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'Real-world' strategies offered for teaching youth

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Ruth Herman Wells has a treasure chest full of motivational tools and she's not afraid to use them.

"This is all about offering real-world solutions and strategies," said Wells.

Wells, the founder of Youth Change, says she is on a mission to offer strategies to teachers, counselors, parents and social agency employees who work closely with children and youth ages 5 to 18.

Wells will lead a two-day workshop, "Breakthrough Strategies to Teach and Counsel Troubled Youth," July 25-26 at the Hyatt Regency Resort in Monterey. The Herald's Newspaper in Education program is sponsoring the workshop.

"I hear all the time from people that their college training had not sufficiently prepared them for dealing with some of the serious problems they were seeing," Wells said in a telephone interview from Newfoundland.

She said she is in no way putting down formal education, but that over the years she has heard from thousands of youth professionals that something was lacking. It was their demands for more training and resources that motivated her to create Youth Change in the late 1980s.

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Everyone loves noodles



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Jennifer Maruyama, 5, of San Jose, with her sister, Alison, 1, uses chop sticks to eat noodles at the Obon Festival at the Monterey Peninsula Buddhist Temple in Seaside. The festival, "A Gathering of Joy," is a time to meet spiritually with a departed loved one. The festival includes traditional Japanese dance, taiko drumming, Japanese food, and bonsai and flower arranging.



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