

InnerChange, a name they feel represents the basic mission of helping students and their families achieve positive internal change. InnerChange has a new website and their programs include New Haven, Sunrise, Fulshear Ranch Academy, and Alldredge Wilderness Journey. In addition, InnerChange is currently looking to hire master's level therapists, marketing professionals and senior program leaders. For more information about this name change or employment, contact Ashley Auchterlonie, Director of Marketing, at 281-414-3026 or by email.

ARIZONA RN ON ANASAZI TRAIL

(November 3, 2008) ANASAZI was featured in an online news source, Nurse.com, which focused on the program's nurse who previously worked as an intensive care and critical care nurse for over 20 years and now hikes the trails, administering an intensive physical and emotional assessment for young adult's ages 13-25 years old who participate in the program. ANASAZI is located in Mesa, AZ.

BELL AT FALCON RIDGE RANCH

(November 3, 2008) Falcon Ridge Ranch welcomes Dr. Carolle Bell as the new Clinical Director. Dr. Bell has been a member of the Falcon Ranch team as a therapist and Director of Equine Services for five years. She takes over from the former Director, Leslie Budd, who is completing her PhD. Dr. Bell holds a Master of Science in Social Work from the University of Texas and a PhD from Utah State University. For more information on Falcon Ridge, contact Mariah Pogue, Admissions at 435-635-5260.

SILVERADO BOYS RANCH CELEBRATES YEAR TWO

(November 3, 2008) Silverado Boys Ranch recently marked their second anniversary on October 31, 2008. They plan to have an open house in the Spring to celebrate their accomplishments, showcase their new school and honor those who have been instrumental in their success. For more information on Silverado Boys Ranch in Panguitch, UT, contact Denise Westman, Director of Admissions at 435-676-8482.

BODIN PARTNERS WITH HOMEWARD BOUND

(November 3, 2008) Bodin Educational Consulting Group, in Los Altos, CA, announced a partnership with Homeward Bound, an aftercare and transition management program, to offer Bodin's Transitional Services. This partnership will allow Bodin to expand their services to work with families in need of immediate in-home intervention as well as families requiring aftercare for students returning from a residential placement. Bodin's Transitional Services will incorporate Homeward Bound's in-home intervention and multi-systemic support model. For more information contact Brenda Loring-Bell at 650-937-1111.

ECHO SPRINGS CELEBRATES 15 YEARS

(September 18, 2008) Echo Springs Transitional Study Center, Bonners Ferry, ID, 208-267-1111, announced they held a 15 year anniversary celebration and dedication for their new school building on October 3, 2008. In addition, Echo Springs hosted an open house to coincide with the dedication of the new building.

BENCHMARK SUIT AGAINST CRAWFORD DISMISSED

(November 5, 2008) A lawsuit filed by Benchmark Young Adult School, Loma Linda, CA, 800-474-4848, against Michael Crawford, psyborgue@mac.com, for libel and interference with economic relations was dismissed by a court according to a statement by Michael Crawford.

NEW NATSAP BOARD AND OFFICERS

(November 7, 2008) The National Association of Therapeutic Schools and Programs (NATSAP) has announced the election of its Board of Directors and Officers for the organization for 2009 and 2010. NATSAP Board Officers: President, Craig LaMont, Telos Residential Treatment; Vice-President, Mike Merchant, ANASAZI Foundation; Secretary, John McKay, The High Frontier and Rancho Valmora, Treasurer, James Meyer, Oakley School. NATSAP Board : Sami Butler, Intermountain; Linda Carpenter, Star Meadows Academy at

Hope Ranch; Karen Fitzhugh, Aspen Education Group; Gil Hallows, Aspen Achievement Academy; Sidney Parham, Family Foundation School; Brad Reedy, Second Nature; Craig Rodabough, CERTS; Angie Senic, Eckerd Division of Private Academies; John Stewart, New Haven and Glen Zaugg, Heritage Schools. Ex-Officio: Sharon Laney, Three Springs and Anne Thompson, IECA representative. For more information contact Jan Moss, Executive Director, Prescott, AZ, 928-443-9505.

EAGLETON WELCOMES FARRELL

(November 7, 2008) Eagleton School in Great Barrington, MA, welcomes new Education Director, Dan Farrell to their school. Dan has a Master's degree in Education with a concentration in Special Needs from the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and is certified in Moderate Special Needs (5-12). Prior to joining Eagleton, Dan was the Program Coordinator for Special Needs Students at North Adam's Drury High School. For more information, contact the school at 413-528-4385.

ANASAZI'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

(November 7, 2008) ANASAZI will be hosting its 20th Anniversary Gala on Friday, December 5, 2008, at the Westin Kierland Resort and Spa in Scottsdale, AZ. It will feature a silent auction, dinner and awards, with special guest Brooke White, a finalist on American Idol, composer Tim Janis and Nathan Pacheco, an opera trained tenor. For more information on this event call 800-678-3445.

BENCHMARK PERSISTS AGAINST INTERNET LIES

(November 8, 2008) Benchmark Young Adult School in Redlands, CA, announced today that its lawsuit against a former student, filed in response to false and derogatory statements made by him on his website and on certain Internet blogs, has been dismissed due to a very short statute of limitations which applies to claims alleging damages from defamatory statements posted on the Internet. Benchmark states it will continue to use every legal opportunity to pursue the truth and intends to appeal the Court's procedural ruling. For more information of this, contact Shelley Skaggs, Marketing and PR for Benchmark Young Adult School, at 714-963-4148.

CEDAR RIDGE TEMPORARY PRICE REDUCTION

(November 10, 2008) Owners, Rob, Pam and Wes Nielson and Sean Haggerty from Cedar Ridge Academy in Roosevelt, UT, are offering a discounted fee to new students admitted or under contract for admittance between now and January 1, 2009, with the tuition to be 5500.00 per month on a month to month basis instead of the regular fee of 6500.00 per month, with this rate for the duration of the student's stay. In addition, the 500.00 admission fee will be waived. This offer is being made due to the economy and parents who are struggling to find a financial means to find treatment for their children. For more information, contact Cedar Ridge at 435-4498x117.

FOREST HEIGHTS LODGE NEW BUILDING

(November 10, 2008) Forest Heights Lodge in Evergreen, CO, celebrated the completion of the new multipurpose building, which will house classrooms, a group room, a weight room and a new gymnasium. At the official ribbon cutting ceremony, Linda Clefisch, Executive Director, thanked everyone who contributed to the origin and construction of the new building. For more information on Forest Heights Lodge call 303-674-6681.

EAGALA IN PRACTICE

(November 11, 2008) EAGALA in Practice has been modified to a magazine published biennially by EAGALA, which is included as a benefit of EAGALA membership. This periodical contains articles, letters, questions and answers and book reviews related to Equine Assisted Psychotherapy and Learning. For more information, contact EAGALA at 877-858-4600 or email:

MONARCH CENTER YOUTH EXPEDITION

(November 11, 2008) There will be an upcoming youth expedition

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sponsored by Monarch Center, Georgetown, CO, to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation for 12-18 year olds. It will run from December 29, 2008, thru January 4, 2009. This work/study project will include distributing wood to supply heat to the reservation, participating in an authentic sweat lodge ceremony with members of the Lakota Sioux Nation, meeting with a Lakota medicine man and learning the ancient wisdoms and customs of the Lakota Sioux Nation Elders. For more information or to sign up, please call 303-569-2128.

MILLER AT ADIRONDACK

(November 11, 2008) Adirondack Leadership Expeditions is pleased to announce Thomas Miller, LCSW, is the new Clinical Director at the Saranac Lake, NY, wilderness program. Thomas is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work from Long Island University and a Master's Degree in Social Work from New York University. For more information, contact Robert F. Theisen, PhD, Executive Director of Adirondack at 518-897-5011.

VAL CHRISTENSEN WINS GOLD

(November 12, 2008) Ari Terry of InnerChange shared some fun news with us about Val Christensen, InnerChange's Chairman of the Board, who took home a Gold Medal from the Huntsman Senior Games in St. George, UT. Val competed in the "Singles over 60" tennis event and said: "Next year I'll challenge the folks in a younger division." And those at InnerChange think he'll beat them, too!

OLIVERIAN STUDENT ADVENTURES

(November 12, 2008) Students from The Oliverian School in Haverhill, NH, participated in numerous adventures during Electives Week. One group explored Nicaragua, learning about the culture, language, local customs and more. Another group headed south to West Virginia where they studied the Appalachian culture and went white water rafting on the New River Gorge, the Gauley and Upper Gauley Rivers, then rock climbing on the sandstone cliffs that line the Gorge, culminating with a trip to Pennsylvania to tour an old coal mine. The last group "Kings of the Mountain" elective class, relocated a rustic cabin to the summit of Iron Mountain on the edge of the campus. For more information on the Oliverian School call 603-989-5100.

NEW FACES AT LITTLE KESWICK

(November 12, 2008) Little Keswick School in Keswick, VA, wishes to welcome two new members to their school: Jaimee Traub is the Speech Language Therapist, who prior to joining Little Keswick worked in the local public schools and was a Certified and Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist at the Children's Health Council in CA. Also joining the teaching staff is James Herzog, who has a Master's of Education from James Madison University with specialized training in Asperger's Syndrome from John Hopkins University. For more information contact the school at 443-295-0457.

CONLY TO RETIRE FROM GREENBRIER

(November 12, 2008) Greenbrier Academy's Vivian Conly, who was a key part in admissions and marketing, has stepped down from her position at Greenbrier to spend time with her family and focus on her daughter's upcoming wedding. Everyone at the Academy will miss her and is grateful for all her hard work. For more information contact Beth Ragland, Director of Marketing at 256-682-8690.

HARKNESS TABLE AT AULDERN ACADEMY

(November 13, 2008) Aldern Academy in Siler City, NC, held a dedication of their social studies room, named the "Smith History Room" that has been outfitted with a new Harkness table and chairs, a flat screened TV, DVD player, laptop and LCD media projector and screen, donated by one of their student's father. A Harkness table is a modern education approach that uses digital implements at a large oval table in which students sit with their teachers, used now in many boarding schools and colleges. For more information, contact Jane Samuel, MA, and Head of School at 919-837-2336.

JOHN DEWEY ACADEMY FLOURISHES

(November 13, 2008) Tom Bratter, Founder of John Dewey Academy,

Great Barrington, MA has written a letter updating progress at the school and listing the many colleges and universities students of John Dewey Academy have and are attending. To view this letter in its entirety, visit the struggling teen's website.

PROVO CANYON ADOPTS AMERICAN INDIAN SERVICES

(November 14, 2008) Provo Canyon School in Provo, UT, has been helping the American Indian Services for the last four years with the annual Christmas Wrap, which provides hundreds of presents to less fortunate Native American children. The boys are positive and proactive and arrive at the crack of dawn to unload, lift, move and reload till the day is done. For more information on Provo Canyon School, contact Brad Gerrard at 800-848-9819.

MCCARTER'S NEW DUTIES AT WTC

(November 17, 2008) Wilderness Treatment Center in Marion, MT, has assigned Carsten McCarter as the school's continuing Care Coordinator. Carsten has been a primary counselor at Wilderness Treatment Center for several years and looks forward to his new position. Contact Ben Dorrington, LAC, for more information at 406-854-2832.

BENCHMARK ACHIEVES FULL STATUS

(November 17, 2008) Benchmark Young Adult School in Redlands, CA, announced they have been designated a Class VII Fully Accredited Academic Institution by the National Private Schools Accreditation Alliance (NPSAA). For more info on this, contact Shelley Skaggs at 800-474-4848.

ASPEN ACHIEVEMENT CELEBRATES 20 YEARS

(November 17, 2008) Aspen Achievement Academy in Loa, UT, which was founded in 1988, is celebrating its 20th anniversary and wishes to honor the thousands of teens and their families with whom they have worked.

SUMMIT ACHIEVEMENT HOSTS 13 YEAR ALUMNI REUNION

(November 18, 2008) Summit Achievement in Stowe, ME, held their first annual alumni reunion on October 18, 2008, with over 50 former students and families attending. Alumni participated in staff led activities and sat down to a homemade pizza lunch. They ended the day with an awards ceremony recognizing the accomplishments of students and their families. For more information on Summit Achievement contact Adam Tsapis, Admissions Director, at 207-697-2020 ext. 33.

NEW HAVEN GIRLS PARTICIPATE IN 5K TO FIGHT CANCER

(November 18, 2008) On Saturday, November 8, 2008, girls from New Haven RTC, Provo, UT, participated in a 5K Run/Walk in Saratoga Springs, UT, to help raise money for a young, 3 year old cancer patient who is fighting a rare form of leukemia. The girls felt good to be a part of something that could help this young boy. For more information contact Ari Terry, Admissions, 801-794-1218.

THE GIDDY UP GALA A SUCCESS

(November 19, 2008) Horse Sense of the Carolinas hosted their first annual scholarship fundraiser, "The Giddy up Gala," on November 8 at the Horse Sense Farm in Marshall, NC. This scholarship fund provides funding for individuals, families and youth groups who otherwise cannot afford mental health services to receive therapy at Horse Sense of the Carolinas. All proceeds from this event go to the Horse Sense Scholarship Fund. For information about this contact Shannon Knapp at 828-683-7304.

SOBER COLLEGE ACTIVITIES EXPAND

(November 19, 2008) Sober College in Woodland Hills, CA, has seen continued growth and success in their athletic department, including a lacrosse program which tied UCLA 6-6, triathlons where participants picked up medals in the mountain bike category, and the soccer program which had half of the college participating in 22 games from August through mid November. For information on