

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.

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.

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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Silverado's Executive Director, to discuss the HR 5876 (the Miller bill) and the potential effects of the bill on Congressman Matheson's congressional district and the state of Utah in general.

NEW HAVEN WINS UTAH'S BEST OF STATE

(June 16, 2008) Ari Terry, Admissions at New Haven RTC, Provo, UT, 801-794-1218, announced New Haven RTC won the Utah's Best of State Award in the category of Youth Treatment Center and was honored at a black-tie dinner. Nominees for the Best of State Award are judged in three areas: service to the community, innovation, and overall excellence.

DISCOVERY ACADEMY ACADEMIC CENTER OPENS

(June 16, 2008) Mari Allman, Admissions at Discovery Academy, Provo, UT, 801-374-2121, announced the commencement celebration for the opening of their new Academic Center will be July 29, 2008.

WHY ANASAZI WORKS

(June 16, 2008) The Anasazi Foundation, Mesa, AZ, 480-892-7403 published an article written by C. Terry Warner, Chairman of the Arbinger Institute, titled *Don't Fix Them; Let the Goodness Come Out*, explaining his perception of why the programs at Anasazi work.

BRANDI MILLOY TO HOST ANASAZI DINNER

(June 16, 2008) Virginia Robinson, Director of Admissions at ANASAZI Mesa, AZ, 800-678-3445, announced TV star Brandi Milloy, from Oprah's Big Give, will serve as emcee of ANASAZI'S November Scholarship Dinner. For reservations, contact ANASAZI.

COFFMAN JOINS PACIFIC QUEST

(June 16, 2008) Marney Sullivan, Admissions Director at Pacific Quest, Na'alehu, HI, 808-937-5806, announced Mary Beth Coffman, MSW, has joined the counseling team at Pacific Quest. Mary Beth has an undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of Nevada and a Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of Utah. She previously worked at Second Nature Wilderness program as a primary therapist for two years. In addition, Pacific Quest has added a new camp to accommodate 10 additional students, along with a new bunkhouse and kitchen.

GOVTRACK.US TRACKS HR 5876

(June 17, 2008) GovTrack.us, a private website, printed an overview of the progress of HR 5876, called the "Stop Child Abuse in Residential Programs for Teens Act of 2008," sponsored by Rep. George Miller (D-CA).

GREETINGS FROM NWA'S ADAM MCLAIN

(June 17, 2008) Dr. Adam McLain, Executive Director at Northwest Academy, Naples, ID, 877-882-0980, wrote a letter of greeting to colleagues as the new Executive Director at Northwest Academy. The letter is posted on StrugglingTeens.com.

AMERICAN IDOL CONTESTANT VISITS WEST RIDGE

(June 17, 2008) Wendy Ballard, Communications for West Ridge Academy, West Jordan, UT, 800-262-2697, announced David Archuleta visited the West Ridge campus to perform for the staff and students, and answer questions about his American Idol experience.

RAGLAND MARKETING DIRECTOR FOR GREENBRIER

(June 17, 2008) L. Jay Mitchell, President and Founder of Greenbrier Academy, Pence Springs, WV, 877-788-8422, announced Beth Ragland joined the team at Greenbrier Academy as the Director of Marketing. She has been in the marketing and management of programs for struggling teens since 1994, most recently at Elk River Wilderness.

WOODLAND SPRING LODGE JOINS NATSAP

(June 17, 2008) Marie McGeehan, Director of Communications, Woodland Spring Lodge, St. James, MO, 314-535-7911, announced Woodland Spring Lodge was accepted for membership by the National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs (NATSAP).

BRINKMAN LEAVES NWA: THANKS FRIENDS

(June 17, 2008) David Brinkman, Ex-Admissions at Northwest Academy, Naples, ID, 877-882-0980, announced his departure from Northwest Academy and wanted to thank friends and colleagues for their support and friendship while working at NWA.

GREENBRIER ACADEMY GROWS

(June 17, 2008) Beth Ragland, Director of Marketing at Greenbrier Academy for Girls, Pence Springs, WV, 877-788-8422, announced Greenbrier Academy was accepted as a member of the National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs (NATSAP). In addition, Greenbrier is moving forward in its educational accreditation process and is now a Candidate School, a pre-requisite for full accreditation, by the National Independent Private Schools Association (NIPSA).

RUDOLPH AIM HOUSE ADMISSIONS

(June 19, 2008) Daniel Conroy, CEO at AIM House, Boulder, CO, 303-554-0011, announced Kathy Shingler resigned her position as Admissions Director to move to