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(270) 781-1872
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(270) 781-3574 Veterans Service Officer

May 31 Memorial Day (VUB Closed)
Jun 12 ACT Test Date
Jul 5 VUB Closed in Observance of Independence Day, Sunday Jul 4
Aug 5 Last Day of VUB Summer Classes
Aug 6 ACT Registration Deadline, Sep 11
Aug 30 First Day of VUB Fall Classes
Sep 6 Labor Day (VUB Closed)
Sep 11 ACT Test Date
Sep 17 ACT Registration Deadline, Oct 23
Oct 23 ACT Test Date

*Please call early for information on test dates. VUB may pay testing fees, but do so we must have your application at least six weeks prior to the registration postmark deadline.

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Veterans Upward Bound ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Veterans Upward Bound held their 18th annual awards banquet at Mariath's restaurant on May 7. Speaking to the audience during the welcoming announcements was Mr. Dale Brown, Interim Associate Vice President, Enrollment Management at Western Kentucky University. (Bowling Green)

This year's banquet was the fourth year of the awarding of the Col. Joe Wright Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA). The recipient of the $1,200 scholarship was Jerry Carroll. Announcing the award was Bob Fulton of MOAA, Cumberland Trace chapter. Jerry is a current student of VUB and enrolling at WKU for the fall 2010 semester.

Other scholarship recipients were David Phelps, receiving a scholarship from the local Veterans of Foreign Wars. Presenting the VFW Scholarship ($500) was Dean Frazier. David was also nominated for the NAVUBPP scholarship. The winner of will be announced in June 2010.

Kymric Wagoner was awarded the American Legion Scholarship ($500) by Lt. Col. Mike Kenney (ret.). The Veterans Upward Bound scholarship ($300) was awarded to Danny Murrell. Danny will begin attending KCTCS in May to major in engineering technology. Andrea Hostetler was awarded the Frederic Charles Hoechner scholarship ($200).

Award winner for the Alumni of the Year will be announced in June 2010.

Career Transitions is a program that gives scholarships to anyone who has been laid off from work and attends a college in the Kentucky Community and Technical College System. The scholarship pays half of a student's tuition for up to six credit hours (generally two classes) each semester.

To receive the scholarship, students must live in Kentucky and file for unemployment benefits since October 2008. The program is offered at 16 KCTCS schools across the state, including Bowling Green Technical College.

The program also gives students help filling out federal financial aid forms, extra advising and training, and additional help with the admissions process.

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June 2007 and graduated from WKU in May 2010 with a Bachelors of Art degree in psychology.

This year’s Dare to Dream award went to Richard Burnette. Richard graduated from WKU in December 2009 with a Bachelors of Art degree in history.

A FEW OF OUR BANQUET GUESTS:

- Jason Adkinson—WKU
- Penny Allison—WKU
- Todd Bastean—WKU-Glasgow
- Jerry Carroll—WKU
- Craig Cardoso—KCTCS-Glasgow
- Robert Davis—KCTCS-Gloucester
- Matthew Gaskill—WKU
- Roger Halcomb—A-Pass-Wekel Institute
- Alexander Janczak—WKU
- Kent Johnson—WKU
- Tami Madison—KCTCS-Glasgow
- Mary Lora—WKU
- Ryan Maynard—WKU
- Mark Murrell—KCTCS-BGTC
- Nick Oterson—WKU
- David Phelps—WKU
- Joshua Reid—Emby-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Melvin Ross—WKU
- Ramona Sowders—WKU
- William Swaney—WKU
- Brian Thomas—WKU-Glasgow
- Jessie Vaner—WKU
- Phillip Weber—WKU
- Kyimnic Wagener—KCTCS-BGTC
- Robert Wilson—WKU

VUB awarded a special certificate of recognition to Lt. Col. Mike Kenney (ret.) for all the years of devotion he has bestowed upon VUB in getting the word out about our program. He is selfless and all of us at VUB are highly appreciative of all his efforts.

We here at VUB wish to extend thanks to all our guests who attended this year’s banquet and made it a resounding success. We want to remind all our students that we owe our success to your participation in our program. The scholarships we make available is our way of honoring a few of those students.

Those students interested in scholarship opportunities for next year should apply between mid-March to early spring. Check with VUB if you are interested: 745-5310.

Notes and News

WKU has a new program to assist students. wKuREAl (Reaching Each Adult Learner) is staffed by three adult learner counselors who will help potential students:

- Fill out forms for necessary for admission and financial aid (FAFSA)
- Seek career counseling and program choice
- Learn to navigate the WKU web pages
- Find support services on campus (tutoring, counseling, diversity programs, etc.)
- Answer questions related to the needs/challenges of adults going to college.

For more information, call 270-745-3575 or visit our website at www.wku.edu/real.