



Pratt Community College

Monthly Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates

FINALE!	May 1
Academic Awards	May 2
Mother's Day	May 8
Late Night Breakfast	May 9
Final Exams	May 10-12
Graduation	May 13
Faculty Work Day	May 16
Summer Hours Start	May 23
Memorial Day - Closed	May 30

PCC Summer Hours

May 23-July 29, 2016

Monday-Thursday 7:45a-5:15p; Friday 8a-1p

Summer and Fall Enrollment

Enrollment is now underway at Pratt Community College for summer and fall 2016. Summer courses are offered in a variety of ways, including online and three different sessions on campus or hybrid, meaning the class is partly electronic and partly on-campus.

For those interested in following music's role through history, via social aspects such as gender, ethnicity, politics, war, spirituality and more enrollment is still open for the Introduction to Music class instructed by Jeremy Rupe, from 1-3:30 p.m. on Monday through Thursday during the second session.

Also available this summer is an Exercise Techniques class. This course addresses provides techniques for warm-up, stretching, and resistance training exercises. For each exercise, accompanying photos and instructions guide readers in the correct execution and teaching of stretching and resistance training exercises. This course also provides the understanding and preparation for weight lifting and learning the technique of weight lifting related movements.

Beginning and Intermediate Algebra courses will held during session one and two. These classes both start June 1 and end

June 29. Intermediate Algebra runs from 8 a.m. to 9:55 a.m. and Beginning Algebra is at 10 a.m. to 11:55 a.m.

Other courses available on campus or as a hybrid include Auto Service Techniques, Principles of Macroeconomics, General Psychology, Fundamentals of Chemistry, Developmental Psychology, General Biology, Public Speaking and more.

Summer scholarships are also available to any student enrolled in six or more credit hours for \$125.

Visit prattcc.edu/schedule for a list of courses available for summer and fall.

Summer and Fall Enrollment

Summer sessions

May 27 - June 24

May 27 - July 24

June 25 - July 24

Fall Start Date

August 16

Residence Halls Open August 14

PCC Hires Max Good as Head Men's Basketball Coach

Pratt Community College has hired Max Good as their new head men's basketball coach, the college announced on Tuesday. Good has more than 30 years of head coaching experience ranging from high school to NCAA Division I.

"We are thrilled that Coach Good has accepted our offer to become our next head basketball coach," said PCC Director of Athletics Bill Wilson. "He has a tremendous basketball coaching pedigree as well as a reputation as a coach that demands excellence in the classroom. He will be a great mentor to our student-athletes."

"I am extremely pleased and excited about becoming the next head men's basketball coach at Pratt Community College." Good said. "Over the course of my career I have found the greatest challenge to be going from a head coaching position to an assistant coaching role. At this stage in my career I am eager to run my own program again. I want to thank President Dr. Michael Calvert and Athletic Director Bill Wilson for this opportunity." Good also added, "The Jayhawk Conference is nationally recognized and I am very proud to be a part of this conference."

A native of Gardiner, Maine, Good has spent the last two seasons as an assistant coach at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. Prior to his tenure as an assistant at UNLV, Good was the head coach at Loyola Marymount University for six seasons. Under the direction of Good, the Lions accomplished numerous firsts for the program since appearing in the Elite Eight in 1990, including two 20-win seasons and a post season win. He was also named the West Coast Conference Coach of the Year for the 2011-12 season.

Prior to his stint at LMU, Good led NCAA Division II Bryant University (Smithfield, R.I.) to new levels of success, posting a record of 132-86 in eight seasons. Good had inherited a program that had four straight losing seasons. He led the Bulldogs to five straight NCAA Division II Sweet Sixteen finishes. From 2004-2005 he led Bryant to a 25-9 overall record

and a trip to the NCAA Division II Championship, falling to Virginia Union in the title game, 63-58.

Good came to Bryant after spending the 2000-01 season as the head coach of UNLV. He went on to post a record of 13-9 in his one season with the Runnin' Rebels. Prior to joining the UNLV staff, he spent 10 seasons as the head coach at Maine Central Institute (MCI) in Pittsfield. He coached three of his MCI teams to undefeated seasons and



won 79 straight games during one span. Good compiled an impressive 275-30 (.902) record that included five New England Prep School Athletic Conference Championships (NEPSAC). The NEPSAC is considered the top sub-college conference in the country.

Prior to Good's tenure at MCI he was the head coach for 8 seasons at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond. He started his career as the head coach at Madison High School in Richmond, Ky. During his extensive career, Good has been named conference Coach of the Year at every one of his head coaching stops. He is a member of the New England Basketball Hall of Fame.

Good is a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University where he also earned his masters degree.



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Carey Phariss Hired Women's Basketball Coach



Pratt Community College has hired Carey Phariss as their new head women's basketball coach. While this is Phariss' first head coaching position, he has more than a decade of assistant coaching experience at the collegiate level.

"I am excited that Carey will be joining our Pratt family," said Bill Wilson, director of athletics. "He is a dedicated professional that has put his time in as a college assistant coach. He has substantial experience in recruiting in this region and I am confident that he will be a successful college head coach."

"I would like to thank President Calvert and Athletic Director Bill Wilson for this great opportunity to become the next head women's basketball coach at Pratt Community College," said Phariss. "I am excited to be joining the city of Pratt and PCC family. This is a great step for me, and I am truly blessed."

Phariss joins PCC after three seasons as an assistant coach at Seminole State College in Seminole, Okla.. Prior to his time at Seminole State, he coached as an assistant at now NCAA Division II Northwestern Oklahoma State University. At NWOSU, he coached three Daktronics-NAIA Scholar Athletes and one NAIA All-American.

Coach Phariss started his coaching career at his alma mater at the University of Science & Arts of Oklahoma. He helped guide the Drover women's basketball team to the 2008 NAIA National Tournament, the second tournament appearance in program history. While at USAO he coached three NAIA All-Americans, one Daktronics-NAIA-Scholar Athlete, and numerous All-Sooner Athletic Conference players.

Phariss earned his bachelor's degree from USAO and his masters degree from East Central University.

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The purpose of the Beaver Backers is to support the entire athletic department and our student-athletes. This support is designed to enhance the student athlete experience, as well as help increase competitiveness. Examples of areas the Beaver Backers support PCC athletics are student-athlete development programs, facilities upgrades, equipment upgrades, and assisting in special projects. Much of this support not only impacts athletics, but the campus and community also.

In addition to financial support, the Beaver Backers connect supporters of Pratt Community College Athletics with each other, the athletic department, and current student-athletes. All members receive a monthly newsletter, a window decal and listing in athletic media guides and on our website. Members also receive PCC Beaver Backers exclusive apparel and invitations to special events planned throughout the year. Members at the All-American level and above may receive an invitation to special events hosted by the PCC President.

Eighteen PCC Students Compete at NACTA

Agriculture students from all over the country competed against each other in the 2016 North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) Judging Competition at the University of Minnesota-Crookston. Eighteen students from PCC competed against other 2-year institutions in areas such as agribusiness, dairy judging, mechanized agriculture and a new events including animals and wildlife this year.

Students from the Agriculture program, along with Dr. Bill Hunter agriculture instructor, have been attending this conference for more than a decade representing PCC. Hunter said that this years team did very well competing against other 2-year colleges in the competition.

"It was another successful trip," said Hunter. "All of our students competed in more than one contest and represented themselves and PCC very well."

In addition to students from the agriculture department PCC also had Wildlife Operations and Outfitting (WOO) students competing in a new Wildlife category. WOO instructor, Luke Laha, attended the competition with four students from their program. They took second place in their division with Chayce Kruger placing first individually in that competition.

PCC took 18 students and competed in eight different competitions. Teams of four in agribusiness and ag computers placed fifth in all. The ag sales team took fourth place with Coral Merlo Ag placing third as an individual in ag input sales.

The Dairy Judging team took fourth place overall as well as fourth in Holstein judging, second place in Jersey judging and fifth place in reasons. Chayce Kruger placed fourth overall and had first place in Jersey judging. Merlo placed seventh as an individual in Holstein judging. Also on the team were Keenan Stultz and Kyle Gridley.

In Mechanized Agriculture the PCC team placed second overall. Ryan Zoglmann won second as an individual overall, first place individual in Welding, third place individual in Surveying, second place individual in Power and Machinery and fifth place individual in Construction and Electrical.

Zach Kyser got fourth place individual overall, third place individual in Welding, ninth 9th place individual in Surveying, fourth place individual in Power and Machinery and 6th place individual in Construction and Electrical. Nolan Lankton received seventh place individual overall, eighth place individual in Welding, tenth place individual in Power and Machinery and fourth place individual in Construction and Electrical. Josh Murray won ninth place individual overall, ninth place individual in Welding, eighth place individual in Surveying and seventh place individual in Power and Machinery.

Mattison Dusin, Krueger, Kylie Mill, and Merlo received third place in the Small Animals competition. Mull placed third overall in the group and Merlo placed eighth.



Chavez receives KBD scholarship

Kappa Beta Delta International Honor Society proudly announces that Nancy Chavez, Pratt Community College, from Pratt, has received the 2016 Kappa Beta Delta Region 5 Scholarship, which amounts in \$500.

Chavez is currently a sophomore at Pratt Community College pursuing a degree in business administrative technology and maintains a 3.4 GPA and is on the Dean's Honor Roll.

"The importance of education is something I have understood since I was very little. Neither of my parents had the opportunity to attend college; however, they have sacrificed so many things for me, so I would be able to continue with my goals," Chavez said.

Chavez is very involved in campus activities and organizations, including Phi Theta Kappa, Kappa Beta Delta, Student Leadership Council, the Hispanic Organization of Leadership and Advancement, she is also member of The Blue Crew Group. She is also an active community volunteer and enjoys working at the Pratt library with children and, because she is bilingual, helps translate at banks, hospitals and local high school.

"Nancy has truly been a joy to work with; she is outstanding in every way, and is so on the top of her homework that she sometimes reminds me about where we are," said Carol Ricke, Chair, Accounting & Business, Social Sciences and HPER. "She is a hard-working, dedicated student that has the ability to achieve at a greater level."



Block and Bridle Prepares Tasty Demonstration for Second Graders

Members of the Pratt Community College Block and Bridle group visited the second grade classes at Skyline School as a part of their annual community service project. The agriculture oriented organization has been visiting youngsters at Skyline every spring for more than a decade and this year they made a very tasty and informational presentation on the importance of soils.

The PCC students along with Dr. Bill Hunter, agriculture instructor, used candies, pudding, crumbled cookies, and a gummy worm to demonstrate different levels of sand and soil and what they are used for. Throughout the presentation the second graders answered questions and gave their own life examples of encounters with dirt and worms. Once the

presentation was finished the young students dug into their chocolatey experiment.

Block and Bridle is for students who have an interest in agriculture. The objectives of the club are to promote student interest and leadership in agriculture, strengthen, improve, and promote the profession of agriculture, and scholarship among students of agriculture.

Members attend regional, state, and national meetings, where they get to meet and share ideas with students from other colleges and universities as well as participate in educational tours around the U.S.

For more information about Block and Bridle, contact Dr. Bill Hunter, club sponsor at 620-450-2239 or billh@prattcc.edu.



Jones signs with Prairie View A&M

Men's basketball player Dennis Jones has decided to continue his athletic and academic pursuits at Prairie View A&M after he graduates from Pratt Community College this May. The sophomore point guard from Fort Worth is grateful for his time at PCC.

"At Pratt, I met some teammates who after playing with I consider my life long brothers," said Jones. "I had a good experience with the coaching staff at PCC. I'm thankful for the opportunity to have played in the Jayhawk Conference and have a successful career."

And what a career Jones had at PCC. In just two years, he had 701 points, 322 assists, and 88 steals. This past season, Jones led the team in assists with 162 and steals with 55. He was also the second leading scorer on the team with 402 points.

What drew Jones to Prairie View was the atmosphere and the coaching staff.

"They really love their sports teams, and it's close to home," said Jones. "My family can come and see me play a lot easier. They are looking to develop me past college, and get me to a higher level."

"I'm thankful for my two years at PCC through the ups and downs, and I'm happy to be able to move on to the next level."



Ortiz to Continue Athletic and Academic Career at Newman University

Pratt Community College student and basketball player Jazzmen Ortiz has signed with Newman University to continue her academic and athletic dreams once her time at PCC comes to a close. The sophomore point guard played a key role in getting the Beavers to the Region VI tournament this past season. Ortiz will be graduating in May and moving on to attend college in Wichita.

"I chose Newman because their staff gave me the same home-like feeling that PCC did," said Ortiz. "When I got the opportunity to play with the Newman girls, I felt like it was the right fit. Although I waited so long to commit, the coaches stayed consistent and patient with me. What excites me the most about Newman would have to be the endless opportunities I can get there, whether it's my education or athletics."

Jazzmen ends her career for the blue and white with 447 points, 180 assists, and 114 steals. She was also selected as one of two PCC representatives to Phi Theta Kappa and the All-State Academic team. Aside from her accomplishments on and off of the court, it is her connection to the community of PCC that she will greatly miss.

"Jazzmen has been an important piece of our women's basketball team, school, and community," said former women's basketball coach Stephanie Thompson. "We will miss her moving forward, and we are excited she is going to further her success at Newman University. I look forward to watching her play next season and thank her for her contributions to PCC and our community."



Crabtree Signs with Upper Iowa University

After his playing days at Pratt Community College are over, soccer midfielder Ryan Crabtree has decided to continue his academic and athletic pursuits. He has signed a commitment to become a Peacock of Upper Iowa University.

"Ryan is an excellent midfielder," said head coach Kevin Kewley. "He always had a positive attitude and always gave one hundred percent."

During his career at PCC, Ryan scored nine goals for the blue and white and tallied nine assists. In addition to his success on the field he also excelled in the classroom with a 3.68 GPA.

"He will be a great asset on and off the field for Upper Iowa University," said coach Kewley. "I would like to thank Ryan for two great years, and I wish him the very best as he moves on."



Shooting Team Competes at Nationals

Six students from Pratt Community College traveled to the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio to compete in the 2016 ACUI Collegiate Clay Target Championships from March 29 through April 3.

This is the sixth consecutive year that PCC has competed. Colleges and Universities from all over the country compete in different divisions and events including Wichita State University, Fort Hays State University, and Kansas State University. PCC was the only Kansas 2-year institution in attendance. PCC instructor and Shooting Sports Coach Luke Laha said he is happy with the outcome of the competition and the PCC students did well going

up against larger institutions.

"There isn't a junior college division in this competition yet," said Laha. "PCC was in Division III for having more than five students on our team. In this division compared to the other two year schools we took third this year."

The students who competed this year were Mason Welsch, Josh Locke, Payton Miller, Jarah Snyder, Brandace Albright, and Addy Smith. In Division III, PCC competed in American Trap, American Skeet, International Trap, International Skeet, w Clay, and Five Stand.

"My favorite event was International w though Josh and I did well at the Sporting

Clays event," said Miller. "It was challenging and it was something new. We normally don't get to practice for it because we don't have the facilities for that type of shooting."

Miller said that the competition was a great opportunity and hopes that future PCC students are able to participate.

"We want to be able to send at least 15 students to nationals next year," said Laha. "Every student who has the opportunity to go is funded by sponsors and fundraising. That is how Shooting Sports is able to experience weekend shooting trips and this annual competition."



Outstanding Alumnus of the Year

On May 13, the Pratt Community College Foundation will honor John Toothaker, as the 2016 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year. The Outstanding Alumnus of the Year award was established in 1966 to honor PCC alumni who have made contributions to career and community.

Toothaker has been involved in organizations and the community since high school. His freshmen year Toothaker was instrumental in helping establish a baseball program at Turpin High School in Oklahoma. He graduated from Liberal High School and moved on to PCC on a baseball scholarship and was named to the Jayhawk conference's second team as a freshman. While at PCC he was active in campus life and was elected President of the student government association. He graduated from PCC in 1995 with an Associate in Science in Liberal Arts. After PCC, Toothaker graduated cum laude from Emporia State University where he was immersed in numerous academic, community service and social groups.

Toothaker taught science at Wichita's Southeast High School. In 1998, he started his own financial services partnership. In 2010, John became a partner with Schreck Financial Group, a leading area independent advisory firm. As an advisor, he was named President of Kansas's largest chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors. Toothaker also commits many hours to his community and volunteers in Clearwater, Kan. as the board chairman for Clearwater's assisted living, memory care and nursing home facility.

Toothaker has also been recognized by the premier association for financial advisors, the Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT). He has achieved participation in their "Court of the Table" for five years and has been member of MDRT's prestigious "Top of the Table" for six years, putting him in the top half of 1 percent of financial advisors in the world. Toothaker also teaches continuing professional education classes for hundreds of insurance agents, financial advisors, attorneys and accountants on a wide range of financial topics.

From humble roots, Toothaker and his wife Crystal are the proud parents of three active boys: Brock, Carter and Will. They live in Clearwater and when they're not running around playing, cheering, and coaching the boys in sports they can be found with family and friends or out exploring the world. Toothaker says that he is honored to be given this title.



"I am honored to hear that the leaders of Pratt Community College selected me to receive this award," said Toothaker. "My time at PCC was just what this simple kid from western Kansas needed at that time in my life. The values that were reinforced by those who contributed to my education while I was at PCC have served me well throughout my life, and to them I say, thank you."

A recognition luncheon will be hosted by the PCC Foundation and Toothaker will give the keynote address at the commencement and nursing pinning ceremony beginning at 2 p.m. in the Dennis Lesh Arena.

For more information about this award or to nominate an alumnus, please contact PCC Vice President of Institutional Advancement & Alumni Relations, Kurt McAfee, at KurtM@prattcc.edu or 620-450-2179.



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- American History 1865 to present*
- Developmental Psychology*
- Intermediate Algebra
- Exercise Techniques
- General Biology*
- Public Speaking*
- Intro to Music
- Multicultural Study*
- College Algebra
- English Comp I*
- English Comp II*
- Beginning Algebra

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Courses online:

- Accounting & Business
- Allied Health Occupations
- Computer Science
- Music
- English
- Health, PE & Recreation
- Psychology
- Modern Language
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Social Science
- Agriculture
- Chemistry
- Art
- Biology
- Communications
- Education
- Mathematics
- Sociology
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- History
- Sociology

Tuition:

2016-2017 tuition is:

- \$59 Per Credit Hour In State
- \$68 Per Credit Hour Out of State
- \$150 Per Credit Hour Online
- \$80 Per Credit Hour International

Fees will also apply to all classes

Why Pratt Community College:

- Affordable
- Blended classes only require you to be on-campus one day a week
- Residence halls open
- Scholarship opportunity of \$125 for those enrolled in six credits

Course options:

- Blended Online/Onsite Course
- Traditional General Education Courses

Course dates:

Courses will run from June 1 through July 29. Most classes meet for a shorter timeframe. For a list of times and days look at prattcc.edu

Residence Hall Cost:

- \$400 for both summer sessions – must be enrolled in six or more credit hours for each session
- \$275 for one summer session – must be enrolled in six or more credit hours
- \$300 per month (June & July only)

For more information:

- Call 620.450.2425
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Commencement and Nursing Pinning

May 13, 2016 • 2 p.m.
Dennis Lesh Sports Arena





MAY 2
ACADEMIC AWARDS
CARPENTER AUDITORIUM
7PM
ALL HALL MEETINGS
WOJ 9PM
SCH 9:15PM

MAY 9
**LATE NIGHT
BREAKFAST**
CAFE
9:00PM - 10:30PM



MAY 3
ICE CREAM SOCIAL!
BEAVER BITES
7-8PM



ALL HALL MEETINGS
BECK 9PM
NORTH 9:15PM
NOV 9:30PM

MAY 10-12
FINALS!
**10th
DOG DAY
DE-STRESSOR**
OUTSIDE LIBRARY
1-3PM



MAY 4
**STAR WARS
MAY THE 4TH
BE WITH YOU**
STAR WARS DAY
LIBRARY
10 AM - 3PM

MAY 5
CINCO DE MAYO
OUTDOOR DANCE
9PM - MIDNIGHT



MAY 13
**COMMENCEMENT &
NURSING PINNING**
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2:00PM



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