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Cost: \$2.50 or \$3.00 with dessert.

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Mon 8/16 Chicken & **Dumpling Pot Pie** Tue 8/17 Beef & Chicken Enchiladas Wed 8/18 Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Vegetable Thu 8/19 **Roast Beef Plate** Fri 8/20 Ham Steak. **Potatoes & Vegetable** Mon 8/23 **Chicken Parmesan** Tue 8/24 Beef Tips & Noodles Wed 8/25 **Pork Roast** Thu 8/26 **S**paghetti Fri 8/27 Fish Sandwich & Chips



Fall Classes Begin August 19th

Ozarka College students are getting ready for another Fall semester of classes. With most classes to begin this week, everyone at Ozarka: new students, returning students, faculty, staff and administrators are in preparation for another great academic year.

The last couple of weeks have brought many students on campus at Melbourne, Mountain View Ash Flat, and the virtual campus of the world wide web to register.

New student orientation and registration takes place August 13, 16, and 17, however, anyone interested in enrolling for classes as a new or a returning student may do so through the late registration period which ends on Tuesday, August 24th.

To take advantage of late registration, the Ozarka Admissions Department at 870-368-7371 or toll free 1-800-821-4335. To view the current online Fall schedule, log on to www.ozarka.edu.



Pictures from New Student Orientation/Registration 8/13-8/17



Top: Student Ambassadors pass out orientation folders. Middle: Deltha Shell of SSS explains their free services. Bottom: Randy Scaggs directs

Ozarka-Mountain View Groundbreaking

Next week, *Ozarka College Mountain View* will break ground. The permanent facility will be located on South Riggsville Drive off of Highway 14 in Mountain View. The ceremony will take place at 9AM on Thursday, August 26th at the building site and the public is invited to attend the celebration.

The ten acre parcel of land behind the Department of Human Services building was purchased by the college in May of 2003 from Stone County. The new building will be 9,322 square foot and house five classrooms, reference room, offices, and restroom facilities.

The contractor, Noacon, Inc. of Fairfield Bay, has already begun initial groundwork to the site.

The public is invited to attend the groundbreaking event on August 26th. Ozarka's Culinary Arts Department will provide refreshments after the ceremony.

Around Campus

- Collegiate Ministry Meetings are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at I 1:00 a.m., in the Dining Hall with Brother Bob Stewart.
- PTK Tuesday Aug. 31st 11am Miller Compressed video room (C116)
- Student Council Thursday, Sep. 2nd, 11AM, Miller Compressed video room (C116)
- Watch this Section for Club meeting times and other events happening at Ozarka College.

Email kwhitten@ozarka.edu to have your meetings or events in the Ozarka College Connection, Around Campus Section. PAGE 2



Christy Miller & Daniels



Watch for the Cafeteria Survey in the August 30th edition of the Ozarka College Connection.



Academy Teacher, Connie Hoskinds

Charlie Daniels Band Entertains Local Fans

On Friday, August 13th, many fans of Charlie Daniels were captivated by the entertainer in the John E. Miller Auditorium on the Ozarka College Campus. The country artist performed all his big hits, including, Long Haired County Boy, The South's Gonna Do It (Again), The Legend of Wooley Swamp, and the Devil Went Down to Georgia. He also performed gospel and rock-and-roll numbers.

The David Grimes Band opened for Charlie Daniels. Grimes and his wife, Paula were also responsible for having Daniels perform in Melbourne. They have also brought other performers to the area, including Merle Haggard and the Bellamy Brothers.

One local member of the audience was also able to perform with Charlie Daniels during the Orange Blossom Special. Christy Miller danced on stage with the band. Miller is a clogger and the performance was a crowd pleaser.

The Charlie Daniels Band members, besides Daniels himself, include: Taz Di Gregorio on keyboard; Charlie Hayward on bass guitar; Bruce Brown, lead guitar; Pat McDonald on drums; and newest member, Mark Matejka on guitar. Daniel's also plays guitar and fiddle.

Take the Ozarka Cafeteria Survey

In an effort to better meet the tastes of those who eat lunch in the Ozarka Cafeteria, there will be a survey available in the next edition of the Ozarka College Connection for suggested menu items that Ozarka Cafeteria patrons would prefer to see (or not see) on the menu.

Ozarka's Kitchen is open from 11AM-12:15PM, Monday through Friday to serve lunch. Price for lunch is \$2.50 and includes tea, lemonade or water. Dessert can be added for fifty cents more. All students are invited to eat lunch at Ozarka's Kitchen located in the Main Building.

Hoskinds Awarded Child Care Credential

Connie Hoskinds of Melbourne has been awarded a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential in recognition of outstanding work with young children. Hoskinds is the teacher for the toddler class at the Ozarka College Kids Academy. The credential was awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition in Washington, D.C., which represents the early childhood profession.

CDA is the only major national effort to improve childcare by evaluation and recognizing the skills of individuals providing care. The First Credential was awarded 25 years ago, and now 46 states plus the District of Columbia include CDA in their childcare licensing regulations.

Parents who use childcare are especially concerned today about their children's welfare. With this in mind, as part of the CDA assessment process, every candidate for the CDA credential is observed working with young children or families by an early childhood professional. In addition, the candidate must demonstrate the ability to work with families to develop children's physical and intellectual capabilities in a safe and healthy learning environment.

The CDA credential is having a positive effect on the quality of childcare. Its impact is evident in center-based and home visitor

programs as well as family childcare, the most common form of care for children under 5 years old.

The Ozarka College Kids Academy is a preschool and childcare program for students of Ozarka College as well as the public. The Academy can facilitate up to 42 students ranging in the ages of six weeks to five years old. Hoskinds' toddler class has nine students, whose ages are 18 months to three years old. There is also an infant class (six weeks to 18 months); a preschool class (three years old); and a pre-kindergarten class (four and five year olds.) Currently, there are 42 students enrolled at the Academy.

Special Section: STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AT OC

All Ozarka College Students should be aware of the student clubs and organizations that are available at Ozarka. These clubs and organizations are fun and great way to meet other people sharing the same interest or motivations. One of the most beneficial factors to students being involved with college organizations is the experience gained that can be used on resumes when searching for jobs, scholarship applications or applying to four-year institutions.

Some of Ozarka's student clubs and organizations can be joined by simply signing up and getting involved; while others are based on academics or majors. As Ozarka College continues to grow, student clubs and organizations will also grow and become more active. This Special Section includes a full list and description of each club at Ozarka. All students are invited to see what goes on beyond going to class at Ozarka, by coming to a club meeting. The Ozarka Campus Connection always includes a calendar of club meeting dates, times and locations in the "Around Campus" section on the front page, or check the My.Ozarka website.

Student Council: Open to all students, to become directly involved with student issues, concerns, and needs. "Stu-Co" promotes communication among students, faculty, staff, and administration. Student council members are the "voice of Ozarka students and provide leadership to the student body. Members plan, implement, assist and participate in many Ozarka functions and activities.

Advisors: Joanna Fulbright & Jeremy Nicholson

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK): PTK is an international academic honors fraternity for students in two year colleges. Ozarka PTK members must have completed 12 semester hours of coursework counting toward an Associate's degree and have a GPA of at least 3.50, while adhering to the school's conduct code. PTK members wear honor stoles at graduation and are eligible for PTK scholarships. Advisors: Samantha Thornsberry, Michael Orf & Rick Tankersley

Vocational Industrial Club of America (VICA): Open to students, former students or others interested in the various career fields, such as Automotive, Culinary Arts, or other technical programs. VICA students compete at events on the state and national level in their technical field.
Advisors: Rick Tankersley & Larry Wilkes

Phi Beta Lambda (PBL): A National organization of students preparing for business-related careers. PBL members learn to engage in individual and group business enterprises, hold office and direct the affairs of the group and with other organizations. PBL students compete honorably with colleagues on the local, state and national level. Advisors: Brad Hollaway & Stephen Baltz Arkansas Licenced Practical Nurses Association (ALPNA): The official "voice" of LPN's in the State of Arkansas. Mem-

bership promotes practical nurses as important members of the health care team, as well as advancing education standards, alerting legislation of LPN's views or initiatives, and encouraging and supporting schools that teach practical nursing. ALPNA members meet and compete to build professional knowledge necessary for licensure. Advisor: Ruby Johnson

American Association for Medical Transcription

(AAMT): A professional organization which advances high standards in skills, education and training for medical transcriptionists. Students in Ozarka's Health Information Management (HIM) program are encouraged to join AAMT at reduced student membership rates to take advantage of education products, receive the *Journal of the AAMT*, purchase discounted reference materials, participate in conferences on the state and national level, and be involved in the field on a professional level.

Advisor: Cindy Conley

Student Arkansas Education Association (SAEA):

This newly established organization at Ozarka works to improve the quality of education in Arkansas. This active chapter focuses energy to develop an understanding of the education profession, provide for a united student voice in matters concerning teaching careers, and influence the conditions under which prospective educators are prepared. Ozarka students enrolled in the AAT program are eligible for membership. Advisor: Craig Keller

Any students who have an interest in learning more or joining one of these organizations, should contact the advisor listed with each club.

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Are you a Football Fan? Join the New Student Formed Football Predictor Study Group

Several Ozarka College students have organized a new student study group at the main campus in Melbourne. *The Football Predictor Study Group* will meet each Tuesday and Friday at 11AM in the student center (Located behind the Hall Building.) One student who has helped organize the group, Bobby Holder, explains, "Our group gets together to discuss local, college and professional football. We invite any other students who have a football interest to join us and make their season predictions." Holder adds, "This group is not a football pool nor are we gambling on games, we are merely fans of the sport and enjoy making predictions and discussing on our favorite teams."

For more information about the group, email Holder at bnholder@eagles.ozarka.edu.



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Ozarka Adds Real Estate Course

Ozarka College, in conjunction with Kelton Schools Inc. from Jonesboro, Arkansas, will offer a basic real estate course this fall in Melbourne. Registration for this non-credit training program is available through the department of continuing education at Ozarka.

According to CE director Karla Rush, "This class totals sixty hours of training in basic real estate principles and is designed to prepare persons to pass the Arkansas real estate license exam. However, contractors, lenders, developers or anyone interested in learning more about real estate procedure can attend the course. You don't necessarily have to be planning to get a real estate license to benefit from this training."

The schedule for the real estate program is designed to accommodate persons already working full-time and will meet only during weekends at the main campus in Melbourne. Classes will meet from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. on October 16 and 17, November 6, 20 and 21 and December 4.

Kelton Schools Inc. (#0108) is an approved provider for real estate training as determined by the Arkansas State Board of Private Career Education. All courses offered by Kelton Schools are acceptable by the Arkansas Real Estate Commission as well. Rush adds, "We are delighted to be partnering with Kelton Schools. We know they will bring a quality educational program to Melbourne."

Since enrollment is limited, advance registration is required. Cost for the 60-hour program is \$370.00. For an application or more information about the course, call 870-368-7371.