Hi everybody!
Welcome to wonderful fall weather, football and heading back to school. This is a fun time of year for us as Vets enroll in school and start their academic journey. It is exciting and rewarding to be part of that experience.

We start our new five year grant this fall. As I said last year, we are so very thankful for the tremendous support from all of you. That support was truly the difference in our successful grant submission. We are lucky to locally have such a wealth of Federal, State and local organizations, agencies and community groups that support Veterans education. It is a unique community.

We now look forward to serving Vets for many years and to continue the wonderful partnership with all of you.

“It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled, or where the doers of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena: whose face is marred by the dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs an comes short again and again… who knows the great enthusiasm, the great devotions and spends himself in a worthy cause, who, at the best, knows in the end the triumph of high achievements; and who, at the worst if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.”

Theodore Roosevelt

I am reminded of this Teddy Roosevelt saying when I see the work and efforts made by Vets as they prepare for school and their chosen careers. They are “in the arena” and taking the risk.

Have a great fall and joyful holiday season.

Mark Heilman

**Workshops at VUB**

Be sure to attend our VUB Workshops. More information on time and dates will follow soon.

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If you have any suggestions about information you would like to have covered in a workshop, please let me know. jostensaas@boisestate.edu

These workshops are for your benefit so it is important that we provide the information you need!
New VUB classes are starting!!!!!

Writing 100 (M/W 1:30-3:00)
• November
• January

Computers 100 (M/W or T/TH)
• October
• November

Science
• Call for dates

Math 100 (M/W)
• Oct. 28
• Jan 6
• Feb 24

Math 225 (M/W)
• Sept. (1:30-3:00) &
• Oct. 21 (3:00-4:30)
• Jan 22

Math 100 at CWI (T/TH)
• Oct. 29
• Jan 7
• Feb 25

Literature 100
• Call for dates

Spanish 100 (T/TH)
• October
• November

Aleks (online)
• Math

Veterans Upward Bound at Boise State

We congratulate two of our VUB students, Meagan Brown and Dexter Lensing, current recipients of the 13/14 CMEO-Scholarship. Both are students at Boise State University.

Our first Veterans Upward Bound Dinner was a success. We had a fun night of fellowship and good food. David Brasuell, IDVS Administrator, was our guest speaker and a fun time was had by all that attended.

Treasure Valley Veterans Day Parade- Sat. 11/9/13 @ 10:00 a.m. downtown Boise.

Boise Veterans’ Writing Group: For more info: http://boisevetswriting.wordpress.com/
Email: ruthsalter@boisestate.edu or call 426-7057

Idaho N Heroes Outdoors – Disabled Veterans 40% or higher rating from the V.A. for more info: see - IdahoNHeroes.com

Idaho for Success-Free Suits for Veterans – Sponsored by the Gary Sinise Foundation. contact@garysinisefoundation.org

Boise State University: Priority Date for Spring Registration is November 15, 2013.


Jo’s Choice - the teacher who couldn’t read by: John Corcoran

Anita’s Choice - “Half the Sky” by: Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn – (Campus Read)
Meet Dick Balducci:

I was born back East in a small town called New Bedford Mass. I’m of Italian descent and very proud of it. As a child, we played lots of sports such as football and baseball. In those years as a young man, baseball was my favorite. I attended Catholic school and learned that there was a creator who made all things. I wish modern day people would live the life of the Golden Rule as we did. I joined the Air Force in 1951 and spent 7 years in the service. My career in the Air Force was exciting and adventurous at all times. I was part of a crew flying the B29 Bomber in the Korean War. We flew combat missions from Japan to Korea. We had lots of fun, believe me. When my enlistment ended they sent me to a place called Mt. Home AFB. At that time, it was dirty and very dusty in 1957. I fell in love with Boise, met a nurse, got married, and got a job in tobacco sales. I became a food broker, then a manager, and from there I went to work for Hewlett Packard and stayed there for 24 years until I retired. I was always active and kept my body in good condition. I missed my education as a young man but always had a dream to attend school - an impossible dream. I met some wonderful people at Veterans Upward Bound, who told me, “You are never too old to learn!” They took me under their guidance and walked me through the educational adventure. Here I am at the age of 83 and living my dream and I love it.
Meet our Educational Partner:
Scott Willison

Dr. Scott Willison is the Director of Boise State University’s Center for Multicultural and Educational Opportunities.

His responsibilities include the oversight of multiple federally funded programs, including Veterans Upward Bound. These programs are designed to address the academic needs of pre-college and non traditional college students including: migrant, minority, and first generation students.

Dr. Willison is a tenured professor and holds a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction. He is a member of the Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Foundational Studies in Boise State University's College of Education and has published and presented Nationally on matters related to school improvement, the academic success of non traditional students, and other items. He has teaching and administrative experience in rural Native American schools and in urban settings. He is a former recipient of a federally funded bilingual education fellowship and has served the last two years as the President of the National HEP/CAMP Association. This organization focuses on the success of migrant and seasonal farm workers.

Meet VUB's Work-Study, Marybel Cortez:

If you are ever at Veterans Upward Bound on Tuesdays or Thursdays you might be lucky enough to meet and say hi to Marybel Cortez. She has been working at VUB since 2011 and continues to be with us throughout the school year. She will graduate from Boise State University in May of 2014. Here is a little bio on Marybel:

Marybel is a senior majoring in Criminal Justice. She currently is participating in LAE, the Criminal Justice club on campus, while holding 3 part-time jobs. As a McNair Scholar, she has had the opportunity to propose, design, and execute independent research. Currently, she is concluding a study that assessed symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder amongst active-duty police officers in the Treasure Valley. She has presented her research both orally and by poster in Boise, Baltimore, and Las Vegas, where she recently received 1st place in the Student Poster Competition. She is in the process of applying for Biosocial Criminology doctoral and masters programs, and she will continue to conduct research, which will contribute to the major discoveries related to the causes and prevention of crime.

We are so proud of Marybel and proud to have her as part of our team at VUB.
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**Veterans Upward Bound Important Dates!**
Meet Margaret Norris, she teaches Math 225 here at Veterans Upward Bound. Margaret takes her job very seriously so when she was recently called out of town she didn’t want to let our students go without their weekly math sessions. She skyped her students while she was away. It turned out to be a successful venture. Margaret is currently teaching two classes on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Margaret has worked with Veterans in our program since we opened our doors in 2009. Margaret received her A.A. with CSI, her B.S. in math and a second BA in Secondary Education at Boise State University. She then went on, also at BSU, to get her Masters in Electrical Engineering.

When Margaret is not teaching at VUB she is a private math tutor around the Boise State campus and also tutors high school, and junior high students. Margaret loves empowering people to succeed with math. Many veterans have completed Margaret’s math class and are now successfully pursuing their college degrees because of her tutelage.
Important Dates!!

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

November 11 – Veterans Day observed (classes in session and University offices open)

November 15 – Priority date for undergraduate, degree-seeking applicants for Spring 2014.


December 6 – Last day for degree seeking applicants for spring semester to have all admission materials received

December 13 – Course instruction ends
December 15 – Weekend university courses end.
December 16-19 – Final examinations
December 20 – Commencement
December 23-27 – University offices closed
January 1 – New Year's Day (University offices closed)
January 16 – Fee payment deadline
January 21 – Classes Begin
January 27 – Last date to add without permission number
March 3 – Last date to drop with a W

COLLEGE OF WESTERN IDAHO

November 11 – Veterans Day observed (classes in session and University office open)

November 15 – Priority date for undergraduate, degree-seeking applicants for Spring 2014.

November 15 – Last day to withdraw (W grades issued)

November 25-30 – Thanksgiving Holiday (no classes, offices closed November 28-29)

December 9 – Financial Aid Priority Date

December 16-21 – Final Exams/Term End
December 24-25 – Holiday (offices closed)
January 13 – Tuition and Fees Due
January 21 – Classes Begin
January 27 – Last day to register without instructor permission

We're on the Web!
See us at:
education.boisestate.edu/vub
For the 2012-2013 grant year, we served 125 veterans. Of those:

- 80 veterans have completed their VUB Education Plan and of those:
  - 68 veterans have enrolled in post-secondary education
    - 40 enrolled at BSU
    - 21 enrolled at CWI
    - 7 enrolled at other colleges
- 36 veterans are continuing in our program and are projected to enroll next year.

**Classes offered at VUB:**
- Basic Math
- Beginning Algebra
- Reading
- Writing
- Beginning Computers
- Beginning Spanish
- Special Topic Workshops

**Online classes include:**
- Math

**Total Hours of Class per Week**
- Math = 24 hours
- Writing = 3 hours
- Reading = 3 hours (as needed)
- Computers = 3-6 hours
- Spanish = 3 hours (as needed)
- Science = (as needed)
- CWI = 6 hours

*Special workshops offered throughout the year.*