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Veterans Upward Bound held their 22nd annual awards banquet at the Carroll Knice-ly Conference Center on WKU’s south campus on May 2.

We were honored this year to have as our guest speaker Tonya Archey, Director of Military Student Services.

This year’s banquet was the eighth year of awarding the Col. Joe Wright Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the Military Officers Association of America Cumberland Trace Chapter. The recipients of the two $700 scholarship were Joseph Hunter and Philip Parsons.

Joseph is attending WKU majoring in electrical engineering. Joseph is also this year’s nominee for the NAVUB scholarship. The winner will be announced in mid-summer, 2014.

Philip graduated from Hopkinsville Community College this spring with his AAS in counseling. He’ll be attending WKU this fall to attain his bachelor’s degree.

Other scholarship recipients were Jacob Peterson, receiving a scholarship of $500 from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1298.

Jacob is attending SKYCTC majoring in political science.

Brad Lyons received the $500 scholarship from the American Legion Post #23. Brad will be attending WKU in the Fall 2014 semester.

Kevin Barton received the $500 scholarship from Ford’s Furniture. Kevin is attending WKU majoring in advanced manufacturing.

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John Henning received the $300 Spiller scholarship. John is attending Daymar College majoring in paralegal studies.

Bob Wilson received the $100 WKU Bookstore scholarship. Bob is attending WKU doing graduate studies in leadership dynamics.

Bob was also our Alumnus of the Year award winner.

Student of the Year was awarded to both Kevin Barton and Matt Broce. Kevin is attending WKU and Matt is attending WKU majoring in finance.

This year’s postsecondary degree completers were:

- James Arterburn, Spring 2013—WKU
- Nick Basham, Fall 2013—University of Nebraska
- Donnie Bland, Spring 2013—Fox Valley Technical College
- Raymond Durlin, Fall 2013—WKU
- Teresa Jameson, Fall 2013—WKU
- Carlos Lee, Spring 2014—SKYCTC
- Tami Madson, Spring 2014—SKYCTC
- Christopher Pasley, Fall 2013—Daymar College
- Melvin Ross, Fall 2013—WKU
- Eric Sanders, May 2014—WKU

VUB students that have completed our program and applied to or enrolled in postsecondary education during 2013/2014 are:

**WKU**

Eric Alford
Tyler Anderson
Kevin Barton
Michael Basham
Brian Beshears
Matt Broce
Scott Brown
Logan Brumitt
Kenny Bryant
Tim Bryant
Cory Campbell
Cameron Cantu
Samantha Collins
Ronald Cooper
Chris Cunningham
James Daniel
Vernetta Douglas
John Enlow
Daniel Gill
Russell Gonzales
Robert Gregory
Robbie Harless
Brandon Heninger
Joe Hunter
Jamie Jaggers
Dale Korn
Larry Leezer
Herbert Loper
Kristina Loper
Lucas McCrory
Becky McNulty
Jessica Mendoza
Larry Milan
Michael Mitchell
Josh Moore
Shawn O’Keefe
Dustin Perry
Jackson Pryor
Angel Ramos
David Reed
Ken Robertson
Brandon Russell
Dieter Schneider

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Jeremy Schott
Nathan Shepherd
Kristin Smith
Timothy Smith
Chris Spears
Daniel Stoneburg
Donovan Todd
Paul Wells
Marvin Williams
Matt Wilson
Johnathon Yates
Cody Zimmerman
SKYCTC
Houston Bradstreet
Randall Bratcher
Jennifer Burgess
Terry Burr
Bobby Burrell
Glenn Cook
Nathan Copas
Charles Cotton
Ray Dinser
Tommy Fravala
James Givens
Dave Glover
Terry Glover
Johnathan Graves
Joseph Ignacio
Billy Jennings

Bobby Jent
Anthony Johnson
Burke Kaplan
Cheri Kaplan
Patsy Leech
Ryan McKenzie
Billy Mitchell
Amel Pleh
Terry Roundtree
Renee Shipman
Richard Solloway
Zach Toney
Duane Tucker
Matt Tucker
Adam VanDurmen
Phillip White
Mike Williams
Mike Wilson

We here at VUB wish to extend our 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.

A community-based outpatient clinic for veterans will be celebrating its grand opening in Fairview Plaza on June 2.

Got Financial Aid Questions?
Call VUB at 270-745-5008

Notes and News
WHO ARE AMERICA’S MOST BELOVED VETERANS?
From every generation of Americans that has gone to war, the names of a few veterans are added to our nation’s collective memory—some for selflessness and courage under fire, some for national leadership in tough times, some for their celebrity.

During the month of May, The American Legion Magazine invites veterans to visit their website—www.legion.org/belovedveterans—and pick their candidates for America’s most beloved veterans. Veterans can cast up to 25 votes for veterans from nearly every war era. If a veteran doesn’t see a favorite on the list, he or she can submit a name or two. By giving Americans an opportunity to learn about, remember and celebrate our most famous veterans, The American Legion hopes to bring attention to the honorable nature of military service, teach some history and, perhaps, refresh our memories.

Veterans receiving the most votes will be featured in the November issue of The American Legion Magazine and online.

(Adapted from an article in The American Legion Magazine, May 2014 issue)
Greetings! Today I want to tell you about an honor received by one of our staff members.

On May 30th, 2014, VUB instructor David Angle was one of 7 veterans who had a brick laid in his honor at the Veterans Memorial Park outside the Warren County courthouse. David, a US Army veteran, served from 1983 to 1986 and earned the rank of Sergeant. David’s brother Dennis, a Navy veteran, also received a brick at the ceremony, and both of their bricks were placed adjacent to one already in the courtyard honoring their father, David A. Angle, who served in the Army Air Force from 1945 to 1947.

Besides being one of the instructors with VUB, David is also an alumni of VUB. He joined the program in 1998 before going to college, and in 2005 he was named our program’s “Alumnus of the Year.” VUB alumni Joanna Jones and Kevin Barton also have bricks at the memorial, but David is the first VUB staff member to receive this honor. We here at VUB are extremely proud of David, both for his years of service to our country, as well as his years of service to Bowling Green area veterans.

David Angle with his stepmother, Elizabeth, near the brick placed in his honor.

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