Upward Bound Student Recognition Banquet

Wednesday June 1, 2011
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Administration Building • 1115 Raisinville Road, Monroe
A-151 East End of Dining Room

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Math
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TUTORING

Upward Bound classes meet on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at Monroe High School

Tuesday
- Addison Hendrick
- Deb Mau
- Bill Wiseman

Wednesday
- Nicole Adams
- Kevin Gibbs

Thursday
- Nicole Adams
- Addison Hendrick
- Deb Mau
- Bill Wiseman

SENIOR HIGHLIGHT

Nikko Amaya

COLLEGE PLANS:
To study business finances and the medical field

FAVORITE FOOD:
Seafood

FAVORITE MOVIE:
Avatar

FAVORITE TV SHOWS:
Criminal minds and Law & Order

FAVORITE PART OF UPWARD BOUND:
Travel, food, college experiences

WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?
Donald Trump

COLLEGE OF CHOICE:
Central Michigan University or University of Toledo

HOBBIES:
Sports, hanging out with my friends, and eating

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:
Football, wrestling, track, Upward Bound, International Cultures Club, National Technical Honor Society

MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:
Beating Bedford in wrestling

WORDS OF WISDOM:
“Never give up and keep your eyes on the prize”
**COLLEGE PLANS:**
Biology and OB-GYN. I want to be a doctor.

**FAVORITE FOOD:**
Burgers and fries

**FAVORITE MOVIE:**
Matilda

**FAVORITE TV SHOWS:**
Reality shows

**FAVORITE PART OF UPWARD BOUND:**
The Student Leadership Summit and all of the college tours.

**WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?**
My mom.

**COLLEGE OF CHOICE?**
Norfolk State University or Virginia State University

**HOBBIES:**
Spending time with my little cousins.

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**
Young Democratic Club, Positive Peer Influence, Mentoring the freshmen, Upward Bound

**MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:**
Playing in the junior – senior powder puff game

**WORDS OF WISDOM:**
Don’t mess up your freshmen year because it’s hard to get your GPA back up.

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**COLLEGE PLANS:**
To get my Master’s degree in social work.

**FAVORITE FOOD:**
Pancakes and ribs

**FAVORITE MOVIE:**
Grown-ups, Madea’s Big Happy Family, Madea’s Family Reunion.

**FAVORITE TV SHOWS:**
Meet the Browns, Law & Order, Special Victims, CSI Miami, and Bad Girls Club.

**FAVORITE PART OF UPWARD BOUND:**
Trips. When we went to the Piston’s basketball game and all the trips during the summertime.

**WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?**
My mom, dad, great grandma.

**COLLEGE OF CHOICE?**
MCCC, Spring Arbor University

**HOBBIES:**
Dancing, partying, and hanging with my friends.

**MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:**
At the end of my freshmen year we had a water fight. Ashley got the whole back side of me soaking wet and I got her front side all wet.

**WORDS OF WISDOM:**
Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game.
Robyn Monk

COLLEGE PLANS:
To attend Wayne State University and study liberal arts and science.

FAVORITE FOOD:
Hamburger helper

FAVORITE MOVIE:
Save the Last Dance and Crooklyn

FAVORITE TV SHOWS:
Bad Girls Club

FAVORITE PART OF UPWARD BOUND:
Going to new places and being open to new things and people.

WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?
I'm my own role model because no one can show me how to be me better than me.

COLLEGE OF CHOICE:
Wayne State University

HOBBIES:
Dancing, singing, drawing and parenting

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:
Parenting, tutoring and studying

MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:
Track season and freshmen year

WORDS OF WISDOM:
“Obstacles can make you or break you, get over those obstacles with a positive attitude to get a positive outcome”.

Amanda Sharpe

COLLEGE PLANS:
I plan on attending a four year college, then transferring to law school. It’s my intention to eventually be a judge.

FAVORITE FOOD:
Chinese

FAVORITE MOVIE:
Gran Torino, Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, Harry Potter

FAVORITE TV SHOWS:
Glee, Pretty Little Liars, House

FAVORITE PART OF UPWARD BOUND:
I loved the summer programs, although we have had a lot of great times.

WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?
My dad is my role model. He works hard and has taught me the things I’m going to heed when I’m on my own.

COLLEGE OF CHOICE:
Wayne State University

HOBBIES:
Singing, acting, writing, reading, hunting and fishing

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:
Upward Bound, President of Interact Club, President of the Red Hat Club, NHS and Choir

MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:
The time I snuck my two best friends into the senior homecoming dance.

WORDS OF WISDOM:
“Don’t ever change for anyone, and work hard. This is the best time, so try and enjoy it.”
Ashley Stevenson

**COLLEGE PLANS:**
Get my nursing degree and move on to medical school.

**FAVORITE FOOD:**
Enchiladas and tacos

**FAVORITE MOVIE:**
ATL, Superbad, The Hangover, Seven Pounds, and the Pursuit of Happyness.

**FAVORITE TV SHOWS:**
Bad Girls’ Club, Sponge Bob, Chowder and True Blood.

**FAVORITE PART OF UPWARD BOUND:**
The food

**WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?**
Don’t have one. But I do have many people whose advice to me is very much valued. Like Ms. Lambert and Mr. and Mrs. Quinlin

**COLLEGE OF CHOICE?**
University of Toledo

**HOBBIES:**
Shopping and reading.

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**
Upward Bound and Yearbook

**MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:**
When some girl in my lunch got up and started dancing to techno in front of the entire lunch room all while everyone started videotaping her and laughing at her.

**WORDS OF WISDOM:**
If you don’t like something, change it, don’t complain if you’re not going to do anything about it

Willibea Thomas

**COLLEGE PLANS:**
To attend Wayne State University for two years then transfer to University of Michigan

**FAVORITE FOOD:**
Pizza, chicken and mostaccioli

**FAVORITE MOVIE:**
Save the Last Dance, Love and Basketball and ATL

**FAVORITE TV SHOWS:**
The Game and Kendra

**FAVORITE PART OF UPWARD BOUND:**
End of the summer trips

**WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?**
Myself

**COLLEGE OF CHOICE?**
Wayne State University

**HOBBIES:**
Shopping, listening to music and drawing

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**
S-Club and STRONG

**MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:**
The laughs I’ve had.

**WORDS OF WISDOM:**
“Keep moving because life doesn’t stop for anyone”
Anthony Quinn, Director, Upward Bound

Upward Bound graduates will be eligible to compete for the Bridge Scholarship Program. Students who are selected will have the opportunity to enroll for the 2011 summer semester at Monroe County Community College. Please note that you do not have to continue your education at MCCC after the summer semester. You may transfer your credits to the school of your choice. Students selected in this program will have the chance to complete up to six credit hours free of charge.

This scholarship includes:
A. Tuition at MCCC up to six credit hours of approved courses (college math and English)
B. Books and supplies not to exceed $100.00
C. Tutoring and monitoring by Upward Bound Staff

In order to be considered for a scholarship you must fulfill the following requirements:
1. An 85% attendance rate at tutorial sessions over the course of your junior and senior years.
2. A 75% attendance rate at optional activities (field trips, college visits, etc.) over the course of your junior and seniors years.
3. Must graduate from high school with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better
4. Must have an ACT composite score of at least 18.
5. Must have completed all senior year requirements by the required deadlines.
6. Must complete an MCCC application for admission and be accepted for the summer 2011 semester.
7. Students must have completed Upward Bound’s summer program the past two years.
8. Must achieve a grade of “C” or better in each course to receive tuition reimbursement and stipends.

Dannielle Lambert, Academic Skills Coordinator

Attention Seniors:

Note that it is March already; seniors in the Upward Bound Program should have completed the following in their pursuit of college. Check off each as you complete.

Completed:

_____ Three (3) college applications
_____ ACT and/or the SAT
_____ Fill out and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

After you have submitted your FAFSA, you should receive information about how to access your Student Aid Report (SAR)

_____ Contact each college financial aid office to make certain that your FAFSA is complete
_____ Keep copies of all the forms that you submit to the financial aid office
_____ Watch the mail or email for college acceptance and financial aid award notifications.

Compare the financial aid awards you receive.

_____ Begin looking into scholarships and grants
_____ Make your final school decision and mail your deposit.
_____ Notify the other schools that you will not be attending.
_____ Watch for important deadlines at your chosen college (housing, Financial Aid, etc.)

If you have not started any of the above mentioned, please see Ms. Lambert in room A-115 as soon as possible
Dannielle Lambert, Academic Skills Coordinator
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Attention All Upward Bound Students:
Pay attention in class.
Take good notes.
Keep an organized notebook for each subject.
Know the purpose of each assignment.
Ask questions in all classes.
Review! Review! Review! It can help you retain 80% of the information.
Sit in the front of all classes.
Study for a while and take short breaks
Set goals
Listen to directions.
Follow through on assignments.
Don’t cram for hours the night before a test. Study a little bit each day.

Think positive…do your best!

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Workshop
On Wednesday, February 9, 2011, Ms. Dannielle Lambert, Academic Skills Coordinator, organized a FAFSA workshop for our Upward Bound seniors and their parents. The workshop was held here at the high school in room C-126 and facilitated by Renee Drouillard, Financial Aid Assistant, at Monroe County Community College. The workshop was coordinated to have the seniors in the program fill out the FAFSA form on-line with assistance from Renee Drouillard. This application process will let the seniors know what federal and state aid they could be eligible for their freshmen year.

The Upward Bound team would like to say a big “THANK YOU” to Renee Drouillard for taking time out of her busy schedule to come over to Monroe High School to help our students and parents in filling out the FAFSA form.

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BIRTHDAYS

February
Cherise Hall
Julian Miller
Rachel Pierce
Valencia Wright

March
Emma Plummer

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Marissa Sulfaro  Renee Drouillard  Willibea Thomas with her mother.
2011 MI-CAPP STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT/TRiO DAY
“STAND UP! SPEAK OUT!”
FEBRUARY 18-20, 2011 • RADISSON PLAZA HOTEL

The conference hosts over 150 of the best and brightest students from all over Michigan. The weekend is packed with any array of activities and workshops for the students to attend. The highlight of the summit is the annual College Fair which includes many of the best colleges in the state. Some of the workshops included such topics as: The Reality of Adversity, I Have My Bachelor’s Degree Now What?!?, The Secret of Success, Writing: Your Ticket to a Free College Education, and many more.

The students from the Upward Bound Program were: Cierra Clay, Cherise Hall, Amanda Sharpe, Caleb Neal, Christian Neal and Will Schwab.

STUDENT COMMENTS ON THE STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:

“The Kalamazoo Leadership trip helped me discover all the scholarships available to me. It stressed the importance of standing up and speaking out for yourself. The classes there helped teach me the importance of maintaining a healthy stress level and how to step into my future career.”

Christian Neal

“The trip was very fun and informational. We learned about colleges a few scholarships and participated in activities that would help us in our future careers.”

Caleb Neal

“This year was the third year I have been privileged to attend the Student Leadership Conference. It was a lot of fun! We met a lot of great people, heard great speakers, and made some good memories. We always learn a lot at the conference, and it’s always a great time!”

Amanda Sharpe

“The trip was very beneficial. Everything from the trip was truly amazing. I would recommend this trip to anyone! I enjoyed getting to know all the people from the various TRiO Programs. The speakers were very informative. I especially enjoyed the college fair and the workshops. The main piece I took from this conference is to STAND UP and SPEAK OUT.”

Will Schwab
Student Leadership College Fair

From Left to Right
Cierra Clay, Cherise Hall, and Amanda Sharpe

From Left to Right
Cherise Hall, Cierra Clay, and Amanda Sharpe

From Left to Right
Caleb Neal and Christian Neal

From Left to Right
Will Schwab and Christian Neal

Cierra Clay

Two students from another Upward Bound Program
Cierra Clay, (gray sweater) and Will Schwab

From Left to Right
Ms. Lambert, Caleb Neal, Cherise Hall, Cierra Clay, Amanda Sharpe, and Will Schwab