



TRiO Newsletter

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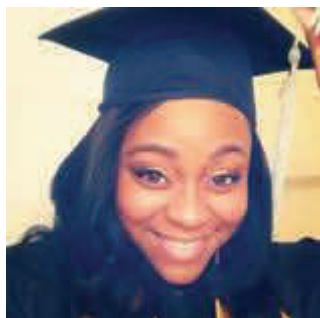
Special points of interest:

- Upward Bound Students Tour Carter Center
- Talent Search Workshop
- Sparks SSS Volunteers in Community Day of Service
- Math 100 Tuition Waiver

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TRiO Participants Graduate from Four-Year Universities



Velissa Hawthorne graduated from Alabama State University, Business Management Degree.



Lashaunda Mays, Alabama A&M University, Bachelor of Arts in Media Arts, Magna Cum Laude



Shawndrisa Malone says...

“I will graduate from Troy University in Phenix City, Alabama with a Bachelors in Psychology, and a minor in Sociology on January 24, 2014. I completed this degree in December 2013. I was admitted to the graduate program for school counseling, in which I’ve already started this term. I decided not to take a break from school after my bachelor’s. I’m grateful and thankful that I was able to start this term in graduate school. After graduate school, I’ll be pursuing a job as a school counselor.”

Math 100 Tuition Waiver
 Save Money – Math 100 for FREE

Guidelines:

- ◆ Complete MTH091/MTH092 in **one** (1) semester or MTH090/091/092 in **two** (2) successive semesters.
- ◆ Enroll in MTH100 the semester **immediately** following the completion of MTH092.

*You are not required to attend summer semester in order to comply with the above requirements.

WCC Upward Bound Students Tour The Carter Center in Atlanta

On December 10, 2013, Upward Bound counselors Brittany Jones and Jertavia Lyman along with professional English tutor Elizabeth Oates led a group of ten Upward Bound students to The Carter Center in Atlanta, Georgia, to see how the organization uses technology to promote peace locally and internationally.

The trip began with a private tour of The Carter Center, an option not typically offered to the public. Lauren Kent-Delany, director of educational programs, invited students and staff into a conference room where she explained the democracy, human rights and health programs offered through The Carter Center. After her presentation, students were praised for their alertness and smart questions.

The Manager of Volunteers then led students through the circularly designed building pointing out President Jimmy Carter and wife Rosalynn's offices and headquarters along with donated pieces of art from well-known American artists such as Sam Maloof, LeRoy Neiman, and Andy Warhol. Once in the internship headquarters, the guide emphasized the necessity of writing well: "Applicants who cannot write an essay well, do not secure an internship with us. Writing well is essential for success."

One private tour led to another as Education Specialist Kahlil Chism guided the students through a

tour of the Carter Presidential Museum. He kept students' attention by highlighting facts that would otherwise be easily missed. When the students came to a replica of the oval office, Chism pointed to the President's desk, "Notice which direction the eagle's beak is pointing." The students looked and saw its head turned to the arrows in the eagle's claws. "Now look at the ceiling. What do you see that's different?" The eagle's head was turned towards the olive branches. This is just one example of many in the museum that show the Carters' belief that peace creates unity, not violence.

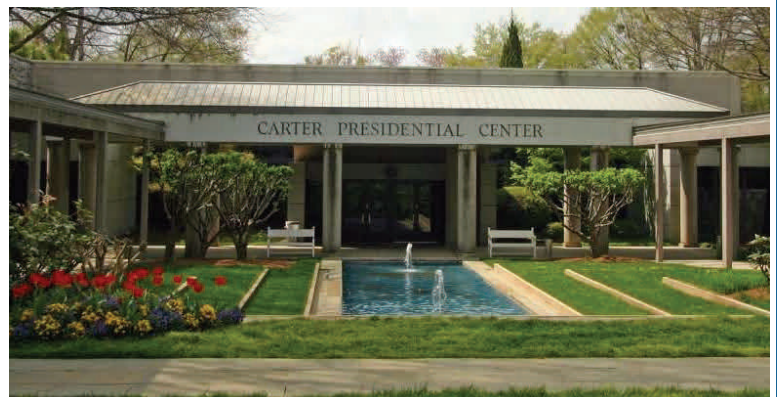
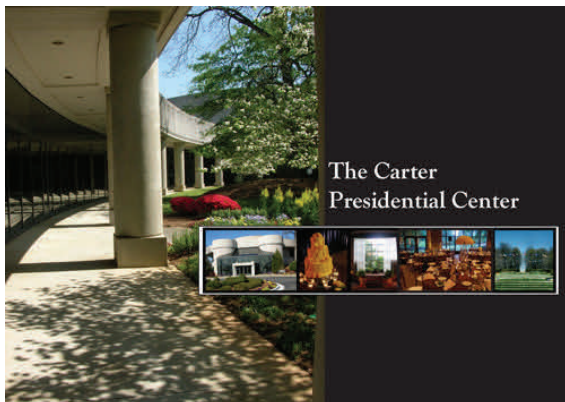
After dinner at the local Hard Rock Café that evening, students returned to the center where The Carter

Center President Dr. John Hardman and his wife, Laura, met them right before the start of the panel discussion "Using New Technology for Peace." Students sat with the couple in a designated area at the front of the room where they could clearly see the three panelists and moderator on the stage before them. Moderator Dr. John Stremmlau, vice president of The Carter Center peace programs, led designer and manager of the Carter Center China Program, Sean Ding; developer of the Syria Conflict Mapping project, Christopher McNaboe; and manager of the Center's ELMO initiative, Dr. Connie Moon Sehat, in a discussion about how new technological developments affect their work. During the question/answer time at the end of the program, one of Upward Bound's students, Brent Douglas, Jr., seized this opportunity to express his concern about the validity of their work:

"You use technology to track other people's activity. Who keeps you accountable?" His question opened up a stream of discussion on fair practices and privacy.

The event showed students how close they are to a world outside of high school while still reminding them that a quality education is an essential part of them connecting to and impacting the world at large.

—Elizabeth Oates



Talent Search Hosting Parent/Participant Workshop

The Talent Search project will be hosting a Parent/Participant Workshop Day on Saturday, February 15 from 10:30 a.m. – 12 noon. Interactive workshop topics will be presented to parents as well as Talent Search participants. Details will be mailed to parents at a later date.

—Tameka Williams

Sparks SSS Volunteers in Community Day of Service on MLK Day



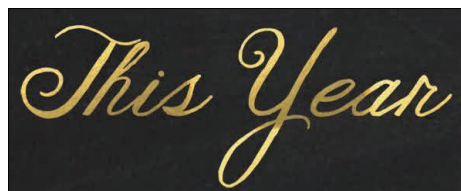
l-r: Cyntheia Solorio, Mrs. Thomas (Daycare teacher), Mrs. Bowens (Daycare teacher), Mr. Brad Moore (volunteer), Teresa Sistrunk, Mrs. McClendon (Daycare Director), Sequoia Edwards, Gierra Davis, Mrs. Davis (Daycare teacher), and Dornesha Thomas.



l-r: Dornesha Thomas, Sequoia Edwards, Teresa Sistrunk, Cyntheia Solorio, and Gierra Davis.

In the spirit of community service and in conjunction with MLK National Day of Service, the Eufaula Barbour County Chamber coordinated a local Day of Service for volunteers to serve the needs of Barbour County. The project is focused to assist local organizations with various projects. The students served at The Eufaula Daycare Center:

—Terri Ricks



Believe that anything is possible.

Eat more real food.

Drink water.

Shop for quality not quantity.

Hug the ones you love.

Start each day with goals.

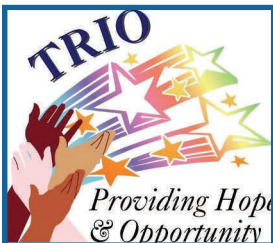
Buy good books and make time to read them.

Exercise daily even when it sounds like a terrible idea.

Purge the unnecessary and decrease clutter.

Find the best in others.

Show others the best in you.



TRiO on the Wallace Community College Sparks and Dothan Campuses is made up of three programs: Student Support Services, Upward Bound and Talent Search. They are federally

funded programs by the U. S. Department of Education that provide support and opportunity for eligible students-middle school through college. To reach any person on this list, call 983-3521 or 687-3543 and then the extension below:

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*“Write it on your heart
that every day is the
best day of the year.”
--Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Scholarships and Financial Aid Information

Troy University Transfer Scholarships. Students transferring from an Alabama Community College to any Troy campus may now apply for either a merit scholarship or an achievement scholarship. The scholarship will begin Fall 2014. **Contact the Financial Aid office on the Troy University campus you wish to attend for more information.**

Troy University 2014 Scholarship Packet is now available to students on the WCC Dothan Campus. This packet includes 18 different scholarships. To download scholarship descriptions and application:

**Go to www.trojan.troy.edu/dothan
Under **CAMPUS LINKS**
Click “Dothan 2014 Scholarship Packet”
Deadline to apply: March 3, 2014**

Jacksonville State University Fall 2014 Transfer Scholarships. Jacksonville State University has announced an expansion of the Presidential Scholarship Program for the graduating students of Wallace Community College beginning the 2014-15 academic year. This scholarship will pay in-state tuition costs for fall and spring up to twelve hours each semester. The scholarship is renewable for one additional year with continued academic progress at the 3.5 grade point average. Applications for admissions and the scholarships to JSU must be completed online through www.jsu.edu. **Deadline to complete applications is March 1, 2014.** For additional details or questions, students may contact Martin Weldon, University Scholarship Coordinator at 256-782-5677 or via email at mweldon@jsu.edu.

Wallace Community College Scholarship Packets. Wallace Community College offers scholarships in four areas: academic, career technical, performing arts, and health sciences. A student may apply for more than one scholarship and must submit a separate completed application packet for each scholarship for which the student applies. All scholarship applicants must complete a FAFSA by March 3, 2014. **Deadline for scholarship applications is 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 3, 2014.**

For more information on these and other current scholarships go to:

**www.wallace.edu
Under **Financial Aid**
Click **Current Scholarship Opportunities****