Ozarka College, along with the Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) organization, hosted the 27th Annual High School Business Competition Day on Wednesday, January 25. Over 170 Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) members from 16 area high schools competed in 16 events. These schools included: Highland, Evening Shade, Izard County Consolidated, Melbourne, Mount Pleasant, Norfork, Mountain View, Rural Special, Mammoth Spring, Hillcrest, Salem, Cotter, Viola, Timbo, Calico Rock, and Williford.

Led by PBL Advisor, Brad Hollaway, Ozarka College faculty, staff and administrators were responsible for the organization, communication, registration, and grading of tests, and the presentation of awards. Hollaway extended a heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated and assisted with the competition. “We appreciate all of the high schools and FBLA advisors as well as the Ozarka College team for helping make this a successful High School Business Competition Day! We especially appreciate each and every participant for their hard work and determination both in preparation for and during the competitions.”

The Sweepstakes Awards are given to the schools with the most accumulated points. Points are earned on the following basis: 3 points for 1st place in each event; 2 points for 2nd place in each event; and 1 point for 3rd place in each event. The school with the most points at the end of Competition Day is awarded a one-year, tuition-paid scholarship for a student from their school to attend Ozarka College. The second and third place schools receive a one-semester, tuition-paid scholarship for a student from their schools to attend Ozarka College. This year, Mountain View and Mount Pleasant tied for first place and will each receive the one-year, tuition paid scholarship. Norfork won 3rd place.

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Fall 2005 President’s List

One hundred-forty-two full-time students qualified for the President’s List at Ozarka College for the Fall 2005 semester. This included eighty-one with perfect 4.00 grade point averages. All others earned at least a 3.50 average.

4.00 students from Fulton County were Danaya Burch of Camp; Charlotte Collins, Rebecca Henry, and Andrew Schwartz of Mammoth Spring; Kristin Dawson and Lisa Worsham of Salem; and Jamie Foster of Viola.

Izard County 4.00 students were Marilyn Hall of Brockwell; LaDana Day, Jeannie Day, Kristi Hayes, Tamara Lester, Buddy Patterson and Amanda Wilson of Calico Rock; Allison Bowser of Franklin; Cheryl Ekenes and Peter Landrum of Horseshoe Bend; Whitney Ballard, Angie Bartmess, David Brightwell, Kristi Colgrove, Sandra Conway, Mary Foote, Georgetta Haack, Robert Hines, Kimberly Johnson, Meridith Luter, Hannah Miller, Janette Shultz, Nathorn Shultz, and Brandy Wall of Melbourne; Richard Caraway, Charlotte Davis, Jacqueline Davis, Audra Holowell, and Julie Qualls of Mount Pleasant; Evelyn Dickerson of Pineville; and Lesa Hammond of Sage.

Those from Sharp County earning a 4.00 were Hallie Ballow, Kaci French, April Garrett, Christopher Smith, and Mark Titus of Ash Flat; Melanie Koch of Cave City; Mary Branch, Lindy Brindley, Angela Duncan, Rachel Kelley, and Teresa Sellers of Cherokee Village; Tonya Kisse, Sarah Murphy, and Stephanie Myal of Hardy; Nancy Niswonger of Poughkeepsie; and Gail Moye and Leann Rush of Sidney.

Stone County students with perfect grades were Stefanie Bradshaw, Christopher Brown, Kayla Condrey, Mardena Gibernson, Mary Knapp, Carol Lea, Amy Littrell, Kristin Phtrooper, Paul Pipkin, Misty Powell, Melissa Rhoades, Daniel Stevens, Ashley Tiley, Jeanette Totman, Theresa Trammell, Bethany Turner, and Wanda Tutt of Mountain View; Keegan Lawrence and Laken Lawrence of Onia; and Selmer Vines of Timbo.

Also making the 4.0 list is Susan Gardner of Norfork in Baxter County; Connie Bednar and Kelly Hopper of Bateville in Independence County; and Julie Martin and Jill Walling of Smithville in Lawrence County.

General honor roll students from Fulton County included Kristen Crawford of Elizabeth, Candice Retherford of Salem, and Tracy Lamb of Viola.

Izard County general honor students included Dondee Burris, Vonnie Estes and Charlotte Hall of Brockwell; Dawn Davis of Calico Rock; Pamela Matteson and Amy Pruitt of Horseshoe Bend; and Ramona Arnold, Connie Conrad Laura Ferrari, Toni Lindsey, Jessica Rush, Cynthia Rush, Kristin Teague, Julie Teague, Tillman Treat, Michael Vest, and Ilein Webb of Melbourne; Mary Hawks, Zachary Parish, and Beth Qualls of Mount Pleasant; Lauren Cunningham and Laura Gaskins of Oxford; Christine Franks of Pineville; Chance Battles of Sage; Charlene Adcock of Wideman, and Jill Hinkley of Wiseman.

General honor students from Sharp County included Leslie Crouch and Katie Jacobs of Ash Flat; Carl Cannady, Lesley Neegron, and Megan Phelps of Cherokee Village; Juania Bailey, Colleen Dawson, Susan Haigwood, Martha Jones, Jared Midleton, Amy Sisson and Brian Statler of Evening Shade; Michelle Husung, Natalie Strait and Andrea Sublett of Hardy.

Stone County students making the list included Dorian Bell, Lilly Boren, Krystle Bozeman, Kastie Branscum, Audrey Chandler, Pamela Pipkin, and Justin Solomon of Mountain View; Tina Armstrong and Amanda Stone of Pleasant Grove; and Donnie Attaway of Timbo.

Qualifying for general honors from Independence County were Resa Dowdy and Laura Stroud of Bateville. The President’s List also included Andrea Carlton of Edgemont in Cleburne County; Teana Cox of Leslie in Searcy County; and Kimberly Roden of Shirley in Van Buren County.

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eBay Selling Course to Begin Feb. 11th

The Ozarka College Continuing Education Department will offer “Basics of Selling on eBay,” Saturday, February 11 from 9AM – 4PM. On the following Saturday, February 18 from 9AM – 4PM, a more advanced course entitled “Beyond the Basics” will be presented.

These courses will be delivered by instructor, Linda Beer, who is a “Power Seller” on eBay and uses the same training and student materials as eBay University. Students will learn how to do research and create listings to attract buyers, enhance listings with better descriptions and photography, maximize profits by setting correct pricing, open and use a PayPal account, monitor sales to find what is working and what is not, and learn the costly mistakes that new eBay sellers make.

The cost for each course is $70 and an optional student workbook will be available from the instructor the day of the class for $10. All students must have an email account set up prior to the class.

This course will take place at Ozarka in Melbourne in the Hall Building Computer Lab, Room H101. Call Kim Lovelace by February 3 to register for one or both of these classes at 870-368-7371, outside Izard County, 1-800-821-4335, or via email, klovelace@ozarka.edu.
Ozarka College will offer a course in child care orientation training (CCOT) in February at the main campus in Melbourne. This training is being offered in partnership with the Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education of the Arkansas Department of Human Services and the University of Arkansas.

This program is recommended for childcare personnel with little or no training in a child care setting. Graduates from the CCOT course are also eligible to apply for Child Development scholarships applicable for further training offered by Ozarka College.

Topics to be covered in this CCOT course include child growth and development, children’s health, developmentally appropriate practice, handling emergencies, child safety, communication, observation, assessment/accountability and human diversity.

Classes meet February 6, 9, 13 and 16 from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Amy Pinkston, Director of Ozarka Kids Academy, will be the instructor for the CCOT course.

Even though this training is provided free of charge, enrollment is limited. To register, call 870-368-7868.
Instant Piano Workshop March 30th

Once again for the six consecutive year, the Ozarka College Continuing Education Department will sponsor a workshop titled “Instant Piano for Hopelessly Busy People”. The class will meet from 6:00-9:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 30, in the Lecture Hall of the John Miller Education Complex in Melbourne.

During the evening, students will be able to learn all the chords needed to play any song, in any style, in any key. Topics include how chords work in music, musician “shortcuts”, how to “speed read” sheet music, how to handle different keys and time signatures, and simple techniques of “counting” music. Students will have access to a keyboard to practice skills being presented in the class.

Instructor David Haynes holds a master’s degree in music education with 25 years experience in teaching. He has played the piano since the age of six, spending his high school and college years accompanying numerous soloists and choirs and twice as piano soloist performing concertos with college and university orchestras. He now teaches private lessons in the Chattanooga area and conducts workshops in colleges all over the Southeastern United States. Mr. Haynes offers the Instant Piano course so that “anyone who knows where to find middle C on the keyboard has sufficient musical background”. The cost for this seminar includes $40.00 tuition which is payable to Ozarka College plus a separate materials fee of $25.00 for a 33-page book and a 60-minute practice CD to be provided by the instructor.

Registration will be available for Instant Piano until March 24. For more information, contact Kim Lovelace at 870-368-7371 or 800-821-4335 from outside Izard County.