The dawn of a new era.
MISSION Pensacola State College educates and empowers students through a dynamic and supportive learning environment which enhances the development of all students intellectually, culturally, and socially, propelling them to succeed within the global community.

Vision Pensacola State College is dedicated to maximizing educational opportunities through a variety of delivery methods that develop the academic, career, personal, and aesthetic capabilities of individuals for the benefit of themselves and the surrounding communities for years to come. We remain the community’s college – listening to the community’s needs and providing education and training to give our citizens a better future. On the following pages are samplings of opportunities and accomplishments at Pensacola State College, such as:

• Receiving the first Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine.
• Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society member Rachel Andrews was one of 50 students in the nation selected as a Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team Gold Scholar.
• Softball sophomore Kelly Hayes was named Female Scholar Athlete of the Year by the Florida College System Activities Association.
• Once again, Pirate athletes excelled academically with six Academic All-American winners, 28 Academic All-State winners and 39 Academic All-Conference winners.
• PSC was again named a Military Friendly School by G.I. Jobs magazine. Among other benefits for veterans, PSC is the only college in Florida that provides a Veterans Upward Bound program.
• PSC hosted the largest-ever Florida SkillsUSA State Conference, drawing more than 6,500 participants and adding more than $338,000 in direct support for college programs.
• WSRE, PBS for the Gulf Coast, won its ninth national Telly Award for its original documentary, “Baseball in Pensacola.”

These are exciting times at Pensacola State College. We are moving forward in our commitment to offer an accessible education on many levels, from adult basic education to career training, to associate degrees, to baccalaureate degrees. Our dedicated faculty and staff are helping students reach their academic goals, thus bettering their lives and bettering our community. We are proud of our progress over the past six decades and we eagerly anticipate new opportunities to serve the surrounding communities for years to come.

Sincerely,

C. Edward Meadows
Pensacola State College President
Scoring team recognition
FSCAA All-State teams
Volleyball: Megan Gorey, Shantel Federick
Softball: Shagun Kuma, Rajesh Shukla, Shantel Federick, Jordan Cangelosi
Men’s Basketball: Trevon Grant, Kent Langham, Denzel Richardson
Women’s Basketball: Kristen Dickerson, Margaret Perdue, Allysia Rohlehr

FSCAA All-State Conference teams
Volleyball: Lindsey Breland, Jordan Cangelosi, Shantel Federick, Megan Gorey, Sarah Guidry, Jackie Hobdy, Taylor Linton, Paige Schweigert, Tara Vatter
Softball: Nicole Alexander, Kim Baker, Kayl Evans, Kelly Hayes, Greta Longagnani, Emily Pettigrew, Brook Richardson, Elise Richardson
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NJCAA Academic All-American
SUPERIOR (3.8 – 3.99 GPA)
Baseball: Brett Casteel
Softball: Kelly Hayes
Volleyball: Shantel Federick

EXEMPLARY (3.6 – 3.79 GPA)
Softball: Emily Pettigrew
Volleyball: Sarah Guidry, Paige Schweigert

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Softball: Nicole Alexander, Kim Baker, Rebecca Calloway, Kayl Evans, Kelly Hayes, Greta Longagnani, Shaunna Montgomery, Emily Pettigrew, Brook Richardson, Elise Richardson, Kayla Rosario
Baseball: Brett Casteel, Cristian Colome, Taylor Eads, Will Gerdes, Haden Kelly, Roy Moulder, Matt Muench, Benton Siegel, Jake Sweargin, Toby Thomas
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Scholar Athlete of the Year
PSC softball second baseman player
Kelly Hayes was honored as the Female Scholar Athlete of the Year by the Florida College System Activities Association. She also won the Jean Williams Award, the highest honor that can be earned in FCSAA softball. This award recognizes athletic skill, academic success and service to the community.

Hayes joins PSC alumna Whitney Ward (2008) and Donna Simmons (2003) in earning the Jean Williams Award. However, Hayes is the first Lady Pirate to earn the FCSAA Female Scholar Athlete Award.
500 Wins
Softball Coach Brenda Pena earned her 500th career win April 23 as the Lady Pirates swept a season-finale double header against Jefferson Davis Community College, winning 8-0 and 6-0. A Pensacola State alum, Pena began coaching at the college in 1997.

Special Achievement Award
PSC Women’s Basketball program received a Special Achievement Award at the 59th Annual Pensacola Sports Association banquet in March 2013. The Lady Pirates were recognized for winning back-to-back state championships and being ranked third at the national tournament in 2011 and 2012.

Softball team delivers supplies to Hattisburg, MS for tornado victims.

“Kelly Hayes is the young woman we all hope to come across as coaches. She is outstanding in all aspects of life.” — BRENDA PENA, HEAD SOFTBALL COACH

Good Sports
During the year, Pirate athletes participated in numerous community service projects such as Manna Food Bank, Ronald McDonald Fire Truck Pull, Breast Cancer Mall Walk, Rotary Golf Tournament, Billy Sader’s Baseball Camp, Allen Memorial Methodist Church Pumpkin Patch, and One Blood, Inc. blood drive.

Cheer and Dance team members raise funds at the October Breast Cancer Mall Walk.

PSC Receives First Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award
In November 2013, Pensacola State College received the first Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) award from INSIGHT into Diversity magazine, the oldest and largest diversity-focused publication in higher education.

As a winner of the national HEED award, PSC was featured along with 47 other recipients in INSIGHT into Diversity magazine’s December 2012 issue. The magazine selected PSC based on the college’s exemplary diversity and inclusion initiatives.

Throughout the year, PSC along with the PSC Black History, Multicultural Committee and African American Heritage Society presented numerous programs celebrating diversity, such as:

• The Browning of America: Implications for Diversity in Higher Education, a workshop with Joseph White, University of California at Irvine.
• Race and Education, a workshop with international lecturer, Tim Wise
• A Route In Search of Roots, a VIVA Florida 500 traveling exhibit illustrating how Africans migrated into the Americas and contributed to the foundation of Florida’s history
• Voices from Mariel, a presentation by Jose Garcia, filmmaker and survivor of Mariel Boatlift.
• Sage, a jazz and blues concert, in celebration of Black Music Month in June.
PSC Offers $10,000 Bachelor’s Degree

Pensacola State College accepted Governor Rick Scott’s challenge to offer a bachelor’s degree costing students no more than $10,000, beginning in August 2013. PSC is offering the Bachelor of Applied Science, Organizational Administration Concentration degree program. This degree increases hiring potential, opens doors for career advancement and prepares students for higher level supervisory and management positions within business, industry, and governmental organizations.

Viva Florida 500 Event at Planetarium

Pensacola State’s Planetarium and Space Theatre partnered with the University of West Florida Archaeology Institute to present “Along the Pathway of Souls,” a uniquely Native American view of the night sky prior to European contact. The event was part of Pensacola’s Viva Florida 500 celebration honoring Ponce de Leon’s landing in Florida in 1513.

PSC is Military Friendly

For the fifth straight year, Pensacola State College was named a 2013 Military Friendly School by G.I. Jobs magazine. The honor ranks PSC in the top 20 percent of all colleges and universities in the country who are doing the most to embrace veterans and active duty military members as students and to ensure their success on campus.

New Programs in 2012-2013

- Social Work Associate in Arts Degree
- Pharmacy Management Associate in Science Degree
- Pharmacy Technician Advanced Technical Diploma
- EKG Technician Career and Technical Certificate
- Public Safety Telecommunicator Career and Technical Certificate

Top 100 Degree Producer

For the fifth straight year, Community College Week magazine named Pensacola State College to its list of Top 100 Associate Degree Producers in the nation. The ranking compares about 1,400 colleges, most of which are two-year colleges, using data collected by the National Center for Education Statistics in the 2011-2012 academic year. In its June 24 issue, Community College Week ranks PSC at No. 36 among all colleges for degrees awarded in Arts and Sciences, General Studies and Humanities, also known as A.A. degrees. Among four-year colleges, PSC ranks No. 14 in awarding A.A. degrees for associate degrees awarded in all disciplines. PSC ranks No. 81 overall and No. 26 among four-year colleges. PSC has graduated 12,815 students over the past five years.

Switzer Gallery Hosts Visiting Artists

The Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts regularly hosts visiting artists in addition to those artists who are featured in exhibition. Award-winning artist Emily Arthur presented an open Gallery Talk and three-day workshop for PSC printmaking students in October. She demonstrated etching with aquatints, sugar lift, and chine colle. Renowned jeweler-designer Hutton Wilkinson spoke to students in jewelry classes and showed some of his unique pieces in a Gallery Talk open to the public in November.

25th Season of Rolfs Piano Series

Renowned pianist Olga Vinokur was among the five critically acclaimed, international pianists featured at the 25th season of the Rolfs Piano Series presented by the Performing Arts Department. The series was founded by Herman and Valerie Rolfs as a memorial to their German and Polish immigrant parents.

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Money Matters
In its continuing efforts to provide Financial Literacy opportuni-
ties, Pensacola State launched its first Money Matters Week in September 2012. More than 200 stu-
dents participated in the first day’s events that included a trunk show of materials and a panel discussion on budgeting and paying off credit card debt.

Health Career Fair
About 575 students from Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa and Baldwin County Schools explored their career options in health care at the 16th Annual Health Career Fair on the Warrington campus in November.

Continuing Education
Pensacola State College is again listed as a best value in public education, according to the U.S. Department of Education’s annual ranking in June. Pensacola State College ranks in the top one percent in the College Affordability and Transparency annual report. In the survey of more than 4,000 colleges, Pensacola State College ranked 18th in lowest public tuition ($2,540) and 39th in lowest net cost ($5,336). The national average tuition is $7,135 and national average net cost for one year of college is $10,863, according to the report. The computations are based on data from fall 2011 and spring 2012.

PSC Guitar Program Celebrates 30 years
The Pensacola Guitar Orchestra presented its 30th anniversary spring concert at the Ashmore Fine Arts Auditorium in March. An origi-
nal composition by famed guitarist Ben Verdery, “Penzacola Belongs to All,” was debuted to commemorate Pensacola State’s 30-year guitar program. The Pensacola Guitar Orchestra is directed by PSC music professor Joe Stallings.

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100 Percent Pass Rate
• Pharmacy Technician program’s first-ever graduates posted a 100 percent pass rate for the national certification exam.
• Nursing Assistant program posted a 100 percent pass rate on the Florida Board of Nursing certification exam.

Continuing Education
Students in the International Paper Summer Environmental Camp learned about sustainability at a variety of places, such as Manna Food Pantry and the Perdido Landfill. The final camp session combined the campers’ newly learned conservationist skills with a tree-planting ceremony on the Warrington campus.

The Pirate Masters Swimmers won first place in the midsize team division at the Auburn Masters Southeastern Swim Meet in February. Nineteen swimmers participated and two won the High Point Trophy for their age group. Pirate Master Swimmer Marge Stone, age 90, set a national record for the 50-meter breast stroke in her age group.

From left: Ray Ascherfeld, Sally Menk, Kay Miller, Margie Stone, and Bill Evans.
Looking Up
Escambia Amateur Astronomy Association sponsor and Astronomy Professor Wayne Wooten along with Student Astronomy Club member Adam Licko gave an astronomy merit badge clinic to Troop 10 Boy Scouts at First Baptist Church in August. Approximately 20 scouts and 10 adult leaders attended. Wooten and Licko helped the troop complete merit badge requirements for various telescope designs, eyepieces and care of optics. After the demonstration, the scouts particularly enjoyed viewing the night sky thanks to telescopes set up on the church lawn by EAAA members. During the year, EAAA members provided telescopes for numerous free star gazing events at Ft. Pickens, Pensacola Beach Pavilion and Grande Lagoon State Park. With more than 100 attendees at each event, students and community members were treated to a close-up look at the night sky and Wooten’s laser pointer tour of the constellations.
Volunteer Service Awards
Throughout the year, Pensacola State College Students participate in numerous events and activities for the betterment of the community. At the Annual Student Excellence Awards ceremony, 20 students received service awards. Additional recognition for exemplary service went to Kimberly Owen, individual award, and the Milton campus Student Government Association, group award.

Bone Marrow Donor Registry
WEAR ABC TV and Pensacola State College hosted a Bone Marrow Registry and Blood Drive at the Pensacola campus Student Center, April 15. The free event was held to register potential donors in hopes of finding more matches, including one for Miles Wright, a local 16-year-old African American teenager with acute myeloid leukemia.

MLK Day of Service
The PSC Student Government Association at the Pensacola campus made it on the front page of the Florida Campus Compact Newsletter for their volunteer service at the Carver Community Center in Century on Martin Luther King Day. More than 20 SGA volunteers spent the day painting the Carver Community Center to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Keeping Hearts Healthy
Each February, PSC employees wear red to raise funds and awareness for heart health. Wearing red on the Warrington campus are [clockwise from center] Sandy Moore, Steve White, Jennifer Moore, Annette Orangio, Marta Suarez-O’Connor, Lisa Payne, Theresa Wilkes, Dusti Sluder, Patricia Roe, Judy Evans, Tyler Kercher, Lynn Daron, and Jennifer Ponson. Photo by Shannon Williams.
About 30 PSC employees celebrated United Way’s 20th Annual Day of Caring by volunteering at Escambia Westgate School. They spent the day cleaning furniture, putting up new fencing, weeding and planting the front garden and power washing the sidewalks.

Student Support Services Club sponsor James Blackwell and 21 students also volunteered at the Oceola Golf Course cutting and taping golf clubs down to children’s size as well as filling in golf club holes in the turf and retrieving golf balls that were out of range.

A pre-holiday “Fill the Pantry” drive netted almost 9,600 pounds of food for Manna Food Bank. Coupled with the food drive, students also prepared 225 cards for the American Red Cross Holiday Mail for Heroes that were sent to U.S. military men and women serving around the world.

A Cut Above
Milton campus Cosmetology students and faculty provided 72 free haircuts for children at the Sixth Annual Santa Rosa County “Back to School Bash” hosted by Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church and Covenant Church of God, Aug 18.

Pensacola campus Cosmetology students also provided free haircuts at the Second Annual “Back to School Bash” for Warrington Elementary School. “They loved it and invited us back for next year,” said Mark Crum, Cosmetology instructor.

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- Devin Stephenson and Wesley Payne of Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff, Missouri spent a day on higher education leadership with the PLI class.
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President’s Leadership Institute Graduates
The President’s Leadership Institute at Pensacola State celebrated the completion of its inaugural class in 2012. The Institute is a rigorous, year-long program that provides faculty and staff training in leadership and college procedures.

Inaugural graduates were: Anthea Amos, Thom Botsford, Wallace Carter, Monique Collins, Frances Duncan, Jennifer Ehhardt, Thor Garber, Rob Greggs, Samantha Hill, Michelle Horton, Brenda Kelly, Linda Lambert, Tom Leonard, Angela McChesney, Ruth Mclninish, Jennifer Poisson, Kathryn Quillen, Sandy Ray, Christa Ruber, Dusti Sluder, Damarcus Smith, Debbie Taylor, Blaine Wallace and Frances Yeo.

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Florida Governor’s Reception

Pensacola State College Board of Trustees members attended a reception honoring trustees from all 28 Florida State Colleges in February. More than 200 Florida State College trustees and presidents were welcomed to the Florida Governor’s Mansion. The event was part of the Association of Florida College’s annual Trustee Legislative Conference. Shown from left are Sandy Cesaretti Ray, executive director of the Kugleman Center for Telecommunications and associate director of Government Relations; PSC Board Chair Ed Moore, Gov. Rick Scott, Florida First Lady Ann Scott, PSC Board Vice Chair Herb Woll and Larry Bracken, executive director of Government Relations.

Top Professor

Bill Renfroe, Biological Sciences assistant professor, was ranked No. 2 in the nation by RateMyProfessor.com in 2012. Rankings are based entirely on student input. Carlo DiMarco, a senior vice president for the RateMyProfessors site, says, “There’s no higher honor for teachers and schools than to be praised by the students who are being impacted by their influence every day.”

Steinway Artist

Kadisha Onalbayeva, Performing Arts Professor, was named an international Steinway Artist in January 2013. She joins a distinguished roster of Steinway Artists including Billy Joel, Harry Connick Jr., Irving Berlin and Cole Porter. Onalbayeva earned two Master of Music degrees at the University of New Orleans and her doctorate at Louisiana State University. She teaches piano and composition at Pensacola State and the University of Mobile.

In April, Onalbayeva was selected to perform on the legendary Steinway & Sons Model ‘D’ Horowitz piano, as part of its North American tour. She performed concerts in Alabama and at Pensacola State College.

PSC Welcomes New Logo

A lengthy, carefully considered process of rebranding the college began with the official name change from Pensacola Junior College to Pensacola State College on July 1, 2010. In particular, a new logo was needed to reflect the college’s growth and expanded offerings.

Spearheaded by President Ed Meadows, a Logo Committee gathered input from faculty, staff, students and the community. Designs were solicited from national and local creative firms as well as the college’s staff and graphic design students.

In March 2013, the PSC District Board of Trustees approved the lively new logo created by Bonnie McQuagge, graphic artist in PSC’s Marketing Office. Featuring sunshine and water to emphasize the area’s surrounding beauty, the logo has been well received on campus and throughout the community.

PSC Hosts Florida Master Teacher Seminars

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PSC faculty members Lisa Sims, Sociology, and Chad Smudde, Mathematics, were selected to be part of Whisnant’s staff in leading the seminar.

Lifetime Achievement Award

Larry Bracken, Executive Director of Government Relations, was honored in May 2013 with the Association of Florida College’s Legislative Committee’s Lifetime Achievement Award for his years of service to Pensacola State College and the Florida College System.

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Established in 1986, the prestigious Academy of Teaching Excellence inducted six outstanding faculty members who have exhibited sustained excellence in instruction. Honorees for 2013 are:

**FULL-TIME FACULTY**
- Stacy Albaugh, English and Communications
- Jennifer Brahier, Mathematics
- Deborah McClintock, Collegiate High School
- Rita Thrasher, Biological Sciences

**ADJUNCT FACULTY**
- Lou Bennett, Education

**OUTSTANDING NEW FACULTY**
- Roberta Harvey, Biological Sciences

**2013 Faculty Promotions**

**PROFESSOR**
- Cynthia App, Visual Arts

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR**
- Don Lee, Allied Health
- Donna Mathias, Allied Health
- Deborah McClintock, Collegiate High School
- Brigitte Robinson, English and Communications

**ASSISTANT PROFESSOR**
- Robert Pratten, Information Technology
- Kristen Regan, Visual Arts

**Legends Class of 1988**
Each year, Pensacola State recognizes its Legends—employees who have worked at the college for 25 years. Honorees who joined the PSC family in 1988 are: Winifred Bradley, Library; Dale Brewer, Allied Health; Lynn Cade, Mathematics; Lois Dixon, Physical Sciences; Jane Duke, Testing; Wilma Duncans-Burnett, Health Sciences; Judy Floyd, Student Services; Deborah Friedman, Collegiate High School; Todd Harrington, Purchasing and Auxiliary Services; Erin Hernandez, ITS; Jacki Knudson, Professional Service Careers; Cynthia Keel, Library; Kimberly LaFlamme, Physical Sciences; Jeffrey Massay, Computer Lab; Jean Roberts, English/Communications; Joe Stalnicks, Performing Arts; Catherine Wassmer, Plant Operations; and Elizabeth Werre, Education.

The college marketing staff received three awards: Robin Mertins and Linda Bauer received first place for "Get Started" postcard series. William Rabb and Linda Bauer received first place for college annual report. Robin Mertins, Linda Bauer and Michelle Dycus received second place for "My College" print advertising campaign.

2013 Supervisor and Employee of the Year
The Pensacola State chapter of the College Association of Educational Office Professionals held its 39th annual ceremony honoring supervisors and employees for outstanding service.

The CAEOP chapter selected Jean Ann Emmons, vice president of Business Affairs, as Supervisor of the Year and Rose Hall, administrative assistant for the Clearinghouse Department, as Career Service Employee of the Year.

2013 Teaching Excellence Winners

Pensacola State College won recognition at the 63rd annual Association of Florida Colleges Convention in October. Pensacola State’s AFC Chapter was recognized with the 2012 Platinum Award. Carol Quinn, purchasing and auxiliary services staff, was selected as the Region I Director and Region Unsung Hero.

**2013 Student of the Month**

PSC massage therapy student Antoinette Johnson was chosen as a Florida Student of the Month for June. She was recognized by the office of Florida College System Chancellor Randy Hanna, for her leadership and academic skills. Johnson maintains a 4.0 GPA and regularly volunteers at community and business events.

Association of Florida Colleges Recognition
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All-Florida Academic Team

Four Pensacola State students were named to the 2013 Phi Theta Kappa All-Florida Academic Team. Honored for academic achievement, leadership, and service to the community were Rachel Andrews, Jennifer Hill, Michayla Mueller, and Zachary Presley. They received medallions at a statewide awards ceremony in April.

Gold Scholar

PSC student Rachel Andrews is one of 50 students in the nation to receive the 2013 Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team Gold Scholar Award and $1,500 scholarship. Andrews graduated in May and plans to earn a bachelor’s degree at Florida State University with a double major in biochemistry and pre-med biology.

ADDY Winners

PSC Visual Arts students won 34 of 43 awards presented to area college/university students at the 2013 American Advertising Federation/Pensacola ADDY® Awards Gala Feb. 16.

PSC students won Best of Show, two Judge’s Choice awards, 13 Gold, 12 Silver and six Bronze. All the District ADDY Awards Gala in Jacksonville in April, PSC Visual Arts students won nine awards. District winners are: Gold – Sarah Kuchernik, Silver – Libby Castellani, Dale Cochran, Sebastiane House, Blake Jones, Alicia Nguyen, Jonathan Sidwell and Cassidy Smith, and Bronze – Cassidy Smith.

HOSA Students Win at National Competition

PSC Health Occupations Students of America students won four gold, two silver and two bronze medals and all of Pensacola State’s HOSA participants placed in the Top 10 in the nation at the June 2013 National HOSA Conference in Nashville.

Silver medal winners were Ian Lino and Rhonda Wyrosdick.
Bronze medal winners were Julia Bel and Katherine Black.
Top 10 winners were Austin Huyhn, Laura Fletcher, Pam Cooper, Jimmy Lu, Chrisman Bulosan, Greg Bradley, Naya Jackson, and Janara Baylis.
Michelle Mullins also received the HOSA Happening’s award.

SkillsUSA National Winners

PSC students enjoyed success at the June 2013 National SkillsUSA Conference in Kansas City, winning three gold, four silver, and seven bronze medals.

Gold medal winners were Yvonne Williamson, Linda Irwin, and Kate Griffin.
Silver medalists were Rachel Faires, Rebecca Fields, Ida Prince, and Adam Lane.
Bronze medalists were Laurieh Lee, Karla Kuznetsov, Sara Lashbrook, Johnny Rivera, Julie Devine, Amy Lord, and Giovanni Howard.

Student Excellence Awards

More than 145 Student Excellence Awards were bestowed at PSC’s annual Honors Day ceremony in April, including 12 Leadership Awards, 77 Scholastic Achievement Awards, 11 Department Scholar Awards, 10 Program Scholar Awards and 20 Service Awards.
Pensacola State College hosted the largest-ever Florida SkillsUSA State Conference and Worlds of Possibilities Career Expo at the Pensacola Bay Center in April 2013.

The record-setting event featured 112 workforce competitions for teams from as far as California competed to see whose electric car could complete the most laps around the speedway in two hours. The race was sanctioned by Electrathon America and sponsored by the Gulf Power Co. Engineering Society.

Orchestrating the state conference was Jennifer Ponson, PSC’s SkillsUSA advisor for both the PSC chapter and the region that extends from Pensacola to Tallahassee. The mission of SkillsUSA is to help train a new generation of skilled workers needed to replace an aging workforce.

SkillsUSA is open to students in freshman through senior in high school and those pursuing a bachelor’s degree in applied science in administration and supervision who have a 3.5 cumulative grade point average. PSC inductees are the lifeblood of a college,” says Whitten. “Alumni and students are the lifeblood of a college.”

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Some of the electric cars in the first race during the SkillsUSA Emerald Coast Electrathon Classic 120 at Five Flags Speedway April 27.

Photo by Bruce Graner, courtesy of Pensacola News Journal.

Student Spotlight

- PSC student Brian W. Chadwick won the National Association of Veterans Upward Bound 2012 U.S. Army Combat Tracker Scholarship Award of $1000.
- Two student publications won recognition at the Florida Community College Press Association annual convention. The student newspaper, The Corsair, won second place for general excellence. The student literary magazine, The Kilgore Review, won first place in editing and second place in poetry.

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Anna Lamar Switzer Center Celebrations

The Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts featured two gallery shows that were made possible through the generosity of the Switzer and Reilly families.

“Rituals,” the fall 2012 opening show at the Visual Arts Gallery, featured the three-year project of Mark Alan Francis, recipient of the Anna Lamar Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair. Francis, associate professor of photography, traveled the United States to eclectic community festivals to capture the eye-grabbing images displayed in “Rituals.”

The Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair not only helps teachers expand as artists, it also impacts the classroom experience for the students. In January 2013, acclaimed photographer Karen Glaser was honored as the Switzer Distinguished Artist, and her works were displayed at the gallery. Glaser also presented workshops and a Gallery Talk during her February visit to the Switzer Center.

“Rituals” captivated viewers with a look into the ethereal world of alligators and air plants alike, often from an underwater perspective. Bringing world-class artists to campus has a long-lasting impact on students and the exhibits reinforce what the faculty is teaching, according to Gallery Director Vivian Spencer.

From Here, The World

Regional travel and study abroad are key ingredients for Pensacola State’s prestigious Robinson Honors program established by Jill and Grover Robinson IV in memory of Sandra and Grover Robinson III. In July 2013, five students studied and explored Italy and Switzerland under the tutelage of two PSC honors program faculty.

New Scholarships and Endowments

Aubrey Mullings Scholarship Fund (Photography)
VIC Progressive Regional Scholarship (Financial need)
Malcolm and Ela Odom and Ors Edmonds Opportunity Scholarship (Santa Rosa County students)
Oren R. Powell and Lavonne C. Agerton Associated Credit Bureaus of Florida Endowment (Financial Literacy)

Foundations Welcomes New Executive Director

In January 2013, Aaron West was selected as the Executive Director of the Pensacola State College Foundation. Following a career as a U.S. senator’s aide, West has been a professional fundraiser, serving nonprofit organizations for more than 14 years. During this time, he has raised major gifts and successfully completed campaigns with education, social service, arts and cultural organizations. West has had a successful career leading teams of volunteers, positioning boards for fundraising success, and developing staff to build a cohesive fundraising unit. He has worked for United Way, St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Fort Lauderdale, the University of West Florida, the National Flight Academy and the National Naval Aviation Museum Foundation.

West is a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and has provided practical advice on fundraising, board development, and image management to non-profits and candidates for political office. He also speaks frequently at local and regional AFP chapter meetings and for board training at various organizations.

West earned a master’s degree from the University of West Florida, a bachelor’s degree from Florida State University, and an associate degree from Pensacola State College. He lives in Pensacola with his wife and two children.
Eleven PSC Students in Inaugural Class of Pensacola Pledge Scholars

In August 2012, 11 Pensacola State College students began their freshman year as part of the inaugural class of Pensacola Pledge Scholars.

Established with a $1 million gift from Quint and Rushy Studer, the Pensacola Pledge Scholars program awards PSC students $1,200 per academic year.

“I am so thankful for this scholarship,” says PSC student Christian McCants. “The cost of college – even an affordable one like Pensacola State – is so high that it is difficult for many students to afford tuition and books.”

Pensacola State students in the 2012 scholarship program are Kelli Brock, Javante Butler, Molly Funk, Kata Kuch, Kendall Lee, Chelsea Mason, Emma McIndoe-Taylor, Christian McCants, Christopher Pahalek, Kayla Parazite and Anna Talamo.

Honoring Leadership

The Foundation welcomed new officers as outgoing Foundation President Pam Caddell passed the gavel to 2013 President Margaret Stopp. Serving with Stopp are Vice President Vincent Andry, Secretary Gary Sammons, and Treasurer Tom Owens.

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StudioAmped’s Fifth Season Spotlights Regional Talent

WSRE’s popular series, StudioAmped, celebrated its fifth season of providing free concerts featuring regional musicians performing their original material. The concerts are recorded live in WSRE’s Jean and Paul Amos Performance Studio for later broadcast. Musical genres include pop, rock, reggae, indie, country and more.

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• Taxpayers see a rate of return of 8.8% on their investment in PSC.
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• The accumulated credits achieved by former PSC students over the past 29 years translate to $885.9 million in added regional income each year due to the higher earnings of students and increased output of businesses.

The Florida College System Council of Presidents and the Florida College System Foundation.

*EMSI calculated the college’s total economic impact based on the 21,728 credit and non-credit students served in the 2011-12 reporting year, along with alumni earnings, student spending, and expenditures related to college operations.
Keeping PACE
PACE Center for Girls representatives, Pensacola State officials, community leaders and donors gathered to break ground on a new PACE Center facility in December 2012. The 13,500-square-foot building, located on two acres on the northern edge of the Pensacola State College campus, will serve at-risk teenage girls. The local PACE (Practical, Academic, Cultural Education) chapter is the only one of the 17 in Florida to be located on a college campus.

FACILITIES

Shining in South Santa Rosa
A ribbon cutting ceremony was held at the stunning new South Santa Rosa Center in summer 2012. The 90 million, 35,000-square-foot facility opened in January 2013. The two-story, multi-use facility emphasizes green technology and includes classrooms, science labs, computer lab, library, faculty offices and conference room.

Upgrading Facilities
Renovated interior of Building 3600 on Pensacola campus.
Renovated restrooms in Building 4, Allen Library, and the restrooms at the Track and Tennis Courts on the Pensacola campus.
Installed a new sign with an LED message at the corner of Ninth Avenue and Airport Boulevard on the Pensacola campus.
Installed location signage on Pensacola, Milton, and Warrington campuses.

Celebrating the Century Center
Community members joined the college family at the newly renovated Century Center for a ribbon cutting ceremony in fall 2012. Housed in the former Carver/Century K-8 Middle School, the Center opened in January 2012 with an array of classes and is welcoming steady growth.

Snip! PSC Trustees, from left, Deidre Young, John O’Connor, Dona Jory, Herb Well, Carol Cartan, and Escambia County School District Assistant Superintendent Steve Marciano
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