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**Congratulations
Graduates!**

Lunch Served 11AM-
12:30PM Daily.
Cost: \$3.00 or \$3.50
with dessert.

MENU:

Mon 5/1
Pork Loin & Au
Gratin Potatoes

Tue 5/2
Beef Stroganoff &
Salad

Wed 5/3
Chicken Strip Salad

Thu 5/4
Burrito Bake

Fri 5/5
Tuna Salad
Sandwich

Mon 5/8
Hamburger Steak &
Mashed Potatoes

Tue 5/9
Chicken & Pasta

Wed 5/10
BBQ Salad

Thu 5/11
Reuben Sandwich

Fri 5/12
Deli Roast Beef
Sandwich

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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.
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T Th - 11:00 a.m.
T Th - 12:00 noon
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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:

Monday, May 1 - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, May 3 - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Monday, May 1 - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3 - 10:00 a.m.-12:00pm.
Monday, May 1 - 12:00 -2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3 - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Monday, May 1 - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3 - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Monday, May 1 - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, May 3 - 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Monday, May 1 - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3 - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Monday, May 1 - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3 - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Monday, May 1 - 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Monday, May 1 - 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 2 - 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Thursday, May 4 - 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 2 - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 2 - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 4 - 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 4 - 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 2 - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 2 - 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 4 - 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 4 - 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Final exams for any class that meets one (1) day per week are scheduled during finals week at their regular hour.

Students may request a change in time for an exam, if three or more are scheduled for the same day.

Graduation Reminders:

- Practice for graduates on Tuesday, May 9, 2PM
- Pick up cap & gown from bookstore May 1-9
- Wear black or dark colored shoes & attire for the ceremony.
- Commencement is May 11, at 7:30 PM. Graduates be in the lecture by 6:30 PM
- Photographer available 5:30-6:30 PM in the board room. Cost is \$5 per pose.



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!!!!

Culinary Students Win Big at SkillsUSA

Seven students from the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Program at Ozarka College competed recently against students from other state vocational-technical institutes and colleges in the 40th annual Arkansas Association of SkillsUSA 2006 Championship Conference. The competition was

held at the Hot Springs Convention Center on April 18th with an awards banquet on April 19th.

In the Commercial Baking category, Meridith Luter of Corning won Gold, and Danielle Vickers of Marshall won Silver. The competition consisted of the preparation of several baked goods including: pies, sweet and yeast breads, cake

decorating, danishes, and puff pastries.

Three students competed in the Food and Beverage Service category; Terry J. Fields of Fayetteville, Raegan Martin of Melbourne, and Doug Ford of Wynne. Fields took the Gold medal and Martin won Silver.

The competition in this category tests students on their ability of hosting, table setup and serving guests in a dining situation.

Two students competed and won in the Culinary Arts category: Derick Baldrige of Mammoth Spring won Gold, while Kyle Bruton of Mountain View won Silver. They had to perform technical cuts and prepare many different food items such as soups, entrees, and salads.

Accompanying the students to the competition was

Ozarka College's SkillsUSA Advisor and Culinary Arts instructor, Linda Taylor, and new Culinary Arts Instructor, Mimi Newsome.

The Gold medal winning students are now 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.

Ozarka College's Culinary Arts and Hospitality Program is the only accredited program of its kind in the State of Arkansas. For information regarding the culinary program, contact Ozarka College Admissions at 870-368-7371, or visit them online at www.ozarka.edu.



Pictured Left to Right: (Back row), Meridith Luter, Derick Baldrige, and Kyle Bruton. (Front row), Instructor, Linda Taylor, Danielle Vickers, and Terry J. Fields.

Nursing Student Wins 3rd in Competition



Gloria Goodman pictured far left.

Gloria Goodman of Hardy placed third in the Job Interview portion of the Nursing Competition held recently at UACCB.

Goodman is completing her freshman semester as a practical nursing student at

Ozarka College this week. Gloria's husband, Aaron is also a nursing student in that same class.

The competition consists of each competing school sending a representative from their freshman, junior and senior classes.

Nursing instructor, Valerie West praises Gloria for her

achievement. "Gloria exhibits a positive and caring attitude. She is an excellent student and will make a wonderful nurse."

West adds that she is proud of the entire freshman class for a job well done this semester.

Urban Forestry Conference & Events



Dave Rush (left) with AUFC Board member Mike Parsons of Bauxite (right).

Ozarka College representatives attended the Arkansas Urban Forestry Council's (AUFC) 15th Annual conference in Fayetteville, April 18-20. Landscaper, Dave Rush and Urban Forestry Grant Coordinator Joan Stirling attended the conference entitled "Trees: the Oldest New Thing in Storm Water Management."

Sessions included information about bioswales for storm water designs, nutrient management regulations, safe pesticide handling, storm water management with trees and structural soils, preserving trees in construction sites, and tree mechanics and storm water. There was also a mayor's panel held on "How are Communities Addressing Storm Water Runoff and Watershed Protection?"

Rush commented, "The conference was very interesting, particularly seeing the current trends across the state in storm water management. Larger cities in Arkansas are leading the way, passing ordinances to ensure that storm water is managed properly to protect the streets and rivers in the area. Holding ponds and riparian or tree buffers are being used."

To join or to get more information about AUFC go to www.arknastrees.org.

On Wednesday, April 12, 2006 Ozarka College and the City of Mammoth Spring joined together in a reception to celebrate Mammoth Spring receiving the designation as a *Tree City USA*. Ozarka College President, Dr. Dusty R. Johnston welcomed those attending the reception, which took place at the fire department at Mammoth Spring. Urban Forester, Dan Johns presented Mayor Jean Pace and Tree Board member Bill Tibbits with the *Tree City USA* flag and street signs that will inform citizens and travelers that Mammoth Spring is a *Tree City USA*. After the presentation, Johnston introduced the guest speaker, Urban Forestry Coordinator, Patti Erwin with the Arkansas Forestry Commission.

Johns commented, "This year Arkansas had 10 new *Tree City USA*'s for a total of 33. This is the largest increase of any state in the nation." He added, "Congratulations to Mammoth Spring for achieving and working so hard to become a *Tree City*. Mammoth Spring designated a tree ordinance, created a four person tree board, and will observe Arbor Day with a tree planting ceremony on April 28th which is National Arbor Day." The nearest cities with *Tree City USA* designation to Mammoth Spring in northeastern Arkansas are Jonesboro and Mountain View.

Being a *Tree City USA* requires a city or town to meet a set of standards that were established by The National Arbor Day Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters. The standards include having a Tree Board or Department, a Tree Care Ordinance, a Community Forestry Program with

an annual budget of at least \$2 per capita, and an Arbor Day Observance and Proclamation. These standards help ensure proper tree selection and managed care and maintenance for the trees.

Tree City USA brings benefits to a city by encouraging urban forestry, increasing the public image by being more attractive to businesses and citizens, and added publicity for the city with the Arbor Day celebration.

Mayor Pace highly recommends the *Tree City* experience for other cities in the area. "Becoming involved in the *Tree City USA* program has focused our attention on replacing trees lost due to storm damage and planting trees to provide shade in areas in our city park, the school campus and at a river access area."

Following the guest speaker, attendees, most of whom represented surrounding communities, enjoyed refreshments provided by Ozarka College. The Arkansas Forestry Commission also provided trees for the attendees to take with them.

These projects are supported in part by the Arkansas Forestry Commission's Urban Forestry Program and the U.S. Forest Service.

"Congratulations to Mammoth Spring for achieving and working so hard to become a Tree City."

-Urban Forester Dan Johns



Mayor Pace (left) with Urban Forester, Dan Johns (right).

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Ozarka College Commencement Set for May 11

Graduation at Ozarka College is scheduled for Thursday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the John E. Miller Education Complex. Commencement speaker for the ceremony this year is Ozarka College President, Dr. Dusty R. Johnston.

Johnston assumed his role as President of Ozarka in January of this year and this will be his first commencement ceremony in that capacity. He brings 23 years of experience working in the community college setting, including six years as an instructor and 17 years as an administrator. Most recently, he served as Dean of Instruction at Rich Mountain Community College in Mena, Arkansas for eight years. Johnston received his doctor of education degree in higher education from Texas Tech University in 1990. He also earned a

bachelor's and master's degree in agriculture education from Texas Tech.

During this past year, forty-six students have earned associate of arts degrees, fourteen earned associate of arts in teaching degrees, forty have completed associate of applied science programs, thirty have met requirements for a technical certificate, and eight have completed Certificates of Proficiency. One hundred forty-three adult education students have received the GED diploma this year. Friends and families of the graduates as well as all members of the public are cordially invited to attend the commencement ceremony.