

Weber State University Upward Bound



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FESTIVAL OF TREES



December 1, 2007 marks the annual Upward Bound trip to the Festival of Trees. Christmas trees, wreaths, gingerbread houses and various crafts are donated to the Festival of Trees exhibition. All proceeds from the sale of these items are then given to Primary Children's Medical Hospital. In the past 35 years, this fundraiser has yielded over \$8 million dollars and helped countless children, as well as their families, suffering from serious illnesses. Upward Bound students donated over \$750 to this year's celebration. Thank you to all UB participants and their generosity!!!!!! The mark of true maturity is the ability to give back to the community in which one lives; to see any suffering or need around oneself, generously giving without expectations of praise, recognition or reward. Go Upward Bound students!!!!!! Upward Bound students will also be treated to a movie and lunch that afternoon. Happy Holidays from the Upward Bound staff.

**BETTER TO GIVE THAN RECEIVE:
upward bound community service**

JUVENILE JUSTICE HOLIDAY SOCKS

Each student in Upward Bound has filled a Christmas stocking to be given to a teenage student who will not be able to be home for Christmas due to confinement in the Juvenile Justice system. Our Upward Bound students want to make these persons aware that someone still cares about them even though they have made a mistake and are paying the price. Christmas is hard for young people and our students are hoping this small gesture will help them understand others care about them and their lives. We appreciate our students compassion and thank them for their generosity.

BARNES AND NOBLE CHRISTMAS WRAPPING

For six days in December, Upward Bound students will be wrapping gifts at Barnes and Noble booksellers in Layton. This is a donation service project from which all donations will be put toward the Festival of Trees and Primary Children's Hospital. This is an annual Upward Bound project that we are very proud of. We hope the blessings bestowed upon our students will be represented by the generosity of their commitment for volunteer service projects. For information on which days/times students have signed up to work, please call Tiffany at 626-6798 or 678-6888.



WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP DAY



All 2008 Upward Bound Bridge students have been admitted to Weber State University as entering freshman for the summer of 2008. By applying early, they were considered for scholarships for fall 2008. These scholarship were based solely on the correlation between their ACT scores and their GPA from high school. Four students earned tuition waivers for next fall. **GRADES DO COUNT!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Elizabeth Arellano	Presidential	4 years tuition and fees	\$10,000 (Approximately)
Zach Stickney	High Honors	One year tuition	\$2200
Isai Patino	Honors at Entrance		\$800
Cade Thornley	Honors at Entrance		\$600



High School Recruitment Early Admissions Night

Congratulations to four Upward Bound Bridge students who were

successfully admitted to Snow College with guaranteed and pending scholarships. Representatives from Snow met prospective students at Comfort Suites in Ogden Wednesday, Nov. 28th offering admission fee waivers for all new students and an opportunity to meet high school relations personnel.

David Garcia & Isai Patino each received one year, full tuition scholarships!
Arielle Boardman and Alysa Solis have pending scholarship offers!

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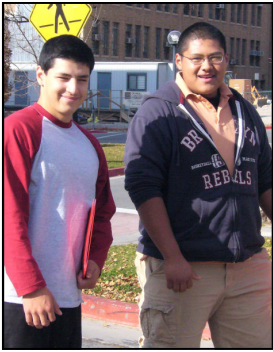
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PARENTS FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Upward Bound is sponsoring a Parent's Financial Aid Awareness Night on December 12, 2007 at the Ogden Comforts Suites Hotel. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. This is a **mandatory** meeting for all 2008 Bridge students and their parent(s). Information about scholarships will be given out by the WSU scholarship office. A presentation about federal and state financial aid, the requirements for applying, and information explaining the differences between loans, grants, work study, etc. will also be given. All students must submit their parents tax information on the FAFSA in order to be considered for aid. This will be discussed in detail during the financial aid presentation. Dave Trujillo, Upward Bound Director, will then wrap up the evening. Plan to spend about two hours with us. This informational evening is imperative for

the 2008 Upward Bound Bridge students and their parents to understand the federal financial aid process and how it works with individual universities. The WSU financial aid deadline is March 1, 2008. At that time, all WSU students who have completed the financial aid process will be awarded financial aid packages. Students who complete the financial aid process after this date will receive smaller financial aid packages. The financial aid process will be discussed in detail, with a time for personal questions after.

This is the first of two meetings on financial aid. The second meeting will be held in January and will allow parents and students to fill in the FAFSA on a university computer and submit it. Please RSVP with Lucy (801-626-6798) as soon as possible. See you there.



SCIENCE DAY @ U

All the Junior Upward Bound students (and Cade) attended Science Day at the University of Utah on November 10, 2007. This was a combination of a college tour and an introduction to university level science programs. Eighteen students attended three workshops each, spoke with high school relations personnel and toured the campus at the University of Utah. Lesson in medical anatomy and dissection, explosions, Astronomy, and Quantum Physics were attended.

Pam Cifuentes said she had so much fun, but is now even more confused than ever as to what she wants to do. "It was all so exciting."

Cade Thornley thought it was the best trip to a college he has ever had.

Science Day is a great way for young minds to explore the many varied and exciting worlds of science. They are learning that science is not just about math, chemistry and physics. It is an exciting field that covers geology, biology, engineering, medicine, astronomy, ecology, the environment and even zoology.

And yes, physics can be fun.



SENIOR RETREAT at WEBER STATE

The day began with a shocking lecture by Dr. Kay Gillespie. The subject was Social Deviance and Deviants. Little did the Upward Bound senior students know that in a college class, information is given freely and discussed openly. Dr. Gillespie challenges his students to see the world through other eyes, to look deeper at a subject and defend their opinions, not with emotion, but with information and facts. Upward Bound students learned that college is more than just receiving

information and putting it on a test paper. UB Bridge students were also taken to a

Bio-Medical Core lecture/lab class. They soon realized that college students take classes because they are interested in the subject, not because they have to or because their friends are in the class.



Meeting with former Upward Bound students for lunch, the seniors learned that they **can** succeed in college no matter what challenges are put in front of them. Life is difficult, but to succeed in the future, college is the key.

COMING IN JANUARY 2008

**JANUARY 2, 2008 - All Students
Utah Jazz Game:** All Ogden

School District students need to meet at the Upward Bound office at 4:00 pm. All Davis School District students need to meet at the front of Clearfield High at 4:15 pm. Upward Bound will be providing meal money at the Jazz Game. Let Tiffany (678-6888) or Linda (499-1968) know as soon as possible if you will not be able to attend this event (only if you will be dying).

**JANUARY 4, 2008 - Bridge 2008
WSU Multicultural Event:**

Bridge students are required to attend this event and you will be school excused. This day is a great opportunity to receive scholarships through WSU admission and through drawings. You are also expected to attend the evening banquet at Weber State for a chance at even more scholarships and money.

**JANUARY 16, 2008 - Bridge 2008
FAFSA NIGHT:** Bridge

students and their parents are required to attend this event at Weber State University. We will be filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If you have not yet applied for a federal PIN, please do so as soon as possible. Call Linda (499-1968) for more information or questions.

**JANUARY 24-26, 2008
Utah TRIO Student**

Leadership Conference: There will be no Saturday College Prep this week (Saturday, January 26th); however, all members of the Leadership Council and those Upward Bound students selected to attend the conference will be required to be on campus. Registration is Thursday night, with activities all day on Friday, finishing with presentations and awards Saturday afternoon.

SATURDAY COLLEGE PREP & "newbies"

It has been an exciting year thus far at Saturday College Prep. Juniors have prepared to take the ACT college entrance exam and gone on a college tour; seniors have learned time management, practiced critical thinking skills, applied for scholarships, filled out college admissions and begun to write their life stories for Dr. Gillespie; Sophomores have learned new writing techniques, spelling and organizational skills.



And best of all we have added 9 new students to Upward Bound. Welcome—it just keeps getting better.

From Left to Right

- Sienna Mesa-North Davis
- Carli Wetenkamp-North Davis
- Christina Medina-Central Davis
- Angelica Solis-North Davis
- Daniel Patino-Syracuse JH
- Adreana Madrigal-Ben Lomond
- David Alveno-Ben Lomond
- Rachel Hernandez-Central Davis
- Yonic Ocampo-Ben Lomond

JASON WRIGHT "THE CHRISTMAS JAR"

Author of three books, Jason Wright, visited the Upward Bound Keystone Club on November 3, 2007. Jason's book "The Christmas Jar", is about providing service through collecting money in a jar all year (something we all do) and then giving that money to someone else without identifying yourself. It is not about knowing what that person did with the money, or receiving praise for helping out—just the satisfaction of knowing that you did something. Jason talked a lot about his father whom Jason believed was one of the most

selfless men in the world. Jason wanted the Keystone club members to understand that the simple types of service such as opening a door without being asked, saying thank you, or hello to a stranger can make all the difference to someone in need. These small acts of kindness can and do change a person's life.

The staff and students of Upward Bound want to thank Pat Bair of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Weber/Davis for bringing Jason Wright to speak to our Keystone Club.



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ENGLISH IS A TOUGH LANGUAGE

Just a little to the left, no, not the right, left. If you had left it right where it was you wouldn't have to lift it and move it left or right. Now, go left, my left not yours. I left a little space left of it right now so you can right it later. Do you understand? Right. Now if you left it there, it wouldn't be right, so move right out of the way, either left of right and see if it is centered. No you can't go—if you left right now you would not be able to help me get it just left of center so it would balance in the middle. I would have to walk forward, move it left or right, walk backward, and then do it all over. The left hand would not know what the right hand was doing. If you left me right in the middle of this, I would have to right it by myself and it would get left undone. It must be centered now. So please, move it to the left, my left, okay, we are facing the same way, so both our lefts. Is it right now? It must be right, just left of center, in the center. Right, now clean up the mess you left behind. You have left a right smart smudge on the wall. It is on the left, look at me, I said on the left, your right now, until you turn around and then it will be on your left. It can't be left there. It must be removed right now. Do it right so nothing is left. When that is done, there will be nothing left to do so get right to it and it can be left alone. I don't want anything left behind to show we were right here. Are you alright with this? Okay. Just a little to the left, my left, not yours.

