

TEN CADC CERTIFIED AT CATHERINE FREER

(August 21, 2008) Ten staff members at Catherine Freer Wilderness in Albany, OR, recently received their Certified Alcohol Drug Counselors (CADC) certification. To obtain a CADC certification one must have 150 hours of alcohol and drug education, take part in 1000 hours of supervised experience in addiction counselor competencies and pass an exam. All Catherine Freer field staff are required to work toward their CADC. For more information, contact Julia Andrick, Marketing Director, at 800-390-3983.

SANTIAM CROSSING PARENT COACHING

(August 21, 2008) Parents of adolescents at Santiam Crossing in Scio, OR, 800-390-3983, will participate in three parent-coaching sessions upon their child's enrollment. On these calls, parents will learn how to become fully engaged in their child's treatment and discover how to best support their child. The certified coaches will also help prepare parents for the first on campus visit with their child. Santiam Crossing is part-nering with Next Step for Success to provide the coaching.

STUDENTS SUCCESSFUL AT COUNTY FAIR

(August 21, 2008) Oregon Transition Homes (OTH), a program of Catherine Freer in Albany, OR, announced the girls enrolled in Oregon Transition Homes recently came away from the local County Fair with almost too many ribbons to count. Entries included junior gardening, best no bake cookies, water melon eating, the busiest baker and more. OTH is designed for adolescents ages 13 to 18 who have completed a wilderness therapy program. For more information, contact Darci Knight, MED, CADC-1, and Oregon Transitions Homes Director, at 541-517-8153.

CLARK BEHAVIORAL LOANS OFFERS FINANCING

(August 22, 2008) Despite hard economic times in the country, Clark Behavioral Health Financing continues to be able to provide financial loans to families in need. Schools and programs need not be connected with Clark in order for families to be approved. For more information, contact Chelsea Dickinson, Director of Marketing and Program Relation, 888-755-3079.

COPPER CANYON GOES TO THE DOGS

(August 24, 2008) A new program component at Copper Canyon Academy, Rimrock, AZ, 928-567-1322, features a canine therapy program, which partners students with dogs and is used as an alternative for students who feel more comfortable around dogs than they do with the horses in their existing equine therapy program. Susannah Fox is the lead therapist in this new program. For more information, contact Darren Prince at 928-567-1322.

APRIL HART NEW AT GREENBRIER

(August 25, 2008) Beth Ragland, Director of Marketing for Greenbrier Academy for Girls, Pence Springs, WV, 256-682-8690, announced the appointment of April Hart as the Equine Program Director at Greenbrier. April has worked with Dr. H.L.M. Van Schaik, an Olympic medalist and teacher of the classical dressage of the horse. April has operated riding and training schools for 22 years.

WTC—THANKS FOR 25 YEARS

(August 26, 2008) Wilderness Treatment Center, Marion, MT, 406-854-2832, is celebrating 25 years in the addiction treatment industry and would like to thank everyone for all the support throughout the years.

FAMILIES AT WELLSPRING WEIGHT LOSS

(August 26, 2008) Wellspring Camp, weight loss camp for young women in New York's Adirondack Mountains was featured in an article by the Associated Press, in which parents and siblings are invited to share the camp experience to help campers stay motivated when they return home. Parents attend classes on cooking, exercise and shopping for healthy food.

BECKET HOUSE AT WARREN OPENS

(August 27, 2008) Becket House at Warren officially opened its doors with, eight students moving in to their new home on 8/18/08. Under the direction of Mount Prospect Academy's Executive Director, Jeff Caron, the program "offers services to students trying to overcome co-occurring substance and behavioral issues." For more information, please contact Jeff Caron, MED, CAGS, Executive Director, Admissions at 603-359-5951.

CLEARVIEW'S SUNDAY SERVICE

(August 28, 2008) Tami Gebhardt, Assistant Director at Clearview Horizon, Heron, MT, 406-847-5850, announced the young women at Clearview Horizon helped in the "Serving Sandpoint Sunday" community service project, by cleaning graffiti off the Long Bridge, picking up garbage, planting flowers and other various tasks to help.

ASPIRO THANKS CONSULTANTS

(August 28, 2008) Dr. Day and everyone at Aspiro would like to express sincere thanks to all the students, families and referring professionals who have supported us over the past few months. "We look forward to the months and years to come as we assist the students and families we are blessed to serve!" In addition, Brian Church, and his band will play in Baltimore at the upcoming IECA Conference, November 7, 2008, at 9 pm. Call 801-979-6301 for more information.

BENEVENTO JOINS ST. PAUL'S

(August 29, 2008) Marti Weiskopf, Marketing Liaison at St. Paul's Academy, Phoenix, AZ, 602-956-9090,

announced Jessica Benevento has joined the counseling team at St. Paul's Academy. Jessica received her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Rhode Island and her Masters Degree in Counseling at Monclair State University. She has experience working with drug dependency, domestic violence, and anger management as well as other clinical issues.

SLIFE GETS APA CITATION

(August 31, 2008) Beth Ragland, Director of Marketing for Greenbrier Academy for Girls, Pence Springs, WV, 256-682-8690, along with the staff and students at Greenbrier Academy, wish to congratulate Dr. Brent D. Slife, PhD on being awarded an APA Presidential Citation at the annual APA conference in Boston, MA. Dr. Slife is a co-owner, executive board member, therapist/counselor trainer, family program facilitator and consulting clinical psychologist at Greenbrier Academy.

TIBBITTS MAKES "TOP 40 UNDER 40"

(September 2008) Dustin Tibbitts, LMFT, New Haven's Executive Director, was honored this month as one of Utah Valley Magazine's "Top 40 Under 40" in the magazine's Utah Valley Business Quarterly edition. Briana Stewart, author of the article, writes, "This year's crop of youngsters have it all – brains, vision, ambition, energy, luck, pep, passion. . . . Find out why these 40 pros are the apple of Utah Valley's business community." The article notes Tibbitts' leadership in quality of care, with 90% of New Haven's students going home or to college after treatment. Tibbitts is featured with other honorees on page 31 of the magazine.

ELEMENTS WILDERNESS/ SEVEN CHALLENGES®

(September 2, 2008) John Karren, Owner of Elements Wilderness Program, Huntington, UT, 801-505-8481, announced Elements Wilderness Program is collaborating with The Seven Challenges Program, which was created by Dr. Robert Schwebel, well known for his work in the prevention and treatment of adolescent substance abuse. Dr. Schwebel and Lynn Smith, a founding partner of Elements Wilderness, will present an overview of the Program on September 30, 2008. For more information, contact John Karren.

BROWN SCHOOL 401(K) SUIT

(September 2, 2008) Forbes.com reports the US Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) is suing the fiduciaries of the 401(k) plan for employees of the Brown Schools—a group of psychiatric hospitals and boarding schools based in Austin, Texas—for failure to forward employee contributions to the company's 401(k) plan and misusing those assets to pay the operating expenses of the school.

TIMBER RIDGE GIVES BACK

(September 3, 2008) Virginia Short, Director of

Admissions at Timber Ridge Preparatory School for Girls in Clark Fork, ID, 208-777-1615, explained as part of Timber Ridge's community service projects, students will maintain the landscape, care and tidy up the grave sites of the old Cabinet Gorge Cemetery. This tiny cemetery has been abandoned and in need of repair and care.

CRC/ASPEN GROWTH PLUNGES

(September 3, 2008) Treatment Magazine, a news source covering addiction industry news, reports the acquisition by CRC of therapeutic boarding schools leader Aspen Education, has been "hit by the credit crunch" as parents are unable to access second mortgages and tuition loans to finance the huge cost of helping their children.

COLLEGE EXCEL EXPANDS

(September 4, 2008) Shelley Dougherty, Admissions Director for College Excel, Bend, OR, 541-388-3043, announced College Excel has expanded its Academic Center for Excellence (ACE Center) annex, which will provide additional space for academic support, instruction, tutoring, computer labs and specialized equipment, including voice activated software to accommodate students with learning differences.

FOUR CIRCLES CELEBRATE TWO YEARS

(September 4, 2008) Jack Kline, Executive Director at Four Circles Recovery Center, Horse Shoe, NC, 877-893-2221, is pleased to announce Four Circles Recovery celebrated its two year anniversary in September. Four Circles is an addiction treatment program for young men and women ages 18-28 that combines traditional counseling with a series of wilderness expeditions.

SOBER COLLEGE SEMINAR

(September 4, 2008) Sober College University, Woodland Hills, CA, 866-757-6237, is pleased to announce an upcoming seminar, "Young Adult Addiction: The Sober College Model," October 14, 2008, to be held at the Celebration Restaurant, 4503 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, TX, 214-351-5681. For more information or to RSVP, contact Melissa Jennewein at 310-877-0314.

SCHROM TO MOVE

(September 5, 2008) John and Julia Schrom are excited to announce Schrom Therapeutic Home Care for Boys has outgrown its current home and is moving to a larger residence with 28 acres, still situated in Bonners Ferry, ID. The transition to their new location will be completed by October 1, 2008.

PASSAGES TO RECOVERY HOSTS TRAINING

(September 5, 2008) Brandi Bradbury, Director of Admissions at Passages to Recovery, Loa, UT, 866-625-8809, announced Passages to Recovery will be hosting a three day intervention certification training from October 20-22, 2008, to be held in St.

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