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## Call for upcoming newsletter content

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

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#### FALL/SUMMER 2024

# ENROLLMENT March 18th

As another semester of learning quickly comes to an end, preparations are underway for the upcoming Commencement Ceremonies at Dennis Lesh Sports Arena on Friday, May 10th at 1pm and 3pm. Further details are available on page 10, please visit with the Registrar's office with any questions.

For students planning to return to PCC or new incoming students, Early Enrollment will kick off on Monday, March 18, 2024, post Spring Break. Returning students can arrange appointments with their advisors, while new students can start the application process through the Admissions office.

April marks the start of Beaver Building Days, where new students and their families are invited to campus to complete necessary enrollment paperwork. This is an opportunity to visit Residence Life, Financial Aid, the Registrar's office, Student Success, and more. Refer to page 12 for guidance on the registration process!

#### **Quote of the Month**

The amount of good luck coming your way depends on your willingness to act."

- BARBARA SHER

# March 2024 Important dates

Mid-Term Week March 4-8th

Mid-Term Grades Due at 5pm March 8th

Spring Break - No Classes (PCC Offices Open)
March 11-15th

Early Enrollment Begins - Summer & Fall 2024 March 18th

Performing Arts - Broadway Review Show March 22-24th - Fri & Sat @ 7:30pm & Sun @ 2:30pm

Good Friday - No Classes (Campus Closed)
March 29th

## **April 2024 - A look ahead**

Faculty Workday - No Classes April 1st

**Current Student Advising Day - No Classes April 10th** 

Last day to Withdrawal (full-semester classes)
April 10th

Beaver Building Day #1 April 23rd

**Awards and Recognitions Ceremony** April 23rd

**EPT Beaver Building Day** April 26th



## NEW ACROSS CAMPUS





Gavin Long joined us on February 1st as an Evening Security Officer. Long became an invaluable member of our team, bringing a strong work ethic and dedication to his role as a Security Officer. His commitment to ensuring the safety and security of our premises have not gone unnoticed. We are grateful to have him on board and look forward to continued success with him as part of our security team.

## IN MEMORY

#### Remembering Mario Tursini

It is with a heavy heart we share the passing of our long time Evening Security Officer, Mario Tursini. Mario was a part of Pratt Community College for more than 15 years, keeping our staff, students and campus safe.

Mario Joseph Tursini, Jr., 75, passed away Sunday, February 11, 2024. He was born on February 6, 1949 in Honolulu, Hawaii to Mario Joseph, Sr. and Ruth (Newton) Tursini. Mario starting dating Mona (Barnes) Tursini in 1992 and married on September 30, 2006 in Pratt. They were married for 17 years.

Mario graduated from Calvin Coolidge High School in 1967. He went on to serve in the United States Army during Vietnam and received a purple heart. He earned his Associate Degree from Barton County Community College.





He has also worked for the Garden City Police Department, Finney County Sheriff Department, and Pratt County Sheriff Department. He was a member of NRA and National Order of Police. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, shooting and camping.

Mario devoted his life to helping others, in whatever way he could. We will miss him and his hard work and dedication to PCC. PCC's ENCORE group was humbled to get to perform at his service.

The PCC Foundation will be setting up a scholarship fund in Mario's memory. To make a donation you can contact the Foundation at 620-450-2179.

## PERFORMING A Valentine's Dinner & Show

Encore performed their annual Valentine's Day Dinner & Show this February. The show featured several group numbers, duets and solos. Special thanks to Kyle and Julie Irvin and James Kiley for cooking a wonderful meal!

Next up - The Performing Arts department will have its annual Broadway Nights show on March 22-24 in Carpenter Auditorium.

View upcoming performance dates on our Performing Arts page:

https://prattcc.edu/department/performing-arts



## PCC RODEO

## **ALUMNI BASH**

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend & supported the PCC Rodeo Alumni Bash. This event was held on February 24 at the Pratt County 4-H Building. Online and live auctions raised over \$17,000 to support the PCC Rodeo Program. It was areat to see alumni and members of the community come together to celebrate 55 years of the PCC Rodeo Program





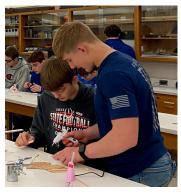


### PCC HOSTS ACADEMIC OLYMPICS











Pratt CC welcomed 15 area high schools and approximately 600 students to campus for the annual Academic Olympics event on February 26.

Students compete against other schools academically by taking tests, performing a task, or submitting entries for judging in multiple categories. Subjects include Math, Science, English, Animal Science, Ag Mechanics, Art, Creative Writing, Vocal Solos and Duets, and many others.

A new event this year was the Egg Drop Contest. Students built egg protection containers in advance and were scored on whether their egg survived both a 12 foot drop and a 24 foot drop in the Dennis Lesh Sports Arena.

The Popsicle Bridge Contest was continued for students this year, having the teams create a bridge with popsicle sticks on site. The bridges were then stress tested to see how much weight they could take before breaking.

The PCC Automotive Technology shop included a car show, displaying many vehicles and had students complete a tool Identification exercise.

Students received free snack and drink tickets for use at the Beaver Bites cafe and many schools stay and eat lunch in the campus dining hall with Great Western Dining before departing. Students could were also able to enter the hourly PCC swag drawings with the admissions team.

It's always a big day with so many students on campus. A big thanks to PCC Communications instructor Heather Wilson for heading the event. It also takes contributions from many departments, faculty and staff to make this event successful.

The overall winners are as follows: <u>Division I (40-90 participants)</u>

- Pratt High School 1st Place
- Trinity Catholic High School 2nd Place
- Skyline High School 3rd Place

#### <u>Division II (1-40 participants)</u>

- Conway Springs High School 1st Place
- Pretty Prairie High School 2nd Place
- Stafford High School 3rd Place

Top 3 Winners of each category











### SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

#### **Biology Lab Fetal Pig Dissection**

General Biology students at Pratt Community College collaborated in the lab the last week of February to examine fetal pigs. Dissection is a learning experience that proves to have many benefits. The classes learned the anatomy of the pig while using new skills. The dissection lab consisted of both dissecting the pig and filling out different diagrams. While dissecting, students located the heart, lungs, stomach, liver, small and large intestines, brain, and other organs.

The fetal pig dissections provide students with a hands-on opportunity to learn about the basic anatomy and physiology of mammals. Although hesitant at first, students consistently list this activity of one of the things that they will remember the most about their experience in General Biology. Due to the similarity of mammals, students gain a better understanding of how their own major body systems work. Biology Instructors, Jason Ghumm and Kip Chambers, have been team teaching the General Biology lab sessions for the last 10 years. This collaboration provides students with faster access to individual instruction and more immediate feedback when they have questions related to lab procedures or content.











### **ENGLISH DEPARTMENT**

#### **Faculty Attend Conference Focusing on Writing**

Members of the English department attended the Association of Writers and Writing Programs (AWP) Conference in Kansas City. The conference is a 4-day event focused on the practice and teaching of writing craft. It provides sessions ranging from how to write a memoir, to how to generate collaborative activities in a creative writing classroom, to how to bring a young adult literature course into the modern age. The conference also provides networking opportunities for writers, literary agents, and publishing houses. We came away with insights and project ideas for our Creative Writing, Young Adult Literature, and Composition courses as well as a renewed appreciation for diverse ideas and voices.

Ms. Graves: This trip was exciting on several levels. The writing community is one that I love and miss taking an active role in. I love writing and being able to be around so many creatives was enlivening. I know there are many avenues to reach students in their writing and attending AWP made me want to discover new ways to teach what I love. It was a great reminder that writing is communal, and we're never really alone.

Mr. Cummins: I had a wonderful time at AWP. Selecting which events to attend was the most difficult part. I learned several things about being aware and open to different teaching styles in regards to the writing classroom. Several of the presenters also offered insight in how to help guide young writers through difficult topics, or traumatic experiences. If I attend again, I will need to make a better plan for sessions to attend as the options were extremely numerous and diverse.

Ms. Wiese: The AWP conference is the largest, most energetic conference I have ever attended. It provided more exposure to lovers of writing and creative written expression than I have ever experienced. The conference included sessions for teachers of writing and literature – primarily creative writing and young adult literature – and from those we all gained insights and ideas for use in our classrooms. We also experienced a coffeehouse poetry slam and visited a unique bookshop. Overall, the conference provided personal and professional growth and renewed my love of creative written expression.







Pratt Community College will host two Commencement Ceremonies in the Dennis Lesh Sports Arena on Friday, May 10, 2024 at 1pm and 3pm.

Cap and Gowns for graduating students are free and will be available for pick up the during finals week.

#### Registrar's Office Helps Sign-up Graduates

Graduation time is right around the corner! The Registrar's Office held a Graduation Fair to support students as they completed the required steps to graduate in May 2024.

Students were able to complete the Degree Completion and Application for Graduation form on site and ask questions if needed.

Students have until March 20th to submit the application for graduation and be able to receive their cap and gown.





#### All PCC Graduates Scholarship



Irene Krueger

#### Male ONLY Scholarship



Laura E. Porter

For questions please contact Financial Aid Email: finaid@prattcc.edu Phone: 620-450-2247

#### Female ONLY Scholarships



Pamela Dietz



Linda Hurt



Novotny Memorial

# COMMENCEMENT



## MAY 10, 2024

DENNIS LESH SPORTS ARENA
IN THE BENSON EDUCATION CENTER
348 NE SR 61
PRATT, KS 67124

1 PM - AAS GRADUATES & CERTIFICATES

3 PM - AA, AS, AGS GRADUATES



CAP & GOWN PICK UP

May 7-8 in the Benson Commons Area 1:00 - 4:00pm



CEREMONY LIVE STREAM

gobeavers ports. com/links/Live Broad casts



ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?

Contact Registrar's Office 620-450-2221



**PHOTOGRAPHY** 

Official photos available for purchase at gradimages.com

#### WHERE DO I GO?

Graduates should report to
Carpenter Auditorium at 12:30pm
for the 1:00pm ceremony;
2:30pm for the 3:00pm ceremony.
Graduation regalia
is required.

\*Information subject to change

#### PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE





### PREPARE FOR FALL 2024

& Choose your session

 APRIL
 MAY
 JUNE
 JULY

 23rd
 14th
 12th
 18th

 26th-EPT
 23rd
 26th

LEARN ABOUT STUDENT SERVICES, MEET WITH ADVISORS

and REGISTER FOR CLASSES





SIGN UP Now!!



**CHECK OUT THE 2024-2025 COST INFORMATION** 



TUITION = \$73 PER CREDIT HOUR FEES\* = \$60 PER CREDIT HOUR

\*AN ADDITIONAL \$50 FEE IS REQUIRED FOR NON-PRATT COUNTY RESIDENTS PER SEMESTER IF ENROLLED IN 12 CREDIT HOURS

#### **NON-KANSAS RESIDENT**

TUITION = \$88 PER CREDIT HOUR FEES\* = \$60 PER CREDIT HOUR

\*AN ADDITIONAL \$100 FEE IS REQUIRED PER SEMESTER IF **ENROLLED IN 12 CREDIT HOURS** 

#### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

TUITION = \$116 PER CREDIT HOUR FEES\* = \$60 PER CREDIT HOUR

\*AN ADDITIONAL \$150 FEE IS REQUIRED PER SEMESTER IN IF **ENROLLED IN 12 CREDIT HOURS** 

#### **ONLINE COURSES**

#### **PRATT ONLINE RATES**

= \$133 PER CREDIT HOUR KS RESIDENT = \$148 PER CREDIT HOUR NON-KS RESIDENT = \$176 PER CREDIT HOUR INTERNATIONAL

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GENERAL EDUCATION & ACADEMIC CLASSES TUITION

= \$96 TUITION AND CONCURRENT FEE PER CREDIT HOUR

\*ATTENDANCE COURSE FEES MAY BE REQUIRED.

#### CAREER TECHNICAL CLASSES

TUITION AND FEES ARE WAIVED FOR CTE COURSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AS PART OF STATE OF KANSAS EXCEL IN CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION INITIATIVE.

#### SPECIAL FEES

**ACCUPLACER TESTING** = NO FEE **ADDITIONAL TESTS** = \$10

TECHNOLOGY FEE = \$150 PER SEMESTER (AG POWER, AUTOMOTIVE, WELDING AND EPT PROGRAMS)

CERAMICS I & II = \$25 PER SEMESTER = \$25 PER CREDIT HOUR **WOO LAB FEE** 

**TRANSCRIPTS** = \$12.65

\*ATTENDANCE COURSE FEES MAY BE REQUIRED.







#### **HOUSING & FOOD**

#### **WOJCIECHOWSKI HALL**

19 MEALS PER WEEK
FULL YEAR = \$7,650

SEMESTER = \$3,850

14 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$7,376 SEMESTER = \$3,713

**10 MEALS PER WEEK** 

FULL YEAR = \$7,099 SEMESTER = \$3,575 NORTH & SCHOLARSHIP HALL

19 MEALS PER WEEK
FULL YEAR = \$6,704
SEMESTER = \$3,377

14 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$6,431 SEMESTER = \$3,241

10 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$6,155 SEMESTER = \$3,103 BECK, NOVOTNY & PORTER HALL

19 MEALS PER WEEK FULL YEAR = \$5,903 SEMESTER = \$2,986

14 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$5,630 SEMESTER = \$2,840

10 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$5,354 SEMESTER = \$2,702

COSTS SHOWN ABOVE ARE ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST DOLLAR. \*SINGLE ROOM IS AN ADDITIONAL \$1,000.00 PER YEAR

#### **ESTIMATED TOTAL COST PER YEAR**

#### **BASED ON 34 CREDIT HOURS**

	KS RESIDENT	<u>non-ks resident</u>	INTERNATIONAL
TUITION	\$2,482	\$2,992	\$3,944
GENERAL FEES	\$2,040	\$2,040	\$2,040
NON-PRATT COUNTY FEE	\$100	\$200	\$300
HOUSING & FOOD*	\$6,431	\$6,431	\$6,431
BOOKS & SUPPLIES	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
APPROXIMATE TOTAL	\$12,553	\$13,163	\$14,215

<sup>\*</sup>BASED ON 14 MEAL PLAN IN NORTH & SCHOLARSHIP. RATES DIFFER BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT HOUSING & FOOD OPTIONS.

#### **ONLINE PAYMENT PLAN**

PAYMENT PLANS ARE AVAILABLE IN THREE, FOUR AND FIVE INSTALLMENTS. TO FIND OUT ABOUT OUR ONLINE PAYMENT PLAN OPTIONS, PLEASE VISIT: PRATTCC.EDU/PAYMENTPLAN

FOR MORE ABOUT COST INFORMATION, VISIT PRATTCC.EDU/COST

\*COST INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

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### LET'S CELEBRATE

#### **Women's History Month**



Less than a century ago, U.S. women lacked many freedoms, including voting rights. Women's History Month in March celebrates women's progress. International Women's Day on March 8 highlights global issues such as gender equality and violence against women. Recognizing historic women and sharing empowering quotes honors those who fought for change.

Explore some of the facts on women's rights evolution and contributions throughout history for inspiration:

- 1. February 28, 1909 marked the first Women's History Day in New York City. Commemorating the one-year anniversary of the 15,000 women march of the garment workers' strike.
- 2.In 1987, Women's History Month began. Activists were successful in lobbying to Congress to declare the month of March for women's history.
- 3. Since 1995, every president has proclaimed March as Women's History Month.
- 4. Each year a theme is chosen. For 2024, the theme celebrates "Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion."
- 5. Wyoming Territory was first to give women the right to vote in 1869.
- 6. The 19th amendment granted women the right to vote, although there were still laws prohibiting certain groups of women from voting. It wasn't until 1965 that all women could legally vote.
- 7. Sally Ride was the first women in space when she flew on the space shuttle Challenger in 1983.
- 8. Kamala Harris became the first woman and woman of color to be elected Vice President in 2020.

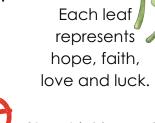
Source: https://www.womansday.com/life/a34908026/womens-history-month-facts/

#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY - FUN FACTS



The origin of St. Patrick's Day goes back over 1,000 years. Since around the ninth or 10th century, people in Ireland have been observing the Roman Catholic feast day of St. Patrick on March 17th.

Current celebrations includes both St. Patrick and Irish culture.



Who Advocate



There are various St. Patrick's Day traditions, like wearing green, dyeing the Chicago River green or watching parades.



St. Patrick's Day history starts with the man himself. St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland, yet beyond a few tales of him bashing snakes, little is known of his life.

## STUDENT LIFE

February is a short month, but it wasn't short on student life events. From tournaments, bingo, movies and snow cones there were many options for things to attend. Make sure to join in on the fun this March- we can't wait to see you there!













### **March 2024 Student Life Activities**



Tuesday, March 19 Pizza with the **President** Beck @ 8 pm Woj @ 9pm

Tuesday, March 21 Pizza with the **President** North @ 8 pm Novotny@ 9pm

Tuesday, March 25 **RA Information** Session #2 Room 23 8:00 pm







### STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Representing the groups of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), Kappa Beta Delta (KBD) and STEM, students met with Cabinet members as the monthly student leaders. PTK is the honor society for students at PCC and KBD is a Business Honor Society for students. STEM is a new club that encourages and supports the interest,

knowledge, and skills in STEM for students. The meeting covered topics relating to classes, instructors, wifi, and student activities. The Student Leadership council has been a great way to get the administration informed and a voice to students.







## COLLEGE HEALTHIS

#### Enhance Your Well-Being by Decluttering

Spring is just around the corner and having an abundance of clutter can affect many aspects of your life. Spring cleaning may be a chore, but here are some of the benefits of getting rid of the clutter:

- <u>Improved Concentration:</u> A cluttered workspace can hinder your focus and productivity. Research from Princeton University suggests that an organized environment boosts task performance.
- <u>Better Sleep Quality:</u> A study by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine reveals that sleeping in cluttered rooms can lead to sleep issues and increase the risk of hoarding disorder. Clearing clutter creates a calming space for quality sleep.
- <u>Enhanced Mood:</u> Clutter can trigger negative emotions like crankiness, sadness, and self-deprecation. UCLA research links clutter to high stress levels, affecting mood and self-esteem.
- <u>Letting Go of the Past:</u> Items are often tied to memories, making it challenging to part with them. Identify objects that no longer serve you emotionally and let them go to lighten your load.
- <u>Goal Accomplishment:</u> Clutter can remind you of unfinished projects or unmet goals. While some reminders are beneficial, excessive items can hinder progress. Keep what motivates you and discard items that weigh you down.

Source: https://www.matherhospital.org/wellness-at-mather/health-wellness/spring-cleaning-5-health-benefits-to-decluttering-your-life/



## Top 3 Finish Nationally for the PCC Wrestling team and a 197-lb National Champion

The Pratt Community College wrestling team, ranked third, began day two of the NJCAA men's wrestling championships in Council Bluff, lowa in third place on Saturday, Mar. 2. The action started at 9:30 a.m. with five wrestlers competing in the semi-finals, and Kaden Spragis in the consolation round of four.

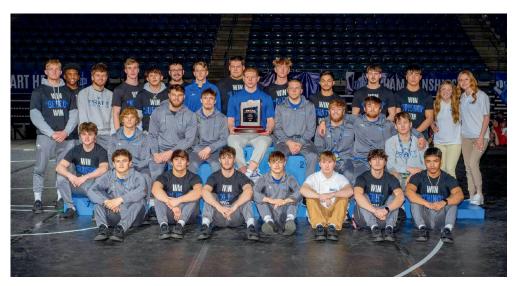
Three wrestlers advanced to their championship matches: Easton Taylor (141-lbs), Cayleb Atkins (165-lbs), and Kaden Glass (197-lbs). Taylor and Atkins finished as NJCAA national runners-up, with Taylor achieving this for the second consecutive year.

The story of the weekend was Kaden Glass, the only unseeded wrestler to make it to the championship round. He faced the top-seeded wrestler in his weight class and emerged victorious with a 4-2 decision, earning the national championship at 197-lbs. Glass's outstanding performance secured a top-three finish for the Beavers with 134.5 points.

Kaden Spragis (125-lbs), Gabe Maki (149-lbs), and Blake Jouret (184-lbs) also achieved NJCAA all-American status.

Cayleb Atkins (165-lbs), was awarded the 2024 Joseph A. Rockenback Sportsmanship Award. This is a prestigious and honorable award that is given to the athlete who exemplified great sportsmanship during the 2024 NJCAA Wrestling National Championship.

## CONCRATURATIONS







#### Joseph Michel Finishes in Fourth Place in the Men's 60M Dash

The Pratt Community College track and field program competed on day two of the NJCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships in Gainesville, Fla. Sophomore <u>Joseph Michel</u> finished in fourth place in the finals of the men's 60M dash with a time of 6.75. Michel entered this indoor season being ranked twentieth in this event.

In addition, the women's 4x400M relay team consisting of <u>Tashia Bell</u>, <u>Mikayla Henry</u>, <u>Serenity Jackson</u>, <u>Naomi Vagher</u> took place on day two. The Beavers finished fifteenth place with a time of 4:04.06. The outdoor track and field season will kick off at the Dean Pryor Invite on Thursday, Mar. 7 at Coffeyville Community College.





#### Flag Football Opens 2024 Campaign at Hesston College



The Pratt Community College flag football team kicked off their 2024 season against Campbellsville University and Hesston College on Saturday, Mar. 2. The first official games for the Beaver squad under head flag football coach Felicia Teeter. Coach Teeter was hired last spring to lead the flag football program and got started on recruiting a team for this academic year. We had a chance to sit down with Coach Teeter this past week to learn more about her team and the upcoming season.

What does it mean to you and your team to finally get to play your first games after about a year of preparation and building the program?

We are so excited as we have been working towards it and talking about it all year long, so the excitement and energy is through the roof. We have done a couple scrimmages, but it is different. These are our first games against competition and with officials and so we are excited to get going and show what we have. I think people will be very surprised.

Tell us more about your players as they are all freshman to Pratt CC and what are some players to watch out for?

Because it is a brand-new sport like our entire roster is freshman. We have two local Kansas girls that have never played flag football before but have worked all year to learn it. You will see them playing a lot. Our quarterback Nina Miramontes is from Nevada and is locked in, and our running back Aracely Lopez is so fast and deceptively speedy. On the defense, you will see Sakhiia Mason who dominates as middle linebacker and keeps everyone in check. We hope to play aggressive and fast.

#### <u>Tell us more about your opening weekend opponents?</u>

We had to fill our schedule with some NAIA schools as we have limited NJCAA schools to play. The game against Campbellsville should be a very good game and since everyone is so new to the sports you cannot go off from prior years, we believe we should be competitive with them. In our game against Hesston, we do know that they are one of the more established programs. Hesston is looking forward to seeing what our team brings this year and is looking for a more competitive game.

#### What are the expectations you have had this year for your program?

For a lot of my team the expectations had more to do with off the field than they did with on the field. Because I brought in a lot of athletes that may not have had college ambitions our focus has been on being a scholar first and athlete second. That includes being a good citizen and being a good leader as well. I knew the girls I recruited were very athletic and I was not as worried about the football part of it, but getting everyone on the same page and into the same system was a challenge. It has been the off the field focus for us, and I have been so impressed on how far they have come as scholar athletes.



#### Beavers Sweep DFW Post Grad

The Pratt baseball team hosted the DFW Post Grad team for a three-game series on Feb. 23-24.

#### Game One Recap

In a high-scoring game, Pratt came out on top with a final score of 18-11. The Beavers had a strong offensive showing, with <u>Ben Waliczek</u> leading the way with four hits and two RBIs. <u>Gavin Djurovic</u> also had a big game, driving in four runs with two doubles. <u>Jaden Flores</u> and <u>Seth Zimmerman</u> each contributed three RBIs as well. On the pitching side, <u>Josh Doelitsch</u> picked up the win for PCC, going 3 innings and allowing 4 runs, <u>Jace Doelitsch</u>, <u>Ethan Froud</u> and <u>Matthew St. Pe</u> also pitched well in relief.



#### Game Two Recap

In game two, Pratt came out on top with a final score of 13-3. The Beavers had a strong offensive showing, scoring 8 runs in the fourth inning to secure the win. Sophomores' <u>Gavin Djurovic</u> and <u>Tytin Goebel</u> both had key RBIs in the game, contributing to their team's victory. <u>Ben Waliczek</u> and <u>Jaden Flores</u> also had strong performances at the plate, each scoring multiple runs. On the pitching side, <u>Dalton Mantz</u> and <u>Cayden Brown</u> combined for a solid performance, allowing only 3 runs on 6 hits while striking out 6 batters.

#### Game Three Recap

Pratt defeated DFW Post Grad 8-6 to complete the three-game sweep. In the third game PCC got off to a strong start, scoring three runs in the first inning and adding five more in the second. DFW Post Grad fought back with three runs in the fourth inning and two more in the fifth, but Pratt's early lead proved to be enough to secure the win. Sophomore <u>Jaden Flores</u> had a standout performance, hitting a homerun and driving in three runs. <u>Drew Bugner</u> also contributed with two RBIs. On the pitching side, <u>Carson Padgett</u> earned the win, pitching three scoreless innings and striking out two batters.



#### Beaver Softball Splits Doubleheader against Dodge City

The Pratt Community College softball team hosted Dodge City Community College on Saturday, Mar. 2 for their home conference opener. The double header took place at Angood Field and ended in a split with the Beavers taking game one and Dodge City taking game two.

#### Game One Recap

In game one of the double header, Pratt came out on top with a final score of 14-6. The Beavers offense was led by <u>Gabbi Everitt</u>, who had 3 RBIs, and <u>Kaylee Smith</u>, who contributed 3 RBIs. <u>Elysia Marquez</u> and <u>Jaxin Logue</u> also had strong performances at the plate, each recording multiple hits.

On the mound Pratt's <u>Gabbi Everitt</u> went the distance, pitching all 5 innings and allowing 6 runs on 10 hits. Dodge City's Josie Oakley took the loss, giving up 11 runs in 3 innings of work.



#### Game Two Recap

In game two of the afternoon, Dodge City came out on top with a 10-1 victory. The Conquistadors scored three runs in the third inning and exploded for seven runs in the fourth inning. Pratt was unable to get their offense going, managing only one run on five hits. Naveya Gardner drove in the lone run for Pratt. Pitcher Taygann Spencer took the loss, giving up seven runs on eight hits in 3.1 innings.



#### Beavers Defeat Seward County to End Regular Season. Team Now Set for NJCAA Region 6 Playoffs.

The Pratt Community College men's basketball team finished their regular season schedule on Mar. 6, traveling to Liberal, Kan. to face the Seward County Saints. After the game, the NJCAA region 6 D1 basketball opening round matchups were announced.

Pratt emerged victorious with a final score of 88-84. The game was contested throughout, as Seward County held a one-point lead 39-38 at halftime. The Beavers outscored the Saints 50-45 in the second half to win by four.

<u>Davonte "Bubba" Russ</u> led the way for Pratt with 22 points and 12 rebounds. <u>Jarrett Dingle</u> contributed 15 points while <u>Enrique Lankford</u> had 14 points in the game, helping Pratt secure the victory. The Beavers outrebounded Seward by ten with 53 rebounds compared to the Saints 43.

The Beavers finished ninth overall in the KJCCC standings with a 10-20 overall record and 7-17 conference record. The Beavers will travel to Coffeyville, Kan. on Saturday, Mar. 9 to face the No. eight seeded Coffeyville Red Ravens. The game is set for a 4:00 p.m. tip-off. The Beavers and Red Ravens have faced off twice this season with the first game taking place back on November 18 in Coffeyville resulting in an 85-70 loss. Then the Beavers hosted the Red Ravens on January 24 and won 74-71. The winner of the opening round game will then advance to face the No. one seeded and ranked Barton Community College Cougars on Tuesday, Mar. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Great Bend, Kan.



#### Beavers Ready for Opening Round of NJCAA Region 6 Basketball Tournament

The Pratt Community College women's basketball team finished their regular season schedule on Wednesday, Mar. 6 traveling to Liberal, Kan. to face the Seward County Saints. After the game, the NJCAA region 6 D1 basketball opening round matchups were announced.

Seward County emerged victorious in a close matchup against Pratt with a final score of 67-62. The Beavers started off strong in the first half, taking a 33-19 lead into halftime. However, Seward County made a comeback in the second half, outscoring Pratt 48-29 to secure the win. <u>Princess Anderson</u> led the Beavers with 21 points and 7 rebounds. Sophomore <u>Macy Hanzlick</u> contributed a double-double with 15 points and 14 rebounds. In addition, <u>Isis Sanders</u> finished the night with 13 points.



The Beavers finished eleventh overall in the KJCCC standings with a 13-17 overall record and 7-17 conference record. The Beavers will travel back to Liberal, Kan. on Saturday, Mar. 9 to face the No. six seeded Seward County Saints. The game is set for a 6:00 p.m. tip-off. The Beavers and Saints have faced off twice this season including the game from last night. In the first matchup, taking place back on January 20 the Saints won 66-61. The winner of the opening round game will then advance to face the No. three seeded Butler Community College on Tuesday, Mar. 12 at 5:30 p.m. in El Dorado, Kan.

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