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Years

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TOM OWENS
PJC Foundation President

As the Foundation celebrates 40 years of supporting educational opportunities at Pensacola Junior College, it is a good time to take stock of our accomplishments.

A stroll down the Hall of Fame in Building 7 is a reminder of the many outstanding community leaders who have diligently supported the Foundation's efforts over the years. Thanks to those forward-thinking Founding Fellows who laid the groundwork in the early years, as well as those who lend their time and energy now, the Foundation has plenty to celebrate:

- \$11 million in assets
- 9 Endowed Chairs
- 120 Endowed Scholarships
- \$431,587 in scholarships awarded to 736 students this year
- Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts
- Anna Lamar Switzer Distinguished Artist and Lecture Series
- Sandra and Grover Robinson III Honors Program
- Charles Atwell Health Sciences Complex
- Baroco Center for Science and Advanced Technology
- Garrett T. Wiggins Student Affairs Complex

As impressive as this list is, there are still educational needs to be met. With your continued generosity, the next 40 years will see even more growth and more lives improved through educational opportunities at PJC.

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Foundation Bestows First Distinguished Leadership Award

The first Foundation Distinguished Leadership Award was presented to Diane Gup for her tireless dedication to the Foundation Guild.

As a long-time community volunteer, Gup was persuaded to be part of a PJC Foundation event several years ago by her friends Carolyn Fleming and the late Sandra Robinson.

"I was so impressed with what the Foundation was doing and enjoyed the involvement so much that I just kept coming back," she said.

When the Guild was formed in 2001, Gup agreed to lead the group and it quickly grew from around 10 to almost 40 members.

Affectionately known as the big-hearted volunteers, the Guild literally reached for the stars to brighten Foundation events. They succeeded in booking luminaries like political satirist Mark Russell, Pulitzer Prize winner Rick Bragg, and Louisiana Cajun Chef John Folse.

When choosing a favorite among the Guild's many stellar events, Gup hesitates only a second before recalling the visit from former First Lady Barbara Bush.

"Barbara Bush was such a hit. She was the perfect person to launch the Universal Scholarship and Adult Literacy Fund," Gup

recalled. "Then she donated her honorarium to the Florida Literacy Coalition, so the entire event raised funds and awareness for those who need help getting an education.

"To top it all off, Mrs. Bush came to PJC at a time when she wasn't accepting many invitations. The Guild worked day and night to get ready for her visit—and it was really a lot of fun!" Gup said.

From its beginning, the Guild has had two goals: to raise funds and to raise friends. The goal of raising friends is one that Gup particularly enjoys.

"Raising friends refers to our outreach into the community, such as the alumni and Friends Celebration that everyone enjoyed so much in October. Events like this raise awareness in the community about the good things going on at PJC and they also reacquaint alumni with what the college is doing," she said.

"PJC is not just an institution of classrooms, labs and administrative buildings. It is a place of hopes and determination, of dreams and plans for men and women seeking an education which will enable them to lead productive lives."

—Diane Gup

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Sept. 13, 1948
PJC's first day
of class



1954
Henry Ashmore,
first PJC president

January, 1955
PJC Alumni
Association chartered



July 1, 1964
Felton Harrison,
second PJC president

Nov. 1, 1965
PJC Foundation
incorporated

Foundation Founding Fellows Honored for Vision and Commitment

At the dawn of the 1960s, Pensacola Junior College was making the most of its sprawling new campus on North Ninth Avenue, opening the doors to modern classrooms, offering a variety of programs, growing in student enrollment, and becoming a well-respected, well-established institution of higher learning.

Around this time, a group of visionary businessmen partnered with PJC's first president, Dr. Henry Ashmore, to solicit support from local businesses and individuals to help ensure continued success at PJC.

By 1965, President T. Felton Harrison was on board and the PJC Foundation was established as a non-profit corporation to accept tax-deductible contributions. Four decades later, the Foundation continues to play a vital role in under-girding the college.

Recently, the Foundation paid homage to six Founding Fellows who laid the ground work that has led to 40 years of success: Crawford Rainwater Sr., E.W. Hopkins Jr., M.J. Menge, Warren Briggs Sr., Howard Rein and Gaspare "Tam" Tamburello.



Crawford Rainwater, Sr.

The late Crawford Rainwater Sr. became the first president of the PJC Foundation when it was incorporated in 1965, but he had been working diligently with President Ashmore for several years before that to generate scholarships for needy students.

Mr. Rainwater's daughter, Elizabeth Woolf, says that her father came from a family that valued higher learning.

"During that time, not everyone had the opportunity to go to college. My dad felt it was important to provide that opportunity for higher learning through scholarships," she said.

Woolf said that her father's involvement in the PJC Foundation was typical of his commitment to many projects throughout the community.

Mr. Rainwater and his wife, Betty Gregg Rainwater, were married in their native Georgia in 1938 and then moved to

Pensacola where Mr. Rainwater headed the Hygeia Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

Crawford and Betty Rainwater had three children: Crawford Rainwater Jr., Nancy Gregg Rainwater and Elizabeth Rainwater Woolf; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



E.W. Hopkins

When E.W. Hopkins became the second president of the PJC Foundation, he brought a unique perspective to the fledgling organization. Hopkins was one of the history-making 128 students who comprised the college's first class in September 1948.

"Those first five or six years, working with President Ashmore and President Harrison, were devoted to building up the organization. Sometimes it was hard to identify our PJC graduates because the college was still so young," Hopkins said.

An early Foundation event that Hopkins especially enjoyed was the Honors Program Banquet where PJC scholarships were presented to the valedictorians, salutatorians, and students with the top test scores at each high school. The banquet was sponsored by the company he worked for, Mutual Federal Savings and Loan, along with Crawford Rainwater's Hygeia Coca-Cola Company, and the Pensacola News Journal.

E.W. and his wife, Jan Richardson Hopkins, are both Pensacola natives. They have three daughters: Dinah Ricketts, Sarah Perkins and Kate Stradtman; and three grandchildren.



M.J. Menge

M.J. Menge, the Foundation's third president, began a steadfast commitment to the college as a 1956 PJC graduate who later served as the college's attorney for more than 30 years. He became involved in the early organization of the

Foundation through his support of PJC's Alumni Association.

"We realized that financial support from PJC alumni was not enough. We needed a Foundation that included alumni *and friends* of PJC, a Foundation that would let the community know the value of the college and its role in preparing students for the future," he added.

The leadership skills he learned as PJC's Student Government president and the solid friendships he formed with PJC faculty and administrators, as well as other students, provided a positive base for success, Menge said.

"I wanted to support the institution that gave me a start, and I still believe that the students of PJC are getting a good start," Menge said.

M.J. and his wife, Sandy Dennison Menge, met while they were both students at the University of Florida. They have two children: Randall Ellison Menge and Vivian Menge Gallo; and two grandsons.



Warren Briggs Sr.

As a former English professor at West Point Military Academy, Warren Briggs would have felt right at home in a PJC classroom.

But he chose to support the college with his leadership skills by serving on the PJC Board of Trustees, establishing the Foundation, and serving as the Foundation's fourth president.

"When I moved to this area, I saw that PJC was greatly admired in the community and I wanted to support it," Briggs said. "To this day, I can still say that PJC is a shining star in the academic community."

From his days as a leader on the PJC Board of Trustees, Briggs worked closely with President Henry Ashmore and President T. Felton Harrison. After his tenure on the PJC Board, Briggs kept up his commitment to the college through the Foundation.

"One of the things I remember best from those early days is working with so many other fine community leaders to make PJC a good place to get an education," he said.

1965
Crawford Rainwater,
first PJC Foundation
president

1966
PJC and Booker T.
Washington Junior
College merge, becoming
the first junior college in
Florida to integrate students.



May, 1980
Horace Hartsell,
third PJC president

1981
New Foundation Board
of Governors formed

1984
First PJC office
with staff

1994
Patrice Whitten
named Foundation
executive director

While serving in the U.S. Air Force, Briggs met his wife Gloria in Albany, Ga. They moved to Northwest Florida when Briggs became general manager of the Alger-Sullivan Lumber Company in Century. They have two children: Warren Briggs Jr. and Sandi Briggs; and one grandchild.



Howard Rein

Howard Rein's involvement with the PJC Foundation began with his commitment to community service and his desire to see

Pensacola, his adoptive home, offer the best opportunities in higher education. That dedication started during the Foundation's organizational years and continued well past his term as the fifth president of the Foundation.

"PJC was a great school but it didn't have any kind of fund-raising arm, and I thought this was needed," Rein said.

He fondly remembers those early meetings with President Ashmore and trying to build a Foundation from scratch.

"We began as a group of very interested, sincere businessmen who wanted to help our community by helping our college," Rein said. "We had no experience with a Foundation so we asked questions like 'What are we going to do, and how are we going to do it?'" Dr. Ashmore found some guidelines from another college and we followed that plan."

Rein also recalled the anxiety the businessmen felt at setting an early goal of raising \$10,000—a goal that was eventually met.

"That was a lot of money back then and it was hard to get. But Crawford Rainwater would send us out in teams to get community support for scholarships and other things the college needed that the budget didn't cover," he said.

"At the time I was driving a dry cleaning truck and also running a tailoring business. I didn't have much spare time, but I thought the PJC Foundation was a worthy endeavor. All three of my daughters later went to PJC and did very well."

After serving as a pilot in the South Pacific during World War II, Rein made Pensacola his home when he returned as a flight instructor. During this time he married Pensacola native, Joyce Pohlman.

-Foundation History Quiz

Test your knowledge of PJC Foundation past presidents and help fill in some blanks in our Foundation history books.

As you can see, our records before 1994 are not complete. If you know the years served for any of our past presidents, please contact Joy Winn at 484-1568 or email JWinn@pjc.edu.

Name	Years Served	Name	Years Served
Crawford Rainwater	1965-?	Vincent J. Whibbs	1992-1994
E. W. Hopkins	?	Margie T. Moore	1994-1995
M.J. Menge	?	Carol H. Carlan	1995-1996
Warren Briggs	?	Jim D. Hill	1996-1997
Howard E. Rein	?	James G. Stolhanske	1997-1998
John H. Appleyard	?	J. Wayne Peacock	1998-1999
Steve Beckman	?	Donald McMahon	1999-2000
Charles Carlan	?	Thomas "Bo" Carter	2000-2001
John A. Hoefflin	?	Diane Appleyard	2001-2002
Calvin B. Moore	?	H. Miller Caldwell, Jr.	2002-2004
H. Edward Moore	?	Tom Owens	2004-Present
Eric J. Nickelsen	?		
Walter "Buzz" Ritchie	?		
Calvin L. Todd	?		
Frank Westmark	?		

They have three daughters: Karen Rein Hensley, Lynn Rein Wheeler and Gail Rein Kittleson; and four grandchildren.



Gaspare G. "Tam" Tamburello

Foundation Founding Fellow was just one of the many hats worn by the late Gaspare G. "Tam"

Tamburello in his long and distinguished career as a PJC administrator. He joined PJC fresh from retiring his crisp white cover signifying his equally distinguished career as a U.S. Navy Captain.

His widow, Ethel Tamburello, said that her husband's zeal for the PJC Foundation came from his own experience as both a college student and college professor.

"My husband and I grew up in New York State during the Depression. We were only able to attend college through scholarships. He received a scholarship to Queens College and was in their first graduating

class, and I received a scholarship to Hunter College," Mrs. Tamburello said.

When he retired as commanding officer of Corry Station in the mid 1960s, Tamburello chose PJC for his next career because of his commitment to education.

"Tam was especially proud of PJC's strong relationship with the military and the ADCOP program that provided enlisted men with the first two years of a college education. In addition, he worked very hard to get land from the Navy that is now PJC's Warrington campus," Mrs. Tamburello said.

While her husband was founder and president of many local organizations, Mrs. Tamburello chose to honor his commitment to the college and the Foundation through the G.B. Tamburello Memorial Endowed Scholarship that is designated for military dependents.

Dr. and Mrs. Tamburello celebrated their 51st anniversary on a cruise with their children and grandchildren shortly before his death. They have three children: Carla Tamburello LaMorta, Michael Tamburello and Charles Tamburello; and 7 grandchildren.

1994
Wayne Peacock
chairs Long Range
Planning

1994
James H. Baroco
named Foundation
Fellow

1995
John E. and Don E.
Frenkel named
Foundation Fellows

April 16, 1996
Hall of Honor
dedication

June 4, 1996
Jack & Jane
Kugelmann named
PJC Foundation
Fellows

July, 1996
Margaret Moore
Nickelsen Endowed
Teaching Chair
established

Sept. 25, 1996
Doctors with
Heart fundraiser



You've Come a Long Way, Baby!

PJC Foundation Celebrates 40 Years of Success

There were no wrinkles, no unsightly bulges. In fact, the PJC Foundation was looking quite fit and fabulous as her 40th anniversary was celebrated at the 2005 Board of Governors Annual Meeting at the Pensacola Yacht Club in June.

Since its incorporation on Nov. 1, 1965, the PJC Foundation has grown from virtually nothing to holding more than \$11 million in assets and distributing scholarships to more than 700 students yearly.

PJC President Tom Delaino congratulated the Foundation and thanked them for four decades of dedication to the college.

"I like your slogan, Building Futures, because that is exactly what we do and exactly what you help us do better," said Delaino.

Highlighting the evening was a special tribute to the Founding Fellows who helped establish the Foundation (see pages 4 & 5) and the presentation of the first Distinguished Leadership Award (see page 3).

Master of ceremonies Mike Wiggins welcomed more than 200 Foundation members and friends to the event and thanked the Lewis Bear Company for its sponsorship.

Foundation President Tom Owens reviewed the past year's accomplishments and welcomed incoming board members David Bear, Dick Cloutier, Bill Greenhut, Jim Mitchell, Gerald Morrison and Steve Ziemann.



Above: Milton and Dona Usry, PJC Board of Trustees chair



Left: Fred and Peggy Bond

Below: PJC President Tom Delaino, Carol Carlan, Freddie Rainwater and Mike Wiggins



Right: Ed and Ginger Moore



Above: Elizabeth and Ken Wolf admire the portrait of the Foundation's first president, Crawford Rainwater Sr., which will hang in the PJC Hall of Honor. Elizabeth is the daughter of Crawford Rainwater Sr.



Above: Angela Lorschele, Pat Miller and Patrice Whitten



Left: Tom Owens and David Bear

March, 1997
Ami Lee Wilder
Memorial Scholarship
Endowment established



1998
Charles A. Atwell,
fourth PJC
president

Spring, 1998
Compendium
first issue

Spring, 1998
Jack & Jane
Kugelmann named
Foundation Fellows

Spring 1998
Foundation
BOG sets goal
for five endowed
teaching chairs

June, 1998
D. W. McMillan
Trust & Ed Leigh
McMillan II named
Foundation Fellows

Allan Peterson Retires After Three Decades of Painting Outside the Lines

After 31 years of pouring himself into a program that has emerged as a regional art center, PJC Visual Arts Department Head Allan Peterson is ready to focus on one job instead of two.

"I'm going to go home and do my work," said Peterson, who routinely gets up before dawn to work on his creative endeavors—award-winning visual arts and poetry—before heading to his second office at the college.

Despite retirement at the end of this term, Peterson's connections with the art department are too deep to cut all ties.

"I've spent so many years here and devoted so much of my life to the department and its programs, I'm sure there will be some continuing involvement," Peterson said.

From its home on the corner of Ninth Avenue and Airport Boulevard, the Visual Arts Department has matured structurally, academically and aesthetically during Peterson's tenure.

A \$1 million gift from the Switzer and Reilly families in 1999 enabled the realization of the dreams that Peterson and the department had charted about 10 years before.

Graduates of the art programs are in high demand. Students who pursue two-year degrees typically have near-100 percent job placement. And seven or eight art schools across the country actively recruit potential juniors from PJC.

"Many of our students leave here on scholarship to those schools," noted Peterson.

Hired in 1974 to develop a professional gallery program, he pursued that with passion, creating a series of competitive national exhibitions.

At the same time, PJC was slowly building a permanent art collection, with four or five pieces added each year. That collection now includes more than 400 works and was featured as the opening gallery display this semester.

Some of Peterson's contributions are more subtle. He seems to look for the best in his colleagues.

"This is the best group of people that I've ever worked with," he said.

Art professor Carol Horigan expressed reciprocal admiration for Peterson's tireless efforts in broadening PJC's art department. She noted that his talents extend far beyond the office doors.

"Allan is no one-trick pony," Horigan said. "In addition to his abilities as a leader, a curator, and an artist, Allan is also an award-winning poet, a

published songwriter, and a champion of our environment.

"As a matter of fact, he is knowledgeable and skilled in subject areas that the average person can barely spell. All this and he's got a dry sense of humor too. How can someone like this be replaced?"

Betty Ray, Peterson's long-time secretary, who is now retired, watched him revitalize the department and lead it to new heights.

"I feel pride for having been associated with such a remarkable person," Ray said. "Most of my 25-plus years in the Visual Arts Department were spent as Allan's secretary so I saw daily his dedication to his community, to PJC, and especially to the department and its students.

"Student needs were always a priority and he did whatever was necessary to ensure their success. Along with the finest faculty anywhere, Allan succeeded in making PJC's art department one of the most respected in the country."

In the twilight of his official tenure at PJC, Peterson is pleased and optimistic. Among the possibilities he imagines are bachelor's degrees in art.

"The name is Pensacola Junior College. But when you look at this institution of 33,000 and an art department with more than 300 art majors, there's nothing *junior* about it... I think that the next decade can be even more important than the last several decades. We are set to do a number of more amazing things,"

"We are set to do a number of more amazing things. I can leave here being very proud of what we've accomplished in the department."

—Allan Peterson

Peterson said. "I can leave here being very proud of what we've accomplished in the department."

Recently, the Arts Council of Northwest Florida recognized Peterson for his many contributions to the arts community by presenting him with the first Excellence in Arts Award. In the future, this honor will be called the Allan Peterson Excellence in Arts Award and will be presented to an outstanding artist each fall.



Photo by Mark Francis



Celebrating 57 Years with Alumni and Friends

From art to opera, from baseball to the Reunion Band, the PJC Alumni & Friends Celebration packed a perfect October weekend with excitement and memories. Just take a look ...



Who's on First?

Photos by Art Hufford

Left: Pirates baseball coach Bill Hamilton (right) presented a framed Pirates jersey to Joe Espada, winner of the Homerun Derby competition.



Left: PJC alum and former San Francisco Giants player Greg Litton (left), former Cleveland Indians and Detroit Tigers player Travis Fryman, and former Atlanta Braves player Bo Brown relax before the Celebrity Baseball game, Oct. 22.



Alumni & Friends Celebration Chairs (from left): Gwen Snowden, Jan and E.W. Hopkins, Elba Robertson



You're Never Too Old to Rock 'n' Roll

Photos by J.D. Hayward

The Reunion Band kept the beat going with a bevy of rock 'n' roll favorites.



Spring, 2000
Anna Lamar Switzer
Endowed Teaching
Chair established

August, 2000
Capital campaign
nets \$5.2 million

August, 2000
Robinson
Honors Program
established

August, 2000
Sandra & Grover
Robinson III Honors
Chair established

Sept. 30, 2000
Mark Russell
capital campaign
fundraiser

December, 2000
Holiday donor
appreciation
dinner

January, 2001
Anna Lamar Switzer
Visual Arts Center
groundbreaking

Celebrating the Arts

Photos by Art Hufford

Right: Former PJC student and Alumni Host Dee Green with her sculptures displayed at the Switzer Center Alumni & Faculty Art Exhibit.



Left: Charlie Switzer and Susan Johns enjoy the PJC permanent collection on display with the Alumni & Faculty Art Exhibit.



What a weekend!

Friday events:

- Alumni & Faculty Art Exhibit
- Leaders & Legends Awards Luncheon
- Celebrating the Arts reception
- Antonio Giuliano in concert

Saturday events:

- Celebrity Baseball
- Alumni & Friends Celebration Party
- Alumni & Faculty Art Exhibit
- Antonio Giuliano in concert

VOLUNTEER CORNER



ELBA ROBERTSON,
ALUMNI & FRIENDS
CELEBRATION
CO-CHAIR

I feel that my time spent at PJC is so very valuable in so many ways to many people. Nothing is more important than education, and I feel that no place can do better than PJC. Our president, Dr. Tom Delano, goes the extra mile to help anyone who needs help, in any way. I am very passionate about my work here, and it will continue as long as I am able because I believe in the system. I also serve on several other boards but none of those are as important as PJC.



GWEN SNOWDEN,
ALUMNI & FRIENDS
CELEBRATION
CO-CHAIR

PJC always seemed to be there for my family: first, my six-year-old daughter in gymnastics class, then my teen-aged son taking a class that was not available to him in high school. My first direct experience with the Foundation was in working on the production of "Doctors with H'art"—physicians in the community sharing their talents to raise funds for PJC.

As I learned more and more about PJC, I became overwhelmed by the spectrum and scope of needs addressed: The Pace Center for Girls, Adult High, high school dual enrollment, Career Development, the Robinson Scholars, to name only a few. I became very impressed with not only the quantity but the quality of services provided. There are so many people finding opportunity at PJC for personal growth and success. By working with the Foundation, I can stand in one place and help them all.

PJC Alumni & Friends Recognized as Leaders and Legends

The First Leaders and Legends Awards program was launched to recognize the achievements, leadership and service of PJC alumni and friends. The list of nominees for this inaugural recognition was an impressive reminder of the college's wide-spread influence. The following winners were announced at a luncheon during the Alumni & Friends Celebration in October.



ATHLETICS James Benny Washington

Woodham High School basketball coach and PJC alum, James Benny Washington, received the

Athletics Award.

Washington led his players to a state basketball championship in 2003 and was named Basketball Coach of the Year.

His accomplishments off the court are tireless as well. He encourages under-privileged youths to excel in school and athletics by volunteering with two tutoring programs and as a motivational speaker. He also is the driving force behind annual fundraising efforts for the Freddie Washington Memorial Scholarship Fund.



ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY Susan Story

Gulf Power Company President and Chief Executive Officer Susan

Story received the Environment, Business and Industry Award.

She was instrumental in making Gulf Power's Crist Plant the host facility for the Mercury Research Center, which works to reduce mercury emissions from power plants.

Story's strong commitment as a Northwest Florida business leader is evident in her involvement in numerous local organizations including the Governor's Advisory Council on Base Realignment and Closure, Universal Pre-Kindergarten Education Advisory Council, the Board of Directors of Enterprise Florida, and the Florida Chamber.



COMMUNITY SERVICE Miller Caldwell

Sixth-generation Pensacolian and PJC alum, Miller Caldwell, received the Community

Service Award.

Among Caldwell's many volunteer commitments are such diverse interests as the Arts Council of Northwest Florida, St. John's Cemetery, the UWF Institute of Human and Machine Cognition Planning Committee, Santa Rosa Island Authority Design Standards Committee, and Miracle Camp. He served as PJC Foundation president from 2002-2004.



EDUCATION John H. (Jack) O'Donnell

PJC adjunct legal services professor and community activist, Jack O'Donnell, is a co-winner

of the Education Award.

Known as a "roll up your sleeves and work" leader, O'Donnell was instrumental in developing and later promoting the PJC Paralegal Studies Program and currently teaches part-time in that program.

In addition, he has spearheaded many programs in the Cantonment Rotary Club and received their Commitment to Service Award.



EDUCATION Allan Peterson

Allan Peterson, PJC's Visual Arts Department chair, also is a co-winner of the Education Award.



HEALTH CARE Dr. Donna Jacobi

Physician Donna Jacobi, a pioneer of medical programs serving the elderly, received the Health Care Award.

Known as a leader who works as a humble servant, Dr. Jacobi is active in a host of community organizations. She volunteers at area clinics and serves on the Hospice of Northwest Florida Medical Advisory Board and the Escambia County Council on Aging Board of Directors.

On the professional side, she directs the Geriatrics Clerkship for the Florida State College of Medicine Pensacola campus.

VISUAL ARTS Victor Bokas

Gulf Breeze native and PJC alum, Victor Bokas, received the Visual Arts Award.

Recognized across the southeast for his art and graphic designs, Bokas was one of three artists chosen to create a piece for the new Orlando International Airport terminal.

For almost 30 years, Bokas has contributed his artistic abilities to this community through Art on the Tracks and by donating his artwork for fundraisers like Make A Wish and the American Heart Association as well as his continued support of the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation in Pensacola.



PERFORMING ARTS Larry Butler

Nashville music mogul and PJC alum, Larry Butler, received the Performing Arts Award.

With 35 years in the music industry, two Grammy Awards and 100 Gold Records, Butler is a household word when it comes to writing, producing and recording memorable music.

Most recently, he has focused on fundraising concerts to benefit Rebuild Northwest Florida. Through Butler's efforts, legendary entertainers Kenny Rogers and Willie Nelson, as well as notable newcomer Will Hedgcock have performed to packed houses and raised more than half a million dollars to help victims of the hurricanes.



LAW M.J. Menge

Community leader, tireless volunteer, PJC alum and long-time college attorney, M.J. Menge, received the Law Award.

From his days as PJC Student Government president, through his distinguished careers as a U.S. Naval Officer and Pensacola attorney, Menge's name has been synonymous with excellence. Like his multi-faceted community involvement, Menge has received honors that range from Suter Elementary School "Hero" to the Escambia/Santa Rosa Bar Association's first "Liberty Bell" recipient.



SERVICE TO PJC Tommy Tait

Whitney Bank Regional President and PJC alum, Tommy Tait, received the Service to PJC Award.

Tait was recognized for his exemplary service as general chair of the first-ever capital campaign launched by the PJC Foundation. Under Tait's leadership, the capital campaign was a stunning success and the goal was exceeded, reaching \$5.2 million. In 1992, he was named Outstanding PJC Alum by the Florida Association of Community Colleges. He also served on the PJC Board of Trustees and the Foundation Board of Governors for several years.



SOCIAL SCIENCES Mary Ellen Spears

Retired PJC Dean of Sciences and Social Sciences, Mary Ellen Spears, received the Social Sciences Award.

From her arrival as an instructor in 1972 to her retirement as a dean in 1990, Spears initiated several innovative programs that

are still relevant today. She spearheaded classes that reached out to the newly unemployed, nontraditional students and exceptional students.

Mary Ellen Spear's many contributions to PJC were honored by her late husband, William Spears. Through estate planning, William Spears named PJC as the beneficiary of a charitable remainder trust in his estate.



TECHNOLOGY Ray Russenberger

Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Network Telephone Corp. Ray Russenberger received the Technology Award.

Russenberger has been a long-time supporter of educational opportunities in technology. In 2002, he established the Ray Russenberger Endowed Chair for Telecommunications to lend support to PJC's Center for Information and Engineering Technology.

He also serves the community through a number of civic activities, such as the state committee for the American Red Cross, director of the Pensacola Pelicans, and the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation.



NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATH Wayne Wooten

PJC Astronomy Professor Wayne Wooten received the Natural Sciences and Math Award.

Since joining PJC's Physical Sciences Department in 1974, Wooten's students and the community have benefited from his unabashed enthusiasm for astronomy. Active in the Escambia Amateur Astronomers' Association for the past 28 years, he received the National Park Service Award of Recognition for volunteering as speaker for the Sky sessions presented by the EAAA at Ft. Pickens each of the past 28 summers.

He also serves as the staff astronomer for PJC's Planetarium and works on the Astronomy Advisory Board for McGraw-Hill publishers.



President's Awards were presented to three PJC employees who were instrumental in re-opening the college after extensive damage from Hurricanes Ivan and Dennis (from left): PJC Board Chair Dona Usry, Walt Winter, Nancy Newland, Isaac Brigham, and Tom Delaino.



PRESIDENT'S AWARDS

PJC President Tom Delaino (far right) recognized the outstanding community service of Rebuild Northwest Florida with President's Awards to Rebuild officers (from left): Harriet Riley, Buzz Ritchie, Tommy Tait, Dick Appleyard, Carolyn Appleyard, Garret Walton, Eric Nickelson and Ed Gray III.

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ALUMNI PROFILE



ANTONIO GIULIANO

EDUCATION:

Escambia High School 1982
Pensacola Junior College 1982–1984
Loyola University 1984–1988

OCCUPATION:

Tenor/Senior Vocalist
U.S. Army Chorus, vocal counterpart
to U.S. Army Band “Pershing’s Own”

FAMILY:

Wife: Isabella Rosa Saragusa-Giuliano

PJC EXPERIENCE:

PJC Chorus
PJC Theatre

Die Fledermaus

*A Funny Thing Happened on the
Way to the Forum*

“I enjoyed everything at PJC from the performances in the music department to playing racquetball and running the track. It reminded me of the times I spent there as a child while my oldest brother attended PJC and was a shot putter on the track team.”

Giuliano speaks only German to his beloved Gucci, a champion German Shepherd Dog.



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Renowned Tenor Promotes Patriotism and Pride Through Music

Antonio Giuliano sings for kings and heads of state. A command performance at the White House is all in a day’s work. As a member of the select U.S. Army Chorus, Sgt. First Class Giuliano has performed in operas, concerts and recitals to ovations throughout the United States and Europe.

However, Giuliano says the highlight of his career was singing “Amazing Grace” at the burial of former President Ronald Reagan.

“I felt so honored to sing President Reagan’s favorite hymn at his burial,” Giuliano said. “The ceremony was awesome and included all the branches of the military. To be a part of that was just incredible.”

“I felt such pride in being an American, being an American soldier and being a citizen of the greatest country on earth,” he added.

To say the least, Giuliano has the life that most vocalists can only dream about. Yet, Giuliano says he never dreamed he

would become a renowned tenor in the sophisticated world of classical music.

“All I ever wanted to do was be a cop or a U.S. Marine. While in high school I used to hang out at the Marine Corps Recruiting station to be around the Marines,” Giuliano said with a chuckle while reminiscing about his childhood in Pensacola.

As a student at Escambia High School in the early 1980s, Giuliano sang with The Escambians choral group but his heart belonged to sports.

“I was on the varsity football team, track and field and wrestling teams—a real jock. I never planned on a music career,” Giuliano said.

He credits Escambia High School chorus teacher, Mary Jo Robertson, with talking him out of joining the Marines and

talking him into auditioning for a music scholarship to Pensacola Junior College.

“Mrs. Robertson was the first person to encourage me to pursue a career in opera,” Giuliano said. “She told me that she knew Bill Clarke in PJC’s music department and she was going to set up an audition for me.”

However, learning a classical solo for the audition created a slight dilemma for young Antonio who preferred Motown and

Neil Diamond over Mozart and Verdi.

“I really loved Neil Diamond’s songs and while I was with The Escambians, I won a statewide competition singing his songs ‘Love on the Rocks’ and ‘September Morn’ during my junior and senior years,” Giuliano remembered. “I was familiar with classical choral works, but not classical solo works. One of my friends, Jamie Davidson, was a fine soprano with The Escambians, and offered to help me. I learned my first



Giuliano’s performances have captivated audiences worldwide.

classical solo at her house.”

Around this time, a television commercial for albums by Luciano Pavarotti also inspired Giuliano toward opera.

“When I heard Pavarotti singing for the first time, I was blown away,” he recalled. “I immediately ordered the Pavarotti albums and from that moment, I have not looked back.”

The audition went well and Giuliano entered PJC in August 1982 with a full scholarship in voice.

“I learned so much about vocal performance from Bill Clarke,” Giuliano said. “Music theory was hard for me but Martha Harris made it fun. She added fun to everything she did with her music students.”

During his two years at PJC, Giuliano sang with the PJC Chorus, a group directed

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April 10, 2003
Tom Delaino,
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by Clarke that toured extensively, and he also performed in the theatre's musical productions.

"I remember playing Dr. Blint (Blind) in *Die Fledermaus* and I was one of the spear carriers in *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. Working with Shaw Robinson, the theatre director, was a great experience and always a lot of fun," he said.

While at PJC, Giuliano's athletic interests also broadened into bodybuilding and he set a goal to enter a competition by age 20.

"The first contest I entered was the Gulf Coast Bodybuilding Championships sponsored by The Pensacola Health Club and held at the Saenger Theatre," Giuliano recalled. "I was competing against guys who had been doing this for years.

"When my name was announced as runner-up and best-poser for the 'Mr. Pensacola' title, I did not hear it. Not until the competitor standing next to me nudged me and said my name was called, did I step forward."

A self-proclaimed health-nut, Giuliano says he has taken up the sport of bodybuilding again. He competed in 2000 and is training for "The Potomac Cup," a drug-free bodybuilding championship in northern Virginia next summer.

After his PJC graduation, Giuliano transferred to the esteemed Loyola University School of Music in New Orleans. Again, he received a full scholarship in voice.

Upon completing his music studies, Giuliano took Mrs. Robertson's advice and did not join the Marines. Instead, he joined the Army and has been a member of the U.S. Army Chorus since 1988. This prestigious group is composed of 28 men, all with college training in music, who are full-time professional vocalists and perform in 26 languages to audiences worldwide.

In 1999, Giuliano's career as an opera singer in the U.S. Army was featured on the *CBS Evening News*—"Eye On America." In 2000, he received accolades for his a cappella rendition of the National Anthem, before 85,000 spectators and a national television audience, for ABC's *Monday Night Football*.

With lead tenor roles in operas and recitals at elite settings such as Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center, Giuliano's career accomplishments have received national acclaim.

But Giuliano doesn't mention his vast list of vocal accomplishments. He prefers



Giuliano is a featured soloist with the elite U.S. Army Chorus.

talking about the importance of living the Army Core Values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage and adds, "I think everyone, whether military or civilian, should live the Army Core Values...it would make for a better America."

Above all, Giuliano's fondness for his Pensacola family and friends is evident.

"I had a great childhood," Giuliano said. "I had wonderful parenting. My mom has passed but I still visit my dad in Pensacola and I still keep in touch with Mrs. Robertson as well as Laurie Neeb, my trumpet teacher and Brentwood Middle School Band director, and Bill Pettus, the leader of my Boy Scout Troupe #606."

Giuliano also devotes time to community service and especially enjoys the challenge of making music interesting to children.

"Through the Army, I give concerts in schools and I try to show the boys that they can be tough guys and still be involved in music," Giuliano said. "I emphasize that I am a Soldier/Musician in the U.S. Army, trained to defend and protect our great nation, yet my primary job in the Army is to sing for our troops, to lift their morale in war-time. This is a very important mission in our Army. I also encourage them to serve their country, no matter the branch of service.

"Being involved in the arts and in sports makes a well rounded individual, boy or girl. I tell students they can join the chorus and still play football. Plus, all the pretty girls are in chorus," Giuliano says with glee.

Giuliano and his wife, Isabella, live in the Washington D.C. area with their champion German Shepherd Dog, Gucci.

MILESTONES

Jeffery A. Cantor, the new provost of the Pensacola campus, joins us from Norwalk Community College in Connecticut. He has more than 25 years of experience in higher education as an administrator and faculty member.

Don Snowden, department head for Music and Theatre, was elected president of the Association of Concert Bands. This organization promotes community bands and their development throughout the world.

Carol Horigan, Visual Arts, received a Fulbright Hays grant and spent seven weeks in India studying and photographing the art of India. She also wrote the instructor's manual for the Prentice Hall text, *Janson's History of Art*, seventh edition.

Jean Carpenter, purchasing specialist in Purchasing and Auxiliary Services, was honored as Career Service Employee of the Year by PJC's College Association of Educational Office Professionals.

Larry Gardner, department head for Professional Services Careers, was honored as Supervisor of the Year by PJC's College Association of Educational Office Professionals.

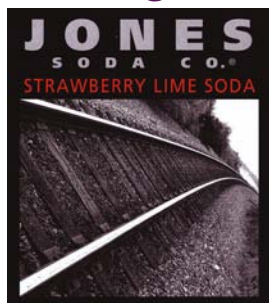
The Marketing Office welcomes **Elizabeth Hewey** as the new marketing director and **Alice Crann Good** as the new information specialist.



The Foundation welcomes its newest staff members: **Liza Hawkins**, special projects manager, and **Meredith Wolf**, director of College Development and Alumni Affairs. (Photo by J.D. Hayward)

PJC Student Snaps Winning Shot for Jones Soda

PJC student Greg Riegler snapped the winning photo for a Jones Soda label that will be used nationwide. The photo is an unusual angle of the winding railway just west of the 17th Avenue graffiti bridge. Riegler's photo was chosen from more than 1 million submissions by the Seattle-based Jones Soda Co.



Chadbourn Family Foundation Donates \$500,000



Long-time supporters of the college, Edward M. Chadbourne Jr. and his family have recently donated \$500,000 for PJC scholarships. The Chadbourne family has maintained a PJC scholarship fund for several years. With state matching funds, the total gift will be more than \$1 million.

PJC Shows Support for Katrina Victims

On the first anniversary of Hurricane Ivan, Sept. 16, PJC President Tom Delaino led a team of staff and students to deliver supplies and a hot lunch to Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College that was damaged by Hurricane Katrina.

With Delaino and crew grilling hamburgers and hotdogs, more than 800 meals were served to GCCC students, staff and faculty, as well as their young children who were on the GCCC campus because the local K-12 schools had not yet reopened.

Within days after Katrina hit, PJC began relief efforts by waiving tuition for Katrina evacuees, providing a site for Red Cross volunteers, holding a blood drive, and collecting food, clothes and toys for evacuees.



Robinson Scholars Are Going Places

A highlight of the academically challenging Robinson Honors program is the opportunity it provides students to travel abroad each summer. In May, 21 students, a record number, spent three weeks studying in Italy.

CLASS NOTES FROM THE EARLY YEARS OF PJC

Six from the Sixties

When the Foundation was established on Nov. 1, 1965, the world was a much different place. As the Foundation celebrates its roots, six alumni from the sixties recount memories of PJC during this historic decade.

Karen Wiejkus Sirmans: "Does anyone besides me remember history professor Dr. McKee, who explained imperialism with his 'pancake theory'? He stood at the chalkboard drawing endless batches of pancakes, talking the whole time about what imperialist nations did with their excess pancakes. Bizarre as his theory seemed, he made me understand imperialism."

Sharon Stokes Richards: "You don't know where life will lead you. I went to cosmetology school in Building 12 in the '60s and it's changed so much—so

different. I had one textbook. And more than 30-something years later, I'm back in the same building instructing cosmetology students. When I left I would have never dreamed I'd be back. You never know where life's crazy little turns will take you."

Edgar M. Turner: (A teacher who was unaware of Turner's deafness told him, "You got into this college just like everyone else, and you are going to have to get out the same way.")

"As I traversed through my life after 1965, I was constantly reminded that it was up to me, not the other person, to adapt to challenges brought on due to my inability to hear. I had to work harder than the person next to me, just so I could keep up with them. It made me a stronger person, more determined to

succeed in life. I have applied the lesson learned at the professor's office door to my everyday life, and have become a better person because of her."

Mike Wiggins: "Politically the world was changing. Socially things were changing. During that, at PJC we still were concentrating on learning and academics, preparing ourselves for going on to the next two years of college. We all went to PJC with a great amount of pride because we knew how highly-ranked we were among other junior colleges. We all found out once we got to those upper divisions, we were so very well-prepared for that."

Charles Fairchild: "The shack. It was a house that was on campus that a lot of the athletes lived in, and it was called the shack. It was a combination of Animal

House and children away from home for the first time. There were probably 10 or 15 guys who lived there. It was rustic. It was different. It was a gathering place for everyone."

Shirley Klipp Korinckak: "Although many things have changed at PJC since the '60s, one thing that has remained the same is the quality of our instructors. I remember well the enthusiasm demonstrated in the classroom by Alton Williams in math, Carol Turnitz (now Palma) in physical sciences, and John Rees in history. Each of these instructors possessed a true love of their subject areas, and their students benefited from the enthusiasm they brought to their classrooms."

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SCHOLARSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Scholarship Honors Memory of Ceramics Instructor

The Mark Price Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established by the PJC Visual Arts Department to honor Mark Price, the adjunct professor who died in April due to complications from diabetes.

Mr. Price, a PJC alumnus, had been an adjunct professor at his alma mater since 1998, passing on his passion for ceramics to countless students.

“Mark Price was one of the most giving instructors,” said Allan Peterson, Visual Arts Department head. “He was tireless. He would do anything to help students.



Photo by Peggy Mellies

“And in addition to his work at PJC, he also was the force behind ceramics classes at Belmont Arts Center. But I think that the students remember him particularly for being a very giving person. He would spend time with people. And he could transmit his enthusiasm.”

That enthusiasm was the motivation for sharing his love of pottery with students at Belmont, where he built a kiln, completing it only days before

he passed away. Belmont Arts Center brings opportunities in a wide range of arts to residents of the Belmont-Devilliers community.

His desire to bring ceramics to others was not confined to the Pensacola Bay Area. Mr. Price spent most of the summer of 2004 on an excursion to bring art opportunities to those who have few. He helped build a kiln in a Honduran village so that underprivileged artisans would have the means to create ceramics. He received his master's degree from the Instituto Allende in San Miquel de Allende, Mexico.

Mr. Price is survived by his three children, Justin M. Price, Marcy Cameron Price and J. Kyle Price.

Anyone who wishes to donate to the Mark Price Memorial Scholarship may call the Foundation Office at 484-1560 or mail donations to the PJC Foundation, 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola, FL 32504.

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