PUBLIC RELATIONS
The Office of Public Information produced 797 press releases during the 2008-09 academic year.

Feature stories for area media:
* Kaskaskia College Teams and Athletes Named To NJCAA Academic All-American Squad
* Kaskaskia College Assists Student Alexandra Fleming of Hoffman
* Kaskaskia College and Farmers State Bank – A Partnership Bound by Education
* Let a Kaskaskia College Business Incubator Office Help Turn Your Entrepreneurial Idea Into Economic Success!
* Kaskaskia College Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program Receives Equipment Donation
* Kaskaskia College Continues To Be A Leader in Technology
* DuQuoin Resident and Nashville Banker Mindy Vancil Credits Kaskaskia College for her Success
* Accolades Given to Kaskaskia College Blue Angel Golf Team
* Edward E. Gordon Speaks at Kaskaskia College About “More & Better: Preventing a Workforce Meltdown”
* Odin Business Overcomes Many Challenges Through the Assistance of the ISBDC At Kaskaskia College
* Turn Your Small Business Idea into Entrepreneurial Success With the Help of the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Kaskaskia College
* Workforce Development Week Celebrated
* Jim Beasley Receives National Trustee of the Year Award
* Kaskaskia College Enrollments Continue To Rise
* Kaskaskia College Student Eric Newby Is Member of St. Louis Rugby Rams Wheelchair Team
* Kaskaskia College Officials Pleased with Passing of House Bill 4189
* Lt. Governor Pat Quinn Unveils “Portrait of a Soldier” Memorial at Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus
* Kaskaskia College Announces 2008 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees
* Illinois Small Business Development Center at Kaskaskia College Sponsors Local Youth at CampCEO 2008
* George Norwood is Distinguished Lecturer at Kaskaskia College
* Kaskaskia College Supports US Veterans
* Bonnie Huels - A Life Dedicated to Kaskaskia College
* Small Business Entrepreneur Puts Her Skills To Work - Diekemper Photography Success Story
* Kaskaskia College Receives $10,000 from Ritz International Foundation
* Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus Is First Public Community College in Illinois to Receive Energy-Conervation Certification For A Building Project
* Fayette County Entrepreneur and Small Business Owner Creates Successful Protocol by Partnering With The Illinois Small Business Development Center At Kaskaskia College
* Student Matthew Horst Is KC Success Story
* Former KC Baseball Coach Larry Smith to be Inducted into NJCAA Hall of Fame
* Salem Photographer is First to Exhibit in New Art Gallery at Kaskaskia College
* Kaskaskia College Breaks Ground for New Fitness Center
* KC Director of Bands, Cliff Jourdan, To Premiere Composition at Music Concert
* Kaskaskia College and Greenville College Expands Offerings
* Wal-Mart Super Center Manager Lara Morris Credits Kaskaskia College
* Kaskaskia College Hosts Heijnen Art Exhibit in Dee and Sue Boswell Art Gallery
* Kaskaskia College Women’s Basketball Team Finishes 4th in Nation
* Kaskaskia College Credit Hours Tops 103,000 for FY 2008
* March 2009 is Declared Kaskaskia College Blue Angel Month is Centralia
* Kaskaskia College Adult Education Students and Staff Attend Legislative Awareness Day
* Kaskaskia College to Host Closing Reception for Art Gallery Artists
* Kaskaskia College to Offer Associate of Engineering Science (AES) Degree
* Mine Safety and Health Administration Class to be Held at KC Vandalia Center
* Kaskaskia College Staff Faces Mock Threat in Disaster Drill
* Guest Editorial by KC President Dr. Jim Underwood
* Kaskaskia College Dedicates Lifelong Learning Center
* Kaskaskia College to Offer Pre-Engineering Program
* 2007 KC Grad Whitney Kampwerth is Now Law Student at U of I Champaign
* Friend of Kaskaskia College Leaves Over $1 Million Gift to Kaskaskia College Foundation
* Kaskaskia College Adult Education Program May Be Forced To Cut 50% of Budget
* Carlyle Marine Center Donates to Kaskaskia College Veterans Tribute Project
* Centralia Junior High School Students Participate in “Kid Business”
* Kaskaskia College Even Start Program Receives Four-Year Grant
* Koetting Family Donates to Kaskaskia College Veterans Tribute Project
* Kaskaskia College Announces the Line Up for the 2009/2010 Season of Entertainment Guest Artists and Speakers Series

Featured Stories that were produced by Education Centers:

**Nashville**
* Coal Mining Technology Classes Returning To Kaskaskia College This Fall
* Kaskaskia College Adjunct Faculty Member of the Year teaches at the Nashville Education Center
* Coal Mining Classes in Their Second Semester At Nashville Education Center

**Salem**
* Alma Senior Appreciates Kaskaskia College
* Local Senior takes advantage of Salem Education Center

**Trenton**
* Many Area Residents Are Taking Advantage of “Computers for Seniors” Classes at Trenton Education Center

**Vandalia**
* Kaskaskia College Vandalia Campus Graduates First LPN Class

**Greenville**
* Local Greenville Students Graduate with Paramedicine Degree
* Two New Classes To Start Saturday At New Greenville Education Center
* Kaskaskia College Dedicates Greenville Education Center
* KC Greenville Adjunct Faculty Member Publishes Short Story

In addition, the KC Public Information Office also assisted with the promotion of the Season of Entertainment, Centralia Chamber of Commerce “Lunch & Learn”, KICK Program, Centralia Historical Society Lecture Series, and "Breakfast with the president and board chair” events held at all of the education centers.

Special thanks to all Education Center Coordinators, Community Education Department and Travis Henson who contributed news articles throughout the year.

Coordinated “The KC Hour” on WILY radio
2008/09 Guests on “The KC Hour”
July 2008          Wendy Blythe & Bill Broda, Success Center
August            Amy Troutt & Cathy Karrick, Alumni Weekend
September        Travis Henson & Mike Loomis, Season of Entertainment
October           Rich Rittenhouse, Drafting
January 2009      Lisa Collier, Financial Aid
February         Chris Browne, Cosmetology
March      Jane Hermann, PTA
April      Rich Rittenhouse, Drafting
May        Cydney Richardson, KICK
June       Travis Henson, Veterans Tribute

EVENTS
Coordinated through the Office of Public Information: Alumni Baseball Weekend, Advisory Board Meetings, Veteran’s Celebration, Making A Difference Staff Awards, Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, Celebration of Diversity Banquet, and ICCTA/Staff Awards Banquet.

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