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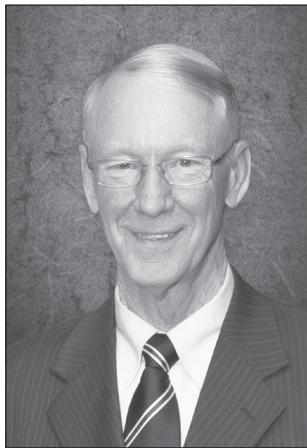
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Fall 2014:

A semester of historic events and highlights



Jerry C. Davis,
President

College of the Ozarks is committed to encouraging vocational, academic, Christian, patriotic, and cultural growth in its students. These five goals are woven into every aspect of campus life. Whether it is through a convocation, campus work, class, or chapel, students learn the importance of work ethic, academic excellence, a Christ-like life, love of country, and an appreciation for the arts.

The fall 2014 semester featured numerous historic campus events and highlights, each providing an opportunity for growth in one or more of the five goals. This issue of the *Ozark Visitor* will provide an overview of those events.

At the beginning of the semester, the College announced it would celebrate the "Year of the Bible" as it hosts *The Saint John's Illuminated Bible, Heritage Edition* (the first hand-illustrated Bible produced in more than 500 years). Numerous events have been held and are planned for the "Year of the Bible." (Learn more on page 10.)

College of the Ozarks students accompanied 12 Vietnam War Veterans for the inaugural Patriotic Education Travel trip to Vietnam. Through this journey, the Veterans shared their stories with the students, who will now be able to pass them on to future generations. (Learn more about this historic trip from a student's perspective, Molly Matney, on pages 4-6.)

In October, Dr. Charles Krauthammer spoke at the Leonard B. and Edith Gittinger Community Convocation. He is a Pulitzer Prize winner for Distinguished Commentary, *Washington Post* columnist, FOX News contributor, and *New York Times* #1 best-selling author. With his wit and humor, he explained foreign and domestic policy and American politics for attendees.

That evening, the College was honored to have Patrick X. Coyle, Jr., vice president and executive director of the Young America's Foundation, recognize students Haley Jones and Coby Dolloff. Jones was the student chair of the Young Americans for Freedom College of the Ozarks chapter, and Coby Dolloff is the student chair of the Young Americans for Freedom School of the Ozarks chapter. (More information is included on pages 8-9.)

On November 19, the historic dedication of School of the Ozarks S. Truett Cathy Lower School took place. The School opened its doors to students in August. Don "Bubba" Cathy, son of the late S. Truett Cathy, was present to help the College dedicate the Lower School. After unveiling the bronze plaque, Cathy read the inscription to attendees: "School of the Ozarks Lower School reflects the values of the great American entrepreneur S. Truett Cathy whose life embodies the head, heart, and hands philosophy. Mr. Cathy's fostering a love of Christ and a healthy development in children serves as an inspiration to this school."

Cathy shared remarks about what his father would have thought about the Lower School, as well as some wisdom his father shared with him as a boy. Learn more about this historic event in the *Keeter Center Report* section of this *Ozark Visitor*.

ON THE COVER: Dean of Character Education Sue Head and President Jerry C. Davis present Dr. Charles Krauthammer with a *Hard Work U.*® sweatshirt.

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College of the Ozarks hosts annual Veterans Grove Tree Dedication

by Matt Fender, junior business administration major

The College of the Ozarks annually dedicates new sugar maple trees, planted in honor of Veterans who have traveled with students through the Patriotic Education Travel Program. Last fall, the College welcomed 17 American heroes to be honored at the Veterans Grove Tree Dedication.

Two groups of Veterans were honored at this event. One group consisted of WWII Veterans who participated in the Patriotic Education Travel Program trip to Normandy, France, for the 70th anniversary of D-Day and Battle of the Bulge. The other group included Korean War Veterans who traveled with students to Korea for the 60th anniversary of the Korean War.

Each Veteran was honored with the planting of a sugar maple. The trees align to create the same unique pattern of the marble crosses at the American cemeteries in Europe.

Next to each sugar maple sits a bronze marker with the Veteran's name. There are more than 125 trees planted in honor of Veterans in the Veterans Grove.

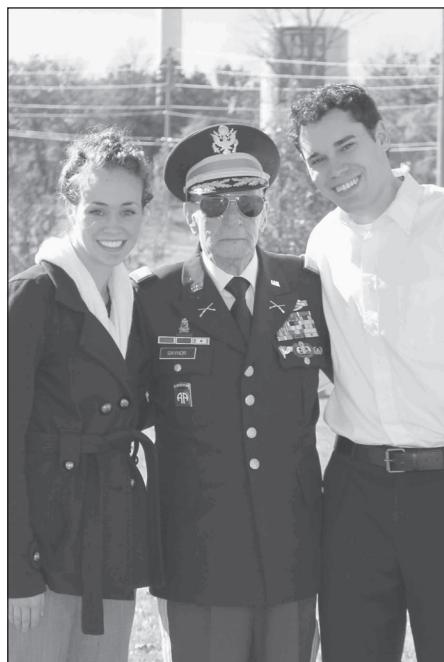
This ceremony was a great chance for students and Veterans to be reunited, since most had not seen each other since their trips.

"Every time my Veteran, Oscar Davis, and I are reunited, it is so special. He has truly become like a grandpa to me," said College of the Ozarks senior Morgan Sowell.

"The most amazing part about witnessing Oscar's tree dedication was seeing his family so proud of him," Sowell said. "They heard stories of the Patriotic Education Travel trip, but this was the first time they were really able to be a part of his experience. I never expected that when I went on this Patriotic Education trip, I would come home with an 'adopted' grandpa. I am honored to pass on Oscar Davis' stories for generations to come."



After the ceremony, Veterans and students attended a WWII mini reunion where the College of the Ozarks Theatre Department performed a special showing of "Railway to Heaven: A True Story of an Ozarks P.O.W.," based on the life of alumnus PFC Roy Hopper. ■



Becca Mallette, Tim Banowetz and Veteran Col. John Gaynor visit the tree planted in his honor.



Oscar Davis and his wife, Valda, unveil his plaque at the base of a tree planted in his honor.



Veteran William Brannan and students Elizabeth Martin and Ethan Meeks read a plaque on Veterans Plaza.

Return to Vietnam: How two weeks changed my life

by Molly Matney, senior English and history major
and student worker for Executive Vice President Fred Mullinax

On September 25, 2014, 12 College of the Ozarks students, 12 Veterans of the Vietnam War, and several members of C of O faculty and staff embarked on what was to become a journey more inspiring, challenging, and deeply impacting than anyone could have ever expected. I was blessed and honored to be one of those students.

As our group departed from the San Francisco airport for Taipei, leaving American soil behind, it was impossible to imagine what distant and painful memories might have been going through our Veterans' minds. Yet, they seemed eager to begin what the students knew without a doubt would be the trip of a lifetime.

An illustrious group

More than 24 hours of travel ended when our final flight landed in Saigon, Vietnam. From there, we spent the next several days visiting cities and battle sites that were personal to our Vietnam Veterans. We traveled to Can Tho, Pleiku, Qui Nhon, Bong San, Chu Lai, Hoi An, Dong Ha, Hue, and many other locations. Continually moving north, we eventually finished our trip in Hanoi.

The Veterans who accompanied us on this journey were James "Bill"

Bailey, U.S. Navy Fighter Squadron 143; Donald "Doc" Ballard, U.S. Navy Corpsman, 4th Regiment, 3rd Marine Division; John Clark, 432nd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, U.S. Air Force; Bill Duncan, 2nd Battalion of the 1st Regiment, 1st Marine Division; Thomas Egleston, 1st Aviation Brigade, 5th Cavalry, U.S. Army; Lou Eisenbrandt, U.S. Army Nurse

Army; and John Sorensen, 1st Aviation Brigade, 5th Cavalry, U.S. Army.

In addition, we were honored to have some special guests join us. These guests included our tour guide and Vietnam Veteran John Dewing, Americal Division, U.S. Army; Bill Graves, U.S. Navy Veteran; and active duty Army Major Matthew Cuvillo.

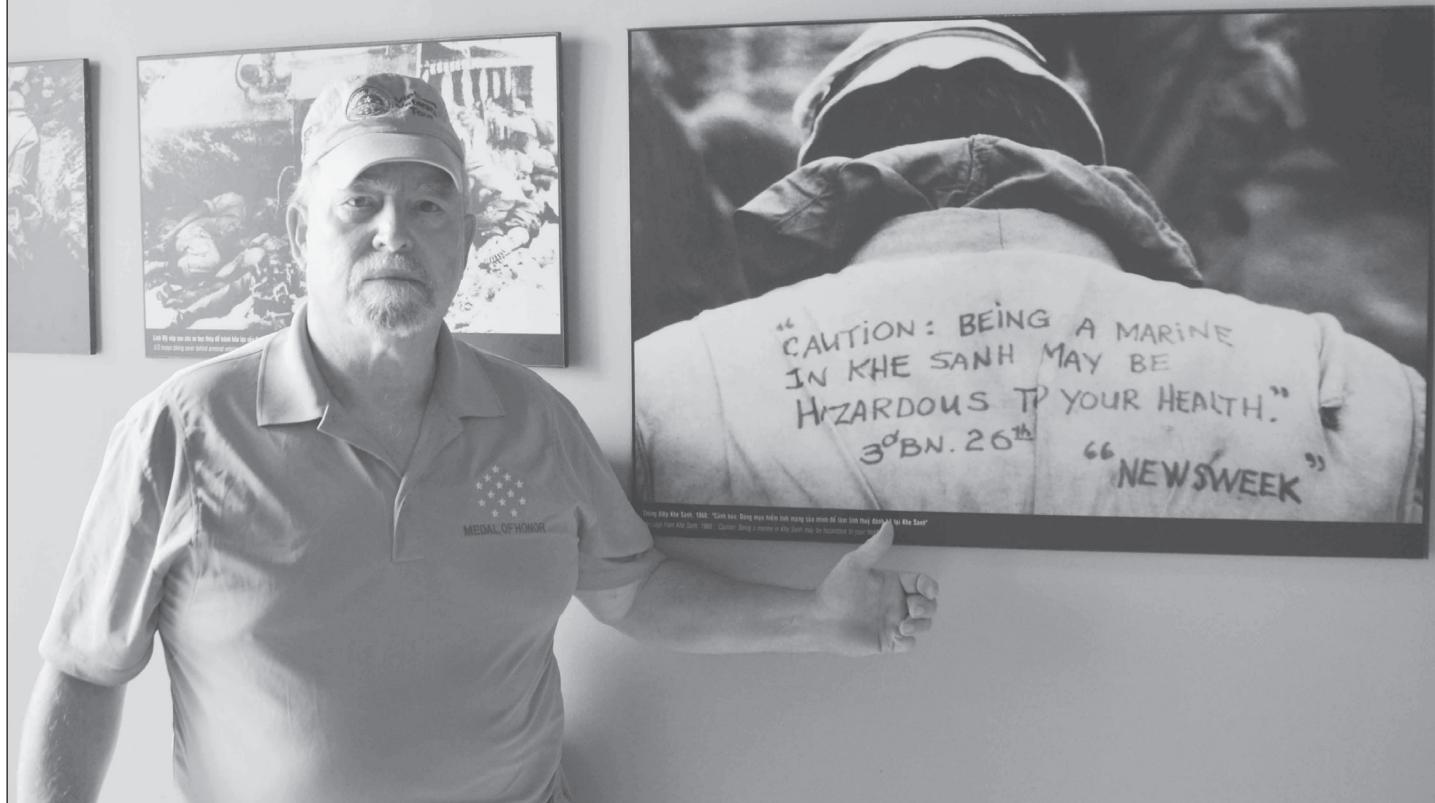
"It simply amazed me how, in just a few days, our group became like one large and diverse family, forever bonded by this shared experience."

—Molly Matney

Corps; Paul Frampton, 28th Regiment, 1st Division, U.S. Army; James Greer, 1st Cavalry Division, U.S. Army; Steve Hansen, 7th Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division and 11th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, U.S. Army; John Ligato, 1st Regiment, 1st Marine Division; Tony Nadal, 7th Special Forces Group and 7th Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, U.S.

The areas in which our Veterans served and the missions that they accomplished were as varied and unique as each one's personality. From John Ligato's repertoire of jokes and wit and Bill Bailey's contagious laughter to Bill Duncan's sincere words of encouragement and Steve Hansen's wisdom and advice, our Veterans made every single moment





Medal of Honor recipient, Don Ballard, at the Khe Sanh museum. Ballard served with Marines as a Navy medic at Khe Sanh.

of this trip memorable. It simply amazed me how, in just a few days, our group became like one large and diverse family, forever bonded by this shared experience.

A trip guided by stories

Yet, every moment was not filled with laughter and carefree joy. Some moments were ones of tears, pain, regret, and even the healing of decade-old wounds. Walking the streets of Hue while hearing first-hand stories of one of the bloodiest battles of the war is something that I will never forget.

Another moment that will for-

ever be etched in my mind is that of our group in Con Thien. It was here that one of our brave and incredible Veterans told us the heroic and heart-wrenching story of a battle his men fought with the North Vietnamese Army, and the decisions that he, as a commanding officer, was forced to make in this dark and difficult time.

After hearing these accounts, I found it nearly impossible to imagine anyone surviving situations and horrors such as our Veterans did and still being the kind and loving people that they showed themselves to be. This inspired and convicted me in ways that I had never imagined.

About the photos...

Far left: Construction Supervisor John Tate, President Jerry C. Davis, and Professor of Agriculture Donn Russell placed American flags in the Iron Triangle on the Patriotic Education trip to Vietnam. At this location, Russell's brother was killed, Tate's father was killed, and Davis' brother served. The journey coincided with the 50th Anniversary of the Gulf of Tonkin incident, which ultimately led to the dramatic escalation of American military involvement in Vietnam.

Above: The Vietnam Tour 2014 group pauses for a photo on China Beach in Da Nang.

Below middle: Veteran Bill Bailey gifts his POW bracelet to Haly Johnson.

Below right: Veteran Lou Eisenbrandt, of the U.S. Army Nurse Corps, and junior James Chase Davis on China Beach in Da Nang, Vietnam.

Veterans display honor and courage, then and now

For the course of this trip, I had the honor of being paired with Colonel John Clark of the U.S. Air Force. During the War, Clark was stationed at the Udorn Royal Thai Air Force Base in Thailand and was assigned to fly tactical reconnaissance missions into Vietnam. On March 12, 1967, the F-4C Phantom that he flew was shot down, leading to his capture by North Vietnamese. He was 27 years old and would spend the next six years as a prisoner in the famous "Hanoi Hilton" and other camps in the Hanoi area.

For me, the most impactful stop that we made during the trip occurred on our last day in Vietnam when we had the opportunity to visit the former site of the Hoa Lo Prison in Hanoi. This was the same prison that my Veteran, John Clark, and our other POW, Bill Bailey, had been held in over 40 years earlier.

Both men exhibited incredible strength and courage as they led our group of enraptured students, C of O faculty and staff, Veterans, and even some foreign tourists



around the museum which now occupies the space that once held American pilots as prisoners. Even the replication of the prison was dismal and grotesque, leaving us all with uneasiness at the thought of what our soldiers must have endured while imprisoned there. The blatant propaganda on the walls about the "humane" treatment that the NVA showed their prisoners was sickening and disturbing. However, these are not the things that stand out in my memory most about visiting Hoa Lo Prison. What I will forever remember was the determination on our Veterans' faces as they recounted tales of their imprisonment, their laughter at the particularly amusing stories, and the triumphant smiles on their faces as they shook hands in front of the building which once held so much pain and sorrow but now served as a reminder of what they had overcome.

I cannot say thank you enough times to everyone who made this trip a possibility. However, the people that I most want to thank are the servicemen and women who have valiantly served our country through the years and around the world. This experience truly opened my eyes to the sacrifices that our Veterans have made for us, the younger generation. It is a realization that I intend to share, and be impacted by, for the rest of my life. ■

About the photos...

Top: Senior Cody Pentecost and Veteran Tony Nadal share reflections of the trip.

Middle: POWs John Clark and Bill Bailey in front of Hoa Lo Prison.

Left: Senior Molly Matney explores the Chu Chi Tunnels used by the North Vietnamese Army and the Viet Cong.

Right: Everyone uses scooters for transportation in Vietnam, regardless of the size of their load.

The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial groundbreaking ceremony held in December

by public relations staff

Groundbreaking for The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial took place on the campus of College of the Ozarks on December 18, 2014.

At the groundbreaking, President Jerry C. Davis welcomed guests, followed by the Presentation of Colors, the National Anthem, Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

General Terrence R. Dake, USMC (Ret.), C of O alumnus and trustee of the College, spoke to those gathered regarding the hardship the Vietnam Veterans endured, not only on the battlefield but at home as well. Following the speech, the fourteen people who were designated to begin the groundbreaking were introduced, and in unison, they "turned some dirt" as Davis directed.

Recognition long overdue

The purpose of the memorial is to properly honor and thank Vietnam War Veterans and their families for their sacrifice and bravery and to honor the fallen. Missouri state legislators made College of the Ozarks the official site for the memorial with Senate Concurrent Resolution 43, which was adopted the last day of the 2014 session on May 16.

The project is a collaboration between the College and the PGA TOUR, as C of O is an official charity of the *Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar* golf tournament. The College received \$500,000 as a result of their volunteer efforts and another \$30,000 when they were named Charity of the Year by the PGA TOUR's Champions Tour in January 2015.

"We are honored to receive this important accolade from the Champions Tour," Davis said. "This award recognizes our ongoing mission to continue developing the character of our students and provide a solid education without the stress of debt."

A dream becomes a reality

The memorial will stand near the College's entrance and will bear the names of more than 1,400 Missourians who served and died in the Vietnam War.

"The College had discussed for quite some time creating a memorial for Missouri Vietnam Veterans, but Bass Pro's announcement provided the perfect opportunity to make a firm decision," Davis said.

The Branson chapter of Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 913, also had dreams of building a memorial in Branson. Bob Sarver, former president of Chapter 913, said they felt the Branson area was a natural place to build the memorial in light of the number of Veterans who visit the area and are honored here each year.

Families of the fallen are invited to attend the April 22 dedication at 2:30 p.m. along with friends of the Col-



Above: College of the Ozarks President Jerry C. Davis, alumnus General Terrence R. Dake and Bass Pro employee of 28 years and Marine Veteran Jerry Martin participate in the groundbreaking ceremony for The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial on December 18, 2014.

Right: C of O Cadet Shane Williams and S of O Cadet Sydni Cloutier listen as speakers address the crowd of approximately 400 people who attended the groundbreaking.



lege, state and national dignitaries, and members of the community.

Groundbreaking participants

Individuals who took part in the groundbreaking ceremony were President Jerry C. Davis; alumnus General Terrence R. Dake; Jerry Martin, Bass Pro employee of 28 years and Marine Veteran; Kirk Elmquist, tournament director for the *Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar* golf tournament; Ron Simmons, current president of Vietnam Veterans of America 913; Bob Sarver, past president of the Vietnam Veterans of America 913; Senator David Sator of District 29 who sponsored the Concurrent Resolution 43 for the memorial; Representative Don Phillips of District 138; Representative Jeff Justus of District 156; C of O Construction Manager Jody Braswell; C of O student construction worker Jacob Robinson; Austin Meyer, graphic designer and C of O alumnus; C of O ROTC Cadet Shane Williams; and S of O Cadet Sydni Cloutier. ■

College of the Ozarks welcomes Dr. Charles Krauthammer, Pulitzer Prize-winning author

by Mitchel Clark, senior business administration and international business major and ROTC student worker

On October 15, 2014, College of the Ozarks presented a special convocation for its students, staff, faculty, and community members. Dr. Charles Krauthammer, American Pulitzer Prize-winning syndicated columnist, author, political commentator, and physician, spoke to the audience about the importance of patriotism, citizenship, and civic engagement.

A distinguished career

In 1970, Krauthammer graduated from McGill University with honors in political science and economics. In 1978, he moved to Washington, D.C., to direct planning in psychiatric research under the Carter administration. He began contributing articles about politics to *The New Republic*, and in 1980, served as a speech writer to Vice President Walter Mondale.

In January 1981, Krauthammer joined *The New Republic* as both a writer and editor. The weekly column he began writing for *The Washington Post* in 1985 earned him the Pulitzer Prize for commentary in 1987. For the last decade he has served as political analyst and commentator for *FOX News*. He also writes a weekly column that is syndicated to more than 400 newspapers worldwide. He is a contributing editor to the *Weekly Standard* and a nightly panelist on *FOX News' "Special Report with Bret Baier."*

"Europe is a nice place, but it is not America. There is a reason why New York City has a Statue of Liberty, not a statue of equality. That is the essence of America."

—Dr. Charles Krauthammer

The appropriate scope of government

"This is the proposition I would advance. Every argument that we have seen since the inauguration of Barack Obama — whether it has been about stimulus package, Obamacare, Cap and Trade, the debt, the deficit, or on regulation, has been a subset of a much greater argument. What is the appropriate size, scope, reach, and power of government?" Krauthammer posited. "To put it more frankly, what is the nature of the American social contract between the citizen and the state?"

"When Obama was asked a question about American exceptionalism, he replied that he believed in American exceptionalism, but so do the British believe in British exceptionalism and the Greeks believe in Greek exceptionalism," Krauthammer said. "Well, let me tell you, if everyone is exceptional, then no one is. And I believe in American exceptionalism!"



S of O Young Americans for Freedom (YAF) member Danielle Jones and C of O YAF member Blake Johnson present Dr. Krauthammer with student-made products.

Krauthammer visits College of the Ozarks

Where America stands

He continued his speech, providing the audience with a comprehensive overview of where America currently stands on a variety of foreign and domestic issues.

"When Obama came into office, he began to reveal his ideological agenda in his first State of the Union address. I remember the night. It was February 24, 2009, when Obama gave this speech. Now, you don't remember this speech because you all have real lives. I, because of my sins, have been condemned to watch, listen to, and annotate this man for 24 hours a day," said Krauthammer as he chuckled. "Clearly my sins are many!"

"In the United States, we have a center-right party of the Republicans and a center-right party of the Demo-



crats who fight within the forty-yard line," Krauthammer said. "Obama is a man on the left who wants to push America beyond the forty-yard line. This has been what has sparked this great debate."

He continued his speech with another political analogy.

"The primary value of America has always been liberty. In Europe, they value solidarity over enterprise. They value government protection, regulation, taxation, and security. In America, we value liberty, dynamism, social mobility, enterprise, innovation, risk — in a word, individualism," Krauthammer said. "Europe is a nice place, but it is not America. There is a reason why New York City has a Statue of Liberty, not a statue of equality. That is the essence of America."

Students were moved and motivated by his intelligence and humor. "He inspired me to be more involved with the conservative movement and challenged me to become more involved with politics," said Kyle Duncan, C of O freshman.

"He had a unique approach to politics," said Andrew Pyatt, School of the Ozarks junior. "He made me appreciate democracy and how politics work in our system of government."

Student honors

At the convocation, the College recognized Patrick X. Coyle, vice president and executive director of Young America's Foundation. Coyle is responsible for overseeing student programs, including creating and implementing new activist initiatives, resources, and materials. The organization helps students understand current world issues, government operations, and the conservative movement.

Haley Jones, chair of the Young Americans for Freedom College of the Ozarks chapter, was also recognized. Haley graduated in December with a degree in public relations and a minor in journalism.

Also recognized was Coby Dolloff, chair of the Young Americans for Freedom School of the Ozarks chapter. Coby is a junior at School of the Ozarks, the College's laboratory school.

"It was refreshing to have someone encourage our generation to aspire to more," said Jacob Mullet, C of O junior. "He made me feel like there are intelligent people in Washington making sure that our government is accountable to its citizens." ■

Above: C of O YAF Chair Haley Jones receiving recognition from Vice President of the Young America's Foundation Patrick X. Coyle, Jr.

Left: Chairman of S of O Young Americans for Freedom Coby Dolloff was recognized for his service.

College of the Ozarks hosts “Year of the Bible”

Opening exhibit features *The Saint John’s Bible*

by Paige Arnett,
sophomore business management major

During the 2014-15 academic year, College of the Ozarks is hosting the “Year of the Bible.” The opening exhibition featured the Heritage Edition of *The Saint John’s Bible*, the first hand-written, hand-illuminated Bible produced in more than 500 years.

In 1998, Saint John’s Abbey and University in Minnesota commissioned renowned calligrapher Donald Jackson to produce a hand-written, hand-illuminated Bible. Jackson, senior scribe to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth’s Crown Office, worked with a team of artists and scribes to accomplish his childhood dream of creating the hand-written Bible.

The “Illuminated Word Exhibition,” which ran September through October, featured the Pentateuch and the Gospels and Acts, two volumes of *The Saint John’s Bible*, as well as five framed leaves. The nature of the exhibition sought to explore how throughout history, artistic illumination of the Bible has been interpreted and theologically expressed. An extension of the original work, the Heritage Edition of *The Saint John’s Bible* is one of only 299 full-size art editions to be produced and shown in various religious, art, academic, and literary institutions around the world, including College of the Ozarks.

The Heritage Edition is bound in Italian leather and printed on 100 percent cotton paper, featuring exquisite calligraphy, lively imagery, and striking gold and silver illuminations inspired by the original work of Jackson and his team. Each piece is a work in its own right, and each volume includes Jackson’s signature as its certificate of authenticity.



Left: Associate Professor of Art and Boger Art Gallery Director, Dr. Richard Cummings

Below: The book of Matthew in *The Saint John’s Bible* on display in the Boger Art Gallery.



Associate Professor of Art and Boger Gallery Director Dr. Richard Cummings shares with S of O lower school students the Year of the Bible.

The Bible comes to life

The exhibition, open to the campus and public, featured readings of the gospel every weekday afternoon in the Boger Art Gallery located in the Jones Building on campus. The readings came directly from the Gospels and Acts volume of *The Saint John’s Bible*.

“Having this exhibition in the Boger Art Gallery was such a monumental success for College of the Ozarks,” said Dr. Richard Cummings, C of O associate professor of art and Boger Gallery director. “We saw over 2,000 different faces, spanning across many different generations throughout this exhibition.”

Through the “Illuminated Word Exhibition,” students, faculty, and staff alike have been able to discuss the Bible in a new and profound way. The exhibition gave students a new take on how the Bible influences each generation in ways that, when hand-written, become works of history that last through the ages.

Additional events

An additional C of O event that celebrated the “Year of the Bible” was Christmas Card to the Community, held on December 14, 2014. For spring, “Celebrating Good Friday and the Resurrection Exhibition” is scheduled for Friday, April 3, through Sunday, April 15, at The Keeter Center. ■

The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial Gift Bricks Available

The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial located at College of the Ozarks was made the official Vietnam War Memorial for the state of Missouri in May 2014.

Adjacent to the memorial is The Vietnam Veterans Walk of Honor, which will be comprised of gift bricks available for \$100 each. Bricks can be inscribed in honor of or as a memorial for those who served or gave their lives in The Vietnam War. All orders after February 1, 2015, will be installed in the summer of 2015. There are 320 gift bricks available for purchase and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Gift brick funds will be used for the landscaping and general maintenance of the memorial.

Gift Brick Order Form

Purchaser's name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Are you a member of The Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 913? yes no

Please print or type verbiage as it is to appear on the brick. You are limited to three lines with 14 characters per line. The College will make all final edits on bricks.

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Please make all checks payable to College of the Ozarks
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Treasures of Ralph Foster Museum

by Matt Fender, junior business administration major

Tucked into the campus of College of the Ozarks sits the Ralph Foster Museum. It has earned the nickname, the "Smithsonian of the Ozarks." The Museum began displaying wonderful pieces of history since it first opened in the 1960s. Visitors to the College can spend numerous hours viewing artifacts not only from the Ozarks, but from all over the world. The Ralph Foster Museum has more than a quarter of a million artifacts on display. This list includes 10 of the most unique exhibits.

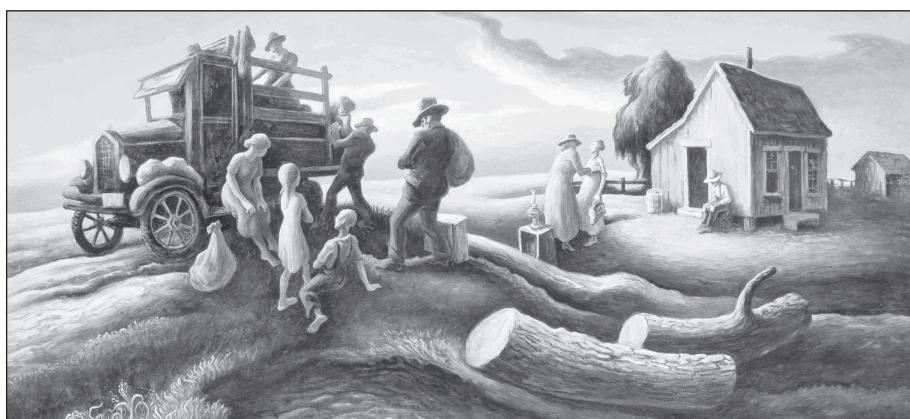
"The Departure of the Joads," by Thomas Hart Benton

This egg tempera and oil painting was created by the Missouri artist in 1940. The painting was commissioned by 20th Century Fox to advertise its film production of

John Steinbeck's novel, *The Grapes of Wrath*. The painting depicts a scene featuring the Joad family packing up its belongings and getting ready to move to California with the hope of finding a better life. Benton was a good friend of the College and would often come on campus to the art department and paint with students.

Beverly Hillbillies Car

The original 1921 Oldsmobile Model 46 Roadster used on the CBS television series, "The Beverly Hillbillies," is located on the first floor of the Museum. The car was given to the school by the show's producer, Paul Henning, after a trip to the Ozarks to film several episodes. For a small fee, one can take Jethro's place in the driver's seat while a Museum student worker takes a picture.



Artifacts from Denver M. Wright's Adventures

Denver M. Wright and his wife started a leather business in their home where both cut and stitched wallets by hand. Their business grew larger and became successful over the years. Success came at a cost; Mr. Wright spent so much time working and perfecting the production methods that he became ill at the age of 50. His doctor recommended that he take some time off to relax. With that "prescription," Wright set out on a hunting expedition in Mexico and immediately fell in love with the thrill of the hunt.

The thrilling adventure allowed him to take his mind off his stressful business, and Wright quickly gained a reputation for his hunting expeditions, his big game trophies, and his travels in dangerous territories. He circled the globe many times and made friends with the elite of Hong Kong and with tribes in the thickest jungles. On display are numerous artifacts from his travels, including poison darts, spears, and various gifts from primitive tribes.

Kewpie Dolls

Created by Rose O'Neill, a famous illustrator and artist, the Kewpie Doll captivated the imagination of millions of children and adults for a quarter of a century. The Kewpies, originally created for a comic strip, eventually were turned into a doll and were produced by

Above: The painting by Thomas Hart Benton, "The Departure of the Joads," was commissioned by 20th Century Fox to advertise its film production of John Steinbeck's novel, *The Grapes of Wrath*.

Left: The original 1921 Oldsmobile Model 46 Roadster used on the CBS television series, "The Beverly Hillbillies," is located on the first floor of the Ralph Foster Museum.

a German porcelain manufacturer. During World War I, in an attempt to hurt Germany economically, the United States blocked German ships from reaching the United States coast. However, several shiploads of Kewpie Dolls were allowed to pass, so the American children could have their beloved Kewpies.

The display at the Ralph Foster Museum features a vast collection of dolls, as well as information about their origin, production, and the creator, Rose O'Neill, who lived a portion of her life in the Ozarks region.

1931 Rolls-Royce Phantom II Continental

Rolls-Royce has a reputation for style and luxury, and visitors to the Museum will see this first-hand in a rare, 1931 Phantom II Continental. The Phantom II was the only "Fast Back" manufactured by Rolls-Royce, and only 1,672 were produced. This car, now part of the Museum's collection, was on the road from 1931 until 1965 when the vehicle went through a complete overhaul to restore it back to its original condition.

The Hawken Rifle

The Hawken Rifle was the weapon of choice for many mountain men and has a deeply-rooted historical significance in the Rocky Mountains. Produced in the 1800s

by the Hawken brothers, Jacob and Samuel, these original rifles are some of the most sought-after rifles in the world. The Hawken Rifle on display was crafted by Samuel in 1849 for Col. Ferdinand Kennett of St. Louis. This lightweight, .50 caliber rifle gained a legendary reputation for shooting accurately at more than 150 yards.

Persian Terra Cotta Pottery

Located on the third floor of the Museum, visitors will find a unique collection of Persian terra cotta pottery and other artifacts from the first, second, and third millennium B.C. These artifacts were donated to the Museum by Mr. and Mrs. Lester Koenitzer, who actually excavated the objects as part of an expedition to Ajin Dejen, Iran, in the 1950s.

The Schmidt Cameo Collection

For thousands of years people have used cameos, usually adorned with a portrait of a loved one, to add a fashionable flare to their wardrobe. The Schmidt Cameo Collection was contributed to the Ralph Foster Museum by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Schmidt of St. Louis, Missouri. Schmidt was a jeweler, and over the years, he amassed one of the finest cameo collections in the United States. The collection features cam-

eos from all over the world, as well as a number of cameos carved from shells found in the Ozarks.

Fine, Handcrafted Woodworking

The Museum features a number of beautifully-crafted, handmade wooden pieces, such as the Chinese dining set that was hand-carved for the 1915 World's Fair held in San Francisco. Etched in the legs and chair backs are scenes of Chinese mythology. Visitors may also enjoy the solid walnut book cabinet that was made in 1882 by Ernst Gloekner of Dresden, Germany.

Ethel Rogers Porcelain Bird Collection

The Ethel Rogers Collection contains more than 100 porcelain birds, many native to the Ozarks, depicted in their natural setting. One piece intricately details a bird hatching from its shell. The pieces were made by a variety of artists, as shown by the range of style and quality. Some artists created plaster molds while others painted the beautiful, lifelike designs. The collection was compiled for years as individual gifts to Ethel Rogers from her husband. While the porcelain art depicts many species of animals, Rogers' primary interest was birds. For more information about the Ralph Foster Museum, please visit rfostermuseum.com or call (417) 690-3407. ■



College of the Ozarks professor published in academic journals

by Moriah Ellis, junior nursing major

Dr. David Parrish, assistant professor of history, recently was published in two academic journals.

Historical Research Journal published "Now the mask is off: Jacobitism and colonial New England, 1702-27."

The Journal for Eighteenth Century Studies published "A Party Contagion: Party Politics and the Inoculation Controversy in the British Atlantic World, c. 1721-1723."

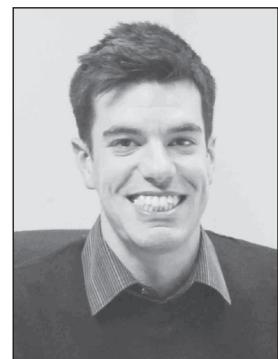
Parrish's dissertation has been accepted by the Royal Historical Society (published by Boydell and Brewer) for publication in their "Studies in History" series.

"Dr. Parrish is one of a number of young, new faculty members at the College who brings a great combination

of strong teaching and significant scholarship," said Dr. Eric Bolger, dean of the College. "We are delighted that he is teaching classes in our history department."

Parrish, a 2006 College of the Ozarks alumnus, completed his master's degree at the University of Arkansas. He earned his Ph.D. at the University of Glasgow in 2013. He also joined a Post-Doctoral Fellowship at the Institute of Historical Research.

Parrish joined College of the Ozarks in June 2014. ■



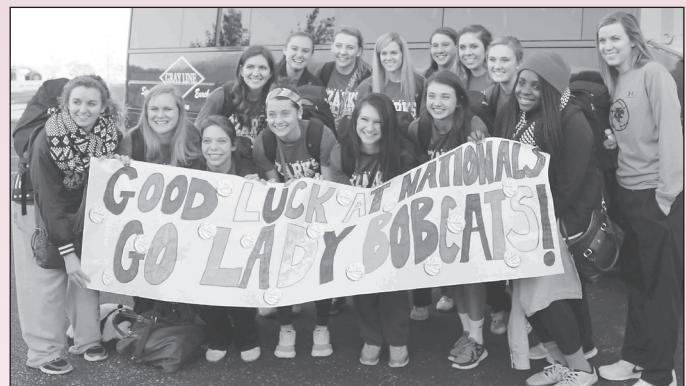
C of O Volleyball: Lady Bobcats qualify for NAIA National Tournament

by Paul Renyer, senior English major

For the first time since 2009, the College of the Ozarks Lady Bobcats Volleyball Team qualified for the 2014 NAIA National Tournament. Their tournament berth resulted from winning the MCAC qualifying tournament hosted at College of the Ozarks.

The women placed first in their conference with a 7-1 record, which earned them the number one seed in the MCAC tournament. Under the guidance of first year Head Coach Stacy Watkins, the Bobcats demolished both Bellevue in the semi-final round, 3-1, and Oklahoma Wesleyan in the championship game, 3-1.

The Lady Bobcats lost in the first round of the NAIA Tournament to nationally ranked #17 Southern Oregon. The team finished with an overall season record of 16-15.



C of O Volleyball team heads to National Tournament.

"Our record is deceiving; we accomplished so much this year, on and off the court," Watkins said about the team's performance. "Each girl grew closer to the Lord this season, competed at a high level of competition, and never gave up."

Watkins served as assistant coach under former Head Coach and Dean of Students Nick Sharp for the last few seasons, helping to lead the Bobcats to a successful 2013 season with an overall record of 23-15. She formerly played for College of the Ozarks and was named First Team All-Conference and NAIA All-American in 2008.

Special honors for players of the 2014 team include Jamie Reaves, All-American Team-Honorable Mention, and Hannah Brown, NAIA Scholar Athlete and the NAIA Champions of Character Award winner. ■



College of the Ozarks 2014 Volleyball team

Cross country returns to College of the Ozarks

by Matt Fender, junior business administration major

After a 25-year hiatus, College of the Ozarks has reinstated men's and women's cross country. Students welcomed its return.

The team's 2014 schedule included meets that took place at various universities throughout Oklahoma, Kansas, and Missouri.

The cross country team was under the direction of Athletic Director/C of O Cross Country Head Coach Al Waller; Assistant Coach and Garrison Activities Center Director Clint Woods; and assistants Erin Huddleston Atmar, cross country standout at the University of Tulsa, and C of O student Colton Hensley.

"We have 25 students on our cross country team, 13 men and 12 women," Waller said. "I am really excited that we are reinstating this program and giving students on campus an opportunity to participate in another collegiate athletic program."

The revival of the Cross Country Program was great news to many students, but to one student in particular, the announcement gave him



College of the Ozarks 2014 Cross Country Team

a second chance to run at the collegiate level.

Cross country provides second chances

Chris Mitchell, junior journalism major, ran cross country throughout high school in West Plains and competed in three state championship meets. After high school, Mitchell was offered a cross country scholarship to attend Union University in Jackson, Tennessee. He attended

there and ran cross country for one semester.

Unfortunately, the scholarship that he was given was not enough to cover all of the tuition costs, and Mitchell and his family had to make up the difference. Mitchell loved to run, but he also wanted to avoid going into debt.

After one semester at Union University, Mitchell came to College of the Ozarks because it offered him a chance to work for his education. When he heard the news that he would be able to participate in his beloved sport again, he was thrilled.

"I felt like God was giving me another chance to run at the collegiate level," Mitchell said.

Original cross country team

The inaugural College of the Ozarks Cross Country team started in 1968 and was coached by Robert Osburn. The inaugural team consisted of eight runners and competed in the Ozark Christian Conference and NAIA. Cross country continued from 1968 until 1989, when the program was discontinued.

For more information about College of the Ozarks Cross Country, please visit <http://bobcats.cofo.edu/>. ■



Cross Country Head Coach Al Waller congratulates his team after a race.

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Bus tours bring 10,000 guests to campus

by Katie Linson, junior public relations major

Tens of thousands of travelers journey to College of the Ozarks each year.

This fall was no different, and hundreds of tour buses arrived at the College of the Ozarks to experience a very unique college, where students work on campus to defray the cost of their education. More than 10,000 guests, from California to New Jersey and everywhere in between, experienced the great values and uniqueness of C of O.

As visitors arrive on campus, they are greeted by student workers who take the groups on an hour tour of the *Hard Work U.* campus.

"It is fun to interact with the guests that come to visit campus," said senior Mitchel Clark, public relations assistant. "They are always excited to see our outstanding work program being put into practice to develop responsible, hardworking, and Christ-like citizens."

Guests have the opportunity to observe students working at the Fruitcake and Jelly Kitchen, where 25,000 fruitcakes are baked each year. They watch and interact with students as they make cakes, jams, jellies, and apple butter. Guests also enjoy Edwards Mill, a replica of an 1800s grist mill,

Student Worker, Paige Arnett, prepares to board a tour bus to show visitors the C of O campus.



where they watch students weave baskets and view the stone-ground milling process. Guests also visit the student-built Williams Memorial Chapel.

On tours, students share the five-fold mission, history, and expectations of C of O with guests. They also share their personal story of how C of O has blessed them and their families.

"I love sharing the patriotic goal with our guests," Clark said. "I love seeing the delight on the guests' faces when I share that our school strives to be patriotic, and I always thank our Veterans. It makes the guests happy to know that young people are striving to take part in preserving the history of our country and will continue to protect it today."

"When I tell the guests that I will graduate debt free, it really impresses them," Clark said. "They are pleased to know that there are still young people out there who are willing to work hard for something they want." ■

9-11 National Day of Remembrance observed at C of O

by juniors Moriah Ellis, nursing major, and Lauren Meyer, molecular biology major

September 11, 2001, is a day that forever will be remembered in United States history. In remembrance of those innocent individuals killed during the terrorist attacks that day, College of the Ozarks observes the annual National Day of Remembrance on September 11.

In preparation for the remembrance ceremony, students including C of O's Young Americans for Freedom chapter, School of the Ozarks high school students, and C of O faculty and staff gathered to assemble the 9-11 display on the Alumni Center Lawn at the campus entrance. The College's display contains approximately 3,000 American flags that spell out 9-11. Each flag represents an innocent life taken on that day in 2001.

Ceremony highlights

The ceremony opened with the prelude song, "Precious Lord Take My Hand," performed by the College of the Ozarks Concert Band. The "Attention" Bugle Call was performed by junior Nate Pruessner. College of the Ozarks President Jerry C. Davis welcomed Veterans, the family of a local 9-11 victim, area first responders, students, faculty, and staff to the 9-11 National Day of Remembrance ceremony.

Following Davis' speech, the Point Lookout Fire Department presented the Colors, the C of O Concert Band performed the National Anthem, and S. Truett Cathy Lower School Chorale students led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, attendees then turned their attention to the main flag pole to partake in the raising of the 9-11 National Remembrance Flag by Mr. and Mrs. Ron Willett whose son, John, perished on

College of the Ozarks Junior Lauren Meyer helps S of O students place flags on the 9-11 memorial display.

9-11 in the World Trade Center. Following the flag-raising, S of O elementary students, with the help of area firemen and first responders, placed American flags in a cross display. "America the Beautiful" was then performed by the C of O Concert Band and Chorale, followed by a symbolic volley conducted by the Point Lookout Fire Department. Dr. Justin Carswell, dean of Christian Ministries, closed the



Taney County Fire and Rescue raises the American flag before the 9-11 ceremony.

annual 9-11 ceremony in prayer.

"Being at the 9-11 ceremony was an honor," said Lanie Head, School of the Ozarks high school senior. "It amazed me to see all the people come out to remember 9-11. I pray our country never forgets that day."

Honoring their sacrifice

On the day preceding 9-11, criminal justice majors stepped in military formation on Opportunity Avenue and helped place flags in the 9-11 Memorial. Throughout the day on 9-11, they ensured that each row of flags was straight and secure in the display. The criminal justice department, led by Nolan Vaclavicek, captain of the Domestic Patriot Honor Guard, served with the Point Lookout Fire Department to guard the display.

"Our service to the memory of the fallen, the brave, and the patriotic is one way in which we honor their sacrifice," said David Vogt, chair of history and social sciences and Domestic Patriot Honor Guard sponsor.

"This experience made me very proud to be a student at C of O," said junior Katie Linson. "The fact that we hold a special ceremony each year to honor the fallen really shows our love for country and our patriotism. It was a moving and memorable experience." ■



This aerial display of over 3,000 flags represents the lives lost on September 11, 2001.

The Keeter Report

College of the Ozarks dedicates S. Truett Cathy Lower School

by Mitchel Clark, senior business administration and international business major, ROTC cadet

On November 19, 2014, College of the Ozarks dedicated the School of the Ozarks S. Truett Cathy Lower School. Don "Bubba" Cathy, son of the late S. Truett Cathy and executive vice president of Chick-fil-A, helped with the dedication.

Dr. Sue Head, dean of Character Education, provided an overview of the history of College of the Ozarks. She explained the College's mission: "to provide the advantages of a Christian education for youth of both sexes, especially those found

worthy, but who are without sufficient means to procure such training." In an effort to remain true to its mission, the College developed a high school and a lower elementary school that share the institution's founding mission and goals.

Dean of the Lab School Brad Dolloff shared about the new S. Truett Cathy Lower School, which opened in August. He spoke on the importance of leadership and Christ-like character.

"Education is not about the appearance but about the substance," Dolloff said. "We are teaching the basics of grammar, reading, math, the Preamble of the Constitu-

tion, the 50 states, their capitals, and Latin. It has been shown that teaching Latin actually improves test scores by helping to develop critical thinking."

"The students also have their own version of a work program where two or three students rotate staying inside during recess to clean the classrooms," Dolloff said.

S. Truett Cathy provides inspiration

College of the Ozarks President Jerry C. Davis provided additional remarks. He spoke about how S. Truett Cathy influenced the College and his personal life. He

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Don "Bubba" Cathy, son of the late S. Truett Cathy, and his wife, Cindy, joined with President Jerry C. Davis and his wife, Shirley, to unveil the bronze plaque in honor of Cathy's father at the dedication of the School of the Ozarks Lower School.

Eighth annual S. Truett Cathy Poverty Summit held at College of the Ozarks

By Paul Renyer, senior English major

Every day thousands of children in the United States are born into generational poverty. Children born into the “upper” and “middle” class take their first breath in a world prepared to educate and nourish them. The newborn of the “lower” class often stumble into a world preset to trap them in poverty.

The keynote speaker for the eighth annual 2014 S. Truett Cathy Poverty Summit was Patti Albright, a lifelong educator and professional authority on poverty. She told the audience that in her 31 years as an educator, she had never taught at a school where the percentage of children who received free or reduced



“Working with individuals in poverty is not for the weak; you have to have a heart for helping people.”

— Patti Albright

lunch was under 90 percent.

“Working with individuals in poverty is not for the weak,” Albright said. “You have to have a heart for helping people.”

Understanding the need

She suggested taking time to understand instead of judging those who live in poverty, especially children.

Workshop attendees included community members, teachers, administrators, government officials, those in ministerial positions, and medical professionals. This year, many students studying nursing, education, psychology, and sociology also attended the Summit.

Understanding class “hidden rules” in order to better educate those who currently live in poverty remains the foundational goal for the

S. Truett Cathy Poverty Summit.

S. Truett Cathy passed away on September 8, 2014, just three days after the Summit.

President Jerry C. Davis knew Cathy personally.

“Truett has been a role model to me and countless others,” Davis said. “His legacy will be long-lasting and reflected in the lives of many. I know he supported what we are doing here at the College and the Poverty Summit.”

History and purpose

The 2014 Poverty Summit was hosted by the College of the Ozarks Keeter Center for Character Education. The Summit was designed to train attendees to understand and work with individuals who live in poverty.

Left: Patti Albright speaks at the 2014 Poverty Summit.

Below: Patti Albright, the 2014 Poverty Summit keynote speaker, shares with a capacity crowd of community leaders, educators, and professionals in The Keeter Center’s Royal Oak Forum.



"This workshop gave us all common ground regarding the hidden rules of class," said Dr. Sue Head, dean of Character Education at College of the Ozarks. "It also educated those who are already reaching out to help our neighbors in need to be more effective."

Davis began the workshop with the story of his personal walk through poverty as an adolescent. He grew up in an unstable home with an alcoholic father and a mother who eventually remarried and left him and his two brothers with her parents. Davis shared his struggles with early education and told about how difficult it was to succeed in academics with so much happening at home.

"His introduction was heartfelt and especially relevant leading into the theme of the Summit," Head said. "Dr. Davis' story was continually referenced throughout the workshop, providing a tangible example of a person successfully transitioning out of poverty."

"Giving people living in poverty hope is the best thing we can do for them."

— Emily Dobson

Lower School dedication *from page 19*

was a friend of President Davis for 30 years and served as a role model for Davis, an inspiration for all his life's accomplishments.

"Mr. Cathy was a role model for the principles that this school is built upon," Davis said. "Mr. Cathy was a role model for children, and he always said that it was better to build boys and girls than to mend adults."

Davis reminded the students at the dedication of the importance of saying thank you to role models in their lives. The College decided to name the new Lower School after S. Truett Cathy as a way of saying thank you for being a role model to so many individuals.

What's in a name

Davis invited Cathy to help unveil the bronze plaque in honor of his father. Cathy then explained to everyone that his father taught him the importance of a good name and hard work. He quoted Proverbs 22:1, "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold."

"It is wonderful to see that verse, Proverbs 22:1, here. Dad deeply enjoyed his friendship with you, Jerry, and thought a great deal of you. I also appreciate your friend-

Reaching out to the community

Emily Dobson, a junior nursing major, had previously been exposed to the tragedies of poverty in the life of children.

"My mother owns a daycare, and every day she cares for children who don't know where they will stay that night, or if their mom or dad will be there to pick them up from the daycare," said Dobson.

As a future nurse, she needs an understanding of poverty in order to better care for patients who cannot afford medication.

"Giving people living in poverty hope is the best thing we can do for them," she said.

The Summit gave the college student attendees a better understanding of class structure and how that affects business and social life. It provided a common ground for members of all financial backgrounds, ultimately preparing the current community leaders and future leaders of America with a solid foundation to reach out to poverty-stricken communities. ■

ship with him," Cathy said.

"We should try to glorify God through our hard work—whether it's being a school teacher or whether it's working at Chick-fil-A. We were called to work hard for His glory. So I'm going to challenge you here at this wonderful school to glorify God through the study of God's Word and through the study of knowledge and to know that God is our Creator and Prince of Peace." ■



Students learn through song in the S. Truett Cathy Lower School

by Paige Arnett, sophomore
business management major

The S. Truett Cathy Lower School, which opened its doors in fall 2014, has had a phenomenal first year. Not only are the staff and faculty full of excitement and love for teaching, but the students are soaking in new knowledge.

The students at the Lower School are unique from most grade school students in the manner in which they begin their mornings. Kindergarten through sixth grade students participate in an exercise known as Cantabile.

Cantabile, simply put, means “singing with purpose” and is an interactive morning exercise involving the whole elementary school which occurs every Monday and Wednesday morning.

Pronounced “kahn/TAH/bee/lay/,” this Italian word can be translated as “song-like.” In a musical context it refers to a smooth, flowing, and melo-

dious style. It is designed to imitate the human voice. The first uses for the Cantabile style of freeform singing date back to 1724.

Finding inspiration

K-8 Curriculum Director/Lead Teacher Jenni Carey and Assistant Professor of K-12 Music Kendra Franks worked closely together to make this program a success. The idea for Cantabile stemmed from two separate Christian schools in the United States — Logos Classical Christian School in Moscow, Idaho, and The Oaks in Spokane, Washington. These schools inspired Carey and Franks to seek out a way to focus on basic facts that would be fun, fresh, and exciting for their students.

Every Monday and Wednesday, Franks takes the students on an adventure full of imagination and learning. Such adventures have included “pretend” trips to Washington, D.C., learning about history and patriotism as students partici-

pated in a pretend parade. As they “walked” down historical streets during the parade, the students learned important facts that describe the history of our country.

In addition to Cantabile, Carey leads Memory Time for Lower School grades every Tuesday and Thursday. During Memory Time, the students learn a wide variety of facts, including all the states and their capitals. They focus on the basic facts of history and geography of the United States and each student builds a solid knowledge base.

“Not only does Memory Time wake up their brains,” said Carey, “it provides a unique, one-room schoolhouse atmosphere that enables younger students to hear the memory work done by older students.”

Students are constantly and consistently exposed to higher levels of learning during Cantabile and Memory Time, which allows each of them the ability to retain information better through chants and songs. ■



Assistant Professor of K-12 Music Kendra Franks leads S of O students in “Cantabile,” which simply put, means “singing with purpose.”

School of the Ozarks works with The Hope Center to help Kansas City

by Moriah Ellis, junior nursing major

School of the Ozarks works to foster a spirit of service and cultural awareness in each student. To accomplish this, students in each grade of the Upper School experience weekend service trips. The freshman class took their first service and educational trip to Kansas City, October 25-26, where they worked with The Hope Center, located in inner-city Kansas City.

The Hope Center seeks to build a healthy community by cultivating a nourishing environment for vulnerable youth living in the economically-challenged areas of the city.

S of O students helped The Hope Center by cleaning their facilities, which is not a foreign task for them. Many of the students clean their own school facility as part of their high school chores program. The students cleaned The Hope Center's charter school, community park, and Bible study house.

"When I recall The Hope Center, I smile," said Moriah Widner, S of O freshman. "The name explains it all. The people we met worked so hard to bring Christ's hope to their community. It was an honor to help clean up their facilities because God is using them to change many lives."



S of O students Eli Mylenbusch, Nate Brown, Steve Martin, and Will Shafer working on a service project with The Hope Center in Kansas City.



The School of the Ozarks students took time to further expand their knowledge of history and culture by visiting both the World War I Museum and the Steamboat Arabia Museum. These opportunities provided a temporary break from work to appreciate America's history and Veterans.

"The experience of wandering through the World War I Museum was memorable," said Spencer Grisham, S of O freshman.

A cultural experience

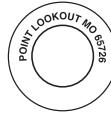
During the trip, students attended Concord Church in Kansas City.

"I am from a small town, so the cultural differences I experienced in Kansas City, such as attending a church made up of a diverse congregation, provided an eye-opening and exciting experience," said Claudia Wilkinson, S of O freshman.

The trip focused on creating culturally-aware citizens who wish to serve their community.

"The purpose of our student mission trips is to reinforce in them that our school is not a retreat from the world, but rather preparation to be poured out on it," said Brad Dolloff, dean of the Lab School. "It is so rewarding to hear our students' comments after they return from these trips, which are designed to help others in need. Our students end up being blessed as well as being a blessing to others." ■

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S of O Young Americans for Freedom chapter established at School of the Ozarks

by Matt Fender, junior business administration major

Last spring, School of the Ozarks students founded a Young Americans for Freedom chapter (YAF) at their high school.

"The goal of the chapter is to educate students on the basic ideals of conservatism and to empower them to spread these ideals throughout the community and the nation," said Coby Dolloff, chairman of the YAF chapter and S of O student.

Below: The S of O Young Americans for Freedom chapter, along with the College Young Americans for Freedom chapter, erected replica sections of the Berlin Wall in front of the R. M. Good Center. The "walls" remained in place for three days to celebrate "Freedom Week" and the fall of the wall on November 9, 1989, exactly 25 years ago.

The School of the Ozarks YAF chapter recently finished Freedom Week, during which the S of O students collaborated with the College of the Ozarks YAF chapter to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall.

"We built a mock Berlin Wall and tore it down to remember the great victory for freedom that occurred on the day the wall fell," Dolloff said.

The YAF chapter has grown quickly in the past year and now has over 30 student members. These students have had the opportunity to travel to YAF conferences in Michigan, California, and Virginia to hear from prominent conservative speakers and learn how to better encourage their fellow students to become more informed on current political issues. ■

