**February 13th was TRIO day at the Oklahoma State Capitol. Students that were selected to attend were: Back Row: Aaron Anglin, David Garza, Cheyenne Tsotaddle, Lupe Peralta, Amy Ratliff. Front Row: Tiffany Morgan, Charla Crotts, Jessica Sawyer, and Dalton Holdge.**

It was a day full of fun and education that began “really early” according to some of the participants. The dedicated students arrived at SWOSU around 7 a.m. and were treated to a McDonald’s breakfast and juice. They made their way to the State Capitol around 9:30 a.m. and found great seats on the chamber floor of the House of Representatives! The Kiowa Black Leggings Warrior Society presented the state and national flags. Among the guest speakers were the Honorable Lisa J. Billy, Oklahoma State Representative, Dist. 42; former Tulsa Mayor, Honorable Susan Paddack; Lt. Governor, Jari Askins and former TRIO students. Their messages were simple. If you can envision yourself as a success, then you can become a success. Take advantage of the opportunity given to you through Upward Bound; it opens doors that may otherwise be closed.

**A reward trip is being planned for the end of the school year for the top 20% of Upward Bound students based on monthly meeting attendance, behavior, and Comfit participation.** If you haven’t been attending or doing your Comfit regularly, it’s not too late to start now! This will be an overnight trip that is non-educational and totally FUN! If you have ANY questions about logging onto Comfit, you need to contact us ASAP!! Get motivated!

Our apologies go to David Garza for failing to include his birthday in the January birthday list. His birthday was Jan. 16th. Happy Belated Birthday, David!
**Staff Spotlight - Jamie Novey**

What is your birth date? **March 4th**
What is your hometown? ** McAlester**
What is your favorite sport? **Tennis**
What is in your CD player right now? **George Strait**
What is your favorite video game? **Mario Party 8**
What movie do you know every line from? **Most any Disney animated movie**
Do you read the newspaper or watch the news? **Both**
What time is your alarm clock set for? **6:15 a.m.**
What fast food restaurant did you last eat at? **Taco Mayo**
What did you eat? **Tacos**
What is your favorite hobby? **Digital Scrapbooking**
What was your favorite cartoon as a kid? **Scooby Doo**
What is your favorite book? **The Boxcar Children**
What do you like the best about being in Upward Bound? **I love working with students and seeing them succeed.**
Other information that you would like others to know: **I’m a former UB student and I LOVED being in it. It was Awesome!**

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**Staff Spotlight - Betty Ann Klaassen**

What is your birth date? **March 13th**
What is your hometown? **Hobart**
What is your favorite sport? **Football**
What is your favorite video game? **Pac Man**
What is your favorite movie? **Sound of Music**
Do you read the newspaper or watch the news? **Both**
What time is your alarm set for? **6:05 a.m.**
What fast food restaurant did you last eat at? **Taco Mayo**
What did you eat? **Tacos and beans**
What is your favorite hobby? **Doing counted cross-stitch and scrapbooking.**
What is your favorite book? **Bible**
What do you like best about being in Upward Bound? **Learning about the students and seeing them be excited about all the new experiences of Upward Bound and new friends.**
Other information that you would like others to know? **I have been married to my husband, Bob, for 42 years; we have three married children, and eight grandchildren.**

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**March Birthdays**

- Jamie Novey 4th
- Tiffany Morgan 4th
- Betty Ann Klaassen 13th
- Samantha Martinez 22nd
- Amanda Haynes 27th
- Mykayla Whitebead 27th
Her favorite subject in school is Psychology and her least favorite is Algebra II. Sharon is involved in many activities in school such as Art club, Spanish club, Indian club, Black heritage club, FCA, and is a member of the jazz band. She works at Mazzio’s as a waitress. In her spare time she likes to draw and listen to music. After completing high school, Sharon plans to attend OU Medical School specializing in Psychology and Psychiatry.

Her favorite thing about Upward Bound is staying in the dorms during the summer program.

The legal system affects nearly every aspect of our society, from buying a home to crossing the street. Lawyers form the backbone of this system, linking it to society in numerous ways. They hold positions of great responsibility and are obligated to adhere to a strict code of ethics. Lawyers, also called attorneys, act as both advocates and advisors in our society. As advocates, they represent one of the parties in criminal and civil trials by presenting evidence and arguing in court to support their client. As advisors, lawyers counsel their clients about their legal rights and obligations and suggest particular courses of action in business and personal matters. Whether acting as an advocate or an advisor, all attorneys research the intent of laws and judicial decisions and apply the law to the specific circumstances faced by their clients. Lawyers may specialize in a number of areas, such as bankruptcy, probate, international, elder, or environmental law. Those specializing in environmental law, for example, may represent interest groups, waste disposal companies, or construction firms in their dealings with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and other Federal and State agencies. These lawyers help clients prepare and file for licenses and applications for approval before certain activities may occur. Some lawyers specialize in the growing field of intellectual property, helping to protect clients’ claims to copyrights, artwork under contract, product designs, and computer programs.

Other lawyers advise insurance companies about the legality of insurance transactions, guiding the company in writing insurance policies to conform to the law and to protect the companies from unwarranted claims. When claims are filed against insurance companies, these attorneys review the claims and represent the companies in court. Becoming a lawyer usually takes 7 years of full-time study after high school—4 years of undergraduate study, followed by 3 years of law school. Law school applicants must have a bachelor’s degree to qualify for admission. (Occupational Outlook Handbook 08-09)
This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.