MT, 406-755-3144, wrote a reflective letter to the upcoming graduates about the importance of silence and the need for the ability to hear your own thoughts and be able to manage your emotions and anxieties. The letter is available online.

**OLIVERIAN CENTER COMPLETED**
(December 11, 2007) Mike Doherty, Admissions Director for the Oliverian School, Haverhill, NY, 603-989-5100, announced construction on the new Student Center is complete. The Center includes a Grille and Snack Bar, a Gaming Center and Student Lounge and an Internet café. Phase II is now under way to construct a new library and technology center.

**ALPINE ACADEMY'S ED CENTER OPENS**
(December 11, 2007) Janet Mulitalo, Director of Alpine Academy, Erda, UT, 800-244-1113, announced the Grand Opening of the Gary & Ann Crocker Education Center, which will provide accredited education for the junior high and high school girls who attend the Academy.

**FETAL ALCOHOL CONFERENCE SET**
(December 12, 2007) Wendy Temko, Administrative Assistant for FASCETS, Portland, OR, 503-621-1271, announced a three-day training conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders on February 21-23, 2008, at the Mark Spencer Hotel in Portland, OR, for parents and professionals.

**FALLIS DIRECTOR AT PINE RIVER**
(December 13, 2007) Nancy Pujol, Executive Assistant for Pine River Institute, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, 416-955-1453, announced John Fallis is the new Executive Director. Fallis has spent 30 years in education including involvement in provincial "at-risk" youth initiatives as well as teaching experience in Australia, British Columbia, Michigan and New York State.

**CONSULTANTS COME INTO THEIR OWN**
(December 17, 2007) The Arizona Republic described parents are increasingly turning to Independent Educational Consultants in Arizona for help with children having learning/emotional behavioral problems.

**CLEARVIEW STUDENTS SHINE**
(December 19, 2007) Tami Gebhardt, Assistant Director of Clearview Horizons, Heron, MT, 406-847-5850, announced a Clearview High School student made the Honor Roll and one of the college girls was a photo contest winner. She is taking the Intro to Digital Photography class and will have a 13" x 19" print showcased.

**FAMILY FOUNDATION NEW WEBSITE**
(December 19, 2007) Richard Reeve, Executive Director of The Family Foundation, Inc., Hancock, NY, 845-887-5213, announced the launch of the foundation's new website. The 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization administers the financial aid program for students attending Family Foundation School and Betton House. Incorporated in 1984, The Family Foundation, Inc. revised its mission and hired its first full-time executive director.

**FAMILY FOUNDATION GRADUATES 31**
(December 19, 2007) Robin Ducey, Principal for Family Foundation School, Hancock, NY, 845-887-5213, announced 31 students were granted New York State Regents diplomas during graduation exercises on December 8, 2007. Each of the students was accepted to a post-secondary institution.

**CHRISTMAS ADVENTURE AT SANTIAM CROSSING**
(December 20, 2007) Julia Andrick, Marketing Communications Director for Santiam Crossing, Albany, OR, 800-390-3983, announced students and staff filled sleds, packed snowshoes and skis, and headed to Umatilla National Forest to spend the holiday snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

**OREGON TRANSITIONAL HOMES ADDS GIRLS**
(December 20, 2007) Julia Andrick, Marketing Communications Director for Catherine Freer Wilderness Program, Bend, OR, 800-390-3983, announced Catherine Freer's Oregon Transition Homes have added a transitional living home for girls.

**FREER DONATIONS HELP FLOOD VICTIMS**
(December 20, 2007) Julia Andrick, Marketing Communications Director for Catherine Freer Wilderness Program, Bend, OR, 800-390-3983, announced Catherine Freer donated 200 pounds of bulk dried foods to a group of volunteers who headed to northern Oregon to aid those impacted by the recent storm that swept through the Pacific Northwest leaving numerous waterways brimming and in some cases resulted in flooding.

> It is only by tracing things to their origin that we gain rightful ideas of them, and it is by gaining such ideas that we discover the boundary that divides right from wrong.
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> ~ Thomas Paine