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# LeMoyne-Owen College to Host the Tennessee Academy of Science's West Tennessee Regional Collegiate Meeting

*Undergraduate science students are invited to present their research or benefit from others' presentations.*

**MEMPHIS, TN (Feb. 20, 2012)** The Tennessee Academy of Science will hold its West Tennessee Regional Collegiate Meeting **Saturday, March 31 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in Gibson Orgill Hall on the Campus of LeMoyne-Owen College, 807 Walker Ave. in Memphis, Tennessee.

Undergraduate students will make oral and poster presentations of their research. Students' presentations will reflect work done on their home campuses and during research experiences at other institutions.

"The annual regional collegiate meeting is an important venue for students to present their research," said Dr. Delphia Harris, chair of the Division of Natural & Mathematical Sciences at LeMoyne-Owen College. "Research is a primary means for undergraduate students to enrich their science education, develop as professionals and prepare for the next step toward their careers," Dr. Harris added. "It gives students an opportunity to develop professional skills that the community will benefit from now and in the future."

Registration is \$10 for presenters and attendees. Lunch is provided to the registrants. Fees will be collected at the event.

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The American Missionary Association founded The LeMoyne-Owen College in 1862 to educate freedmen and runaway slaves at the Union Army's Camp Shiloh in Shiloh, Tennessee. The school relocated to Memphis a year later, but was destroyed during race riots in 1866. Lincoln Chapel, as the school was then known, was rebuilt and reopened in 1867 with 150 students and six teachers. Lincoln Chapel was renamed LeMoyne Normal and Commercial School in honor of benefactor, physician and abolitionist Dr. Francis Julian LeMoyne and was relocated to its current site at 807 Walker Ave. in 1914. After more than 50 years of steady growth, LeMoyne merged with Owen College in 1968. Today, The LeMoyne-Owen College has a student body of more than 1,000 students and offers 4-year degrees in five disciplines: Business and Economic Development; Education; Fine Arts and Humanities; Natural and Mathematical Sciences; and, Social and Behavioral and Sciences.