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**THIS IS THE
FINAL
EDITION OF
2005**

Lunch Served 11AM-12:15PM Daily.
Cost: \$3.00 or \$3.50

MENU:

- Mon 12/5
Chicken Fried Steak
- Tue 12/6
Roast Beef Plate
- Wed 12/7
Pork BBQ
- Thu 12/8
Chili
- Fri 12/9
Catfish
- Mon 12/12
Beef Vegetable Soup & Sandwich
- Tue 12/13
Chicken Strips
- Wed 12/14
Mexican Plate
- Thu 12/15
Hamburgers
- Fri 12/16
Chef Salad

Ozarka Board of Trustees Hires New President



In a unanimous decision by the Ozarka College Board of Trustees, Ozarka will have a new President to begin January 3, 2006 for the new spring semester.

Dr. Dusty Johnston of Mena was one of four potential presidents narrowed down from a nationwide search of over 90 applicants.

Johnston has a doctorate from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas.

He brings 23 years of experience working in the community college setting to Ozarka, including six years as an instructor and 17 years as an administrator. Currently he serves as Dean of Instruction at Rich Mountain Community College in Mena, and has held that position since 1997.

Johnston will officially begin his new career as Ozarka President on January 3, 2006, when the new Spring Semester begins and Ozarka welcomes him to the community and the college.

Fall Finals Schedule:

If your class meets:

- MWF - 8:00 a.m.
- MWF - 9:00 a.m.
- MWF - 10:00 a.m.
- MWF - 11:00 a.m.
- MWF - 12:00 noon
- MWF - 1:00 p.m.
- MWF - 2:00 p.m.
- MWF - 3:00 p.m.
- MW - 8:00 a.m.
- MW - 9:30 a.m.
- MW - 11:00 a.m.
- MW - 1:00 p.m.
- MW - 2:00 p.m.
- MW - 2:30 p.m.
- MW - 4:00 p.m.
- MW - 4:30 p.m.
- T Th - 8:00 a.m.
- T Th - 9:30 a.m.
- T Th - 11:00 a.m.
- T Th - 12:00 noon
- T Th - 1:00 p.m.
- T Th - 1:30 p.m.
- T Th - 2:30 p.m.
- T Th - 3:00 p.m.
- T Th - 4:00 p.m.
- T Th - 4:30 p.m.

Then your final is:

- Mon, 12/ 12** - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
- Wed, 12/ 14** - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Wed, 12/ 14** - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
- Wed, 12/ 14** - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Wed, 12/ 14** - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
- Wed, 12/ 14** - 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Wed, 12/ 14** - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Wed, 12/ 14** - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- Mon, 12/ 12** - 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- Tue, 12/ 13** - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
- Thu, 12/ 15** - 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- Tue, 12/ 13** - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Tue, 12/ 13** - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
- Thu, 12/ 15** - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
- Thu, 12/ 15** - 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- Tue, 12/ 13** - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Tue, 12/ 13** - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Thu, 12/ 15** - 4:00-6:00 p.m.
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Final exams for any class that meets one (1) day per week are scheduled during finals week at their regular hour.

Around Campus

- ◆ **Collegiate Ministry Meetings** are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., in the Dining Hall with Brother Bob Stewart.
- ◆ **Student Council Meeting** 12/6 @ 11AM in Compressed Video Rm (C116) Miller Complex.
- ◆ **The Elves and The Shoemaker** Dec 7th 10AM Miller Auditorium.
- ◆ **Forestry Courses Dec. 8 & 9** See page 3 for details.
- ◆ **FINALS WEEK Dec. 12-15**
- ◆ **LPN Capping and Pinning** December 12 @ 7PM Miller Auditorium
- ◆ **Holiday Reception** Ozarka Employees, Board of Trustees and Foundation Board members. December 15th @ 2:30PM John E. Miller Auditorium Lobby.
- ◆ **Board of Trustees Meeting** December 15th @ 4PM in the Board Room of the Miller Bldg.

Student Receives Commendation



Dusty Goff

Ozarka College student, John "Dusty" Goff is a student in the Automotive Service Department. He has been awarded the Army Commendation Medal as follows:

"Meritorious service while serving with the Headquarters Section, B Co 3-153IN, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. Spc. Goff is a true example of the Army values and his situational awareness is of the highest standards. His dedication to duty and to his fellow soldiers brings great credit upon himself, his Country, the infantry, and the United States Army."

Along with being a fulltime students pursuing his Associate of Applied Science Degree in Automotive Service Technology at Ozarka, Specialist Goff is currently an active Army National Guardsman serving with the B Company located in Batesville.

Dusty served six months in Egypt, then six more months in Iraq. He received the Commendation on Sunday, December 4th.

Students Encouraged to Register Online

Online registration for current Ozarka students has been available for several weeks. This service will continue until January 3, 2006. Ozarka is encouraging current students to take advantage of this service in order to expedite the regis-

tration process as well as ensuring students they will get their choice of days and times for particular classes.

For a complete list of courses, log onto Ozarka's website: ozarka.edu, or my.ozarka.edu.

Students should meet with their academic advisor prior to registering online.



Native American Literature Offered Again in the Spring

Ozarka English Instructor, who is also a member of the Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians, will again offer a course entitled Native American Literature during the Spring 2006 semester.

This course will examine the common themes found in contemporary Native North American Indian Lit-

erature. Students will focus on several contemporary novels, but will also explore the oral tradition of myths and tales. Additionally, contemporary Native films will be viewed to invoke discussion and understanding of the Native traditions and struggles of various tribes both past and present.

Thornsberry states, "Anyone who is interested in a better understanding of the indigenous people of North America should take this class!"

Contact Thornsberry, at 870-269-5600 ext. 5003 OR email for further information, sthornsberry@ozarka.edu.

Ozarka's Great Hunt Results

Six individuals won the Great Hunt and were awarded Ozarka College camouflage caps. The winners were: Nathon Shultz, Lea Whited, Janette Shultz, Ruth Skrapates, Wanda McConaughay, and Nancy Niswonger.

Thank you for your participation and hopefully each one had fun while learning something new about Ozarka College and/or other facts.

The answers that were required to win are included.

1. What word was misspelled on the front page of the last edition of Ozarka College Connection (11/7/2005)? *"Ozaka"*
2. What year did Ozarka open its doors? *1975.*
3. Which Ozarka instructor is certified in blasting dynamite? *Bettie Estes*
4. Which database does the Ozarka Library have available in print and electronically through the website? *SIRS*
5. The Diversity Soap Box Talk Series is Nov. 22nd. Where did the term "Soap Box" come from, such as, someone "getting on their soap box"? *The literal use of a soap box as a platform for a stage for a someone to speak during the 19th Century.*
6. Which Ozarka Instructor has a pink flamingo obsession? *Judy Cannady*
7. Which celebrity's picture appears on the Ozarka College website? *Robin Williams (under Culinary Arts)*
8. What year was the first Thanksgiving celebrated? *1607 or 1621, depending on the source.*
9. Which Ozarka instructor is a member of the Cahulla Band of Mission Indians? *Samantha Thornsberry*
10. When is the next scheduled student council meeting? *December 6th*

Forestry Class Available

In conjunction with the Arkansas Forestry Commission Urban and Community Forestry Assistance grant which was awarded to Ozarka College for the third consecutive year, Ozarka is offering a continuing education course on December 8th and 9th. The course is set up to benefit arborists, foresters, master gardeners, or those who have homes or business property joining forested areas.

This course will allow for two hours of continuing education credit for the Arkansas Forestry Commission, the International Society of Arboriculture, or as two learning hours for the Master Gardeners program. Since this is offered through a grant project, there is no cost to attend.

The class will be offered at each Ozarka College location as follows: December 8 in Ash Flat in the lecture hall from 6:00 p.m. until 8:05 p.m.; December 9 at Ozarka's main campus in Mel-

bourne in the lecture hall from 9:00 a.m. until 11:05 a.m.; and December 9, in Mountain View, room 102 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:05 p.m.

Director of Planning and Special Projects, Joan Stirling gives an overview of the context of the class. "In north central Arkansas, most of us live in or around wooded areas and the guest arborists will educate participants in several concepts including: care and maintenance of healthy forests; the impact of weather, insects, and disease on forests; protection against forest fires; and many other aspects of forestry."

The lecture will be comprised of two expert guests in forestry. Dr. Tamara Walkingstick, an Extension Specialist in Forestry with the University of Arkansas Extension Service will present a one hour lecture entitled "Keeping Your Forest Healthy."

Laurie Pierce, Information Officer with FireWise will offer her lec-

ture entitled "Fire Safety at Arkansas' Wildland-Urban Interface: Living with the Natural State at Your Door." FireWise is a cooperative effort among federal, state, and private agencies to certify communities as "FireWise Communities" and promote fire safety in the wildland/urban interface.

This project is supported in part by the Arkansas Forestry Commission's Urban Forestry Program and the U. S. Forest Service.

No pre-registration is required to attend the lecture, but attendees should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the event time for registration. CEU certification will be available at the conclusion. For further information, contact Ozarka College at 870-368-7371.

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-Joan Stirling



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A Short Drive to Great Distances



Drama Club to Present *The Elves and the Shoemaker*

The Ozarka College Drama Club is proud to present the Arkansas Arts Center Tell-A-Tale Troupe's production of **The Elves and the Shoemaker, on Wednesday December 7, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.**

Speech and Theater Instructor, Judy Cannady talks about this holiday event, "This play is adapted from the fairytale told by the Brothers Grimm. It is the classic story of a poor cobbler with a good heart and a grateful spirit. The shoe-

maker and his wife receive a magical gift from strange visitors in the night. When they gratefully return the gesture, they are doubly blessed with a long and happy life." She goes on to say, "This traditional favorite is ideal for the holiday season of giving and self-sacrifice."

The play will take place at Ozarka in Melbourne, in the John E. Miller auditorium. Ticket prices are \$2.00 for students. The production will last approximately an hour. A talk back session with the ac-

tors will be held after each production and everyone is invited to stay. Teachers and bus drives get in free! A study guide for the play can be found at this website: http://www.arkarts.com/touring_programs/tell-a-tale/

For further information, contact Judy Cannady at 870-368-2073 or 800-821-4335 or email me at judy@ozarka.edu