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FTCC Student and FTCC Instructor Win Awards at State Leadership Conference

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. – April 14, 2010 – FTCC Paralegal student Barbara Mattheu participated in the 56th Annual State Leadership Conference held in Charlotte April 8-11 for Phi Beta Lambda and won first place in the individual student award areas of Business Law and Impromptu Speaking.

Mattheu competed against students from other two- and four-year colleges/universities in the state. For the Business Law Student Award, Mattheu and other students were required to take a written examination. For the Impromptu Speaking Award, Mattheu and other competing students were sequestered and given a topic and a time limit to create a speech. The students then delivered their speeches before a panel of judges. Mattheu's first-place achievement in the areas of Business Law and Impromptu Speaking qualify her to compete at the national level this summer (July 9-13) in Nashville, Tennessee. Mattheu also received the Leadership Development Certificate for attending five of the six leadership seminars offered at the conference. To be eligible for the Leadership Development Certificate, a candidate must attend a minimum of three of the six seminars. Mattheu will graduate from the Paralegal Technology program this summer.

Also at the conference, FTCC Business Division Chair Cindy Burns was recognized with a Service Award for her fifteen years as a Phi Beta Lambda adviser and as Outstanding Local Chapter Adviser of the Year.

Fayetteville Technical Community College received second place for the Eastern region in the Chapter Award for Largest Chapter Affiliation Professional Division Membership.

Phi Beta Lambda is the national organization for students in post-secondary schools and colleges enrolled in programs designed to develop vocational and professional competencies for business and office occupations and business teacher education. More information about the North Carolina Phi Beta Lambda is available at www.ncpbl.org, and more information about the National Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda (FBLA-PBL) is available at www.fbla-pbl.org.

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