

Pensacola Junior College

Annual Report

2008–2009



CELEBRATING
PJC
 60 YEARS
 1948-2008



The 110th U.S. Congress recognized PJC's 60th anniversary on Sept. 13, 2008 with a resolution by Congressman Jeff Miller. His district representative, Sharon Santurri, presented a Congressional Record of the resolution to the PJC District Board of Trustees on behalf of Congress.

Accepting the honor are (from left) Board Chair John O'Connor, Sharon Santurri, and PJC President Ed Meadows.

(Photo by Robin Mertins)

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS



PJC President Ed Meadows, SGA President Terrance Young and Board of Trustees members Vincent Andry and Dona Usry



On Sept. 13, 1948, PJC opened its doors to 136 students in the old Aiken boarding house on the corner of Palafox and Cervantes streets. Six decades later, PJC has flourished with outstanding programs and faculty at three full campuses and a Downtown Center.

PJC celebrated its 60th Anniversary in 2008 with events that included tapping the college's sixth president, Ed Meadows; September cake-cutting ceremonies on each campus; and an evening outdoor concert.

(Concert photos by Bill Mertins)





President's Message

For Pensacola Junior College, 2008-2009 was a remarkable year. In September 2008, we celebrated the college's 60th anniversary and made plans to further its leadership role in the community.

With pioneer spirit, PJC opened its doors to 136 students in 1948, offering the basics in math, science, language arts and humanities. As we paid tribute to PJC's six decades of educational excellence, our District Board of Trustees voted to pursue offering baccalaureate degrees. This visionary step enables us to be even more responsive to the community by providing qualified professionals in some critical areas of workforce shortage.

In addition to honoring our rich heritage, we recognized the accomplishments of our students, staff and programs, such as:

- The Corsair student newspaper captured Florida's General Excellence Award for the 15th time in the past 18 years.
- Visual Arts students won 16 regional awards in ADDY competition.
- Phi Theta Kappa honor society on the Pensacola campus was named the Most Distinguished Chapter in Florida.
- Our Practical Nursing program ranked No. 1 out of 1,036 programs in the nation in 2008.

- For the 13th straight year, Radiography students earned a 100 percent pass rate on the national certification examination — on their first attempt.
- PJC ranked No. 1 among Florida's 28 community colleges in the state-required accountability measures for retention rate for A.A. degree students.
- PJC placed in the Top 100 colleges in the nation as a producer of associate degrees.
- Our prestigious Switzer Art Gallery drew a record-breaking 49,346 visitors to five shows.
- Our dental assisting students worked with local dentists to provide a free dental clinic one Saturday that served 600 needy children.
- Through efforts of the PJC Foundation, more than 2,200 scholarships helped deserving students with tuition and books.
- WSRE public television station won four National Telly Awards for its original documentaries on local veterans and on education.

We should all be particularly proud of these examples of success — with many more listed on the following pages — since they occurred in a challenging budgetary year. In spite of a difficult economy, our

commitment to meeting the needs of our students resulted in an enrollment increase of more than nine percent. We worked diligently to turn budget challenges into opportunities with a new energy-savings plan, reduced paper use, and retirement incentives, just to name a few.

Pensacola Junior College is recognized as an institution characterized by integrity and commitment. With the support of a dedicated faculty, staff and Board of Trustees, everything possible will be done to keep PJC as a beloved college, offering a quality education.

For the past 60 years, PJC has been a vital first step for thousands of students seeking a university degree or a career. The twenty first century finds PJC continuing the tradition of excellence in meeting the needs of this growing and changing region of the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ed Meadows". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Ed Meadows
PJC President

Student Life



Nan McKee

PJC opens doors for students to excel in academics, leadership and community involvement.

- **Gianni Rodriquez** and **Travis Cummings**, Adult High School, earned perfect scores of 3008 on the reading section of the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test.
- **Nan McKee** was selected as a 2009 Coca-Cola Silver Scholar based on her scores earned in the All-USA Academic Team competition. She also made the 2009 Phi Theta Kappa All-Florida Academic Team.
- **Marianne Greenberg**, Dual Enrollment, was valedictorian of her Washington High School graduating class in May. Two weeks earlier she received her A.A. degree from PJC and was accepted as a junior at University of Washington-Seattle.
- **Barrett White**, Dual Enrollment, won a silver medal for poetry at the national Scholastic Art & Writing Awards in New York City.
- **Lorraine Ogan** won first place for the Outstanding Undergraduate Philosophy Paper in a Two Year College from the Florida Philosophical Association.

- **Noah Nothstein** has a photo in the 2009 PIEA International Traveling Photo Exhibition that tours the United States, Australia and Canada for two years.
- Nineteen PJC students were selected for the FCCAA Music and Theatre All-Academic Team with a 3.3 or higher GPA.
- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society on the Pensacola campus received the Most Distinguished Chapter Award out of 77 chapters at the 2008 Florida Regional Convention.
- PJC's Engineering Club won first place for Most Active Student Chapter by the Florida Engineering Society for the second year in a row.
- In national competition for Business Honor Society students, **Prudence Caskey** won the David Pope essay contest and **Nick Bechtel** won the Eva Bobrow Memorial Medallion of Excellence Award for service.
- PJC's student magazine, *Issue*, won first-place awards for nonfiction and design and a third-place award for fiction at the 2008 Florida Community College Press Association Convention.
- PJC's culinary team received a bronze medal in State Championship Team Skills Competition in Orlando.



President Ed Meadows congratulates Alessandro Bailetti

Photo by Ben Twingley courtesy of Pensacola News Journal

Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship

Alessandro Bailetti received the 2009 Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship, worth up to \$30,000 per year, to attend Cornell University. He made the Phi Theta Kappa All-Florida Academic Team and graduated summa cum laude from PJC in May.



Earl Rice

Rowing 10 Million Meters

LIFE Fitness Center participant **Earl Rice** celebrated his 90th birthday at the Center, a day that marked 10 years of rowing and accumulating more than 10 million meters, equaling more than 6,500 miles. He also received the Golden Oar Award and a resolution honoring him as a master rower.

Student ADDY Winners

Visual Arts students won 16 regional awards at the 2009 Pensacola Bay Area Advertising Federation ADDY competition. **John Murray** won the Mosaic Award, the highest award presented at the event, plus a gold and two bronze awards.

Noah Nothstein won a gold award for a photograph that will be placed in the ADDY National Division.

Greg Reigler won the Judges Award, a silver and three bronze awards.

Georgia Beliech won a gold and a bronze award, **Kathy Brower** won two silver awards, **Ryan Dugger** won a silver award and **Brittney Merritt** won a bronze award.



Danica Spears

Photo by PJC Alum Sean Drain

Soaring with the Blues

Robinson Honors Scholar **Danica Spears** made history in 2008 as the first student to fly with the Navy's famed Blue Angels — a feat that attracted national media attention. PJC President **Ed Meadows**, Vice President **Martin Gonzalez** and Corsair advisor **Christina Drain** joined Spears' family and friends to see her soar with the Blues.



NASA astronaut Alan Poindexter and PJC President Ed Meadows (Photo by PJC Alum Zeke Hazewinkle)

Astronaut Lands at Alma Mater

NASA astronaut **Alan Poindexter** and PJC President **Ed Meadows** unveil the PJC gold medallion that traveled on the Atlantis space shuttle mission, piloted by Poindexter, in 2008. Poindexter, a 1983 PJC grad, later returned the PJC medallion, along with some Atlantis memorabilia, at an event packed with students, staff and community leaders.

CORSAIR Wins Top State Award 15th Time in 18 Years

For the 15th time in the past 18 years, PJC's student newspaper, *The Corsair*, captured the General Excellence Award at the 2008 Florida Community College Press Association Convention.

Corsair staff **Danica Spears** and **Nathan Deen** received the Inner Circle of Excellence award, based on the number of times these students have placed in FCCPA competition.

The Corsair also took home 13 individual awards: 7 first place, 4 second place and 2 third place awards.



YouthBuild

SkillsUSA Builds Leadership

SkillsUSA, a national organization focusing on technical, skilled and service careers, was launched at PJC in 2008. Within months, PJC hosted the SkillsUSA Region I Conference in February that drew participants from high schools and colleges across six counties. Twelve PJC students won awards during the conference. At the state conference in April, three PJC students won awards and club sponsor Jennifer Ponson won the Leader Award.

YouthBuild

PJC President Ed Meadows and about 40 PJC students, working with YouthBuild Pensacola, gathered Sept. 25 for a groundbreaking ceremony for the second house constructed in collaboration between PJC and YouthBuild.

ALUMNI NEWS

Mike Wiggins (PJC 1965) became the second-ever elected Mayor of Pensacola in November 2008. He had served on the City Council since 1995 and is known for his involvement in the community and PJC.

Rip Hanks (PJC 1981) won an Innovations 2009 Design and Engineering Award for his patented design of a speaker wire termination system. Hanks is president and CEO of Centerpin Technology.

Dierdre Ann McVoy (PJC 1983) received the Navy's 2009 Outstanding Employee with a Disability Award.

Army SFC **Antonio Giuliano**, (PJC 1984) sang the National Anthem at the unveiling of the statue honoring former President Ronald Reagan in the Rotunda of the U.S. Capitol in June 2009.

Steve Olesky (PJC 2008) was selected as one of the Top 100 Design Students during his first year at Savannah College of Art and Design.



Steve Olesky

2008-09 Student Body Profile

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| TOTAL (unduplicated headcount) | 26,782 |
| Full-time | 9,747 |
| College credit | 7,023 |
| Occupational credit | 2,958 |
| Adult High, ABE, GED | 7,325 |
| Continuing Ed | 5,412 |
| Special Objective/Dual Enrollment | 3,312 |
| Total graduates | 2,400 |
| Day | 53% |
| Evening | 20% |
| Day & Evening | 27% |
| Male | 39% |
| Female | 61% |
| Minority | 29% |

Athletics



Rich Ziemba of World Ford and Jim Martin



PJC dance team



PJC cheerleaders

PJC athletes are known for their outstanding performance in academics and community service as well as sports.

In 2008, PJC Athletics placed 24 of 30 second-year athletes in four-year colleges and universities. Of PJC's 81 athletes, 23 received Academic All-Conference or higher recognition.

- In August 2008, **World Ford of Pensacola** became corporate sponsors with a donation worth more than \$30,000 benefitting all PJC athletic programs.
- The Pirate diamond became the choice spot for a baseball matchup between the Harvard University Crimson and the University of Alabama-Birmingham Blazers that had to be relocated due to bad weather. PJC hosted the three-game series that was dominated by UAB in March.
- PJC's dance team completed its fifth season as part of the Pirate basketball family. **Lisa Little** received the 2009 Outstanding Academic Award.
- Pirate cheerleaders kept team spirit high for men's and women's basketball games and other campus events. **Heather Eakes** received the 2009 Outstanding Academic Award.

Pirates Shine in National Spotlight

National Junior College Athletic Association recognition included:

- **Kenyatta Gill**, women's basketball, was named Division I National Player of the Week by the NJCAA for Nov. 24-30.
- **Geraldine Puertas**, softball, was selected for the NJCAA All-American First Team. Puertas also played for her home country of Venezuela in the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing, between her freshman and sophomore seasons at PJC. It was Venezuela's first Olympic softball experience.
- **Deana Allen** and **Jazmond Stringer** were selected for the first-ever NJCAA Women's Basketball All-Star games July 2009. PJC hosted the two-day event that drew the top 40 junior college women's basketball players from across the nation.

Pirates Score State Recognition

Florida Community College Athletic Association recognized PJC athletes with 37 FCCAA awards for athletic skill.

Volleyball

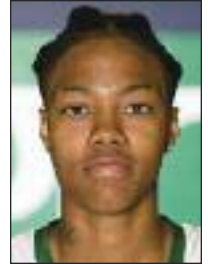
- **Jessica Guidry** was selected Panhandle Conference Player of the Year.



Kenyatta Gill



Geraldine Puertas



Deana Allen



Jazmond Stringer

- **Kali Pringle** and **Jessica Guidry** made the All-State team. This is the second time in state history that two players from the Panhandle Conference made the All-State volleyball team.
- **Dayne Ramsey** and **Beth Ogletree** made the Panhandle Conference team.
- PJC's volleyball team won their sixth Panhandle Conference title in the past eight years.

Softball

- **Geraldine Puertas** was selected Panhandle Conference Player of the Year.
- **Daniela De Oliveira** made All-Panhandle First Team.
- **Julianne Beough, Hilary Fiocca, Kaci Pribanic, Hannah Wilson** and **Brittany Wynne** made All-Panhandle Second Team.

Baseball

- **Bear Comer** was named All-Panhandle Defensive Player of the Year.
- **Saxon Butler, Bear Comer** and **Joey Delgado** made All-Panhandle First Team.
- **Tyson Workman, Robert Beary** and **Charles Basford** made All-Panhandle Second Team.
- Panhandle Conference All-Star Baseball team, which included PJC's **Joey Delgado, Robert Beary,**

Bear Comer, Kyle Marks, Kevin Vasquez and **Matt Taliercio**, defeated the Southern Conference All-Stars 12-9 in November.

Men's Basketball

- **Virgil Philistin, Jalin Thomas** and **DeAndre Washington** made All-Panhandle Second Team.
- **Levan Patsatsia** and **Jadarren Mumpfield** received All-Panhandle Honorable Mention.
- **Jalin Thomas** received the President's Leadership Award.

Women's Basketball

- **Sierra Highgate** made All-Panhandle First Team.
- **Kenyatta Gill, Wykeemia Gray** and **Jasmine Payne** made All-Panhandle Second Team.
- **Angelese Hunter** received All-Panhandle Honorable Mention
- **Lauren Flagler** received the President's Leadership Award.

PJC Athletes are Top Scholars

Pirate athletes earned national and state academic recognition totaling 51 awards.

- **Etienne Farquharson**, baseball, was the only athlete in the Panhandle Conference to achieve the NJCAA Distinguished Academic All-American Award with a 3.9 GPA.

Farquharson also received the Jim Klein Award for being an inspiration to teammates.

- **Jalin Thomas**, basketball, received the Hal Chasey Scholar Athlete Award that goes to only one FCCAA player in recognition of academic and athletic ability. Thomas also was one of only two Panhandle Conference players to garner the NJCAA Academic All-American Award with a 3.6 GPA.
- FCCAA Academic All-State awards went to 6 volleyball players, 6 softball players, 5 baseball players, 2 men's basketball players and 2 women's basketball players.
- FCCAA Academic All-Conference awards went to 7 volleyball players, 7 softball players, 7 baseball players, 3 men's basketball players and 3 women's basketball players.

PJC Athletes are Good Sports

Throughout the year, Pirate athletes participated in more than 20 community service projects, such as: fundraising for United Way, American Cancer Society and American Heart Association; hosting youth sports camps; tutoring elementary school students; donating blood; and bringing Christmas gifts to patients at Sacred Heart Children's Hospital.



Etienne Farquharson



Jalin Thomas

Athletic Alumni Recognition

- **Don Caton**, PJC 1962, and **Bruce Caton**, PJC 1973, were inducted into the Pensacola Sports Association Hall of Fame in April. The Caton brothers led their respective PJC tennis teams to winning seasons and have continued to promote tennis over the years.
- Former PJC flag football player **John Halman** was picked as a rookie by the Washington Redskins. At PJC, Halman was selected for the 2005 Swamp Bowl

All-Tournament Team, 2005 Regional All-Tournament Team and 2005 National All-American.

- The Pirates' three-man pitching rotation in 2008 — **Miguel Mejia, Blaine Howell** and **Chris Sorce** — all signed major league contracts. Mejia, the team's No. 1 pitcher, signed with the Detroit Tigers. He was 20-1 as a starter at PJC, a school record. Howell was drafted by the Cincinnati Reds and Sorce was drafted by the Seattle Mariners.



PJC basketball players read to Holm Elementary second graders

Facilities

From sparkling new buildings to manicured grounds, PJC's facilities enhance learning and offer a welcome venue for campus and community events.



Lady Pirates made history as they played their first-ever softball game on the Pensacola campus, April 22, winning a double-header (11-0, 8-0) against Meridian Community College. Previously, PJC softball practices and games were played on the Milton campus. The new field saves the team time and costs resulting from daily trips to Milton.

Photo by Ben Twingley courtesy of Pensacola News Journal.



Olympic Gold Medalist Justin Gallin christens PJC's new track as he runs with children participating in the YMCA Kids Marathon in January.

Photo by John Blackie courtesy of Pensacola News Journal.

New Softball Field and Walking Track

A \$646,000 project for a new walking track and softball field was completed in the spring 2009.

The lighted, 1/5-mile asphalt walking track is 12 feet wide and encircles an intramural field.

Phase I of the new softball field includes new fencing, backstops, field lighting and temporary dugouts. Phase II, estimated at more than \$700,000, begins in the following year and includes home and visitor team dugouts, locker rooms, restrooms, concessions, public restrooms, grandstand and press box similar to those at the baseball field.

The outdoor sports complex also includes a volleyball sand pit, a football goal post for kicking competitions and two batting cages.

Worley Boulevard Dedication

The main thoroughfare into PJC's Milton campus was named Worley Boulevard in honor of Douglas Worley, founding provost of the Milton campus. A 1956 PJC grad, Worley joined the PJC staff in 1966. When the Milton campus opened in 1985, Worley helped initiate new programs in forestry, environmental science, agriculture and horticulture before retiring in 1995.



Spacious entrance to Chadbourne Library

Edward M. Chadbourne Library Opens

Construction of a 16,000 square-foot addition to the Edward M. Chadbourne Library and extensive renovation of the 49,810 square-foot existing building were completed in time for classes in August 2009.

The \$9 million project includes group study rooms, an auditorium with its own kitchen and entrance, a coffee shop, new furniture, new mechanical, electrical and telecommunication systems, and enhanced technology including a state-of-the-art TEAL classroom.

Energy Savings

The college implemented a project to reduce energy costs by \$650,000 per year. Improving automated building control systems, replacing older system components with high efficiency equipment, and other mechanical and electrical upgrades brought about the savings.



Governor Crist holds town hall meeting at WSRE

PJC President Ed Meadows welcomed Governor Charlie Crist to the college in May. Governor Crist held a town hall meeting with about 200 people at WSRE's Jean and Paul Amos Performance Studio and also met with local veterans.

While on campus, Crist also signed a Florida House bill that allows a commission to study local government consolidation for Century, Pensacola and Escambia County.



PJC Board Chair John O'Connor (right) presents Douglas Worley with a proclamation at the April dedication ceremony.

Photo by Gary McCracken courtesy of Pensacola News Journal

Faculty and Staff



Ann Southerland

Supervisor and Employee of the Year

For the past 35 years, CAEOP has honored outstanding PJC supervisors and employees for their professionalism and service.

2008

Supervisor of the Year: **Ann Southerland**, Academic Affairs and Career Education assistant vice president



Lisa Williams

Employee of the Year: **Lisa Williams**, Warrington Provost executive assistant

2009

Supervisor of the Year: **Steve Bannow**, Allied Health department head



Steve Bannow

Employee of the Year: **Brenda Brantley**, Allied Health administrative assistant



Brenda Brantley

2009 Faculty Promotions

Professor

- Liesa Bromet
- Diane Cole
- Michelle Haggard
- Cena Harmon
- Todd Neuman
- Donna Shumway
- Natasha Simpson
- Carol Stinson

Associate Professor

- Joyce Daniels
- Logan Fink
- Al Huffman
- Bobby Roberson
- Julie Ruengert
- Lisa Sims
- Chris Turner
- Mary Turner
- Blaine Wall

Assistant Professor

- Greg Bloxom
- Jessica Petersen
- Bridgette Robinson
- Barbara Tarwater



Legends Honored

Since 2001, PJC has recognized employees who have worked at the college for 25 years with a Legends celebration. Honorees who joined the PJC team in 1984 are (seated from left) Deedra Herington, Mary Henry, Logan Fink, Gil Bixel, Ken McAferty; (standing from left) Danny Lombardozzi, Debbie Stallworth, Evelyn Gutknecht, Mary Beth Johnson, Maroline Campbell. Not pictured, Keith Prendergast.

Teaching Excellence Award Winners

PJC's prestigious Academy of Teaching Excellence has honored top faculty members since 1986. Award winners for 2009:

Full-Time Faculty



Tracy Peyton, English



Frances Robinson, Reading



Lisa Sims, Sociology



Peggy Ward, Radiology

Adjunct Faculty



Roy Bracken, Music and Theatre



Natalie Ryan, Biological Sciences

Outstanding New Faculty



Cbad Smudde, Mathematics

2008-2009 Faculty Profile

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| Full-Time Faculty | |
| Total..... | 194 |
| Males..... | 79 |
| Females..... | 115 |
| Minorities..... | 30 |
| Part-Time Faculty | |
| Total..... | 385 |

2008-2009 Staff Profile

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| Full-Time Staff | |
| Total..... | 481 |
| Administrative/Professional..... | 211 |
| Career Service..... | 270 |
| Males..... | 178 |
| Females..... | 303 |
| Minorities..... | 137 |

Employee Recognition



Martin Gonzalez

PJC faculty and staff

excel in their fields through research, performance and participation in professional, civic and community activities.

- **Linda Lambert**, Dental Hygiene, received the Distinguished Service Award from the Florida Dental Hygienist Association for outstanding dedication and service.
- **Richard Jernigan**, Music, performed the Mozart Clarinet Concerto as the first local wind instrumentalist to solo with the Pensacola Symphony.
- **Roy Bracken**, Theatre, won Crystal Awards from Pensacola Little Theatre for Outstanding Direction and Best Show of Season for "Seussical the Musical."
- **Martin Gonzalez** was named vice president for Instructional Affairs. He joined the PJC staff in 1988 and had served as provost of the Milton campus since 2002.
- **Anthea Amos** was named dean of the Milton campus. She also received the 2008 Florida Excellence in Education Educator of the Year for Alpha Delta Kappa.
- **Julia Ruengert**, Center for Teaching and Learning coordinator, spear-headed Tuesday Meltdown, a weekly informal opportunity for employees to brainstorm new ideas and challenges, including plagiarism, midterm grades, service learning and volunteer activities.

- PJC gymnastics coaches **John Evans, Stefanie Shiers** and **Rex Rodriguez** trained five Special Olympics athletes for state competition at Disney's Wide World of Sports. PJC's five-member Special Olympics Gymnastics Team brought home seven gold medals, nine silver medals and four bronze medals.

Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair

Michael Boles, Visual Arts professor, completed his 2006-2009 term as the Anna Lamar Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair with an exhibition at the Switzer Gallery. He uses digital technology to produce intricate, free-form metal and stone wall sculpture. Boles also won the 2008 Best of Show in the Pensacola Museum of Art Members' Juried Exhibition and the 2008 Art in State Buildings Award.

Celebrating History

Don Snowden, Music and Theatre head, directed the Pensacola Civic Band in two performances celebrating Pensacola's 450th anniversary. The Civic Band performed for King Juan Carlos I and Queen Sophia of Spain and at the docking of the Spanish tall ship Elcano. The 90-piece Pensacola Civic Band is sponsored by PJC and has been under Snowden's direction since 1987.



Wayne Wooten

Photo by Danica Spears courtesy of The Corsair

Looking Up

Wayne Wooten, Astronomy professor, was published in a special edition of Reflector magazine celebrating the International Year of Astronomy and the 400th anniversary of Galileo's telescope.

Wooten's article on building replicas of Galileo's and Messier's refractors was featured in a full-color, two-page spread of the March 2009 issue.

Wooten also was published in the September 2008 issue of Astronomy magazine. His photo and personal memory of Arthur C. Clarke, best known for his novel and film version of "2001: A Space Odyssey," were part of a memorial tribute to Clarke.

Meritorious Service

Navy Capt. **Jean Roberts**, an English professor on the Milton campus since 1981, received the Legion of Merit medal for "exceptional meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service." Roberts received the award in October 2008 as she ended her Navy career of 30 years. Her last tour of duty was onboard the nuclear aircraft carrier USS George Washington in 2008.



Jean Roberts with Legion of Merit medal

Photo by Katie King courtesy of Pensacola News Journal



Armour Piercing by Michael Boles



Don Snowden

Recognition

Those who can, teach at PJC!

In 2009, PJC was ranked No.1 among Florida's 28 community colleges in the state-required accountability measures for Retention Rate for Associate in Arts Students. This is the fourth time in the last six years that PJC has ranked first.

PJC President Ed Meadows and the District Board of Trustees formally commended the PJC faculty for their dedication and commitment to excellence, resulting in this high level of accomplishment.



PJC Police Officer Paul Panici demonstrates a Segway Personal Transporter that the PJC Police began using in 2009 to increase visibility and speed in responding to emergencies.

FACC Recognition

The Florida Association of Community Colleges recognized the following PJC staff at their annual meeting.

State Office Holders:

Carol Quinn
Sylvia Campbell
Juanita Scott

Region I Unsung Heroes:

Brenda Pou and
Frances Jackson

PJC Chapter Unsung Hero:

Tammy Henderson

FCCAA Hall of Fame:

Dennis Reynolds

FACC Honorary Life

Member:

Tom Delaino, retired
PJC President

Awards of Excellence in eight categories went to College Marketing and Information staff — Linda Bauer, Alice Crann Good, Robin Mertins, Kat Villines and student intern Leslie Ward.



Vince Andry

PJC District Board of Trustees

The Governor of Florida appoints PJC's District Board of Trustees to oversee the operations of the college and the Board devotes many hours each month to maintaining educational excellence.

In fall 2008, the Board held its first annual retreat and crafted a new vision statement for the college that includes offering baccalaureate degrees.

Responding to documented need in critical workforce professions, the Board began steps to gain approval from the State to offer baccalaureate degrees. Additionally, the Board petitioned the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to move from Level I to Level II.

Leadership Recognition

PJC's District Board of Trustees nominated Vincent Andry for the 2009 Association of Community College Trustees Leadership Award.

The ACCT represents more than 6,500 trustees who govern more than 1,200 community, technical and junior colleges nationwide.

During his six-year tenure, Andry held two terms as vice chairman and two terms as chairman on the PJC Board. He also served as chairman of the finance and facilities committees.



*John O'Connor, Chair
President of JLO Inc.
and the O'Connor
Management Group*



*Edward Moore, Vice Chair
Attorney and mediator
with Moore, Hill &
Westmoreland*



*Carol Carlan
CEO of Carlan
Consulting LLC*



*Monsignor Luke Hunt
Pastor of St. Ann Parish*



*Marjorie Moore
VP and Financial
Advisor with Merrill
Lynch*



*Paul Snider
VP and Senior Financial
Advisor with Merrill
Lynch*



*Dona Usry
Community volunteer*



*Deidre Young
Community volunteer*

Charles Edward Meadows



BACKGROUND

Ed Meadows is a native of Ripley, Miss. He and his wife Kitty have two sons, Daniel and Andrew.

EDUCATION

Ball State University, M.A. and Ed.D., 1979

University of Tennessee, M.S., 1975

Delta State University, B.S., 1971

EXPERIENCE

President, Pensacola Junior College,
2008 – present

President, Lurleen B. Wallace Community College,
2003-2008

President, Ayers State Technical College,
1996-2003

Vice-President, Beville State Community College,
1991-1996

Various college administrative positions,
1985-1991

Various college teaching positions,
1975-1985

RECOGNITION

Kermit Mathison Award from the University of
Montevallo for outstanding junior/community
college administrator, 2006

Excellence in Educational Leadership Award from
the University Council for Educational
Administration, 2004

Administrator of the Year Leadership Award from
the College of Education of the University of
Alabama, 2004

Phi Theta Kappa International Shirley B. Gordon
Award of Distinction, 1999

PJC Welcomes President Ed Meadows

During its 60th anniversary, Pensacola Junior College celebrated its rich history and embraced a new beginning as it welcomed its sixth president, Edward “Ed” Meadows.

Following a nationwide search, Meadows assumed the Office of President on June 1, 2008 and was officially invested at the PJC District Board of Trustees meeting Sept. 22, 2009.

Board Chair John O’Connor conducted the traditional swearing in ceremony, and

President Emeritus G. Thomas Delaino, fifth president of PJC, participated by presenting Meadows the official presidential medallion.

The medallion used for the ceremony was adopted as the official presidential medallion after being presented to the college by PJC alumnus Navy Capt. Alan Poindexter, who carried the specially minted medallion into space as pilot of the Atlantis space shuttle during the February 2008 NASA mission.

As stated by Board Chair O’Connor at the investiture, “Today is a special day for Pensacola Junior College as

we officially invest Dr. Ed Meadows as the sixth president of Pensacola Junior College. Dr. Meadows, as we all know, decided not to have a formal presidential inauguration and instead wishes to focus that energy on private support for student financial assistance.”

During the investiture, the Board of Trustees named all previous PJC presidents as Presidents Emeriti: Henry L. Ashmore, 1954–1963; T. Felton Harrison, 1964–1980; Horace “Ed” Hartsell, 1980–1998; Charles A. Atwell, 1998–2002; G. Thomas Delaino, 2002–2008.



Kitty and Ed Meadows



PJC President Emeritus Tom Delaino (left), Board Chair John O’Connor and PJC President Ed Meadows



PJC District Board members celebrate the college’s sixth presidential investiture

Leading the Way

PJC Board Moves to Add Baccalaureate Degrees

In fall 2008, the PJC District Board of Trustees unanimously voted to pursue the offering of applied baccalaureate degrees.

"This is an expansion of our mission that will allow us to serve our community better, especially in some areas of critical workforce shortage," said Board Chair Vincent Andry.

PJC is a member of the new Florida College System, which has 14 former Florida community colleges granting baccalaureate degrees and at least three others currently pursuing authority to grant these degrees.

PJC President Ed Meadows said, "The PJC Board felt this change was necessary to help provide qualified professionals in a number of workforce areas, particularly in high demand areas such as health care where critical shortages are predicted to continue through the next decade.

"This will not happen immediately, as we have several processes to go through, but we are hopeful that our requests will be well received."

Most of PJC's programs will continue to be associate degrees and the college will continue its long "Two-Plus-Two" relationship with the University of West Florida and other Florida universities.

"The majority of our associate degree students transfer to the University of West Florida," Meadows said. "We will continue to work very closely with the University of West Florida to help meet the educational and workforce needs of the region."

PJC Partners with McCollough Institute

President Ed Meadows spearheaded a multi-faceted collaboration with the McCollough Institute in June 2009 that benefits PJC's health career students and faculty as well as local health care professionals and the community.

Meadows and Dr. E. Gaylon McCollough, the Institute's founder/chief executive officer, solidified the partnership during an agreement signing at the McCollough Institute for Appearance and Health, located in Gulf Shores, Ala.

"PJC's students are among the best I have worked with, and they come into the operating room ready to step right in," said McCollough, a world renowned facial and nasal plastic surgeon who is listed in America's "Top Plastic Surgeons."

"I am delighted to partner with a man of such international reputation," Meadows said. "We plan to optimize every opportunity the partnership provides."

Partnership provisions include clinical site rotation internships for PJC students enrolled in medical and cosmetic programs; Institute medical staff providing lectures and advising the college about emerging medical workforce career training needs; Institute employment opportunities for PJC graduates; and Institute collaboration with various PJC programs and WSRE TV.



Dr. McCollough welcomes President Meadows to the McCollough Institute



Signing the partnership



McCollough Institute staff, PJC representatives and Gulf Shores dignitaries join Dr. Gaylon McCollough and President Ed Meadows at the partnership ceremony

photos by Robin Mertins

Programs

PJC was named to the prestigious list of Top 100 Associate Degree Producers in the nation by Community College Weekly. PJC's exceptional programs also include high school dual enrollment, adult high school, adult basic education, pre-collegiate studies, workforce development and continuing education.

Staying Connected

Pirate Mobile, a cell phone text messaging service, was implemented to inform the PJC community of inclement weather, school closings and campus emergencies. The college also began postings on Facebook and Twitter, a library Web site for use on mobile phones, and a new user-friendly eLearning Web site.

After several years' absence, mid-term grades were reinstated in the fall semester 2008 and were posted electronically for ease of access and cost effectiveness.

Drawing Crowds

A record breaking 49,346 visitors browsed the Anna Lamar Switzer Visual Arts Gallery during 2008-2009. The previous year totaled just over 35,000 visitors. Gallery Director Vivian Spencer also secured seven art donations for PJC's permanent collection during the year.

50 years of Lyceum

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet **Natasha Trethewey** headlined the 50th year of cultural offerings in PJC's Lyceum series. Founded in 1958 by Fine Arts Chair **John T. Venettozzi**, Lyceum events regularly bring renowned artists, musicians, thespians, dancers and speakers to the college and are open to the public.



James Fernandez recently completed PJC's 2+2 program with the University of West Florida and is working at the Jacksonville Zoo.

A Breed Apart

Zoo Animal Technology Program Director **Joyce Kaplan** spent two months in Africa and developed an international zoological extension program between Zambia and PJC. The partnership allows six PJC Zoo Tech graduates to spend the summer in Zambia working at the Munda Wanga Wildlife Sanctuary.

PJC's Zoo Tech program was the first in the nation to partner with a university so that students could seamlessly complete a bachelor's degree in zoo science.



Natasha Trethewey



Ageless Girly Box by Leslie Briggs

Going Green

In fall 2008, PJC students and staff began a year-long exploration of environmental and economic sustainability by participating in the International Coastal Clean-up and various class projects, film series and public forums with guest speakers.

The popular Junk to Art series of free workshops taught participants how to recycle household "junk" into creative art projects. Local artists also gave presentations.



Robinson Honors students in London



PJC alum Victor Bokas and former PJC faculty members Tony Krysinisky and James Carter were featured at the Switzer Center's opening gallery show for the 2008-09 season.

- Robinson Honors students, along with English professor **Carol Hemmye**, spent the summer studying at the University of Cambridge. Enjoying the National Gallery in London are (from left) **Leslie Ward, Amie Gramo, Lorraine Ogan** and **Kendra Lyons**.
- PJC's Math Department hosted the first Sonia Kovalevsky Math Day targeting female high school students. The event celebrated Kovalevsky as the first woman to earn a doctorate in math in 1874.
- The Choral Society of Pensacola, sponsored by PJC, won the Best Language award at the International Chinese Choral Festival in Beijing. PJC's Choral Activities Director **Xiaolun Chen** led the all-female ensemble that performed "Over the Rainbow" plus two Chinese folk songs and a Chinese art song.

Celebrating Diversity

PJC is proud of its diverse community and hosts numerous multicultural events each year. Highlights from 2008-2009:

- PJC hosted the first Youth Summit for 16-18 year olds with acclaimed singer and author **Cleveland Robinson II** as the keynote speaker. The free Saturday event also featured leadership workshops, food, fun and games.
- Rhodes Scholar and elite athlete **Garrett Johnson** was guest speaker at the PJC African-American Memorial Endowed Scholarship Program & **Dr. Garrett T. Wiggins** "Live Your Dream" Scholarship Banquet.



Each June, the Sankofa Heritage Festival showcases black culture with art, poetry, music and displays on the Warrington campus.

Continuing Education

- Kids College Environmental Camp brought 35 campers nose to nose with nature.
- Mock Disaster Drill gave High School Health Camp students hands-on experience coping with disaster.



Kids College Environmental Camp, above

High School Health Camp



PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

Nursing Program Earns National Accreditation

PJC's Nursing program celebrated its 50th anniversary and received full accreditation from the National League for Nursing and Accrediting Commission in 2008.

"National accreditation means our graduates now have a competitive edge in seeking employment," said PJC President Ed Meadows.

Nursing faculty spent three years preparing for the accreditation process that included producing a self-study document, a two-day on-site visit, and a review by a panel of experts from the accrediting agency.

Practical Nursing Program Ranks No.1 in Nation

PJC's Practical Nursing program ranked No. 1 out of all 1,036 programs in the nation for the period April through September 2008 according to the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Inc. The LPN program also earned a 100 percent pass rate on the National Council Licensure Examination-Practical Nursing.

Program Success

For the 13th year in a row, Radiography students achieved 100 percent pass rate on their first attempt on the national certification examination given by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. The average score for the 22 graduates was higher than both the state and national averages.

Massage Therapy students and Physical Therapist Assistant students also achieved 100 percent pass rate from National Board exams. Fire Academy students and Paramedic students scored 100 percent pass rates on State Certification exams.



Students get hands-on experience in the ambulance simulator.

Photo by Katie Coseo courtesy of The Corsair

New Indoor Ambulance Simulator

A high-tech indoor ambulance simulator was added to the award-winning virtual hospital on the Warrington campus. This full-scale ambulance simulator provides unique three-dimensional training opportunities with every detail of EMS experience while allowing the instructor to observe and coach students on a variety of EMS protocols.



Cena Harmon, program director of Physical Therapist Assistant, explains requirements and course load for the program at the Medical Career Expo.

Photo by Katie Coseo courtesy of The Corsair

Exploring Medical Careers

Warrington campus hosted the first Medical Career Expo for about 300 people and the annual Health Career Fair for more than 450 high school students. Both events featured one-stop shopping for questions about any of PJC's 20 health programs and fire programs.

Community Service



The American Heart Walk



PJC Police Officer Wallace Carter and Warrington Provost Marcia Williams get dunked at Bucks for Books fundraiser

PJC students and staff uphold a proud tradition of contributing time and talent to community causes.

- The 2009 U.S. Presidential Volunteer Service Award program recognized PJC students with an individual award presented to Georgia Beliech and group awards presented to the Pensacola campus Phi Theta Kappa Chapter and the Milton campus SGA.
- About 30 PJC volunteers participated in the United Way Day of Caring on Oct. 24. The PJC team performed yard work and landscaping at the homes of three clients from Council on Aging and at Catholic Charities.
- The American Heart Walk PJC Team, made up of 29 students and staff from all campuses, raised about \$1,300 to support research and community education programs.
- PJC students and staff participated in numerous blood drives for Northwest Florida Blood Services. The October blood drive was outstanding with 132 donations from PJC's three campuses.
- PJC's Adult High School Team won first place at the Ronald McDonald Plane Pull in November and raised \$500 for the Ronald McDonald House.



Cosmetology students

- YouthBuild III students supported the Ronald McDonald House by collecting and donating items on the House "Wish List."
- Warrington SGA and PJC Police Officers held a Dunk-the-Cop fundraiser, bringing in \$431 for Bucks for Books scholarships.
- The PJC Chapter of FACC collected backpacks and other school supplies for Boys and Girls Clubs as part of the 2008 FACC Convention project.
- The PJC Chapter of CAEOP collected new and slightly used shoes as part of a nationwide effort to assist victims of Hurricane Ike.

A Cut Above

Throughout the year Cosmetology students cut for a cause, gaining valuable experience while helping others. Twenty-eight Cosmetology students (shown above) provided 53 haircuts and 26 manicures to raise \$600 for the Milton campus Relay for Life.

Twelve Cosmetology students gave haircuts to 38 homeless men and women who were attending a Saturday breakfast at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Seven Cosmetology students gave back-to-school haircuts to 86 elementary school students at an event sponsored by Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church and Covenant Church of God.

Relay for Life

Each year PJC's Milton campus and Pensacola campus welcome thousands of participants to Relay for Life events that raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for the American Cancer Society.

PJC's Milton campus Relay for Life is among the oldest in Florida. In 2009, the Milton campus Relay Team raised \$4,165, their highest amount to date, thanks to efforts from Milton's SGA, Cosmetology students and PJC staff.

Autism Community Spirit Award

The Autism Society of the Panhandle honored PJC professor Logan Fink and his wife Sharon for their years of dedication to the autism community by establishing the "Sharon and Logan Fink Autism Community Spirit Award."

Each year ASP will present this award to a business that follows the Finks' example of improving the lives of those living with autism. The first "Spirit" award went to Joe and Karen Webb of Formsystems.

Relay for Life team





EAAA turns 50, telescope turns 400

June 2009 marked 50 years that the Escambia Amateur Astronomers Association, sponsored by PJC, has been providing free, public stargazing events.

In March, the National Park Service honored EAAA for offering Sky Interpretation sessions at Fort Pickens for the last 33 years, volunteering more than 11,500 hours and working with more than 25,000 guests.

Since 2009 also marked the 400th anniversary of the telescope and was declared the International Year of Astronomy, EAAA celebrated with a full calendar of stargazing events including Side Walk Astronomy at Casino Beach Pavilion as well as Sky interpretation sessions at Fort Pickens.

EAAA also hosted Boy Scout Troop 608 for an astronomy merit badge all-night event at PJC's planetarium.



Astronomy Ranger Becky Mims-Breeding presented the EAAA with a plaque honoring its 33 years as volunteers in service to the park.



Generations of Service

Judging the Pensacola High School 2008 Science Fair is part of a lifetime commitment for Billy Daughdrill, retired PJC Dean of Sciences; Bill Brantley, retired PJC Physics professor; and Wayne Wooten, PJC Astronomy professor. Daughdrill has been judging science fairs for 51 years, Brantley for 48 years and Wooten for 34 years.



Left to right, Billy Daughdrill, Bill Brantley, and Wayne Wooten



Give Kids a Smile

About 200 volunteers and 27 doctors provided a free dental clinic on the Warrington campus for Escambia and Santa Rosa County children ages 4 to 14. About 115 patients attended the first "Give Kids a Smile" event two years ago, 290 attended last year and this year, the maximum of 600 children were helped.



Photos by Amy Smith

Collecting for Manna

In difficult economic times, PJC students and staff responded to increased needs from Manna Food Pantry.

PJC's Visual Arts faculty teamed with Manna for a community-wide fundraiser. Art professor Bill Clover coordinated the creation of more than 300 bowls for the "Throw a bowl for Manna" event at PJC's Visual Arts Gallery and another 1,100 bowls for the following event at Manna Food Pantry.

The African American Student Association collected non-perishable food for Manna at the PJC Basketball game on Thanksgiving Day and PJC employees collected 1,114 pounds of food for Manna on All College Day.



PJC Foundation

The PJC Foundation

works to build futures. The success of PJC students leads to the success of area families, businesses and the community as a whole.

- During 2008-2009, the PJC Foundation awarded more than 2,282 scholarships, worth \$708,545. This was particularly crucial as requests for financial assistance increased by 23 percent.
- During 2008-2009, 183 PJC students received First Generation scholarships totaling \$154,098 in assistance. First Generation scholarships went to students whose parents didn't receive college degrees and donations were matched dollar-for-dollar by the state.
- The Foundation exceeded its goal of raising \$250,000 for Annual Fund in 2008-2009. Annual Fund is PJC's greatest needs fund, covering critical needs that tuition, fees and state appropriations do not cover
- The Foundation showcased its students and raised funds for PJC's Annual Fund at the April Circle of Friends luncheon. Guests mingled with students and alumni and heard about PJC's mission and needs. Pensacola Mayor Mike Wiggins offered his testimonial and Gulf Power executive and Foundation Director John Hutchinson emceed the event.

- More than 1,000 PJC alumni and friends are connecting through our online community, alumni.pjc.edu.
- "PJC Today," a monthly television show hosted by Foundation Executive Director Patrice Whitten, showcased cutting-edge programs, people and events. Topics for the nine shows included economic recession and how students can counter it, PJC's award winning nursing programs, and the impact of First Generation scholarships with many PJC scholarship recipients telling their stories.

Peggy and Sandy Sansing and Karen Hendrix



Making a Difference

Community philanthropist and PJC alum Sandy Sansing and his wife Peggy, founders of the Sansing Foundation, were honored when their foundation was named Outstanding Philanthropic Organization at the local National Philanthropy Day awards ceremony in November.

Since 2003, the Sansings have made a difference in the lives of more than 545 students and are still going strong. Not only do they give money, Sandy Sansing gives time and involvement, making it a point to get to know as many of his scholarship recipients as possible.

In addition, tireless PJC Foundation volunteer Karen Hendrix was honored as the Foundation's Heart of Gold recipient at the ceremony. Hendrix has worked with the Foundation's Holiday Grande fundraiser by elevating auction income and by spearheading sponsorships. Hendrix also works on the Foundation Board of Governors and Guild.



Gift of Gold

Nashville music legend and PJC alum Larry Butler is donating a collection of about 80 gold and platinum albums to PJC.

"They are the ones I've done through the years with Kenny Rogers, B.J. Thomas and others," says Butler, whose record producing career spans more than three decades and includes a 1979 Grammy Award for Producer of the Year.

"When our students see Mr. Butler's gold and platinum records, they will realize the possibilities they have at PJC," said Don Snowden, PJC Music and Theatre department head.

After studying music at PJC, Butler launched his Nashville career as a pianist, but soon began producing music.



The Big Break Golf Classic at A.C. Read on Naval Air Station Pensacola raised much-needed funds for Universal Scholarships that assist students who fall between the financial aid cracks.



Photos by Michelle Dycus

Honoring Scholarship Support

In recognition of the many years of scholarship support from PJC alum Edward M. Chadbourne Jr., the newly expanded and renovated library was named in his honor. The high-tech facility opened in August (see Facilities, page 6).



John O'Conner and Jan Miller

Legacy of Giving

Pensacola businesswoman, Foundation governor and longtime PJC supporter Jan Miller gave an estate gift to the college that will result in an additional \$1 million. Future plans to recognize her include the proposed Janice R. Miller Conference Center. The center is part of the planned expansion of the Ashmore Fine Arts Center.



Foundation Governor and PJC grad Mike Wiggins was installed as mayor of Pensacola in January 2009.

Photo by Katie King courtesy of Pensacola News Journal

Out of This World Reception

NASA astronaut and PJC alum Alan Poindexter was honored at a June 2008 reception hosted by the Foundation at the home of PJC alum Hal Hudson and his wife Suellen. While visiting PJC, Capt. Poindexter returned a PJC medallion that he took into space and also shared his space shuttle adventures with staff, students and the community at a special presentation.

Suellen and Hal Hudson



PJC President Ed Meadows, Carol Carlan, Margie Moore, Alan Poindexter, John O'Connor and Vincent Andry



Center of Educational Excellence

The Mary Ekdahl Smart Center for Patient Simulation Training & Research was named a Center of Educational Excellence by Laerdal Medical Corp., the largest manufacturer of high-fidelity simulators in the world. PJC is only the second community college in North America to earn this distinction.

The Foundation sponsored a Healthcare Discovery Tour, giving the public a look inside the 12,000 square-foot center, established largely through the generosity of Bill and Mary Smart.

Scholarships Established

- Nathan Michael Melton Memorial Endowment
- Dr. Douglas C. Morris Nursing Scholarship
- Staff Sergeant Darris Dawson Scholarship Fund
- Hatfield Family Scholarship
- Liz Greenhut Student Assistance Fund
- Veterans Upward Bound
- YouthBuild Student Assistance Fund

Major Gifts

- Alfred I. duPont Foundation
- Carol Wood
- The Chadbourne Family Foundation
- Downtown Pensacola Rotary Club Scholarship
- D.W. McMillan Trust Estate of Alfons Bach
- Escambia School Readiness Coalition
- Jan Miller
- Jasper Fire Rescue & Florida Fire Chiefs Association/VFDS
- Kugelman Foundation
- Patricia R. Morris
- Sansing Foundation, Inc.
- Theresa Gail May Scholarship Foundation
- William A. Hunt
- World Ford Pensacola

WSRE, PBS for the Gulf Coast

For more than 40 years, WSRE, PBS for the Gulf Coast, has inspired viewers to explore new ideas, discover new worlds and broaden personal horizons.



WSRE General Manager Sandy Cesaretti Ray (from left), NETA President Skip Hinton and WSRE Educational Services and Outreach Director Jill Hubbs

WSRE Wins National Outreach Honor

WSRE's "Gulf Coast War Memories" was named 2008's finest outreach campaign based on a national production by the National Educational Telecommunications Association (NETA) in January 2009.

"Gulf Coast War Memories" was produced by WSRE as a local companion to PBS documentary "The War" produced by Ken Burns. WSRE's documentary chronicled the stories of local WWII veterans, told in their own words and accompanied by photographs they had taken during their tours of duty.



WSRE Wins National Telly Awards

For two straight years, WSRE has won National Telly Awards for original productions.

In 2008, WSRE won a silver National Telly Award for the documentary "Khaki Coast: How the Panhandle Helped Win World War II."

In 2009, WSRE won four bronze National Telly Awards. Three went to documentaries: "Gulf Coast War Memories," "Honor Flight... A Journey of Heroes" and "Pensacola Veterans Memorial Park." The fourth Telly went to educational programming: "The Ripple Effect: The Digital School Initiative."



WSRE Receives Two Emmy Nominations

The Suncoast Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences nominated two of WSRE's original documentaries, "Gulf Coast War Memories" and "Honor Flight... A Journey of Heroes" for the coveted Emmy Awards in 2008.



WSRE Premieres Five Original Productions

"Honor Flight... A Journey of Heroes"

This program documents the inaugural trip of Emerald Coast Honor Flight in 2008. It follows 102 Northwest Florida veterans from World War II as they travel to Washington D.C. to visit the WWII Memorial erected in their honor. Highlights include the veterans' recollections and exclusive interviews with Senator Bob Dole and Congressman Jeff Miller.

"Pensacola Veterans Memorial Park"

On Veterans Day 2008, WSRE premiered this documentary recounting how The Wall South and the memorial park were created to honor veterans from all wars.

"Pause Life, Play Music: A Symphony Season"

During the 2007-2008 season, WSRE documented the Pensacola Symphony Orchestra's vital role in the cultural life of the community. Highlights included the performance of Broadway star Ashley Brown and a recording of Tchaikovsky's "Francesca da Rimini."





WSRE Launches Four Digital Channels

The switch from analog to digital TV allows WSRE to offer four, free, 24-hour digital channels:



WSRE HD is the primary channel for all the favorite PBS programs.



WSRE World features PBS news, science, public affairs and nature programs.



WSRE Plus offers a variety of shows that focus on education, Florida news and how-to programming.



WSRE V-me is a new Spanish-language channel that brings quality entertainment to Latino viewers.

“StudioAmped”

At the request of viewers, WSRE launched this concert series in 2008 featuring local artists and bands performing at the Jean and Paul Amos Performance Studio. The pilot season also featured the nationally known band, “Hoobastank.”

“Golden Apple Awards”

Gulf Coast educators recognized as 2009 Teachers of the Year and PJC’s inductees into the Academy of Teaching Excellence were spotlighted in this special WSRE program through interviews with students, co-workers and the teachers themselves.



Wine and Food Classic

WSRE celebrated its 20th Annual Wine and Food Classic with international celebrity chef Jacques Pépin headlining the event in October 2008. The event’s popularity paved the way for WSRE’s First Annual Destin Wine and Food Classic in February 2009.



Jacques Pépin

Community Outreach

WSRE enriches the community by presenting numerous educational outreach and service projects for lifelong learners of all ages. Following are a few highlights:

- WSRE hosted Go Digital Day, a free family event, with on-site experts to help participants prepare for the switch from analog to digital television.
- WSRE and the League of Women Voters co-sponsored Rally 2008, a primary and general election candidate forum providing an unbiased look at local candidates.
- WSRE was one of only 20 PBS stations in the country selected to participate in “Raising Readers” a literacy initiative of PBS, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and the Department of Education. The program targets children ages 2-8 from low-resource families.

- More than 19,070 students, 808 teachers and 84 schools participated in “Scoops Reading Challenge,” a motivational program for elementary and middle school students sponsored by WSRE and the Pensacola Pelicans professional baseball team.
- For the first time in the 15-year history of the Reading Rainbow Young Writer’s & Illustrator’s contest, WSRE has a national winner — Olivia Hurley of Walker Elementary in Crestview won third place in the Second Grade category.
- WSRE partnered with the popular PBS ensemble “Celtic Woman” to present an evening of Irish dance and music at the Pensacola Civic Center.



Financial Report

FINANCIAL REPORT

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| Total Revenues | \$ 57,643,519 | |
| State | \$ 34,641,750 | (60 %) |
| Student | \$ 15,703,492 | (27 %) |
| Other and Carry-Forward | \$ 1,618,548 | (3 %) |
| Restricted Grants and Contracts | \$ 5,679,729 | (10 %) |
| Total Expenses | \$ 57,351,289 | |
| Personnel | \$ 42,263,942 | (74 %) |
| Current Expense | \$ 14,404,051 | (25 %) |
| Capital Outlay | \$ 685,296 | (1 %) |
| Total Student Financial Aid | \$ 15,126,574 | |
| State Supported Scholarships | \$ 4,472,451 | |
| Federal Grants | \$ 9,292,664 | |
| Institutional Support | \$ 1,282,410 | |
| Other Sources | \$ 79,049 | |

NEW GRANTS SUMMARY

Through the efforts of the PJC Grants Office and various departments, PJC was awarded \$2,203,210 in new grants from a variety of sources. As of July 2009, grants totaling \$280,000 were still pending.

Florida State Department of Education

- English Literacy/Civics Education..... \$ 35,696
- Adult General Education..... \$163,971
- Adults with Disabilities \$ 35,975

Florida Theatrical Association

- Postsecondary Scholarship Program \$ 3,000

Association for Women in Mathematics

- Sonia Kovaleski High School Math Day \$ 3,000

Lowes/SkillsUSA

- Green building module..... \$ 9,742

International Paper

- Environmental Science Camp \$ 2,050

Florida's Great Northwest

- Computing and Engineering training scholarship program..... \$ 99,776

U.S. Department of Education

- Title III – Strengthening Institutions \$ 1.85 million

VALUE STATEMENT

Pensacola Junior College embraces the diversity of our community by maintaining open access, by continuing to focus on quality education, and by creating opportunities for success in an atmosphere of concern, respect, integrity and responsibility.

PHILOSOPHY

Pensacola Junior College is a learning-centered, comprehensive community college dedicated to providing educational opportunities that develop the academic, career, personal, and aesthetic capabilities of individuals so they may achieve self-fulfillment and participate fully and positively in a democratic society.

As an open-door institution, the college promotes life-long learning to meet the challenges of a changing world and strives for equity in access and in the learning process for each individual regardless of race, gender, religion, marital status, national origin, age, disability, or sexual orientation.

Being accountable to Florida's citizens, the college exercises fiscal responsibility by offering the lowest possible cost consistent with its commitment to high standards.

As a comprehensive community college, Pensacola Junior College serves the needs of many people and serves the diverse and increasingly complex needs of the community now and in the future.

MISSION

The mission of Pensacola Junior College is to provide quality educational opportunities and support services to meet the requirements of all students pursuing intellectual fulfillment, career training, and life-long education for Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. In order to accomplish this mission, the college offers the following diverse programs:

Associate in Arts degree programs and college credit courses at the freshman and sophomore levels to prepare students for entry at the university junior level.

Associate in Science and Associate in Applied Science degree programs and certificate programs to prepare students for employment.

Precollegiate studies, to include adult basic, secondary, and preparatory education.

Training and activities to support economic development of the service area to attract new industries and expand existing industries.

Cultural, recreational, leisure, health, and athletic activities to enrich the lives of students, staff, and community members.

VISION

The vision of Pensacola Junior College is to be the premier state college in the region. Transitioning to state college status in the Florida College System is essential to responding effectively to local, regional, state, national, and global educational and employment opportunities and demands. We will strategically contribute to the region's long-term intellectual and economic potential through innovative and affordable means to maximize student success and work-force productivity.

As a state college, we will further enhance our reputation and image as an institution of higher education that promotes and develops all students intellectually, socially and culturally, propelling them to succeed within the global community.

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