CSC hosted the Muskogee Area Wide College Fair on the Warner campus, September 24th. According to Dr. Ron Ramming, Dean of Enrollment Services, the fair was once again a huge success with at least 45 colleges, universities, and trade schools represented.

Students from 16 high schools attended with approximately 1,000 students present.

Dr. Ramming commended all the departments and groups who manned tables and visited with the prospective students. Also special thanks was given to Matt Fowler, Marcia Hicks, Brandi Gunn, Ms. Laura Hazen, and the PLC students and student workers.
On October 2nd and 3rd, the first-year President’s Leadership Class (PLC) along with the Student Government officers attended the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Student Leadership Retreat. Students attending were Mariah Norwood, Brett Isbell, Caitlyn Barnett, Darci Guthrie, Logan Pritchett, Megan Keifer, Blaine Ross, Morgan Thomason, Shiann Wingfield, Zachariah Belineik, Sarah Bates, Whitney Woolf, and Natalie Sydebotham. The Student Government officers attending were Michael Todd, Raelynn Elsworth, and Katrina Crank. At the retreat, CSGA President, Raelynn Elsworth, presented Senator Cal Hobson an award on behalf of the

Horticulture Workshop

Ms. Debbie Golden says it was “nice” to see so many turn out for the Horticulture Workshop on September 20th. With 48 people in attendance, the workshop was a success. The Kerr Foundation graciously sponsors the horticulture program and a special thanks goes out to George Kuepper for putting together such a successful event.

There were four individual workshops, and several guest speakers who lectured on subjects relating to crops grown in general and specifically in Oklahoma. Ms. Chris Kirby, the head of the Oklahoma Farm-to-School Program designed in 2006 to use locally grown produce within the Oklahoma school system, spoke to the group on “Local Market Venues.”

The morning session brought speakers Emily Oakley and Mike Appel whose topics were “The Nuts & Bolts of Market Farming.” The afternoon speakers were Debra Golden—“Transplant for the Market Garden,” Steve Epson—“Hoop Houses,” Doug Walton—“Cover Crops for Oklahoma,” and Alan Ware—“Drip Irrigation.” Both Walton and Ware are from the Nobel Foundation.

Leadership Retreat

On October 2nd and 3rd, the first-year President’s Leadership Class (PLC) along with the Student Government officers attended the biggest motivational seminar in Tulsa history. Speakers at the seminar included Colin Powell, Zig Ziglar, Joe Montana, and Rudolph Giuliani. PBL members attending were Michael Todd, Michael Pendley, Patrick Dobyns, Rendi Tamplin, Stacy Moore, Tiffany Hatfield, Khina Hill, Heather Adams, and Tess Little. PBL advisors were John Maly, Pat Clancy, Rhonda Wilson, and Gina Ramming.

Attending the seminar was an unexpected challenge since Tulsa experienced the biggest traffic jam in its history. Most of the PBL students and advisors parked at OSU-Tulsa and took a shuttle to the BOK center. Some of the members and advisors, however, didn't brave the downtown traffic and attended the seminar at the ORU Mabee Center.

Everyone enjoyed the seminar and left with ideas on how to keep motivated and the value of motivation.

PBL will soon be selling stuffed animals as a fundraiser. The animals will be theme-oriented (Christmas, Easter, etc.). A portion of the proceeds will go to the March of Dimes.
**Blood Drive-Donor Heroes**

The Oklahoma Blood Institute once again visited Connors, and once again CSC students, staff, and faculty did their part to save lives.

The Blood Drive was held at the Warner campus on Tuesday, October 7th, and at the Downtown Muskogee campus on Wednesday, October 8th.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Several continuing education classes will be offered this fall at the Port Campus. They include:

- **October 25** (8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.) “Relations-Based and Reflect Child Care Organization”
  - “Child Abuse: Laws, Symptoms and Effects”
- **November 8**
  - “Exceptional Customer Service”
  - “Internet Security”
  - “Management Skills for Child Care Centers”
  - “Maximizing Human Relations Skills”

The cost for each one-credit hour class is $106.32 ($85.07 for tuition and a community service fee of $21.25). The service fee covers the class materials and other fees. There is usually no book required for the classes.

To enroll, students can contact Rhoda Strode at 918-687-6747 or Ron Ramming 918-463-6328.

**Announcements**

- **Phi Theta Kappa** is meeting the 2nd and 4th Monday, 4 p.m.-5 p.m. Meeting places are Warner: ITV Room, Library; Downtown Muskogee: ITV Room, Library; Port: Room 7.

- **Fright Night Halloween Bash** is October 27 from 8 p.m.-10 p.m. at the Melvin Self Fieldhouse. Costumes are not required but there will be prizes for dressing up.

- The CSC cheerleaders will be hosting a fall cheerleading clinic for children pre-K through 4th grade on Nov. 15-16. Registration deadline is Nov. 1st. The attendees will perform at the halftime of the basketball games on Nov. 17th. Cost is $25 for the clinic and includes a t-shirt. For more information, call Laura Hazen, 463-6261.

- **OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT**

  Students must complete Outcomes Assessment (EDUC 2320) to graduate. Enroll with an academic advisor or the Admissions Office.

  Testing dates -
  - **DOWNTOWN MUSKOGEE** -
    - Tues. Oct. 28 12:30 pm-4 pm
    - Thurs. Oct. 30 6:00 pm-9:30 pm

  - **WARNER** -
    - Thurs. Oct. 30 9 am-12:30 pm
CSC’s 2008-09 Livestock Judging Team is once again busy competing and winning.

At the Tulsa State Fair, the freshmen were 2nd overall (by a narrow margin) out of 21 teams and 118 contestants. They were first in Swine, Sheep, and Reasons. Freshman Brandon Fix was 2nd overall, and Katie Lents was 9th. The sophomores were 1st overall, a dominating win by 44 points. They were also first in Sheep and Reasons. Sophomore Darin Annuschat was 1st overall, and Ben Scott was 7th overall.

At the State Fair of Texas, the freshmen were 3rd overall and 1st in Cattle. Logan Pritchett was 4th overall and Rachael Guidry was 6th overall. The sophomore judges again were 1st overall and 1st in Cattle and Swine. Darin Annuschat was 1st overall, Joshua Cribbs was 9th, and Nick Pope was 10th.

The upcoming schedule includes the Louisiana State Fair in Shreveport on October 27th (where freshmen only will compete) and the American Royal in Kansas City, MO. The American Royal is for the sophomores only and will be the first national contest of the year.

Sophomore members of the Judging Team are Darin Annuschat, Josh Cribbs, Riley Godwin, Cody Green, Matt Howeth, Jordan Jackson, Kelsey Pfeiffer, Nick Pope, Ben Scott, Tyler Spencer, Kayla Swanson, and Austin Taylor.

Freshmen members are Geoff Andras, Brock Degraffenreid, Tom Devine, Zac Earls, Brandon Fix, Rachel Guidry, Brett Isbell, Logan James, Katie Lents, Logan Pritchett, Blake Rea, Robert Ridley, Eric Schatte, Jacob Shaw, Tanner Skinner, Grant Turner, and Blaize Wynn.

Project Pink Patrol

In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness month, the CSC cheerleaders are looking for any faculty or staff member wearing pink during October.

Those caught wearing pink by the Pink Patrol will be entered in a drawing for a gift basket. The gift basket will contain products that give a percentage of their sales to the Susan Komen Foundation.