2008-09 Year-End Banquet

Upward Bound is excited to celebrate the end of the 2008-09 Academic Program with its annual Year-End Banquet. Each Upward Bound student and a parent is invited to attend the banquet on Monday, June 8, 2009 at 6:00 pm at the Comfort Suites in Ogden, UT. Awards will be distributed to outstanding UB students for their performance during the year. All Bridge 2009 graduates will be recognized for their hard work and accomplishments with high school graduation, college admissions, financial aid, scholarships and individual plans for Fall 2009 as they start their post-secondary education. Special guests from Weber State University and the local community will also be awarding even more scholarships! The night will end with Summer 2009 preparations, packing lists and an introduction to next year’s theme:

UPWARD growth is BOUND by education

Ben Lomond
Javier Britio
Domingo De Los Santos
Laura Madrigal
Roberto Molina

Clearfield
Nicole Byington
Jose Casillas

Da Vinci Academy
Gabe Diarte

Layton
Xochitl Camarena
Pam Cifuentes
Bryson Cutler

Northbridge
Victor Hernandez
Elena Jimenez
Lam Nguyen

Ogden
Cameron Barbosa
Evelyn Huerta
Karen Virgen

Syracuse
Mauro Tinti

Weber State University
May/June 2009

Bridge Retreat

Giving up their spring break on April 10th, the 2009 Bridge class experienced a day of college activities on WSU’s campus. Attending a class with Dr. Gillespie, students were exposed to the concepts and teaching style of the professor they will be taking a class from this summer. Exposure to the university lifestyle, classroom structure, and financial aid will help transition seniors from high school to a college mentality. “My favorite thing about campus is the Student Support Services program,” said Evelyn Huerta. “The fact that I could borrow textbooks is music to my ears.” The day finished with one last Bridge only activity for these outgoing students.

UB Graduates 2009

Congratulations Bridge 2009!
Upward Bound is proud of its seventeen high school seniors who will graduate between May 22 and June 5, 2009. Congratulations!!!! You are now responsible for everything you say and what you make of your life. All seventeen Bridge students have been accepted into college for fall of 2009. Saying good-bye to high school is hard, but welcoming each one of you into your new life is the most exciting part of Upward Bound.
Alice Hirai and Irmgard Dixon were guest speakers at Weber State University during Holocaust Commemoration Week. As tolerance and change are thematic to this year’s summer program, all Upward Bound students were asked to attend one or both of these lectures. Alice Hirai grew up at Topaz, the Japanese Internment Camp located in Delta, Utah. She brought pictures of her family and the conditions of the camp while she was imprisoned there. Irmgard Dixon grew up in Nazi Germany and spoke of the conditions for German citizens who lived there during the Holocaust. Both women spoke with conviction that these times should be remembered; however both also stated that forgiveness and acceptance were the key lesson to be learned from those terrible times.

**UB Student Activities & Accomplishments**

Christina Medina: MESA Student of the Year  
Pam Cifuentes: 1st place in State HOSA competition in Forensic Medicine  
José Casillas: All Region & All State-Soccer  
Elks Student of the Year  
Saul Moreno: Ben Lomond student of month  
Ben Lomond soccer team  
Salvador Gallegos: Ben Lomond soccer team  
Luis Oseguera: Ben Lomond soccer team  
Roberto Molina: Ben Lomond soccer team  
Jose Perez: Ben Lomond soccer team  
David Alveno: Ben Lomond soccer team  
Lizbette Favela: Ben Lomond softball team  
Angelica Solis: Clearfield softball team  
Xochitl Camarena: Layton softball team; Co-Captain  
Luis Ortega: Clearfield Track and Field  
Mauro Tinti: Syracuse Track and Field  
Gabe Leota: Sunset Track and Field; Shot put district trials  
Brianna Valle: Ogden High Tigerettes  
Bryson Cutler: Eagle Scout Award  
Amadeo Ocampo: SBO at Ogden 2009-10

**Snow College Tour & Luau**

“I love different cultures. They have the best performance program, which I love,” stated Elena Jimenez when asked what she thought about the Upward Bound tour of Snow College. Junior and Senior UB students traveled to Ephraim, Utah on March 28, 2009, to experience what a two-year college was like “in the middle of no where.” Most felt the college was very small when compared to Weber State University; however, they also felt it was very friendly and open. Several students filled out applications to Snow stating they would love to attend a school that was so intimate and personal. A few Bounder also shared their hip-wiggling skills on stage in front of hundreds of fans!

**Film Star at College Prep!**

Ogden film-maker, Russ Adams, came to Saturday College Prep on April 25, 2009 to introduce students to the wonderful world of movie making. Russ does stage make-up, builds props and manikins, and does special effects. He owns his own production company in Ogden specializing in horror films. Students will utilize Russ’ skills this summer in the creation of their own video for the history simulation.
Smith’s 5K Fun

On the Wednesday, prior to the race, Yonic Ocampo, Saul Moreno and Roberto Molina, walked the 5 kilometers Smith’s Fun Run course in North Ogden, distributing flyers to each home assuring residents that those people who would be running around the neighborhood on Saturday, were suppose to be there. Then, on May 2, 2009, Upward Bound students braved the bitter rain to support Smith’s Foods 5K Fun Run held in North Ogden. Students arrived at the rally start at 6:00 am to set up, and mark the route. Standing at various checkpoints throughout the route, fourteen Bounders, marked off the runners as they passed. Finally these brave students walked the entire route to assure the neighborhood was left clear of any debris or water bottles tossed during the race. If that wasn’t enough, after being drenched and cold, these students attended College Prep for three hours. What dedication!!!

WSU Easter Egg Hunt

The Non-Traditional Student Services Center asked Upward Bound students to help facilitate an Easter Egg hunt on April 11, 2009. Ten UB students came to WSU on their Saturday off of College Prep to hide eggs, candy, and toys, in Weber State University’s Student Union Building. In addition, they kept anxious PARENTS (and their children) at bay until the mayhem started at 10:00am. Five minutes later, the UB students helped clean up any wrappers and trash. The Easter Egg Hunt was open to the community and a multitude of families attended.

Ogden Rescue Mission Food Drive

During the month of March, the UB students collected non-perishable food items to donate to the Ogden Rescue Mission. Each grade level competed against one another and congratulations to the Junior class (thanks especially to Sunshine Villegas) for collecting the most food items. All together, the students and staff donated 412 food items for those in need in the community.

Newbie News

Upward Bound welcomed its newest students into the program on April 19, 2009 with a second New Student Parent Student Orientation. Bridge students met with incoming freshmen to give them a personal view of what they will experience over the next three years while Dave and Tiffany met with their parents. Dave and Tiffany gave these new parents an overview of the responsibilities of Upward Bound students and how UB will help them achieve the skills and motivation necessary to earn a college degree.

The Sisters of St. Benedicts Foundation

May 30, 2009 marks the annual Rose Dedication and Celebration Tea as a culmination of the 2nd Annual Celebrating Women Campaign from St. Benedict’s Foundation. St. Benedicts Foundation supports many community programs. Upward Bound students will be serving tea and juice to nominees and supporters at the Timbermine Restaurant in Ogden.
2009 Summer Academic Program

June 15 to July 23, 2009

Monday, June 15:
Zion National Park - Angel Falls
Tuacahn’s production of Annie

Tuesday, June 16:
Japanese American National Museum
Hollywood Walk of Fame
Grauman’s Chinese Theater
Ripley’s Believe It or Not Odditorium

Wednesday, June 17:
Museum of Tolerance
La Brea Tar Pits
Petersen Automotive Museum
Santa Monica Pier

Thursday, June 18:
Universal Studios

Friday, June 19:
Zion National Park - Narrows

Sundays (June 21 & 28, July 5 & 12):
6:00 - 8:00 Dorm check in

Monday - Friday, June 22 to July 17:
7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast
8:00 - 12:00 Morning Classes
12:05 - 1:05 Lunch
1:10 - 4:30 Afternoon Classes
5:00 - 6:00 Dinner
6:00 - 8:00 Community Service/PE
8:00 - 10:00 Residential Staff Activities

Fridays (June 26, July 10 & 17):
4:30 Dorm check out
* No dinner or evening activities *

Thursday, July 2:
7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast
8:00 - 12:00 Morning Classes only
12:05 - 1:05 Lunch (MANDATORY)
1:05 Dorm check out

Friday, July 3:
No Summer Program; Independence Day Observed

Monday - Wednesday, July 20 to 22:
7:00am - 10:00pm Regular Daily Schedule with dorm residency
OR
8:00ish - 5:00ish Daily Field Trip Excursions w/out dorm residency
* BRIDGE STUDENTS MUST STILL ATTEND COLLEGE CLASSES
(The schedule and activities for this week are still in discussion by the Upward Bound committee. A schedule will be given to each student at the year-end banquet.)

July 23: 2009 Summer BASH @ WSU Wildcat Theater
* BRIDGE STUDENTS LAST DAY OF COLLEGE CLASSES
* PARENTS: PLEASE TAKE ANY VACATIONS AFTER JULY 23rd!

New Freshmen Scholarships
Upward Bound would like to congratulate all the Bridge students as they continue to receive scholarships to assist in their college funding. Thus far, the total amount of monies UB Bridge students have received is....

BRYSON CUTLER
Daniels - $69,000
Walmart Associates - $3000
Sons of Utah Pioneers - $300

DOMINGO DE LOS SANTOS
Ogden Rotary - $3000

JAVIER BRIZIO
Ogden Rotary - $3000

EVELYN HUERTA
Ogden Rotary - $3000
Reach for the Top - $2000

JOSE CASILLAS
Larry H. Miller - $112,000

GABRIEL DIARTE
Ogden Rotary - $3000
Adrian Maxim - $1000

PAMELA CIFUENTES
Layton Rotary - $1000

ROBERTO MOLINA
Ogden Rotary - $3000

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