



Pratt Community College

Monthly Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates

Last Day to Withdraw	Nov 2
Daylight Savings End	Nov 6
Back to the USO	Nov 7
Election Day	Nov 8
Veteran's Day	Nov 11
Thanksgiving Vacation (Na Classes)	Nov 19-27
Thanksgiving	Nov 24
School Closed	Nov 25

Two PCC Programs Receive Local Grant

The PCC Library and Performing Arts Department each received a grant from the local South Central Community Foundation (SCCF) on Nov. 3. SCCF offers annual Community Grants to nonprofit organizations from their seven county service area including Barber, Comanche, Kingman, Kiowa, Pratt, Rice, and Stafford County.

The Library received \$200 in grant funding and will purchase a set of twelve multiculturalism books. Sandra Wagner, Director of Learning Resources, is receiving her Master's in Library Science at Emporia State University was introduced to a few of these books via her class on Multicultural Resources and Services for Libraries.

"These books help encourage students to read multi-culturally, to develop mainstream thinking, stimulate critical thinking, and allow the instructors to guide students to an awareness of globalization and what is required to live in a culturally diverse society," said Wagner, "Moreover, to attempt to keep pace in an ever-changing and enhanced curriculum in the Arts & Humanities at Pratt Community College. Also, this will give back to area patrons whom also participate in and enjoy diverse readings."

The PCC Performing Arts Department will use its \$900 grant for the Summer Music Theater Camp. This camp is for children that are at least four years old and have completed one year of preschool to students having just completed the fifth grade. The 2017 camp will be held June 12-24 in the afternoon and will present two shows at the end of camp.

"The Performing Arts Department has been blessed to receive grants from the South Central Community Foundation for several years. The contributions help us to defer costs related to camp and allows us to keep costs for campers down." said Misty Beck, theatre instructor.

For more information about SCCF or the community grants visit www.sccfks.org.



Collegiate Farm Bureau Students Gain Experience in Leadership and Service

The Collegiate Farm Bureau (CFB) at Pratt Community College is learning and growing more than just your average Kansas crop. CFB President, student Garrett Geesling and Vice President, student Keenan Stultz, both sophomores and in their second year with the organization were able to attend the Collegiate Farm Bureau Leadership Retreat at Rock Springs earlier this Fall.



The event provided personal development, leadership training and an opportunity to build their networks and collaborate with their peers from chapters at other colleges and universities throughout the state.

"It was a great experience," said Geesling. "Being able to network with other students and people within the industry was very valuable."

At the retreat the colleges worked together to pack nearly 3000 meals that would be sent to Africa to feed young people. Each group also packed cases of meals to take back to their local food bank. Geesling and Stultz came home with a case of 60 meals to donate to the Pratt Food Bank.

CFB is no stranger to service within their community. The chapter volunteered their time to serve the dinner at the annual Chamber Gala in October. Last November they took part in a campaign called The Big Thank You where they rallied fellow students, PCC faculty, staff and the community to write letters to U.S. troops deployed overseas. All together they sent out more than 110 hand-written letters, drawings and thank you notes.

"Last year was the first year for us to be involved with the Big Thank You organization and it is something we want to do again in the future," said Stultz.

The CFB is also teaming up with PCC's Block and Bridle and the Agriculture department to put on a student focused ag fair this month. The event is called "Bringing the Farm 2Campus" and it will boast a day of education, fun, food and prizes.

"Bringing the farm to campus is all about connecting with everyone on campus and teaching them about agriculture and how the food we all eat is produced," said Geesling. "CFB is all about advocating for agriculture and there are so many people on campus who don't know what all farming and this industry is about."

A promotional poster for an event titled "BRINGING THE FARM 2CAMPUS". The text is set against a background of vertical wooden planks. The main title "BRINGING THE FARM" is in large white letters, with "2CAMPUS" below it in green and white. To the right, there is a graphic of five interlocking rings, similar to the Olympic rings, with stalks of wheat or grain woven through them. Below the rings, the words "AG OLYMPICS" are written in large, bold, yellow letters. The event details are listed in yellow and white: "NOVEMBER 17 2-6PM" and "RODEO GROUNDS". Below that, it says "FREE FOOD • PRIZES • ANIMALS • TRACTORS". At the bottom left is the Pratt Community College logo. At the bottom right, it says "TEAMS OF 4 SIGN-UP AT 6:30 COMPETITION AT 7:00". At the very bottom, it is sponsored by "PCC Collegiate Farm Bureau, Block and Bridle and Ag Department".

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PCC Vice Presidents Participate in Leadership Development Program

Kansas Community College Leadership Institute (KCCLI) has accepted two administrators from Pratt Community College to participate in a 9 month leadership development program sponsored by the Kansas Association of Community College Trustees (KACCT).

Kent Adams, vice president of finance and operations and Dr. Michael Fitzpatrick, vice president of instruction, will spend two days a month in various Kansas Community Colleges working on a variety of different topics including collaboration, assessing personal strengths, and effective leadership styles.

During their time with KCCLI, Adams and Fitzpatrick selected a leadership project to develop. Partnering with a local conglomerate Stanion Wholesale Electric, they have begun working on a new certificate program for PCC in Industrial Distribution Management.

"I am very excited for this opportunity," said Fitzpatrick, "I already notice the changes impacted directly from our involvement with KCCLI."



KDWPT Work with PCC Science Class

Pratt Community College students get a hands-on approach to environmental science with the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWPT) biologists.

PCC Science Instructor, Dave (Kip) Chambers teaches Environmental Science and regularly works with KDWPT to organize field trips for students. This semester Chambers' class took a field trip to the South Fork of the Ninnescah River in Lemon Park. Students learned about the ecology of a small Kansas stream through various hands-on activities. KDWPT provided support for the project. Five biologists, Mark Van Scoyoc, Ryan Waters, Jeff Conley, Emily Dutton and another Ryan Waters from KDWPT helped the students with several activities including the collection of macroinvertebrates and electro-shocking for fish. In addition to sampling fish and invertebrate communities, the students performed a habitat assessment. The project also included basic water chemistry and a written report about their results to help them understand more about the ecology of the river.

The South Fork Ninnescah is typical of many western Kansas rivers in that it is impacted by both point and non-point source pollution. Concerns in the watershed include sediment loading, nutrient loading and the introduction of non-native species. These impacts and others have a detrimental effect on the ecological integrity of the river.

"The objective of this project is to help students develop a basic understanding of ecology, an appreciation for our resources and a sense of stewardship for the land," said Chambers.

KDWPT has been providing support to PCC for this project for more than 10 years.

"Their support is critical to the success of this project," said Chambers. "My students and I would like to thank KDWPT and their biologists for their help with this project."



Jordan Stubbings Named KJCCC and NJCAA Player of the Week

Pratt Community College men's soccer ended the season on a high note. The Blue and White finished out with a 2-1 record in the final week of play. But for one of the Beavers, the season ended with national recognition for his play in the final three games.

Jordan Stubbings was named the player of the week not just from the Jayhawk conference, but from the NJCAA as well. During the final three games, Stubbings played a vital role in securing a 6-0 win against Northwest Tech on sophomore night. In the match, the sophomore forward gained two goals on three shots and had an assist on the last goal of the game.

Stubbings closed out the season against Hesston College in prime fashion. During the 7-1 victory for the Blue and White, he netted a hat trick on four shots and assisted on two other PCC goals.

With a week of five goals and three assists, Stubbings has proven why he is the KJCCC and NJCAA player of the week.



PCC Volleyball Team Holds Donation Drive

On their Oct. 19 match against Garden City Community College, Pratt Community College volleyball played for more than wins and losses. The Beavers took part in gathering volleyball equipment for Samaritan's Feet youth volleyball mission.

Samaritan's Feet is a non-profit organization for the purpose of sharing hope with children in need by washing their feet, giving them a new pair of shoes, and helping them to believe that their dreams can come true. Samaritan's Feet is a growing movement of people willing to humble themselves as servants so that others might know the opportunity to a better life. Samaritan's Feet have had over 3,000 high school, city leagues, university and college coaches aid in the cause by coaching games, donating equipment, or managing practices in addition to making public appearances in their bare feet. With the cooperation between Samaritan's Feet and the volleyball coaching community awareness has been raised which has helped provide shoes, free skills training and volleyball resources to impoverished children especially in the African continent.



Volleyball Coach Jenny Mueller brings her connection with Samaritan's Feet to PCC from her experiences with the organization at Pittsburg State.

"Samaritan's feet is an organization I became aware of last year. My mentor and well-known volleyball coach and colleague, Ibraheem Suberu, asked me if I would like to host an event at Pittsburg State University," said Mueller.

Mueller and the volleyball team wanted to bring this mission to PCC. Donations of gently used athletic shoes, socks and volleyball equipment are still being collected by the Volleyball team and Athletics department. So far they have received 13 pairs of shoes, several bags of new socks, two volleyballs, five sets of uniforms and knee pads. Donations were made by Pratt community members as well as one hundred dollars from the Pratt Walmart.

"This is another great example of providing service by PCC student-athletes," said PCC President, Dr. Michael Calvert. "Although the beneficiaries of this organization will provide shoes and equipment to children in Africa, the concept of community service is imbedded in the PCC culture. We appreciate the efforts of Coach Mueller and her team towards this great cause and thank the community of Pratt for their support."

Women's Soccer Players Make All-Conference

With the close of the regular season the KJCCC has selected the players who have performed exceptionally on the field as All-Conference players of the year. A couple of Pratt Community College women's soccer players were nominated for All-Conference.

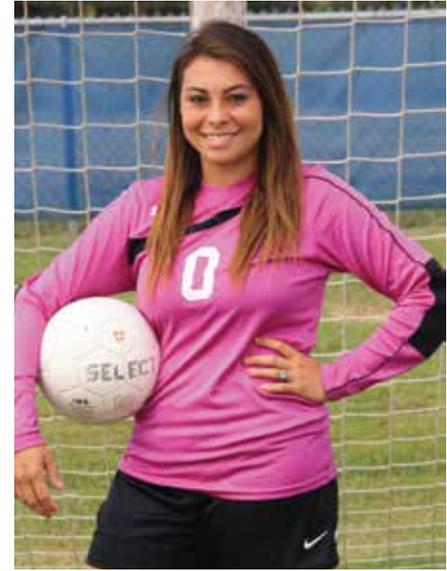
Paige Miller was selected as a first team All-Conference player. The freshmen forward was a spark on offense this past season. She ended the season with three goals and one assist on 16 shots on goal.

Brittany Smith was nominated for All-Conference as well. Smith started 10 games as the keeper for the Beavers and had 179 saves over the course of the season.

To find out more about the Beaver Women's Soccer team check out the new Beaver Athletics website, gobeaversports.com/sports/wsoc/2016-17/roster.



Paige Miller



Brittany Smith

Men's Soccer Players Make All-Conference

The KJCCC has selected the 2016 All-Conference team. Pratt Community College men's soccer was well represented placing several players on both first and second team All-Conference.

Jordan Stubbings was the lone first team selection for the Blue and White. The sophomore forward was also selected as the KJCCC Offensive Player of the Year. Jordan had 14 goals and eight assists in 16 games this season for the Beavers.

PCC also had Nerlin Rivera, Simon Christidis, and Aaron Grant selected for the second team All-Conference. Nerlin had five goals and one assist this season as a forward for the Blue and White. Sophomore midfielder Simon Christidis set up the Beaver offense by leading the team with 15 assists and five goals this season. Defensemen Aaron Grant had four goals and one assist on offense while anchoring the defense for the Blue and White. This season Aaron played a key role in a Beaver defense that only gave up 24 goals and averaged 1.40 goals against per game.



Nerlin Rivera



Simon Christidis



Aaron Grant

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WINTER SCHEDULE

MEN'S BASKETBALL

NOV 1	FRIENDS UNIVERSITY	6:00 PM
NOV 4	v. REDEMPTION LIFE ^	5:30 PM
NOV 5	v. CLARENDON COLLEGE ^	2:00 PM
NOV 12	INDEPENDENCE	3:00 PM
NOV 16	at DODGE CITY*	8:00 PM
NOV 19	HUTCHINSON	7:30 PM
NOV 22	at CLOUD COUNTY*	8:00 PM
NOV 26	at SEWARD COUNTY*	4:00 PM
NOV 30	COFFEYVILLE*	7:30 PM
DEC 3	at NEOSHO COUNTY	4:00 PM
DEC 7	COLBY*	8:00 PM
DEC 10	at GARDEN CITY*	4:00 PM
JAN 4	BUTLER*	8:00 PM
JAN 7	at BARTON*	4:00 PM
JAN 11	at COWLEY*	4:00 PM
JAN 14	ALLEN COUNTY*	4:00 PM
JAN 18	at INDEPENDENCE	8:00 PM
JAN 21	DODGE CITY*	3:00 PM
JAN 25	at HUTCHINSON	8:00 PM
JAN 28	CLOUD COUNTY*	8:00 PM
FEB 1	SEWARD COUNTY*	8:00 PM
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

NOV 1	at NORTHERN OK. -TONKAWA	5:30 PM
NOV 3	at HESSTON COLLEGE	6:00 PM
NOV 7	NORTHERN OK. -ENID	5:30 PM
NOV 9	NORTHERN OK. -TONKAWA	6:00 PM
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WRESTLING

NOV 6	DAN HARRIS OPEN @ BALDWIN CITY, KS
NOV 13	HAROLD NICHOLS OPEN @ AMES, IA
NOV 19	HOLIDAY INN LOPER OPEN @ KEARNEY, NE
DEC 3	BOB SMITH OPEN @ HAYS, KS
DEC 10	DOAME COLLEGE OPEN @ CRETE, NE
JAN 10	PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE 7:00 PM CST
JAN 13	UNK MIDWEST DUALS @ KEARNEY, NE
JAN 17	COUGAR DUALS @ GREAT BEND, KS 4:00 PM CST
JAN 22	ROGER DENKER OPEN @ WARRENSBURG, MO
JAN 26	NEWMAN UNIVERSITY 7:00 PM CST
FEB 11	PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
FEB 24	NJCAA NATIONAL WRESTLING TOURNAMENT @ COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA

TRACK & FIELD

JAN 6	BILL EASTON CLASSIC
JAN 14	CAVALIER INDOOR OPEN
JAN 20	HSSU OPEN
JAN 27	PITTSBURG STATE INVITATIONAL
JAN 28	BILL BUTTERWORTH SHOCKER TRACK CLUB
FEB 4	UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-KEARNEY INVITATIONAL
FEB 17	REGION VI INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP
MAR 3	NJCAA INDOOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

gobeaversports.com

* Conference ^ Site: Dodge City

PCC Opens After Hours Phone Line for Student support

The mission of Pratt Community College is maximum student learning, individual and workforce development, high quality instruction and service, and community enrichment.

In efforts to continually grow and achieve this commitment, PCC now offers an Afterhours phone line with representatives available to answer general questions when offices are closed evenings and weekends.

Representatives will be available Monday through Friday 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on the weekends from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m to provide information about admissions, financial aid, enrollment support and student billing.

The Afterhours phone line will help ensure that questions and comments are answered or directed to a PCC staff member for further follow-up assistance.

Pratt Community College is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and for questions during these hours please call 620-672-5641. For any calls after business hours please call 620-450-9800.

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AFTER-HOURS SERVICE LINE

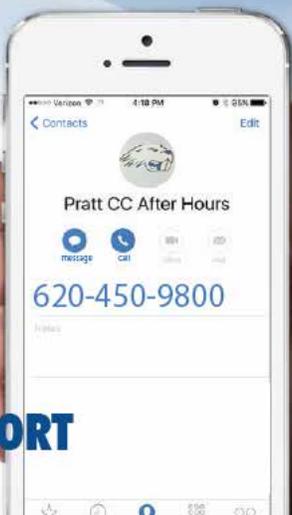
REPRESENTATIVES AVAILABLE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS!

620-450-9800

MON-FRI 6-9PM

SAT-SUN 10-4PM

- ADMISSIONS
- FINANCIAL AID
- ENROLLMENT SUPPORT
- STUDENT BILLING



620-450-9800

Students Invited to Have Photography on Exhibit in Riney Art Gallery

Pratt Community College Riney Art Gallery will feature photos and artwork by PCC students this November through December. Any student is invited to submit photo entries for inclusion in the featured exhibit. Interested artists can send photos to Megan Eaton via email megane@prattcc.edu or deliver a flash drive to Office 77.

Entries are due Nov. 14. Rules and details below.

Entries must be submitted on or before November 14, 2016.

Entries should contain subject matter pertaining to college/student life, Pratt community, Pratt Community College, your sport/organization, or a representation of yourself. Multiple entries will be accepted. Photos submitted digitally will be printed by PCC and framed at no cost to you. Photos and frames will be gifted back to student upon exhibit end.

For questions contact Eaton or the PCC marketing department.

**STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHY
CALL-FOR-ENTRIES**

WE WANT TO SEE...

- College/Student Life
- What PCC Means to You
- Your Major/Organization
- What represents YOU

ARTWORK WILL BE ON EXHIBIT NOV-DEC IN RINEY ART GALLERY

SEND PHOTOS TO **MEGAN EATON**
ENTRIES DUE NOV. 14 **MEGANE@PRATTCC.EDU**

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KACCT Holds Video Contest for Students

**WIN a \$100 or \$50
Amazon gift card!!!!**

Just by telling us why you love your
community college.

WIN

WIN

kacct.org

The Kansas Association of Community College Trustees is holding a video and picture contest for students through Nov. 15.

Students from all Kansas community colleges are invited to enter a video or photo that explains why they "love" their community college.

To enter, current students can submit their entry via email to Judy Halling jhalling@kacct.org with the subject line "Video/Picture Contest" and attach your video and/or picture and 140 characters or less story by Nov. 15, 2016.

Your video entry should be 1-3 minutes in length.

Please include the following in the email body: Your name, address and phone number (required); your college's name; and how long you have been a student at your current college.

Winners will receive a giftcard to amazon.com for \$100 or \$50.

Performing Arts Department Salutes Veterans

To recognize veterans for their service and to celebrate their day, the Pratt Community College Performing Arts Department is hosting a USO show on Monday Nov. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Back to the USO will feature music from 40s era and patriotic music. It will feature the PCC Choir, Encore, Solos and Kids' Choir.

"We started this two years ago and the students loved being able to recognize the veterans so decided to do it again this year," said Misty Beck, head of the Performing Arts Department.

The show will be held in Carpenter Auditorium. There will be a \$5 admittance fee with dessert at intermission.



The Pratt Community College Performing Arts department is holding auditions for their Spring musical, My Son Pinocchio! All ages are welcome to take part in auditions. The PCC Spring Musical includes all members of the Pratt community including PCC staff, students and community kids.

Be ready to sing, dance and act! Auditions will be Nov. 8 and 9 at 7 p.m. in Carpenter Auditorium. For more information, contact Misty Beck by email at mistyb@prattcc.edu.

The production will be March 10-12, 2017.





NOV 7

BACK TO THE **USO**

9PM GREENSPORTS
COMPLEX

NOV 15

OPEN MIC NIGHT

LIBRARY
7:30-9PM



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NOV 8

ELECTION DAY



NOV 16

BASKETBALL

VS. DODGE CITY
6:00 AND 8:00PM



NOV 9

BASKETBALL

VS. NORTHERN OK
6:00PM



NOV 17

BRINGING THE FARM 2CAMPUS

RODEO GROUNDS 2-6PM

AG OLYMPICS

6:30PM



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PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT ACTIVITIES



NOV 10

DODGE BALL

BEAVER DOME ARENA
9:00PM

NOV 21-25

FALL BREAK!

NO CLASSES

NOV 11

VETERAN'S DAY

RECEPTION
LIBRARY 10:00AM



NOV

28 & 29

PIZZA WITH THE PRESIDENT

CHECK WITH RESIDENCE
HALL FOR DAY/TIME