TRIO Upward Bound Missouri State University



The TRIO



Volume 6, Issue 2 September 18, 2010

Inside this issue:

ī

International

Literacy Day	'
Kate's Corner	2
After School Meetings	2
August D4C	3
Calendar of Events	3
Birthdays	3
Graduate	4

September 22 is Elephant Appreciation Day

INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY 9/8/10

"More than 780 million of the world's adults (nearly two-thirds of whom are women) do not know how to read or write and the between 94 and 115 million children lack access to education," (http://www.reading.org/ general/conferences/ InternationalLiteracyDay.aspx.) International Literacy Day was first observed on September 8th. 1967 as a way to combat this severe problem. Organizations and Individuals worldwide come together on this day to "promote literacy and demonstrate their commitment to providing education for all."

Currently, there is a goal to increase literacy by 50% by the year 2015. Education of All (EFA) was first launched in 1990 and reaffirmed in 2000. However, such a commitment cannot be accomplished without the support and assistance of individuals in local communities.

TIPS FOR TUTORING

Part of being in Upward Bound is seeing a tutor once or more a month. Here are some suggestions for making the most of the tutoring hour:

- -Be on time
- -Be respectful

How Can I Help?

Springfield, MO is home to organizations that promote literacy and many of them have volunteer opportunities. Below is a list of these organizations and contact information.

Ozarks Literacy Council

417-895-5632 programdirector@ozarksliteracy.org

Boys and Girls Club

Cindy Dodson 417-862-9249 ext. 104 http://www.bgclubspringfield.org/ get-involved/volunteer/

Reading is Fundamental of Springfield, Inc.

417-883-6727 Rifspringfieldmo@yahoo.com

Last, spread the word for International Literacy Day September 8th, 2011!

- -Ask questions
- -Arrive prepared, with all supplies
- -Be willing to try something new
- -If you can't make your appointment, call ahead to reschedule.

KATE'S CORNER

The three of us really enjoyed coming to the Open House events at Parkview, Central, and Hillcrest and we met many interested students, so thanks a BUNCH to the Site Coordinators for setting up those opportunities for us!

I hope all of you have started the year off well. If you have some great ideas for After School Meetings, let us know! We're pretty excited about the plans we have for meetings. We want to have a good time with all of you, but we don't want to waste anyone's time—we're going to do our best to make the After School Meetings and the D4C

Meetings beneficial for all. If you are going to miss a meeting, please check with us ahead of time. Also, check in afterward to find out what information you missed out on.

Do not ever hesitate to contact UB staff or your site coordina-

tors if you have a question about something going on currently in your life or any questions you might have about future events. As always, keep your path to college at the front of your mind.

AFTER SCHOOL MEETINGS

Upward Bound students met for the first After School Meeting of the year on September 1st at Central and Parkview and 8th at Hillcrest. The meeting began with a get to know game called "Two Truths and a Lie" where the group tried to guess which of three statements made by a person was a lie.

The focus of the meeting was goals. Students reflected on past goals that have been accomplished or let go and created new goals for the semester, year, and beyond. Several goals listed by students were:

- -Maintain or achieve good grades
- -Find a job
- -Earn learner's permit or driver's license

"I want to job shadow an English teacher because you get different experience than being a TA."

- Timory Click

- -Research and choose a college
- -Fill out FAFSA

Students also brainstormed ways Upward Bound could help them achieve their goals. These suggested included:

-Encourage students to

stay on track.

- -Supply tutors in areas students are struggling
- -Provide education on how to explore and choose colleges
- -Help students prepare for the ACT
- -Teach more yoga

The second After School Meeting was held at Central and Parkview on September 15th and will be held at Hillcrest on the 22nd. This meeting was about job shadowing.

Students were taught the protocol of setting up and attending a job shadowing event. Students were encouraged to explore every career they may find interesting by spending a day job shadowing. They then thought of businesses in the area they could shadow with to help them prepare for their future education or career. Students discussed questions they would want to ask professionals in the field. (http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=pAqo5IVnBv0)

Finally, students discussed attending the College & Career Fair with UB and what questions they would ask of college recruiters.

AUGUST D4C

August 21st, Upward Bound met at Doling Park for a relaxing day before the beginning of the school year. Students and faculty enjoyed the warm weather, played some games, and swam in the pool. It was a good break before the beginning of school because now it is back to work.

Although it was a fun day, here at Upward Bound, every event is educational. Here are a couple things that we learned:

- 1. Don't jump off the diving board with a hair tie in.
- 2. Don't throw a long ball in a crowded pool.
- 3. Josh's little brother looks exactly like him.
- 4. Emmanuel wins the acrobatic diving award.
- You all eat a ton of pizza.
- 6. Kate scares Jaime's little brother.
- 7. Upward Bound is awesome!





Above: Students and families gather around pizza during the August Destined for College meeting.

Left: Graduate
Assistant April
Stublefield and
Hillcrest Site
Coordinator Lynn
Schirk pause during
lunch to smile for the
camera.

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER CALENDAR

9/18	Destined for College	BIR	APPY*
	PAC Meeting		
9/22	ASM for Hillcrest	9/2	Alysia Chenault
9/23	Parent Workshop	9/4	Darla Vance
10/5	College and Career Fair	9/21	Tiffany Carsten
10/6	ASM for Central, Hillcrest, and Parkview	9/23	Justin Tate
10/9	Destined for College	10/9	Casey Rees
	PAC Meeting	10/12	Jordan Barker
	Hispanic Fashion Show	10/17	Jamie Blair
10/23	ACT Testing Date	10/19	Rabecca Hicks
10/27	ASM for Central, Hillcrest, and Parkview	10/22	Tabatha Proctor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- -UB is happy to introduce our newest member: Shyann Finley joins from Central HS.
- -April Burton and Ashley Burton are no longer in Springfield, but be sure to keep in touch with them!
- -If you would like to meet UB staff at the College & Career Fair Oct. 5, we will be hanging out there 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- -We are in the process of hiring tutors. Please tell us specifically which classes you want to be tutored in.
- -Fee waiver forms are available in the UB Office for those taking the ACT.
- -Good news! UB Alum Abigail Mitts will be attending Pittsburg State University in Kansas this Fall 2010.

TRIO UPWARD BOUND MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

Freudenberger House Lower West Level 901 S. National Ave. Springfield, MO 65897

Phone: 417-836-3117 Fax: 417-836-6106

E-mail: upwardbound@missouristate.edu

New Opportunities, New Horizons.



GRADUATE ASSISTANTS — 2010 - 2011

Jordan Barker

Back in the stone age, when I was still in high school, I job shadowed an industrial engineer named Tom Ganglankee. He worked for Baxter at the manufacturing plant in Mountain Home, AR.

First thing we did was get an ome-

let with every meat imaginable shoved in it. He gave me a tour around the facility and introduced me to some of the prominent employees at the company. I was able to get some hands on experience solving a plant efficiency issue. To end the day, Tom took me to Chiles despite still being stuffed from the omelet three hours earlier.

Job Shadowing was a great experience. I would encourage all of you to give it a try. Who knows, you might just learn something...or get overfed.

April Stublefield

Job shadowing was required at my high school and at the time, I thought I wanted to be a medical technician. So, I job shadowed several people at the local hospital including the Radiology department and the Blood Lab.



Overall, it was a very valuable experience for me and helped me realize that I didn't actually want to spend my life in the basement staring through a microscope. However, I have a huge amount of respect for the people who do.

My second job shadowing experience was with a local High School Counselor. This experience couldn't have been more different from the first. I learned so much about the day-to-day duties of the counselor but more than that, I realized I had found my future career at last—and nothing is so satisfying!