Ozarka Foundation To Host Spring Gala

The Ozarka College Foundation Board of Directors will be sponsoring its annual Spring Gala on Thursday, March 29, 2007. The event includes prime rib dinner prepared by the culinary arts department to be served in the Ozarka College dining hall at 6:00 p.m.

The Foundation board will again host an auction event with donated items. Live auction will include second annual “who holds the purse strings” purse auction. One of these donated purses will contain a cash prize of $500. There will also be silent auction items with something for everyone! Proceeds from this fundraiser will be directed toward the Foundation’s ongoing efforts to provide scholarships and other opportunities for Ozarka students.

Some of the purses available this year include designer bags from The Grapevine in Ash Flat; Lamb’s in Melbourne; Lexi’s Home Sweet Home in Melbourne; The Cornerstone in Mountain View, and a new exclusive line from Dillard’s.

For more information about the Gala event, to purchase tickets at $50.00 per person, or to make a donation, please contact Ozarka College’s Development Office at 870-994-7273 or 870-368-7371.

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Spring Break is Right Around the Corner! March 19-23 Enjoy!!!

Lunch Served 11AM-12:30 PM Daily.
Cost: $3.00 or $3.50 with dessert.

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Around Campus

♦ Collegiate Ministry Meetings are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., in the Dining Hall.
♦ Foundation Meeting March 5th @ 9:30 AM
♦ Faculty Council Mar. 6th 11AM C116 Compressed Video - Miller Complex.
♦ “Hawaii Less Traveled” Mar. 7th 12:30 PM SDR. SEE Page 2 for more info.
♦ Leadership Forum Mar. 8th 11AM Lecture Hall. Contact Deltha Shell for more info. 368-2034.
♦ PBL Meeting Mar. 8th 11AM C116 Compressed Video - Miller Complex.
For more upcoming meetings & events, check out the campus calendar online ozarka.edu.
Pittman Endowment Closer to Reality

The hard work and efforts of many at Ozarka College brought a quality concert in February as a fundraising effort for the Wally Pittman Scholarship Endowment. Even with the stormy weather, approximately 400 people attended the Ollabelle concert on Saturday, February 24.

The eclectic, five person gospel group played two 45 minute sets in the John E. Miller Auditorium.

Along with the concert, many other donations have come into the scholarship funding efforts and several faculty and staff members have worked tirelessly to raise money for their longtime colleague and friend who passed away in January.

More than $6,000 has been raised to date. A goal has been set to raise the fund to endowment level ($10,000) so the scholarship can be awarded as soon as possible.

Anyone who would like to make a monetary contribution toward the efforts, please contact the Foundation Office at 870-368-7371.

Explore “Hawaii Less Traveled”

On Wednesday, March 7th, at 12:30 PM, Geology Instructor, Don Loeding invites anyone interested to view his slide presentation of the Hawaiian Islands.

The presentation will take place in the small dining room in Melbourne.

Loeding worked as an Exploration Geologist in the outer islands when it was only a territory. Slides feature the rain forests, taro (poi) farms, lava flows, volcanoes, and the movie set for South Pacific.

For more information, contact Loeding via email, donloedding@hotmail.com

Financial Aid Workshop in MV

Juniors, seniors and parents are invited to a Financial Aid Workshop on Monday, March 12, 2007 at 6:00 P.M., Room 106 at Ozarka College Mountain View. Information will be available on application processes for state and federal programs, including scholarships, grants and loans. Registration deadline for this workshop is Friday, March 9.

Contact Ozarka College - Mountain View at 269-5600 or call Mountain View High School 269-3943. The workshop is sponsored by Ozarka College, Mountain View High School and Simmons First.
Ozarka College in conjunction with The Big Read grant awarded during the Fall of 2006, hosted its final BIG READ EVENT with the Big Eat & Fashion Show and Big Discussion on February 28 at the Melbourne campus. These events will wrap up its month-long celebration of the John Steinbeck classic, The Grapes of Wrath.

The Big Eat and Fashion Show began at 11AM in the Dining Hall of the Administration Building with readings from the Recollections of the Dust Bowl and Depression Days. This booklet, compiled by Ozarka College personnel, depicts actual stories from many locals and family members of Ozarka, as well as nursing home residents who were shown The Grapes of Wrath movie during January and February.

Guests were also shown a WPA slide show of North Central Arkansas during the 1930’s and served a “poor folks” lunch consisting of beans, cornbread and fried ‘tators. The highlight for most guests during this event was the 1930’s fashion show which featured Ozarka employees modeling many original 30’s attire on loan from Gwens’s Old World Collectibles & Cafe in Calico Rock as well as reproductions of the 1930’s apparel. Ozarka President, Dusty R. Johnston emceed this entertaining event.

At 1:00 the Big Discussion took place in the John E. Miller Auditorium with a scene reenactment from The Grapes of Wrath, followed by an interactive discussion of the book with Ozarka English and Speech faculty and those attending the event. The scene reenactment featured Ozarka’s own Dan Lindsey playing Tom Joad, as well as Ozarka student, Joyce Hanson who was Ma Joad.

Special guest for the Big Eat and Fashion Show was Nancy Steinbeck, former wife of John Steinbeck, IV.

Ozarka College is one of 72 communities nationwide participating in the Big Read, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. The NEA sponsors the Big Read in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest.

Ozarka College Special Projects Coordinator, Joan Stirling who worked tirelessly on this grant, extends her gratitude to everyone who played any part - big or small - with this project.

Pictured Top Left: Dan Lindsey and Joyce Hansen as Tom & Ma Joad; Bottom Left: Joan Stirling in her 30’s style dress and hat.

Top Right and clockwise: Sandra Miller shows the “sassy” side of the 1930’s in her reproduction dress; Media Specialist Dan Lindsey displays his original 1930’s tie; Ozarka’s Arthritis Class members and instructor attend the event.
Ozarka College will offer the basic real estate licensure course in Ash Flat in conjunction with Kelton Schools of Jonesboro. Classes begin on June 9 and end on July 21.

This class totals sixty hours of training in basic real estate principles and is designed to prepare persons to obtain an Arkansas real estate license. However, contractors, lenders, developers or anyone interested in learning more about real estate procedures can attend the course. The schedule for the real estate program can accommodate persons already working full-time and will meet only during weekends at the Ozarka campus in Ash Flat. Classes will meet from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. on June 9, 10 and 23 and July 7, 8 and 21.

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Since enrollment is limited, advance registration is required. Cost for the 60-hour program is $425.00. For an application or more information about the course, call 870-368-7371. The deadline to register is June 1, 2007.

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BEHIND CLOSED DOORS - A PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTARY ABOUT DATE RAPE

Photographer Gabe Hopkins created this photographic documentary with the purpose to educate and create awareness about sexual violence, one of the most underreported crimes in America. This short documentary consists of tasteful photographs that depict a fictional date rape. It is our hope that this documentary will raise awareness by shedding light on the severity of this crime and the impact that sexual violence has on the survivor.

Showings for Interested Ozarka Students in Mountain View on March 13 at 11:00 a.m. in room 106; in Melbourne on March 15 at 11:00 a.m. in room C115; and in Ash Flat on April 3 at 11:00 in room 109.

Time will be allotted for discussion, questions, and comments following the viewing of the documentary. Due to the possibility that these images could generate emotional responses from previous victims or friends of victims, a counselor and advocates will be available for victim services.

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