


VOLUNTEER CORNER




CONNIE CROSBY

“It is such a pleasure to work with the faculty and staff at PJC as well as with the other community volunteers. They are all so supportive and helpful. There is a real commitment to the college that is evident in everything they do.

“This spirit of cooperation and dedication to the college and students does not just apply to the ladies in the offices. From Charles Atwell to the vice presidents and on down the chain, it is just as noticeable.”

— Connie Crosby



They’re at it again!

Last year it was the Mark Russell event. This coming February it’s the Barbara Bush event. Mrs. Bush’s visit to the college is a collaborative effort of the newly formed PJC Foundation Guild — a group of big-hearted volunteers dedicated to generating and implementing ideas to help the PJC Foundation continue its mission to solicit, receive and administer private support for Pensacola Junior College. Diane Gup leads the Guild as chairperson and members include Rhette Anderson, Charles Atwell, Rita Baroco, Fred Bond, Deborah Coble, Jean Calvert, Carol H. Carlan, Carolyn R. Davis, Carolyn Fleming, Marci Goodman, Dolores “Dee” Green, Angie Kercher, Cookie Kichler, Mary “Gussie” Morris, Donn Peery, Betty Gail Peters, Grover Robinson IV, Taris Savell, Bill Smart, Steve Smart, Gwen Snowden, Dona Usry, Clara Wimberly, Greg Woodfin, Shebbie Shields and Patrice Whitten.

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Students Matter

PJC Launches Universal Scholarship & Adult Literacy Fund Drive With Barbara Bush Visit

The PJC Foundation will launch the Universal Scholarship and Adult Literacy Fund with a visit from former first lady, Barbara Bush, on Feb. 15, 2002. This scholarship will provide tuition and fees for deserving residents of Escambia and Santa Rosa counties, and when fully funded in 2007, it will eliminate barriers to higher education in our community.



During the 2000-2001 school year, 984 students, who met the financial need criteria, applied for scholarships at PJC. Only 436 students were awarded scholarships, and 548 students were turned away

because of a lack of scholarship dollars. The PJC Foundation is diligently working to close the gap for those who cannot afford to go to school.

According to PJC President Charles Atwell, “Right now the most economically disadvantaged students are fairly well supported by federal aid, and the academically elite receive help through the Bright Futures scholarship program and other named scholarships. There remains, however, that middle group, many of them working single mothers or part-time students whose college costs are swelled by child care and other related expenses and who too often fall in the financial aid gap, so to speak. We can close that gap, and I propose that we do so.”

The Foundation has set a goal of \$1 million for the Universal Scholarship and Adult Literacy Fund. It is expected that this endowment will yield \$50,000 annually in perpetuity.

Bush was selected to help launch the new scholarship because of her commitment to education and adult literacy. In 1990, she helped develop the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy, whose mission is to support family literacy programs, break the intergenerational cycle of illiteracy and establish literacy as a value in every American family. She witnesses the powerful impact reading has on self-esteem and family dynamics as she visits literacy programs in schools, housing projects, organizations and businesses across the country.

Bush’s visit to PJC includes a Children’s Reading for fourth and fifth graders at PJC’s Ashmore Auditorium and an evening speaking engagement at the Lou Ross Center.

All proceeds will support the new Universal Scholarship and Adult Literacy Fund. To sponsor a child who may otherwise not be able to attend the Children’s Reading, send \$25 to the PJC Foundation, 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola, FL 32504, earmarked for the Children’s Reading.

BARBARA BUSH

Friday, Feb. 15, 2002

Children’s Reading

3 p.m., Ashmore Auditorium, \$25,
Purchase tickets at Lyceum Box Office, (850) 484-1847
4th and 5th graders only; age and grade must be verified, and children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. A waiting area will be designated for accompanying adults.

Lecture and Q&A

7:30 p.m., Lou Ross Center

\$125 Patriot Ticket
Includes reception, VIP seating and reserved parking, and must be ordered through the Foundation Office: Call (850) 484-1560, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays.
\$50 General Admission,
Purchase tickets at Lyceum Box Office, (850) 484-1847
Social security number and date of birth are required of each ticket holder at time of reservation. ID required at events.

Women Helping Women

Junior League Funds Women in Transition Scholarship

One day the sun is shining. The children are happy and growing. The future seems bright and secure.

The next day, death or divorce can forever cloud a family’s opportunities for a good life.

Women who suddenly become single parents and are thrust into the role of bread winner often do not have the skills to provide even the basics for their families.

Maintaining a comfortable standard of living that once may have been taken for granted becomes as likely as climbing Mt. Everest.

In an effort to help women who are the sole providers for their families, the Junior League of Pensacola has formed a partnership with the PJC Foundation to establish the Junior League Women Helping Women Endowed Scholarship.

“The Junior League’s partnership with the PJC Foundation allows us to establish a scholarship that will continue and not be dependent on the League’s annual budget,” said Jacinta Straus, Junior League’s Women Helping Women Committee chair.

Straus points out that most women who unexpectedly become the head of the house recognize

the need for education and training in order to find a job with a salary sufficient to support a family.

“However, school is seen as a luxury,” Straus said. “The primary concern for these women is paying rent and feeding their families.”

Federal financial aid is not available for all women needing to return to school for job skills and may not be sufficient for those who do receive it. In addition, many scholarships are based on high academic standing.

The Women Helping Women scholarship is aimed at helping the women who fall through those financial aid and scholarship cracks, according to Straus.

“This scholarship will enable the recipients to set long range goals of completing their program of study because the funds will be there for them each semester as long as they have maintained their grade point average and still have a financial need,” Straus said.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the Junior League Women Helping Women Endowed Scholarship is encouraged to call Shebbie Shields at the PJC Foundation Office, (850) 484-1562.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



DIANE APLEYARD
PJC Foundation President

I am honored to serve as this year's PJC Foundation President.

This is an exciting and challenging time for the Foundation as we enjoy the fruits of a successful capital campaign.

We are proud to have played a part in the college's physical growth with the addition of the Health Sciences Complex and the Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts. We are thrilled to help bolster academically talented students through the Robinson Honors program. We are thankful we can recognize exemplary teaching through endowed chairs. And, we are grateful to have an increased number of scholarships to offer to hard working students.

Although it is rewarding to see such success, to see our diligence paying off, this success is also a reminder of the tasks before us. Our continued support and commitment to the college are needed to ensure that these programs not only survive, but flourish.

I appreciate the efforts of many past Foundation leaders in laying the groundwork to get us where we are today. In particular, I salute the accomplishments of our immediate past president, Bo Carter, and our capital campaign chair, Tommy Tait. The College Development staff also has played a key role in our achievements.

I look forward to serving with you during the coming year. Together we can build on PJC's rich tradition and invest in its bright future.

Sincerely,

Diane Appleyard
President, PJC Foundation, Inc.

Calling All Greeks!

Greek reunions are still happening things. Get your name on the list. Contact Kat Miller at the PJC Foundation: (850) 484-1564 kamiller@pjc.cc.fl.us

A Look Back

PJC Alumna Shares Humorous Account of College Life

— By Brenda Hinojosa Marshall

Pensacola Junior College is 450 miles and 27 years away. However, it is never farther than a fond memory, erasing all distance in between.

My student life at PJC began in 1972, my senior year of high school. Dual-enrollment was a new concept back then. My best friend, Ellen Adair Coe, and I were excited to be pioneers (cute college guys, bigger dating pool).

I must admit to not studying as seriously as I should have, but maybe I started out too big. Chemistry was one of my first classes. Dr. Edwin Royals was "soooo" patient with neophytes and had a terrific sense of humor. Relieved to have made it out of there with a passing grade, Ellen Adair and I presented him with the "Flying Lab Glasses Award" (winged, pink lab glasses with various adornments).

While in my senior year of high school, I wrote an essay to enter a Nerger-McDonald (as in golden arches) scholarship contest. I won the \$500 for books and tuition. Can you believe that was enough to cover the whole shebang back then? I was on my way to my associate's degree in home economics.

A favorite teacher was Natalie Williams, a home economics instructor. She was such a refined, southern lady. My sitcom-like cooking group consisted of a male Marine who served as a mess hall sergeant, a bewitchingly-crude platinum blonde

who had, shall-we-say, "experienced life," and myself. We were required to plan nutritious meals with an assigned educational goal, while adhering to a strict budget.

I will never forget the lesson that required inviting instructors to attend our meal. The saint who R.S.V.P.-ed "yes" for me was

my Art/Drawing and Art Humanities instructor, Bill Blaine. In his honor, we artistically piped various-colored, cream cheese decorations on Sociables crackers for the appetizer. Martha Stewart would have been proud.

Mrs. Williams was so tactful when she told us that blue was not an appetizing color for food. Now with blue the color-du-jour in everyday foods like blue raspberry Slurpees and M&M's, how the times have changed!

I discovered a plethora of student activities while at PJC. The Student Center was always hopping with activity and french fries were plentiful. The Drama Department put on plays. Musical guests put on evening concerts. Noted speakers were brought in to discuss current issues. Interestingly, one of those topics back in 1973 was "Skyjacking — What Part the Media Might Play in

Curbing Hijackers" with a broadcaster from CBS. The FSU Flying Circus performed.

Student festivals, complete with dunking booths, were popular with everyone. Art students displayed their works in art shows. Sports of all types were in existence. Student Government was active on campus. Just like today, there was something to interest every student.

"That saying, 'you can never go home,' doesn't include PJC — even if it is only in your mind."

— Brenda Hinojosa Marshall

With the credits I earned in the dual-enrollment program, I was able to graduate early and go on to earn a bachelor's degree in retail merchandising from the University of Montevallo in 1977.

I have never forgotten invaluable on-campus experiences like working in the library and being a member of Zeta Phi Delta sorority. After graduation from PJC, I was fortunate to be mentored by PJC administrator, Dr. William Moore, and his wife, Gloria, once an administrative secretary at PJC.

So much of my experience and knowledge gained at PJC has figured into my success as a career woman, mother and wife. My husband of 21 years, Steve, also attended PJC. We met back then and became reacquainted after college.

I even got my first "real" job while waiting in line at registration to take a post-degree course at PJC. The Director of Marketing at Mutual Federal (now AmSouth) was in line ahead of me doing the same thing and asked me to interview with him.

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(Editor's note: Brenda Hinojosa Marshall attended PJC from 1972 to 1974. She and her husband, Steve Marshall, also a PJC graduate, have lived in Winter Park for 20 years. They have a son, Brittain, age 11, and a daughter, Marina, age 8.)

LEFT: Steve Marshall represents his fraternity, Phi Sigma Tau, in PJC's 1973 yearbook.



ABOVE: PJC's 1973 yearbook featured Brenda Hinojosa as a campus beauty.

LEFT: Zeta sisters gather for a recent reunion hosted by Celeste Whisenant.



Those Were the Days

PJC Greek Life Has Lasting Influence

Thanks to the movie, "Animal House," toga parties may come to mind when you think of college Greek life in the '70s.

But Celeste Hinojosa Whisenant, has very different memories of her life as a Zeta Phi Delta sorority sister at PJC from 1970 to 1972.

In fact, she credits her Greek life with adding a stable social foundation to the firm educational foundation she was getting in class.

For many years, PJC's two sororities, Zeta Phi Delta and Delta Chi Omega, and its four fraternities, Delta Kappa Alpha, Phi Sigma Tau, Alpha Sigma Omega, and Chi Tau Epsilon, were the cornerstone of campus life.

Whisenant says PJC Greek life was so much fun, she was glad she did not go away to college.

"My dad insisted that my sister and I would have a college education," Whisenant said. "He felt that PJC was an excellent value for the cost, so this is where we spent our first two years."

Looking back at the beach parties, hayrides, dances and Homecoming parades, Whisenant remembers PJC's sororities and fraternities as providing plenty of enjoyable activities for students.

"I made wonderful friends in Zeta Phi Delta, friends that I still keep up with today," Whisenant said. "Besides keeping in touch with sorority sisters who still live here, I have been organizing Zeta reunions for the past several years, and we always have a good turn out."

That continuing closeness has resulted in more than a good list of business referrals and social contacts for Whisenant.

A few years after finishing college, Celeste and her husband, Rick Whisenant, were introduced by a Zeta sister, Kappie Rozier. The Whisenants have just celebrated their 25th anniversary and their daughter, Holli, is named for another Zeta sister, Holli Brown Herron.

Celeste's sister, Brenda Hinojosa, also became a Zeta at PJC in 1972. Brenda first met her husband, Steve Marshall, a member of Phi Sigma Tau, through campus activities. They met again after college and have been married 21 years. As fate would have it, Brenda and Steve appear in photos on opposite pages showing Greek activities in PJC's final yearbook, the 1973 "Tide." (See related story on Page 2.)

Although adding fun to college life definitely was high on the list for PJC's fraternities and sororities, community service and citizenship also were stressed.

Whisenant remembers the Zeta's volunteering to help with local political campaigns, in particular Grover Robinson's first campaign for a seat in the state legislature. They also washed cars to raise funds for various projects.

"The sororities didn't charge dues, so we had to raise our own money for things we wanted to be part of," she said. "We even washed airplanes at the airport a few times."

"Everything I know about computers, I learned at PJC. I could always find classes that fit my work schedule. I even took Saturday classes to stay current."

— Celeste Hinojosa Whisenant

In addition, the Greek system emphasized the importance of being responsible students, and Whisenant recalled several PJC faculty who were influential in her life: Ann Cawood, Zeta sponsor and physical education instructor; Peter Wilkin, Inter Greek Council sponsor; and Henry Seiler, biology instructor.

Whisenant believes fond memories and the bonds woven through sororities and fraternities continue to be felt at PJC even today.

"I am impressed with all the community support that goes into PJC," Whisenant said. "and if you look closely, many of those who volunteer their time and talents now were active in PJC's Greek organizations just a few years ago."

Although she admits being a little saddened by the demise of social sororities and fraternities at PJC, Whisenant says she also has seen many positive changes.

"PJC is much bigger than when I was a liberal arts student in the '70s," she said. "Now you can take whatever you want, from jewelry and pottery to computers and pre-med. It has truly become a community college."

Like many PJC alumni, Whisenant has returned to the college several times for additional classes and retraining since getting her first college degree.

"Everything I know about computers, I learned at PJC," she said. "I could always find classes that fit my work schedule. I even took Saturday classes to stay current."

"My first degree was in medical technology. Then a few years ago I decided to get an accounting degree. I eventually got my master's in business administration, but first I took all my pre-requisites at PJC," she added.

When Whisenant reiterates that PJC is still an excellent value for the cost, she may sound a lot like her Dad. In fact she has passed his good advice on to her daughter, Holli, who at age 17 is an early admissions freshman at PJC.

"Entering PJC while her friends are still high school seniors has been a big step for Holli," Whisenant said. "This was her choice, she has been very happy with it, and so have we."

Holli Whisenant is currently an early admissions student at PJC.



Zeta Phi Delta sorority sisters as portrayed in PJC's 1972 yearbook.

ALUMNI PROFILE



Celeste Hinojosa Whisenant

EDUCATION:

Pensacola High School, 1970
Pensacola Junior College, A.A., 1972
University of West Florida, B.S., Biology, 1974
University of West Florida, B.A., Accounting, 1982
University of West Florida, M.B.A., 1996

OCCUPATION:

Financial Advisor, American Express
Financial Advisors, Pensacola

FAMILY:

Husband: Rick Whisenant, Senior Special Agent with Defense Security Service, U.S. Government
Daughter: Holli Whisenant, Gulf Breeze High School Senior and PJC Early Admissions student
Home: Gulf Breeze, 23 years

CURRENT AFFILIATIONS:

St. Ann Catholic Church
Gulf Breeze Chamber of Commerce, Member
Business Networking International, Gulf Breeze Chapter President
Junior League of Pensacola, Member
Femme Nouvelle Mardi Gras Organization, President

PJC EXPERIENCE

Zeta Phi Delta
Student Government Association

"I learned early on that PJC offers a sound foundation for success. I had always struggled with algebra in high school, so a PJC counselor advised me to take PJC's college algebra preparatory course. Even though I didn't get PJC graduation credit for it, that class paid off as I made A's in all subsequent math classes. Whenever I've wanted to gain skills or expertise, I've always thought of PJC first."

"My daughter got indoctrinated to the learning experiences and fun of PJC by attending Kids' College every summer for many years. This attendance probably influenced her decision to attend PJC now. Our family has always found that PJC remains responsive to the needs of individuals as well as the community as a whole."



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Left: The Chadbourne Family

Foundation Fellows are selected based on their commitment to higher education at PJC and contributions to the community and society as a whole. The Foundation Board of Governors recognizes Fellows with a portrait hung in the Foundation "Hall of Honor" in the Barfield Administration Building.

PJC Foundation Fellow

Edward M. Chadbourne Jr. Honored for Commitment to Education

PJC alumnus Edward M. Chadbourne Jr. was honored as a PJC Foundation Fellow at the Board of Governors Annual Meeting and Induction Ceremony.

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During the annual meeting ceremony, Bob Hart, attorney for the Chadbourne Foundation and a family friend, paid homage to Ed Chadbourne and his family for their tradition of giving back to the community.

Noting that the Chadbourne family's generosity is often quiet and "under the radar screen," Hart spoke of the many individuals and organizations who have benefited from the Chadbourne Foundation.

"I can say without hesitation that those helped have been changed forever — for the better," Hart said. "Ed Chadbourne exemplifies the traits of a true PJC Foundation Fellow — honesty, integrity, love of mankind, and a desire to serve others."

Long recognized for its far-reaching generosity throughout the community, the Chadbourne Foundation has touched the lives of numerous PJC students through its endowed scholarship.

During the past year, 28 students were able to attend PJC with tuition, fees and books paid for by the Chadbourne scholarships. This number is expected to increase to as many as 35 recipients in the future.

The Chadbourne Foundation Endowed Scholarship began as an engineering scholarship. After receiving state matching funds and doubling in size, the scholarship has broadened its reach to all programs and students who meet the criteria.

An example of how the Chadbourne scholarship benefits students is evident from the words of one of its current recipients.

"I had always dreamed of being a teacher, but when the time came for college, my family did not have the money," said Robin Hiers, PJC student. "I was blessed and honored to receive scholarships to PJC, including the Chadbourne Foundation Scholarship.

"If it weren't for the generous gifts of people like Mr. and Mrs. Chadbourne, so many people would be unable to fulfill their education and would be unable to achieve their life's dreams.

"I can never thank the Chadbourne family enough. I just hope and pray that one day, when I am a teacher, I can give back to children and the community, much in the same way that the Chadbourne's have given to me."

The Chadbourne Foundation was established 21 years ago. Family matriarch, Rosalind S. Chadbourne, provided an estate gift that perpetuated their family's tradition of giving back to the community where they have lived for generations.

Through the Chadbourne Foundation's support of the needy, education and religion, many area lives have been enriched. In addition to the PJC Foundation, they also benefit the University of West Florida Foundation, American Red Cross, Catholic Charities, Hospice of Northwest Florida, Humane Society of Pensacola, Marion Military Institute, NWFL Crippled Children's Endowment Fund, Sacred Heart Foundation, Salvation Army, and United Way of Pensacola.

The Chadbourne Foundation is a family foundation with trustees including Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Chadbourne Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Chadbourne III, and Mr. and Mrs. F Brian DeMaria.



LEFT, TOP TO BOTTOM:
1. Willis and Jane Merrill
2. Jack and Carolyn Fleming
3. Robert and Anne Hart
4. Carol Carlan and Margie Moore
5. Shebbie Shields, Kat Miller, Barbara Looney, Betty Wasson, Robin Hiers and Patrice Whitten

RIGHT, TOP TO BOTTOM:
6. Bob and Martha Kent
7. Jerry and Mona Brown



In Full Bloom

PJC Foundation Celebrates Growth at Annual Meeting

As any gardener knows, it takes more than a few seeds and spring showers to produce a colorful summer garden. Hard work, aching muscles, and a fair share of dirty fingernails are necessary ingredients before the first bouquet can be gathered and enjoyed.

For PJC's Foundation, the efforts of growing widespread community support for the college are bearing results.

Summer bouquets from its garden of giving were in full bloom at the PJC Foundation Board of Governors Annual Meeting.

PJC President Charles Atwell called attention to several areas of growth during the past fiscal year:

- The net worth of the Foundation grew by 38 percent, an increase of \$2.6 million.
- The President's Club grew by 27 percent to more than 100 members.
- Nearly \$200,000 in scholarships were awarded to 436 different students.
- Another \$200,000 was raised for equipment and technology.
- Three new endowed chairs were established and soon will be awarded.
- The first year of the revised Robinson Honors program welcomed 42 Robinson Scholars and estimates enrollment of about 60 freshmen this year.
- The newly formed Foundation Guild, a planning and idea group for major projects and events, aims to expand the college's volunteer support base.

Bo Carter, the Foundation's outgoing president, expressed appreciation to the community for its broad based support of the college and the Foundation. He pointed out that it has been easy to raise financial support for PJC.

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LEFT, TOP TO BOTTOM:
8. Charles Atwell, Ed Chadbourne, Bo Carter
9. Ed and Ruth Chadbourne with scholarship recipients Robin Hiers and Sam Mayhew
10. Diane Appleyard, Christian Garman and Donna Garmon
11. Charles Carlan, William J. "Red" and Jackie Vickrey

RIGHT, TOP TO BOTTOM:
12. Debbie and Buzz Ritchie, Bill and Mary Smart and John Appleyard
13. Collier Merrill and Charles Atwell
14. The "change of the gavel" from Bo Carter to Diane Appleyard



From the Desk of CHARLES ATWELL



CHARLES A. ATWELL
PJC President

An Appeal...

Pensacola Junior College is reaping the benefits of our Foundation's good works. Our students and faculty are enjoying the availability of additional scholarships, endowed teaching chairs, a visiting lecture series, a revitalized honors program and the list goes on.

As noteworthy as these accomplishments are, let's not miss the opportunity to advance the mission even further. Since we share a common cause, I want to suggest some goals for the next few years.

In particular, I would like to see the establishment of a general or universal scholarship fund which will, in effect, remove the barriers to higher education to every deserving resident of Escambia and Santa Rosa counties.

Right now the most economically disadvantaged students are fairly well supported by federal aid and the academically elite receive help through the Bright Futures scholarship program and other named scholarships.

There remains, however, that middle group, many of them working single mothers or part-time students whose college costs are swelled by child care and other related expenses and who too often fall in the financial aid gap, so to speak. We can close that gap, and I propose, that we do so.

In addition, I would like to see a PJC Legacy Society established to recognize and promote planned gifts. This would help ensure the long-term growth and financial health of the Foundation.

Besides these new programs, I want to encourage more participation and growth in our President's Club.

President's Club memberships, which include a large representation of college staff as well as community supporters, provide the on-going support required for the day-to-day activities of the Foundation. This revenue makes it possible for us to devote all of the special purpose contributions, i.e. scholarships and the interest earned on those revenues, to their intended purposes.

During the past year, we surpassed our goal of 100 President's Club members. Now we have increased that goal to 150 members and the Foundation staff is planning special events in hopes of reaching that goal quickly.

I am continually impressed by the talent and commitment of those who make up PJC's Foundation. We have a sound base and plenty of role models. If we follow the example of so many of our community's great leaders in philanthropy, our goals appear to be well within our reach.



**You are Invited to join the President's Club.
Contact Kat Miller
at the Foundation Office:
Phone: (850) 484-1564
E-mail: kamiller@pjc.cc.fl.us**



PJC SHINES AS FLORIDA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES REACH OUT TO ALL FLORIDIANS
— By Carol Carlan

As a graduate of Pensacola Junior College, I have personally experienced the value of a community college education.

As a banking industry executive, I have had many opportunities to hire other PJC graduates, and they come to SunTrust Bank well qualified to perform their jobs.

As a member of the PJC Board of Trustees and past president of the PJC Foundation, I have witnessed the unceasing commitment of our community colleges to maintain degree programs equipped with outstanding faculty and the up-to-date facilities needed to prepare students for work in today's high-tech businesses and industries.

The overwhelming success of the college's first-ever capital campaign is evidence of like commitment from the private sector. Philanthropic organizations and the Pensacola area business community rallied to exceed the campaign goal of \$4.5 million, and with matching state funds the potential to generate more than \$10 million for new and enhanced educational facilities, faculty resources and student scholarships.

Florida's community college system plays many valuable roles in our society from economic development to philanthropic deeds. Unique to Northwest Florida is the public/private partnership of Pensacola Junior College and the P.A.C.E. Center for Girls. The P.A.C.E. (Practical Academic Cultural Education) Center uses education to enhance the lives of a diverse group of adolescent girls. While there are 18 centers in Florida, Pensacola's is the only center housed on a college campus. Because of the college's involvement, these youth at risk of not completing high school are not only motivated to earn high school diplomas but also to attend college, furthering their education and opportunities for success.

I see it in Northwest Florida and know that it holds true throughout the state: Florida's community colleges are improving lives in all segments of our population — from the brightest high school graduates to those failing to complete high school, from professionals seeking career advancement to the unskilled seeking entry into the workforce, and from young children attending summer camps to retirees learning to use their first computers.

Florida's community colleges are providing a quality education to more than 700,000 individuals, and that equates to enhanced quality of life statewide.

Editor's note: Carol Carlan serves as PJC District Board of Trustees vice chair and a Director of the PJC Foundation Board of Governors as well as SunTrust Senior Vice President for Private Client Services in Pensacola. She also served as the PJC Foundation Capital Campaign Awareness Committee chair

Q & A With the Director

Dear Friends of PJC:

Daniel H. Burnham said, "Make no little plans; they have no magic to stir men's blood...Make big plans, aim high in hope and work." At the PJC Foundation, our motto is "The sky's the limit!" Our mission is to provide students with opportunities to do great things, to challenge and inspire them...to help make their dreams a reality. The measure of our success in this area is the measure of our legacy.

Donations to PJC from individuals, organizations and businesses have touched countless lives. Thank you for your continued support.

Warmest regards,

Patrice S. Whitten
Executive Director



PATRICE WHITTEN
PJC Foundation
Executive Director
1974 PJC Alumna

Why does PJC need money from supporters?

- Without support, student debt would increase, making an education at PJC out of reach for many potential students.
- As government funding for education becomes less certain, each contribution takes on even greater importance.
- Many other community colleges offer generous funding. We need to continue to enhance our scholarship dollars to remain competitive with the other colleges.
- Studies show that scholarship funds help to recruit underserved populations. We expect increasing numbers of students due to demographics and economic indications.

I support other causes already. Why should I support PJC?

Charitable givers understand that it is important to keep their causes financially sound. PJC needs their support for the same reason. In order to provide the highest quality education possible, PJC requires considerable funds.

Will my gift make a difference?

Yes! A gift of any size can have a tremendous impact and is extremely important to PJC. Not only do gifts add up, but they also help to encourage other givers. Foundations, corporations and individual donors with significant capacity to give often look for a college with strong overall backing before they will commit to supporting it. In addition, consistent giving helps PJC meet a large percent of its annual needs and attracts gifts for instructional equipment, teachers and student scholarships.

How might my gift be used?

There are many opportunities throughout PJC for donors to make a large impact. Gifts may be used where the need is greatest or may be designated by the donor for instruction, scholarships or equipment.

What are the tax benefits of making a gift to PJC?

Every gift to PJC is tax deductible. Make sure that you keep your receipt for your records. Consult your accountant or attorney regarding an estate plan or bequest to PJC. Certain ways of giving allow you to receive a tax benefit, give a gift to PJC and have an income for life.

Will I be recognized for my gift?

When you make a gift to PJC, we will send you a letter of appreciation along with a receipt in the mail. Other forms of recognition, such as ceremonies and special events, are also used to recognize certain donors.

“Donations to PJC from individuals, organizations and businesses have touched countless lives.”

— Patrice Whitten

What are the different ways I can make a gift to PJC?

- Checks can be made out to Pensacola Junior College Foundation and mailed to:

Pensacola Junior College Foundation
1000 College Blvd.
Pensacola, FL 32504

- A credit card also can be used. It is an easy way to make a donation. We accept Visa and MasterCard.
- We accept gifts online.

How much control do I have over the use of my gift?

- If you wish to designate your gift, you may do so based on the needs of the college and under Foundation guidelines.
- If you would like to support a specific department, sports program or fund, you can let us know which one you desire, and we will direct your gift to that area.
- If you make a donation to the PJC Fund, this money goes into the college's general fund.
- We encourage gifts to this Fund for greatest need to allow the Foundation and PJC President Charles Atwell discretion over spending. The needs of the college and our students may change, and some flexibility is desirable under the prudent spending guidelines of the PJC Foundation.

Does PJC publish an annual report? If so, how can I get a copy?

Each fiscal year, PJC publishes an annual report in conjunction with the president's office. As a 501(c)3 organization, we are audited annually by a local independent auditing firm and operate in accordance with state and federal guidelines. If you would like a copy of our annual report, please contact us at foundation@pjc.cc.fl.us.



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Scholarship Spotlight

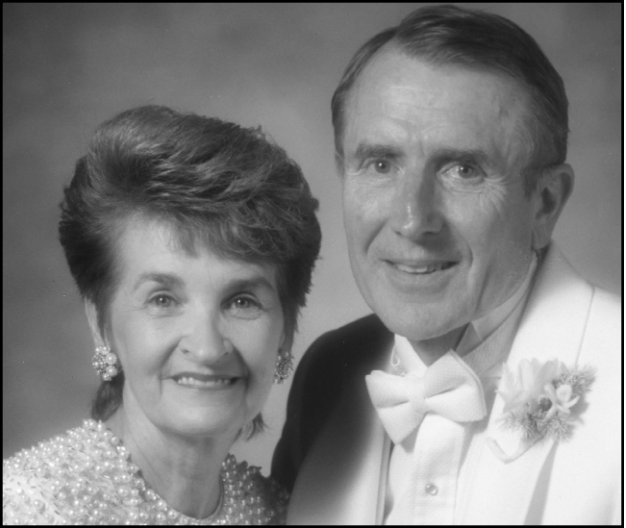
Many students in our area finish high school with good grades and motivation, eagerly looking forward to a college education. Unfortunately, the rising cost of tuition and supplies often closes that door to higher education and forever shuts out the possibilities of career opportunities and upward mobility.

PJC's endowed scholarships play an important role in opening the door to a bright future for many students who would otherwise be left behind. Endowment funds are invested and managed with the resulting interest and dividends used to perpetually fund the scholarship.

The Foundation is pleased to announce two newly established endowed scholarships.

Dr. Fenner and Shirley McConnell Endowed Scholarship

Gulf Breeze Rotary Club has established an endowed scholarship in memory of Dr. Fenner and Shirley McConnell. Dr. McConnell was a respected local medical examiner, and his wife Shirley was active in community affairs. Their daughter, Carolyn, and her husband, Wes Reeder, participated in the



Dr. Fenner and Shirley McConnell

Rotary Club's ceremony presenting the scholarship check to Shebbie Shields, PJC Foundation scholarship development specialist.

"We at Gulf Breeze Rotary are pleased to establish this Endowed Scholarship in the name of Dr. and Mrs. Fenner McConnell," said Sparkie Folkers, Gulf Breeze Rotary Club president.

"Dr. McConnell was a long time member of Gulf Breeze Rotary when he was killed in a tragic biking accident. He had indicated to his wife, Shirley, his desire to donate \$10,000 to the Rotary Club. Shirley passed away this year, and, as planned, the money was donated to the club to use as it felt best.

"Rather than use the money on a one-time purpose, it was decided that an endowed scholarship benefiting students in health sciences at PJC would be the best possible use of the contribution," Folkers said. "The club thought that this would not only honor Fenner and Shirley but it would also continue to grow over the years to provide much needed scholarships to students in the health fields."

Those wishing to make additional contributions to this endowment are encouraged to call Shebbie Shields at the PJC Foundation, (850) 484-1560.

Dr. Joseph and Theresa M. Dennie Endowed Scholarship

Dr. Joseph and Theresa M. Dennie have established an endowed scholarship that will provide for tuition, fees and books each semester for a student in the Applied Health Department.

Joseph and Theresa Dennie chose to establish a scholarship at PJC because scholarships played an important role in their college years.

"Joe was in medical school when we were married 27 years ago," said Theresa Dennie. "Joe and I both worked during this time and Joe also had scholarships to help with the cost of schooling. We have felt very fortunate that people helped us when we were young.

"In particular, there was a surgeon that Joe studied under who had established a scholarship that was very helpful to medical students. That was so inspiring to us.

"We remember those things, we appreciate what has been done for us, and we want to pass that opportunity on to others," she added.

Bill Moore, Applied Health Department head, pointed out that many of his students are juggling jobs and family responsibilities on top of school expenses. Adding tuition to an overburdened family budget can make college prohibitive.

"The Dennie Endowed Scholarship will open the door for those individuals who cannot afford to 'stop living' in order to go to school," Moore said.

Come Check It Out! LRC's New Cyber Café



Browse through the books, surf the net, and enjoy a cup o' Java at PJC's new Cyber Café, upstairs in the Learning Resources Center.

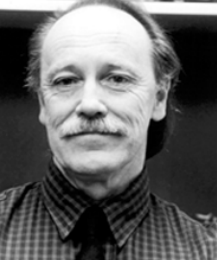
Choose from a cappuccino, espresso, or flavored coffees and teas along with muffins, cookies and pastries for a perfect study break.

The Cyber Café welcomes visitors from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Cyber Café on the Pensacola Campus

Faculty Spotlight

Allan Peterson, PJC Visual Arts Department head and Gallery director, recently won a national poetry competition. His composition, "Anonymous Or," placed first in the national competition sponsored by Defined Providence Press. First place recognition includes \$1,000 and publication of "Anonymous Or" around December.



SCHOLARSHIPS AND ENDOWMENTS AWARDED 2000/2001

- 40 & 8 Nursing Scholarship
- A.O. Godwin Law Enforcement Scholarship Endowment
- Adult Basic Education/GED Scholarship
- African American Memorial Endowment Scholarship
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- Anna Lamar Switzer Visual Arts Scholarship
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- Apple Corps Foundation Endowed Scholarship
- Baptist Hospital Employee Foundation Scholarship
- Batson Physical Therapy Assistant Scholarship
- Bea Grow Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Cantonment Rotary Club Disabled Student Scholarship
- Carolyn D. Carter Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Celestine Carroll Scholarship
- Chadbourne Foundation Endowed Scholarship
- Charles Hardin Memorial Endowment
- Cindy Norton Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Coastal Plains Chapter AWWA Scholarship
- Dental Assisting Scholarship
- Dorney Scholarship
- Dr. Ed Hartsell Endowed Scholarship
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- Dr. William P. & Roberta Hixon Scholarship Fund
- Drs. Mary Ellen and William Spears Endowed Scholarship
- Earl Hutto Foundation
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- Escambia County Master Gardeners Association Scholarship
- Escambia County Medical Auxiliary Endowment
- General Endowed Scholarship
- Gloria F. Ferraro Scholarship
- Greater Pensacola Area Antique Dealers Scholarship
- Gretchen Squires Scholarship Endowment
- Gulf Breeze Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship
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- Gulf Breeze Optimist Club Endowment Scholarship
- Gulf Power Foundation Scholarship
- Hispanic Action Society Scholarship
- Hospitality Round Table Endowed Scholarship
- Intown Business Women's Scholarship
- J.D. Carroll Scholarship
- Jacob Horton Memorial Scholarship Endowment
- James B. & Ila E. Kennington Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Jane C. Noonan Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Julie Krause Endowed Scholarship
- Junior League "Women Helping Women" Endowment
- Kathy Beasley Memorial Scholarship Endowment
- Kevon Moran Paramedic Endowment
- Leadership Santa Rosa Endowment
- Leif Erickson Memorial Endowment
- Les Duell Memorial Scholarship
- Lewis Bear Endowed Scholarship
- Margaret Moore Nickelsen Endowed Scholarship
- Martha Parkin Memorial Scholarship
- McKinnon Memorial Scholarship Endowment
- Medical Education Technology Scholarship
- Miller Zoo Technology Scholarship
- Mother Seton Guild Scholarship
- Newcomers Club Endowed Scholarship
- John R. Peacock Memorial Scholarship (formerly Northeast Pensacola Sertoma Scholarship)
- Nursing Scholarship
- Optimist Club of Pensacola Beach Endowed Scholarship
- Paul Runge Scholarship
- Pensacola Civic Band Memorial Scholarship
- Pensacola Interstate Fair/ Venettozzi Endowed Scholarship
- Pensacola North Rotary Endowed Vocational Scholarship
- Pensacola North Rotary Phil Harrell Scholarship
- Pensacola Seville Sertoma Endowed Scholarship
- Pensacola Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)
- Pensacola Women's Alliance Scholarship
- PJC Seniors Club Scholarship
- Radiology Technology Scholarship
- Randy Grogan Kidd Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Robert McColskey/Pensacola Association of Realtors Scholarship
- Ronnie Hill Endowed Scholarship for Zoo Technology
- Rural Metro EMT Scholarship
- Sack 29 Nurses Scholarship
- Shawn Elliott Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- Springfest, Inc. Endowed Scholarship
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- Suburban West Rotary Club Scholarship Endowment
- Sunny Brown Scholarship
- T.T. Wentworth Jr. Endowment
- The McDonalds Hospitality Scholarship
- The Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. Scholarship
- Theresa Gail May Scholarship Foundation
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“The popularity that PJC enjoys is due in large part to the role it plays in fueling the economic growth of our region. We are all better for PJC’s visibility and community involvement,” Carter said. “We will all continue to benefit from its sound teaching principles and increasing presence in area job training initiatives.

“It has been an honor and a privilege to serve with our PJC Board of Governors, a powerhouse board that has propelled the Foundation to greatness,” Carter said.

Highlighting the evening was a special ceremony honoring Edward M. Chadbourne Jr. as a PJC Foundation Fellow. Bob Hart presented a moving tribute to Ed Chadbourne for his continued contributions to the PJC Foundation. (See related story, page 4.)

Other festivities included the annual passing of the gavel and recognition of new officers: Diane Appleyard, president; Miler Caldwell, vice president; Carolyn Davis, secretary; and Tom Owens, treasurer.

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RIGHT, TOP TO BOTOM:

- 1. Bo and Gay Carter
- 2. Larry and Patrice Whitten with Ed and Ruth Chadbourne
- 3. Mrs. John Sherrill, Milton Usry, Eleanor Appleyard, Tom Delaino and Dona Usry

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