement, alcohol/ drug involvement, crisis-bound family relationships, ADD/ ADHD, adoption, depression, truancy or other peer group issues.

FORMER FREER STUDENT QUOTED

(December 8, 2005) [Julia Andrick](#), Marketing Director, [Catherine Freer Wilderness Program](#), Bend, OR, 208-265-8355, reported that a former student was quoted in an article titled "A Teen Health Gap" in the December 12, 2005 issue of Newsweek Magazine. The article discussed research that pointed to a significant rise in the number of kids ages 12-20 who use illegal drugs and/ or alcohol. [More...](#)

LANDMARK SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

(December 9, 2005) [Carolyn Orsini Nelson](#), Admissions Director, [Landmark School](#), Prides Crossing, MA, 978-236-3000, announced the 2006 Landmark Summer Program schedule for boys and girls ages 7-20 in grades 2-12 begins on June 29, 2006 and continues through August 4, 2006.

TIPPET ACCEPTS NATSAP POSITION

(December 9, 2005) [Jan Moss](#), Executive Director, [NATSAP](#), Prescott, AZ, 928-443-9505, announced that Rosemary Tippet of Three Springs, Inc. accepted an offer to fill the newly created position of Director of Development for NATSAP. [More...](#)

HEADMASTER FINISHES 5TH IN SAHARA RACE

(December 9, 2005) [Richard Williams](#), [Three Springs](#), Huntsville, AL, announced that Will Laughlin, Headmaster, [Aulderm Academy](#), Pittsboro, NC, 256-880-3339, recently finished in fifth place in the 150-mile Sahara Race. [More...](#)

ST. PAUL'S BAND PERFORMS AT FIESTA BOWL

(December 10, 2005) Donna L. Wittwer, M.Ed., Director of Admission, [St. Paul's Preparatory Academy](#), Phoenix, AZ, 602-956-9090, announced the St. Paul's Steel Drum Band performed in the Fiesta Bowl Parade on December 31, 2005. [More...](#)

MAN TO MAN WILDERNESS WORKSHOP

(December 12, 2005) [Randy Russell](#), Founder, [Life Designs/ SouLore](#), Cusick, WA, 509-671-1598, announced that together with [Dennis Crowell](#), Founder, [The NorthStar Center](#), Bend, OR, have created a new "Man to Man" Wilderness Workshop. The workshop is for males age 17 or older and is scheduled for February 16-20, 2006 at the Cochise Stronghold near Tucson, AZ. [More...](#)

ASPEN: PROPERTY SALE/ LEASEBACK

(December 12, 2005) [Amy Sandler](#), [Aspen Education Group](#), Cerritos, CA, 562-468-4479, announced that it closed its first multi-million dollar sale/leaseback transaction on December 7, 2005. Aspen entered into a strategic real estate finance transaction with Spirit Finance Corporation to provide Aspen access to additional capital to facilitate future expansion and maximize shareholder value. [More...](#)

AIM HOUSE: NEW ADMISSIONS DIRECTOR

(December 13, 2005) [Daniel Conroy](#), Executive Director/ Founder, [AIM House LLC](#), Boulder, CO, 303-554-0011, announced that [Kathy Shingler](#), has been appointed to the position of AIM House Admissions Director.

HYDE CHARTER INCLUDES CHARACTER ED.

(December 14, 2005) Education Week reported that Hyde Leadership Public Charter School, a K-12 school in Washington, DC, 202-529-4400, [Hyde Schools](#), Bath, ME, 207-443-7315, [email](#), participated in a research study that promoted a broader view of character education. The study was conducted by researchers Thomas Lickona and Matthew Davidson from the State University of New York at Cortland, who believe that pushing the "performance aspect" in conjunction with the emphasis on positive behavior and relationships will encourage students to do their best work. Hyde Leadership is part of the private Hyde Schools in New England, which was also highlighted in the report.

GLAESER DROPS BY

(December 15, 2005) [Jim Glaeser](#), Executive Director, [Phoenix Outdoor](#), Roswell, GA, 888-868-8233, stopped by for a visit and to let Woodbury Reports know about his new position at Phoenix Outdoor. Jim over-sees all operations and clinical activities for the company and manages the North Carolina base camp and all associated personnel.



A Mother's Vacation Journal

Day 1

Finally, our vacation! A week of skiing in **ASPEN**. Jim and I hope this experience will give us all the chance to reconnect with Wendy. She's been so distant lately...



Day 2

Wendy doesn't want to leave the cabin. She seems so withdrawn and never **HELPS** Tyler with his homework anymore. We've done everything we can to make this the perfect family vacation for a family that hasn't been so perfect lately. But Wendy doesn't want to join in...



Day 3

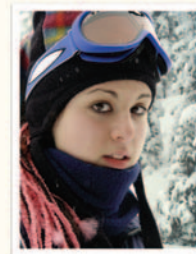
If we can't enjoy ourselves as a family on vacation, how can we be together at home, where Wendy faces so much pressure from her friends? It was so different when she was a **YOUNG** girl. Now it feels like we are heading for a disaster.

Day 4

Wendy finally went skiing with us today. I even saw her smile once, at the **PEOPLE** on the chairlift. Everyone always loved that smile. I think her smile is what I miss most of all.

Day 5

I want to cry today, but I am determined to stay strong. I walked into Wendy's room in the cabin to bring her some hot chocolate, only to **DISCOVER** her standing at the open window, smoking a cigarette. And then, another screaming match. Another chance to feel angry...and guilty. We have never been the kind of people who think of **THEMSELVES** as needing outside help. But now, I think **WE** do.



Day 6

I told Jim last night that I just want to **REUNITE** our family. I look at the other **FAMILIES** here on vacation, and I yearn to be like them. To be like it used to be for us. I want Wendy back to her true self. I want our family to be strong. I want this vacation to be over, and our lives to begin.



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