

Pratt Community College Monthly Newsletter

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#### **Upcoming Dates**

Final Exams	May 8-10
Commencement	May 11
Men in Nursing Workshop	May 12
Mother's Day	May 13
Faculty Work Day	May 14
Beaver Building Day	May 16
Memorial Day (Closed)	May 28
Beaver Building Day	May 30

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# PCC SUMMER HOURS

May 21 - July 27, 2018 Monday-Thursday 7:45a-5:15p; Friday 8a-1p

#### Summer and Fall 2018 Enrollment

Enrollment is now underway at Pratt Community College for summer and fall 2018. PCC offers classes on-campus and online for high school students, current or new students, and anyone interested in learning.

A few of the classes offered on campus this summer include Projects in Art, Microcomp Office Apps I, Public Speaking, and Introduction to Music. Other classes being taught are College Algebra, English Composition I & II, Microbiology, Anatomy & Physiology, and Auto Service Techniques.

Pratt Online is offering classes in Electrical Power Technology, such as Underground Systems, Electrical Essentials, and Transformers & Metering. German I and II are also being taught online as well.

A variety of Nurse Aide I, Medication Aide, and Medication Aide Update classes are being taught as hybrid classes online with labs and clinicals on campus on certain weekends.

EduKan is also providing a wide variety of classes related to art, science, geography, and more.

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

#### **Summer Sessions**

May 30-June 27 May 30-July 27 June 28-July 27

Fall Start Date August 22

Residence halls open August 19



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#### 30th Annual PCC Scholarship Auction a Huge Success

Approximately 300 people attended the 30th Annual PCC Scholarship Auction which was held on April 13, 2018 in the Dennis Lesh Sports Arena on Pratt's main campus. This years auction was a milestone for the event being the 30th year. The college is marking the 80 year anniversary of the founding of the institution as well as the 50 year anniversary for the dedication of our main campus. According to Barry Fisher, Executive Director of Institutional Advancement and Alumni Relations, this was the most successful auction to date.

"Thank you to everyone who made this year's event our most successful auction ever," said Fisher. "Together, we were able to raise over \$74,000, and 100 percent of the auction proceeds go directly to provide scholarships for PCC students. Your support of this event has helped make PCC an option for many students who would otherwise not be able to attend college."

A wide-variety of scholarships will be provided thanks to the fundraising efforts of the auction including athletic scholarships, departmental scholarships based on area of study, tuition assistance for graduating high school seniors

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of Pratt County, summer scholarships, veteran scholarships, and tuition credit waivers to high school students who earn an A or B in qualifying College Start (concurrent) courses.

For more information about the Foundation, contact Barry Fisher at barryf@prattcc.edu or 620-450-2179. For information about financial aid for students, contact Financial Aid Director Haley Lindsey at 620-450-2248 or visit prattcc.edu/FinancialAid.





"You either hated Verneene, or you loved her!"

Verneene Forssberg, former instructor at Pratt Community College, recalls what many students and peers thought in her 38 years of teaching and coaching at the institution.

Forssberg began her journey at PCC in 1968. She and her husband moved to Pratt the previous year, as he was teaching at the middle school and she was preparing to have a baby.

"We had moved here from Leon," said Forssberg. "I had taught school there and he taught school there. That's where we met. We moved here starting a family. We liked Pratt and thought it was a good little town to raise a family in."

Forssberg became the very first physical education teacher PCC had. Two years later, she became the first women's athletic coach.

"I set up the entire physical education curriculum and soon became the department head for PE," said Forssberg. "As time went on, I coached all sports, sometimes at the same time. I coached volleyball, tennis, softball, and basketball."

Despite being the first women's coach, Forssberg never had experience playing any of the sports on a competitive level.

"I wasn't really particularly a great coach. I never played sports. When I was in college, I majored in physical education and history," said Forssberg. "That was the time they began to reinstitute girls sports into the high schools. I had missed that part, so I didn't have life experience in the area, but I depended heavily on my husband, since he was a coach."

Forssberg admits during that time period, being a women's athletic coach was not the most glamorous task. She had to fight for gym time to practice and better equipment, which were mostly allocated to men's sports at the time.

"You had to elbow your way into the gym for time," said Forssberg. "It wasn't really a thankful position but it was one that I did because it was needed."

Out of all the sports she had the opportunity to coach, one particularly stood out to her as her favorite.

"Volleyball was my favorite sport to coach," said Forssberg. "I knew more about volleyball than any other sport. I really struggled coaching basketball. I don't think I ever got to where I should be. I learned more from the girls than they ever learned from me."

Aside from the plethora of sports Forssberg coached, she also had an abundance of classes she taught.

"Eventually I began to move over into teaching history," said Forssberg. "I became the department chair for social science education. I taught a lot of history while still teaching in the physical education area. I started teaching yearbook and newspaper. I knew absolutely nothing about that, so I took courses to learn how to better



teach them. Then I was asked to teach reading. I went to Fort Hays State University to learn how to teach reading. I used to joke that I taught everything at the college except tractor driving, and I wasn't too sure they weren't going to appoint me to do that!"

"My favorite class I taught would probably be Perspectives of Human Sexuality since it was so controversial," said Forssberg. "I taught it for almost as long as I was there. Before I began teaching it, the textbooks we had were taken out of the bookstore and parked in the President's office for several weeks. He said he had to get the core subject approved because it just told it like it was. It was kind of funny."

Though Perspectives of Human Sexuality was her favorite class, she admits she enjoyed just about everything she taught.

#### Featured Alumnus: Verneene Forssberg continued

"I really liked teaching the histories," said Forssberg. "I really liked teaching everything to be honest with you. I got a big kick out of teaching reading, because I would take the kids in their regarded disciplines and teach them how to get the most out of reading their textbooks. I felt kind of successful doing that. It was an enriching thing for me and I enjoyed seeing their growth."

While Forssberg prides herself as a teacher most students loved, she admits that wasn't always the case.

"Students and other instructors would say, 'You either hate Verneene or you love her,'" said Forssberg. "That's how it was. If you didn't come to class or follow the rules, I'd tell you about it. If you acted up, I'd tell you about it. I broke up fights in the halls. I would stop people from writing on walls and defacing school property. I would tell them they shouldn't do that. At the time, a lot of people were uncomfortable standing up to the students."

Throughout the 38 years Forssberg was employed at the college, she saw numerous physical changes with the campus to shape it how it is today.

"For one thing, when I started working there, the parking lot wasn't paved," said Forssberg. "When it rained, you would be traveling around in mud. Of course, all the other buildings and dorms were eventually added as well. I was there when there were several projects to pass bonds. It was a part of life around there."

She also recalls the cafeteria being located where the current offices for Student Services is at.

"That's where we had coffee," said Forssberg. "Everybody would congregate there for a cup of coffee."

Forssberg was involved with the National Education Association and the Pratt Higher Education Associations (PHEA) during her time as an instructor. She also spent a few years as president of the PHEA.

"That put me right in the middle of negotiations and a lot of times, those were very contentious," said Forssberg.

Despite the challenges with being a female coach and working through negotiations while in the PHEA, Forssberg enjoyed what she did and the memories she gained along the way.

"The kids were definitely part of my favorite memories at the college," said Forssberg. "I have a funny sense of humor. I arrived one day and my journalism class, which had a bunch of jokers, had a broom parked outside my room with a sign on it that said 'Vern's car.' That kind of tells you that you were loved, as oddly as it may sound."

She also enjoyed the people she worked with and often joked around with them as well.

"The people I worked with from day to day are also what I enjoyed about PCC," said Forssberg. "I used to ride the janitors tails about turning up the heat in the parking lot! It makes for a better working environment when you enjoy the people you work with."

Forssberg and her husband continue to live in Pratt today. She is happily spending her retirement spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Pratt Community College would like to thank her for her time and effort in her 38 years of building futures.

September 6, 1938, Pratt Junior College opened its doors as the 14th junior college created in Kansas. Pratt "Juco" welcomed 150 new students to its original campus located on 401 S Hamilton St. Eighty years later, Pratt Community College, is proud to have helped build the futures of thousands of students on-campus, online, at our Winfield and Wichita learning centers and through high school concurrent enrollment.

The mission of Pratt Community College is maximum student learning, individual and workforce development, high quality instruction and service, and community enrichment. PCC is proud to be a part of the community in Pratt, Kansas. With more than 80 years of history, PCC remains humbled to serve our community and students who come to build a foundation for their lives.

This year we celebrate this grand anniversary and remember those who've walked through these halls. Each month during 2018 PCC is proud to feature stories and memories from alumnae, community members and faculty who have helped see our institution and mission grow. If you would like to share an experience or memory or be considered for one of our monthly features contact Jessica Sanko, 620-450-1292, jessicas@prattcc.edu.

#### EPT Students Awarded Scholarships from ITC Great Plains

On May 1, ITC Great Plains, LLC awarded scholarships to two students currently in the Electrical Power Technology program at Pratt Community College. Students Willie Wilkerson and Brayden Bittel were recognized for their hard work in the program and received the scholarships in front of their peers and instructors.

Kim Goodnight, Regional Manager for Community Affairs at ITC Great Plains, presented the scholarships to the students. This is the sixth year the company has provided scholarships to the EPT students at PCC.

"We are very fortunate to have companies like ITC in our industry," said EPT Instructor Dave Campbell. "They always remember to support programs like ours



because they know our students are their workforce of the future. Their scholarship will help two of our students achieve their goals in training for their careers."

Wilkerson grew up in Plainsville, Kan. He job shadowed for Western Cooperative in high school and decided he wanted to become a lineman.

"I heard about Pratt through a good friend. I decided to come here because I saw great opportunity," said Wilkerson. "The program is an excellent program that I have learned a lot from and all of the many skills I learned I will be able to take into the workforce with me."

Wilkerson will graduate this year with an associate's degree.

Bittel is from Ellis, Kan. He chose to become a lineman after watching his dad and uncle find success in the field.

"My dad and uncle are lineman. I grew up around it and I fell in love with it," said Bittel. "The program at PCC is a great one to attend. I have learned and absorbed so much from this program that will help me succeed in line work."

Bittel will obtain his certificate this semester. He will earn his associate's degree after finishing a couple classes this summer then will be working at Midwest Energy in Hays.

"We have so many deserving students, it is difficult to just pick two for this scholarship. Brayden Bittel and Willie Wilkerson were selected because of their leadership in the class," said Campbell. "Many students have done very well in the program but Brayden and Willie have distinguished themselves as leaders who always can be counted on to do the right things and step up when the training is difficult. They have earned this recognition."

"ITC values our long-standing relationship with Pratt Community College and Pratt County," said Goodnight. "We appreciate the opportunity to support these deserving students as their investments in our industry are invaluable."

#### About ITC Great Plains

ITC Great Plains, LLC is a transmission-only utility operating in the Southwest Power Pool region. The company operates approximately 470 circuit miles of transmission lines in Kansas and Oklahoma. ITC Great Plains maintains regional offices in Dodge City, Topeka and Wichita, Kansas, and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. ITC Great Plains is a subsidiary of ITC Grid Development, LLC, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of ITC Holdings Corp., the nation's largest independent electric transmission company. For further information visit www.itc-holdings.com. ITC is a subsidiary of Fortis Inc., a leader in the North American regulated electric and gas utility industry. For further information visit www.fortisinc.com.

# Doug Brehm Named 2018 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year

The Pratt Community College Foundation has selected Doug Brehm as the 2018 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year. The Outstanding Alumnus of the Year award goes to alumni who have made contributions to their career and community. The award was originally established in 1966.

Brehm grew up in Pratt, Kansas and graduated from Skyline High School in 1980. He decided to begin his college career at PCC as both his parents and his brother attended. He thought it was a great way to accustom himself to college by starting at a place he knew so well.

In 1982, Brehm graduated from PCC with an associate degree in science. While at PCC, he was involved in numerous student activities. He was a member of Encore! and Phi Theta Kappa. He enjoyed attending basketball games as a student and being able to continue his academic endeavors with his friends from high school.

After graduating from PCC, Brehm transferred to Kansas State University where he received his bachelor's degree in business administration and management in 1985. Brehm's educational goals extended past a bachelor's degree, so he attended Washburn University School of Law. In 1988, he



received his juris doctorate from the university. He is currently a certified trust and financial advisor and an inactive member of the Kansas Bar Association.

After graduating from Washburn University, Brehm moved back to his hometown and advanced in his career to Vice President of the People's Bank, where he remained until 2000. At that point in time, he decided to change careers to work at the INTRUST Bank in Wichita, where he currently holds the title of Senior Wealth Advisor.

Although he resides in Wichita, Brehm is still very active in the Pratt community. He currently serves as Chairman of the Board for the Miss Kansas Scholarship Foundation and Miss Kansas Pageant Inc., where he has been a volunteer for 38 years. He is also a supporter of the Filley Art Museum.

In his free time, Brehm enjoys traveling, running, and learning more about history.

"It's a great honor to be the 2018 recipient of this award," said Brehm. "I feel that Pratt Community College plays an integral part in the community and enriches the students' lives that attend. It's important that we continue to facilitate the success of the college in all different ways."



### PCC Shooting Sports Team Takes Fourth in San Antonio Nationals

March 26 through April 1, seven students from the Pratt Community College Shooting Sports team traveled to the National Collegiate Clay Target Championship in San Antonio, Texas to compete against 76 teams from all over the nation. PCC Shooting Sports came home with a Division 4 seventh place win and fourth place win overall two year colleges in the nation.

This is the seventh year PCC has competed in the event against local, regional and national universities and community colleges and the second year that 2-year institutions had their own division.

The team took seven shooters to compete, Tyler Skaggs, Chase Bunyard,



#### ational Shooting Comple

Joshua Dixon, Morgan Domme, Audriaunna Martin, Shania Hansen and Haley Slattery. Dixon took the lead in points for the team earning top marks in International Skeet, International Trap and Super Sporting. Dome earned top marks for the team in American Trap.

"We would like to thank all faculty and staff for supporting us throughout the year and especially at nationals in San Antonio," said Wildlife Instructor and Shooting Sports Coach Luke Laha.

The mission of the Pratt Community College Shooting Sports Club is to promote the safe handling of firearms, instill a lasting respect for the shooting sports, and provide the opportunity for members to improve their leadership and team building skills through a variety of training courses, competitions, and community service projects while enjoying the recreational and social benefits the shooting sports have to offer.

## Kansas Men in Nursing Workshop being held on PCC Campus

Pratt Community College will be hosting a Kansas Men in Nursing Workshop on Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The free event is open to males of all ages with an interest in the Nursing field.

The workshop will provide resources and knowledge needed for success in the challenging Nursing environment. It is geared for men of all ages that have an interest in the nursing field to gather, learn, network, and to provide a background on exploring careers in nursing.

Presenters for the workshop include male industry experts as well as recent male graduates from the PCC ADN program. A current student discussion panel will also provide attendees the opportunity to ask questions of current students to further clarify and evaluate their personal goals regarding a career in the nursing field.

Exhibits and demonstrations during the event will include the following topics:

- Nursing Simulation
- Expectations of Nursing
- Nursing Career Options

For more information, please contact Frank Stahl at franks@prattcc.edu.



#### Withers awarded 30th Boyd Davies Executive-in-Residence

On Apr. 26, Pratt Community College will recognize their 30th Boyd Davies Executive-in-Residence, owner and operator of Southwest Truck Parts, Dale Withers.

The Boyd Davies Executivein-Residence program was implemented in 1988 by the Accounting and Business Department to give the students at PCC the opportunity to interact with a business person or persons from the area and learn about his/her experiences. Nominees come from a large background of fields, exhibit a long and successful career in business, and are willing to share that knowledge with our college community.

"The committee was pleased to select Dale Withers for this award. He has successfully owned and operated Southwest Truck Parts for many years, and he can help our students understand what it takes to build a successful business," said Carol Ricke, business instructor. "Congratulations to Dale!"

Withers grew up in Pratt and graduated from Pratt High School in 1960. During his senior year of high school, he decided he wanted to follow his family's footsteps and start a business. At the fime, the Withers family owned a salvage yard and sold used items. Dale started a business similar to his family's line of work during the end of the first semester of his senior year. Southwest Truck Parts originated in 1959 on Highway 54 and has since branched into a major employer in Pratt.

The company gears itself to selling new and used parts, as well as providing the service for heavy duty trucks. It has a subsidiary company, 54 Pickup, which is geared for light duty trucks. It has grown to include three parts stores in Ponca City, Enid, and Woodward, OK. It serves southern Kansas, northern Oklahoma, and ships all around the world.

Withers attributes his part



of his success to the time he started the business.

"I started in the best of times," said Withers. "When I started, trucks didn't amount to anything. The economy of the world then shifted and trucks were being made bigger. I was there at the right time and the right place."





#### Withers awarded 30th Boyd Davies Executive-in-Residence Continued

Southwest Truck Parts has a number of employees who have been with the company for over 30 years. Withers feel that is another reason why the company has been successful. In order to keep the employees, he believes he and the company must take care of them, so they will take care of the company in return.

"We do have good people who have been around for a while, but we take care of them too," said Withers. "They depend on you. I went to a Christmas party one year where 250 employees and their family members were present. I realized that I was responsible for every one of those mouths. I didn't look at it that way before. Everything I did reflected on that little girl sitting out in the crowd. In order to keep employees, you have got to take care of them and their

families."

Withers is very active in the community and enjoys supporting it as a businessman and a citizen in Pratt. He takes pride in supporting the community and believes having a good relationship with the local community is crucial towards the success of a business. He donates his time and money to various local businesses and foundations, including the Pratt Community College Scholarship Auction, in which Southwest Truck Parts was the exclusive Platinum Underwriter in 2017 and 2018.

"When you do things you enjoy, you need to share it with your community," said Withers. "They are the ones that give it to you. You've got to turn around and give it back to them. They are the ones that give you what you have." Withers believes the final piece to the majority of his success was his wife and former co-owner, Arlene.

"Arlene took care of the house. Since she passed, I have to do that, too," said Withers. "If I had to do what she did, I wouldn't be here. She would do the housework and once she was finished with that, she would come out to Southwest Truck Parts and work out here. She was a good woman."

Southwest Truck Parts is located at 1630 E. 1st and they are constantly working on achieving their goal, which is exceeding customer expectations.

Withers was honored at Pratt Community College Apr. 26 with a coffee reception for family and guests followed by a presentation at 11 a.m. in Carpenter Auditorium.











#### PCC Baseball Wraps Up Season With Road Series At Southeast Nebraska

The 2018 season for Pratt Community College baseball comes to an end with a three game road series against Southeast Nebraska Community College. PCC battled Southeast in three hard fought games. In the end it came down to the third and final game where the Beavers fell behind Southeast and came up short in the ninth. PCC takes one of the three games in the series.

Game one saw Southeast get on the board first in the second inning. The Blue and White tied things up in the third. An error by the left fielder brought Darrian Aldridge home for the run. Pratt took the lead in the fifth off of an error. Later in the inning and with bases loaded Keaton Gage grounded out to third base, but Elerie Rivera scored for the Beavers. PCC took a 3-1 lead into the bottom of the fifth. Southeast countered with a double in the fifth to clear the bases and take the lead. Pratt's offense went cold as the Beavers fell to Southeast 3-4 in game one.



Rivera led the offense for the Blue and White in the first game.

Rivera finished three for four at the plate with a run. Ashton Roy hit two for four. Aldridge batted two for three with a pair of runs. On the mound, Dalton Huggins struck out seven and walked three of the 22 batters he faced.

The Beavers wasted no time in the first game taking the lead in the first inning with four runs. Pratt loaded the bases and scored thanks to two singles in four at bats. Southeast answered with three runs in the bottom of the first. After one complete inning, PCC lead 4-3.

Going into the fourth, the Blue and White added four runs to the lead. Gage Axline singled to center to bring Aldridge home. Roy came up next and hit a home run to right field. Another run by Pratt sent PCC into the bottom of the fourth leading 8-3. Southeast cut the lead with three runs in the bottom of the fourth. Pratt gained runs in the eighth and the ninth innings to take the win in game 2 10-7.

Rivera continued to excel at the plate for the Beavers in game two. Rivera ended the game three for six with a run. Sean Johnson batted two for four with a run and an RBI. Aldridge hit two for four with two runs. Kenneth Gonzalez finished two for four with an RBI.

The rubber match between Pratt and Southeast saw the Blue and White fall behind early. Late efforts by the Beavers mounted six runs, but could not tie the game with Southeast. PCC drops game three to Southeast 6-10.

Aldridge went a perfect four for four with a run and an RBI in game three. Roy hit two for five with a run. Khalir Vazquez batted one for four with a run. Rivera ended the game one for four with a run.

#### PCC softball season ends in the Region VI tournament

Pratt Community College softball traveled to Garden City, Kan. to compete in the Region VI softball tournament. Beginning on April 27, the Beavers faced Butler Community College and Garden City Community College over the double elimination tournament. Pratt faced off against a hot hitting Butler team that used the long ball to score. PCC loses the first game to Butler 1-9. The Blue and White took an early lead in the second inning against Garden City CC. A big inning for Garden City in the fourth gave them the runs to secure the win. PCC falls 5-13 to Garden City.

The first game in the tournament saw Kelie Byers score the lone run for the Beavers. With runners on the corners, a wild pitch brought Byers home from third. Pratt used a three pitcher rotation against Butler with each pitcher throwing two innings each. Ariana Perales started on the stripe giving up three hits and three walks in the loss.



Pratt and Garden City battled in the early innings of the must win

elimination game. Garden started the scoring in the first inning with a run. The Blue and White quickly countered to take the lead in the second with two runs. With runners on first and second Makenzie Anderson singled to left to drive in Taylor Schuller. Marisa Jonas singled to the pitcher to bring in Lyndsey Loomis from third to take a 2-1 lead.

Garden City reclaimed the lead in the bottom of the second, but Pratt battled back with runs in the third and fourth innings. Anderson hit a single to center to score Schuller and Loomis for a pair of runs in the third. Monica Courville grounded to first to bring home Jonas to cut the Garden City lead to three runs. PCC trailed Garden City 5-8. Garden City's big inning came in the bottom half of the fourth as they took the win. PCC softball's season comes to an end with a 5-13 loss to Garden City.

Anderson ended the Garden City game three for four at the plate with a team high three RBIs. Jonas batted two for three with a run and an RBI. Schuller hit a perfect two for two with two runs. Loomis finished the game one for two at bat with two runs.

#### PCC student athletes awarded in the 2018 PCC student achievement awards

On the night of May second Pratt Community College held their annual student achievement awards. Several of the Beaver student athletes were awarded for their accomplishments over the past year in the classroom and on their fields of play.

Juliana Alarcon-Diaz received several awards for her contributions to the PCC community off of the basketball court. Alarcon-Diaz was awarded by the PCC Club International as the outstanding international student. She was also awarded for her role this past year as a residence assistant in the residence life department.

Alarcon-Diaz was not the only student athlete awarded by residence life. Student athletes made up 16 of the 22 residence assistants in the dorms at PCC. Each residence assistant was awarded for their contributions in the residence halls and at events sponsored by residence life throughout the 2017-18 school year.



Sophomore volleyball player Kwanza Jones was recognized for her contributions to PCC performing arts. For her two years of work for performing arts, Jones was recognized as an awesome sophomore with the rest of the performing arts students.

The second half of the awards ceremony was dedicated to PCC athletics and the student athletes who made an impact in their sport.

The fall sports had several athletes recognized for their performances on the field in 2017. For men's soccer Aaron Grant was selected as the defensive player of the year as well as the most valuable player for PCC men's soccer. This past season Grant had two goals and two assists with six points. Offensive player of the year was Francesco D'Auliero. D'Auliero ended his season for the Blue and White with three goals, two assists and seven points. Both D'Auliero and Grant were selected to the first team KJCCC this season for their contributions to Pratt men's soccer.

On the women's side, Mattison Futhey was selected as defensive player of the year for PCC women's soccer. The offensive player of the year was Avery Villines. Villines ended the season with eight points, four assists and two goals for the Beavers. She was selected to the second team all-conference in the KJCCC.

In cross country, Aminata Kenyawani was the female runner of the year and Xavier Ortiz was male runner of the year. Kenyawani qualified for the NJCAA cross country national meet and set the school record for the female half marathon. Ortiz also qualified and competed in the NJCAA cross country national meet.

Rounding out the fall sports was volleyball. Lexi Schamberger received the most valuable player award. The leadership award was given to Gabrielle Ediger. Most improved was Jordan Jones.

PCC cheer awarded the outstanding cheerleader of the year to Carly Tomlin. Tomlin will move on from PCC to cheer for McPherson College.

Channa Parvin was selected as the leading field goal percentage player for women's basketball. Parvin was selected as a KJCCC all-conference honorable mention shooting 32 percent from the field, 34 percent from three-point range, and 76 percent from the free throw line. She also scored 193 points with 62 rebounds, 38 assists and 15 steals. Tianna Tullis won the top rebounder award with 127 rebounds and 151 points. Most improved player was Anna Wesley.

For men's basketball, the most valuable player was James Brooks. Brooks ended the season with 401 points and 192 rebounds. He was selected as the KJCCC player of the week for week 10. The outstanding human award was given to Jaylon Wilson. Wilson was selected as a KJCCC all-conference honorable mention scoring 443 points and 117 rebounds for the Blue and White this season. Asem Johnson received the most improved award.

PCC wrestling selected Dalton Hensley as the freshman of the year. The leadership award was given to Nickolas Lucas. Lucas was an NJCAA national qualifier at 165. He was selected to the second team KJCCC with a record of 15-4 with 10 pins and two tech falls. Brayan Balderamma received the most improved award. Due to injury, Balderamma went from a freshmen who was going to be redshirted to a national qualifier at 125 lbs. class.

Ashton Roy received the hitter of the year award for baseball. Roy batted .360 with 48 RBIs, 40 runs and 10 home runs. Pitcher of the year was Sean McElwee. McElwee had 12 appearances and 10 starts for the Beavers this season. He threw 49 strikeouts this season. The baseball leadership award was given to Trace Maddux.

In softball, defensive player of the year was Taylor Schuller. Schuller batted .298 with 21 runs, 13 RBIs and two home runs this season. She also had 95 put outs and 24 assists in the field. Marisa Jonas was selected as the offensive player of the year. Jonas hit .380 with 30 runs and 30 RBIs with 8 home runs. The most valuable softball player from this season was a tie between Jonas and Schuller.

Track and field had several athletes who were awarded for their accomplishments this season. Most improved male athlete was Juvens Pierre. Jevony Murray was awarded as the male freshmen of the year. The most valuable male athlete for track and field was Dorson St. Phard. On the women's side, Feja Hodges was selected as the most improved female athlete. Freshmen of the year was Madeline Jacobsen. The most valuable female athlete was split between Jacobsen and Anysia Romain.

Several students may not have performed on the field, but their efforts in athletic training helped keep their classmates playing or improving to return to the field of play. The student trainers of the year were Brinklee Reed and Marissa Dedrick.

The PCC male student athlete of the year was James Brooks and the female student athlete of the year was Marisa Jonas.

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\* Graduates check-in upper commons area at 1:15 p.m. **DENNIS LESH SPORTS AREA** IN THE BENSON EDUCATION CENTER 348 NE SR 61, PRATT, KS 67124



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# DOWNLOAD THE NEW STUDENT APP FOR PCC

The new mobile application provides a convenient way for students to access SelfService, grades, class schedules, student financial information, view campus maps and find valuable campus information!

- On your smart phone visit the app store and download/launch Ellucian Go
- Search for Pratt Community College from the school list

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- Click on the menu in the upper left to see available applications like PCC News, Self Service, Canvas, Campus Maps, Events Calendar and Financial Info
- Use your SelfService **login and password** to unlock secure applications with a "locked" icon on the right
- THE PRATT CC MOBILE APP IS NO LONGER OPERATIONAL AS OF APR. 20, 2018







































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#### Special Announcements

- May 11<sup>th</sup>: Graduation is at 2PM in the Beaver Dome
- May 11<sup>th</sup>: Residence Halls Close at 5PM (For Non-Graduates)
- May 12<sup>th</sup>: Residence Halls Close at 12PM (For Graduates)
- Residents Must Sign Up on an RA Door for Proper Check Out