FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Media Relations Contact:
Andy Pulverenti, sports information director, (660) 831-4230, pulverenti@moval.edu

MVC SATURDAY SPORTS ROUNDUP

Marshall, Mo. (November 2, 2013)- It was a busy night in MVC Athletics. For more information about the games below, including full recaps and box scores go the schedules and result pages for each sport at www.moval.edu/athletics

Football-No. 12 Missouri Valley College 21 No. 9 Peru State 14: The Vikings quickly jumped out to a 13-0 lead over Peru State, only to fall behind 14-13 at halftime. Both teams failed to put points on the board through the second half, until Junior Quarterback Bruce Reyes (Beaumont, Texas) connected with Sophomore Wide Receiver Darrian Turk (Silsbee, Texas) for a 54-yard touchdown pass-play on fourth down late in the fourth quarter to give MVC a 21-14 lead. The Viking defense stuffed Peru State earlier in the second half at the one-yard line, and held Peru out of the end zone after the Vikings retook the lead to come away with the Victory. Freshman Linebacker Luke Fischer (Wesley Chapel, Fla.) led the team with 12 tackles, while Senior Defensive Back Tyler Davis (St. Louis, Mo.) had an interception and Junior Defensive Back Michael Barnes (Beaumont, Texas) recovered a fumble on the opening kickoff of the second half. The Vikings improve to 6-2 overall and 6-1 in HAAC play. Next week the Vikings host undefeated and No. 4 Benedictine College.

Men’s Basketball- Missouri Valley College 80 Hannibal-LaGrange 63: The Vikings used an 18-0 run early in the first half to switch a six point deficit to a 12 point lead thanks to 10 points from Senior Jim Thomas (St. Louis, Mo.) in that stretch. The Vikings led by double-digits through much of the rest of the game, and eventually pulled away from Hannibal-LaGrange late in the game for the 17-point victory. Thomas led the Vikings with 22 points, while Sophomore Raviel Burton (St. Johns, Antigua) finished with 13 points on 6 of 8 shooting and seven rebounds. As a team the Vikings shot over 45-percent and forced Hannibal-LaGrange into 19 turnovers resulting in 23 Viking points. MVC improved to 1-0 with the win. The win was also the 144th of Head Coach Chad Lance’s career, which moved him to the top of the program’s all-time wins list, breaking a tie he
had with Grover C. Redford. The Vikings will host William Woods University Monday in a doubleheader with the women’s team.

Women’s Wrestling-The MVC women’s wrestling program traveled to Jamestown, N.D. for the Can/Am Open. After finishing with a 1-1 record in dual action Friday, the Vikings had a number of individual medalists in the open tournament Saturday. The best finish for the team was Sophomore Jessica Ulloa (Concord, Calif.) who took first place in the 191 pound weight class. Also, Sophomore Sonia Smith (Pittsburg, Calif.) took second in the 109 pound weight class. Also in the weight class, Sophomore Daisy Cisneros (Corpus, Christi, Texas) placed fifth. Sophomore Samantha Higa (Aiea, Hawai‘i) placed third in the 116 pound weight class. No. 7 Senior Frances Efiong (Arlington, Texas) placed fourth in the 143 pound weight class, as did No. 6 Senior Brittany Jones (Grapevine, Texas) in the 170 pound weight class and Freshman Christy Powell (Atlanta, Ga.) in the 123 pound weight class. Finishing fifth at 123 pounds was Freshman Sharice Schnell (Waterloo, Iowa) and taking sixth at 116 pounds was Senior Samantha Lovelace (South Prairie, Texas)

Again for the full recaps and box scores for all of Saturday’s action go to www.moval.edu/athletics and go to each sport’s “Schedule and Results” page.

ABOUT MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE
Known for its dynamic, richly diverse, and friendly educational environment, Missouri Valley College offers many opportunities to grow in mind, body, and spirit. Grounded in the liberal arts, undergraduate studies empower students to master interdisciplinary skills needed to succeed in a knowledge-based global society. MVC offers over 40 academic programs, study abroad program, honors program, extracurricular activities, and 13 sports. The most popular majors include education and business, and some new majors are ag-business, nursing, graphic design, and health information systems (associate degree). Above all, Valley is committed to student success. For more information, call (660) 831-4000 or visit www.moval.edu.