Welcome **Students!**

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to Students

Lunch Served IIAM-12:15PM Daily. Cost: \$3.00 or \$3.50 with dessert.

MENU:

Mon I/I0

Baked Ham Tue I/II **Beef Stew** Wed 1/12 **Chicken Spaghetti** Thu 1/13 **Roast Beef** Fri 1/14 Pizza & Salad Mon I/I7 Meatloaf Tue 1/18 Pork Roast Wed 1/19 **Chicken Pot Pie** Thu 1/20 **Pepper Steak** Fri 1/21 Fish

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Ozarka Welcomes New and Returning Students for Spring

New and returning students at Ozarka College will begin classes on January 10th. The faculty, administration and staff welcomes all students back to campus for a new semester.

Last week, on January 4-6, new students were on campus in order to familiarize themselves with Ozarka and the different departments and processes they will be experiencing during their time as a student.

New students always have a large amount of information to take in and orientation offers them an opportunity to become acquainted with procedures from Computer systems to parking policies.

One of the very important features available to Ozarka students is their My.Ozarka account. This program was intro-



Student, Wanda McConnaughhay, talks about student organi-Academics to Finance to the zations during new student orientation. Also pictured, Gin Brown, Ozarka Registrar.

duced to students in the Summer of 2003 and has become an vital part of Ozarka. The program connects every aspect of Ozarka's infrastructure and gives students easy access to any information they might need, such as, finance records, campus news and announcements, class information and schedules. This system also makes it easier to communicate by email with instructors or other staff on campus and offers many other features which can be customized by individual users.

The Information Systems staff is available to assist students via email or telephone: helpdesk@ozarka.edu 368-2017.

Ozarka College Bookstore

The Ozarka College Bookstore will have extended hours this week, Monday through Thursday, from 8AM-7PM; Friday, until 3:30PM. Regular hours will commence beginning next Monday, January 17th.

Attention Transfer Students

Any students who are planning to transfer to a four-year college to pursue a bachelors degree will have the opportunity to meet with college and university representatives at different times during this semester.

On Thursday, January 13th, at 9AM, Dan Rutledge, representative from Lyon College in Batesville will be available in the Miller Building to meet with Ozarka students about the opportunities available, such as their admissions policies and procedures, academic programs, and financial aid.

There are many transfer scholarships available to attend State colleges and universities, including Lyon College. For information regarding these financial opportunities, contact Ozarka's Student Services.

Around Campus

- **Collegiate Ministry Meetings** are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., in the Dining Hall with Brother Bob Stewart.
- **Student Council Meeting -**Thursday, Jan. 20th IIAM in CI16 (Miller Compressed video room) **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!**
- **High School Business** Competition Day - January 26 Hosted by Phi Beta Lambda.
- Drama Club anyone interested in joining contact Bobby Holder either in the student center or Culinary Arts.

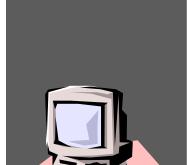
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IST Students Involved in Forestry Project

Ozarka's Information Science Technology (IST) STARS 2023 Project Management class, which consists of Heather Storey and Casey McClanahan of Mountain View, Frances Hubberd of Timbo, and Micah Cooper of Melbourne began a tree project in conjunction with the Urban Forestry grant on the Ozarka College IST STARS in-Campus. structor, Jay D. McCrackin

and the four students met with Joan Stirling and she provided the requirements to receive the grant. The class has inventoried approximately 200 trees during the fall semester and will complete the project in spring 2005. The inventory consists of common name, diameter at breast height, height of tree, crown, condition, and the latitude and longitude with a GPS unit.. McCrackin explains, "On the mapping end of the

project, the students use the ARC 8 program to create a layer. They build an attribute table which consists of the location of the trees on the campus that have been inventoried and all the data gathered." He goes on to say that the class has put approximately 154 hours into the project to date.



Students taking tree

inventory at Ozarka in Melbourne.

End of Semester Keyboarding Contest Results Announced

The second timed keyboarding contest was held the semester in the Business Technology Keyboarding Classes. Keyboarding I students were given three minutes timed writings and had to have three errors or less to be eligible for the contest. Keyboarding II students were give five minute times writings and have five errors or less.

From Keyboarding I, the results were:

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From Keyboarding II, the results were:

Place	Name	WPM	Errors	Instructor
l st	Gina Sicley	56	7	Hollaway
2nd	Amy Stavely	54	I I	Hollaway
3rd	Illein Webb	50	3	Baltz
4th	Rachel Sikes	37	3	Baltz
5th	Patsy Prescott	36	2	Hollaway

Students in Information Processing and Advanced Information Processing were also timed with results as follows:

From Information Processing:

Place Name		WPM	Errors	Instructor	From Advanced Information Processing:				
lst	Debra Davis	84	5	Baltz					
2nd	Bonnie Thatcher	43	I I	Baltz	Place	Name	WPM	Errors	Instructor
3rd	Theresa Halamek	42	I	Baltz	lst	Allison Shaw	45	0	Hollaway

First place winners received blue ribbons. Congratulations to all the students who participated in this fun contest.

Photography Equipment Donated to Ozarka



In December, Horseshoe Bend resident, Sam Wilson, made a donation of photography and dark room equipment to the College valued at \$871.00.

Wilson owns and operates "Militaria", a shop in Horseshoe Bend that specializes in collectable war memorabilia.

Fenton expresses his appreciation to Wilson on behalf of the college. "Ozarka appreciates the generosity of Mr. Wilson's gift and we are hopeful that Ozarka's students will benefit from the use of this equipment in the future." For information on donating to the college, contact Fenton at 870-994-4006.

Items of equipment donated by Wilson



New Tutoring Program Available for Technical Students

Through Carl Perkins federal funding, Ozarka College will be offering a new tutoring program called "EXCEL" (EXcellence through CooperativE Learning) for students in technical programs beginning this spring.

According to Director of Planning and Special Projects, Joan Stirling, "The TRiO program that is in its eighth year of operation on campus offers tutoring for students majoring in the Associate of Arts and Associate or Arts in Teaching, while this new EXCEL program will allow for tutoring of students enrolled in technical programs seeking technical certificates or the Associate of Arts in Science degree." She goes on to say, "this program will greatly benefit another segment of Ozarka students at no cost to them."

For more information or to schedule tutoring services for EXCEL, contact Roger Ezell at 368-3002 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; or 368-2046 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. He may also be reached by email: rezell@ozarka.edu.

County Health Unit Offers Services to Students

Beginning in February, the Izard County Health Unit will have a Nurse Practitioner available every Tuesday for Family Planning Services.

Services available include a health history assessment, laboratory tests, physicals, health education, and many types of contraceptive methods.

According to administrator Treva Englehardt, the cost for Health Unit services are calculated on a graduated sliding fee scale based on income and no one is denied services because of inability to pay. Students should call 368-7790 to obtain more information or schedule an appointment to see the nurse practitioner.

The health unit is located across on Haley Street across from the Miller Building.

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Italy & Greece Trip Deadline Approaching

Ozarka College, in association with EF Educational Tours, continues to make reservations for a trip entitled "From Rome to Athens" during the summer of 2005. Samantha Thornsberry, English instructor at Ozarka, is organizing the tour that will depart from the Little Rock Airport on May 31, 2005 and conclude on June 12.

Thornsberry explains that the tour will take in many Italian and Greek historical sites. She adds, "this trip will be fun, informative and unforgettable. It would make a wonderful last minutes holiday gift for a loved one." The deadline to register and pay for the trip is February 19, 2005 without paying a late registration fee. The total cost for this trip ranges from \$2654.00 to \$3259.00 per person.

This price includes round-trip airfare and other transportation, hotel, daily continental breakfast and dinner, 8 sightseeing tours led by licensed local guides, 1 I visits to special attractions, and a fulltime bilingual EF Tour Director. Some of the sites that this trip will entail are Pompeii, Olympia, Sistine Chapel, Pantheon, and Delphi. There is also an optional four-day Greek island cruise extension available.

All the details of the trip may be

viewed on the web at www.eftours.com. Enter tour number# 228405 under the option "for tour participants – check it out!" Thornsberry, who has been on two other EF Educational Tours, further notes, "This Company does a great job organizing their trips. This will be an opportunity to see many different things without having to worry about arranging where to stay, sightseeing excursions or transportation."

Or for more information, contact Samantha Thornsberry at 870-368-7371 or email sthornsberry@ozarka.edu.