

# Ozarka College

## THE CONNECTION

### Student Activities

**9/3:** Nursing students at Mammoth Spring hosted a presentation by Christos House regarding the role of the nurse with victims of domestic violence. The students were so impressed with the organization that they opted to donate the profit they made while selling water at the Red, White and Blue BBQ event to Christos House. They also donated new toiletries, gently used toys and clothes.

**9/5:** Instructors David Mitchell and Bruce Dietsche went on a field trip to Weaver Creek with Rural Special's 7th grades science class. The students participated in aquatic sampling and were able to view a number of different fish, as well as invertebrates. They spoke to the kids about the importance of headwater streams, aquatic sampling techniques, and conservation of watershed resources.



**9/9:** The Intro to Geography class toured the water treatment plant in West Plains, MO.



**9/10:** Culinary students wrapped up baking and canning projects they have been working on this semester.



**9/13:** Culinary Arts students, Sam Clements and Jaiden Haley, judged the pie, cooking, and Spring River Area Chamber of Commerce chili contests at Eaglefest in Ash Flat.



## Student Activities Continued

**9/16:** LPN students volunteered at a Special Olympics and Safety Fair held near Ozarka College in Mountain View.



**9/23:** Scholarship recipients were honored at the scholarship reception, held in the John E. Miller Education Complex. In addition to receiving certificates, recipients also had the opportunity to meet some of the scholarship donors, hear a motivating speech from the 2014 Academic All Star, Tina Boris, and they enjoyed delish treats prepared by the Culinary Arts department.



**9/23:** Studio Art & Fine Arts Visual students in Mtn. View participated in a mini workshop with artist Jim Tindall. On 9/25 they attended a private showing by 5 Off The Beaten Path Studio Tour artists.



## Upcoming Events

October

- 4: Adventures in Advanced Crochet Hat Making (Mtn. View)
- 4: Foundation Golf Tournament
- 6: Beginning Photography (Ash Flat)
- 7: Culinary Showcase
- 9: Culinary Showcase
- 10: End of 1<sup>st</sup> 8-week classes
- 10: Introduction to Papermaking (Mtn. View)
- 10 Mohair Saddle Cinches (Mtn. View)
- 13: Mid-term Advisory Grades Due
- 13: Start of 2<sup>nd</sup> 8-week classes I
- 17: Intro to Computers (Mammoth Spring)
- 18: Staff Bowl Free in Horseshoe Bend
- 20: Intro to HVAC (Mammoth Spring)
- 23: Community Health Fair in Melbourne
- 23: Alash Ensemble performance in Mtn. View
- 23: American Red Cross Blood Drive in Mtn. View
- 28: Culinary Showcase
- 30: Culinary Showcase
- 31: Basic Blacksmithing (Mtn. View)

### \* Continuing Education Courses \*

for more info, please contact the Ozarka College campus location hosting the course (listed in parenthesis)

## President's Perspective

For those of you who have been on the Melbourne campus recently or have checked the Student Services Center on the College web site, you have no doubt seen what is looking like a nearly finished building project. The spaces inside are being finished out and the furniture is ordered. We plan to move all of student services in by mid-December and open all facilities including the café by the start of the spring semester!

This will bring all key student services together for the convenience of our student body for the first time and it will provide a very comfortable and efficient facility for students to study, take care of important business and recharge their batteries between classes. The building will also provide high tech conference and meeting spaces for students, faculty, staff and the local community and businesses.

Our newly approved aviation degree program, that will provide students an opportunity to train and prepare for careers in aviation, is progressing as planned for a fall 2015 start. We are currently interviewing highly qualified candidates for the program director position and look forward to acquiring aircraft, simulators and other technology as soon as the director is in place. This will bring a high paying and exciting new career opportunity to the region like no other.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to welcome our new Student Government Association (SGA) officers and thank them for the commitment required to serve the Ozarka student body. They are a very impressive and motivated group and I know they will make a lasting mark as we celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> year as an institution at Ozarka.

Best of Success,

Dr. Richard Dawe



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## Valadez Elected President of SGA

Joseph Valadez, a second year student at Ozarka College, has been elected President of the Student Government Association (SGA). Joseph takes courses at the Ash Flat campus and is a Criminal Justice and Corrections major.

For more information about SGA, please contact Ron Helm, Vice President of Student Services, by calling 870. 368.2027 or email [rhelm@ozarka.edu](mailto:rhelm@ozarka.edu).

