Director for Ascent, Naples, Idaho 800-974-1999, announced that John H. Ashby has been selected the Clinical Director for the Ascent program. He replaces Nikole Brown, who has moved over to be Clinical Director at Northwest Academy. Ashby has been working with youth for more than 14 years and has a Masters Degree in Social Work, He was last employed as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and developed two-day treatment programs for adolescents.

**BEACH NEW PROGRAM DIRECTOR AT EXCEL**
(September 10, 2007) Don Vardell, Executive Director at Excel Academy, Conroe, TX 800-260-9178, announced Liz Beach will be the new Program Director at Excel Academy. Liz comes to Excel from central Massachusetts where she worked with the state justice system. Liz is a licensed chemical dependency counselor, with a master's in justice administration, and currently working on her Ph.D. Liz has over 20 years of working with resistant clientele and the at-risk population.

**SUBSTANCE CURRICULUM AT TIMBER RIDGE**
(September 10, 2007) Virginia Short, Director of Admissions at Timber Ridge Preparatory School for Girls, Clark Fork, ID 425-398-6483 announced the new curriculum "Young Women in Recovery" at Timber Ridge, that incorporates current treatment methods and new discoveries in the science of addiction. Included will be, discussions, workbooks and DVD"s with DBT (Dialectical Behavior Therapy) prominently featured.

**SAINER RETIRES FROM ASPEN**
(September 10, 2007) Elliot Sainer, President of Aspen of Education Group, Cerritos, CA 526-427-5507 announced his retirement as President of Aspen Education Group, effective September 30. Sainer has spent the last 18 years providing alternatives to troubled youth and their families, beginning with Mount Bachelor Academy, and leading to the growth of Aspen to what it is today. Jim Dredge, who has been the COO for the last 3+ years, will take over as President of Aspen Education Group. Sainer will remain on the Board of Directors of CRC Health Group as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

**NOYES AT CENTER FOR CHANGE**
(September 11, 2007) Dr. Michael Berrett, CEO of Center For Change, Orem, UT, 801-224-8255, announced Tamara Noyes as the new Business Development Director for the Center. Tamara has extensive experience in the behavioral healthcare industry, and most recently was the Admissions Director for Youth Care of Utah. Center For Change treats adolescent and adult women with eating disorders and many of the co-existing conditions that accompany the disorder including trauma, abuse, depression, self-harm, anxiety, OCD, and substance abuse.

**VIVE OPENS IN CHICAGO**
(September 11, 2007) Amanda Thomas, MS, Referral Relations for VIVE, Boulder CO. 800-261-0127 announced Vive has been working with families in Chicago since August 15. Vive now has offices in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Colorado and Chicago.

**NEW STAFF AT SILVERADO BOYS RANCH**
(September 14, 2007) Denise Westman, Director of Admissions for Silverado Boys Ranch, Panguitch, UT 435-676-8482 announced the addition of several new team members to Silverado Boys Ranch. Brad Evans, M.S.W., C.S.W., Kelly Niess, M.A., M.F.T., and Jan Aston, M.S.W., C.P.C., to the clinical team. They join Executive Director, Kreg Gillman, Ph.D., and Program Director, Eric Fawson, L.C.S.W., who will continue to carry caseloads.

**CORE SOLUTIONS OPERATES FORUMS**
(September 15, 2007) Randall Cook, Operations Manager at Core Solutions, Winchester, CA 877-271-4427 announced Core Solutions has been chosen to operate the new online Parent Community for Meadowlark Academy. The new online Parent Support Community is for parents who have a child currently enrolled at Meadowlark Academy. It is a great meeting place for their parents seeking solutions and support from other parents who have been in their same place. Their online Community is a private, supportive resource available to them 24 hours a day.

**LONE STAR CELEBRATES FIVE YEARS**
(September 17, 2007) Mike Bednarz, Executive Director for Lone Star Expeditions, Groveton, TX 936-831-3133 announced Lone Star Expeditions would celebrate its fifth anniversary this month. Lone Star is a member of the Aspen Education Group.

**CROSS ADMISSIONS AT SAN CRISTOBAL**
(September 17, 2007) Don Purves, Marketing for San Cristobal Academy, Taos, NM 505-776-2524 announced Katryn (Kat) Cross-would be the new admissions director at San Cristobal Academy. Kat comes to her role with the admissions department, directly from two successful years as a teacher/mentor and supervisor in the San Cristobal Program.

**SALT CENTER'S UPCOMING YEAR**
(September 17, 2007) Scott Berren, MBA, the Assistant Director, Admissions and Outreach at Salt Center, Tucson, AZ 520-621-8493 has announced the