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Dr. Will White Announces Summit Achievement Traverse: Summit Traverse is a short-term, transitional, therapeutic boarding program for boys and young men aged 14 to 18+. Traverse is a family-centered treatment and intensive academic credit recovery to transition from treatment to a more traditional environment. Summit Traverse is currently accepting applications for boys and young men enrolling July 9, 2012. 207-697-2020

NSA Anniversary Request - Zach needs your help: Zach Lager was literally the first student at New Summit Academy over seven years ago. His parents were one of our greatest supporters and Zach himself stuck around Costa Rica throughout that initial month of preparation to put his stamp of approval on everything we chose. His dedication to helping has now expanded and we encourage any willing support. Zach's project, the Local Development Catalyst Network, raises money to better the situation of others. To help Zach, donate at www.ldcn.org/How_You_Can_Help.html. 414-921-1388

Healthy Choices Program At The Academy At Sisters: French fries, donuts, and Diet Cokes are a typical diet for a teenage girl, but at the Academy at Sisters, we are working to change that through a program called Healthy Choices. "The program goes well beyond just teaching girls to count calories," commented Connie Peters, an instructor at the Academy at Sisters who created the program. "The Healthy Choices Program focuses on everything from body image, to sports and exercise, to better nutrition." 800-910-0412

Pacific Quest Announces New Clinician Hire: Pacific Quest Wilderness Therapy is pleased to announce the addition of two new clinicians to our Ohana. Haley Robinson and Bridger Jensen will both be joining Pacific Quest in May as Primary Clinicians. 808-987-7809

Annual Adventure For Alpine Academy: Alpine Academy just returned from our annual adventure trip to Moab, UT. Every year Alpine takes all the students, teachers, therapists and residential staff down to Arches National Park for three days of camping, hiking, and enjoying the awe-inspiring vistas of the red rocks of Southern Utah. 800-244-1113

Auction Proves Successful For STICC: Saving Teens in Crisis Collaborative and Guardian Angel Motorsports are pleased to announce the spectacular success of their recent charity auction. The two groups worked in collaboration with Chamberlain International School to auction a replica 1965 Shelby Cobra built by students in the Chamberlain automotive career program. Learn more here: http://youtu.be/S9vCBnU0GmQ. The Shelby replica sold at auction for $53,000. These funds will be used to help fund the intensive programs that have been shown to help teenagers and families in crisis. 978-852-2144

Parent Choices Hosts Programs Abroad: In an interview titled "The Pros and Cons of a Therapeutic Experience Abroad" Lon interviewed Heather Tracy, Co-Founder of New Summit Academy in Costa Rica, and Karen Nelson, Executive Director and Bryan Marks Admissions Director of Coral Reef Academy. In this episode, the guests discussed the pros and cons of students attending schools and therapeutic programs abroad. Heather: 414-921-1388 Karen: 702-997-7634 | Bryan 702-379-8106

Cedar Ridge Thanks Wes Nielson: After 16 years of dedicated service to Cedar Ridge, Wes Nielson has resigned his position as executive director of Cedar Ridge Academy to seek other career options. Rob Nielson stepped into the executive director position in his stead. 435-353-4498

> Life's purpose
> is to find one's purpose.
> ~ George Bernard Shaw

Parent Choices Hosts Det. Rich Wistocki: Lon recently interviewed Detective Rich Wistocki, a Special Investigator and a member of ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children), on the topic called "Protecting Kids from Online Predators," an interesting and yet terrifying topic for parents. Throughout the show, Detective Wistocki vigilantly stressed that "Parents must check and monitor their kid's online world." 630-305-0044

Cedar Ridge Summarizes Accreditation Visit: Cedar Ridge Academy is pleased to summarize the comments of the accreditation visiting team in response to our 2012 self-study. "The visiting team recommended Cedar Ridge Academy for a five year accreditation term through the new accrediting organization under AdvancEd. They further recommended an interim data visit to get some coaching on how to track data quantitatively. 435-353-4498

Dr. Park Joins Outback: Outback Therapeutic Expeditions is excited to announce Dr. Brandon Park as the newest addition to our clinical team. Brandon is a Clinical Psychologist who completed his graduate work at UNLV and has been working professionally in Napa, CA. Dr. Park has a rich background in neurospsychology, cognitive rehabilitation, and behavioral modification. He has worked with a variety of Axis I and II disorders, as well as substance abuse, and is an expert at evaluating and treating adolescents with clinically complicated presentations. Brandon joins Outback as Clinical Psychologist. 801-361-7782

WellBalance Announces Dr. Curran As Chief Medical Officer: WellBalance fitness and weight loss camps recently announced the addition of Gary Curran, MD, as Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Curran has successfully started and operated a family practice where emphasis has been paid to helping families instill healthier habits. his role as Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Curran will advise on the medical data collection from weight loss campers, assist with data analysis, consult on specific camper conditions, and provide insight on WellBalance's fitness and weight loss approach. 800-975-0435

Edwards Joins Adirondack Leadership: Adirondack Leadership Expeditions is pleased to announce the appointment of Tracy Edwards to the position of Executive Director. Tracy joins ALE after working at both Bromley Brook School and The Academy at Swift River where she served as Director of Residential Life. 860-227-3316

OPI Changes Roanne Program Borderline Track: JCAHO-accredited Optimum Performance Institute continues its dynamic tradition of rapidly responding to the individualized needs of young adults by making significant programming changes to its Roanne Program for young adults with Borderline Traits, Borderline Personality Disorder and Co-Occurring Conditions. 888-558-0617

Four Circles Led Focus On Women Recovery Seminar: At the 26th Annual ADDICTION: Focus on Women (AFOW) Conference held in May, two experts from Four Circles Recovery Center, led a three-day seminar on incorporating experiential wilderness therapy into addiction recovery treatment. 828-891-2221

Attachment Advocacy Conference Scheduled For August: The Branson POWER Advocacy Intensive conference will be something new for families with children who suffer from attachment

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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