Registration for Current Students

Any current student planning to attend classes during the upcoming Summer I, Summer II and/or Fall semesters should get registered now. Current students are considered those who have successfully completed a semester at Ozarka. To register online, meet and plan class schedules with an academic advisor and made financial aid arrangements.

Any new or first time, full time students may register during the early registration dates that will be offered beginning in May as follows:

Summer I, II, and Fall Registration
May 19th, 9:00-4:30 - Mountain View
May 20th, 9:00-4:30 - Ash Flat
May 21st, 9:00-4:30 - Melbourne

Anyone planning to enroll as a new student at Ozarka College must take the ACT or Compass Exam. These test scores are required for placement in English, reading, and mathematics. Compass testing will be available during each of the dates mentioned (except August 14) beginning at 9AM, or by appointment. To schedule an appointment call (870) 368-2049 in Izard County, 870-269-5001 in Stone County, 870-994-4009 in Sharp County, or toll free 1-800-821-4335. A photo ID is required to take the test.

Tips for FINALS WEEK
• Study Hard
• Get plenty of rest
• Eat healthy meals
• Dress comfortably
• Arrive early for the test.

GOOD LUCK To ALL STUDENTS!

Graduation Info!

For those students graduating, practice will be held in the John E. Miller Auditorium at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday May 6. Graduates will meet in the Lecture Hall at 6:00 p.m. on the night of commencement. Caps and gowns may be picked up May 1-8 at the Ozarka College Bookstore. The 2008 Ozarka College Commencement will take place on May 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the John E. Miller Auditorium.

Getting your official 2008 Ozarka MASH Unit Relay for Life Shirt!
(you do not have to be a member of the team to get one.)

Online Campus Calendar
at www.ozarka.edu under News & Events
Nursing Students Compete at ALPNA

Ozarka College Practical Nursing Program recently attended the 12th Annual Arkansas Licensed Practical Nurses’ Association (ALPNA) Spring Conference and Competition at Harding University in Searcy.

Eighty-six students and four instructors from Melbourne, Ash Flat and Mountain View attended and many of the students competed in several subject areas, including: medical spelling, nursing clinical skills, job interview, two person CPR, quiz bowl, prepared speaking, nutrition, anatomy and physiology, medical terminology, and pharmacology.

Ozarka’s students did very well in the competition according to instructor, Katie Wilson with several receiving awards for their efforts.

From Melbourne’s program, (pictured left to right) Corey Masson of Melbourne and Jean Ann Jackson of Franklin won first place in two-person CPR. Mike Rogers of Mountain View won third place in Anatomy & Physiology.

Ash Flat student, Bethany Roberts of Salem won third place in Nutrition.

Mountain View students, (pictured left to right) Pam

Townson of Mountain View placed third in Prepared Speaking, and Kim Browning of Mountain View placed third in Medical Spelling.

ALPNA’s purpose is to connect all licensed practical nurses in the State of Arkansas and promote contacts on national, state and local levels with groups interested in the improvement and extension of nursing service, including the advance of educational standards of practical nurses and the continuance of their education.

There is still time to apply to be the Academic All-Star! See Ron Helm for an Application.

WANTED
NEW OR USED BOOKS

Ozarka College Career Pathways is looking for donations for the following books to start a book loan program:

Practical Writing – Exploring Writing (ISBN# 4122)
English Comp II – Essentials of Academic Writing (ISBN# 5999)
Writer Reference (ISBN# 0257)
Communication - In the Company of Others (ISBN#7125)
Fundamentals of Algebra - Basic College Mathematics (ISBN# 3883)
Intermediate Algebra - Basic College Mathematics (ISBN# 3883)
World Literature I – Bedford Anthology of World Lit Pack A (ISBN# 4808)
World Literature II – Bedford Anthology of World Lit Pack B (ISBN# 4824)
General Biology – Biology: Understanding Life (ISBN# 3659)
General Psychology – Psychology in Action (ISBN# 7246)
Intro to Sociology – Sociology in a Changing World (ISBN#6350)
Basic Human Nutrition – Nutrition Essentials and Diet Therapy (ISBN# 6118)
Human Relations – Human Relations (ISBN# 8789)

Please contact Laura Lawrence (870)368-2043
Or one of the Career Pathways Counselors.

Thanks for your help!
Automotive and Culinary Students Compete at SkillsUSA

Two students from Ozarka College’s Automotive Service Technology (AST) program; and nine students from Ozarka College’s Culinary Arts program participated in the 42nd annual Arkansas Association of SkillsUSA 2008 Championship Conference, held at the Hot Springs Convention Center on April 15-16.

James West and Lanny West, both of Ash Flat, competed against more than 60 students from other secondary and post-secondary AST programs from around the State of Arkansas. James won the Bronze medal for the event.

The rigorous competition included performing tasks in all eight areas of the automotive industry including: engine repair, electrical systems, suspension and steering, engine performance, brake systems, heating and air conditioning, automatic transmissions and transaxles; and manual drive train and axles.

In addition, there were two written tests, as well as skills and knowledge of utilizing diagnostic scan tools to diagnose mechanical and electrical problems, and the use of other precision measuring devices and equipment.

Accompanying the students to the competition was Ozarka College Automotive Instructor, Larry Wilkes. Wilkes expressed his appreciation for the hard work of these students in class and at the competition. “These guys were up against some stiff competition with more than 60 others in this category. They have worked hard this year and the payoff shows when our students can excel in a statewide competition.”

For the second consecutive year, Ozarka swept the Commercial Baking category with Gold winner, Kim Brown of Glenwood; Silver winner, Danielle Vickers of Marshall; and Bronze winner, Keisha Strader of Rosie. The competitors had to prepare several baked goods including: apple Pie, yeast bread, dinner rolls, cinnamon rolls, fruit filled coffee ring, French horns, sugar cookies, puff pastries and cake decorating.

Three students competed in the Food and Beverage Service category; Ginny Tebbetts of Bryant won Gold; and Zona Buchanan of Horseshoe Bend won Silver. Daren McCown of Bryant also competed. The competition in this category tests students on their ability of hosting, table setup and serving guests in a full course dining situation.

Three students competed in the Culinary Arts category. Joey Stender of Ash Flat took the Gold medal in that division. Hannah Hardin of Newport and Jarrett Wilson of Viola also competed in this comprehensive category, which included technical cuts on poultry, making a broth then using it for an entrée; preparing a Caesar salad, rice pilaf, sautéed chicken, and julienne strips of zucchini and yellow squash.

Accompanying the students to the competition was Ozarka College’s SkillsUSA Advisor and Culinary Arts instructors, Linda Taylor and Mimi Newsome. Taylor was ecstatic with the results from the competition saying, “These students work so hard throughout the year. They put in long days and nights and this event is a culmination for their efforts.” She adds, “This group of students represented Ozarka College and their communities at a level that is second to none!”

The three Gold medal winners are also eligible for the National SkillsUSA competition which will take place in Kansas City, Missouri this June.

SkillsUSA is a national organization serving high school and college students enrolled in technical, skilled, and service occupations.

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-Larry Wilkes
PTK Inducts New Members

Ozarka College's Beta Alpha Eta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), a national honor society for students in two-year colleges, inducted new members during its Induction Ceremony, held Monday evening, April 7, 2008.

After PTK President, Hans Robinson welcomed students and their guests to the ceremony, Ozarka President, Dr. Dusty R. Johnston congratulated each new inductee on their educational success and leadership thus far and wished them continued success for the future.

PTK Vice President, Michelle Reid and Secretary, Dianna Watson presented the candidates for induction. PTK officers for the 2007-2008 academic year also include Treasurer, Charlotte Knox. This year’s advisors are Ozarka College instructors: Melissa Martin and Tracie Morris. Following the induction, PTK members and guests enjoyed a reception catered by Ozarka’s Culinary Arts students in honor of the new members.

Students eligible for membership in PTK must have a grade point average of at least 3.50 on twelve hours toward an associate's degree. Membership in Phi Theta Kappa revolves around the four Hallmarks of Scholarship, Fellowship, Leadership, and Service.

The following students were inducted during the ceremony, Naomi Anderson, Misty Brewer, William Brooks, Glenda Brown, Ashley Crider, Seth Engelhardt, Kayla Finley, Kary Foster, Amanda Gay, April Gist, Brandy Gregory, Elizabeth Johnson, Sharon Milholland, Tamara Miller, Jeff Moser, Paige Mullins, Jason Thomas, Nina Thornton, Patsy Tice, Regina Twilley, Tyler Wammack, Shelly Whetstone, and Lynn Williams.