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**LPN Application
Deadline is April 1st!!!**

**Spring Break is
March 17-21**

**Annual Foundation
Gala is March 27th**

Lunch Served
11AM-12:30 PM
Daily.

**NEW MENU
OPTIONS
in the
Dining Room!!!**

Check my.Ozarka each day for the most accurate menu selections.

**Hamburger,
Chicken Strips,
Hot Dog and/or
Salad may also
be available
each day.
Prices vary.**



Dennis Wiles

Wiles Named to Ozarka Board of Trustees

On February 15, Governor Mike Beebe announced his appointment of Dennis Wiles, to the Ozarka College Board of Trustees. His appointed term will run through July 1, 2014. Wiles is Executive Director of the White River Regional Housing Authority. He and his wife, Wanda, have lived mostly in Sharp County, where Dennis was raised. They currently reside in Horseshoe Bend and have two grown children and one grandchild. Wiles expressed his excitement for helping Ozarka College achieve its many goals through education.

Ozarka and Melbourne Hold Arbor Day

Despite inclement weather, Ozarka College and the City of Melbourne held their Arbor Day celebrations in Melbourne and Ash Flat on Wednesday, March 5, 2008. Due to school closing, the event in Mountain View was cancelled.

The City of Melbourne celebrated Arbor Day by planting several trees at City Hall. Mayor Mike Cone led the celebration where Karla Rush read Mayor Cone's proclamation. County Judge Rayburn Finley and Ozarka Vice President Mike DeLong gave short talks on the positive aspects of planting trees. This was followed by Arkansas Forestry Commission spokesman, Kenny Smothers, presenting Mayor Cone with the Tree City USA growth award. Melbourne had previously been named a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to community forestry.

Students, Lynn Worsham and Tommy Lynn Williams spoke at the events in Melbourne and Ash Flat about the history of Arbor Day as well as the importance of trees to the environment and in society as whole. DeLong and Smothers also spoke briefly at each celebration. The Forestry Commission provided several trees as giveaways to those attending the events.



Left: County Extension Agent Carroll Prewitt, Mike DeLong, Mayor Mike Cone, Judge Rayburn Finley and Forestry Service Officer Kenny Smothers.

Right: Smothers gives trees to several students and staff.



Right: Lynn Worsham spoke at the Arbor Day event at Ozarka in Melbourne. DeLong is also pictured.

Below: Director of Special Planning and Events, Joan Stirling helps plant the tree in Ash Flat.



Right: Student, Tommy Lynn Williams spoke at the event in Ash Flat.



Around Campus

- ◆ **Collegiate Ministry Meetings** are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., in the Dining Hall.
- ◆ **Student Council** March 11 @ 11AM in C116 or CV at Ash Flat & Mt. View.
- ◆ **Pre LPN Workshop** March 12th @ 12:30PM John E. Miller Lecture Hall.
- ◆ **SPRING BREAK!!!!** MARCH 17-21
- ◆ **Board of Trustees Meeting** March 20th at 4PM in the Board Room.

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Stone County Resource Council Endows Second Scholarship

Ozarka College received a second gift from the Stone County Community Resource Council in Mountain View in February. The Resource Council contributed \$10,000 to the Ozarka College Foundation for the purpose of creating another endowed scholarship for an Ozarka student in Stone County.

The Resource Council supports the local food ministry, promotes volunteerism in the community and provides clothing and other necessities to low-income families in the area.

The Stone County Community Resource Council Endowed Scholarship will be awarded to two students annually. Recipients will receive \$500

for the academic year provided the student meets federal financial aid eligibility guidelines.

For additional details on this new scholarship opportunity and other financial aid programs available at Ozarka College, call 870-368-7371 or 800-821-4335.

Miller's Provides Hardhats for Students

On behalf of Miller's Hardware in Melbourne, Trish Miller (far right) was on hand to present Don Loedding, (second from right), adjunct instructor, and several of the Essentials of Earth Science students with hardhats.

Kirk Miller of the hardware store donated ten hardhats for the class to use while in the field for their lab work. The class usually takes four to five field trips per semester and use the hats as a safety precaution. These trips, which have become the highlight of the class, are a way for students to get hands on experience to examine rock outcrops in local quarries, caves and roadside, according to Loedding.

