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Gwen Snowden, Foundation volunteer, chats with Rod Kendig at the mark Russell event which capped PJC's Capital Campaign.

"Since we moved to Pensacola in 1976, PJC has been our 'good neighbor,' educating, creating opportunities, and sharing resources with our family and the community.

All three of our children benefited from advanced placement courses through the partnership of public high schools and PJC. In his medical practice, my husband has appreciated the health care professionals in the hospitals and community agencies who have received quality training through PJC. As a community volunteer, I have seen PJC share facilities, and even more, share the enthusiasm and expertise of faculty and administration in order to make our community better.

When I volunteer, I give back a little to enable PJC to continue to 'be there' for our community."

— Gwen K. Snowden

LOST AND FOUND

Ronald McCuiston, PJC Mathematics Professor, wants to reunite **David Bruce Redmond** with his 1976 high school diploma.

Please contact Kat Miller, Alumni Affairs Office, 850-484-1564, if you know how to reach Mr. Redmond.

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PJC Dedicates New Teaching Chairs

Anna Lamar Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair

A ceremony unveiling the portrait of Anna Lamar Switzer and celebrating the Anna Lamar Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair was held April 17. The portrait will hang in the "Hall of Honor" on the second floor of the Barfield Administration Building.

The Anna Lamar Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair enables the college to recognize exemplary teaching in the Visual Arts Department and to continue providing the highest level of instruction to students.

"The chair provides wonderful recognition for our faculty and a great opportunity for them to complete projects that will help them in their careers," said Allan Peterson, Art Department head and Gallery director.

As a three-year appointment, the chair provides \$4,500 per year with \$2,500 going to the faculty member and \$2,000 going to the faculty member's proposed project.

Photography professor Warren Thompson is the first recipient of the Switzer chair. Thompson's project, "Vanishing Florida," involves photographing Florida's unique natural, cultural, historical and artistic resources.

"My project is to photograph as many Florida icons as possible," Thompson said. "I want to produce a visual inventory of the vernacular." Thompson's photographic work uses traditional methods as well as advanced work in digital imaging.

The teaching chair is just one result of the \$1 million gift presented to PJC by the Switzer and Reilly families. The gift also funds the Anna Lamar Switzer Endowed Visiting Artist and Lecture Series,



Top: The Switzer and Reilly families honor their mother and grandmother, Anna Lamar Switzer.

Above: Bobby Switzer and Dee Dee Reilly discuss the new Switzer Art Center with Visual Arts Department Head, Allan Peterson.

the renovation and expansion of the Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts and the Anna Lamar Switzer Center Endowed Scholarship Fund.

The Marlene S. Atwell Chair of Family Values

The Marlene S. Atwell Endowed Chair of Family Values was dedicated in the new Student Center Pavilion, May 6. The chair was established in memory of the beloved wife of PJC President Charles Atwell. The portrait will hang in the college's "Hall of Honor" in the Barfield Administration Building.

Mrs. Atwell was known as a loving and supportive wife, an adoring mother, a proud grandmother, and a devoted sister and aunt. She truly believed that the answers to most of life's problems lay in faith and family. She loved PJC and what it means to the community and would be both humbled and proud to be remembered by the college in this way.



Top right: The Charles Atwell Family honors the memory of Marlene Atwell.

Right: Charles Atwell, Jr. fondly remembers his mother at the unveiling of her portrait while Carolyn Fleming and Betsy Smith look on.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



THOMAS "BO" CARTER
PJC Foundation President

"You can get there from here" is a phrase often used by Pensacola Junior College to illustrate the success of their numerous career and college transfer programs. "You can get there from here" also characterizes the hard work and determination that has turned good ideas into successful programs for the PJC Foundation. Just to name a few:

- the Foundation's first Capital Campaign exceeded its goal and raised almost \$5.4 million;
- assets of the Foundation are nearing \$10 million;
- nationally recognized political satirist Mark Russell entertained nearly 700 Foundation supporters at the campaign's grande finale;
- nearly \$1 million has been raised for additional scholarships and a record number of students are benefiting from these scholarships;
- two endowed chairs already have been awarded and two more will be awarded in the near future;
- the President's Club has been revitalized and continues to grow.

As I look over these programs, I am mindful of the efforts of many people in the community who contributed to their success.

In particular, Tommy Tait, Capital Campaign general chair, took on a monumental task in spearheading the college's first Capital Campaign. The Foundation's Campaign Cabinet and Board of Governors also were diligent in ensuring that the campaign surpassed its goal. I am grateful for their dedication and commitment.

I also want to express my appreciation to the College Development staff for going far beyond the call of duty to support the Foundation's efforts.

The past year as Foundation president has been eventful and exhilarating. Thanks for putting your confidence in my leadership. Because of your support, it was a great year.

Sincerely,

Thomas "Bo" Carter
President, PJC Foundation, Inc.

"Gifts to the Future" Highlight Holiday Event

Celebrating the traditional season of giving has taken on a special significance at the PJC Foundation's annual Holiday Grande Buffet.

At this very dinner two years ago, PJC President Charles Atwell remembered Anna Lamar Switzer and recognized her family for their lead gift to the college's first Capital Campaign. At the 2000 Holiday dinner, another special gift highlighted the evening.

The Sandra and Grover Robinson III Honors Program was dedicated with the unveiling of their portrait that will be displayed in the Barfield Administration Building Hall of Honor. Jill and Grover Robinson IV established the Robinson Honors Program endowment in honor of their parents' dedication and many years of service to PJC and the community.

The Robinson Honors Program began in August 2000 with 42 students enrolled. An enrollment of 60 is anticipated for August 2001, according to PJC professor Charlie Schuler, director of the program.

"The Robinson Scholars are among the best and the brightest from area high schools and the Robinson Honors Program offers them a challenging interdisciplinary core curriculum taught by some of our finest faculty," said Heijia Wheeler, PJC's vice president for Academic Affairs, during the dedication ceremony.

Once again students in the Culinary and Hospitality Management Programs delighted guests with a scrumptious grande buffet. Kudos went to program director Lee Thomas and chefs Kerri Davies and Bill Hamilton.

Keeping the evening festive were holiday songs performed by PJC's Jazz Choir Entertainers directed by Xialoun Chen and accompanied on the piano by Ila Brown. PJC music student Chip Cothran also provided dinner music with a variety of piano selections.

Adding to the celebration of gifts was a debut performance by the Runge Strings directed by Leonid Yanovskiy. This talented group of 10 music students from PJC and the University of West Florida is a direct outgrowth of PJC's new string program.

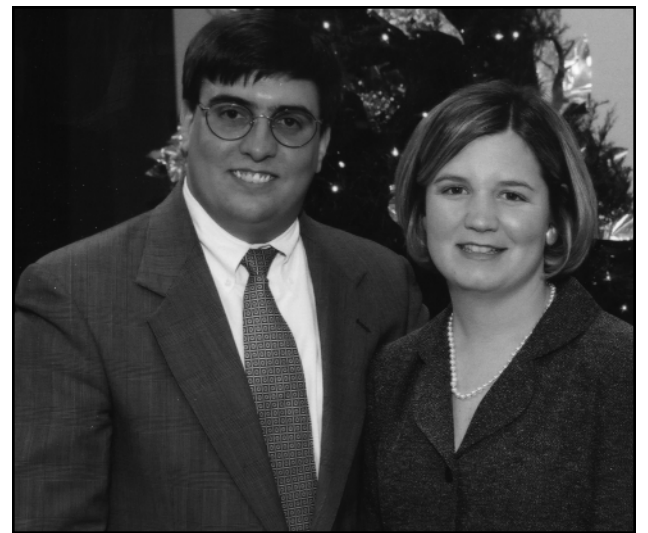
The creation of the string program — the first of its kind in the Panhandle and South Alabama — is due largely to a generous gift from Paul Runge.

President Atwell also called attention to several other new gifts to the future:

- A \$52,500 scholarship grant from the Downtown Rotary Club of Pensacola will provide four \$1,500 Rotary scholarships each year.
- A \$150,000 gift from Bob and Sharon Kerrigan will benefit WSRE.
- PJC's first Distinguished Visiting Scholar Endowment, established by Deborah and Miller Caldwell Jr., will bring a renowned scholar from any discipline to PJC each year.
- The Baroco Foundation has given a generous gift earmarked for the Music and Theatre Department and for a new "smart" classroom in the Baroco Center for Science and Technology.
- Ray Russenberger has established an endowed chair for the new Telecommunications Engineering Technology program.
- The Marlene S. Atwell Chair of Family Values endowment has been funded and will be awarded within the next two years.

Atwell also shared how the generosity of past donors is already benefiting the college:

- Student scholarship funds have been multiplied by donors such as the Chadbourne Foundation, Joe and Betty Zimmers, Gulf Power Company, John and Don Frenkel, and the Theresa Gail May Foundation.



Above: Jill and Grover Robinson IV

Below: Students and staff in the Culinary and Hospitality Management programs.



Above: PJC's Jazz Choir Entertainers provided holiday songs.

- The new Health Sciences Complex is being constructed due to a lead gift by the D.W. McMillan Trust as well as gifts from the Medical Center Clinic, several other physician groups, all of our local hospitals and health care systems, the Marks Foundation and Bay Design Associates.
- WSRE is moving toward high definition, digital television due to continued support from Jack and Jane Kugelman and a recent gift from Juergen and Helen Ihns.
- Renowned architect Michael Graves spoke at PJC as the first guest of the Switzer Distinguished Artist Lecture Series.
- Construction has begun on the Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts.
- Photography professor Warren Thompson has received the first Anna Lamar Switzer Endowed Teaching Chair.
- Dental and radiographic sciences professor Lou Fazio has received PJC's first endowed teaching chair established by Eric Nickelsen in memory of Margaret Moore Nickelsen.

New Health Sciences Complex is Underway

Construction is underway for PJC's state-of-the-art Health Sciences Complex on the Warrington campus. The \$6 million building should be completed by May 2002.

"This new facility not only lives up to current standards, it gives us an opportunity to look to the future of health care so that we can adequately provide the skills that our students will need," said Marcia Williams, Warrington campus provost.

The two-story, 53,000 square foot, medical training facility will include an ambulance bay, emergency room facilities, and a surgical suite as well as new laboratories, classrooms and a mock hospital equipped with the latest technologically advanced systems.

These cutting edge systems will enable students to observe procedures taking place in area hospitals and to learn via simulation. The complex will also house PJC's adult and pediatric human patient simulators.

"Our focus for this new health science building is to teach students to work together as part of a health care team," Williams said.

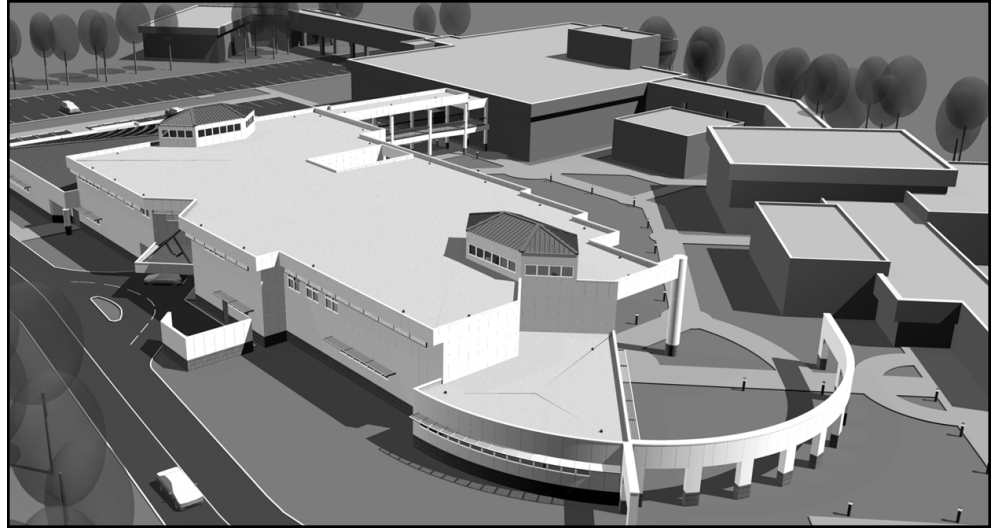
"The facility will be set up like a hospital and the students will be trained in several areas. When our students go to work in a real hospital they won't be afraid of the equipment and they will know what to do."

Students also will learn from renowned specialists via distance learning and teleconferencing. The greater medical community will benefit from continuing education programs broadcast from the Health Sciences Complex as well.

With 20 health-related programs offered on the Warrington campus, PJC is a major provider of health care professionals in Northwest Florida.

"Our students get jobs before they even graduate," Williams said. "There is a shortage in the health care industry. This facility will allow us to increase our enrollment, provide more trained health professionals, and help alleviate the shortage in our area."

"This will be the keynote building on our campus."



LOCAL HEALTH CARE COMMUNITY SHOWS SUPPORT

Contributions totaling just over \$1 million and coming largely from the local health care community will help PJC equip and staff its new Health Sciences Complex on the Warrington campus. Another \$600,000 will be added to the coffers from state matching funds.

The lead gift of \$300,000 came from the D.W. McMillan Trust of Brewton, Ala.

"This gift is one of the largest ever awarded from the Trust, and we have made it because we believe it will enable PJC to enhance the lives of the entire Pensacola community by providing training to individuals seeking to improve their lives and allowing citizens to be treated by well-trained health care professionals," said Ed Leigh McMillan II.

Allison Sinrod, a trustee of the McMillan Trust, said the donation was especially appropriate because, "Dr. D.W. McMillan was a Pensacola physician, and he would be delighted to provide funds that help train and assist medical professionals and have such a positive impact on the lives of Pensacola area citizens."

Bay Design Associates and the Marks Foundation also have contributed major gifts.

Several physician groups and all of our local hospitals and health care systems have pitched in with major gifts. This group includes Baptist Health Care, Sacred Heart Health System, West Florida Regional Medical Center, Santa Rosa Medical Center and West Florida Medical Center Clinic, P.A.

Their contributions will provide for state-of-the-art medical training equipment and professional training for faculty.

PJC Then and Now

John T. Venettozzi Shares Early Memories of Warrington Campus

When John T. Venettozzi attended the groundbreaking for the new medical complex on the Warrington campus, he says it was like coming home.

Twenty-five years ago, Venettozzi not only participated in the campus' initial groundbreaking, he also spearheaded its planning, construction and equipping. When the campus opened in August 1977, Venettozzi became its first provost.

"The Warrington campus was built, in part, so that our nursing and dental programs would have adequate space," Venettozzi said. "The college and the programs have come so far, this wonderful new building is a continuation of the college's original plan."

Looking back on those early years of the West campus as it was originally called, Venettozzi said he was appreciative of the tremendous support he received from the Warrington community.

"Anything we asked for, we got," he said fondly. "During the three years I was overseeing the construction, we never had a contract problem.

Everyone worked together." The \$8 million facility was built on 164.7 acres donated by the U.S. government. Gaspare "Tam" Tamburello, PJC's Veterans Affairs director and a retired U.S. Navy captain, was instrumental in getting the land.

In 1996, the arts and sciences building on the Warrington campus was named in honor of Venettozzi, but he says his favorite memory of the campus comes from the first time he saw it.

"It was 164 acres of underbrush, garbage, an old airstrip, and giant mosquitoes," he said with a laugh. "I asked President Harrison who would help me with this job, and he said I would have a secretary, and that was all. I wanted to leave and head to Alaska!"

Venettozzi credits his secretary, Dianne Burkhead, with keeping him from heading to Alaska on many occasions.

"While I was out talking to the architects and builders, Dianne was in the office typing requisitions and holding things together. I would have been lost without her," he said.

He noted that Burkhead's tenacity remains evident as she continues to work in the Provost's Office today.

Although he enjoys reminiscing about his time at Warrington and says, "it was the best thing that happened to me," Venettozzi adds that he is equally proud of what the campus is doing today.

"Whenever I go to a doctor's office or hospital, I always ask the nurses, therapists and radiologists where they were trained, and they all say 'at PJC' which is not surprising to me," he said. "I am very proud of that."



Ethel Tamburello and John Venettozzi reminisce about the early days of the Warrington campus. Mrs. Tamburello's late husband, Gaspare "Tam" Tamburello, spearheaded PJC's acquisition of the land from the U.S. Navy.

ALUMNI PROFILE



Pamela Hunt Caddell

EDUCATION:

Pensacola Junior College
Auburn University, B.S.
Civil Engineering
University of Tennessee, M.S.
Engineering Management

OCCUPATION:

Gulf-Atlantic Constructors, Inc.
Secretary-Treasurer (including duties
as office manager, marketing, col-
lections and company spokesperson)

FAMILY:

Husband: Phil Caddell
Three children: Jason, age 20,
Chris, age 13,
and William, age 12
Home: Gulf Breeze

CURRENT AFFILIATIONS:

Chamber of Commerce Small Business
Mentor Program
Building Industry Association of West
Florida, Board of Directors

PJC EXPERIENCE:

Student Government Association,
senator and vice-president
SGA Leadership Award
Engineering Club

"I came from a family of six girls, and my parents felt that it was best that we each spend two years at PJC before transferring to a four-year college. We were able to go to PJC, work a part-time job, and live at home. By the time my two years were up, I knew what college I wanted to attend and what degree I was after.

"I was able to finish the college weed-out courses at PJC where the classes were smaller and the professors were more interested in helping a student learn. I did not take my second chemistry class at PJC so I had to take it at Auburn.

"On my first day of Chemistry II at Auburn, there were more than 300 students in a stadium seat auditorium. The professor announced that over half the class would drop out of the course and of those students left, over half would fail the course. He added that he was only interested in helping those students that were serious about getting a college education.

"When I took the first test, all my pencils broke and my calculator battery died. I had to borrow a pen from the professor and use his calculator. I did not do well on the test. After that, I became better prepared and at the end of the semester, I made the only 'A' in the class. I learned first hand what my parents had been trying to tell me!

"Now, my son Jason is finishing his second year at PJC. My husband and I have used the philosophy that my parents used concerning college. Our children will attend PJC for two years so they can have a better understanding of what they want and be better prepared for when they move away from home."

Those Were the Days

Six Sisters Share Favorite PJC Memories

Like parents everywhere, William and Ann Hunt always wanted the best for their six daughters. As owner and CEO of Gulf-Atlantic Constructors, William Hunt felt that his daughters should have a college education so that they could provide for their families, if necessary.

The Hunts chose PJC as the starting point for their daughters' college years. Elizabeth began their journey at PJC attending from 1976 to 1977, followed by Diane from 1978 to 1980, Rebecca from 1979 to 1981, Pamela from 1980 to 1982, Cynthia from 1981 to 1983, and Angela from 1983 to 1984.

Recently the Hunt sisters agreed to share some of their favorite memories of their years at PJC.

Pamela Hunt Caddell set the stage by recalling the family car they used to get to class.

"Dad bought a small Ford Fiesta for us to drive to school," Pam said. "This car survived four of us through our years at PJC. The car had a manual transmission and none of us knew how to drive a manual transmission. The car was difficult to put in reverse, and we had a tendency to accidentally leave parking lights on and run down the battery. We spent a lot of time pushing the car in reverse and calling campus police to jump-start the car. Thankfully this only lasted a couple of months until we got used to the car!"

Elizabeth Hunt Puckett lives in Auburn, Ala. with her husband Bill and their children Ashton, age 11; Tyler, age 9; and Rebecca, age 7. After several years as an interior designer and then Home Economics and Earth Science teacher, she now works as a physical education aide at her children's school in Auburn.

She fondly remembered the influence of Clyde Hagler on her PJC years. Hagler was PJC's comptroller for many years and later became a state legislator.

"Mr. Hagler was close friends with my Dad and he advised me on several classes to take which proved to be some of my favorites as well as beneficial to me later," Elizabeth said. "He advised my Dad to buy me a car and make me get a job on campus. That way my Dad would know I always had a ride home and I would not be hanging out in the Student Center at all hours waiting for a ride. It worked. I got a Chevy Astre that only lasted three years until Dad bought the Fiesta. I also worked in the Student Records department doing microfilming for Marla Krull."

Her part-time job also had long range benefits for Elizabeth since students were expected to pace themselves and complete tasks between classes.

"That job made me more disciplined, responsible and able to think on my own," she said. In fact, working in micro-filming also provided fond memories for Pamela, Rebecca and Cynthia.

"We definitely made Marla Krull earn her paycheck by having to keep us quiet when we each were known to be loud and talkative," Pamela added with a laugh.

Diane Hunt Johnson is now an account specialist with GAB Robbins in Birmingham, Ala. Her favorite memories include friendships developed in her sorority, Alpha Delta Epsilon, and playing cards at the Student Center.

"PJC provided a good start with its varied programs of learning," she said. "It gave me the basics

to further my studies at Florida State University. I am glad to see that PJC has come along nicely in how the programs have increased and become even more varied."

"PJC was a great environment for education and personal growth."

— Cynthia Hunt Welke

Rebecca Hunt Farmer also lives in Birmingham with her husband Danny and daughter Jessica, age 5. She works as a CT/MRI technologist. She, too, enjoyed reminiscing about Alpha Delta Epsilon sorority, Student Government, hanging out in the Student Center and free movies on Friday nights.

"Initially I wanted to attend Auburn University," she said. "PJC gave me the opportunity to try several classes at a low tuition in order to decide my career path, which I discovered was not offered at Auburn."

Cynthia Hunt Welke lives in Plano, Texas with

her son John, age 10, and is manager of Engineering Support — Genuity. She remembers PJC as being her stepping stone into the future.

"PJC was a great environment for education and personal growth," she said. "It gave me a good foundation in math and science and Student Government gave me experience in leadership and working with people."

Pamela echoed the importance of Student Government in her PJC experience.

"My favorite memories were from SGA and the changes we were able to make at the main campus," she said. "Several of us were friends with a student who was confined to a wheelchair. Because of her, we became aware of the limitations that handicapped students faced getting around on campus. SGA was instrumental in taking an inventory of the handicap ramps around campus and notifying the maintenance department of the need to improve access."

Angela Hunt lives in Milton with her son Christopher, age 13, and is a nurse for the Santa Rosa Health Department. She fondly recalls her involvement in PJC's Music and Theatre department — playing the trumpet in both the Jazz Band and Civic Band, performing a solo in concert at the Saenger Theatre, and performing in several plays. Angela returned to PJC in 1990 to finish her associate of arts degree and eventually went into the nursing program. She completed the L.P.N. program in 1994 and the R.N. program in 1996. Over the years she has noticed changes at the college but she says several things remain the same such as its convenience, reasonable price and good teachers.

"From the first time I attended in the 80s and again recently, I have noticed that there is a lot of diversity among the students," she said. "There is no average age for the typical student and people from all backgrounds attend PJC."

No trip down memory lane would be complete without mentioning those unforgettable teachers and classes, and the Hunt sisters had plenty of favorites.

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— Angela Hunt

With all their involvement in Student Government, it is not surprising that Ed Holdnak, the long-time SGA sponsor who was affectionately known



Although the Hunt sisters have scattered since their college days, they remain a close-knit family and get together often. From left: Cindy, Angie, Elizabeth, Diane, Pam and Rebecca.

Scholarships Help Students Do Great Things

Scholarship Student Makes Florida Leader Magazine's Top 20 List

If you have ever wondered whether scholarships really make a difference for students, just ask Shannon Maguire. Without the help of scholarships, she would not have been able to attend PJC, and Maguire did not just attend, she excelled.

Her most recent accomplishment netted her an honorable mention in the 14th Annual Florida College Student of the Year Awards.

Only 20 students are selected out of Florida's community colleges and universities to receive this award. Maguire was one of only eight community college students honored.

This is the first time a PJC student has received this distinguished award according to Dennis Reynolds, PJC Student Activities coordinator.

The prestigious awards program recognizes students who support themselves financially through college, excel academically, and are involved in community service and political activism. The award is Florida's only statewide scholarship of its kind and is sponsored by Florida Leader magazine.

Maguire is the Florida Student Government Association District IV legislative liaison, a PJC ambassador, Phi Theta Kappa member, and Boys and Girls Club volunteer.

Although she has a part-time job, scholarship money pays for Maguire's educational needs. Since coming to PJC, she has received the Ami-Lee Wilder Memorial Endowed Scholarship and the Board of Realtors Scholarship.



Pictured: PJC President Charles A. Atwell, award recipient Shannon Maguire and District Board of Trustees Chair Elba Robertson

"The past two years at PJC have been full of fantastic memories," Maguire said. "But I could not have experienced any of them if it weren't for the generosity of Martha and Harry Wilder. I have striven to make them as proud of me as they were of their daughter, Ami-Lee."

Maguire also has been a valued student assistant in the PJC Foundation office during the past two years.

"Shannon has worked very hard, sometimes in excess of 30 hours per week to pay expenses," said Shebbie Shields, Scholarship Development specialist.

Maguire graduated from PJC in May and plans to transfer to the University of South Florida in the fall.

For making the top 20 list, Maguire received a \$1,000 cash scholarship from SunTrust Education Loans, \$350 cash scholarship from Publix Super Markets, a round-trip ticket from Gulfstream Airlines, and gift certificates from Checkers and Jiffy Lube.

New Scholarship Honors Local Physician

Last Christmas, Rene Slevinski's friends may have rushed from store to store, battling crowds and long lines to find the perfect Christmas gifts for their husbands.

But Slevinski chose a different approach. She "purchased" a gift from the PJC Foundation that was sure to please her husband, Dr. Richard Slevinski, an emergency room physician at Sacred Heart Hospital.

Rene established a PJC scholarship named in honor of Dr. Slevinski that will benefit students in PJC's emergency medicine programs.

"I wanted to give my husband something unique," Rene said. "So I thought about the things that are important to him—emergency medicine and education. Rick has been a learner all his life, so a scholarship seemed very appropriate."

Rene added that a scholarship made a good gift choice because it gives someone a chance for an education, and she chose PJC because she wanted to benefit someone locally.

"A scholarship opens doors, and that is what my husband likes to do," Rene said.

Dr. Slevinski has been opening doors for emergency medicine since he graduated from the University of Florida in 1975. He became Florida's EMS medical director in 1988 and helped write the first of many five-year plans for EMS development in the state. He wrote the first Florida "Access to Care" law that guarantees everyone care in the emergency department, and he authored the first training course for the public use of Automatic External Defibrillators.

Besides his duties as the director of the state's Emergency Medical Services, Dr. Slevinski is also a member of the Florida DMAT-1 team, a medical

disaster response unit mobilized by the government in times of disaster.

Among his many accolades is the coveted EMS Award presented by the American College of Emergency Physicians in 1996. He also received the National Association of EMS Physicians' highest award for achievement, the Ronald Stewart Award in 1991.

And what did Dr. Slevinski think of his wife's Christmas gift?

"The scholarship was all my wife's idea, and I thought it was cool," he said. "Last Christmas we decided to give presents that benefited others. In my life I have been blessed with many things and I just wanted to give something back."



Dr. Richard Slevinski

SCHOLARSHIP SPOTLIGHT

With the rising cost of education, adding new scholarships for PJC students is always an exciting venture. However, it is equally exciting and important for our students when existing scholarships are enhanced.

Following are examples of scholarships that have recently been increased:

- **MOTHER SETON GUILD SCHOLARSHIP**

Since 1997, Mother Seton Guild volunteers of Sacred Heart Hospital have made annual contributions to the PJC scholarship fund. For the past two years, they have given double their initial contribution in order to help students pursuing a career in the medical field. The Mother Seton Guild is named for Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton, who was known for her compassion and for laying the groundwork for a network of hospitals, child care centers, homes for the aged, and mental institutions in the early 1800s. She became our nation's first native-born saint in 1976.

- **GULF BREEZE ARTS, INC. ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Due to the tremendous success of the Gulf Breeze Celebrates the Arts Festival in March, Gulf Breeze Arts, Inc. is able to enhance its scholarship fund. Funds for the scholarship are generated through festival T-shirt sales and through the raffle of a painting donated by one of the artists participating in the festival. The scholarship is designated for students majoring in art or art education.

A word of thanks can hardly say...

As America's junior colleges celebrate 100 years, the Pensacola Junior College Phi Theta Kappa chapters salute the many friends of PJC who support the PJC Foundation.

Only you saw the flowers fade,
Their lifeless forms begin to droop,
Only you stopped to water them,
Restoring them to life again.

Others marveled at the sight,
But only you gave nourishment,
Without any thought of why not,
Only dreams of what could be.

And now those flowers
Smile from here to there,
Always remembering and
Whispering your name.

—William J. Skislak II
Phi Theta Kappa,
Pensacola Junior College

PJC ALUMNI SURVEY NETS POSITIVE FEEDBACK

During the past year, PJC's Alumni Affairs office collected data from a survey sent to more than 29,000 alumni who attended PJC between 1979 and 1999. The survey accompanied a letter from PJC President Charles Atwell updating alumni on recent college activities and accomplishments. Our appreciation is extended to all who responded.

The survey findings will be used in recommendations for strengthening the college's relationship with its alumni. In fact, many alumni said they were willing to be part of an Alumni Speakers Bureau as well as assist current PJC students with career information, job shadowing, summer jobs, internships and permanent employment.

Of those responding:

- more than half graduated in the 90s
- two-thirds were women
- two-thirds were Florida residents

Among the findings:

- 80% actively use the Internet
- 23% have visited the PJC website
- 85% said their education at PJC had been valuable
- 28% plan to return to PJC for continuing education
- 69% plan to recommend PJC to their children

Many more responded that they would return to PJC for continuing education and send their children to PJC if they still lived in the area.

Comments and suggestions:

- My son is now registered at PJC.
- I think PJC is the best junior college in the South.
- My studies at PJC were great and I learned many things to help me in my job today; thank you!
- Good school — good value.
- Enjoyed my time at PJC. Nice campus. Good teachers. Easy for night students to attend.
- I still frequent PJC for Lyceum events.
- Excellent school of nursing. Instructors had genuine concern for students. Went on to complete my MSN.
- Overall, a great experience.
- I consider the best part of my education to have been from PJC. I strongly urged my sister to attend; she is a current PJC student.

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PJC Honors Employees Who Have Become Legends

For those of you who were PJC students in the 60s or 70s, you no doubt have fond memories of someone on campus who touched your life, and you've wondered if they are still with the college.

In celebration of Community College Month, PJC recently honored employees who have served 25 years or more. The 97 employees, with service years totaling 2,760, were honored with a dinner reception. Included in the program was a retrospective of the changes the college and the employees went through in the last 25 years.

Following are the honored employees and the year they were hired:

1963 — Warren Lewis; 1966 — Carmen Carr, William Clover, Ann Palma and Leon Walker; 1967 — Owen Farley, Katie McLeod, Judith Resch and Rodney Smith; 1968 — Henry Seiler and Warren Thompson; 1969 — Dianne Burkhead, L. Wayne Horn, Geraldine Jones and Janet Martin; 1970 — Grace Berry-Ross, Michel Boillot, C. Aubrey Morris, Michael Morris, Michael Pitts, Wayne Stewart and Brooke Towery; 1971 — Steve Andrews, James Callaway, Billy J. Clarke, Wanda Davis, Don Huber, Miriam King, Paul Mayo, Ron McCuiston, Emma Minor, Michael Palmer, Virginia Santoni, Jerry Smith, Dennis Stevenson, Nancy Strebeck, Carl Summerlin, Audrey Weaver, Ken Wilder, Peter Wilkin and Joan Ziel; 1972 — Darleen Abbott, Blanche Boswell, Gary Gage, Jesse Johnson and

Mildred Shipman; 1973 — Richard Behnke, Gary Bothe, James Fields, Peter Gram, Ossie Hale, Gordon Melton, Carolyn Phillips, Larry Yax and Carolyn Ziegler; 1974 — Rebecca Blake, Glen Bradley, L.J. Chancy, Dona Cotton, Frances Dorin, Carol Horigan, Michael Horton, Karen Livingston, Fitzhugh Miller, Karen Miller, Charlotte Newton, Allan Peterson, Verlinda Poindexter, June Ramsey, Betty Ray, Ed Stout, Vince Sullivan, Diane Ward, James Ward and Wayne Wooten; 1975 — Richard Bedics, Norma Brown, Rebecca Chavers, Dimity Clemons, W.E. Gentzel, Laney Hiller, Melinda Ross, Mickey Settle, Timothy Smith, Ann Southerland, Gail True, Mike Whaley and Marcia Williams; 1976 — Mary Bozeman, Martha Caughey, Connie Coe, Ken Dunn, Vicki Garlock, Phyllis Hardaway, George Hendrickson, Nina Jones and Scott Key.

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as "Uncle Ed," and his assistant, Peter Wilkin, topped their list along with math professor Joe Gilpin and physics professor Joe Zayas. The entire Nursing Department faculty also was cited for their support of Angela when she returned to school.

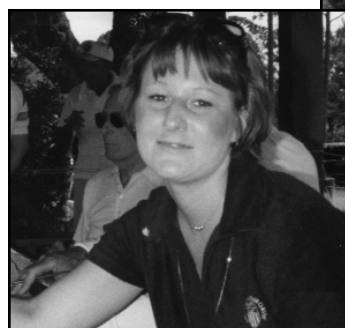
Thoughts of English professor Clarice Burrell prompted an amusing anecdote from Elizabeth.

"My favorite memory was the day Mrs. Burrell introduced us to writing the alter ego paper. She came in as if she were her twin sister, 'Clarisse,' who taught poodles how to dance," said Elizabeth with a smile.



ABOVE: Rebecca Hunt (center) enjoyed PJC's many outdoor events held on the east side of the Student Center.

LEFT: Diane, along with her sorority sisters, often served as hostesses at local golf tournaments.



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