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Dr. Don Beck Retires: It's with mixed feelings that I bring you news of the retirement of our residential program director, Dr. Don Beck. We will miss him, but are also glad to see him leave to enjoy his retirement. Don has brought so much joy and compassion to both our staff and all of the clients he has worked with. 801-669-0628

Edwards Appointed To Executive Director CCA: Copper Canyon Academy, an all-girls residential treatment center and college preparatory boarding school, is pleased to announce the appointment of Tracy Edwards to Executive Director. Tracy has over 20 years of experience working with struggling youth in wilderness, residential treatment center, and therapeutic boarding school settings. Tracy was the previous executive director for Adirondack Leadership Expeditions. Prior to this, she worked at Bromley Brook School and the Academy at Swift River where she served as director of residential life. 408-343-4086

Cox Joins The Brightstone Team: Brightstone Transitions is excited to announce Jason Cox will be joining the team as Director of Admissions and Marketing. Jason was previously the Director of Willow Creek Lodge in North Carolina. Jason brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the Brightstone team, and we are thrilled to add his experience to our mission of helping young adults move towards independence. 770-530-5176

Rosecrance Announces New Board Leadership: Rosecrance has announced several changes on its boards of directors,

including the appointment of new chairs for both the Rosecrance Health Network (RHN) Board and the Foundation board. We welcome a new member to our faculty, Curtis Pickup. Curtis arrives at Spring Ridge with over 40 years of mathematic instruction in junior and high schools. He holds his Bachelors in Education from the University of Massachusetts. 815-387-5605

Update From Spring Ridge Academy: Summer is the time of exciting transitions for Spring Ridge Academy students and staff. We say farewell to many students and families to begin the next step in life, transitioning to college, home and boarding schools. Also, with gratitude for his many contributions, Spring Ridge says farewell to Gary Hees after nine years of service. Gary is retiring from Spring Ridge Academy this month. Nancy Kelly, LPC, a clinician who exemplifies best practices and sound clinical practice, has moved into the role Clinical Director. Susan Coatney has been a strong force in the Spring Ridge Academy leadership and admissions office for over 10 years. She is moving out of the admissions office to serve as our Administrator. Kate Deily is joining the admission office at Spring Ridge. Kate is returning enthusiastically to be part of helping parents through the tough decision to choose a program for their daughter. And, finally, we welcome a new member to our faculty, Curtis Pickup. Curtis arrives at Spring Ridge with over 40 years of mathematic instruction in junior and high schools. He holds his Bachelors in Education from the University of Massachusetts. 928-632-4602 ext. 103



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The Benchmark Transitions® Program

Benchmark Transitions® is a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary approach to residential transitional living for young men and women, ages 18-28.

Our dual-diagnosis model serves students who have had substance abuse issues, as well as those who have not, by combining clinical treatment, behavioral health therapy, addiction recovery & aftercare, educational & vocational opportunities, career training and life skills in a structured and nurturing environment that fosters self-discovery and autonomy.

Benchmark is a long-term residential program. Our level-based curriculum is designed to be completed in 9-12 months. Extended care options are available.

Benchmark is designed to be a step-down transition program for participants coming out of other primary treatment programs, such as Detox, 30/60/90 day Residential Treatment Centers, Wilderness Therapeutic Programs, hospitalization/stabilization units, and for adolescents aging-out of Therapeutic Boarding Schools and is also an ideal option for young adults who are "stuck" at home with failure to launch issues.

Students exhibit behavioral and clinical issues such as:

· Academic challenges	· Grief/loss
· ADD/ADHD	· Lacking confidence
· Adoption/Attachment	· Learning differences
· Anger management	· Life changes
· Anxiety/Depression	· Non-verbal learning difference
· Asperger/Autism Spectrum*	· ODD/PTSD
· Bi-Polar/Borderline	· Poor judgment
· Compulsive behavior	· Shy/withdrawn
· Distressed relationships	· Sneaky/underground
· Drug/Alcohol Addiction	· Socially isolated
· Dual Diagnosis	· Substance use/abuse
· Eating disorder (mild)	· Trauma
· Emotional & Behavioral issues	· Unmotivated
· Gaming/Internet Addiction	

Boulder Creek Academy Adding To The Team: Boulder Creek Academy announces the promotion of two valued faculty members and the addition of several new hires. A Director of Special Education position has been created at the academy to expand academic remediation services for students. Academic Director Claude Bisson, M.Ed., who holds a Master's degree and undergraduate degree in special education from Keen State College and has nearly 30 years of special education experience, will take on this new role and pass the academic director reigns to longtime English teacher, Valerie Thompson. 208-267-7522 ext. 4024

Innerpathworks Has Changed: InnerPathWorks has a track record of students being directed and successful after completing our training. We believe these changes will help us keep this distinction through the years to come. InnerPathWorks is now a non-residential training center, offered 9-5 weekdays with the same life-changing, college-level, self-discovery curriculum for which we are known. In addition, operations have moved from Sandpoint to Coeur d'Alene, which provides more opportunities for our students. An appropriate student wants clarity with a life path, college major or appropriate career direction. Traditional education may be boring or challenging, and students are typically creative, out of the box, free thinkers. 509-671-1598

Rosenblatt joins Surf House Puerto Rico: The Executive Team of Surf House is pleased to announce the addition of Dr. Bill Rosenblatt as Director of Life Coaching and Clinical Services. For over 20 years, Dr. Bill has maintained a home in Rincon, Puerto Rico and looks forward to spending more time on the island in his new capacity. Dr. Bill supervises and directs the Life Coaches and provides clinical expertise for students and families during the student's gap year experience. He will also consult with a student's home psychiatrist regarding medication issues and liaison with mental health professionals in the local community when services are needed. 787-237-8168

CALO Welcomes Carter and Burroughs: CALO, a residential treatment center for adopted teens, is pleased to announced their New Clinical Director, Shandra Carter, MSW, LCSW and the new Academic Director, Robert Burroughs, PhD. Her diverse clinical experience includes working in the fields of crisis intervention, domestic violence, sexual trauma, inpatient psychiatry, juvenile residential treatment and adult corrections. 877-879-2256

Skyland Trail Welcomes Whisnant As Process Art Therapist: Skyland Trail, a nationally recognized nonprofit treatment organization for adults with mental illness, is pleased to welcome Phoebe Whisnant as the process art therapist. In her new role, Whisnant will facilitate both individual and group sessions.



During these sessions, clients will have the opportunity to use materials to express their inner feelings, memories and beliefs through art. This form of art helps clients improve their insight and gain greater self-awareness. 404-273-6054

Aspiro Acquires Daniels Academy: The Aspiro Group announces its formal ownership and management of Daniels Academy. The Aspiro Group will be providing ongoing support and oversight of Daniels Academy in all areas of operation including personnel and business systems, clinical support, curriculum enhancement, marketing/admissions, and research. 801-349-2740

ReSTART Meets With Chinese Delegates: ReSTART Center for Technology Sustainability welcomed Chinese Delegates to a forum on internet, gaming, and technology dependencies as they commonly present in youth populations in China and the USA. 800-682-6934

New Vision Wilderness - West Coast Graduates First Adolescent Clients: More than 15 young adult clients have been introduced to our program in Oregon since it's formation in early 2013, and an equal number of adolescents since the program was granted licensure for those age ranges. We're proud to announce the graduation of our first adolescent clients. 855-689-8326

Laney Announces Affiliation Between Lake House Academy and Whetstone Academy: Sharon Laney, Executive Director of Lake House Academy is pleased to announce that Lake House Academy and Whetstone Academy, both premier therapeutic boarding schools serving middle school students are joining forces. Both Lake House and Whetstone are grateful to everyone who has been supportive of each of these schools and look forward to serving you and your middle school families as they move forward. 877-267-5888

Aspen Education Group Promotes Meeves: After a few weeks of sending you all sad news I am thrilled to announce that Dr. Rick Meeves has been promoted to Regional Vice President of Aspen Education Group Western Youth Services. Rick will be taking over for Susan Cambria who has resigned her position. Susan was a terrific leader for us and we appreciate her years of service. She will continue to work with Rick until early fall to ensure a seamless transition. In his new position, Rick will oversee six of Aspen's programs including Utah's Island View RTC, Aspen Institute for Behavioral Assessment, Turn-About Ranch, Youth Care RTC, and Outback Therapeutic

Expeditions, as well as Copper Canyon Academy in Rimrock, Arizona. Shawn Farrell will continue to lead SUWS of the Carolinas and Phoenix Outdoor, and Jack Kline will continue to lead Four Circles Recovery Center in North Carolina. 707-758-6443

Tsapis Visits Woodbury Reports: Adam Tsapis, Co-Founder of Summit Achievement and Summit Traverse, both in Stow, ME,

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stopped by Woodbury Reports for a visit with his daughter Kyra Gould on their way to Seattle. 207-697-2020

CALO Promotes Gent to VP of Training and Development: With Growth in mind, CALO is pleased to announce the promotion of Rob Gent to VP of Training and Development. Over the years Rob has performed key roles at CALO including Therapist, Assistant Clinical Director, and Clinical Director. Rob was also a key member of the Founding Team. In this new role, Rob will be freed up to do what he does best which is clinical training and treatment model development. With Rob's significant therapeutic abilities, we are looking forward to making new strides in creating quality and groundbreaking clinical interventions and exploring all of the possibilities within CALO's proprietary, relational attachment based treatment model. 877-879-2256

Rosecrance Earns JCAHO Accreditation: Industry watchdog The Joint Commission (TJC), recognizes Rosecrance for quality care and awards their national seal of approval. 815-387-5605

FFS Gears Up For Soccer and Cross Country: A proud tradition of boys' soccer at The Family Foundation School continues this fall as the Falcons kick off another season of interscholastic competition. The school's record includes three Class D, Section IX soccer championships. The fall sports lineup also includes cross-country, with the first meet scheduled for September 10. This is the second year the Falcon runners have competed interscholastically. 845-887-5213, ext 265

New Haven Girls Complete First International Service Trip: New Haven is proud to announce their first international service trip. Ten of our students, along with several therapists and staff members, ventured down to the beautiful country of Peru. The girls had the opportunity to do service at a local school, as well as spend time hiking the Andes Mountains, take in the beautiful sights at Machu Picchu and enjoy the local cuisine and culture. 801-380-4389

Grand River Academy Names Singer Admissions Director: Grand River Academy appointed Glenn Singer as the Director of Admissions and also part of Grand River Academy's leadership team. Headmaster Tim Viands said, "Glenn is a strong addition to our team, as he truly understands and embraces Grand River Academy's mission to help young men reinvent and rediscover themselves. We are thrilled to have him join the GRA Leadership Team and guide our efforts in outreach to potential students and families." 440-275-2811 ext. 222

Theroux Executive Director of Berkshire Hills Music Academy: We would like to welcome Michelle Theroux as the new Executive Director of Berkshire Hills Music Academy. Michelle is from South Hadley and has a Masters in Counseling Psychology. She holds a license in Mental Health Counseling

and a certificate in fundraising from Boston University. Most recently, Michelle was with Clinical and Support Options as Director of Special Projects. She was a professional dancer and continues to teach dance. Michelle has over 15 years of management experience in health services and not-for-profit organizations in Western Massachusetts. 413-540-9720

Hopper Joins Newport Academy: Newport Academy is thrilled to announce that Debbie Hopper has joined the Newport Academy team! Debbie is an accomplished professional with over 20 years of experience in adolescent health. She specializes in developing and enhancing long-term client/referent relationships based on trust, dependability and integrity. 714-815-6525

Living Well Transitions Hosted Open House: Living Well Transitions hosted an Open House Prior to the Wilderness Symposium festivities in September. 303-670-8240

Family Times Magazine Debuts: The Family Times Magazine, a student-produced publication of The Family Foundation School, made its debut in August according to Cindy Ray Argiros, FFS journalism teacher. The publication, to be issued twice a year, offers readers in-depth coverage of school and community news. It supplements the online Family Times which is updated daily by the students. 845-887-5213, ext 265

Jochum and McKenna Stop By Woodbury Reports Inc: Katie Jochum and Patrick McKenna of Monarch Transitions stopped by to report on the progress of this new Young Adults Program located in downtown Sandpoint Idaho. Just established this year, they explained that it is an independent living situation that is independent of the Monarch School owned by Patrick and Michelle McKenna located in Heron, MT a few miles away. Monarch Transitions is designed for young adults ages 18-22 needing support primarily in life skills. 208-597-0707

DeLaMare Welcomes Oakley To The InnerChange Family:

InnerChange's leaders could not be more excited to work with the staff and students at the Oakley School. InnerChange also announced the new executive director of Oakley will be Paul Taylor, MS. Paul is currently the executive director at Copper Canyon Academy in Arizona. 877-282-4782

Expedition Therapy Welcomes Knaeble As Primary Therapist: Expedition Therapy proudly announces the addition of Raini J. Knaeble, MEd, LPCC as Primary Therapist. Raini is a Licensed Professional Clinical

Counselor. She received her MEd degree from the University of Wisconsin. Raini was most recently a Clinical Supervisor in a school-based mental health program, and has been deeply involved in adventure therapy and wilderness-based programming with young people in the lake country of Minnesota. She has participated annually in Therapeutic Adventure Professional Group (TAPG) Conferences, and is committed to continuing education and maintaining the highest level of professional competence. Raini is passionate

