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## Christikon Camp for the Developmentally Disabled

July 17-20, 2003

Christikon offers opportunities for those with developmental disabilities to enjoy hiking, group recreation, crafts, work projects, and music, in a beautiful mountain setting while creating caring relationships. Christikon staff resides with the campers and provide leadership. Campers must have a

developmental disability and be at least 18 years of age to participate. Due to camp layout and outdoor conditions, those campers who use wheelchairs will encounter some difficulties. The bathrooms are some distance from the cabin so campers are expected to have continent toilet habits.

A Billings church will operate bus service on the first and last days of the camp. The Summer Fun bus stops at Laurel and Big Timber.

The camp will be held July 17-20, 2003. Cost is \$109. Scholarships, up to \$40 per person, are available to those in need. For campers who have registered, but are unable to attend, all money, except \$10, will be returned.

### Contact before May 25:

Christikon  
1108 24th St W  
Billings, MT 59102-3810  
406.656.1969

### Contact after May 25

4661 Boulder Rd  
McLeod, MT 59052  
406.932.6300

## Missouri River Expeditions

If you like guided floating trips, fishing trips, and camp outs, Missouri River Expeditions offers these opportunities to people with disabilities. They have modified boats for those who need wheelchair access, and provide accommodations

for those clients needing individual supports. This company can also offer trained PCAs or nurses, and transportation in wheelchair accessible vans.

Tim Plaska, Outfitter  
Missouri River Expeditions  
3 Lava Mountain Court North  
Clancy, MT 59634  
406.449.6446 or 406.447.3152  
tim@MissouriRiverExp.com  
<http://www.MissouriRiverExp.com>

## Eagle Mount

Eagle Mount provides recreational opportunities year-round for children and adults with disabilities in Bozeman, Billings, and Great Falls areas. Some common summer opportunities include swimming, golf, and field trips. Contact the office closest to you for more specific information about programs in each location or if you would like to volunteer.

Billings: 406.245.5422  
Bozeman: 406.586.1781  
Great Falls: 406.454.1449

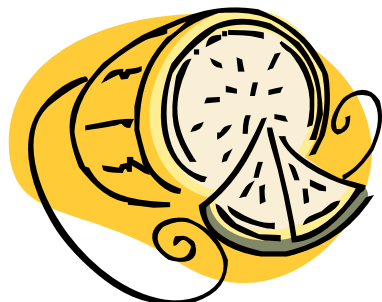
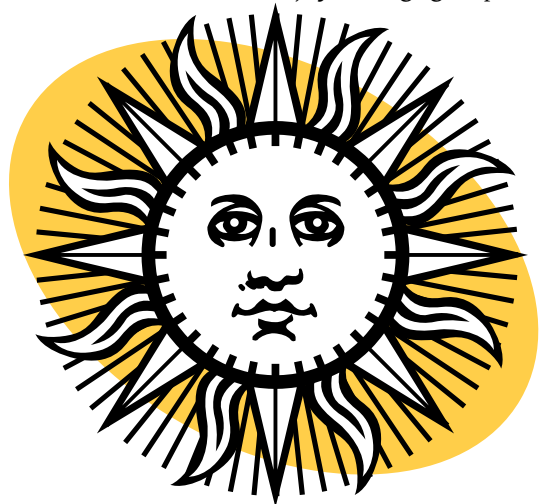
## Recreational Adventures Vacation Experiences (RAVE)

RAVE offers vacation programs for people with disabilities under the cloak of Regional Services for South, Central, and Eastern Montana. The programs and locations vary, but RAVE offers everything from shopping at the Mall of America, to sea cruises and other adventures. For information about RAVE and any of its vacation and recreation activities, or to be added to their mailing list, contact Jim Uecker.

Jim Uecker  
406.252.1927  
juecker@abs.wtp.net  
Regional Services  
Office  
406.652.5443

## Therapeutic Riding

Therapeutic riding is a special form of therapy that uses horses to assist children and adults with disabilities to



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develop and foster their physical, psychological, and social well being. The American Riding for the Handicapped Association has 450 centers across the country that offer therapeutic riding for those with nearly any disability.

## Billings STAR Riding Program

1439 Barrett Rd.  
Billings, MT 59105  
406.259.2598

## Eagle Mount — Bozeman

6901 Goldenstein Lane  
Bozeman, MT 59715  
406.586.1781

## Butte Special Riders

102 Country Club Lane  
Butte MT 59701  
406.494.5954

## Bitterroot Therapeutic Riding

599 Popham Lane  
Corvallis, MT 59828  
406.961.2999

## Eagle Mount Great Falls

#9 3 St North Ste 1  
Great Falls, MT 59401  
406.454.1449  
eaglemount@soofast.net  
<http://www.eaglemount.net>

## Helena Riding Academy

P.O. Box 5173  
Helena MT 59604-5173  
406.447.6101

## SAMS Riders, Inc.

303 Lore Lake Rd.  
Kalispell MT 59901  
406.752.6716

## Danmore Stables

4035 Squires Lane  
Stevensville, MT 59870  
406.777.3008  
danmorestable@hotmail.com

## National Association: NARHA

P.O. Box 335101  
Denver CO 80233  
800.369.RIDE [7433] (Toll free)  
303.252.4610 (Local)  
303.457.8496 (FAX-on-demand)  
<http://www.naha.org>

## Easter Seals Washington

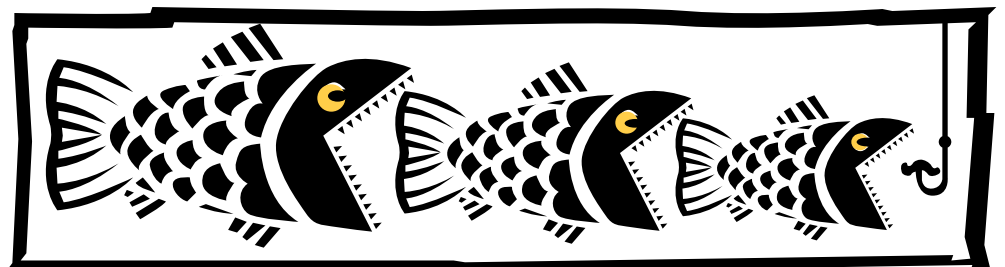
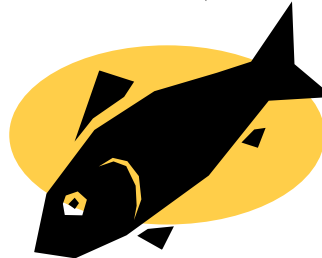
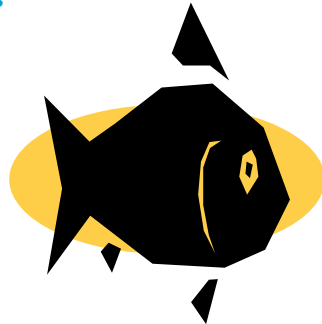
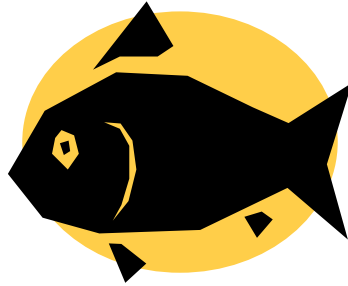
### June-August, 2003

Easter Seals Washington operates day, respite, and residential camps beginning in June and running through August for children and adults with physical and developmental disabilities. The camps are structured for campers to enjoy a typical camp experience despite their disabilities. Activities in the camps include fishing, swimming, nature study, arts and crafts, cookouts, outpost camping, and evening campfires. The housing for campers are cabin and log house dormitories with separate dining rooms, activity rooms, and craft shops. Camp Easter Seal West is located 11 miles west of Purdy, Washington on the south side of Vaughn Bay. Cost for each session is \$750. These camps fill up quickly, so latecomers are placed on a waiting list.

Camp Easter Seals  
17809 S Vaughn Rd. KPN  
Vaughn, WA 98394-0313  
253.884.2722 (Voice)  
253.884.0200 (FAX)  
camp@seals.org  
<http://www.easter-seals.org>

## TRIPS, Inc.

TRIPS, Inc. provides travel opportunities for people with developmental or physical disabilities who require staff/chaperone assistance for a safe, joyful vacation. The adventures organized by this group are meant to foster personal growth,



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friendship and learning. TRIPS, Inc. can accommodate those who use wheelchairs or who require their own chaperone for safety. If an individual requires a "two person transfer" or other one-on-one assistance, TRIPS, Inc. can arrange for a trained chaperone to address a particular need at approximately 100% of the trip cost or the traveler may bring a friend or support person at a reduced cost. Contact TRIPS, Inc. for information and a brochure listing upcoming trips.

TRIPS, Inc.  
 P.O. Box 10885  
 Eugene OR 97440  
 800.686.1013 (Toll free)  
 541.465.9355 (FAX)  
 trips@tripsinc.com  
<http://www.tripsinc.com>



## Building Bridges Camp

June 24-29, 2003

This camp provides a unique opportunity for children and young adults who use augmentative and alternative communication devices (AAC) and their siblings or close friends; the program is structured to help children and adults who use AAC develop their communication skills in a way that is both fun and motivating. The program promotes learning more about AAC, developing increased independence for those with AAC, teaches that communication is powerful and fun, and that there is always a way to make your thoughts known. In addition to aiding those with AAC, the camp is an excellent training resource for any professional who assists people with AAC, particularly for teachers, speech-language pathologists, instructional assistants or school/home support staff. If you

are interested, make plans to attend at Camp Harmon June 24-29, 2003, located in the incomparable Santa Cruz Mountains of Central California.

545 Eucalyptus Avenue  
 Hillsborough, CA 94010-6404  
 650.696.7295 (Voice)  
 650.342.7598 (FAX)  
<http://www.bridgeschool.org/camp/camp02.html>

## Project Soar

SOAR now offers summer camps in Dubois, Wyoming. Soar is a private, non-profit corporation dedicated to providing: 1) adventure based therapeutic programs and experiential education services to individuals and families dealing with Learning Disabilities and/or Attention Deficit Disorders; 2) adventure based therapeutic programs and experiential education services to school-aged youth, with particular emphasis on students identified as "high risk" for school failure, delinquency and/or substance abuse.



SOAR  
 Ed Parker, Admissions Director  
 P.O. Box 388  
 Balsam, North Carolina 28707-0388  
 828.456.3435  
 828.456.3449 (FAX)  
<http://www.soarnc.org>

## National Easter Seals Camping & Leisure Services

Easter Seals Camping & Leisure Services programs provide individuals with disabilities an opportunity to exercise, socialize, and have fun. The respite camp provides welcomed respite for both campers and their caregivers. Camp programs are offered through several Easter Seals groups nationwide, including the Easter Seals Washington branch. Contact the office for a list of upcoming respite camps.

800.221.6827  
<http://www.easter-seals.org>

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## Diabetes Camping Association

For information on all camps for children with diabetes as well as disabilities call or check out the web site.

510-937-3393

<http://www.childrenwithdiabetes.com/camps/index.htm>

## Camp Taloali

Exciting camping experiences are being offered this summer for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Kids of Deaf Adults, and Hearing individuals of all ages. Camp Taloali sits on 111 acres of wooded area with open fields, east of Stayton, nestled in the foothills of Oregon's Cascade Mountains bordering North Santiam River.

### Silent Week

This program offers an intensive American Sign Language experience that facilitates learning with classroom instruction, recreational activities, and lessons in Deaf culture. This program is for adults of all levels to learn American Sign Language in the areas of Classifiers, Discourse, Storytelling, Pragmatics, Semantics, Non-Manual Grammar, and Linguistics of ASL.

### Family Camp Weekend

Open to families with a Deaf or Hard of Hearing child. Activities and workshops are provided throughout the weekend. NOTE: For more information please contact Janet Johanson at [janet.johanson@osd.k12.or.us](mailto:janet.johanson@osd.k12.or.us).

### Traditional Camp

These four sessions are unique for Campers who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Kids of Deaf Adults, and Hearing Siblings. In these sessions, we offer a fun-filled experience where some of our traditional camp activities are camping under the stars, nature hikes, swimming, horseback riding, fishing, arts/crafts, mini-Olympics, totem pole carving, wood carving, and evenings around the campfire.

## Wilderness Backpacking

This experience is for Backpackers who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Kids of Deaf Adults, and Hearing Siblings. The adventure takes place in Oregon's Cascade Mountains with experienced staff to provide mentorship while backpacking.

Wilderness Backpacking is about investing yourself in the journey. It's not about how fast you get there.

It's about what you see and what you experience along the way.

### Program Dates & Ages:

- Silent Week: June 15–20, Ages 18+
- Family Camp Weekend: June 20–22, all ages
- Youth Traditional Camp — Field Trip: June 22–28, Ages 13–17
- Wilderness Backpacking — Bull of the Woods Wilderness: June 22–28, Ages 14–17
- Youth Traditional Camp — Horse Program: June 29–July 5, Ages 13–17
- Wilderness Backpacking — Mount Jefferson Wilderness: June 29–July 5, Ages 14–17
- Children Traditional Camp — Horse Program July 6–12, Ages 9–12
- Wilderness Backpacking — Bull of the Woods Wilderness: July 6–12, Ages 14–17
- Children Traditional Camp — Field Trip: July 13–19, Ages 9–12
- Wilderness Backpacking — Mount Jefferson Wilderness: July 13–19, Ages 14–17

For enrollment applications and more information check our web site or contact our Director.

Ken Irving, Camp Director  
Camp Taloali

P.O. Box 4658, Salem, OR 97302

E-mail: [CampTaboali@aol.com](mailto:CampTaboali@aol.com)

<http://www.taloali.us>



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## *KIDScamps for Children with Learning Disabilities & ADD*

There are over 150 camps in the KID-SCamps database searchable by state, geographic location, gender, religion, session, or keyword. For more detailed information on any of these camps, please visit the web site.

[http://www.kidscamps.com/special\\_need/learning\\_disab\\_add.html](http://www.kidscamps.com/special_need/learning_disab_add.html)



## *Muscular Dystrophy Camps*

The MDA supports almost 90 summer camps. What makes MDA so unique is that camp barriers are nonexistent. Several year-round skills are fostered and a child with a disability can just be a child among fellow friends. Anyone ages six to 18 with a neuromuscular disease acknowledged by the MDA, can attend these camps; participation is free.

Camps in Montana: 406.655.9000  
Camps 800.572.1717  
nationwide (Toll free)

<http://www.mdausa.org>

## *Camp Courage*

Courage Camps offer safe, accessible, natural environments where children and adults with physical disabilities, sensory and language impairments, and other disabilities or illnesses discover abilities they never knew they had or they thought they had lost. Campers make new friends, and are often introduced to sports or hobbies they develop further at home or at school. Their self confidence grows and their attitudes improve. Speech/language services are available at Camp Courage for campers on the active caseload of a school Speech/Language Pathologist. Although Camp Courage primarily serves Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, South Dakota and North Dakota, participants from other states are welcome. Camp Courage offers a large variety of camps:

- Sessions for youth with physical disabilities, including a sports camp, for children or teens.
- College preview session, including a computer camp.
- Camp sessions for adults with physical disabilities.
- Leadership development for teenagers with leadership potential.
- MDA Camp for children with Muscular Dystrophy
- MS Camp for adults with Multiple Sclerosis
- Oncology sessions for children and teens with a history of cancer - in cooperation with The American Cancer Society, Minnesota Division.
- Sickle Cell Camp for children and teens who have Sickle Cell Anemia - cosponsored by The Links, Inc.
- Augmentative Alternative Communication Camp

- Clinical programs for speech/hearing/language impaired youth.
- Experience-based programs for language disordered youth.
- Leadership sessions for deaf and hard of hearing youth.
- Hemophilia Camp for Children - cosponsored with the hemophilia Association of Minnesota and the Dakotas.
- Minnesota and California Amateur Radio Camp for individuals with physical or sensory disabilities.
- Camp Discovery for children with Asperger's Syndrome.
- Camp Courage  
3915 Golden Valley Road  
Golden Valley, MN 55422  
763.520.0504  
763.520.0577 (FAX)  
camping@courage.org  
<http://www.couragecamps.org>



## *NASA Space Camp & Aviation Challenge*

**For the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.**

Our Space Camp and Aviation Challenge programs — specifically designed for blind, visually-impaired, deaf and/or hard-of-hearing attendees — have

attracted students from across the United States and around the world.

Over the years, we have worked closely with several organizations, including the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind, the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, and most recently, the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, to develop a meaningful, inspirational experience for these students.



Program highlights may include a presentation by blind and/or deaf NASA professionals on career choices and working in the space industry. Enlarged print, sign language interpreters, attention to mobility hazards and other special considerations are extended to put trainees at ease.

Blind students also benefit from the latest technology in the field, including tactile Braille displays and synthetic speech for computers.

To learn more about the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Program, contact

Amy Newland

412.371.7000

<http://www.spacecamp.com/wpsd/>

For details about SPACE CAMP for Visually Impaired Students (SCI-VIS), contact

Dan Oates

304.822.4883

E-mail: [scivis@charter.net](mailto:scivis@charter.net)

Call for session dates —

1.800.63SPACE [637-2223]



## National Camps for the Blind

These camps are for anyone —ages nine to 99—who is legally blind. The closest camp location is in Hayden Lake, Idaho. Transportation is available to and from Billings, and along I-90. Participants will have an opportunity to choose from numerous activities like water skiing, canoeing, paddle boating, swimming, wind surfing, snorkeling, puppetry, drama, and much more.

Ed Horan

Rt.1 Box 1626

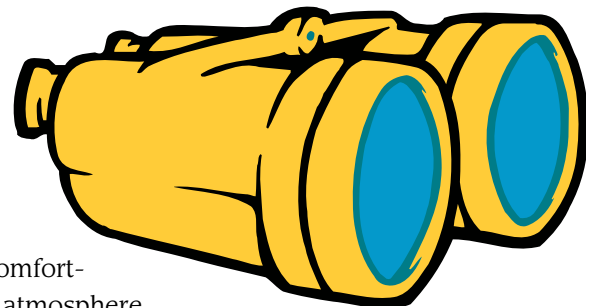
Lewistown, MT 59457

406.538.3803

<http://www.christiansrecord.org>

## Camp Confidence

Confidence Learning Center often referred to as Camp Confidence is a year-round center for persons with developmental disabilities specializing in recreation and outdoor education. It's also truly a camp unique from most others. We service persons of all ages and abilities. Visiting groups include public school systems, state hospitals, group homes, families, achievement centers, and scout troops. The campers are brought to camp by their own staff or guardian who are responsible for their direct care. The cabins contain their own kitchen, wood stove or fireplace, and two or three bedrooms that sleep four persons in each, to provide a comfortable family atmosphere.



1620 Mary Fawcett Memorial Drive

Brainerd, MN 56401

218.828.2344

<http://www.campconfidence.com>

## American Camping Association

The American Camping Association is a community of camp professionals dedicated to enriching the lives of children and adults with disabilities by providing a wide variety of camp experiences. Their database contains over 2,000 accredited camps. Accreditation searches pre-sort your camp options, and identifies which programs offer a solid foundation of health, safety, and program quality.

Contact 800-428-2267

<http://www.ACAcamps.org>



## Camp Channel

Camp Channel is another large database listing summer camps worldwide. Although Camp Channel focuses primarily on non-specialized camps, the database also lists camps accommodating individuals with special needs including: ADD, AIDS, Asthma, Behavioral Disorders, Cancer, Cystic Fibrosis, Diabetes, Learning Disability, MS, and Physical Disabilities.

<http://www.campchannel.com/docs/campsearch.html>



## Travel Resources

The Society for Accessible Travel & Hospitality (SATH) is a nonprofit educational organization. Their web site contains a wealth of information for travelers with disabilities.

SATH

347 Fifth Avenue, Ste 610

New York, NY 10061

212.447.7284

<http://www.sath.org>

## TRAVELMED

Provides support for travelers with medical problems and offers rentals and sales of adaptive equipment and accessibility products. Information is available in several languages.

TRAVELMED

P.O. Box 94225

Las Vegas, NV 89193-4225

800- or 877- or 888-

878.3627 (Toll free)

702.454.6628 (Local)

<http://www.travelmedntl.com>

## Directory of Camps for Children with LD

The directory of summer camps for children with LD is available for \$4.00.

Learning Disabilities Association

4156 Library Road

Pittsburgh, PA 15234

412.341.1515

[http://www.ldanatl.org/store/LD\\_Directories.html](http://www.ldanatl.org/store/LD_Directories.html)

## The Savvy Traveler with a Disability

This web site has a wealth of information for the traveler with a disability, including sources of travel information and travel tips for those with disabilities who want to travel.

<http://www.savvytraveler.com/before/disability-resource.shtml>

## Disability Travel Bookshelf

- *Fodor's Great American Vacations for Travelers With Disabilities* (2nd Ed) by Donna Cornacchio (Editor), Anto Howard (Editor).

A great travel guide providing solid, detailed accessibility information and on-target travel know-how. An invaluable aid for travelers with mobility problems and hearing and vision impairments and for the people who travel with them.

- *Wheelchair Around the World* by Patrick D. Simpson.

This book is an extraordinary look at world travel by the author whose wife is disabled. Their love for travel transcends barriers. A must read for those who are afraid of travel due to a wheelchair or other obstacles.

- *Easy Access to National Parks: The Sierra Club Guide for People With Disabilities* by Wendy Roth, Michael Tompane (Contributor).

A guidebook to America's national parks provides information on the region, access, lodging, services, tours, sport opportunities, trails, campgrounds, medical facilities, visitor centers, and more for all fifty national parks. Those with mobility problems, vision and hearing impairments, seniors, families with young children -- anyone looking for gentle, low-effort hiking opportunities will find this thoroughly researched guide an invaluable resource.

- *Access Travel U.S.A.: A Directory for People With Disabilities* by Margarita Engle & Candida H. Cremona

- *Travel for the Disabled: A Handbook of Travel Resources and 500 World Wide Access Guides* by Helen Hecker

- *A World of Options: A Guide to International Exchange, Community Service, and Travel for Persons with Disabilities* by Christa Bucks, Carole Patterson (Editor), Brett Campbell (Editor)

- *Able to Travel: True Stories by and for People With Disabilities: A Rough Guide Special*

by Alison Walsh (Editor)

- *How to Travel: A Guidebook for Persons with a Disability* by Fred Rosen

