

announced the second session of the Oliverian summer program begins July 20, 2008.

#### **NATSAP PRESENTS TALKING POINTS**

(May 30, 2008) Jan Moss Courtney, Executive Director of the National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs (NATSAP), Prescott, AZ, 928-443-9505, submitted a letter from Donelyn Gamble, Parent Member of the NATSAP Alumni Advisory Council, which contained an introduction to HR 5876 and talking points that specifically covered parental concerns regarding the content of the bill. The letter can be found on [StrugglingTeens.com](http://StrugglingTeens.com).

#### **APPRECIATION FOR FRIENDS OF FAMILIES**

(June 1, 2008) Catherine Jennings, Executive Director at New Leaf Academy of North Carolina, Hendersonville, NC, 828-697-5029, announced she wrote a letter of endorsement for Friends of Families, an organization devoted to assisting the families of children in crisis, founded by James H. Powell, PhD, and Brandi Elliott. The letter is posted on [StrugglingTeens.com](http://StrugglingTeens.com).

#### **BECKET HOUSE AT WARREN TO OPEN**

(June 2, 2008) Julie Gaffey, Marketing and PR for Becket Family of Services, Orford, NH, 603-359-5951, announced Becket's plans to open a new 8 - 10 bed residential program called the "Becket House at Warren." The program will be located at the current site of the Warren Village Inn in Warren, NH.

#### **SCULLY JOINS SANTIAM CROSSING**

(June 2, 2008) Kirsan Rostad, Director of Milieu Services at Santiam Crossing, Scio, OR, 503-394-4294, announced David Scully, LCSW, CADC, is the new Clinical and Family Services Manager at Santiam Crossing. David previously worked at Catherine Freer Wilderness Therapy Programs as the Coordinating Therapist.

#### **BENCHMARK STUDENT HONORED**

(June 2, 2008) Shelley Skaggs, Marketing & PR for Benchmark Young Adult School, Loma Linda, CA, 800-474-4848, announced Benchmark student, Morgan D., was recognized for his academic achievement this year with a Crafton Hills College Outstanding Student Award during a recent Honors Convocation ceremony. Morgan also serves as Benchmark's Student Government President, a peer leadership role in which he facilitates communications between staff and students at Benchmark.

#### **ART THERAPY PROGRAM AT ECKERD**

(June 3, 2008) Tim McMahon, Director of Eckerd Academy of the Blue Ridge, Suches, GA, 706-747-1082,

announced Eckerd Academy of the Blue Ridge is incorporating Art Therapy into their program, including visual art and land art with natural site-specific installations. Adrienne Cox directs this program and holds a BFA in Painting/Art from East Carolina University and a MFA in Visual Arts Painting from Clemson University.

#### **EX-EMPLOYEES SUE THAYER**

(June 3, 2008) The Kansas City Star reported five former employees of Thayer Learning Center, Kidder, MO – who were previously sued by Thayer Learning Center in a case that was dropped – have sued for alleged malicious prosecution. Allegations of child abuse at Thayer Learning Center came to light when a 15-year-old teen died November 2004.

#### **ARMBRUSTER AT SECOND NATURE**

(June 3, 2008) Leah Halverson, Admissions Director for Second Nature, Duchesne, UT, 866-205-2500, announced Lori Armbruster joined the Admissions Team at Second Nature.

#### **TIMBER RIDGE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN RELAY FOR LIFE**

(June 4, 2008) Virginia Short, Admissions Director for Timber Ridge Preparatory School for Girls, Clark Fork, ID, 208-777-1615, announced the girls at Timber Ridge Prep participated in the American Cancer Society Relay For Life in June. Girls requested pledges from friends and family to sponsor them in an overnight walk/ jog-a-thon and bake sale to help raise funds.

#### **MUSINSKY RETIRES**

(June 4, 2008) Bonny Musinsky of Musinsky & Associates, Weston, MA, 781-899-5759, announced her retirement, after being in practice for 20 years and a member of IECA since 1990, to care for her ailing husband. She wishes to thank her fellow IECA members for their generosity and friendship and support.

#### **BLUEPRINT/ PACIFIC QUEST PARTNER**

(June 5, 2008) Marmy Kodras, MBA, MPH, Marketing Director for Blueprint Education, Phoenix, AZ, 800-426-4952, announced Blueprint Education has partnered with Pacific Quest, Hilo, HI, to provide print-based curriculum to students.

#### **NEW HAVEN FAMILY TRIP SUCCESSFUL**

(June 5, 2008) Ari Terry, Admissions at New Haven RTC, Provo, UT, 801-794-1218, announced New Haven students and parents completed their seventh annual family river trip, which included rafting the Green River, exploring Native American petro

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