

TRIO

UPWARD BOUND

STUDENTS MEET JOHN QUIÑONES

In October, The Greater Fort Wayne Hispanic Chamber of Commerce hosted a President's Commemoration Ball, and John Quiñones was the honored guest. John Quiñones is an ABC news correspondent and the host of the show "What Would You Do?" He and his camera crew set up scenes of conflict and watch how people react, if they choose to react at all.

Upward Bound students got a chance to attend the event, including the meet-and-greet beforehand, where Quiñones shared insightful words of wisdom with students. Quiñones is an Upward Bound alumnus. During his inspiring keynote message, he talked about his rough beginning and he credits Upward Bound for his success, "Thank God for Upward Bound, or I wouldn't be here today." Check our Instagram and Facebook to see the video.



From left to right: Moe Oo, Nallely Cardenas, John Quiñones – a UB alumnus, Gannery Htoo, Wendy Ruiz, Tin Oo, Nathaly Diaz – UB alumna

"Like us, he is very similar, college bound and has very big dreams. He inspired me in many ways. Even though we cannot get what we want in the first place, that doesn't mean we should quit and give up," said Gannery Htoo, a junior. Moe Oo, a sophomore, expressed, "I'm very grateful of the advice he shared with us and it gave me another reason to really focus on what I want for my future and the things I need to work on to achieve success."

We want to give a special thanks to Sweetwater Sound for providing our students with tickets, the president Palermo Galindo, Jessica Galindo, and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for making this possible!

DAY OF THE DEAD



Students volunteered time to make crafts for the Day of the Dead Celebration at the Fort Wayne Museum of Art. Crafts included making flowers out of tissue paper, wrapping bottles in yarn, and painting pumpkins as sugar skulls.

Some students brought in pictures of their loved ones who have passed away. The altar was dedicated to those people.

"Education is not the learning of facts but the training of the mind to think." – Albert Einstein

ACADEMIC STUFF

ADVISORS ON SITE



Students! You can find your Upward Bound advisor at your school! **Mr. Tavis is at North Side on Tuesdays and at New Haven on Thursdays.** **Ms. Gladys is at Wayne on Tuesdays and at South Side on Thursdays.** Make sure your appointments with them are not during your core classes.

Your UB advisors are at your schools so that you can meet with them at least once a semester, turn in any paperwork, receive advising, receive help with applications such as FAFSA, and to assist you with any of your academic or personal concerns.

CAMPUS TOOLKIT AND ICEP

As part of the UB contract, students must complete an Individualized College Education Plan (ICEP) each semester. We are utilizing the online system, Campus Toolkit, which provides students with assessments, communication tools, and support resources. Students should log in at their earliest convenience to ensure they complete this part of their contract. Campus Toolkit was originally intended for college students, so please take full advantage of this great tool for college preparation.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: Mayzin Naing

Mayzin graduated from Northside and Upward Bound in 2011. She will graduate from IPFW in May 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Public Affairs with a major in Health Services Administration and a minor Psychology. She is in her sixth year of service in the United States Air Force Reserve. After graduation, her plan is to go to Officer Training School (OTS) to commission as an Officer in the Air Force. After a year or two, she will continue with more education and pursue a graduate degree in Public Health. When we asked her how UB impacted her life, she stated, "Upward Bound has been such an important part of my

life since I joined in 2009. Everyone from the counselors, instructors, to all the friends I met in the program have all affected my life in ways that they will never even know. Ever since I came to the U.S., I always knew that I wanted to go to college, I didn't have the skills to get there myself. Given that both my parents didn't get the opportunity to go to college in Burma, hence the reason why my parents gave up their lives and moved to a foreign country just so I could have a better life than they did. UB helped me accomplish that goal and I will be forever grateful for all the help that I was given."



Her advice to current students is, "Actively participating in the UB program is the most important thing to do if you are an Upward Bound student. Make UB part of your life. You will not regret it."

2016 INDIANA TRIO STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE



Each year, Indiana TRIO hosts a student leadership conference for TRIO students. This year, the conference took place October 22-23rd in Indianapolis. The theme this year was *Dream Fearlessly, Set Goals, Create Your Path, and Become All That You Have Envisioned*. The conference featured guest speakers, breakout sessions, interactive activities, and plenty of opportunities to learn and grow.

Armonte Hall, a senior, said, "The sessions we did helped me a little with my comfort zone. I learned what obstacles I need to work on to be successful." Moe Oo, a sophomore, expressed, "I learned a lot about how my identity played a role and that in the end, the reward is bigger than the obstacle."



"Leaders become great, not because of their power, but because of their ability to empower others." – John Maxwell

HOLIDAY PARTY



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FALL 2016



Saddle Bound



Cultural Dinner: El Salvador



@ First Presbyterian Theater



Student Leadership Conference



@ Civic Theater



Saddle Bound



Tutoring



Academic Theme Saturday (ATS)

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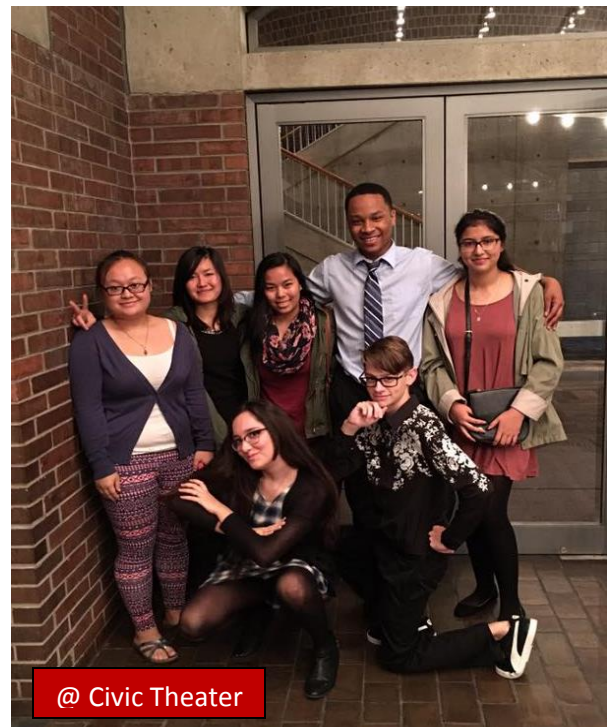
@ First Presbyterian Theater



Tango Dance Class



Saddle Bound



@ Civic Theater

UB PROGRAMMING

To receive a spring stipend, students must complete:

- 25 hours of academic programming (Spring)
- A mandatory college prep meeting
- An advisor meeting (ICEP)
- At least 3 ATS and, either
- a college visit, leadership conference, or cultural event.

In order to receive credit towards your stipend, you must work. Simply attending will not grant you credit. We offer plenty of opportunities for you to complete these hours.

Spring 2017 College Prep Sessions:

5:30PM @ IPFW

- ❖ Seniors – 2/1, 4/26
- ❖ Juniors – 3/8
- ❖ Sophomores – 4/12
- ❖ Freshmen – 3/1

ACADEMIC THEME SATURDAYS (ATS)

EVERY OTHER SATURDAY 9AM – 1PM @ IPFW

Tutoring 4- 6:30PM

Mondays @ downtown library

Wednesdays @ IPFW Walb G08

By The Way ...

- ❖ College Visits: **4/5/17 and 4/6/17**
- ❖ Junior/Senior Service Trip: **4/2/17-4/6/17**
- ❖ Summer Academy Orientation: **5/3/17**
- ❖ BLUE Star Conference/Senior Celebration: **5/6/17**

Other events and activities may be added, be on the lookout!

Spring Cultural Events: please sign up with Ms. Gladys

January

27th: Play – “Heroes”
31st: Cultural Dinner:
Queen of Sheba

February

16th: Play – “Memphis”
18th: IPFW Sponsorship Day @ Science Central
21st: Cultural Dinner at La Fogata
28th: “Growing Up Burmese in Fort Wayne”
@ IPFW

March

7th: Cultural Dinner:
Baan Thai
24th: Play – “The
Children’s Hour”

April

11th: Cultural Dinner: Loving Café
20th: Play – “The Little Mermaid”

May

4th: Butterfly Exhibit @ Botanical
Conservatory

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