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Veterans Upward Bound Voice

VUB Annual Banquet

Our 25th Veterans Upward Bound Annual Banquet was held on December 1, 2005. VUB participants, college achievers, supporters, and staff gathered to participate in the recognition and honoring of our students' progress as well as to celebrate another year of VUB success. More than fifty persons attended and enjoyed good food, fun and fellowship.

All of our participants attending the ceremony were recognized and received a Certificate of Participation and their Fall Semester grade reports. Seven college achievers attended, were recognized, and congratulated for their progress and success. Eight VUB

staff members and instructors were present as well as several special guests of staff, participants, and college achievers.

Of particular note was the attendance of Dr. Chris Lefler, who was the first VUB Director at East Tennessee State University beginning in 1980. Also in attendance was Ms. Paula White, a former Assistant Director of VUB.

Len Morrison, Assistant Director of VUB, provided highlights of the recently submitted Annual Performance Report and updates in the operation of the program. It was noted that all perfor-

mance objectives were met or exceeded. All student academic performance goals, program continuation and completion goals, and college entrance, retention, and graduation goals were exceeded.

Also noted were the achievements of Theresa Flynn, a National Honor Society inductee and Mike Morgan, winner of three scholarships and last year's Polly Archer Award.

Spring Semester Info

Spring is just a few weeks away and we are preparing for another great opportunity for our VUB participants. We are expecting many of our Fall Semester students to continue through the Spring Semester in preparation for post-secondary entry and we will have several veterans who will be entering the pre-college preparation phase of the program.

Page three of this newsletter is the Spring Semester, 2006 Schedule. It is also a registration form. We urge you to carefully review the schedule, call one of our staff members if you have questions or need help, and follow the instructions at the bottom of the page.

We have included our normal range of pre-college preparation courses and we offer them at the times and locations that seem to be the best for our participants. We recommend you enroll in at least two or three classes.

After selecting the classes you wish to take, tear off the schedule, fold it so that the VUB address is on the outside, staple/tape it, and return it to us not later than January 19, 2006.

Please note that if you register for classes you are also invited to attend our orientation program which will be held on January 25, 2006, at 5:00 P.M. The orientation program will be held in ETSU's Main Meal Private Dining Room in the Culp Center. The purpose of orientation is to provide an opportunity to meet with VUB staff and instructors, learn more about opportunities available, and provide an opportunity for questions.

Polly Archer Winner

Congratulations to Rebecca White for being selected as the ninth recipient of the VUB Polly Archer Award. This award is given to the most outstanding VUB academic college student for the previous academic year.



Rebecca's performance for the 2004-2005 Academic Year was nothing short of amazing. She carried 51 credit hours, made the Dean's List all three semesters and had an academic year GPA of 3.894. Her selection brought with it a \$50 gift certificate, an ETSU pen and pencil set and having her name engraved on the VUB Polly Archer Award Honors Plaque which is on display in the ETSU Culp Center's TriO Office.

When Rebecca first came to VUB in September 1997, she was a single parent and a recently discharged USAF veteran. Upon completing VUB pre-college classes she enrolled at ETSU summer of 1998 and graduated with

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an A.S. in Medical Lab Technology with a GPA of 3.739 in May 1999.

Following graduation she took a five-year break in her education program, during which she married, had a second child and made the decision to reenter ETSU to seek her B.S. in Nursing. She reenrolled in January of 2004 and made the Dean's List every semester she was eligible. Also, she was 1st runner-up for last year's Polly Archer Award.

On December 17th Rebecca accomplished her goals by graduating with a 3.882 GPA and being hired at the Johnson City Medical Center in the Stroke Prevention and Rehabilitation Department. Way to go Rebecca!!!

The 1st runner-up of the Award was Jaime McManus, a USAF Veteran and an ETSU Graduate with a B.S. in Biology. The 2nd runner-up was Mike Krohn, a USA Veteran and a freshman at NSTCC.

Scholarship Information for VUB

Veterans who are or will be attending post-secondary education programs (colleges, technical, and vocational schools) may apply for the following scholarships. Only "older" students will be in competition for these awards and need not meet the same criteria that are required of recently graduated high school students. Checks are often paid directly to the veteran which means the amount does not reduce other financial aid awards.

Tennessee Association of Special Programs (TASP) - ETSU Vets have a VERY high success rate of winning this award - \$400, deadline: on/about October 15th.

Southern Association of Education Opportunity Program Personnel (SAEOPP) - \$600 up to \$1000, deadline: on/about December 1st.

National Association of Veterans Upward Bound Personnel Program (NAVUBPP) - \$500 award, deadline: on/about April 1st.

Typical matters that are considered are: community involvement; honors and

awards received; letters of recommendation; and essays such as "How Veterans Upward Bound has made it possible for me to pursue a college, Vocational/Technical Education".

The selection criteria are similar, so it is easy to apply for several scholarships. The ETSU - VUB staff will assist veterans who wish to apply. Deadline dates may change so inquire a.s.a.p. and obtain your application package from your support personnel soon. Earlier deadlines for local consideration may be established so we can have time to assist our candidate with the final application process.

Someone will get the cash. Several VUB College Achievers have been winners. The next winner may be you. Your VUB staff will be happy to assist with the process.

For more information, contact:

Bobby Westbrook at 1-877-260-0043 or 423-392-8034.

VUB Spring Semester ~ Jan. 30-Apr. 13, 2006

Orientation ~ Wednesday, January 25th at 5:00 p.m. ~ Culp Ctr. Main Meal Private Dining Room

Financial Aid Workshops ~ Culp Ctr. Meeting Room 4a

Wednesday, March 1st at 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 6th at 6:30 p.m.

Martin Luther King Day ~ Mon., Jan. 16th (offices closed)

ETSU/VUB Spring Break ~ March 6-11 (no classes)

College Success Workshops ~ Culp Ctr. Meeting Room 4a

Wednesday, March 1st at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 6th at 3:00 p.m.

Good Friday ~ Apr. 14th (offices closed)

VUB Spring Fling Picnic ~ Wed., May 17th at Noon ~ Cave Patio

Three Time Scholarship Winner Plans For The Future

Mike Morgan, Navy Veteran, Veterans Upward Bound Achiever, East Tennessee State University student, and psychology major, is the winner of three scholarships. Because of his academic success (3.7 grade point average), his community service and his "story" of his life, he has earned \$1900 in scholarships to use as he earns his bachelors degree.

This Michigan native, served the Navy as a Nuclear Power Trainer and Reactor Operator for four years, nearly as far from the ocean as a sailor could be— Idaho Falls, Idaho. Now he is setting his academic goals to improve his grades after earning two B's instead of all A's.

Because of personal illness, he missed much of Fall Semester and his grades suffered. However, Mike plans to earn a Ph.D. in psychology and become a high school counselor.

Mike believes he can work with students who are experiencing difficult matters because he has overcome many difficult situations himself and he believes he can relate his difficulties with his students. He certainly should know a lot about young people, because he is the father of five children.

The Veterans Upward Bound staff is proud of Mike who has served his country honorably and is finding academic suc-

cess as a college student. Mike can help lots of high school students who need a Navy man to help them get their ships out of troubled water and headed toward success.



East Tennessee State University Veterans Upward Bound
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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF CLASSES – Spring 2006
(January 30-April 13, 2006)

(Spring Orientation: January 25th at 5:00 P.M. at Culp Ctr. Main Meal Private Dining Room)

ETSU ON-CAMPUS CLASSES

	SUBJECT	DAY(S)	TIME(S)	LOCATION	ROOM	INSTRUCTOR
	Basic Computer Skills (Class consists of Windows 2000, MS Word, Internet, and E-mail)	Tue/Thu	4:00-5:00	Brown Hall	264	Stout
	Adv. Computer Skills (Class consists of Adv. Word and Excel - Prerequisite: Completion of Basic Comp Skills/ approval by instructor)	Mon/Wed	4:00-5:00	Brown Hall	264	Stout
	English I (College Prep) (A study of the mechanics of English including grammar, punctuation, spelling, and composition)	Mon/Wed	5:15-6:15	Rogers-Stout	402	
	English II (CLEP Prep) (Advanced English with emphasis on writing)	Tue/Thu	5:15-6:15	Rogers-Stout	402	
	Math (Basic) (Includes decimals, fractions, percentages, problem solving, and preparation for algebra)	Mon/Wed	4:00-5:00	Rogers-Stout	401	McManus
	Math (Algebra/Advanced) (Arithmetical operations and relationships including factoring, rational numbers, polynomials, inequalities, etc)	Tues/Thu	4:00-5:00	Rogers-Stout	401	McManus
	Science (Life) (Consists of biology, microbiology, ecology, and health sciences presented through lecture, demonstration, and lab)	Tue/Thu	5:15-6:15	Brown Hall	476	McManus
	Science (Physical) (Consists of physics, chemistry, and earth sciences presented through lecture, demonstration, and lab)	Mon/Wed	5:15-6:15	Brown Hall	476	Stout
	Study Skills/Literature (Topics include time management, effective listening, note taking, and exam preparation. Emphasis on reading.)	Mon/Wed	6:30-7:30	Rogers-Stout	402	Williams
	Open Computer Lab. (Available for practicing keyboarding, internet research, homework assignments, and Math/Eng./Sci. tutorial software)	Fri	4:00-7:00	Brown Hall	264	Carter

OFF-CAMPUS CLASSES

Dates/times may be adjusted to meet student needs

	OFF-CAMPUS SITE	DAY(S)	TIME(S)	ROOM	INSTRUCTOR
	ETSU Bristol English/Math/Computer/Spanish	Mon	6:30-9:30	103	Keen
	ETSU NAVE Center (Eliz) English/Math/Adv. Computer	Tue/Thu	6:00-9:00	122	Keen
	ETSU NAVE Center (Eliz) Spanish/Basic Computer	Sat	9:00-Noon	122	Keen
	ETSU Kingsport English/Math	Mon	5:00-7:00	216	Smith
	Basic Computer	Mon	7:00-9:00	216	TBA
	ETSU EDC (Mt. City) English/Math/Basic Computer	Thu	8:00-10:00 a.m.	EDC	Shoun
	Carter County Adult High School (Eliz)	Use as needed			
	Walters State C.C. (Greeneville) English/Math/Computer	TBA			
	Hawkins County Adult Ed. Ctr. (Rogersville) English/Math/Computer	TBA			

Note to VUB participants: Use this form to register for the classes you wish to enroll in this semester by placing a check mark to the left of the scheduled classes listed above and complete the block below. Please consult a member of the VUB staff if you have any questions or need any assistance.

Please check at the left if you plan to attend the Spring Orientation at 5:00 p.m. on January 25th and print your name and phone number : _____

(Name)

(Phone Number)

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Veterans Upward Bound is a unique program designed to assist eligible veterans prepare for entering and succeeding in a program of post-secondary education. VUB has operated successfully at ETSU for almost 24 years helping hundreds of veterans achieve their educational goals. Through academic counseling, advising, encouraging, motivating, and providing basic skill and short-term remedial and refresher courses, VUB has been an important program in the lives of veterans.

**Take advantage of the many benefits
VUB has to offer.**

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