addressing mental health treatment for adolescents and young adults. The television program "Rise Above" invites speakers to share information on issues of importance related to health and wellness. This week's show focused on the growing rate of mental health disorders in youth, and how Pacific Quest's Sustainable GrowthTM treatment model provides an effective alternative to traditional wilderness and residential therapy for adolescents and young adults. 808-987-7809

Focus Point Program Visits Woodbury Reports: Ron and Heidi Mendenhall and Ranel Hanson visited Woodbury Reports to announce their new program, Focus Point Program. Focus Point Transition Program exists to serve young adults, age 18-24 years old who require guidance beyond high school. The professional staff is dedicated to enhancing self-confidence, independence and individual learning experiences. 208-946-7703



Rosecrance Chaplain Receives National Award: The National Association of Addiction Treatment Providers (NAATP) awarded the Michael Q. Ford Journalism Award to Rosecrance Chaplain William (Bill) Lenters at the organization's annual conference, held May 19-22 in Phoenix, AZ. The award recognizes Lenters' long-running series of recovery-focused columns, which are published under the title "Bread for the Journey." The award is named for NAATP's first executive, Michael Q. Ford, who died in 1999. 815-387-5605

Rose Tea to Honor Quincy Noon Kiwanis Club: During Chaddocks Annual Rose Tea, Chaddock presented the 9th Annual Harry and Carlene Geisler Friend of Children Award to the Quincy Noon Kiwanis Club. The Quincy Noon Kiwanis Club is a part of a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. 217-222-0034 ext. 324

Academy at Swift River Introduces Young Adult Treatment: Academy at Swift River is pleased to announce our new Young Adult Transitions and Housing Program to help young adults find success within the community. Transitions program features include Individual, Family and Group Therapy, Internships, work study or college credit courses and full or part-time employment on/off-campus. Additional opportunities include for community service independent study, life skills training, and Etiquette: introducing societal norms. Residents have free time off-campus and work on self management and regulation. 800-258-1770

Lori Armbruster Joins Pacific Quest: Pacific Quest is very pleased to welcome Lori Armbruster to our ohana. Lori brings over 20 years of experience to her position at Pacific Quest. Lori has served as Executive Director of Consultant Relations, Admissions Director and Director of Alumni and Family Services and Development in several highly regarded therapeutic settings, from residential to wilderness. 808-987-7809

Charlie Bessette Will Be Missed: Charles F. Bessette, the beloved son of Judi and Fred Bessette died unexpectedly in May 2012. Charlie was 24 years old. He was embarking on a series of student internships in therapeutic programs for teens and young adults and was successfully concluding his initial steps on the journey to become a professional in the field. He will be greatly missed by his parents, his friends, his new colleagues in the helping professions, and the many students that he helped over the past two years and especially at the end of his life. Gifts in Charlie's memory can be made to the Friends of Families Foundation. 414-581-9146

Members Announce Formation of YATA: The Young Adult Transition Association - YATA - announced its formation, with the vision of providing a forum for the collaboration on young adult issues, operational issues, and other aspects related to providing young adult transitional services. Founding members include AIM House, Benchmark Transitions, Dragonfly Transitions, Echo Springs Transition Study Center, Fulshear Ranch Academy, and SFYI International School. 720-289-1525

Spring Ridge Academy Celebrates 15 Years: Spring Ridge Academy is proud to be celebrating our 15th anniversary as Arizona's premier therapeutic, college preparatory boarding school for girls. 928-632-4602

Asheville Academy Introduces Experienced Clinical Director: Asheville Academy for Girls is proud to formally introduce Michelle Lechman, PsyD, as Clinical Director. Dr. Lechman has specifically served as Clinical Advisor and Therapist for programs designed specifically for girls ages 10 to 14 for the past seven years. Her experience in therapeutic boarding schools for girls environment includes clinical consultation, supervision of staff, program development, counseling with students and families, as well as psychological testing. 800-264-8709

Wilderness Therapy Icon Moves On: After almost two decades of pioneering wilderness therapy, Dr. Daniel Sanderson announced he is leaving RedCliff Ascent."Doc" Dan joined RedCliff shortly after the company began in 1993. Since then he has helped thousands of troubled teens and their families find help and healing through effective wilderness therapy. "It's been an amazing journey," Dan says. "I have done what I want to be able to consider some incredible things and worked with some incredible people. I have given wilderness therapy a language that no one else has been able to incorporate and I've helped make the wilderness a place where real therapy can gain traction. "I want to acknowledge and recognize the courage of the students that I've worked with over the years. I'm grateful to have been a part of a number of miraculous journeys in that process and to have watched lives unfold." 800-898-1244

New Clinical Director at RedCliff Ascent: RedCliff Ascent is happy to announce Dr. Kreg Gillman has been named clinical director. Kreg has worked at every level of therapy and program administration since his career began two decades ago. His extensive management experience, coupled with his commitment to wilderness therapy, combine the best of both worlds. 800-898-1244

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disorders and complex trauma issues-frequently foster-adopted children. For information, contact Michele Nigliazzo at 417-255-8780.

Cruise Photos Help IECA Foundation: Sandhill Child Development Center, New Vision Wilderness, and High Frontier, would like to thank all those who attended our dinner cruise touring Boston Harbor recently. Photos taken during the cruise are for sale, and 25 percent of the proceeds from the purchase will go to the IECA Foundation. Additionally, Sandhill, High Frontier, and New Vision Wilderness have agreed to match whatever the amount is, thus quadrupling the donation. Contact Elizabeth McGhee for more information. 505-866-9271

Ashcreek Now Accepting Applications For Opening: Ashcreek Ranch Academy is officially accepting applications now for enrollment of students. Ashcreek Ranch Academy is a premier Residential Treatment Center for adolescent boys ages 14-17, specializing in Substance Abuse and other Addictive Problems. 435-215-0500

Expedition Therapy Students Serve Ironman Project: Expedition Therapy students and staff recently performed a service project at the Ironman Race in St. George by running a hydration station, providing water and nutrition to runners along the 26.2-mile running segment of the race. 435-899-9115

Asheville Academy Expands Academics: Asheville Academy for Girls has reinforced its dedication to a technologically savvy and content rigorous classroom with a its first Promethean Activboard, an interactive whiteboard teaching tool. 800-264-8709

Parent Choices Hosts Robert Nielson of Cedar Ridge Academy: At Cedar Ridge Academy, mindfulness, structure, karate and therapy work together as students take on the challenge of "little acts of courage"...the small steps it takes to tackle old negative beliefs and fears. In the LATalkRadio episode Little Acts of Courage, Lon interviewed Rob about techniques used at Cedar Ridge Academy and how they utilize Karate as one method to change negative feelings and behaviors. 435-353-4498 ext. 111

Asheville Academy Announces Therapeutic Summer Semester: Asheville Academy for Girls designed a unique summer learning experience for girls ages 10-14. The Therapeutic Summer Semester is designed to help young ladies by improving leadership skills, developing healthy relationships, resolving conflict, improving self-image, increasing self-confidence, and building a strong foundation for future growth and success. 800-264-8709

Parent Choices Hosts Allen Cardoza of West Shield: Transporting Teens to a Better Future was half the discussion during a special two-hour episode of LATalkRadio, where Allen Cardoza and Lon Woodbury interviewed each other. During the second hour of this special episode, Lon interviewed Allen Cardoza, who talked of the tragedy of human trafficking and the struggle to prevent it. 800-899-8585

Art Show and Silent Auction Benefit IECA Foundation: Fifteen schools and programs from the northeast supported the IECA Foundation with an art show and silent auction of student art-work, of all shapes and sizes at the May 2012 IECA conference. Proceeds were divided evenly between the Foundation and the student who contributed the art. 845-887-5213 ext. 465

Rosecrance Foundation Benefit Sets Records: The 2012 Rosecrance Foundation Benefit raised a record $480,000 to provide services to clients who need financial assistance for treatment of substance use and mental health disorders. 815-387-5605

Redskins Quarterback Crompton Named to Scientific Advisory Board for WellBalance: Jonathan Crompton, quarterback for the Washington Redskins and former starting quarterback at the University of Tennessee, has been named to the Scientific Advisory Board for WellBalance, a leading health organization that runs weight loss summer camps & community outreach programs for adolescents aged 10 - 20 as well as food & fitness boot camps for young adults ages 20 - 30. 617-792-4121

Penrith Farms Utilizes ASVAB For Career Counseling: Penrith Farms recently had the ASVAB administered on site. The ASVAB is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. It also has a career counseling component of which most people are unaware. 509-447-0665

Conference Calendar

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July 1-3: ASCD Summer Conference, St. Louis, MO, www.ascd.org

July 13-14: SENG in Seattle Summit, Milwaukee, WI, www.sengifted.org

July 18-20: 11th Annual ARS Conference, Archway Academy at Palmer Episcopal Church, Houston, TX www.recoveryschools.org

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