Aspen Acquires Phoenix Outdoor
(July 2, 2007) Kristen Hayes, Communications Manager for Aspen Education Group, Cerritos, CA, 562-467-5531, announced Aspen Education Group acquired Phoenix Outdoor, a licensed therapeutic wilderness program that provides comprehensive substance abuse intervention and assessment for youth ages 13-17 located near Asheville, NC.

Sunrise Academy Student Scores Medals
(July 2, 2007) Bobbie Jensen, Admissions Director at Sunrise Academy, Hurricane, UT, 435-635-1185, announced a Sunrise Academy resident competed in the Utah Summer Games, receiving medals in the 3-mile Cross Country race, the 200 Meter Dash, the 400 Meter Hurdles and took Gold in the 100 Meter Hurdles.

Gatehouse Announces Scholarship
(July 2, 2007) Glenna Conway, Director of Marketing at Gatehouse Academy, Wickenburg, AZ, 928-231-5004, announced that John R. Campbell QC, Chairman of Gatehouse Educational Foundation, announced graduate Ian Norris received the annual Paul Earl Memorial Scholarship.

Bruno Offers Parenting Teleclass
(July 3, 2007) Ann Bruno, MEd, Ann Bruno Consulting, Tucson, AZ, 520-370-9020, and colleague Marion Heaton announced a five-week tele-class called "Breakthrough Parenting: Saying "No" is the Road to Yes" beginning August 27.

Shiltz Of Rogers Memorial Publishes Book
(July 3, 2007) Rogers Memorial Hospital, Oconomowoc, WI, 800-767-4411, announced Thomas J. Shiltz, MS, CADCIII, published a resource book "Self-Injury Support Group Curriculum," which includes information on warning signs, self-injury behaviors and a support group curriculum complete with handouts. Shiltz has been at Rogers Memorial since July 1995.

September 14:
2nd Annual "Northwest Get Together"
(July 5, 2007) Lon Woodbury, MA, CEP, President of Woodbury Reports, Inc., Bonners Ferry, ID, 208-267-5550, announced the Second Annual "Northwest Get Together" will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, September 14, 2007, at the Sandpoint Community Center in Sandpoint, ID. This year's Get Together had been postponed from its original planned date in May due to a timing conflict with the Rocky Mountain NATSAP Regional Conference. Topics for interactive discussions will include "What Parents

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Next Step For Success To Coach Staff
(July 16, 2007) Penelope Valentine, Co-Founder of Next Step for Success, Redmond, OR, 541-504-5224, announced that Benchmark Young Adult School has contracted Next Step for Success for "coach training" of the staff at their California-based program from August 6-10, 2007.

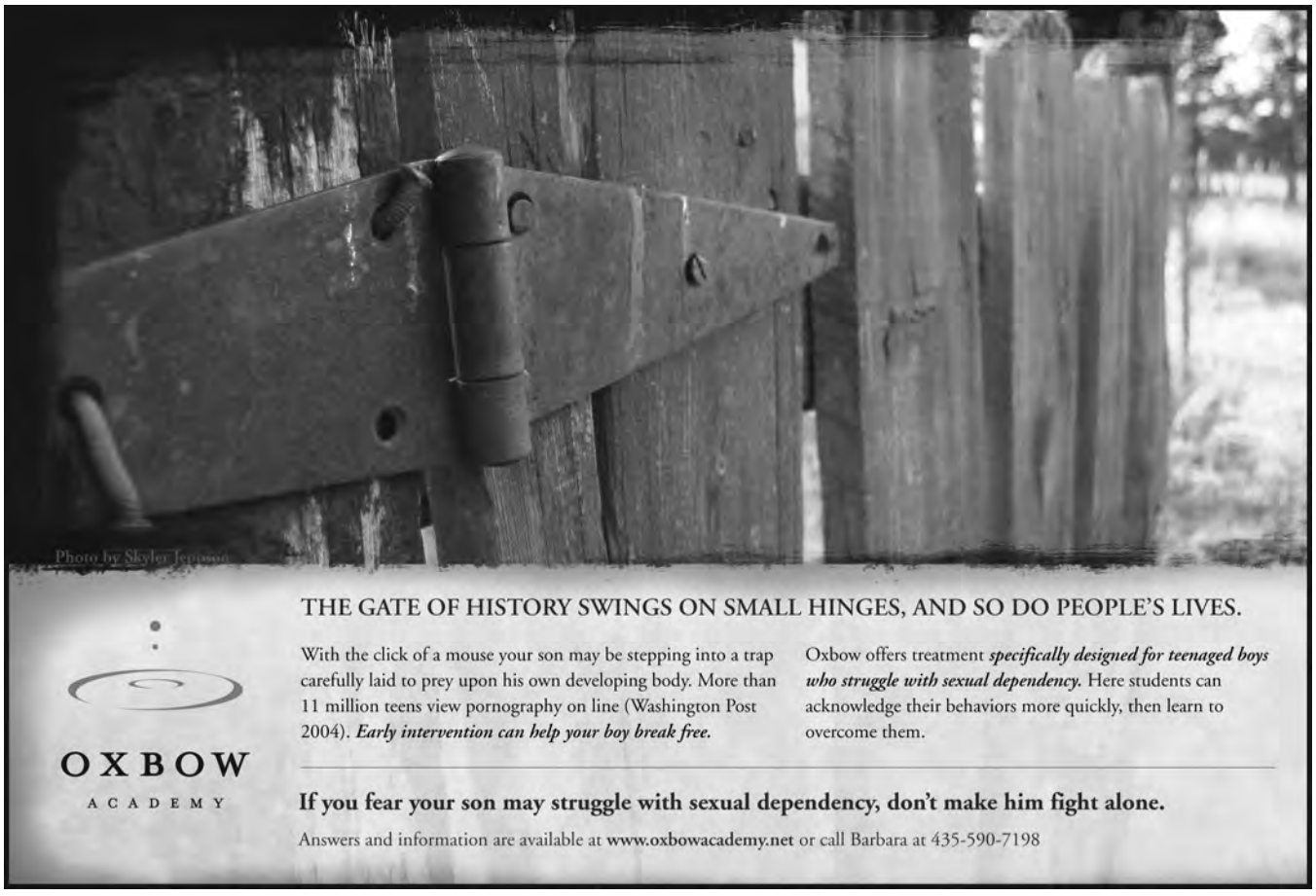
New Associate Director of Admissions At Hillside
(July 17, 2007) Susan Blair of Hillside School, Marlborough, MA, 508-485-2824, announced Matthew Kowalchick is the new Associate Director of Admissions and Financial Aid for Hillside School. Matt comes to Hillside from Cushing Academy where he spent the last three years as Assistant Director of Admissions, dorm parent and head lacrosse coach.

Smith Joins Provo Canyon School
(July 17, 2007) Brad Gerrard, COO of Provo Canyon School, Orem, UT, 801-229-1038, announced that Lane Farr Smith, MD, DLFAPA, has been appointed as the new full-time Medical Director for Provo Canyon School and Academy at Canyon Creek. Prior to his appointment with Provo Canyon, Dr. Smith served as Medical Director for the Aetna Behavioral Health Center in Salt Lake City, UT.

Staff Changes At Peninsula Village
(July 17, 2007) Kelly Roberts, Coordinator of Community and Alumni Relations for Peninsula Village, Louisville, TN, 865-380-4452, announced that Ashley Saint-Villiers and Martha Malone have joined the program as Family Therapists. Leaving the program is Lucia Alder, a family therapist who has been with the program since 2002.

Lone Star Expeditions New Clinical Director
(July 18, 2007) Kristen L. Hayes, Communications Manager for Aspen Education Group, Cerritos, CA, 562-467-5531, announced Lone Star Expeditions has promoted Julie Elliott, LCSW/ LMFT, to Clinical Director. Julie previously served as a wilderness therapist for the program.

Introspections CR New Recovery Coach
(July 18, 2007) Guy LeGuyonne, Director of Communications for Introspections of Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica, 541-410-4538, announced Richard Benson, MSW, joined the team at Introspections of Costa Rica. Richard spent 3 years at New Dominion Wilderness School as a staff trainer and Drug and Alcohol group facilitator. Richard received his MSW specializing in Substance Abuse



from the U. of NC, has attended the Substance Abuse Treatment Training Institute; the North Carolina Foundation for Alcohol and Drug Studies and holds a BA in Spanish.

Aspen Achievement Parenting Class
(July 19, 2007) Kristen L. Hayes, Communications Manager for Aspen Education Group, Cerritos, CA, 562-467-5531, announced Aspen Achievement Academy now offers live online parenting classes that teach parent's skills they can apply to their child enrolled in the Aspen program.

Family Foundation School Graduates 41
(July 19, 2007) Ann Kozak, Marketing Specialist for the Family Foundation School, Hancock, NY, 845-887-5213, announced that 41 seniors graduated from the school on June 23, 2007. Each of the students received two diplomas: one from New York State for successful completion of the high school curriculum, and a second from The Family Foundation School for successful completion of the school's character education program. Each graduate has been accepted to a community college, four-year college, or university.

Natsap Principles Of Good Practice Summit
(July 20, 2007) Jan Moss, Executive Director of the National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs (NATSAP), 928-443-9505, announced NATSAP will hold a Principles of Good Practice Summit, in September 2007, to review the Principles of Good Practice, the Supplemental Principles of Good Practice and the recently developed Principles of Good Practice for Small Residential Programs. The existing Principles will be reviewed to ensure they continue to clearly address the best practices set forth by NATSAP.

North Idaho And Montana Tours Offered
(July 20, 2007) Kay C. Ford, Owner of CKC Consultant Tour Services, Crozier, VA, 804-784-3037, announced CKC Tours has put together a three-day tour of programs in the North Idaho/ Montana area the 10-12 of September. If you want more information or are interested in joining Judge Mason on this tour, please call Kay. Optional touring on Thursday the 13th may be arranged as schedules allow.

Brehm Preparatory School Celebrates 25 Years
(July 20, 2007) Donna Collins, Director of Admissions for Brehm Preparatory School, Carbondale, IL, 618-457-0371, announced Brehm Preparatory School will celebrate 25 years of success with several activities including an Open House and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, August 14, 2007. For more information about all the activities, contact the Admissions Department.

AMATS Executive Committee Formed Standards Adopted
(July 20, 2007) Jeff Johnson, Executive Director of the Association of Mediation and Transport Services (AMATS), 435-491-0398, announced AMATS elected an Executive Committee from the nine provisional members of the recently formed organization. Committee members are Cathy Villines of Center for Safe Youth, Bill Lane of Bill Lane and Associates, and Brian Shepherd of Right Directions. In addition to the executive committee, the nine provisional members include Adolescent Guidance Services, Journeys Adolescent Services, Safeguard Adolescent Services, Traverse Youth Transport, Youth Transportation Services, and Westshield Adolescent Services. In addition, Jeff announced AMATS has created and approved their "Outline of AMATS Standards".

New Stone Mountain Executive Director
(July 20, 2007) Paige Thomas, Admissions at Stone Mountain School, Black Mountain, NC, 888-631-5994, announced the new Executive Director of Stone Mountain School is Susan Hardy. Susan was formerly the Executive Director of Adirondack Leadership Expeditions, a therapeutic wilderness program New York. She has worked in the therapeutic education industry for over 17 years.

KGS Seeks New Admissions/ Marketing Director
(July 20, 2007) Karen Fitzhugh, PhD, Head of School for King George School, Sutton, VT, 800-218-5122, announced King George School is searching for a seasoned professional with private, therapeutic industry experience to direct admissions and marketing activities.

I get the feeling that most media in the country are on a search to show the unconventional is the norm and have unlimited capacity to find experts somewhere who will say just about anything, especially if it seems to make no common sense.

~ Michael Levine