

# Take Note...

Noteworthy Headlines from the College of the Ozarks Music Department



OCTOBER 2008

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR

October 8—
 NATS pre contest re cital, Newman
 Recital Hall,
 4:00 pm

OCTOBER:

- October 14—
   NATS competition at Evangel University
- October 15—
   Music Department recital,
   Newman Recital Hall, 4:00
- October 16—
   Chorale High
   School tour
   and retreat,
   Tan-Tar-A
   Resort, Osage
   Beach, MO
- October 28—
   Chorale Concert in Royal
   Oak Forum,
   Keeter Center, 7:00 pm
- October 29—
   Music Department recital,
   Newman Recital Hall, 4:00

## **Handbell Choir Wins Competition**

The College of the Ozarks Music Department would like to congratulate Mrs. Droke and the Handbell Choir on their most recent accomplishment. In May of this year, the handbell choir sent a recording of their music to the Missouri Music Teachers' Association Handbell Competition. Their music went up against numerous other handbell ensembles throughout the

state. Selected handbell instructors from across Missouri judged the music in areas such as rhythmic accuracy, dynamics, tempo, musicality, and precision of attacks and stops. Out of all the entries, our very own C of O Handbell Choir won first place and a prize of \$400!

The College of the Ozarks Handbell Choir is already in the midst of an-

other busy year. They played at a veterans banquet in September and have several performances lined up for the Christmas season, including the MSU Silver Bells Banquet and the annual C of O Christmas Card Concert. They will also be putting on a convocation at the College in April. Be sure to take advantage of these opportunities to hear this awardwinning ensemble!

## C of O Chorale to Sing at Area High Schools

This January, the College of the Ozarks Chorale has the honor of performing for the annual Missouri Music Educators Association (MMEA) conference held at Tan-Tar-A Resort, Lake of the Ozarks. They are the only collegiate choir in the small college

division who was selected to sing at the convention.

In preparation for this well-honored event, the Chorale plans to tour two area high schools to perform their conference repertoire. On October 16, they will stop first to perform at Central

High School in Springfield, then continue to Camdenton High School for another program. After this, they will end their day with a rehearsal at Tan-Tar-A Resort to practice in the hall where they will be singing in January.

#### Five Students to Compete in NATS Vocal Competition

On Tuesday, October 14, five voice students from College of the Ozarks will go to Evangel University in Springfield, MO to compete at the annual National Association for Teachers of Singing (NATS) festival.

Each participant will perform three songs: an Aria, an Art Song, and a 20th-Century song. Three adjudicators will judge and cri-

tique each performance, then select a winner and a runner up from each division. At the end of the night, the winners will perform one of their songs in an honors recital.

Students Dominique Bennett, Stephanie Fitzgerald, and Leslie Fredendall, all sophomores, as well as Josiah Fulk and Betsy Wilson, freshmen, each from the

studio of Ms. Lynda Jesse, Professor of Music at College of the Ozarks, are working hard to prepare for this competition. They will each perform their NATS programs in a pre-contest recital on Wednesday, October 8 at 4:00 p.m. in the Newman Recital Hall of the Gittinger Music Building, College of the Ozarks.

# October Performers Dobyns Dining Hall, Keeter Center

Oct. 2—Caleb Lawson, Piano
Oct. 3—Grant Allen/Ethan Hall,
Piano/Sax
Oct. 4—Amy Ziler/Leslie Fredendall,
Piano/Vocals
Oct.5—Cherish Higgins/Dominique Bennett,
Piano/Vocals

Oct. 9—Amanda Brinkmann/Dominique Bennett,
Piano/Vocals
Oct. 10—Amy Ziler/Leslie Fredendall, Piano/Vocals
Oct. 11—Cherish Higgins, Piano
Oct. 12—Amanda Kull, Violin

Oct. 16—Caleb Lawson, Piano
Oct. 17—Amanda Kull, Violin
Oct. 18—Grant Allen/Ethan Hall, Piano/Sax
Oct. 19—Cherish Higgins, Piano

Oct. 23—Amanda Kull, Violin
Oct. 24—Amy Ziler/Leslie Fredendall,
Piano/Vocals
Oct. 25—Grant Allen, Piano
Oct. 26—Amanda Brinkmann, Piano

Oct. 30—Amy Ziler/Leslie Fredendall, Piano/Vocals
Oct. 31—Grant Allen/Ethan Hall, Piano/Sax
Nov. 1—Grant Allen, Piano
Nov. 2— Cherish Higgins/Dominique Bennett,
Piano/Vocals

Come join us for dinner at the Keeter Center at College of the Ozarks, where our music department workers will keep you entertained with violin, singing, saxophone, or piano!

Thursdays from 6:00-8:00pm

Fridays & Saturdays from 5:30-8:00pm

Sundays from 11:00-2:00pm

## Seníor Highlight: Rachel Carter



Favorite Food: Italian

Favorite Artist: Michael Bublé

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Music: Smooth Jazz

Rachel Carter, pianist, percussionist, and vocalist, came to College of the Ozarks from Springdale, AR. She performed with the band there and received several one ratings at contest. She was also recognized for numerous outstanding solo and ensemble performances on both piano and marimba. After High School she attended Northwest Arkansas Community College for two years, where her choir director presented her with a leadership award. Since coming to C of O, Rachel has been involved in the concert band and chapel choir, and she played in the orchestra for our production of Beauty and the Beast last spring. Also at C of O, Rachel received the John Philip Sousa award and scholarship.

After Rachel graduates in May 2009 with her degree in Music Performance, she plans to attend Drury University for two years to get her degree in Music Therapy. After that, she hopes to get married.

Major: Music Performance