began working at Outback Therapeutic Expeditions as a Field Therapist in 2004, while he worked to complete his graduate studies work. He earned his MS and PhD in Counseling Psychology from the University of Kansas. Neal also worked as a therapist for Marillac Center for Children.

BECKET HOUSE AT LITCHFIELD LICENSED

(October 16, 2008) Becket House at Litchfield was recently approved for a three-year license from Maine's Department of Mental Health. DMH worker, Jill Dorsey spent two days thoroughly visiting the house. For more information, contact Jeff Caron, MEd, CAGS, Executive Director/ Admissions at 603-359-5951.

REED JOINS BLUEPRINT EDUCATION

(October 16, 2008) David Reed recently joined Blueprint Education in Phoenix, AZ, as Curriculum Director. Before his hiring at Blueprint, David worked for Blue Ridge International Academy as the Assistant Education Director. He has also worked for the Gilbert Public Schools as a teacher, as assistant administrator for the district's alternative education program and manager of Gilbert's Online Distant Education Program. Call 800-426-4952 for more information.

'TIS A GOOD LIFE' VISITS WOODBURY

(October 17, 2008) Thomas and Stacy Jenkins of Tis A Good Life (a new transitional living home in Sandpoint, ID for young men and women ages 17-24 years old) stopped by the Woodbury office for a visit and to introduce themselves.

SILVERADO WORKSHOP A HUGE SUCCESS

(October 17, 2008) Over 100 parents, siblings and other family members attended the parent workshop in August at Silverado Boys Ranch in Panguitch, UT. The families participated in conferences, experiential therapy, individual sessions and workshops addressing key issues. The first night concluded with an outdoor chuck wagon dinner and western show. The winter parent workshop is scheduled for December 18-20, 2008. For more information, contact Denise Westman, Director of Admissions at Silverado Boys Ranch, 435-676-8482.

US TRANSPORT REDUCES RATES FOR CLOSURES

(October 17, 2008) Randy Stewman, Owner of US Transport Service in St. George, UT, 435-634-6255, announced they lowered fees on transports for anyone needing to be relocated because of a school closure or any other similar concern. For more information, contact Randy Stewman at 435-632-1248.

HARRIS JOINS POSNER

(October 20, 2008) Myrna Harris, MEd, CAS, joined Educational Recourses Unlimited, LLC in Katonah, NY. Myrna is a member of IECA (Independent Educational Consultants Association), NATSAP (National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs) and the NLD Association (Nonverbal Learning Disorders Association). She received her post-graduate degrees at Fordham University and Teachers College-Columbia University, and is a New York State certified special education teacher, as well as a school and district administrator with additional training in the Life Space Crisis Intervention. For information, contact Barbara Posner, 914-232-4000.

AUCTION BENEFITS FFS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

(October 20, 2008) The Family Foundation in Hancock, NY, successfully completed its first annual online auction this fall. Among the most popular items were hand carved ducks and birds created by students in woodcarving classes at The Family Foundation School. Richard Reeve, Director, noted that bids came in from all over the country and totaled more than $6,000. Proceeds will benefit The Family Foundation's scholarship fund for at-risk youth. Contact Richard Reeve at 845-887-5213.

FFS'S CHERIPKO SPEAKS TO GROUPS

(October 20, 2008) Jan Cheripko, English teacher at The Family Foundation School, Hancock, NY, 845-887-5213, was a featured speaker at the recent "Literary Extravaganza" presented by the Rockland County Reading Association and St. Thomas Aquinas College in Sparkill, NY. The conference drew educators from New York and New Jersey. Jan, the author of seven books for children and young adults, is also scheduled to speak on *Shakespeare and the At-Risk Teen* at the National Council of Teachers of English convention to be held this year in San Antonio, TX.

WELCOME TYLER RAY CATES!

(October 20, 2008) Melvin Cates, MA, LCCA, WEMT, Executive Director at Lone Star Expeditions, Groveton, TX 936-831-3133, proudly announced the birth of his new son, Tyler Ray Cates, born on September 29, 2008, at 5:15 pm, weighing in at 7 lb. 12 oz and 19 ¾ inches. Tanner Cates loves his new job as big brother. Congratulations from all of us at Woodbury Reports!

OPI WELCOMES DUPLESSIS-BARMORE

(October 20, 2008) Tiffany Duplessis-Barmore, MEd, is the new Director of Education at the Optimum Performance Institute in Woodland Hills, CA, replacing Joan Erskine. For further information, contact Anne LaRiviere, Director of Admissions, 888-558-0617.