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FFS Show Choir Wins First: The Family Foundation School (Hancock, NY), performing for the 18th consecutive year at the North American Music Festival in Hershey, PA, brought home the usual armload of trophies, including a First Place award for the Show Choir. Choral director Paul Geer and choreographer Tom Kovaleski directed the award-winning song and dance troupe. The school's Women's Chorus and Mixed Chorus received Second Place awards, and the Men's Chorus received an Excellent. Senior student, Samuel M., received an Outstanding Soloist Award. 845-887-5213

Ridge Creek Student Receives Scholarship Award: The faculty and staff at Ridge Creek School would like ot take a moment to congratulate Senior Clay H. for earning a $40,000 scholarship from Millsaps College. 800-394-0640

Stone Mountain School Welcomes New Executive Director: Jake Weld, M.Ed. has been promoted to the position of executive director of Stone Mountain School. 949-589-1765

Four Circles Introduces Garden Project: At a time when young people are far from home battling their addictions, they can still get a taste of home-grown. At Four Circles Recovery Center, a state-of-the-art North Carolina substance abuse treatment program, a new project introduces young adults to the therapeutic benefits of gardening. 949-589-1765

Deepest Sympathies to the Stednitz Family: Terry Stednitz's life ended after a nearly five year struggle with breast cancer. 208-267-5550

Adderall Adds Nothing: The pressure to achieve has created unparalleled stress in today's college students across America. It has also created bad habits, including cheating, plagiarizing and copying from the Internet just to make the grade. Now comes the latest response to this pressure: Adderall. According to Malcolm Gauld of Hyde Schools, students are pushed to succeed in a grade-based system that starts naming winners at an early age. A 'win at any cost' philosophy takes over. Kids are gripped by these powerful influences that can and do manifest themselves in potentially harmful ways, including the current abuse of Adderall. 207-837-9441

Knight Named VIP Of The Year In Education: Fieldstone Academy and Cambridge Who's Who of Business Executives are proud to announce that Thomas G. Knight, Director of International Recruiting for Fieldstone Academy, was named the VIP of the Year in Education. 801-419-6266

Explorations Adventure Course for Students in Transition: Explorations is pleased to offer the Summer Leadership Adventure Course. This unique program will incorporate high adventure activities and certification, service learning, leadership opportunities and vocational instruction with continued emotional growth and high school credit. Students and families will also participate in the signature Explorations Parent Float Trip. 406-827-3863

Looking Back At The Redcliff Reunion: Graduates had been pleading with the RedCliff team for years to host an event where they could reunite with peers, therapists and staff. This year administrators decided to give it a try - not certain whether they could meet the day to day demands of running a therapeutic wilderness program and plan and execute a two-day event. The reunion turned out to be a great success! 801-682-2315

Former Three Springs Duck River Campus To Sell At Auction: A 352-acre retreat along the Duck River that was once home to a program for troubled teens will sell at auction Saturday, June 25. 500-551-3588

Guidelines for General Practitioners: The Academy for Eating Disorders (AED) is pleased to announce a new informational resource on Eating Disorders, , "Eating Disorders: Critical Points for Early Recognition and Medical Risk Management in the Care of Individuals with Eating Disorders," which is now freely accessible on their website. Check the end of this report for a link to download this publication. 847-498-4274

Turning Winds Announces NIPSA Accreditation: Turning Winds Academic Institute is pleased to announce its accreditation and membership with the National Independent Private Schools Association (NIPSA). 800-845-1380

6th Annual Northwest Get-Together A Success: The Woodbury Reports Northwest Get-Together was Another Success. The function was attended not only by program people from around north Idaho, but also included attendees from several other western states including Utah and New Mexico. 208-267-5550

Dr. Bingham joins Pacific Quest: Dr. Bingham graduated from Skidmore College and went on to earn a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology from The California Institute of Integral Studies. He continued at CIIS and received a PhD in Psychology. Dr. Bingham is a Rosen Method practitioner and Biodynamic cranio-sacral therapist. Dr. Bingham will be available to work with PQ students in June. 808-936-6363

Student Art On Display: Art created by students at Penrith Farms was publically displayed during a local 'Creatives Art Walk' in Everett, WA. 509-447-0665

Bipolar Disorder Misdiagnosed And Unrecognized: Bipolar disorder, also known as manic depressive disorder or manic depression, is a psychiatric disorder that causes extreme shifts in mood, energy, activity levels, and the ability to carry out everyday tasks. It is a serious mental illness requiring specialized treatment, but the problem, according to Kimberly Dennis, M.D., medical director at Timberline Knolls Residential Treatment Center, is that bipolar disorder often gets misdiagnosed by professionals and is unrecognized by loved ones. 877-257-9612

Center For Change Announces Tricare Certification: Center for Change, a nationally known and respected eating disorder treatment program, is now a certified TRICARE provider. Center for Change has become a certified provider for the residential (RTC) level of care and will treat active duty military, their family members, as well as eligible dependents of retirees. 801-224-8255 x 267

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