



**National SkillsUSA winners and their instructor, from Indian Capital Technology Center, Sallisaw Campus, include (left to right) Ricky Lovell, Muldrow; Stephen Millar, Elohim City; Lee Dorsey, Welding Instructor; Boaz Millar, Elohim City, and Cole Dillard, Sallisaw.**

## **ICTC Students Win National SkillsUSA Competitions**

Four members of the SkillsUSA Welding Chapter on Indian Capital Technology Center's Sallisaw Campus, competed in the national welding skills competitions during the 48th National SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Conference held in Kansas City this summer.

The National 2nd Place Winners in Welding Fabrication was Ricky Lovell, Muldrow; Stephen Millar, Elohim City, and Boaz Millar, Elohim City. They had to design and build a project according to a theme that was given to them prior to the contest. They had to make blueprints that matched their design. Their theme this year was a Welding Demonstration Table. They were given 6 hour to Layout, Cut, Fit-up and Weld their project together. Team work was essential to the success of this team. Each member of the ICTC team received a Silver Medal during the National SkillsUSA Awards Ceremony.

We are proud of our students and are glad they are able to see how their hard work can take them to the top of their skill area,” says Curtis Shumaker, Director of the ICTC Sallisaw Campus. “They were competing with students from every state in the country. This was an outstanding accomplishment.”

Cole Dillard, Sallisaw, competed in the WELDING SCULPTURE contest. Dillard won first place at the state level which gave him the opportunity to represent Oklahoma at the National level. He placed 6th in the national competition with his Metal Art Sculpture where he designed his own theme. The competition included a rigorous series of interviews to multiple judges to explain each step of fabrication of his project.



The ICTC Welding Team built this Welding Demonstration Table to win 2nd Place in the National SkillsUSA Competitions. They won the Silver Medals in the national Welding Fabrication competition in Kansas City.



Cole Dillard, Sallisaw, won 6th Place in the National SkillsUSA Welding Sculpture Competition with his sculpture titled “Let Us Never Forget”.