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Call for upcoming newsletter content

If you have information, ideas for new content, fun facts, or PCC trivia, send them to Audra for inclusion in the next newsletter.

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What is a Beaver Building Day? It's a day set aside for students and members of their family to come on campus and take care of all things enrollment.

It's a one-stop-shop opportunity for incoming Pratt Community College students and members of their family to meet advisors and get registered for classes. It's also an opportunity to meet with Residence Life, Financial Aid, the Business Office, IT, Student Success, the Registrar's office, faculty members and more.

Attendees get individualized attention in order to get everything completed and will walk away with a class schedule in hand! Light refreshments and photo opportunities are also a fun part of the day.

There are 5 Beaver Building Day enrollment dates scheduled between April and July, visit page 3 for more information!



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FEBRUARY IMPORTANT DATES

Certification Day for full-semester classes February 8

Performing Arts - Valentine's Dinner Show February 12

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center February 20

Academic Olympics - no classes February 27

MARCH + APRIL A LOOK AHEAD

Mid-Term Week March 6-10

Spring Break March 13-17

Early Enrollment Begins March 20

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center March 20

Performing Arts - Spring Musical March 31, April 1, 2

Good Friday - No Classes April 7

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center April 17

Beaver Building Day April 20

Awards & Recognition Ceremony April 25

EPT Beaver Building Day April 28

For more upcoming dates and information, visit prattcc.edu/calendar





PREPARE FOR FALL

MEET WITH ADVISORS



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PCC HONOR ROLL FALL 2022 **PRESIDENT'S** HONOR ROLL

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PCC HONOR ROLL FALL 2022 **DEAN'S HONOR ROLL**

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PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE Automotive Technology

PCC Automotive Meets with Students at Cars for Charities Car Show



There was a great turnout at the Cars for Charities Rod & Custom Car Show at Century II in Wichita. PCC faculty and staff met with hundreds of touring high school students and members of the public. They got to show off the race car and a brand new electric Ford Lightning truck, plus give an award to an owner with a truck on display.

A lot of logistics and planning go into traveling and presenting at a car show. Pratt Automotive Instructor Phil Spillman explains the benefit of being on location.

"It is always great exposure for the auto program and the college itself. We had quite a few conversations with ones who did not know who we were or what we did, so it was good to get to fill them in about all we offer as a college. With having the fully electric Lightning there, we were able to show that we are committed to keeping up and training with the newest technology so our students are actually prepared for real world work. Most are glad as well to see the trades being promoted and taught and find it very impressive that the students are doing live work and actually have been used to build our race cars."



Visit our website to learn more about our Automotive Technology program!



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PCC Students Compete in Collegiate Farm Bureau Discussion Meet





Photo: Kansas Farm Bureau

Hannah Holmes, Nicole Haase, Karli Heatherman.

Congratulations to Pratt Community College Ag student and Collegiate Farm Bureau member, Nicole Haase for winning the Kansas Collegiate Farm Bureau Discussion Meet! She will represent Kansas by competing at the National Farm Bureau Discussion Meet in Jacksonville, Florida in March 2023.

Pratt Community College Quiz Bowl team members are Hannah Holmes, Nicole Haase and Karli Heatherman. The team finished the day with one win and one loss.

PCC's Collegiate Farm Bureau chapter is supported by local Pratt County & Kiowa County Farm Bureau chapters. The PCC Collegiate Farm Bureau chapter is advised by community member, Jackie Mundt.

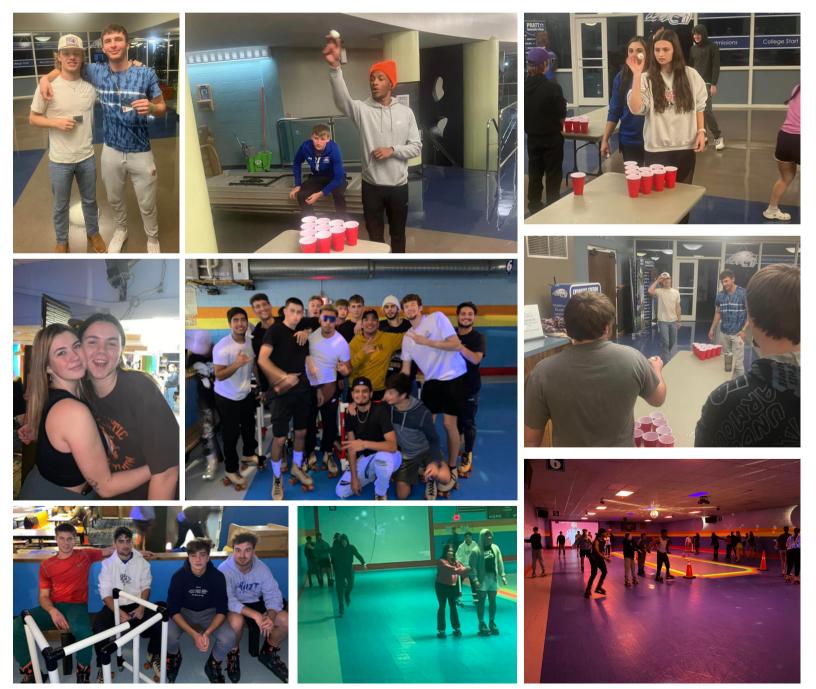
Information provided by PCC Agriculture instructor Lori Montgomery.





Student Life Activities at PCC

The Student Life department at PCC had activities ready to welcome students back to campus in January following the Winter Break. A Water Pong Tournament was held in the Commons area of the Benson Education Center. Students have a chance to earn great prizes!. Another Skate Night was also held at the Rolla Rena Skate Center in Pratt, which is always a popular event. February activities will include Grocery Bingo, a Valentine's Day movie chosen by the students, Super Bowl watch party, Dodgeball and a poster making night to prepare for Sophomore Night.









February 2023									
Sun	Mon		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
			1	Feb 2 nd PCC Baseball VS. Allen Double Header 1PM	PCC Wrestling VS Carl Albert Sta Beaver Dome 7PM	te	4		
5	6	7 Grocery B Café 9PM		PCC Basketball VS Colby Beaver Dome 5:30PM/7:30PM	9	10	11 PCC Basketball VS Barton Beaver Dome 2PM/4PM		
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BAKE SALE

TUESDAY

presented by PCC Educational Support Professionals

21st February

L AT 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

This is a free-will donation fundraiser. Donations will be used towards future free events, scholarships & more!



PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE PERFORMING ARTS

PCC's Performing Arts students ventured off on their annual trip to New York in January just before Spring classes started. It's a fun trip full of appreciation for the arts, culture, food, comraderie and visits to professional venues such as the New Amsterdam Theatre. Photos: Misty Beck, PCC Drama and Theatre Instructor



















Beaver Wrestling Win Third Conference Title in a Row



The Beaver wrestling team competed at the Jayhawk Duals on January 29 in Salina, KS. The team dualed Cloud County, Northwest Tech, Colby, and Barton throughout the day. They defeated all four teams. At the end of the duals the Pratt wrestling team had won their third straight Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference Championship. In addition, Head Wrestling Coach Ken Kepley was named KJCCC Coach of the Year. Devon Dawson was name the KJCC Most Outstanding Wrestler and Easton Taylor was named KJCCC Newcomer of the Year.

"I am extremely proud of our wrestling program. Not only are they successful on the mat but they are active in the community and do a great job in the classroom," said Athletic Director Tim Swartzendruber. "To win three straight conference championships is a testament to the hard work of Coach Kepley. We appreciate all he does for our wrestling program and PCC."

See next page for full results from the Jayhawk Duals!

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Jayhawk Duals Results January 29, 2023 Salina, KS

Cloud County (44-6)

125 | #8 Kaden Spragis wins by Decision over Brady Foster 7-2

133 | #2 Jason Henschel wins by Major Decision over Bray Skinner 15-1

141 | #8 Easton Taylor wins by Fall in the first period over Collin Smith

149 | #8 Gabe Maki wins by Fall in the first period over Salvador Barintas

157 | #4 Samajay Alboyd wins by Fall in the first period over Dylan Ancheta

165 | #6 Cayleb Atkins wins by Major Decision over Mo Hilbert 11-1

174 | Christian Robinson wins by Fall in the first period over Erik Darling

184 | Blake Jouret wins by Decision over Wyatt Powell 15-10

197 | Kaden Glass loses by Fall in the first period to #2 Ibrahim Ameer

285 | #1 Devon Dawson wins by Fall in the first period over Emanuel Munoz-Alcala

Northwest Tech (36-21)

125 | #8 Kaden Spragis wins by Forfeit

133 | #2 Jason Henschel loses by Major Decision to #2 at 125 Jett Strickenberg 14-4

141 | #8 Easton Taylor wins by Fall in the first period over Cade Hernandez

149 | #8 Gabe Maki wins by Fall in the first period over Elijah McGee

157 | #4 Samajay Alboyd loses by Fall in the third period to #1 Bryce Boumans

165 | Filling in for #6 Cayleb Atkins, Isaiah Holmes wins by Forfeit

174 | Bumping up, #6 Cayleb Atkins wins by Fall in the first period over Garrett Davis

184 | Blake Jouret loses by Fall in the second period to #4 Jameel Coles

197 | Kaden Glass loses by Technical Fall to Jayshon Hines 17-2

285 | #1 Devon Dawson wins by a Stall Out over Gavin Dodge

Colby (57-0)

125 | #8 Kaden Spragis wins by Fall in the first period over Tyler Fields

133 | #2 Jason Henschel wins by Forfeit

141 | #8 Easton Taylor wins by Fall in the first period over Zane Lucksavage

149 | #8 Gabe Maki wins by Technical Fall over Eric Cain 20-3

157 | #4 Samajay Alboyd wins by Fall in the first period over Jenson Hoeme

165 | #6 Cayleb Atkins wins by Technical Fall over Cael Langford 17-0

174 | Christian Robinson wins by Fall in the third period over Mark Rausch

184 | Blake Jouret wins by Technical Fall over Brandon Knoles 15-0

197 | Kaden Glass wins by Fall in the first period over Jamar Toston

285 | #1 Devon Dawson wins by Forfeit

Barton (55-0)

125 | #8 Kaden Spragis wins by Major Decision over Avery Wolf 13-1

133 | #2 Jason Henschel wins by Fall in the first period over Stephan Baldwin

141 | #8 Easton Taylor wins by Fall in the first period over Cohen Suchy

149 | #8 Gabe Maki wins by Fall in the first period over Zane Hennessey

157 | #4 Samajay Alboyd wins by Decision over Dawson Chavez 10-7

165 | #6 Cayleb Atkins wins by Forfeit

174 | Christian Robinson wins by Fall in the first period over Keondre Bonner

- 184 | Blake Jouret wins by Forfeit
- 197 | Kaden Glass wins by Forfeit
- 285 | #1 Devon Dawson wins by Forfeit



Sports Continued.

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BAASKELINB MEN'S & WOMEN'S

Beavers Get Big Win on the Road at Hutch



The Pratt Community College men's basketball team traveled an hour down KS 61 highway on January 25 for a matchup against the Hutch Blue Dragons.

Hutchinson jumped out to an early ten-point lead 14-4 with 16:45 left in the half. The Beavers slowly started chipping away at the lead and cut the game to within five points 23-28 with 11:26 left. At the 4:12 mark of the first half Pratt had cut it down to three points 46-43. The Blue Dragons would lead by one point 56-57 at half. Pratt never tied the game or had a lead in the first half of play.

That all changed in the first 11 seconds of the second half when Pratt went up 58-57. By the first media timeout of the half Pratt lead by five 70-65. The Blue Dragons managed to take the lead back by two points 77-75 with 13:09 left. Hutch held that lead until the 6:55 mark when the Beavers took a one-point lead 91-90. At the last media timeout of the half Pratt lead 100-94. Pratt held the lead the rest of the half until the Blue Dragons tied the game 111-111 off a three-point basket with 3 seconds left.

Overtime was competitive as the game was tied two times with five lead changes through the first three minutes. Pratt took their final lead of the game with 1:07 remaining in the period. The Beavers won the game 130-126 with the help of five out of six made free throws in the last 17 seconds.

This game is the most combined points scored in a conference matchup thus far this season. Both Sterling Young and Quintin Metcalf had big nights both scoring 28 points. DJ Bailey came off the bench with 21 points while Chidibere Obichere finished with 18 points. Qai Kellman had 16 points while Aviel Palmer had his second game in double digits with 11. Pratt managed the upset while being outrebounded 51-37 and turning the ball over 23 times.



Read more and see game stats at <u>GoBeaverSports.com</u>

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BAASKELIDBA MEN'S & WOMEN'S

Beavers Lose on Road at Hutchinson



The Beaver women's basketball team started a three-game road trip January 25 against Hutchinson Community College. The Beavers entered on a four-game losing streak while the Blue Dragons were on a six-game winning streak. Both teams met back on November 22 in the Beaver Dome with Hutch taking game one 74-57.

Pratt struck first in the game while Hutch quickly tied the game. By the 2:05 mark of the first quarter the Blue Dragons secured a 19-9 lead and ended the quarter up 23-11. Hutchinson outscored the Beavers 25-16 in the second quarter and lead 48-27 at half. Pratt was competitive in the third quarter, but could not close the gap as the Blue Dragons rolled comfortably to a 88-57 win.

Princess Anderson was held under 20 points for only the sixth time this season. Anderson finished the game with 17 points. Isis Sanders finished the game with 16 points and four rebounds. Emily Action scored 12 points while Macy Hanzlick had 10 points. The Beavers improved in their turnovers tonight by only turning the ball over 12 times. The Beavers were dominated on the boards 44 to 27.





PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRACK & CROSS COUNTRY





The Beaver track and field team wrapped up day two of the Graduate Classic on Saturday, January 14 in Lincoln, NE. The two-day event was hosted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and took place in the Bob Devaney Student Center.

The top performer on day one was Joseph Michael who finished 3rd in the 60M qualifying race. Michael ended his meet finishing 10 place in the prelims just missing the finals by two spots.

Top performers on day two included <u>Serenity Jackson</u> who finished seventh in the women's 200M. Jackson had two top ten finishes during the meet, finishing seventh in the women's 400M.

Tyler Sonnier finished eighth place in the men's 200M with a time of 22.27. This was Sonnier's second top ten finish of the weekend as he finished tenth in the men's 400M.

Finally, one of the men's 4x400m relay teams consisting of Quintin Johnson, Davin Beckles, Cole Darling and Tishere Dockery finished in eleventh place.

Be sure to follow **Pratt Community College Athletics** on Facebook for results on Beaver Athletics!



Sports Continued.

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Ken Kepley Named Interim Head Women's Flag Football Coach



Pratt Community College is excited to announce that Ken Kepley will serve as the Interim Head Women's Flag Football Coach. Coach Kepley has served at Pratt for 11 years as the Head Wrestling Coach.

During his tenure, he produced 4 National Champions with 5 Individual National Championships. Under Coach Kepley, the Beavers have produced 23 out of the 34 NJCAA All-Americans in the school's history, along with a Kansas Jayhawk Community College Championship in 2021, 2022 & 2023, a Runner-Up finish at the NJCAA South Central District Tournament following the 2021-2022 regular season, and numerous placements within the NJCAA top-20 national rankings.

"I am most thankful that Coach Kepley has agreed to lead our inaugural women's flag football team this spring. He is a highly successful coach and will do a great job with our women," said Athletic Director Tim Swartzendruber. "We are excited about adding this emerging sport and believe Pratt will be a great destination for future women's flag football players."

The women's flag football season kicks off on March 10 with a tournament at Hesston College. To view the full schedule please visit **https://www.gobeaversports.com/sports/flagfball/2022-23/schedule.**

The team will be made up of current student athletes that have expressed interest in playing on this season's team. Stay tuned to www.gobeaversports.com for more information about the upcoming season. A search is underway to find a permanent Head Women's Flag Football Coach.

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE CELEBRATE DIVERSITY TEAM

The Origins of Black History Month

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Also known as African American History Month, the event grew out of "Negro History Week," the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans.

Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, also devote a month to celebrating Black history.

Origins of Black History Month

The story of Black History Month begins in 1915, half a century after the Thirteenth Amendment abolished slavery in the United States.

That September, the Harvard-trained historian Carter G. Woodson and the prominent minister Jesse E. Moorland founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (ASNLH), an organization dedicated to researching and promoting achievements by Black Americans and other peoples of African descent.

In the decades that followed, mayors of cities across the country began issuing yearly proclamations recognizing "Negro History Week." By the late 1960s, thanks in part to the civil rights movement and a growing awareness of Black identity, "Negro History Week" had evolved into Black History Month on many college campuses.

President Gerald Ford officially recognized Black History Month in 1976, calling upon the public to "seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history." Today, Black History Month is a time to honor the contributions and legacy of African Americans across U.S. history and society—from activists and civil rights pioneers such as Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, Marcus Garvey, Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X and Rosa Parks to leaders in industry, politics, science, culture and more.

Black History Month 2023 Theme

Since 1976, every American president has designated February as Black History Month and endorsed a specific theme.

The Black History Month 2023 theme featured on History.com, "Black Resistance," explores how "African Americans have resisted historic and ongoing oppression, in all forms, especially the racial terrorism of lynching, racial pogroms and police killings," since the nation's earliest days.

Visit the <u>Association for the Study Of African</u> <u>American Life and History website</u> to learn more about "Black Resistance".

Source Cited: History.com <u>https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/black-history-month</u> and The Association for the Study of African American Life and History <u>https://thekingcenter.org/about-tkc/martin-luther-king-jr/</u>

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- Assistant Athletic Trainer
- Automotive Technology Instructor
- Bus Drivers
- Cashier/Bookkeeper
- Controller
- Clinical Adjunct Instructors--Allied Health
- Head Women's Soccer Coach/Admissions Rep/Recruiter
- KJCCC Commissioner
- Maintenance/HVAC/Plumbing & Electrical Specialist
- Office Assistant Student Services
- Social Media & Web Manager
- Student Accounts Coordinator
- Vice President of Students & Enrollment Management
- Welding Instructor
- Women's Flag Football Coach/Residential Supervisor

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