



WORDS TO LIVE BY

Only a Life lived for others is a Life worthwhile.

-Albert Einstein



Jennifer M.	2-5
Adrian M.	2-6
Latimer B.	2-7
Maria C.	2-15
Nirvana C.	2-19
Janet H.	2-21
Caleb C.	3-6
Nikolas L.	3-11
Destyni E.	3-14
Junior L.	3-16
Marc B.	3-18
Bradon U.	3-22
Gisselle H.	3-30
Adam C.	4-1
Bridgette L.	4-1
Layton H.	4-2
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A Note from the Director

Welcome to 2016!!! I have a bit of information for each of you in this newsletter and am looking forward to seeing you all again to discuss it in person. Please read below, so you will be better informed when we begin our weekly meetings.

Seniors. You are halfway through your high school career! New and exciting times are headed your way, and we want to help you with the transition. By now, you should have at least 3 schools that you might want to attend in mind. We will pay for these application fees. Also, be prepared to begin working on your FAFSA. This application must be completed in order to obtain any financial aid. Ask your parents/guardians to begin gathering tax information as soon as possible. Sometimes, the help comes to those who ask first, and we don't want anyone to miss out on aid! Lastly, be looking for scholarships to help you with expenses. Any amount helps, so do not just shoot for the highest paying aid! Above all of this, please keep your grades up. This time of year could be very busy for you, so it is important to manage your time wisely. We are here for you, so if you need any advice or support, please let us know!

Juniors. We must stress the importance of taking your ACT. There are only a couple of dates left in this semester, so please choose one and let us help you get signed up. We have fee waivers to help cover the cost. We recommend you take the ACT at least twice, and starting now will free up time during your senior year. Take it as many times as you like! Practice makes perfect, right? Also, you too need to be looking at scholarships. Check our Facebook page, as we often post links with this information when we can.

Everyone else. Your grades are very important. If you need tutoring or are struggling in any area, please let us know. We are also working on Saturday academies and summer plans for you. Please make yourselves available for all of these opportunities we provide to you. We want to get to know you more, so we may be better able to help you with your future plans!

I am looking forward to this semester, and cannot wait to have new adventures with you all! See you soon!

Rachael

Upward Bound Makes the News!

Upward Bound students from Sweetwater High School, Colorado City High School and Snyder High School recently attended the Heritage Village Lighting ceremony that took place in Snyder earlier in December. Students presented a donation check from the Upward Bound program to help the Scurry County Historical Society continue to provide enriching events for the community. Upward Bound students pictured giving the donation to Elyndabeth Toland, organization president, are Jennifer Medellin (Sweetwater High) and Caleb Sturdivant (Snyder High).



Photo Courtesy of Snyder Daily News

IMPORTANT DATES*

ACT Test Dates & Deadlines

act.org



ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	ACT Scores Available
February 6, 2016	Jan. 8, 2016	Feb. 17 - April 1
April 9, 2016	Mar. 4, 2016	Apr. 19 - Jun. 3
June 11, 2016	May 6, 2016	Jun. 21 - Aug. 5

SPRING SATURDAY ACADEMIES

Saturday, January 23rd (All Day)

Friday, February 19th (All Day)

Tuesday, March 22nd @ Colorado City (5pm-6pm)

Wednesday, March 23rd @ Snyder (5pm-6pm)

Thursday, March 24th @ Sweetwater (5pm-6pm)

Saturday, April 16th (All Day)

Tuesday, May 3rd @ Colorado City (5pm-6pm)

Wednesday, May 4th @ Snyder (5pm-6pm)

Thursday, May 5th @ Sweetwater (5pm-6pm)



WEEKLY MEETING SCHEDULE

TUESDAY

Colorado City during lunch

WEDNESDAY

Snyder during lunch

THURSDAY

Sweetwater during lunch



*dates subject to change