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A NEW BEGINNING



Nurses should have a high moral character worthy of the public's trust, effective communication and critical thinking skills, a caring attitude, and be responsible and detail-oriented in their work ethic. In the fall of 2007, College of the Ozarks is planning to offer coursework for a Baccalaureate degree in Nursing (BSN). ...Full story on page 7

PROMISES TO KEEP

Fall Reflection



Jerry C. Davis, President

Autumn is a special time of year for the C of O family. As the leaves turn and the momentum of mid-semester builds, we look forward to our major events and the coming of the holiday season. This semester, the energy of the students, faculty, and staff is focused on the arrival of our major convocation speaker, Mr. Tom Brokaw; he will be here November 10 to address the theme of "The Greatest Generation."

A time of change is often one of reflection. At the beginning of the fall semester, the nation faced incomprehensible devastation. This natural disaster called "Katrina" will long haunt the United States. During the weeks after the hurricane, our prayers went out to those affected. It is our intention to continue praying for our neighbors: those who have lost loved ones and are rebuilding their lives. I would encourage you to do the same.

When disasters occur, heroes big and small are unveiled. Some are recognized; others are not. I would like to commend the efforts of our students in the hurricane relief. Shortly after the storm Garrett Cox, Justin Copley, and Jason Copley were sent with their Missouri National Guard units to help in Louisiana. Those that could not join them did their part by collecting donations of food and clothing. To learn more about how



Student Justin Copley (far right), sent with his battalion to help in Louisiana after Katrina, waits for orders with other 1138th Military Police members.

these young men and women made an impact, see the next page.

On the cover, you can see a student listening to a little girl's heartbeat with a stethoscope. This fall, the College began working on a new B.S.N. program that is scheduled to start in the fall of 2007. This is an exciting time, particularly because this opportunity will be offered with local hospitals. To learn more about the pioneering of this program and the program consultant, Dr. Janice Williams, please see page 7.

With the holidays fast approaching, do not forget to order your favorite student-made items—fruitcake, summer sausage, and our famous apple butter. You will find the holiday order form on pages 13-15.

I wish you a blessed holiday season.

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STUDENTS TAKE ACTION

Picking Up After Katrina

By Elizabeth Andrews

When disaster strikes your country—your neighbors next door no less—a feeling of helplessness and hopelessness can overtake your sensibility. As you sit on your dry, safe couch in your dry, safe living room, it gives a sinking feeling to watch fellow Americans clinging for their lives on a rooftop with rising waters below.

Hurricane Katrina made landfall in the Gulf Coast states August 29, 2005. The horrific storm took lives; destroyed businesses, churches, and homes; and left a path of destruction that spanned three states. The population from the entire New Orleans area is displaced, as the infrastructure and lives of people from there have been stopped and put on hold until all can be rebuilt.

College of the Ozarks students immediately started working on relief for the hurricane's victims. Some students began raising money for the victims, some volunteered at Christian Action Ministries (C.A.M.), a local food bank that also offers clothing and other relief items, and a few actually traveled to the decimated area to aid



Micah Williams, who has worked in Bonner Community Service for three years, sorts through the many donated clothing items at C.A.M. in Branson.



Student Josh Hart, S.A.A. member, collects money for the Hurricane Katrina Relief effort.

in rescue efforts and begin picking up the pieces Katrina left behind.

As soon as Katrina hit the coast, the College of the Ozarks Student Alumni Association began working to raise money for the Salvation Army's relief fund. Every year the organization does a fund raiser for the Salvation Army, but this year the group decided to get started early.

"S.A.A.'s annual Dollar Drive is a mission of the heart for our organization," said Alumni Director and S.A.A. sponsor Helen Youngblood. "As soon as we learned of the hurricane tragedy, we started our drive early this year to do as much good as possible for those hurting in the South."

S.A.A. President Lindsey Boyer felt like C of O family really pulled together to do what they could. "I was glad to see students, faculty, and staff come together to help the hurricane victims. Because of them, our drive was a success and we surpassed our goal."

When students at Hard Work U. put their hands to do something, you can believe it will be a success. In just four days, the S.A.A. Dollar Drive raised more than \$1800. Leah Mullins, S.A.A. member, said it was remarkable that even though C of O students don't have a lot of extra money, without a second thought, they gave what they could. During the writing of this article, the students continued working hard to raise more funds.

While some were fund raising for the cause, others donated time to local relief agencies, such as Christian Action Ministries. Students from Bonner Community Service volunteered at C.A.M. answering phones, taking food and clothing donations, and doing whatever else it took to help the many victims

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DEVELOPMENT NOTES

Increase Your Income With a Charitable Gift Annuity



Rodney Arnold
Dean of Development

Are your certificates of deposit or bond funds paying next to nothing? Consider a charitable gift annuity with College of the Ozarks. The charitable gift annuity is an excellent estate-planning tool that can possibly increase your income and also provide a future gift to College of the Ozarks.

The charitable gift annuity is an agreement where College of the Ozarks provides you with an annual annuity for your lifetime, in exchange for a specific amount of money. You not only benefit from an increase in annual income, but you can also claim a charitable deduction if you itemize your deductions on your income tax report. The charitable deduction varies, but is usually 40% to 60% of the gift annuity amount, depending on your age and the annuity rate.

Charitable gift annuities may include a second person on the agreement. Should the second beneficiary be the survivor, annuity payments continue to them for their lifetime. This ensures you that your loved ones will receive this source of income after you are gone.

Charitable gift annuities are written in exchange for a gift of \$1,000 or more. The College pays a fixed annuity rate that is recommended by The American Council on Gift Annuities. The payout rate is based on your age at the time the charitable gift annuity is created, and your annuity payments are determined by the gift amount and payout rate. Listed below are current single-life annuity rates for the specified ages. The annuity rates for two-life annuities are based primarily on the age of the younger annuitant. The rate for a two-life annuity is slightly lower than for a single-life gift annuity, due to the payments theoretically being longer.

Age	Annuity Rate	Age	Annuity Rate
60	5.70%	65	6.00%
70	6.50%	75	7.10%
80	8.00%	85	9.50%
90	11.30%		

Other than a possible increase in annual income, there are numerous other benefits with the charitable gift annuity. In addition to the previously-mentioned charitable deduction, a portion of your annual annuity is considered tax-free as well. The older you are, the higher the percentage of "tax-free" income you will receive. The tax-free income is actually considered return of principal on the annuity portion of the gift annuity agreement. This return of principal is available for the life expectancy of the agreement. Considering the return of principal, the "effective rate of return" will be higher due to the income tax savings the gift annuity will provide.

Charitable gift annuities funded with highly-appreciated stock have the added benefit of bypassing a portion of the capital gain on the investment. The capital gain on the gift portion of the gift annuity agreement is not taxable. Even though taxes are due on the annuity portion of the agreement, the good news is that the capital gains tax is paid incrementally over the life of the annuity, rather than all at once.

These annuities are also exempt from any estate taxes, if the annuity is written for you and/or your spouse. They are not considered a part of your estate; at the completion of the agreement, the remaining principal passes to College of the Ozarks, free from any estate taxes. The charitable gift annuity is also secured by the College's

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WELCOMED CHANGES

Construction in Progress

By Tamra Jane Corbin

This past year visitors to College of the Ozarks probably noticed a few changes near the "Gates of Opportunity." With the opening of The Keeter Center and the remodeling of the Friendship House into the new Alumni Center, the entrance to the College has changed drastically. The beautiful landscaping and other features have attracted many new visitors to the campus.

The Friendship House was built in 1968 and served as a restaurant and gift shop until it was closed in May 2004. Dobyns Dining Room and the Beulah Winfrey Gift Shop in The Keeter Center opened later that fall, while renovations continued on the Friendship House.



Among other remodeling projects, new tile and carpet were laid throughout the Chapel.

The interior was completely removed and rebuilt. New ceilings, windows, doors, floors, and floor coverings were installed. A new heating and cooling system was also put in, as well as a new elevator.

The building is now home to the Alumni Center, which houses the Alumni Office and the Public Relations Office. "Our staff is thrilled with the new accommodations provided in the Alumni Center for the Alumni office," said Helen Youngblood,

director of Alumni Affairs. "We look forward to getting our displays completed with the photo treasures and memorabilia that have been collected over the years."



In addition to the many renovation projects, construction continues from the ground up on McKibben Hall.

A veranda was built onto the back of the Alumni Center, complete with tables and chairs for alumni to use. The inside of the building is also equipped with visiting areas. A beautiful gazebo was built in front of the building, which also offers a sitting area for guests. This summer, another place on campus also saw some major changes.

Located at the heart of the 1,000-

acre campus, Williams Memorial Chapel, with its stained glass windows and magnificent bell tower, has been a beautiful part of the College. It was dedicated in 1958 and named after George H. Williams.

After more than 50 years of use as a place for Sunday morning services, Bible studies, convocations, and much more, some much-needed renovations began.

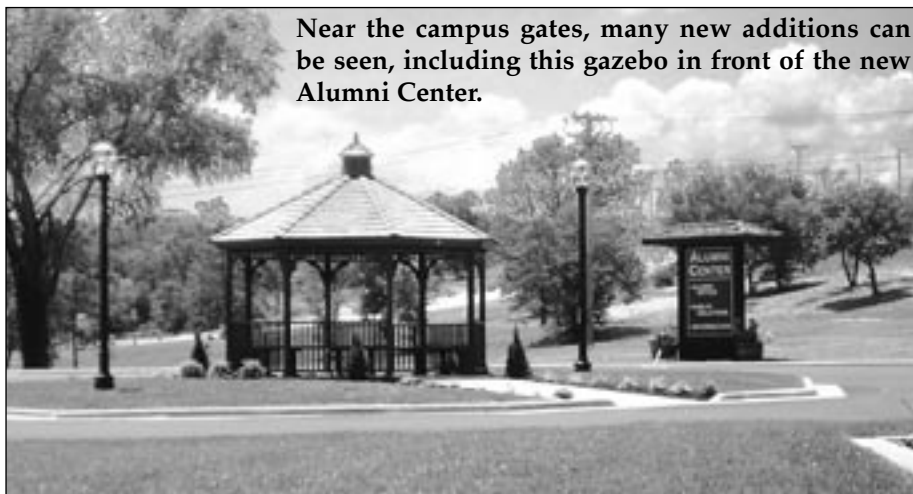
"In 2002, we renovated the exterior of the building," said Jody Braswell, director of Construction at C of O. "This summer we focused more on the inside of the building."

During the summer, students and construction crews worked on improving the first floor of the Chapel. They reupholstered pews, improved the woodwork throughout the Chapel, and cleaned the stone walls. Construction crews also laid new carpet and floor tiles. Throughout this fall, they will work on the basement and plan to finish this November.

"The overall interior renovations have improved our worship services and the overall look of the Chapel," said Dean of Campus Ministries Chuck Zehnder. "There are no more distractions from the water-stained walls and torn floor tiles."

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Near the campus gates, many new additions can be seen, including this gazebo in front of the new Alumni Center.



ANIMAL SCIENCE FACILITY

Could Be "Hog Heaven"

By Cody Wood

"Come see our fine line of quality swine" has been Hog Farm Director and C of O Chair of Technical and Applied Sciences Dan Swearengen's light-hearted motto for more than 30 years. The proposal of a new Animal Science Facility has made him advocate his motto more than ever. But, seriously, the College of the Ozarks hog operations have been instrumental in training countless young men and women by providing hands-on experience.

Swearengen has been working with hogs for 34 years and has called the hog farm at College of the Ozarks home since his arrival in July of 1977. Over the years he has found an admiration for hogs that not many people have. Students have been raising hogs in the same building on the same farm for more than 40 years. Because of the age of the current facility, plans are being made to construct two new buildings for the College of the Ozarks Animal Science Facilities.

The barn that is currently being used has been standing since the



The hog farm, which sits on land south of the College of the Ozarks campus, offers students traditional, farm-management experience.

1930s. Because of normal wear and tear of the dated milk barn, the building is not set up for proper swine development. For farrowing (birthing), climate control is necessary. All of the farrowing now takes place in the east side of the barn and does not have climate control.

The stalls being used in the barn are more than 20 years old, and the swine housing in the woods behind the barn is more than 35 years old. The dated conditions of the buildings make productivity difficult. Even though Swearengen and the students have taken very good care of the farm, upgrades are needed for a more productive environment.

The future Animal Science Facilities would include two separate buildings. One building will be a 4,000 square foot machinery and equipment storage building. The second building is a 2,160 square foot farrowing house, which will be called the C of O Swine Center. This state-of-the-art birthing facility will include two nursery stations, eight sow stalls, a wash pen, a medical room, and a utility and tool room. Other improvements include a bathroom, office, and hot water.

The new facility will not only

provide a better environment for the hogs but for the students and faculty, as well. The new facilities would also offer students an environment more conducive to learning swine development. "The new facilities will be a great work place for me and the other students," says student worker James Sullivan. "By teaching us modern techniques in swine development, it will be easier to land a job with a large swine operation after college." As a matter of fact, the plans for the new facilities include equipment many major swine operations employ.

A challenge grant of \$250,000 has been made by the Willard and Pat Walker Charitable Foundation. In order for the College to receive the challenge grant, it must raise twice the amount of the grant. The \$500,000 challenge must be met by July of 2006. Without the financial help of individuals and businesses, the Animal Science Facility will not be constructed.

By contributing to the College of the Ozarks Animal Science Center, you will help preserve one of the many historical parts of the College. If you would like to help, please contact the Development office at: (417) 334-6411 ext. 2209.



The farm offers agriculture majors hands-on experience with livestock.

COVER STORY

A New Beginning

By Kellen Hall

continued from cover... Dean of the College Dr. Marilyn Graves says, "Because there is a need for nurses, we, as a college, felt that we could help provide in that area by offering nursing as a major, and it fits well into the philosophy of the school."

Dr. Janice Williams, R.N., is the consultant/director of the proposed program. Williams holds a Doctorate, Master's, and Bachelor's of Nursing, along with educational credentials and experience as a nurse. She has directed a nursing program at Presentation College in South Dakota.

The traditional, four-year professional bachelor's degree in nursing will be offered to students that have completed at least one year of nursing program prerequisites. Prior to acceptance to the nursing major, a series of academic and physical assessments are required, including a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75.

Nursing courses will be offered over a six-semester plan. Clinical courses each semester include instruction by expert nursing educators in the areas of maternity, pediatrics, adult health, geriatrics, mental health, community health, and leadership. Students will travel to clinical sites in the area, such as hospitals and nursing homes, to perform various clinical work throughout the six semesters of the program. The last semester of the program, students will engage in an extended preceptorship program, where they will work one-on-one with a registered nurse handling a typical patient caseload. Through this rigorous program, students will be well prepared for success on the National Council Licensing Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX) and for graduate study. Senior students may even secure employment prior to graduation. "Skaggs Community Health Care Center is already excited about the potential of hiring C of O students," Williams says. "They are very committed to our success."

One aspect Williams is implementing in the nursing program is the focus on character. She says by the



Dr. Janice Williams
Nursing
Consultant/Director

time students graduate, they "will have the utmost of integrity" in all aspects of their nursing care.

The program will also offer state-of-the-art facilities. A laboratory will include simulation experiences, which foster critical thinking and hands-on experience. The mannequins that will be used will simulate breathing, illnesses, and even give birth. Plans for the lab include a two-way window for the professor to view the students in process of caring for a "patient" during a routine health case. "The teacher can speak

through the mannequin as if it were a real patient," Williams says.

The curriculum will be based primarily on the philosophy of Florence Nightingale, who set the standards for professional nursing more than a century ago. "Nightingale changed the character of nursing and the way health care was delivered," says Williams. "I believe her philosophy of Christian nursing will fit well at C of O."

The Nursing program will offer an abundance of qualified, trustworthy nursing professionals to the area. "We are excited to add a program of this caliber to our community," Dean Graves says. The demand for nurses will ensure graduates a strong chance of finding employment. The American Nurses Association predicts that the national demand for hospital nurses will continue to increase throughout the next decade. More new jobs are expected to be created for RNs than for any other occupation says Williams. "The need for training confident, skilled nursing professionals will continue to grow – and College of the Ozarks nursing program will be here to help fulfill that need."

The proposed BSN program must receive initial approval status from the Missouri Board of Nursing prior to the offering of any nursing courses.

RENOVATIONS

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Other construction projects on campus include McDonald Hospital renovations and McKibben Hall.

The interior of McDonald Hospital has been gutted to make way for reconstruction. The Hospital will have a classroom/lab for the Nursing program. New clinic facilities, dorm rooms, restrooms, a dorm lounge,

and a heating and cooling system will be installed.

McKibben Hall will house the Nursing program and Education department offices and classrooms. It is projected to be finished in the fall of 2007.

The current renovations and construction have brought many

welcomed changes to the C of O campus, but this is nothing new to many people here.

"During my 35 years at C of O we have always had one to three major projects underway," said Dr. Howell Keeter, College of the Ozarks vice president. "This is just business as usual."

CHARACTER CAMP

A Unique Orientation

By Katherine Aguayo

College of the Ozarks wants to see its students excel and has a unique freshman orientation program designed to help do just that.

August 12-21, C of O welcomed new students to school with a specialized week of activities to provide them with an education of the head, heart, and hands. This unique orientation program, funded through the generosity of Willard and Pat Walker, is called Character Camp.

The C of O Dean of Students Dr. Chris Larsen oversees Character Camp each semester. He says that there are several goals the orientation program has for the incoming students.

"We want the students to understand what is to be expected in all areas and show what C of O has to offer that most colleges do not." He says that the family atmosphere, character, and Christianity, as well as academics, are all very important aspects emphasized during Character Camp.

As with the beginning of every camp week, each student is placed in a "family" with more than a dozen other "siblings." Every family is led by a "mom" and a "pop" (hand-selected upperclassmen students). For a week and a half, families participate in various activities that give them a comfortable introduction to campus life. Through these events the families learn to trust each other and work together during the week.

The campers complete exercises to help them trust their fellow freshman class. They are required to work together with their families to finish a challenge course. In the challenge course, each sibling must trust their fam-



Freshmen link arms in the "Catwalk," an exercise to help them work together.



Students learn to master cooperation in order to help each other over the 15-foot-high wall.

ily to lift them safely over a 15-foot-high wall and also catch them as they fall backwards off of an elevated platform into the family's linked arms.

Besides excursions to White Water and Ride the Ducks, and "Family Time" (a time set aside each night for the families to play games and get to know each other), Character Camp is not just fun and games. The students attend classes and workshops on character development, leadership, study skills, time management, and etiquette.

The family atmosphere, character, and Christianity, as well as academics, are all very important aspects emphasized during Character Camp.

Each family completes two full days of service either on campus or in the community. This fall, they toiled washing windows, doing yard work, and cleaning out the barns at the dairy on the C of O campus. The new students got a taste of the work program and came to understand why C of O is called "Hard Work U!"

In addition, the campers write an essay on "The Laws of Life." Each student must determine a law of life (something that they truly believe in) and develop an essay for submission. The winner receives a reward and often gets to hear his or her essay read aloud to inspire the incoming class.

This fall, Nicholas Biermann won the award. His law of life was "love overcomes." He wrote about how his



New students learn why C of O is called “Hard Work U.” on community service day.

mother’s faith and love for her family helped them to overcome many obstacles in his childhood.

At the end of the week, the families attend the Etiquette Banquet, where they practice their new skills and sign the College of the Ozarks Honor Code.

The Honor Code states, “I agree to be an honest, trustworthy, caring, and responsible citizen. I will uphold these values in others and myself.” It is a code that was written by students for the students that is intended to guide them through their time at C of O and their entire lives.

Even after Character Camp is over, the bonds the new scholars made will not be forgotten. The students will attend two family reunions during their first semester. As an

added bonus, upon successful completion of Character Camp and their first semester, each receives one credit hour toward graduation. Students keep in touch with their “families” during their college life and many will decide to become “parents” themselves.

This fall was Janelle Stolz’s third time as a Character Camp mom. She says she enjoys being a leader, although it is hard work.

“Character Camp was such an amazing blessing to me as a new student. My Character Camp mom became one of my best friends and taught me so much in regard to faith, academics, and life. I can honestly say that being a mom is even more of a blessing. I love serving the new students and helping them to adjust to the College.”

Character Camp definitely helps new students adjust to college. During the week, they have the opportunity to get to know their roommates before classes start.

They also take a tour of the campus, learn where all of their classes are located, and receive their job

assignments for the semester. They have time to visit their workstations and meet their new supervisors; this helps put them at ease so everything is not so new when classes start.

All of these things combined make for a unique and successful orientation program, which gives students a great beginning to a productive and enjoyable college career.



One family prepares to catch their trusting “sister.”

KATRINA RELIEF

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who had migrated to the Branson area.

Students Justin and Jason Copley, part of the 1138th Military Police Company (based in Springfield, Missouri), and Garrett Cox, part of the 1137th Military Police Company (based in Kennett, Missouri), were activated to support the relief efforts in Louisiana. They worked between 12 and 15 hours a day doing a variety of chores, which ranged from helping escort F.E.M.A. officials around to policing the area for looters. The young men also guarded gas stor-

age facilities to protect the fuel supplies for those involved in the rescue efforts.

Justin Copley said that Americans showed their support right away through generous donations. Stacks upon stacks of water, food, and other essentials—even dog food—had been sent. “It’s almost like a funeral,” said Justin. “Devastation somehow brings people together. There is so much support from everyone; they (residents from the disaster area) will make it.”

A week after the disaster struck,

more students saw the need to help. Elijah Smith and Jeffery Barry took a temporary leave from school to aid the Red Cross with food preparations and distribution. It is truly inspiring to witness young people care, take action, and give hope to those left in a path of destruction.

College of the Ozarks would like to extend its deepest condolences to those who lost loved ones as a result of Katrina. The students, faculty, and staff will continue to pray for God to give strength to those who are rebuilding their lives.

HARD WORK U.

Still Stone-Cold Sober

College of the Ozarks is one of the nation's best institutions for undergraduate education, according to **The Princeton Review**. The New York-based education services company featured the College in *The Best 361 Colleges*, the new 2006 edition of its annual "best colleges" guide. Only about 15% of the four-year colleges in America and two Canadian colleges are in the book. It has a two-page profile on the school, as well as a student survey-based ranking list of the top 20 colleges.

"...a very personal education and an ideal spot for students who wish to earn their degree while growing closer to God."

The book's profile on College of the Ozarks commends the school as "offering a very personal education and an ideal spot for students who wish to earn their degree while growing closer to God."

Robert Franek, vice president of Publishing for **The Princeton Review**, says "The main factor in our selection of schools in the book was our high regard for their academic programs. We evaluated them based on institutional data we collect about

the schools, feedback from students at them, and visits to schools over the years. We also considered the opinions of independent college counselors, students, and parents we talk to and survey. Finally, we worked to have a wide representation of colleges in the book by region, size, selectivity, and character."

The ranking lists in *The Best 361 Colleges* are based on **The Princeton Review's** survey of 110,000 students attending the colleges in the book. Students rated their schools on sev-

eral topics and reported on their campus experiences. Ranking list categories range from best professors, administration, and campus food to lists based on student body political leanings, interests in sports, and other aspects of campus life. **The Princeton Review** posts the book's ranking lists on its website www.PrincetonReview.com.

College of the Ozarks was ranked in the top ten of the following lists in the new edition of the book: Town-

Gown Relations are Great, Don't Inhale, Students Pray On a Regular Basis, Stone-Cold Sober Schools, Students Most Nostalgic For Reagan, Future Rotarians and Daughters Of The American Revolution, Got Milk? and Scotch and Soda, Hold The Scotch.

The college profiles in *The Best 361 Colleges* also include candid comments from students surveyed at the schools. Among the student comments in the profile on College of the Ozarks: "C of O students are kind, happy, eager to help. Believe it or not, most of the campus is made up of just good people." *The Best 361 Colleges* is the 14th edition of **The Princeton Review's** annual "best colleges" guide. It is one of over 200 Princeton Review books published by Random House. **The Princeton Review**, known for its education, admission and test-prep services, is not affiliated with Princeton University or ETS.

To read College of the Ozarks' profile, visit the **Princeton Review's** website at www.PrincetonReview.com.

"A Great College for a Great Price"

By Elizabeth Andrews

College of the Ozarks made several lists in **U.S. News & World Report** 2006 America's Best Colleges edition. The College has been ranked among America's best liberal arts colleges yearly since 1989. Not only was C of O ranked a best college, but it also made several other notable lists.

The College was listed number one in the "Least Debt" and "Lowest Acceptance Rate" categories for Midwest comprehensive colleges. C of O was listed second in the "Great Colleges, Great Prices" category for the Midwest, as well.

U. S. News & World Report ranks colleges and universities by evaluating several criteria including: peer

assessment, retention rate, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, graduation rate performance and alumni giving rate. The peer assessment criterion was given the most weight in this year's evaluation formula.

This year continued the tradition with Hard Work U., making it as a top-tier college on the "Best Liberal Arts Colleges" list. The College gained ground from last year, moving up to the 27th best college in the Midwest. In this category, only two other Missouri colleges, Columbia College and Culver-Stockton College, were listed among the top 50.

To see the rankings and learn more on how they are determined, go to www.usnews.com.



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VETERANS HISTORY PROJECT

C of O Holds Onto History

Rachel Davis

“We were fortunate,” said Amos Johnson, his forehead wrinkling as he stared into the camera. “We missed our mark that day—we were supposed to land at Omaha Beach.”

As Johnson spoke of his D-Day experience, his eyes narrowed in thought but he did not struggle to remember. Each detail of that day had permanent residence in his consciousness.

He continued. “We were one of the first to land on Utah Beach.” Pausing for a moment, he then repeated, “We were fortunate; I lost a minimum amount of my men that day.”

This account of one of our nation’s most notorious battles was part of an interview done by the Veterans History Project. One can learn about America’s history of war from text books or classrooms, but first-hand memories offer an intense, detailed account that any other source cannot. This project gives Americans the opportunity to have a true look at their country’s past through personal memories like Johnson’s.



The History Project archive room, located in the Gittinger Campus Ministries Center, is open Monday thru Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.



President Jerry C. Davis accepts a plaque honoring the College for its participation in the Veterans History Project. With him are Joe Bryant, Congressman Roy Blunt, and Dick Erickson.

These hour-long interviews are videotaped, capturing the nuances of human emotion that a written interview cannot. Both joyful and sorrowful memories play across the faces of the interviewees as they share their story.

“These are not rumors; these are people who have lived these stories,” said Dick Erickson, chairman of the History Project committee for Branson. “This gives an authenticity that a book doesn’t have. You can look at their faces and see their emotions as they bring out the words.”

The program began in 2000, when Congress recognized the need to maintain our nation’s history by recording personal memories of veterans. The Library of Congress, appointed with the task, called for partners to help them with the interviews.

The Branson Veterans’ Task Force responded, forming a committee to carry out the program. College of the Ozarks was one of its first partners.

Dr. Glen Cameron, then a C of O professor, recruited several members

of the faculty, staff, and student body to interview the veterans. Training sessions for volunteers were held on campus.

For three years, C of O volunteers continued to donate their time to maintain this project. Last year, however, C of O expanded its role. A room in the new Gittinger Campus Ministries Center was dedicated to archiving these interviews.

“College of the Ozarks has been involved since the very beginning of this project. Their most important role now is doing the archiving—we want these things to be available to people,” said Joe Bryant, member of the Veterans History Project committee.

On August 17, Congressman Roy Blunt came to College of the Ozarks to offer a formal thank you for contributions to this project. Acknowledging the importance of the Veterans History Project, he recognized both the Branson Veterans’ Task Force and C of O for the dedication they have for their country.

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VETERANS HISTORY PROJECT

"No one cares about veterans or recognizes them with such frequency and appreciation more than Branson," Blunt said. In that respect, he also said that this area is far ahead of other parts of the country.

Indeed, Branson has adopted veterans in its own way. A popular site for veteran reunions, it is an ideal place to create such a program.

Not only do the veterans often appreciate the opportunity to share their experiences, their families welcome the chance to hear their loved one's stories. For the current generation, many of them at war in Iraq, these archives present a sometimes grim but proud picture of the country for which they are fighting.

"Those (soldiers) who are coming on can read firsthand stories of the ordinary person who goes out and does extraordinary things," said Cameron. "Instead of calling themselves heroes, they can see that those who did not come back are the true heroes."

These stories, whether of D-Day or the Vietnam jungles, unite to give a true representation of our nation's history. "A lot of them saw just their own little bit of turf," said Cameron. "They tell about where they were and how they survived; you end up with a nice cross section."

Anyone who was involved with war efforts is invited to share recollections, from nurses to factory workers.

"We want the stories of the spouses—of home front survival," said Cameron. "Stories about victory gardens and rationing all interact into our history."

Just as Amos Johnson tells of his life in the military with vivid detail, those returning from Iraq will have the opportunity to share their own stories. Through the joint efforts of the Branson Veterans' Task Force and C of O, these tales of bravery will not be lost; the story of our country's freedom will not be forgotten.

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MEMORIAL GIFTS

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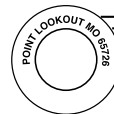
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