



THE OHIO STATE  
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# The UB Buzz

NOV 17, DEC 17 & JAN 18

## Ashland U

On November 18<sup>th</sup>, 31 UB students traveled to Ashland University to attend its Fall Open House. The students proved themselves to be a hardy group, participating fully and without complaint in spite of constant heavy rain. Kudos to them!

The day opened with presentations about the University in general and then smaller group presentations about specific

majors. An information fair featured displays, brochures, and student or faculty representatives for each major offered. Then, the college walking tours began. Lunch in the award-winning, all-you-can eat University dining hall was most welcome after a chilly hour's walk in the rain. After lunch we split into 3 groups to attend additional focus groups.

The science group toured the science building, meeting professors, students, and a corn snake. All in all, it was a day of learning and fellowship. In their evaluations,

several students noted that the campus was small and easy to navigate and the student body would probably be a tight knit community. "It feels like home," one said. Some liked the hands-on emphasis and others liked the freedom to create their own major. Several UB alumni earned degrees at Ashland University: Natina Keys and Briana Williams (Canton), Cody White and Alexandra Wein (Orrville), and Justin Baisden (Wooster).



## No More "Bah, Humbug!"

Thirty-two students attended the December 2<sup>nd</sup> performance of "A Christmas

Carol" at Playhouse Square in Cleveland to witness the transformation of Ebenezer

Scrooge from a greedy, nasty fellow to one who had the Christmas spirit in his heart. The performance featured elaborate settings and costumes, some singing and dancing, and plenty of ghostly mist. One of the students especially liked the suspenseful moments waiting for the next Christmas ghost to appear. The story of Scrooge is a timeless one, encouraging everyone to think about the real rewards in life.





# Senior Successes

More seniors have started to hear back from colleges. We expect much more good news coming for our seniors!

**Rodrick Midgett** was accepted at Hocking College, Stark State, and University of Northwestern Ohio!

**Emily Dunlap** was accepted at Muskingum University and received a

\$15,000 scholarship!

**De'Asya Gray** was accepted at Hocking College, Youngstown State University, and Ohio Dominican University!

**KaMaria' Simpson** was accept-

ed at Bowling Green State University!

**Tyrek Allen** was accepted at Cleveland State University!

**Tailyn Satterwhite** was accepted at DePaul University!

**Shalay Collier** was accepted at Ohio Dominican University!

**Congratulations on these acceptances, UB Seniors!**

## Upward Bound Pledge

I am Upward Bound.

I take personal responsibility for my actions and my future.

My goal is a college degree.

I am determined to plan, study, save, and sacrifice for my education.

I am part of the fellowship of Upward Bound,

And my goal is a college degree.

## 20/30\* Club

The 20/30\* Club is a club exclusively for those that have taken the ACT or SAT and achieved at least a 20 (or SAT equivalent). Those that achieve membership in this club will receive a special

tribute at the Senior Recognition dinner this May. The 30\* Club is reserved for those who have achieved the coveted 30 on the ACT. We welcome the new members to the 20/30\* Club and congratulate them on their achievement:

**Dasie Nordick**

**Cassidy Harris**



## Juniors!

Standardized tests are a double-edged sword. On the one side, they're "fair"—the information on the ACT is made freely available via dozens of websites, educational pamphlets, and school-sponsored lessons. In other words, everyone has the opportunity to learn the test. On the other side though, is the unfortunate reality that not every student has the same privilege, access, or in-

ner discipline to learn the rules and structure of a test on top of all the other challenges in their life. Particularly for students in their Junior year, the ACT and SAT become a looming presence over their academic career. During the Spring of 2018, Upward Bound juniors will have the opportunity to take on additional ACT test prep exercises with Jacob and other Upward Bound staff. Juniors who **successfully**

**complete the test prep exercises** will have the opportunity to work alongside Jacob to schedule small-group college visits to a college in Ohio during a school day.

### Save the dates:

- ◆ Feb. 16th, 2018: 3pm - 8pm
- ◆ March 9th, 2018: 3pm - 8pm
- ◆ March 23rd, 2018: 3pm - 8pm
- ◆ March 30th, 2018: 3pm-8pm



# Retirement

After 20 years of working with the Upward Bound program as Director, Mrs. Miller has retired to spend more time with her family. All of us in the Upward Bound office wish her the best in the years to come, and look forward to hearing all the adventures and happy memories she'll be making with her family.

**“It has been amazing to be a daily part of UB for 20 years, and I leave with so many wonderful memories! It was a privilege to get to know each of you. I have been impressed and inspired by you all and delighted by your many talents. I cherish the experiences we shared and look forward to continuing to be part of the fellowship of UB with you. Best wishes always, MrsM”**



# Everybody Can Serve

On January 15th, 2018, the Upward Bound community joined the College of Wooster to volunteer and participate in community dialogues for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service. “Everybody can be great,” Dr. King said, “because everybody can serve.” The idea of serving your community and your world was central to the morning



Natalie Warne

speeches we heard from the Dean of the College and the head of the Wooster branch of the NAACP. In addition, we were able to hear the incredible story of Natalie Warne. Warne, activist and TED speaker, helped organize a campaign to bring awareness to the plight of children kidnapped to become child soldiers in Africa. Her efforts in the Invisible Children campaign in Chicago attracted Oprah’s attention which propelled the Invisible Children campaign into the limelight as the volunteers told their story on her show, highlighting Warne as a key figure in that branch of the campaign. She was 17 at the time.

Warne stressed the importance of the idea that *everybody* can serve. No matter how old you are, you can change the world. The Upward Bound community then put her ideas into action after a tour of the College of Wooster and a justice dialogue with other TRIO programs. We gathered to create personal messages to put into care packages of hygiene products given to people who needed them. We gave our time to serve our community and help drive out the darkness of poverty with the light of service.





# Senior Scholarships



Applications for the Chris Miller Memorial Scholarship and the Chip Yankello Optimum Scholarship will be given to 2018 seniors soon! The number and value of the scholarships will depend on scholarship funds and the merit of the applications. The scholarships will be awarded at the Senior Recognition Ceremony.

Each scholarship requires the application and an essay, the question as well as specific guidelines are listed below. To be considered for the application, the application must be either submitted or postmarked by April 2, 2018.

## The Chris Miller Memorial Scholarship

To compete for a scholarship, an Upward Bound student must:

- Be a 2018 graduating senior
- Have a record of being in good standing with the program in regard to attendance, academic achievement, and positive participation



ESSAY QUESTION:  
How has Upward Bound prepared you for college?

## The Chip Yankello Optimum Scholarship

To compete for a scholarship, an Upward Bound student must:

- Be a 2018 graduating senior
- Have a record of being in good standing with the program in regard to attendance, academic achievement, and positive participation
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or more, or a score of 18 or more on the ACT
- Have been accepted at an accredited college with plans to enroll full time
- Complete the application and essay by April 2, 2018

ESSAY QUESTION:  
Why should you be awarded the Optimum Scholarship?

## Reapplications

Don't forget to turn in your reapplications to the UB office as soon as possible! You will begin to earn stipends only after we receive BOTH your reapplication form and your essay.

If you need a new reapplication form, please contact the UB staff or get the reapplication from [u.osu.edu/atiub](http://u.osu.edu/atiub) under the "Forms" tab!

## Tee-Shirts

It's that time of year again to start designing the 2018-19 Upward Bound shirts! We will have votes on the designs on April 2nd.

Guidelines:

- The shirts must say Upward Bound on them
- You can either create a physical copy of your design or go to [customink.com](http://customink.com) and use their design lab
- Submit your image by March 20, 2018

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