Paris Junior College

Annual Report

2004-2005
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Academic information, grades, activity calendars, schedules, sports information, feature photography, employment opportunities, campus news and much more are now just a click away.

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562,220

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A Season For Champions

Head Coach Bill Foy and his 2004-2005 Dragons men’s basketball team surprised everyone but themselves when they took the NJCAA national championship in Hutchinson, Kan., on March 26.

The Dragons defeated the nation’s No. 2 team, San Jacinto College, in the finals of the NJCAA Region XIV tournament to earn their first trip to the national finals since 1959.

The unranked Dragons then swept through a four-game schedule in the national tournament that included sixth-ranked College of Southern Idaho and 16th-ranked Moberly (Mo.) Area Community College, which they defeated 70-61 in the tournament finals to win the NJCAA title.

The national title is the first for the PJC Dragons in basketball.

Foy, a native of Fort Wayne, Ind., has compiled a 203-118 record during his 10-year tenure at Paris Junior College.

Dragon Rod Earls, from Little Rock, Ark., was named MVP of the tournament, while teammate Alexander Starr received the Charles Fesher Sportsmanship Award. Foy was named Coach of the Tournament. Earls, Starr and teammate Michael Battle were named to the All-Tournament team.

The National Association of Basketball Coaches named Foy Junior College Coach of the Year.

Dragons At The Capitol

The national champion Paris Junior College Dragons were invited to visit the State Capitol in Austin and appear before the Texas Legislature. At right, the PJC Dragons and PJC President Dr. Pamela Anglin are pictured with State Rep. Mark Homer and Tom Craddick, Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.
By The Numbers

24

Number of NJCAA national tournament teams coached by Mickey Flippen.

Golfers Make 24th Trip To Nationals

The Paris Junior College Dragons golf program continued its tradition of excellence as the squad made its 24th trip to the NJCAA national tournament last spring, finishing in sixth place.

Dragons golfer Ryan Zamorano took the tournament’s individual title, shooting rounds of 76, 76, 67 and 69. Zamorano later signed to continue his golf career at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Last spring’s national tournament marked the end of the storied career of PJC golf coach Mickey Flippen, who retired after 33 years at PJC.

Flippen has been inducted into the National Golf Coaches Association Hall of Fame and was inducted into the PJC Athletic Hall-Of-Fame in 1991. He was named NJCAA Region XIV Coach Of The Year 10 times during his career at PJC.

David Johnson, a coach at Navarro College since 1998, was named golf coach and kinesiology instructor for the fall semester and fielded a squad that includes two players from spring’s national tournament team.

Zamorano Takes The Title

PJC Dragons golfer Ryan Zamorano accepts his trophy after winning the individual title at the NJCAA Division I Men’s Golf Championship tournament.
Homer And Franklin Honored

State Rep. Mark Homer (right) and Larry Franklin (inset), chairman of the board of Harte-Hanks Inc. in San Antonio, were honored during the past year as Distinguished Alumni of Paris Junior College.

Homer, who represents District 3 in Northeast Texas, was praised for his leadership and moral values as a member of the Texas House of Representatives.

“On behalf of Paris Junior College, I want to express my appreciation to you,” said PJC Board of Regents President Paul Gene Roden. “You are a wonderful representative for the State of Texas, for the district, for Lamar County, Paris, and PJC. I want to personally say thank you.”

“Paris Junior College is very special to this Ladonia native,” said Franklin. “Coming to PJC was the turning point in my life. It gave me an opportunity to reach my goals — my potential.”

Franklin and his wife have endowed five scholarships at PJC. One of the scholarships is the Charlotte Franklin Music Scholarship. Another is given in honor of Charlie and Marian Walker. Franklin also gave an athletic scholarship in the name of his good friend and PJC football teammate Peter Link. The other two scholarships are given for general use.
Enrollment Climbs Again

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Radiology Technology Now At PJC

Dozens of applicants competed for the 20 positions available in Paris Junior College’s first Radiology Technology class that started in the spring of 2005.

“Radiology technologist is one of the top 10 on the Texas Workforce Commission’s Target Occupation List. We have a requirement to meet community needs in relation to health care,” said Marcia Putnam, director of health occupations at PJC.

The college designed a curriculum and a program that gained approval from various radiology organizations and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, a move spurred by need, both locally and statewide.

The two-year program consists of 70 or 71 credit hours and leads to an associate of applied science degree from PJC and eligibility for the American Registry of Radiography Technologists certification examination.

Area health care organizations, including Paris Regional Medical Center, Radiology Center of Paris and Red River Valley Radiology Associates, play major advisory and classroom support roles. Red River Valley Radiology Associates also provides space and equipment for clinical training.

By The Numbers

70

Number of applicants who competed for slots in the first radiology technology class.
Paris Junior College has selected an architectural firm to develop plans for construction of new campuses in Sulphur Springs and Greenville, and the addition of new residence halls in Paris. The additions will accommodate the increasing educational needs of the college.

Record enrollment at all three campuses is creating scheduling issues for classes, and there is also a need to expand academic and technical programs.

The PJC Board of Regents selected SHW Group of Dallas to provide architectural services and to develop campus master plans and design the new facilities. SHW Group works exclusively, in the educational field.

Hiring the architectural firm and developing a design plan is the first step in implementing the 2005-2010 strategic planning study for the Paris Junior College System.

“We are aware of the educational needs in all of the communities served by Paris Junior College, and our administration wants to meet that obligation with the best opportunities possible,” said Dr. Pamela Anglin, PJC’s president.

By The Numbers

Number of students that can now be housed on campus.

200
Two longtime instructors at PJC — E.C. Hancock, division chair of the Math and Science Department, and storied golf coach Mickey Flippen — retired during the past year.

Hancock (right) began his PJC career teaching biology in the fall of 1964, and estimated that he taught more than 15,000 students during his 41-year tenure. During one period of growth at the college, he taught a class of 100 students in the theatre.

Hancock was named an Outstanding Educator of America in 1974-75. Paris Junior College faculty members introduced the PJC Master Teacher Award in 1981-82, and the first instructor to receive the annual recognition was Hancock.

Flippen (inset) took his Dragons golf teams to 24 national championship tournaments during his PJC career. His teams garnered other titles too numerous to mention.

The longtime coach took his final team to the national tournament in 2005. The team finished sixth in the nation while sophomore Ryan Zamorano won medalist honors and was named to the NJCAA All-America team.
Distance Learning Still Grows

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Caldwell Named Master Teacher

Sandra Caldwell, mathematics coordinator and instructor, was named the 2004–2005 Master Teacher at Paris Junior College. Caldwell began her career at Paris Junior College as an adjunct faculty member in 1995. She became a full time member of the faculty in 1996. Prior to teaching at PJC, she worked as a research statistician for Oklahoma State University at the Wes Watkins Agricultural Research and Extension Center. “My goal is never to just teach people math, but rather to teach people to think,” said Caldwell.

PJC, Southeastern Oklahoma Partners

Officials from Paris Junior College and Southeastern Oklahoma State University signed, in November of 2004, an articulation agreement for transfer into the university’s applied arts and science program. The agreement confirms that Associate of Applied Science courses at Paris Junior College will transfer into the Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) program at Southeastern, provided the transferring student has an Associate of Applied Science (or Arts) degree. Formalizing the agreement (left) were PJC president Dr. Pamela Anglin and Southeastern president Dr. Glen D. Johnson.

9 Added To PJC Hall of Honor

Paris Junior College inducted nine former students and graduates into the college’s Hall of Honor at homecoming ceremonies in 2004. They included, from the left, (front) Trenton Doyle Hancock, Col. Robert E. Lee Stell (USAF retired), husband and wife Khanh Nguyen and Xuan-Ky Nguyen, C. A. Farrell Jr., (back) Susan Alsobrook Kennedy, Ted Weiberg, Roy Thomson and Glenn Keener.
Getting Into The Swim Of A Good Cause

Ralph Sanders tries on a diving mask in preparation for his turn in the dunking booth at the Phi Theta Kappa Relay for Life Picnic held at the Paris Junior College – Greenville Center. First to dunk him were Greenville Center Director Kerri O’Connor, left, and Center instructor Nicole Baucom, right. Sanders is principal of L.P. Waters Elementary School and an instructor of math at the Greenville Center.

A Gathering Of Colleges

The North Texas Consortium of Community Colleges met in the spring at the Greenville Center. The Consortium includes presidents and chief executives of community colleges throughout North Texas, including Paris Junior College.

PTK at Sulphur Springs Aids Veterans

Members of the Paris Junior College – Sulphur Springs Higher Education Center Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society collected magazines for donation to the Veterans Hospital in Bonham and to medical facilities in the community. Looking through magazines, from the front, are students Kathleen Meek and Chris Seward, Advisor Joy McElroy and student Eva Hodges.
Hare Receives Distinguished Service Award

Molly Hare of Bogata received the Paris Junior College 2005 Distinguished Service Award at commencement exercises in May. Hare, a 2003 graduate of Rivercrest High School, earned an Associate of Science degree from PJC. Hare was involved in promoting leadership, fellowship and service on the Paris Junior College campus and in the community. An honor student with a 3.88 GPA, Hare was a member of the Lady Dragon softball team and was named an academic All-American. Hare, the daughter of Mark and Debbie Hare, was a member and president of Phi Theta Kappa, was named to Who’s Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges, and was on the President’s Honor List. She was involved in Big Brothers/Big Sisters and worked in several community projects through PTK. She planned to attend Texas A&M University in College Station.

Theatre Students Take State Honors

Paris Junior College speech and theatre students again proved to be one of the top colleges at last year’s State Play Festival held at Weatherford College. For the ninth consecutive year, the PJC play production was rated superior, and all the main actors and student designers of PJC’s production, “The Lion in Winter,” won awards of Superior or Excellent. PJC was the only school to be voted “Superior” in both set design and costume design by all the directors from competing colleges and the two critic judges, Dr. Terry Lewis of Texas A&M at Corpus Christi and George Sorensen of Texas Tech.

United Way Drive Exceeds 2004 Goal

From the left, Roy Edmonson, Pam Bennett, Marilee Miller and Paula White update PJC’s United Way sign last year to indicate that donations easily exceeded the college’s goal. PJC collected $16,665, while the goal had been $14,000.
Mr. and Miss PJC 2004–2005

Sophomores Peyton Johnston, left, and Charles Stocker were crowned the 2004–2005 Mr. and Miss PJC during halftime of the PJC – Jacksonville College game in March.

The Oldest Living PJC Graduate

Sarah Livingston Marsh, pictured holding her 1927 graduation diploma, is the oldest living graduate of Paris Junior College. She was among 217 students enrolled in 1926–27. PJC President Dr. Pamela Anglin visited her at her home near Sacramento, Calif., last year and brought a video message from her to the 2004 homecoming celebration. Her most quoted line from her greetings was, “PJC, you’ve grown up.”

Singing To Thousands

Paris Junior College’s Chamber Singers, as well other singers participating in PJC’s music program, were invited to sing the national anthem in April at Texas Rangers home game in Arlington.
The average age of Paris Junior College students for the fall 2004 semester.

24.1

The number of freshmen and sophomores, respectively, for fall 2004.

3,381 & 574

The number of male students enrolled for the fall 2004 semester.

1,510

The number of female students enrolled for the fall 2004 semester.

2,642

Revenues and expenditures for the 2004–2005 fiscal year.

$18,926,531

State fund revenue received for the 2004–2005 fiscal year.

$6.8 million

Resident instruction expenditure for the 2004–2005 fiscal year.

$7.3 million