For any new students who plan to enroll at Ozarka College during the upcoming Spring semester, there will be an early registration at each Ozarka College location where they will have the opportunity to meet with an advisor and plan a course schedule for Spring. New students planning to take Math and English courses must have placement scores, by taking the Compass placement test or have ACT scores on file.

Registration and Compass testing will be held as follows:

- Monday, November 17th  Ash Flat  Compass test at 9AM
- Tuesday, November 18th  Mountain View Compass test at 9AM & 1PM
- Wednesday, November 19th  Melbourne Compass test at 9AM

It is advised to arrive at least 15 minutes before the scheduled test time. Acceptable identification must be presented at the time of testing or admission to the test will be denied. Acceptable forms of identification may include current official photo ID such as a driver’s license. Compass testing can also be scheduled at other times by calling the testing coordinator at 870-368-7371.

Students planning to attend registration should submit an Application for Admission either online at ozarka.edu or by contacting the admissions office for a copy. Spring classes begin on January 12, 2009 and a complete schedule can be obtained at www.ozarka.edu, or at any Ozarka location in Ash Flat, Melbourne or Mountain View.

Ozarka College officials encourage any potential or current student to check the website for additions or changes to the course schedule. For further information, contact Ozarka College at (870) 368-7371 or toll free 1-800-821-4335.

New Student Registration Now Underway for Spring

Ozarka College is hosting its first International Day November 18, 19 & 20.

This event’s destination: Italy!

All students, faculty and staff are welcome to travel from 11AM-1PM on each day as follows: in the Ash Flat student center on Tuesday, November 18; the commons area in Mountain View on Wednesday, November 19; and the Student Center of the Main Building in Melbourne on Thursday, November 20.

Travel activities will include free biscotti and gelato prepared by Ozarka’s own culinary arts department, student art with an Italian twist, music, learn some of the language and business etiquette of the Italian persuasion, and see some of the famous sites found in Italy.

There will be a drawing for those attending for $25.00! That’s amore!
Nursing Student Recognized at WRMC

Ozarka College Practical Nursing Student, Jack Huffmaster, Jr. of Hardy was named White River Medical Center’s Employee of the Month for October of 2008.

Jack has been employed by the hospital as a personal care technician since June of 2008. He works on the third floor of the main hospital in Batesville where he performs basic care for patients, such as vitals and basic hygiene, which he says has helped with his education in the medical field. He was also recognized as the third floor Employee of the Month back in the summer.

A junior in the Melbourne LPN program, Huffmaster lives in Hardy with his wife, Dawn and their seven children. They attend Friendship Baptist Church in Highland.

The Ozarka College Continuing Education Department will offer a non-credit course to demonstrate candy making. This two-hour class will serve as an introductory class on using candy molds. Students will learn methods for melting and filling molds with chocolate and caramel, as well as additional instruction for making truffles.

Julie Gossler, Wilton Method Instructor, will teach this non-credit class in Room H112 of the Walter B. Hall Building of the main campus in Melbourne on December 1st at 7PM. Cost for this class is $50 and includes a set of candy making supplies and instruction booklet for students to get started toward creating homemade holiday candy delights.

Limited enrollment is available and the deadline to register for this class is November 21st. Call Kim Lovelace at 870-368-2038 or email klovelace@ozarka.edu to register or for more information.

Upcoming Candy Making Class - One Night Only!

You are cordially invited to

Holiday Open House at one of our College sites
During the month of December.
Drop in for refreshments and fellowship!

• Ash Flat—Dec. 2; 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.
• Mt. View—Dec. 3; 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.
• Melbourne—Dec. 10; 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

For more details, call 870-368-7371.
CARE 2 SHARE

Ozarka College will sponsor a special event on December 1 and 2 for its students and staff. 'Care To Share' is a way to help during these tough economic times, said Deltha Shell, coordinator for this event.

A wide variety of items will be collected to share among the Ozarka College family. Students and staff should drop their items no later than November 25 to Trio offices in Melbourne or the Career Pathways office in Ash Flat. In Mountain View, share items can be taken to the nursing facility.

Items needed include: Toys, household items, non-perishable foods, and new clothing, shoes, accessories. "Basically, bring anything you have at home that is in great condition that could be used by someone else. Maybe it's jewelry or shoes that you never wore, the extra crock pot you haven't taken out of the box or a board game your kids never played with. All those things would make great gifts for our students and their families. If you have questions about something you want to donate, check with us. We can provide you with a list of guidelines."

‘Care To Share’ will be set up on December 1 and 2 in the Miller Building on the Melbourne campus, in Room 106 in the new Ash Flat student center and at the Mountain View Nursing Education building. Students and staff may participate without needing to bring anything to share. Students need only bring their campus ID card for admission anytime from 10 a.m. through 3 p.m. on either day.

For more information, contact Deltha Shell, Holly Ayers, Stacy Dale, Katie Wilson or Karla Rush.

Ash Flat to Host Training

Ozarka College- Ash Flat will host the staff of White River Area Agency on Aging for a training session on Medicare Part D from 8AM-Noon in the computer lab of Ozarka College-Ash Flat on November 18th. For further information on this training contact Lori Gentry at 870-994-3090.

Also on November 18th at 6PM, in the Lecture Hall of Ozarka Ash Flat, the Sharp County Extension Office will offer Pesticide Applicator Training. There is a $10 fee associated with the seminar payable to the Sharp County Extension office. For information or to register, contact Extension Agent, Joe Moore at 870-994-7303.

For information or availability of the meeting rooms at Ozarka College – Ash Flat, contact Campus Coordinator, James Spurlock at 870-994-7273 or email jspurlock@ozarka.edu.

TRiO Chili Cook-off Expands to AF & MV

Since the TRiO Department has had such success with their annual chili cook-off each October, they decided to expand the event to Ash Flat and Mountain View this year. With help from staff and faculty on those campuses, the events held during the week of November 10th were a huge success according to those who participated.

TRiO and other student service programs look forward to continuing to expand services to the off-campus sites in Ash Flat and Mountain View.
Our Mission is to
Provide Life Changing
Experiences Through
Education.

Steering Committee Continues to Make Progress

Beginning in August, the Self-Study Steering Committee began weekly meetings as its pre-planning process for what will be Ozarka’s self-study over the next couple of years. Each week, topics have been presented by the committee members themselves to get everyone informed so that next semester the committee chairs can educate their prospective committees regarding self-study.

Every employee of the college is a member of one of these committees, mainly consisting of the five Criterion of the Higher Learning Commission, along with some other support committees. These groups are key to the success of the self-study process along with a smooth visit when the Higher Learning Commission evaluators are on campus in 2011.

Ozarka College President, Dr. Dusty R. Johnston praised the steering committee for their hard work so far during this pre-planning process. He commented that these meetings had been "one of the most productive processes he had ever been involved with during this career in higher education." He adds, "I am proud of the extra work this committee has done and I have no doubt they have the leadership capabilities to head Ozarka in the right direction for a successful self-study process and reaccreditation visit when North Central sends their evaluative team in 2011."

For more about each meeting that has been held this semester, check out the Accreditation 101 blog that has been set up on the College Effectiveness section of the Ozarka College website at www.ozarka.edu/cs/blog/selfstudy/. (The page is found under "Visitors & Friends" from the home page).