

**Kaskaskia College Office of Public Information  
Accomplishments  
2010-11**

**PUBLIC RELATIONS**

The Office of Public Information produced 736 press releases for 2010-11

**Feature stories for area media:**

- \* Chairman of the Illinois Community College Board Visits Kaskaskia College Campus
- \* Kaskaskia College Announces Fall 2010 Health Care Bridge Program
- \* Kaskaskia College Receives Air Force Prints from Retired Aviator
- \* Kaskaskia College Fast Forward Program Gives Students a Jump Start for College
- \* Accolades Given to Kaskaskia College Blue Angel Golf Team
- \* Kaskaskia College Breaks Ground on Sports and Activities Facility
- \* KC Graduate Steven Pieszchalski is accepted to University of Southern California Theatre Program
- \* Kaskaskia College to offer the Associate of Engineering Science Degree
- \* Kaskaskia College Students Attend National SkillsUSA Conference and Skill Competition
- \* Greenville City Officials Present Check for KC Business Incubators
- \* Kaskaskia College Honored by Illinois National Guard
- \* Kaskaskia College Teams and Athletes Named To NJCAA Academic All-American Squad
- \* Kaskaskia College Greenville Education Center Adjunct Faculty Member Appears in Documentary on Icelandic Nobel Winning Writer Halldor Laxness
- \* Tiffany Geppert of Ashley Selected To Visit NASA In November
- \* Veteran Donates Famed Artwork to Veterans Tribute at Kaskaskia College
- \* Kaskaskia College Holds Dedication Ceremony for Renovations
- \* Theresa Wilson, Founder of “The Blessing Basket Project” to be Distinguished Lecturer at Kaskaskia College on October 28
- \* Kaskaskia College Radiologic Technology Program Receives Maximum Accreditation
- \* Kaskaskia College to Host Pinckney Benedict as part of Visiting Writers Series
- \* Kaskaskia College Dental Assisting Program Receives Illinois State Dental Society Foundation Grant Winners
- \* Kaskaskia College Receives Grant for Geothermal Heating and Cooling System
- \* Kaskaskia College Educational Programs and Business Assistance are Effective Partners
- \* Clinton County Entrepreneur Utilizes Kaskaskia College Business Services
- \* Mother and Daughter Receive Honors Together at Kaskaskia College
- \* Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus Graduates Thirteen Licensed Practical Nursing Students
- \* Kaskaskia College Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program Has Ten Year Anniversary
- \* Adams Family Looks to KC Community Education Department to Assist
- \* Kaskaskia College Inherits Sheet Music Collection
- \* KC Paramedic Students Receive Certifications
- \* KC Trenton Center Student Worker’s Positive Attitude leads to Success!
- \* KC Trenton Education Center provides valuable assistance to area Senior Citizens
- \* Students from KC Vandalia Campus Share Their Stories at Headstart Program
- \* American Red Cross Blood Drive held at Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus
- \* “Bikes Around the Lake” Event Nets More Than \$2,000 for Veterans Tribute
- \* Specialty Crops Workshop At Kaskaskia College
- \* Export Continues To Grow In The Kaskaskia College District
- \* Religious Icons of the World Displayed at Kaskaskia College Dee and Sue Boswell Art Gallery
- \* Auburn Football Announcer Gives Credit to Kaskaskia
- \* Area Legislators Visit KC

- \* Sisters Pursue Nursing Degrees
- \* Kaskaskia College Announces 2010 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees
- \* Kaskaskia College Dedicates Teacher Education Technology Classroom in honor of Michele Cavaletto
- \* 3rd Annual Kaskaskia College Honor Band Guest Conductor Announced
- \* Kaskaskia College Honors Excel Bottling Company of Breese
- \* Kaskaskia College to Hold Summer Bridge Courses this Summer
- \* Kaskaskia College: Celebration of a Successful Year
- \* EFI Provides KC Engineering Students Job Shadowing Experiences
- \* Kaskaskia College Welcomes Lt. Governor Sheila Simon
- \* Kaskaskia College Acquires TRIO Grant
- \* Kaskaskia College Honors Former Dean of Nursing Mary Lou Whitten
- \* Kaskaskia College is Recipient of 2011 ICCTA State Equity Award
- \* KC Massage Therapy Graduate Gives Credit to KC Program
- \* Kaskaskia College Provides Good Transfer of Credits to Universities and Colleges

### **Featured Stories that were produced by Education Centers:**

#### **Salem**

- \* KC Paramedic Students Receive Certifications
- \* Salem hosts Community Engagement Forum

#### **Greenville**

- \* Kaskaskia College Greenville Education Center Adjunct Faculty Member Appears in Documentary on Icelandic Nobel Winning Writer Halldor Laxness
- \* Greenville hosts Community Engagement Forum

#### **Nashville**

- \* Instructors Get Trained on Kaskaskia College's Video Conferencing System
- \* Will and Linda Summers Present Check to Kaskaskia College Reading Link
- \* Nashville hosts Community Engagement Forum

#### **Workforce Center**

- \* Kaskaskia College Educational Programs and Business Assistance are Effective Partners
- \* Clinton County Entrepreneur Utilizes Kaskaskia College Business Services
- \* Adams Family Looks to KC Community Education Department to Assist
- \* Specialty Crops Workshop At Kaskaskia College
- \* Export Continues To Grow In The Kaskaskia College District
- \* Kaskaskia College Office Incubator Project Meets Community Needs
- \* Local Writer Turns Ideas Into Business
- \* Workforce Center hosts Community Engagement Forum

#### **Vandalia**

- \* Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus Graduates Thirteen Licensed Practical Nursing Students
- \* Students from KC Vandalia Campus Share Their Stories at Headstart Program
- \* American Red Cross Blood Drive held at Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus
- \* Davis Estate Donates to Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus
- \* Vandalia hosts Community Engagement Forum

#### **Trenton**

- \* KC Trenton Center Student Worker's Positive Attitude leads to Success!
- \* KC Trenton Education Center provides valuable assistance to area Senior Citizens

- \* Trenton hosts Community Engagement Forum
- \* Sarah Tune is Nursing Success Story
- \* KC Trenton Education Center Provides Classroom Experience For Graduates
- \* Area Children Enjoy Summer Arts And Craft Classes Held At The KC Trenton Education Center

In addition, the KC Public Information Office assists with the promotion of the Season of Entertainment, KICK Program, Centralia Historical Society Lecture Series, and events at the education centers.

**Coordinated “The KC Hour” on WILY radio**

2010-11 Guests on “The KC Hour”

July - Steve Groner, SBDC

August - Dean Daum, Truck Driving

September - Angie Heiman & Suzanne Christ – Alumni Weekend

October - Susie Batchelor – KC Nursing

January – Jessica Rolla – Financial Aid

February – TRIO PRogram

March – Lori Schmidt, Dental

April – Rich Rittenhouse, Drafting

May – Ken Ingersoll, Criminal Justice

**EVENTS**

Coordinated through the Office of Public Information: Veteran’s Celebration, 2011 Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration, 2011 Celebration of Diversity, Staff and ICCTA Awards Dinner and several Making A Difference Staff Awards.

**PUBLICATIONS** - Summer/Fall and Spring Class Schedules, Catalog, Student Handbook, Fall, Winter and Spring Athletic Media Guides

**KCSA EVENTS** - The Kaskaskia College Sports Association experienced a successful year in raising \$63,922.75. The KCSA was able to complete its pledge of \$100,000 for the Sports and Activities Building, \$10,000 toward athletic scholarships, and \$1,000 for two athletic housing scholarships.

**Dates Sponsored by the KCSA and Athletics**

August 26	Adopt-An-Athlete Dinner
August 28	KC Blue Angels Soccer Autograph Day & Free Clinic
September 2	Welcome Back Dinner for Student Athletes
September 11	KC Blue Angels Volleyball Autograph Day & Free Clinic
September 13	Carlyle Night for KC Volleyball
September 18	KCSA Par-3 Golf Tournament
September 20	Greenville Night for KC Volleyball
September 28	KCSA Grade School Cross Country Meet
October 11	“Dig for a Cure” Volleyball Game
October 13	Nashville Night for KC Volleyball
October 16	KCSA Grade School Basketball Shoot-Out
October 26	KCSA Kids Club Book Fair
November 13	Centralia Day for KC Basketball

December 2	Adopt-An-Athlete Christmas Dinner
February 3	Welcome Back Dinner for KC Athletes
February 12	KCSA Hospitality Room
February 14	“Shoot for a Cure” Basketball Game
February 26	KC Athletic Hall of Fame
April 23	“Pitch for a Cure” Baseball/Softball Games