President’s Report for the Office of Institutional Advancement  
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Over the last several months, the Office of Institutional Advancement at Kaskaskia College has continued to work hard at building relationships and friendships within the communities we serve, in the hopes of raising philanthropic resources to assist the college in raising money for students through Foundation Scholarships and the Special Assistance fund, as well as funding for facilities that will enhance the growth of the College.

**Trenton Education Center Campaign:**
- Campaign officially kicked off in May 2012 and we have raised over $1.1 million to date for this project through donations from individuals, businesses, organizations, the city of Trenton and other municipalities
- With approximately $36,000 left to raise, fundraising efforts are continuing with a focus on three potential major donors
- Personalized bricks have been installed at the front entrance to the building and brick sales will be ongoing
- Dedication Ceremony is being planned for Thursday, September 18, 2014

**Nashville Education Center Campaign:**
- The Nashville Education Center Campaign kicked off in October 2013 and is in full swing
- To date a total of $530,000 has been raised through campaign efforts
- In working with our Campaign Co Chairs and several Teams that are focused on fundraising efforts, the remaining $754,000 will be raised over the next few months

**Nursing Education Center Campaign:**
- Groundbreaking ceremony was held this past spring and $68,000 has been raised to date
- Campaign structure is in place and teams are busy promoting the project, hosting luncheon meetings, and planning events to achieve the $500,000 fundraising goal for equipment to be used in the new building

**Agriculture Education Center Campaign:**
- As the old animal disease lab building is being transformed into our new Agriculture Education Center, the capital campaign is being organized to raise the $500,000 needed for equipment
- Campaign structure is in place and the steering committee began meeting in July so efforts will be ramping up to complete the fundraising goal over the next several months
Crisp Education Center Campaign:
- Groundbreaking Ceremony was held in June and the renovations are underway
- Campaign Structure is in place and the steering committee will begin meeting in August to make plans for raising the $500,000 needed for equipment in the coming months

Foundation Scholarships:
- Foundation Scholarships continue to grow, providing more opportunities for qualified students to receive financial assistance. For the 2014/15 school year, there are 322 awards available, for a total of $174,582 to be awarded in scholarship money. This is up $44,500 from last year
- Due to the scholarship growth, the Foundation Scholarship Dinners will now be a three night event
- The Special Assistance Fund continues to assist students who find themselves in a difficult financial situation that may prevent them from attending college. This past year, this fund provided gas cards and bus passes for students facing transportation issues. It also assisted students with car repairs, rent, food and utility bills
- The 2014 Kaskaskia College Foundation Golf Tournament was held on Friday, June 27, 2014 at the Roland Barkau Memorial Golf Course in Okawville. Proceeds from this one day event go toward scholarships to assist Kaskaskia College students. Last year, twenty-six students received scholarships in the amount of $500 each thanks to the success of the 2013 tournament

Sports & Wellness:
- The Kaskaskia College Athletic teams have been busy raising funds to assist the KCSA with the purchase of two new buses. Almost $30,000 was raised in FY 2014 for that effort
- The same fundraising goals will continue for FY15 with the funds again going for the bus pledge

Veteran’s Tribute Project:
- Construction for the Veterans Tribute Phase 1A has been completed to include two walls containing the names of over 25,000 area veterans, and the majestic eagle sculpture that sits on a pedestal and serves as a centerpiece for the plaza
- The Office of Institutional Advancement continues to process monetary donations to the project as well as orders for personalized bricks
- Names of veterans continue to be submitted that will be included on the remaining three walls

Arboretum:
• The Office of Institutional Advancement worked with the Grounds and Maintenance Department to ensure that new trees for the Arboretum were planted in accordance with donor wishes. This year, new trees were planted in memory or in honor of individuals on the main campus, four new trees were planted on the Vandalia campus, and one new tree was planted at the Salem Education Center
• Kaskaskia College was proud to receive Tree Campus USA recertification for 2013. This was the fourth year in a row that we received this honor
• Arbor Day was again observed this past spring at both the Vandalia and Main campuses

Alumni & Friends:
• The Office of Institutional Advancement has spent a great deal of time and effort in assisting with the revitalization of the Alumni & Friends Association
• In 2013, the KC Alumni & Friends Association voted to pledge $25,000, $5,000 for each for the five capital projects the College will be undertaking to include: The Trenton Education Center, Nashville Education Center, the Ag Facility, the Nursing Facility, and the Crisp Center renovations. In addition, $5,000 was also pledged for the Veterans Tribute Project
• The seventh annual KC Family Reunion & Open House is being planned for Saturday, September 27th. This one day event will provide an opportunity to showcase the campus to potential students along with the general public. A multitude of activities are being planned to include campus tours, car show, chili cook off, and children’s activities just to name a few
• Again this year, the Alumni & Friends awarded six Foundation Scholarships in the amount of $500 each to qualified KC students
• Fundraising events held in FY 2014 were quite successful as the Alumni & Friends Association raised over $7,000.
• The Alumni & Friends will continue their fundraising efforts and work to grow their members