

Summer 2017

WVU UPWARD BOUND
NUGGET NEWS



FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY: WHAT WE LEARNED

IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday Programs

September 23: Adventure WV
Community Service

October 7: Discover WVU Days

December 9: UB Workshops

February 24: National TRIO Day

March 24: Tie-Dye Day

April 28: Adventure WV

Pick-up at high schools: 9 am

Drop-off at high schools: 4 pm

Supplemental pick-up and
drop-off at the OLD West Preston

Middle School:

9:30 am and 3:30 pm



What is forensic anthropology? Simply put, it's the study of bones. A Forensic Anthropologist arrives at a crime scene, studies the remains of the person (their bones) and after much observation can tell you things about their gender, age, race, occupation, and how and when they died. As part of the summer program under the guidance of Dr. Susie Donaldson in WVU's Anthropology department, students were required to research a case study of their choice and explore the methods and concepts that went into their case study. Some featured cases were "Healed Trauma and Homicidal Violence in the Case of a Homeless Man" which talks about the mysterious death of a homeless man and the search for his identity and "Discovering Jane" which talks about the recovery of a young woman's remains from the rubble of the mysterious Jamestown, Virginia settlement. As a part of this capstone experience, Upward Bound students created posters for the poster symposium event held on July 14th. The event was a great success and well attended by parents, WVU community members, and representatives from Senator Manchin's and Congressman McKinley's offices.



Upward Bound Fun Day!

Students spent the day at Marshall University on June 28th with other UB programs from around the state participating in some friendly competition. Events included academic, athletic, talent, and wacky competitions. WVU Upward Bound came in **SECOND PLACE** overall, our highest finish ever! Already looking forward to next year!

Rising Senior Takes on College Course: Introducing Isaiah Hardy!

Tentative to take a college course at the start of the summer, rising Preston High School senior Isaiah Hardy has shown great success in his English 101 class! Upward Bound's Landon Southerly said, "Isaiah applied for the Mylan scholarship for this summer to take English 101, and he stands out as a talented and motivated student who is committed to high school and college success. We thought he would be an excellent choice to take a summer class to earn college credit, and he has proven us right with his performance this summer."

As a part of the course, Isaiah was required to complete three different papers that he says helped him exercise his writing and critical thinking skills more than ever before. Isaiah has always been passionate about reading and writing and was thankful his professor gave him a lot of feedback and constructive criticism about his writing from start to finish. Ending the summer course off with an A, Isaiah leaves one piece of advice for every student looking to improve their skills, "Listen to your teachers, to what they're really saying, because it will help you in the end."





Adventure WV!

Catch ya on the zip side! Students took a trip to the WVU Research Forest on July 4th to experience the Adventure WV zip line canopy tour, which is part of the WVU Outdoor Education Center.

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Happy 4th!

Upward Bound students marched down High St. on July 4th for the City of Morgantown's annual parade. Students ended their night on the shores of the Monongahela River with a firework show that lit up the night sky!



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Carson attended his first UB summer program and is glad he got the chance to see what college is like. He enjoyed ziplining and learned “how important it is to do your work and get to class on time.” He hopes to do well in his classes this year and wants to focus on getting a good score on the ACT. His future plans include going to college to study forensic investigation. Thanks for a great summer, Carson!



Madison had a big year-she turned 18 and is in the process of buying her own car! She’s very grateful for where she is now because she never thought she would be here. Madison plans to go to college and become a kindergarten teacher. Upward Bound has given her great new friends and memories and she can’t wait to return next summer. We’re so proud of you Madison, good luck this year!



Macey had some big achievements this summer! She says getting a 3 on her AP U.S. History exam and getting into GHA were major highlights for her. Macey wants to attend WV Wesleyan, Marshall, or WVU to major in Biochemistry with a minor in Psychology. She won’t be returning to UB summer camp next year, because she wants to spend her last summer before college with her family. Good luck, Macey!

REMEMBER!

STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

April 6-8, 2018: Flatwoods, WV

(Limited spots; must complete a competitive application process)

Did you know?

Over 8,300 low-income, first-generation students and students with disabilities — from sixth grade through college graduation — are served by the 28 TRIO Programs across the state of West Virginia.

The Upward Bound (UB) Program, the first Federal TRIO Program, was created under the authority of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, as amended.

Upward Bound is just one of the seven programs offered by TRIO in West Virginia, others of which include McNair Scholars, Student Support Services, Veterans Upward Bound, Upward Bound Math and Science, Educational Opportunity Centers, and Educational Talent Search.

There are an estimated 5 million alumni of TRIO programs. Famous alumni include Academy Award winning actress Viola Davis, former basketball All-Star Patrick Ewing, astronaut Franklin Chang-Diaz, and ABC News correspondent John Quinones.

Save the Dates!

2018 SUMMER PROGRAM

June 24 - August 3

Spaces are limited within each session. New participants are required to attend at least 1 session of the summer program.

June 24 - July 6: Science, Technology, Engineering & Math
July 8 - July 20: English and Literature
July 22 - August 3: Foreign Language and Cultural Studies

Why Yeast?

Students studied this question during their summer science course taught by Dr. Jen Gallagher from the WVU Biology Department and two graduate students, Samm Jusino and Apoorva Ravi Shankar. Students collected samples from an organic farm and a previous mine site and worked with these samples in the lab to isolate DNA and identify what species of yeast were present at each site. Students then tested the yeast species for their resistance to specific chemicals. Students' research this summer was part of a larger National Science Foundation grant through Dr. Gallagher's lab that seeks to determine variations of yeast species and how different environments might change the genome by influencing yeast. Students presented their research to an audience of parents, UB staff, and WVU community members and then participated in a debate on whether RoundUp should be banned in the United States. We're so proud of our students for their hard work this summer!



Recycling Fun!

Upward Bound students spent time with WVU's Office of Sustainability participating in a community service project. Students sorted and cleaned recycling bins to help with WVU's single-stream recycling effort at its regional campuses in Keyser and Beckley. They also took an amazing album cover group photo only found on our social media pages.



Now Accepting Donations

Visit our website and click on the "Donate Now" tab:
<http://upwardbound.wvu.edu/donate-now>.

Gifts to WVU Upward Bound/ TRIO are primarily used to fund scholarships to help students earn college credits while still in high school.

If you are a Kroger shopper, you can assist Upward Bound at no cost to you by signing up for the Kroger Community Rewards program:

<http://kroger.com/communityrewards>

Search for WVU Upward Bound/ TRIO, or type in the organization number 88825.



The Poky Dot!

The rain didn't stop us from getting ice cream! A rainy Friday afternoon took us to Fairmont for some GIANT piles of sprinkle covered banana splits. The gray skies may have kept us from splashing in the sun but students went home with brain freezes and sugar comas. Well worth it!



SPECIAL THANKS

Banquet Donations

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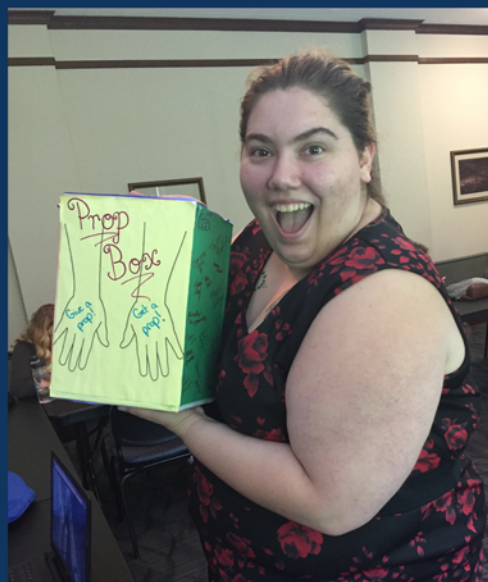
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Domino's Pizza
Lotsa Stone Fired Pizza
Sheetz-our longstanding Partner in Education

Individual Contributions

Kassy Taylor-photography, newsletter design & content, videography
Brittany Berry-photography
UB Summer Staff-tremendous support of UB students in their pursuit of a college degree

Props to a fantastic summer!



See you in the fall!