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George, UT. The educational sessions will be presented by Wayne Raiter, MA, LICSW, LMFT, author of the new Systemic Intervention Model and former clinical director of the Johnson Institute. For more information, contact Brandi Bradbury.

WILDERNESS THERAPY & DATING VIOLENCE

(September 5, 2008) A study by a graduate student at the University of Colorado at Denver titled "Exploring the Influence of a Wilderness Therapy Program on Reported Emotions and Attitudes about Teen Dating Violence" is available online. This research explored the attitudes about teen dating violence, definitions of dating violence, previous exposure to dating violence and changes in attitude attributed to their time at the wilderness therapy program. New Horizons for Young Women collaborated in the data for the basis of this study. To view this study in its entirety, visit the struggling teen's website.

KNIGHT AND POWELL FLOAT WITH LON

(September 7, 2008) Program Director, Troy Knight and Clinical Director, Dr. Jim Powell, both from Ascent Wilderness Program in Naples, ID, 800-974-1999, joined Woodbury Reports publisher, Lon Woodbury, in a 17 mile river float trip from Montana to the Twin Rivers Resort, located a few miles north of Bonners Ferry.

TEEN CHALLENGE IS 50

(September 8, 2008) Rebecca Boone, Program Manager, Teen Challenge Columbus Girls Academy, Seale, AL, 334-855-3695, announced this year Teen Challenge is celebrating its 50th anniversary and recently held a three-day conference in New York City, where Teen Challenge was founded which was attended by people representing 38 nations and 200 Teen Challenge Centers. In marking its golden anniversary, attendants heard speakers from around the world in addition to the founding fathers, David and Don Wilkerson.

NEW HAVEN STUDENTS PUBLISHED

(September 8, 2008) The staff at New Haven Female RTC, Provo, UT, 801-794-1218, are proud to announce eight of their students who were enrolled in the summer creative writing course were chosen to be published in Creative Communications Anthology: A Celebration of Poets, Summer 2008, which accepted entries nationwide. This is a great honor for these students and New Haven looks forward to seeing their work in the hardbound copy.

CROKE EXPANDS REVIEWS

(September 8, 2008) Tom Croke, Founder and Owner of Thomas J. Croke and Associates, Inc. and Family Light, Greensburg, PA, 775-890-0597, is expanding the content on his website to include in depth reviews of schools and programs in the private pay, parent choice industry.

NWA STUDENTS REWARDED

(September 8, 2008) As a reward for volunteering their time to build a Habitat for Humanity home, three Northwest Academy students were able to take an unforgettable flight on a 182 Cessna aircraft through the Northern Idaho Mountains. For more information on NWA in Naples, ID, contact Janice Pannell at 887-882-0980.

TEEN CHALLENGE AT WHITE HOUSE

(September 8, 2008) Diane Hernbrode, director of Casa Grande's Home of Hope, a faith-based recovery program for women 18 years, represented Teen Challenge of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, 800-346-7859, at President Bush's "Remarks on Volunteering" event at the White House. This occasion highlighted the accomplishments of the president's Faith-Based Initiatives and to honor and thank volunteers and organizations like Teen Challenge that make a difference in America.

UHS ANNOUNCES SALE/ACQUISITION

(September 9, 2008) UHS has sold Central Montgomery Medical Center, a 125-bed acute care hospital in Lansdale, PA, to Abington Memorial Hospital. In addition, UHS has purchased Summit Ridge Hospital, a behavioral health hospital, located in Lawrenceville, GA and has completed the renovation of the 120-bed Central FL Behavioral Hospital and expects to be open for business before the end of the month.

FRIENDS OF FAMILIES SETS UP MONARCH FUND

(September 9, 2008) The Friends of Families with Children in Crisis Foundation, Lake Arrowhead, CA, 951-315-8320, announced the establishment of a Monarch Alumni Association Fund under the umbrella of The Foundation, the 1st such fund designed for one of its participating schools.

This fund allows friends of the Monarch School in Heron, MT to donate to the Foundation to provide financial support for future families in need. For more information, contact Dr. Jim Powell or Brandi Elliott.

MEDIA INVITED TO PONCA PINES

(September 9, 2008) Ponca Pines Academy, Omaha, NE, 402-457-1421, opened its doors to the media during a special open house event in August 2008. The event gave members of the media access to the new private pay therapeutic boarding school. In addition, Christy Roubicek, Admissions Director at Ponca Pines, has announced several new staff hires at the Academy: Kelly Lewis, M Ed, as a lead teacher, Krystal Boose as the Para educator and Carrie Iwen, the academy's Program Coordinator.

COOPERRIIS HAS NEW "COMMUNITY"

(September 9, 2008) Virgil Stucker, Executive Director of CooperRiis, Asheville NC, 828-899-4673, announced the program is expanding by developing

LIFE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE'S NEW STAFF

(September 18, 2008) Rob Crawford, CEO at Life Development Institute, Glendale, AZ, 623-773-2774, welcomed new staff to the team at Life Development: Elissa Levine, MC, LPC, is Manager of Program Services with oversight of direct service outreach specialists and residential program staff, Moniecia Hill is joining the LDI team as an Outreach Specialist and Estelle Esposito takes over the function of Resource Support Coordinator. In addition, both Rob Crawford and Veronica Crawford presented workshops at the Southern Utah NATSAP conference.

FINAL FRIENDS IN CRISIS RETREAT OF 2008

(September 18, 2008) The final Friends in Crisis retreat will be held October 23-25 in the Heartlight Conference Center, on the 100-acre wooded campus located near Longview, TX. The retreat will focus on what may be causing your teenager to spiral downward, how to stop this freefall to disaster, how to intervene and deal with specific situations and capably provide the appropriate response to intense arguing, anger, defiance, and rebellion. To register, call 903-668-2173, email Mark Gregston.

CHANGES AT SHADOW MOUNTAIN

(September 18, 2008) Trilby Hoover, Admissions Director at Shadow Mountain Academy, Taos, NM, 435-836-3022, announced several happenings at Shadow Mountain. They are celebrating the program's one-year anniversary. Ann Bruno, MED, stepped into the role of Program Director. Jim Myklebust, MA, and Trilby Hoover have joined the team in the admissions and business departments. In addition, Executive Director Dana Taylor had a new baby daughter, Elizabeth McNeil.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AT OLIVERIAN

(September 18, 2008) Oliverian welcomed the largest student body group ever to walk through Oliverian doors on the first day of school, September 7, 2008. In addition, Oliverian now offers Honors Curriculum in: English, History, Physics, Calculus, and Spanish. The Oliverian School is an alternative college preparatory program crafted for students who struggle in traditional settings. For more information, contact Mike Doherty at 603-989-5100.

NEW JEWISH CLASSES AT FFS

(September 18, 2008) The Family Foundation School is offering two new classes for Jewish students. Rabbi Michele Medwin who conducts Jewish services at the school now offers a Beginning Hebrew class specifically for Jewish students who did not receive Bar Mitzvah or Bat Mitzvah at home and would like the opportunity to do so. Rabbi Medwin is also teaching "The Jewish Approach to the 12 Steps," which provides additional support to Jewish students

in the school's integrated program of academics, therapeutic counseling and the 12 Steps of recovery. Approximately 20 percent of the current student body at FFS is Jewish.

BENCHMARK CELEBRATES 15 YEARS

(September 19, 2008) Jayne Selby Longnecker, Executive Director/ CEO and Founder of Benchmark Young Adult School in Redlands, CA, 800-474-4848, proudly announced Benchmark celebrated its 15 year anniversary on September 9, 2008. The school was originally founded in September 1993.

OPI EXEC ON THE RADIO

(September 19, 2008) Robert Fischer, MD, Executive Director of the Optimum Performance Institute (OPI), and Anne LaRiviere, Director of Admissions, talked about current issues facing young adults on the Answers for the Family radio talk show owned and hosted by Allen Cardoza of West Shield. For further information, contact Anne LaRiviere at 888-558-0617.

QUAM AT SUWS OF THE CAROLINAS

(September 19, 2008) Kristen Hayes, Communications Director for Aspen Education Group, 562-467-5531, announced SUWS of the Carolinas in Old Fort, NC, is pleased to announce Jesse Quam as the new Clinical Director. Jesse worked as a Field Supervisor and Program Manager for Seasons at SUWS of the Carolina.

KILDONAN OFFERS 2009 SUMMER PROGRAMS

(September 19, 2008) Marcie Wistar, Associate Head of Admissions for the Kildonan School, Amenia, NY, 845-373-2012, announced the Kildonan School, which serves the needs of students with dyslexia, submitted the dates for next year's summer programs, June 26, 2009, thru August 7, 2009. Half day, full day and boarding programs are available for student's ages 8-16 years old. For more information, contact Marcie Wistar.

ASCENT FILLS OUT LEADERSHIP TEAM

(September 20, 2008) Ascent Wilderness Program, Naples, ID, 800-974-1999, a division of UHS, announced the new leadership team at Ascent. Chris Ankney, BA Political Science, is the Executive Director and has been with Ascent for six years. Troy Knight, MA, is the Healthcare Administration Program Director. Jim Powell, LMFT is Ascent's new Clinical Director. Guy Hardcastle is the Director of Business Development, and Dan Kemp, BS Psychology, is the new Director of Admissions. For information, contact Chris Ankney.