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Sutton Moves to Monarch: (June 16, 2009) Patrick McKenna, Founder of Monarch School, Heron, MT, 406-847-5095, is pleased to announce Tracey Sutton will be taking over as Admissions Director at Monarch School on July 15, 2009. Tracey is moving from Rhode Island where she has been working at Emma Pendleton Bradley Hospital for the last 5 years, part of that time as acting Clinical Director. She has an MSW and worked for therapeutic boarding schools for 8 years prior to working at Bradley. Sarah Fausett, who has been working as the Admissions Coordinator, has left Monarch to move to Boulder, CO, and Lynn Marshall (Bambi) has stepped in to the position. Bambi has served as the Program Coordinator for the last six years.

Graduation at Greenbrier: (June 16, 2009) Beth Ragland, Director of Outreach and Business Development at Greenbrier Academy, Pence Springs, WV, 877-788-9422, shared that nine girls have graduated the program at Greenbrier. They have also been accepted to a wide variety of schools including: Vermont Academy, Grier School, Key School, Heritage School, Marymount University, Virginia Commonwealth University, George Mason, Medaille College, Lincoln Memorial University, School of the Museum of Boston Fine Arts, Santa Monica College, Salisburg University, Savannah College of Art and Design and Georgia Perimeter.

Couture Joins Cherokee Creek: (June 17, 2009) David LePere, Executive Director of Cherokee Creek Boys School, Westminster, SC, 864-638-8679 announced Hunter Couture has joined Cherokee Creek as the new manager of their Cherokee Treks program, their outdoor adventure program for the boys in which each weekend a team of students has the opportunity to develop their outdoor skills and learn teamwork. For more information on this program, contact David LePere.

Graham Joins Second Nature: (June 18, 2009) Second Nature, Duchesne, UT, 866-205-2500, is pleased to welcome Jennifer Graham, MS, to Second Nature where her role will be to enhance family services, develop client based programming at each Second Nature location, working with program directors and clinical staff. Previous to joining Second Nature, she worked for 10 years with young adults and adolescents in residential treatment facilities, serving as Program Director at a treatment facility in northern California and as a Family Therapist in an inpatient program. For the past 10 years, she has been an Educational Consultant, visiting more than 300 programs and working with families in need. Jen will be based in Southern California and may be reached at: 310-633-3153 or by email.

FFS Introduces Horseback Riding: (June 18, 2009) The Family Foundation School, Hancock, NY, announced the addition of horseback riding to its list of extracurricular activities. The school is partnering with nearby Cat Hollow Farms to offer balance seat riding (English style) to FFS students. Lessons are conducted by a certified riding instructor and cover safety, etiquette, proper grooming techniques and horse management. For more information, call 845-887-5213.

FFS Graduation is Large: (June 18, 2009) Ann Kozak, Marketing Specialist with the Family Foundation School, Hancock, NY, 845-887-5213, announced the second largest graduating class in the history of The Family Foundation School received New York State Regents diplomas at ceremonies on June 27. According to Robin Ducey, principal of The Family Foundation School, 34 of the students have been admitted to 2- or 4-year colleges, including Georgia Institute of Technology and Carnegie Mellon University. Three graduates remain undecided.

FFS Student Gives Back: (June 18, 2009) Family Foundation School, Hancock, NY announced a 15-year old student who completed the 18-month program in June, approached his previous wilderness program about a summer position, hoping to "give back" as a mentor to other troubled teens. His initiative earned him a two-week summer mentorship at Adirondack Leadership Expeditions, LLC, where he will share his positive "real life" experience at FFS and pass on what he has learned. According to FFS president Emmanuel Argiros, the student "exemplifies our goal of teaching kids to be productive members of society." To learn more about FFS call 845-887-5213.

Happenings at Rock Point: (June 18, 2009) Hillary Kramer, Director of Admissions at Rock Point School, Burlington, VT, 802-863-1104, announced several new happenings at Rock Point, including the addition of a new front porch made from sustainable materials and the completion of the sugar house which will be used for both the sugaring and honey making operations.

Ex Headmaster Arrested: (June 19, 2009) A news source in Blue Ridge, GA, reports Richard Legrand Darrington, the former headmaster of the now closed Darrington Academy in Blue Ridge, has been charged with aggravated battery, a felony and simple battery, a misdemeanor, charges which were alleged by a 17 year old student. Darrington Academy closed February 27, 2009, due to declining enrollment.

Renda moves to Forman School: (June 19, 2009) The Forman School, Litchfield, CT, 860-567-8712, has appointed Sara Lynn Leavenworth Renda, as Director of Admissions for The Forman School, succeeding Beth Rainey. From 2003-2008, Renda served as Director of Admissions and Financial Aid at Westover School in Middlebury, CT, and in 2008-2009 served as Director of Strategy and Client Services at Imagepath Communication in Avon, CT.

Life Development Institute gets Award: (June 19, 2009) Life Development Institute in Glendale, AZ, 623-773-2774, has been recognized by the National Association of Special Education Teachers (NASET) as one of the premier licensed private special education schools from throughout the United States and has been selected as a NASET School of Excellence for the 2009-2010 school years.

SUWS of the Carolinas Celebrates: (June 20, 2009) SUWS of the Carolinas, Old Fort, NC, 888-830-9770, is celebrating its 10-year anniversary. SUWS of the Carolinas began as a sister program of the successful wilderness therapy program, SUWS Idaho. SUWS of the Carolinas is a therapeutic wilderness program for adolescents ages 10-17 and is a member of CRC Health Group.

Choose Again-Center for Attitudinal Healing: (January 15, 2009) A personal Journal Entry about Choose Again - Center for Attitudinal Healing by an ex-student can be found in the Letters to the Editor section on the struggling teen's website.

> The virtue of angels is that they cannot deteriorate; their flaw is that they cannot improve. Man's flaw is that he can deteriorate; and his virtue is that he can improve.
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> – Talmud



