

Candidate's Forum Planned as part of SWOSU Constitution Days Celebration

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As part of the Constitution Days Celebration at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, a candidate's forum will be held in conjunction with Professor Dan Brown's Federal Constitution class this Wednesday, September 15, at 2 p.m. on the Weatherford campus.

The event is open to the public and will be held in Room 208 of the Old Science Building. The event is sponsored by the Collegiate Activities Board.

Candidates scheduled to attend or send representatives are:

Governor

Mary Fallin - sending a representative

Jari Askins - sending a representative

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Janet Barresi - sending a representative

Richard E. Cooper

District Judge

Doug Haught

Richard Phillips

County Commissioner

Jim Powers Jr.

Lyle Miller

Chaired by CAB member Keenan Haught of Elk City, the event is designed to make candidates and what they stand for more accessible and real to college students.

"Sometimes students don't get involved enough in politics," Haught said. "We all need to know who we are voting for and why. Our elected officials enforce and interpret the Constitution on our behalf and we need to know who they are and what they think."

The SWOSU Constitution Days celebration runs from September 13 - 17 and will feature a giant Constitution in the lobby of the Stafford Center for all to sign and distribution of pocket Constitutions by the Dean of Students' Office. The local DAR Chapter will be assisting with this outreach.

Throughout the week, there will be a display in Stafford Center of artwork and essays by Weatherford Public School students related to the Constitution. CAB will award a pizza party to the winning class from each school.

Everyone is welcome at all events. For more information contact Haught at 580.99-1678 or haughtk@student.swosu.edu, or Dean of Students Cindy Dougherty at 580.774.3767 or studentdean@swosu.edu.

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