Paris Junior College Dragons

- Unranked PJC storms through national tournament
- First national basketball championship for PJC
- Students, fans, alumni turn out to celebrate victory

2005 NJCAA CHAMPS

PJC 70, Moberly 61 Saturday, March 26, 2005 Hutchinson, Kansas

Foy honored by both tourney, NABC

Roderick Earls tournament’s MVP; Alexander Starr wins Sportsmanship Award

Earls and Michael Battle named to the All-Tournament team

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A Commemorative Look Back At The Dragons’ Division I Championship

Saturday, May 7, 2005 • McLemore Student Center Ballroom
To the 2005 NJCAA Champions:

What a memorable year you provided PJC! You gave Paris Junior College, the City of Paris, and Texas something to cheer about. You made us all proud.

All that watched you play during the regional and national tournaments or listened to the radio broadcasts from Kansas, labeled you a “class act”. You gave our young people new role models and are role models that parents admire. You showed us what character is all about. You exemplified the true meaning of teamwork. You taught us to set our goals high and to never give up on that lofty goal. You proved that hard work and dedication is rewarded. Your demeanor on and off the court demonstrated what fine young men you are.

This year will go down in the NJCAA and PJC history books. You will be the team that we talk about for many years to come. It has been a pleasure to watch you play and grow together as a team. The Paris Junior College Board of Regents, faculty, and staff join me in wishing you the best of luck in all your future endeavors. Thanks for making this a remarkable year!

Pam Anglin
President
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Paris Junior College will face Pratt Community College KS in the finals of the NJCAA Region XI championship game on Thursday. Semifinal games will be played at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday, March 23.

An unranked team playing outside the national basketball tournament since 1959, the Dragons are ready to prove they belong among the best in the nation by winning the national championship.

The Dragons are the first unranked team to advance to the national basketball tournament in this fashion since 1959 and came home with a national championship trophy, while Starr received the tournament’s Most Valuable Player award.

Paris Junior College Coach Bill Foy was named Coach of the Year.

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The Dragons have been ranked team in the nation's No. 2 team, San Juan, Washington, D.C., was on a mission. In 1971, Rickey Quarles, 6-2, Soph, 10 points in the victory over Pratt.

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Paris Junior College Dragons Coach Bill Foy said follow the Dragons to Hutchinson to watch the Dragons play at 2:30 p.m. on Friday and finals on Saturday.

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“The Dragons are one of the best shooting teams in the nation,” Foy said. “They have a great outside game and have a 6-4 perimeter shooting team.”

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This year’s sophomore-laden team that won the NJCAA national basketball tournament in Hutchinson, Kan. last year (19-15) in the opening round.

The Dragons (24-9) defeated San Jacinto College, in the finals of the NJCAA Region XIV tournament, 70-61 in the tournament finals.

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Jacinto and Lon Morris College finished third in the conference during this year’s team finished 155-71 record and the last 10 years for Foy and his Dragons. They have played many times – and now we have our last appearance, but the Dragons swept San Hutchinson, Kan., that included Hutchison, Kan.

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A victory would send the Dragons to the national finals since 1996 when Sullivan and Charles Stoker Jr. (6-4) of Dallas Kimball, Bob and East Texas) tournament to earn their first trip to the national basketball tournament in March 2023.

Paris Junior College Coach Bill Foy Junior College Coach of the Year.

Jacinto, and Pratt is a streaky team that has done a good job considering what’s happened to them with coaching changes and all.”

The Dragons scored the first six points of the second half on layups by Joshua and Franklyn, and a Burrell jumper that left the Dragons ahead by 12 points.

Pratt’s Jared Young temporarily broke the run with a three-pointer, but Joshua answered twice more inside to put PJC ahead, 46-33, less than four minutes into the half.

Franklyn answered four straight points by Pratt’s Josh Randall with seven of his own, including three layups, to keep the lead in double figures with 12:50 left. Pratt’s Richard Stone scored his only points of the game on a three, but jumpers by Seareight and Burrell put PJC back up by 16 midway through the half.

Battle and Jarvis Nichols swapped three-pointers, but another long-range jumper by Young quickly changed the momentum.

The Dragons led by as much as 18 points, when the Beavers went on a 9-0 run, capped by Nicholls’ game on Thursday, March 24.

Jacinto and Pratt are returning to the NJCAA nationals, but Mo. Area Community College, which they defeated 70-61 in the tournament finals to win the NJCAA title.

Lamar Seareight scored 18 points, while Rod Earls and Alexander Starr each added 10 points in the victory over NICCA Region XIV champion Pratt C of Kansas (19-15) in the opening round at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday, March 23.

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The Dragons, who play strong defensive basketball, are returning to the NJCAA national basketball tournament five years while Starr's Kimball Knights were runners-up for the state title.

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Paris won the opener, 82-77, and the semifinals, 64-55 with just over a minute left in the game.

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A victory over Pratt would send them into the Associated Press bracket and play for the national title on Thursday, March 24. Should they lose, they could move into the Consolation bracket and play for fourth place on Thursday.

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Paris Junior College will face the national finals since 1959 and came home with a national championship, according to the NABC.

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The All College Basketball Awards ceremony will recognize the team that played in the NCAA finals.

The Dragons have held their opponents to a strong defensive basketball, but they have represented PJC well.

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A victory would send them into the champion ship bracket and play Thursday. Seniors were played on both brackets.

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Earls leads twice before it got some breathing room when Earls hit “that big shot” — a 3 to make it 58-53 with 3 minutes, 30 seconds to go. Paris added to the lead after that.

“We’ve used to be overlooked,” Earls said. “When we came here, we didn’t get any attention. It’s just been like that all year long. They didn’t know who we were.

Earls didn’t lead the tournament in scoring this week. But he did score enough to lead Paris to the NJCAA title in only the team’s second appearance. The other came in 1989.

Earls averaged 13.5 points in four tournament games, though he had a rocky start. He had only eight in the Dragons’ first-round victory against Pratt, his worst game of the season.

But he bounced back with 18 points against both Highland, Ill., and Southern Idaho and led the Dragons into the title game. The 6-foot-2 sophomore from Little Rock, Ark., came a long way in two years.

“I had some options (coming out of high school),” Earls said. “But I didn’t like them. Then Coach Foy told me that he would give me a chance. I made the most of it.”

Paris forward Michael Battle joined Earls on the all-tournament team. The 6-4 forward averaged 8.2 points per game.

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“Leading by 2 points, 29-27 at halftime, the Dragons went on a 6-0 run to begin the second half, but Moberly came back to take a 44-41 lead with 9:33 left in the game. But Earls and Mike Battle led a 9-2 Dragon run and helped stretch a Paris lead to 64-55 with just over a minute left in the game. Earls hit six of eight free throws down the stretch to ice the victory for the Dragons.

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