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NEW IECA WEB SITE

(June 23, 2008) After more than a year of work and much planning IECA has launched its new website, making it easier to navigate and an online calendar that is continually updated. To view, their website visit www.IECAonline.com

EAGALA/TRF HORSE ADOPTION

(June 24, 2008) Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation (TRF) in Saratoga Springs, NY, will allow certified EAGALA practitioners to adopt and foster TRF horses for use in therapy. For additional information, contact Diana Pikulski, Executive Director of TRF, at 518-226-0028.

NATSAP SE REGIONAL CONFERENCE

(June 25, 2008) The National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs has announced this year's 2008 Southeast Regional Conference will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott in Atlanta, GA on Friday, October 24, 2008, with a welcome reception the evening of October 23, 2008. Conference registration materials will arrive in September. For more info, contact Sandy Schmiedeknecht, Eckerd Division of Private Academies and Conference Co-Chair.

CONG MILLER/ WHITE HOUSE DISAGREE

(June 25, 2008) The House of Representatives recently approved a bill for national standards in juvenile boot camps and other public and private programs intended to help troubled youth. The legislation, which passed 318-103, would bar excessive "tough love" practices yet The White House said in a statement it opposed the bill because it expands federal oversight and could make states less inclined to meet their responsibilities in preventing and investigating abuse. The Senate has yet to consider the measure.

FIRST MIDWEST NATSAP REGIONAL

(June 26, 2008) Nicole Fuglsang with Change Academy of the Ozarks (CALO), Lake Ozark, MO, 866-459-1362, and Norm Ostrum, with Montcalm Schools, Albion MI, 866-244-4321, Conference Co-Chairs, announced the First NATSAP 2008 Midwest Regional Conference will be Friday, October 17th at Oakbrook, Illinois.

NEXT STEP EMBRACES CONTINUING ED.

(June 26, 2008) Next Step For Success in Redmond, OR, has undertaken a company-wide plan in which all of its Associate Coaches will add continuing education credits and certifications to their professional portfolios, in which the focus of study has direct application to work with parents and

programs. For more information, contact Bill Valentine, PsyD, CC, Founder of Next Step For Success, 541-504-4748.

BARRASSO WILDERNESS DIRECTOR

(June 26, 2008) Anthony Barrasso, MPA, MLS, is the new Wilderness Director for In Balance Ranch Academy in Tucson, AZ. Anthony has a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Master's in Public Administration and Policy from the University of Arizona. In addition, Anthony has a Master's in Legal Studies from the Sandra Day O'Connor Law School at Arizona State University. Anthony has previously worked as a wilderness staff for Aspen Achievement Academy and as an intern for the Department of Defense in the Office of Force Transformation. For admissions information, contact Betsy Barrasso, Admissions Director and Owner of In Balance Ranch Academy, 520-722-9631.

GESTALT EQUINE-ASSISTED TRAINING

(June 27, 2008) The Gestalt Equine Institute of the Rockies in Golden, CO, will offer a Gestalt Equine Assisted Therapy Training Program starting August 13-16, 2008. This is a two-year training program to teach equine-assisted psychotherapy from a Gestalt perspective. The training is for mental health therapists or other allied professionals in the human development field. For more information, contact Duey Freeman, MA, LPC at 303-426-8211 or Joan Rieger, MA, LPC, 303-548-6901.

OAKLEY GRADUATES 28

(June 27, 2008) Twenty-eight young men and women graduated from Oakley School in Oakley, UT, in June 2008. Oakley School would like to thank all the families, consultants, therapists and staff who assisted these graduates with reaching their goals. For additional information on Oakley, call Carrie Thompson, Director of Admissions 435-783-5001.

IN BALANCE RANCH GRADUATION

(June 27, 2008) Betsy Barrasso, Admissions Director and Owner of In Balance Ranch Academy in Tucson, AZ, congratulates the recent graduates at In Balance Ranch Academy on their acceptance into a multitude of various universities. For more information on In Balance, call Betsy at 520-722-9631.

BLM TIGHTENS RESTRICTIONS FOR WILDERNESS THERAPY PROGRAMS

(June 28, 2008) The Federal Bureau of Land Management in Washington, DC, has issued an Instruction Memorandum (No. 2008-141) to all Field Officials of the special requirements that pertain to permit the operation on public lands by wilderness therapy/residential treatment programs.