Fieldstone Academy conducted an anonymous survey of former clients regardless of time spent at the program and, according to the results, received positive reviews from those who attended.

Outback Therapeutic Expeditions achieved a three-year CARF Accreditation status.

Eagle Quest's "Hero's Journey" students just graduated and received transcripts from Blueprint Education in English, Physical Education and Health.

The Grove School unveiled and dedicated a new 8,500-square foot education center in honor of the CEO/President's mother. The Alice Chorney Education Center features nine classrooms, a science lab, media center, a conference center and administration offices.

Remuda Ranch reported that bullying potentially triggers eating disorders.

Auldern Academy students received a flag from the 95th Airlift Squadron, the "Flying Badgers," as a thank you for writing letters of support and encouragement.

Summit Prep in Kalispell, MT, recently hosted a breast cancer walk-a-thon to raise money for the Save A Sister initiative.

Krissy Pozatek has written a book called, "The Parallel Process: Growing Alongside Your Adolescent or Young Adult in Treatment," to show parents of teens, young adults and preteens how they can help their children grow through treatment.

CKC Tours announced they are resuming with consultant tours.

Cherokee Creek Boys School lowered enrollment from 42 to 32 and restructured the staffing positions.

Cherry Gulch received the Psychologically Healthy Workplace award for Idaho, an honor sponsored by the state psychological association with support from the APA.

New Beginnings at Sever D's Ranch is now licensed as a Residential Treatment Center for five females and five males.

People:

Sandhill Center welcomed Elizabeth McGhee, LCSW as the Director of Admissions and Referral Relations.

Ann Corley returned to Elk River as Admissions Director and Selina Mason was promoted to Director of Marketing in addition to her admissions responsibilities.

Benchmark Transitions welcomed Jennie Vildosola, CSAC I, Primary Counselor and Chad Chandler, Educational Assistant to their staffing team.

Georgia K. Irvin and Associates has officially become Tedeschi Educational Consulting as Georgia officially retired in June. She plans to spend time with her family and do some personal travelling.

Academy at Swift River announced Dr. Jeremy Sullivan is the Clinical Director, Jason Bennett is Program Director and John Marquis is the Executive Director.

Dustin Tibbits was promoted to President of InnerChange.

Craig Rogers announced that Greg Hitchcock joined both Abundant Life Academy and Zion Educational Systems as the newest Principle, Board Member and Corporate Officer of both corporations.

The new Clinical Director at Vive is Willow Rubin.

Ryan Sturch is the new Director of Santiam Crossing.

Naz Fathi, MFT opened therapeutic offices in LA and San Fernando Valley areas, and recently launched a new website. In addition, Naz is offering free support groups every month to clients who are unable to afford traditional therapeutic services.

Sheri DeMott, PhD joined the therapy and academic team at Silverado Academy. She will oversee the substance abuse therapy, groups and educational training as well as all student IEPs and all special tutoring.

Jessica Graves joined CKC Tours as Business Development Director.

Betsy Deane resigned from Cherokee Creek Boys School.

Sara Murgel transitioned into the position of Admissions Manager at Intermountain in Helena, MT.

Kenneth Steiner was appointed Head of the John Dewey Academy.

IWLS Expedition Therapy welcomed Beth Fogel as primary therapist.

Grove School welcomed Elizabeth Ferguson as an art therapist.

Randy Elmer was hired to run the Horsemanship program at Seven D's Ranch.

Cherokee Creek announces new members of the leadership team include Jane Barker, Manager of Clinical Service, Shaler Black-Cooper, Admissions Director, Shawn Ziluck, Counseling Department Manager and Kayla Tompkins, Admissions Coordinator.

Renee Goldberg of Educational Options joined Boston Neuropsychological Services.

Program Closures:

Heartcry Recovery in Idaho closed at the end of October.

Program Enhancements:

In keeping with its commitment to teach students how to establish a well-balanced, sustainable lifestyle, Carlbrook School is excited to share several recent additions to its programming that focus directly on adolescent health and wellness needs. They enhanced their programming to include information on mild eating disorders, including training with the staff, incorporating a CFT to meet with the students on a weekly basis and individual nutritional counseling as an optional resource for students.

New Leaf Academy staff completed training, led by the Kinship Center, to help adopted preteens and their families.

Cedar Ridge Academy added extra-curricular clubs including lifelong hobbies, creative expression, art club, math/ science club and Cedar Ridge Academy Choir.

The Grove School expanded its art therapy program.

Upcoming:

IECA deadline for Spring Conference Proposals is December 15, 2010. Spring conference will be held in May in Philadelphia.

Next Step for Success is offering their next 20-week telecourse titled "Coaching for Parents of Struggling Teens and Young Adults" starting Wednesday, January 12, 2011. Contact Penelope Valentine 541-504-5224

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We need to attach a reason to our emotional states. At the high end of the emotional spectrum, we believe that true joy is an effect rather than a cause. Because of this deep-seated belief, we spend most of our lives chasing whatever we think causes the effect of joy -- it may be a perfect relationship, lots of money, fame, the perfect place to live, even our God. At the low end of the emotional spectrum, the game we play is blame. We blame anything from the food we have just eaten to our partners to the government for the reason that we feel bad.

~ Richard Rudd