August 2022

YOUTH NEWS

Educational, Motivational, & Inspirational Stories

Teens 16 - Young Adults 24

Get Hired!

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

From city-to-city, coast-to-coast, and nation-to-nation, our focus is FAMILY:

Foster Adopt Mentor Investing in Lives of Youth

Youth News magazine is a way to celebrate the good news of youth. *Youth News* provides fostered, adopted, kinship cared and mentored youth with real on-the-job training skills. Youth are paid as they learn how to produce this publication for the community. Donations for ad space is how we pay youth in training. The "Dove" logo is a symbol we use as a message of good news. Our goal is to bring educational, inspirational and motivational stories to encourage people to open their hearts and support youth.

Join our team: writers, editors, photographers, marketing and sales. *Youth News* highlights the accomplishments of young people near and far.

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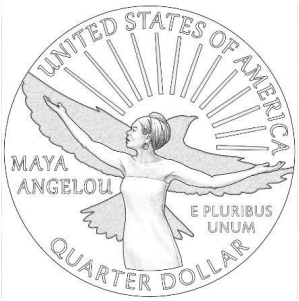

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Founder/Publisher

In this month's issue we are placing our focus on employment for Teens- Young adults 16-24. WHALER's Creation in collaboration with the Moose Lodge #252 is hosting a Job Fair on Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at the Moose Lodge. Employers are coming to hire. Teens 16-24 years old should come ready to get hired. Plus gift bags will be given away to every youth who register by emailing us at : admin@whalers-creation.us or call (702) 235-5490. Join us, you'll be glad you did!

I am deeply honored to work with these amazing people. From our youngest writers to our retirees, we are all committed to educating our communities about the vast need for people to become foster parents, adoptive parents, and mentors, while providing job skills training to these young people. Hey, we're looking for writers . If you are passionate about foster care, adoption and mentoring and want to serve as an advocate we would love to hear from you. High school youth to retirees are welcomed.

Please open your heart and/or home to help a child in need. You never know, you may help raise the next very important person.

One of our team members may call you to ask for support. Please "*Answer the Call.*"

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- Is there a specific type of content that you would like to see (more puzzles, information on resources, etc.)?
- Do you enjoy the articles we write?
- Are there any topics you would like us to write about?
- Do you have any other feedback regarding the magazine?

August Awareness Month

- **National Golf Month**
- **National Picnic Month**
- **New Student Orientation**
- **National Immunization Awareness Month**
- **National Eye Exam Month**
- **Fishing Month**
- 2nd **Coloring Book Day**
- 4th **U.S. Coast Guard Day**
- 5th **International Beer Day**
- 8th **International Cat Day**
- 9th **Book Lovers Day**
- 12th **International Youth Day**
- 15th **Relaxation Day**
- 21st **Senior Citizens Day**
- 26th **Women's Equality Day**
- **Fall Season**

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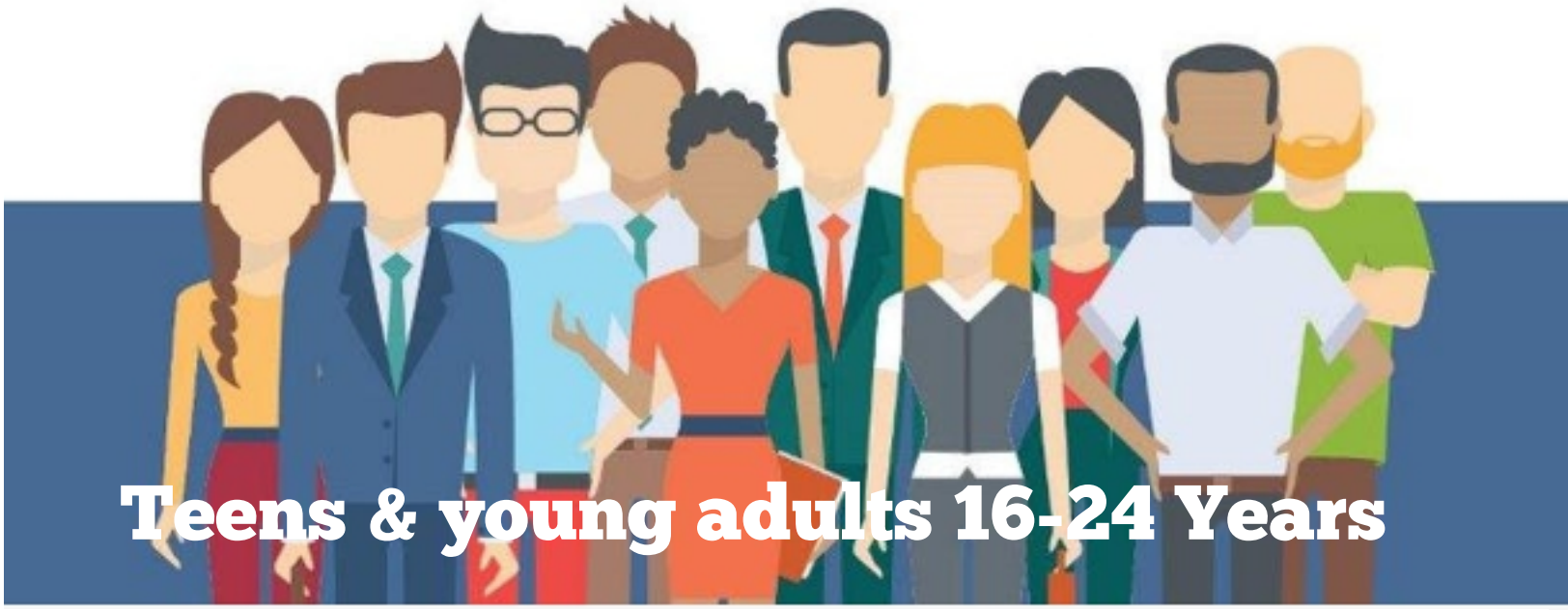

Teens & young adults 16-24 Years

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US Adoption Resources

- Centers for Disease Control International Adoption Health Guidance
- U.S. Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs Adoption Process
- AdoptUSKids.org
- Child Welfare information Gateway
- Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute (CCAI)

Additional Resources

- Adoptive Families Magazine
- Adoptive Parents Committee
- American Academy of Adoption Attorneys (AAAA)
- Child Welfare League of America
- The Center for Adoption Support and Education
- Dave Thomas Foundation
- Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute
- International Social Services
- National Adoption Center
- National Council for Adoption (NCFA)
- North American Council on Adoptable Children (NACAC)

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Crisis Text Line allows teens to access free emotional support for any issue. It can be reached by texting “HOME” to 741741.

The federal government will allow states to stop charging families for foster care

July 1, 20221:41 PM ET

Heard on All Things Considered

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4-Minute

The Scholarship Doctor is in!
5 Easy Steps to a FREE DEGREE

Written by:Rhea M Watso

Going to college debt free is possible and you can do it in five easy steps! However, starting early and applying often is key to winning big at the scholarship game. Specifically students, who we call scholars in the Scholarship Solutions Dynasty, and parents should start thinking about applying for scholarships at birth, yes birth. Since there are scholarships for scholars ages 0 - 99+ there is no reason to solely focus on the last year of one's high school career. In fact, in my #1 best selling book, "Educators Who Know What to Do", my chapter reflects on College Prep in Kindergarten. Therefore, everyone, no matter how young or young at heart, should be searching for, applying to, and winning scholarships to help earn a free degree. In my b#1 best seller, The Scholarship Doctor is In, 5 Easy Steps to a FREE Degree, not only do we outline the 5 steps to debt freedom, we also provide scholarship resources to families 0 - 99 so they can start their scholarship journey right away!

Additionally, one of my clients, a 7 year old phenomenon, started applying for scholarships when he was 4 months old. Now, he did not win his first second, or his third scholarship but when he turned 2 years old, he won a $25 scholarship. At three years old he won a $15 scholarship and just recently we found out he won a $100 scholarship and is in the running for a $50K award. Although he has not won every contest he has entered, he has secured over $25K in college scholarships, grants, prizes, and awards! This amazing feat has had him featured in Times Square, Yahoo! Finance, PeopleTV and a plethora of other media outlets.

His ingenuity, creativity, craft, and community service have been attributes that absolutely contributed to his scholarship wins. These same elements will help him to secure 100s of thousands to millions of scholarship dollars over his academic life. Now, this client is amazing but he is not extra special. Anyone at any age can and should apply for scholarships and win.

Unequivocally, scholarships should be more than just an opportunity to attend college debt free, it should be a method to create wealth and you, you, you, and you deserve to be a scholarship winner no matter how young or young at heart you may be.

Start applying for scholarships today. Here are a few resources to get you started immediately in the scholarship game.

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About Rhea, The Scholarship Doctor

Rhea M Watson, The Scholarship Doctor is the Founder/CEO of Scholarship Solutions a premier Scholarship and College consulting firm located in the beautiful city of Las Vegas. Rhea and her team of expert scholarship coaches help students of all ages 0 - 99 to attend college debt free. She has helped 100s of students to earn a free degree to the tune of $200 million dollars in scholarships. Rhea is a two time #1 best selling author, a highly sought after speaker, and expert in financial aid and scholarships.

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CASA Volunteers Make a Difference for Youth in Foster Care

Researched by: **Durga Krishnamoorthy**

CASA: Court Appointed Special Advocates are volunteers assigned to cases of children in the foster care system. CASA is a national association in the United States that supports court-appointed cases to advocates for abused or neglected children. CASA volunteers are appointed by a judge for the purpose of making recommendations in the best interest of children. CASA was founded in 1977 as a non-profit organization. Superior Court Judge David Soukup started the organization because he wanted to hear what children in care want to say about the case. CASA volunteers serve as a friend to children and speak in court on their behalf. Today there are more than 93,000 CASA volunteers all across the USA whom services as the voice for children. There are over 400,000 youth in foster care. CASA volunteers make a difference in the lives of youth in the foster care system.

Judge swearing in a CASA Volunteer

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Youth Spotlight

Jane was so excited to volunteer for LVBNM's*Power of Women and Business Expo* on May 3, 2022. Little did we know a week later Janae would be named Miss Nevada Teen USA 2022. Janae's hard work paid off, she had many supporters there to cheer her on and witness history in the making. When she was called upon to be a model for this amazing organization's Fashion Show, she did not give it much thought as the Foster care system is close to her heart. She relished the opportunity to give back through her time as a model for a cause that is in need of more spotlights. As the reigning Miss Nevada Teen USA 2022, Janae hopes to bring more light to the foster care system and the need for more resources and family support. Currently, she has been working closely with the Nevada CASA Association to help with fundraising and awareness. As she gears up for Miss Teen USA 2022, which will be held in our beautiful state this year, she will continue to be an added voice to this program and many more.

Do you know a young person that should be spotlighted?
Send your youth info to: admin@whaler'screation.us

Moon Landing Mission

Written by: Amulya Rayabhagi, 16 years old

July 16th 1969 marked a remarkable memory for people who lived on that day and the future generations to come. An important victory for NASA and we crossed the finish line of the space race on this very day.

This holds a special place in my heart as a STEM student, fascinated behind the scenes of constructing a massive spaceflight escaping the atmospheric layer of the Earth. Even attempting to land on a planetary-mass that is 239,900 miles away from Earth is an incredible feat, but imagining having humans who are fragile to a little change in the atmosphere were capable of landing on an entirely different mass.

It occurred early in the morning at 9:32 est to be exact while the president, Richard Nixon, watched the launch from the white house. The entire control room watched the outcome of Apollo 11 and held their breaths during the descent anxiously waiting for confirmation from the astronauts on board: Neil Armstrong, Michael Collins, and Buzz Aldrin. And they did on July 20th, the famous words "Houston, Tranquility Base here. The Eagle has landed."

Although this was a huge accomplishment, for some people, this may have little significance to them however little did they know that this very day changed their daily life. The invention of water filters arose as the astronauts needed tasteless, safe water. Better tires came about as the ones used by NASA were much more durable than the radial tires. Wireless headsets needed for communication between airline pilots were brought to citizens and the development of this became what we today use as airpods. The "perfect picture" taken by a device within your hands' reach is achievable with NASA's invention of an integrated system that requires less energy to take high quality photographs in space. These are just a few to name, if you would like more visit:

https://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2019/07/08/space-race-inventions-we-use-every-day-were-created-for-space-exploration/39580591/

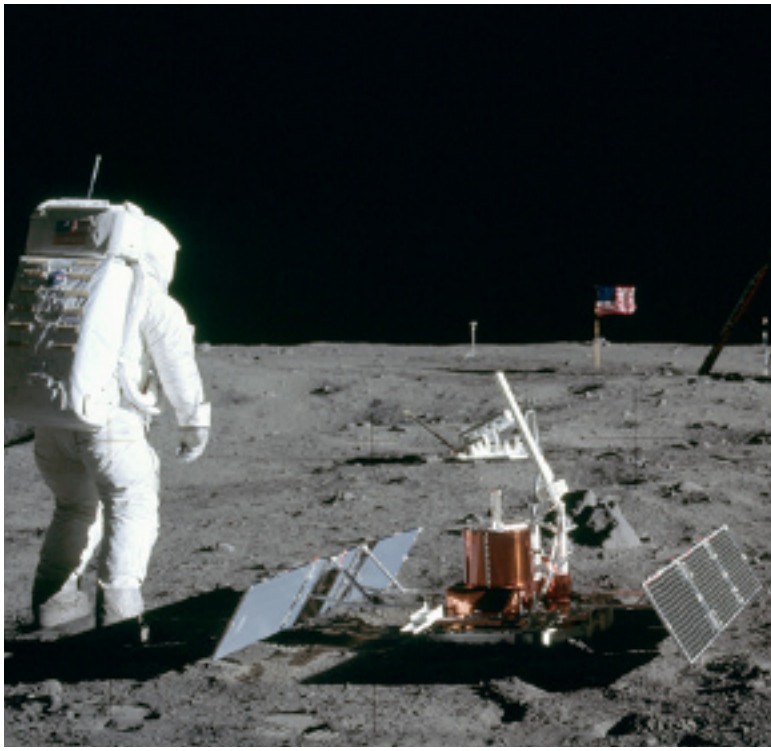
However, I would like to not just appreciate the famous three we all love and appreciate for their bravery, accomplishments. I want to thank the entire team of people who worked tirelessly to make sure that day became the one that is forever ingrained in the pages of history and the hearts of many. The people who worked at that control center-keeping in close contact with the astronauts , the technicians, and the engineers behind the model. This accomplishment remarks to all of the people who worked hard to make that day possible.

If you would like to watch the apollo landing coverage:

https://youtu.be/xdxzMPi19sU

If you would like to hear the confirmation sent by Neil Armstrong:

https://www.nasa.gov/wav/62283main_landing.wav



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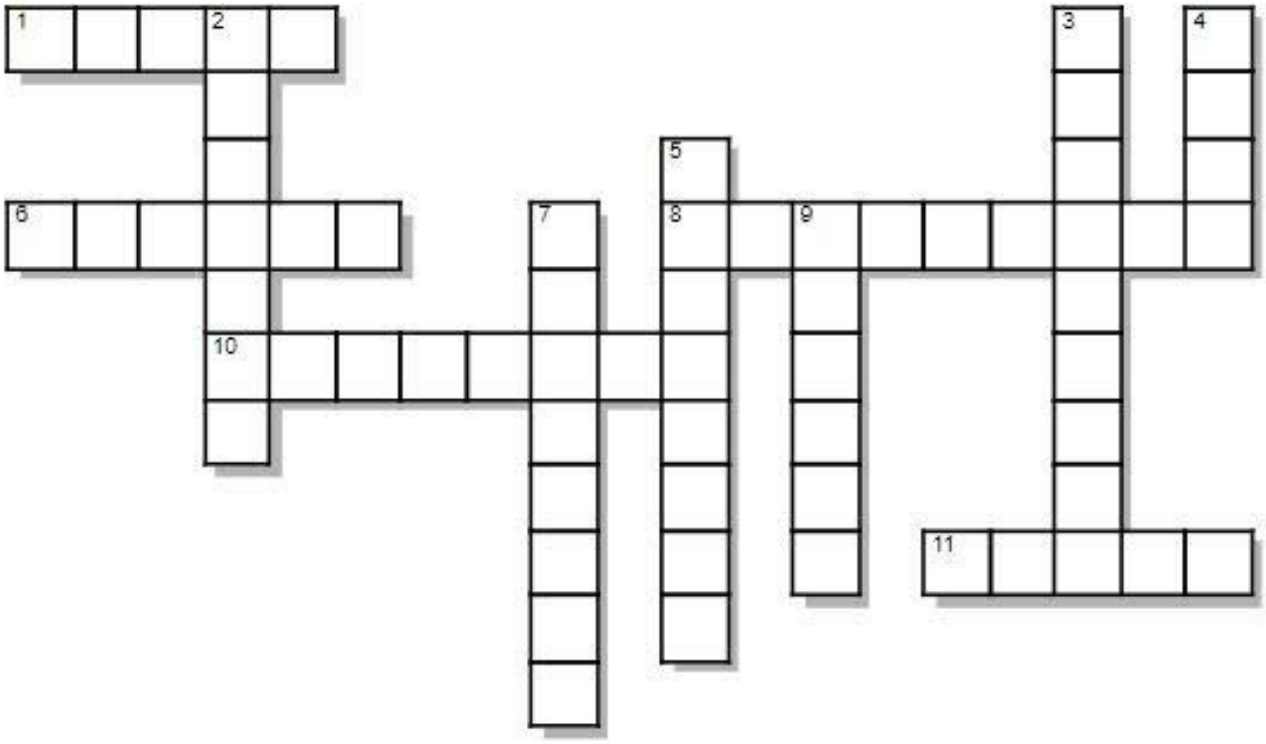
Astronomy



ACROSS

1 A celestial object consists of ice and dusk with a "tail" pointing away from the sun
6 A constellation given certain names by the greeks even known to this day
8 Distance that light travels in space
10 Occurs two times a year when the sun is further north or further south in the sky
11 Series of illuminations of the moon in a monthly cycle

DOWN

2 Obscuring light from a celestial body(e.g sun) by another celestial body(e.g moon)
3 Ending the life of a star in a huge explosion
4 A massive ball of gas producing immense amount of energy,light(e.g sun)
5 Something that rarely happens in the sky
7 Time before sunrise and after sunset when the sky is not fully dark
9 Vast collection of star, gas, dust and contains billions of stars (e.g milky way)

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of kids who age out will earn a college degree

and

1 in 4

won't graduate from high school or get a GED.

60%

of boys who age out or are legally emancipated have been convicted of a crime.

7 in 10

girls who age out will become pregnant before age 21.

1 in 2

kids who age out will develop a substance dependence.

32%

of children who reached 18 in foster care were waiting in the system for more than

3 years

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120,000 children and teens are waiting to be adopted. The number of children in foster care nationwide increased 2.3% this year to 437,465. Making it a figure that has risen every year since 2012. Studies indicate that one out of every four youth who age-out of foster care will end up in a homeless shelter within three years.

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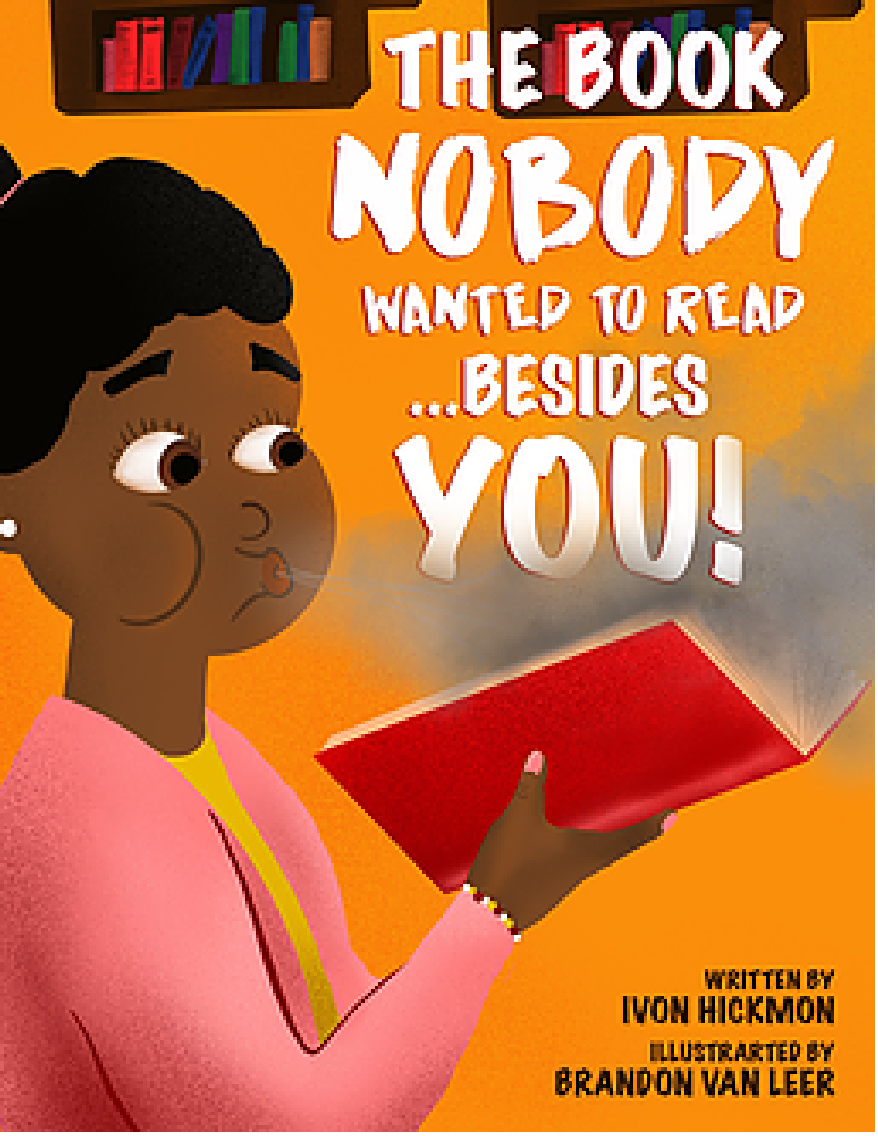

This beautiful story captures the need for inclusivity and emotional intelligence. Readers are introduced to the protagonist, as she shows empathy and compassion towards our book character. By definition, inclusion is the action or state of including or being included within a group. Inclusion must be taught and fought for. Equipping children is essential for this life's journey. Emotional intelligence is a set of emotional and social skills that influence the way we perceive and express ourselves, develop and maintain social relationships, cope with challenges, and use emotional information in an effective and meaningful way. This dynamic story teaches your children a proven, practical tactic to develop emotional intelligence skills. After reading this story, children will be empowered to love and embrace themselves fully and gain awareness of their emotional state.

About the Author: The youngest son out of three boys to military parents, Ivon found his dreams of playing among the NFL greats were closer than he'd ever imagine. Ivon's football career journeyed from "last man" on the roster to earning his football scholarship with honors and being selected as team captain and MVP.

A true "girl dad," Ivon spends hours visiting both his daughters' schools, cultivating children through the power of reading. These visits propelled Ivon to release his debut children's book, *The Book Nobody Wanted to Read...Besides You,* a fun and silly book that introduces children to emotional intelligence and inclusion.

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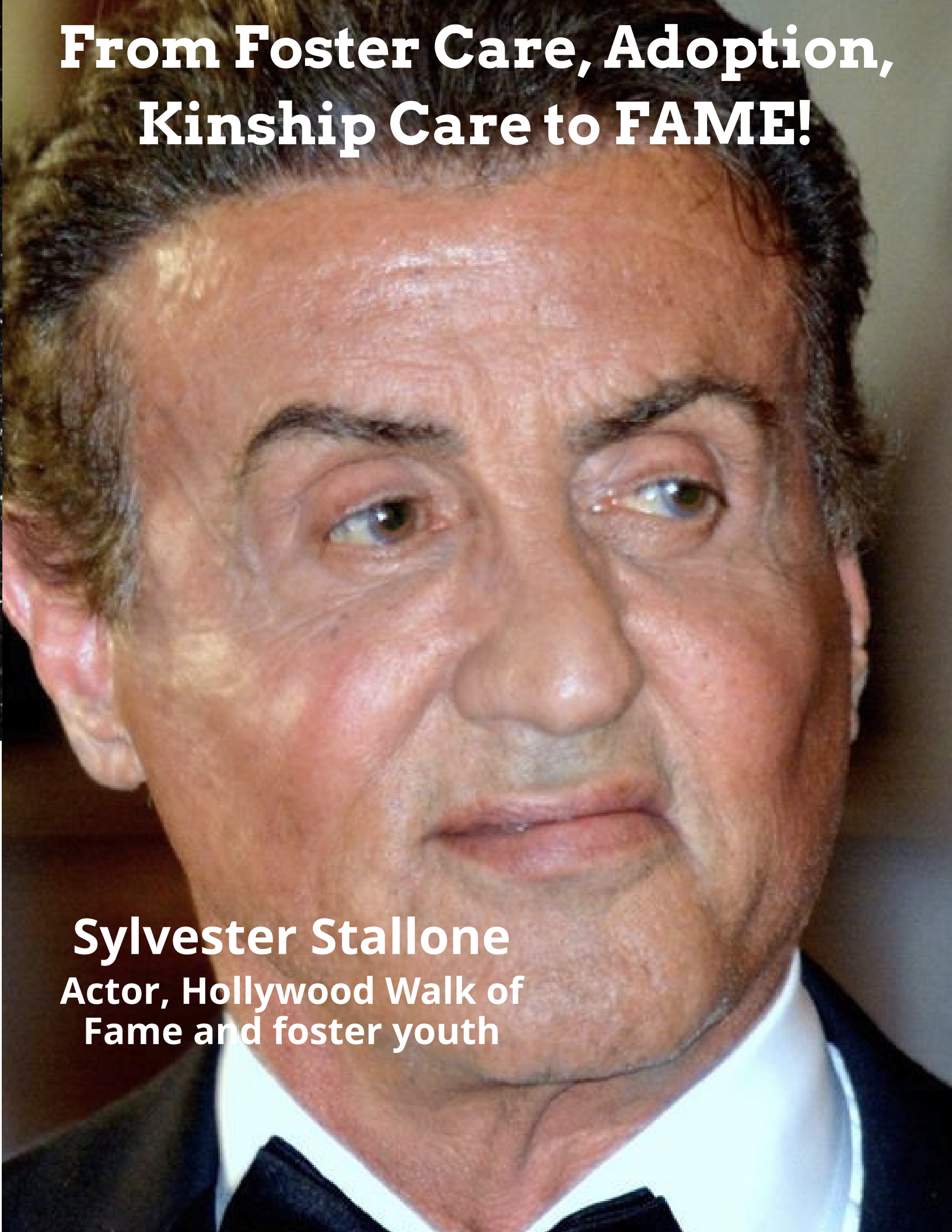

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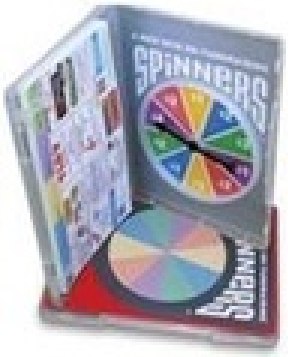

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The Mindful Corner

Written By: Loney Nguyen, LCSW-C

Mindfulness is a technique that can help us stop and be in the present moment rather than the past or the future. By practicing mindfulness, we can learn to become more aware of our own thoughts, feelings, and the environment around us. It helps us to refocus and recenter our mind, body, and spirit. Throughout this issue, you have read several articles that may have been thought-provoking or tapped into your emotions. Whether you were inspired by a story or an article that triggered a traumatic memory for you, take this moment to reflect on how you are feeling.

The Five Minute Journal

This exercise is centered around gratitude, a positive psychology technique. Here are 5 daily questions to answer in your journal of choice:

IN THE MORNING :

Set your intention for the day

(1) What are you grateful for?

(2) What would make today great?

(3) Daily affirmation. I am...

AT NIGHT - **End your day on a high-note and reflect**

(4) 3 Amazing things that happened today...

(5) How could I have made today even better?

Take a mindful minute

Breath-in
Breath-out
Relax

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Ask Lillie

Dear Lillie,

My son has a dog that I am really affair of. When I visit his home I am in a cold sweat worried that he may bite me or just come near me. My son and I have always been close and he know I am afraid of his dog. He thinks that if I just get use to his dog I will be OK. I don't think so. I forget to mention that I was attach by this breed many years ago. I wish he could take my feelings serious and get rid of this dog. What can I can I do? I'm so hurt he bought the one dog I am affair of.

Sincerely,

Not a Dog Hater

Dear Not a Dog Hater,

It's sad that your son purchased a breed he is aware that you are afraid of. If you cannot talk to him about your fears send him a letter expressing your fears. The easiest solution is to give the dog away, but I am not sure he is willing to do that. It sounds like your son has not faced real trauma, because if he did he would understand the feeling of fear with something triggers that feeling. Ask your son to put the dog away when you visit his home.

Good Luck,

Lillie

Have you hugged your dog today?

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