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Benefit Concert in Mountain View at the Ozark Folk Center for the Mountain View Building Project.

April 2, at 7:00 p.m.
Featuring, Roy Rogers Group, Cobb Brothers, Pam Setser Danny Dozier, and Gary Rounds.

From the Kitchen

Sign up for Text alerts each morning for the daily menu in my.Ozarka

Now serving an entrée or choice of Salad Bar, Chicken Strips, or deli sandwich.

The menu is online so check it out!

Lunch Served 11AM-12:30 PM

Breakfast available 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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Spring Student Conference is Deemed Successful



The 10th Student Conference was held on Friday March 4, 2011 at the main campus of Ozarka College in Melbourne. This conference is held every Fall and Spring semester and provides a variety of workshops, presenters and activities to Ozarka College students.

The event was sponsored by TRiO Student Support Ser-

vices, Carl Perkins Grant, Career Pathways Initiative, and Ozarka College. It was open to all students free of charge and included breakfast and lunch.


Around 100 students were in attendance for the technology themed seminar which included general session speaker, Dr. Thomas Pennington, an attorney and professor at Arkansas Tech University who provided an entertaining presentation on Cyber Rights and Wrongs. One student in attendance commented, "He was outstanding. He was truly entertaining and informative and the information was beneficial." Another said "it was organized,

entertaining and informative. Good topic. Great speaker!"

Other workshops included: special guest presenter, Bonnie Hartz from the Student Loan Guarantee Foundation, who presented two workshops geared toward financial literacy. Other presentations were Google Docs, Graphing Calculator, Google Tools, and Database Research Tools.



Around Campus

- **Ozarka Foundation Meeting** Monday, March 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Miller Building Board Room.
- **Midterm Grades Due: March 16**
- **Student Government Assn. SGA** March 17 at 2:00 p.m. Rm. M215B, AF102, and MV101.
- **Board of Trustees Meeting** - March 17 at 4:30 p.m. in Board Room of Miller Building.
- **SPRING BREAK**  **March 21-25**
- **LPN Fall Semester Application Deadline April 1**

Reminders from Career Pathways

A reminder to Career Pathways students that you can request books for summer classes as soon as you complete registration for those classes.

Also, CPI staffing is limited during March, so personnel may not be available regularly on the off-campus sites. Please contact Kim Lovelace or Kendra Smith for information if needed at 870-368-2038 or 870-368-2043.



FOR THE MOST CURRENT EVENTS AROUND CAMPUS CHECK THE ONLINE CAMPUS CALENDAR AT WWW.OZARKA.EDU UNDER NEWS & EVENTS



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*Ned Metcalf,
State Services Manager
at the Arts Center.*

Arkansas Arts Center Artmobile on Campus March 7-11

The Arkansas Arts Center's Artmobile, a 40-ft mobile gallery containing original works of art from the Arts Center's permanent collection will be in the parking lot of the John E. Miller Education Complex of Ozarka College in Melbourne the week of March 7-11 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Artmobile, one of the nation's only mobile galleries of its size, showcases an all-new exhibition – **Frame-works – Art from the Arts Center's Permanent Collection**. The Artmobile attempts to be a travel – size version of the Arkansas Arts Center, bringing art to people who cannot regularly visit an art museum. While it is impossible to represent the full breadth of the Arts Center collection, the current exhibition aboard the Artmobile is an overview of the kinds of objects you can expect to see in the Museum.

The exhibition includes works in all mediums that are always thought provoking as well as aesthetically pleasing. The exhibition

attempts to answer questions about the Arts Center's collection, such as: Why museums collect art? How museums collect art? What makes the Arkansas Arts Center collection special? In addition, the exhibition covers a broad range of works from all periods. Drawings, contemporary crafts, paintings, photography, and prints are all included in this exhibition.

Bringing the art to life and further enhancing the educational opportunity of the Artmobile visit is an on-board Art Educator, Virgil Lawrence, who serves as a guide through the mobile gallery.

"The Artmobile provides a quality visual arts experience that is great for schools, colleges/universities, festivals, special events, museums, libraries, and because it is a mobile gallery, it is a wonderful way to introduce audiences to fine art in their own communities," said Ned Metcalf, State Services Manager at the Arts Center. The Artmobile's exhibition is available to be viewed on

the Arts Center's website: www.arkarts.com under "Touring Programs".

Grant support is provided through the Arkansas Arts Council, an agency of the Department of Arkansas Heritage, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Season sponsors include: Bank of America; The Brown Foundation, Inc., of Houston; Horace C. Cabe Foundation; The Stella Boyle Smith Trust; Centennial Bank; Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield; Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas; and Union Pacific. The Arkansas Arts Center is extremely grateful for the valuable support and contributions to the Artmobile by the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation. Locally, the Artmobile tour is sponsored by Ozarka College.

To schedule a group tour or for more information regarding Ozarka's Artmobile visit, contact Ozarka College Vice President for Planning and Institutional Research, Joan Stirling at 870-368-2007 or jstirling@ozarka.edu.



2010 Gala Special Guest
Speaker: Student, Ashley Hall

Spring Gala Announced by Ozarka Foundation

The Ozarka College Foundation Board of Directors will again host its annual Spring Gala on Thursday, March 31, 2011.

"Celebrating CommUNITY" is this year's theme and will include dinner prepared by the award winning culinary arts department

to be served in the Ozarka College John E. Miller lobby at 6:30 p.m. Along with dinner, there will be an auction with all proceeds going to the Foundation's general fund which will be applied to high need projects at all Ozarka College locations.

Businesses or individuals wanting more information about how to sponsor a corporate table, or to purchase individual tickets, please contact the Development Office at 870-368-7371 or 870-368-2059. Foundation Board members will also be selling tickets around the community.

SCCRC Becomes First Cornerstone Patron for Amphitheatre



The Stone County Community Resource Council has become the first Cornerstone Patron designee for Ozarka College-Mountain View's amphitheatre building project. After their February 14 meeting, a \$10,000 check was presented to Ozarka College President, Dr. Richard Dawe. The Council has now made two substantial donations toward the Mountain View building project.

After sponsoring the Student Success Center in July of 2010 and this recent gift, they are now one of the largest donors for the Ozarka College Foundation, according to Ozarka's Director of Advancement, Suellen Davidson. "The Stone County Community Resource Council continues to set an example of true compassion and generosity. This donation will further the plans to build

the amphitheatre which will not only enrich the lives of Ozarka students, but the surrounding population as well."

The amphitheatre will be available for student and educational purposes, as well as community events. Cornerstone Patrons for the amphitheatre project will not only receive prominent recognition for their generosity, they will also have priority seating for each Ozarka College sponsored event that is held at the amphitheatre.

A gift of \$10,000 or more will give donors Cornerstone Patron designation for the amphitheatre, however other giving levels are available as follows:

- Gold Level - \$1000 - \$9,999
- Silver Level - \$500-\$999
- Bronze Level - \$250-\$499

Gifts less than \$250 are also welcome and may be given to the general building fund.

Construction of Phase I of the Mountain View building campaign, the Student and Nursing Education Center, is well un-

derway and college officials are optimistic that it will be completed sometime this summer and a grand opening and open house will be planned for early fall 2011.

For more information or to discuss other opportunities for giving to this project or other Ozarka Foundation projects, contact Davidson in the Advancement Office at 870-368-7371 or contact Director of Ozarka in Mountain View, Gin Brown at 870-269-5600.



Pictured back row, left to right: , SCCRC President, Jim Qualls; SCCRC Thrift Store Manager, Mary Eggers; SCCRC Treasurer, Bill Settles. Front Row, left to right: Ozarka College President, Dr. Richard Dawe; SCCRC Member-at-large, Jim Kane; SCCRC Secretary, Sandy Qualls; and Member-at-large, Narry Rogers.

Transfer Scholarship Available to HSU

Henderson State University (HSU) in Arkadelphia is offering a 2011 graduate of Ozarka College their President's Scholarship to attend HSU for up to two years. The President's Scholarship is worth \$5,000 per year.

To be eligible the recipient must be a graduate of Ozarka College by May 2011 with an Associate degree and a cumulative grade point average of 3.00. For more information about HSU, their degree programs and campus life; go to their website at www.hsu.edu.

For consideration of this prestigious scholarship, interested Ozarka students will need to complete an Ozarka Scholarship application and designate this scholarship on the application. Please return the application to Director of Advancement, Suellen Davidson by April 1, 2011 to be considered. Her office is located in the Administrative Building, Suite M202; or contact her at 870-368-2059 or sdavidson@ozarka.edu.

New Employees and Positions Filled Recently at Ozarka College

Ozarka welcomes some new faces, some are familiar, but in new places, such as Zeda Wilkerson and Drexene Winey who recently changed positions; along with Kay Adkins and Shelly Medlock who are new to Mountain View and the Ozarka Kitchen.



Zeda Wilkerson has been with Ozarka for five years, having come to the College as Director of Admissions from Lyon College where she was a Recruiter. She was promoted last month to Registrar. Zeda completed her Master's Degree in Community College Personnel in May of 2010 from Arkansas Tech, and received her Bachelor's from Lyon College in 2001. Her family includes husband, Travis, and two sons, Zane and Wyatt. She enjoys reading, music and traveling with her family. She says she looks forward to continuing to serve student in her new capacity as well as working more closely with the academic advising component of Ozarka.

Drexene Winey has been with Ozarka as an administrative assistant for the Information Systems Department over two years. She was hired this month into a new position in Student Services as Financial Aid Specialist and looks forward to working with students to help them in a very important part of their college experience. Drexene and her husband, Dale live in Ash Flat and have three grown children and six grandchildren who are Drexene's pride and joy! She is a member of the Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges Board of Directors and is known for her organizational skills.



Kay Adkins was hired in February to fill the Advising Specialist position in Mountain View. She is also an adjunct instructor and teaches College Success Orientation and Practical Writing on the Mountain View site. She and her husband Carl moved to the Mountain View area from Texas about eight years ago. They have two children and two grandchildren. Kay also enjoys knitting, horses, and reading in her spare time. She says she is very excited to be a part of the Ozarka team in the Student Success area.

A friendly face that has been in the Ozarka Kitchen this semester is Shelly Medlock. Shelly is a lifelong resident of Mount Pleasant where she and her husband, Ken live with their daughter, Sadie. She began working at Ozarka in January and says her favorite dishes to prepare are usually desserts. Along with cooking, Shelly enjoys crafting and gardening. She has been a stay at home mom for several years and is enjoying working with everyone at Ozarka.



Upcoming Allied Health Workshop

The Student Success Center in conjunction with the Allied Health Division is hosting workshops for the allied health related programs offered at Ozarka College. These workshops will be presented by the Division Chair for Allied Health, Ruby Johnson and will include a time for questions relating to various health professions.

This workshop will cover Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Health Information Management (HIM), Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN), and Registered Nursing (RN); and will be offered at the following times and locations:

- Ozarka College - Mountain View, Wednesday, March 9, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 102
- Ozarka College - Melbourne, Tuesday, March 15, at 1:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall of the Miller building
- Ozarka College - Ash Flat, Wednesday, March 16, at 3:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall.

For more information contact Student Success/Advising Coordinator, Mickey Freeze at 870-368-2056 or mfreeze@ozarka.edu.

Ozarka Graduate Continues to Excel



Ozarka College continues to expand its health care offerings because of the need for professionals in the allied health field. The Arkansas Rural Nursing Education Consortium ARNEC program at Ozarka has recently expanded to accept 40 students per year, and the LPN programs continue to flourish. Ozarka also continues to offer credit and non-credit Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) courses to the public as well as participating high schools and local nursing and rehab facilities as needed.

Many success stories exist from students and graduates within these programs. A particular local graduate, Roy Guiltner is one such success. Roy actually began his nursing career over 10 years ago when he was accepted into Ozarka's LPN program; he then dropped out the first semester. He says, "At that time I lacked the confidence that I needed to get through the program. I became discouraged and when the opportunity to go back to work fulltime came up, I quit nursing school and went back to my comfort zone of working in a factory."

After several different factory jobs and working off and on at Boeing, where he was in 2006 when the plant officially closed its Melbourne operation, Roy took another opportunity to

go to college. He credits several faculty and staff at Ozarka for helping him graduate the LPN program in May of 2008, then complete the RN program in December of 2009. "I had to work very hard to make my grades and with the help of many caring faculty, staff and administration who continued to be my encouragers and believe in me, I began to believe in myself and completed my goals of becoming a nurse."

Roy now works in the second floor Recuperative Unit of White River Medical Center (WRMC) in Batesville. His passion for the mostly elderly patients in the unit is evident. In fact, his most recent evaluation from WRMC states that Roy displays the caring qualities of a nurse that cannot be taught in school. His advice to others who might think they cannot go back to school and begin a new career as a non-traditional student is to not give up. "If I can do it, anyone can! The faculty and staff at Ozarka truly care about their students and will be there to help you through when you get discouraged."

Roy is a lifelong resident of Izard County. He and his wife live in Melbourne with their three teenage sons. Roy's other passion is music. He has been the pianist at Midwest Baptist Church for 30 years and he enjoys shape note singing, which is a type of congregational note reading used mainly in gospel music. He admits that the piano is one place he exhibits high confidence and he is known in the local area for his musical talent.

Ozarka is currently accepting applications for the next LPN classes beginning in the fall semester. For information on the allied health programs offered at Ozarka College, contact the Admissions Department At 870-368-2024 or admissions@ozarka.edu; or contact the Allied Health Department at 870-368-2077.

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**Our Mission is to
Provide Life-Changing
Experiences Through
Education.**

Someone Will Be the Next Ozarka All-Star...is it YOU?

Ozarka College and the Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges (AATYC) present the Arkansas' Two-Year Colleges Academic All-Stars scholarship program. One student is selected to receive a \$500 scholarship during the Spring 2012 semester and represent Ozarka as the All-Star at the AATYC annual conference on October 18, 2011 in Hot Springs.

The Academic All-Stars program is designed to reward excellence in academics and leadership at each two-year college in Arkansas as well as service to the college and the community.

To be eligible, students must be an Arkansas resident, expect to be enrolled at Ozarka College through Spring 2012, have completed at least 24 credit hours in pursuit of an Associate degree by the end of the current Spring semester and intend to graduate at the end of Summer 2012. The student must also currently post a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.25 out of a possible 4.00 in all credit coursework taken at that college.

The deadline to apply is May 2, 2011. For more information or to obtain an application packet contact Vice President of Student Services, Ron Helm at rhelm@ozarka.edu, or 368-2027. Applications are available in Student Services on the Melbourne campus or in the main offices at Ash Flat, Mammoth Spring, and Mountain View.