

## **Breaking Barriers**

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## **Moments that Matter**

Ascend Gifts \$50,000 to Endowed Scholarship Established by Monsanto-Solutia Retirees

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PSCF's Annual
Change Makers
Event is Coming Up
December 1st



Molly McGuire Endowed Scholarship Reaches Milestone Amount with \$32,000 Gift



Ascend Performance
Materials' Cantonment site
presented Pensacola State
College a \$50,000 check for
an endowed scholarship
originally established by the
Monsanto-Solutia Retirees
on Monday, September
12th, at the company's plant
on Old Chemstrand Road.
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reading.

The Pensacola State
College Foundation
prepares to host its holiday
Change Makers event on
December 1st. a

December 1st, a celebration of donors contributing \$10,000 or more a year and open to those in exchange for a \$1,000 gift to either the First Generation Scholarship Fund or the Athletics Fund.

Click here to learn more.

On Wednesday, October 5th, the Irish Politicians Club and the McGuire Martin family presented the College with a check for \$32,000, bringing the total of the Molly McGuire Culinary Arts Endowed Scholarship to over half a million dollars.

**Click here to read more.** 



#### **Pirate Pride**

## Donors - Volunteers -Advocates

"[Volunteering is] a great opportunity to meet and support the PSC staff and our generous partners and sponsors."

— Lisa Von Dyke, PSC AA, Plant Operations

Lisa Von Dyke joined the PSC family just over a year ago as Administrative Assistant for the Facilities, Planning and Construction Department. Wasting no time, Lisa quickly became a volunteer for the College, even playing a crucial role in this year's Big Break and Day of Clays events which raised over \$164,000 for PSC's greatest needs. She enjoys "being part of an organization that prides itself on providing affordable higher education to the community."

**Contact us about becoming a volunteer!** 



#### **Heart Matters**

# Staff & Faculty Members Who Give Back

"I donate to provide students a path to succeed in their educational journey." — Chef Jimmie Langham, PSC Culinary and Hospitality Management Associate Professor

Chef Langham, a PSC Pirate of nearly ten years and supporter of the College and its programs, is passionate about uplifting his students. When reflecting on his love for Pensacola State and working with culinary students, he shared that he loved being able to interact with them. The best part, he says, is "watching them become confident in their abilities in the culinary field."

**Discover ways to give back!** 



#### **Events with a Mission**

Celebrating Support for PSC's Greatest Needs

The Pensacola State College Foundation's annual fundraiser, **Day of Clays**, was the most successful event to date with **over \$125,000 raised** to support PSC students and programs. Volunteers contributed 96 hours towards making the event possible, totaling \$2,875.20 as valued by the independent sector. With the combined support of participants, volunteers, committee members, and sponsors; the 14th Annual Day of Clays was able to bring the 14-year event total raised to **almost \$800,000**.

Click here to read more about this year's event results, winners, and to view and download images taken during the day!

## Fall In Full Swing

## #MonthlyWatch

#### Capturing Candids

Pensacola State College officially cut the ribbon on its newest site – the Truck Driver Training Facility – on Tuesday, September 20th.

Located at 5957 Jeff Ates Road in the Santa Rosa Industrial Park East in Milton, the \$7.8 million Truck Driver Training Facility will be home to the College's Commercial Vehicle Driver Vocational Certificate Program.

"There's a huge need. Our nation's economy is dependent upon having well-trained truck

drivers, and this training facility will help PSC to expand to fill that critical shortage in the industry,"

— PSC President Ed Meadows

Watch the video here!



#### **THANKFUL**

# The Optimist Club of Pensacola Beach



"We're involved in anything wherever people need us."

— Bettie Lee Sundstrom, Optimist Club of Pensacola Beach President

Enrique Viveros, PSC student and scholarship recipient, had the opportunity to meet with the group that helped impact his education, the Optimist Club of Pensacola Beach. Members of the Club shared heartwarming stories of their work for the community while Enrique shared his gratitude for their help in continuing his path at the College.

Read more here!

### **Affinity Spotlight**

On September 27th, supporters of PSC Athletics gathered in the Hartsell Arena for the annual Pirate Experience, an introduction and celebration of the College's newest student athletes across the various men's and women's teams. Following this recognition was the heartfelt Hall of Fame induction of Carla Williams, which allowed attendees to remember and uplift the legacy of the late alumna and coach.



#### **Show your support for PSC Athletics and**

## **Pensacola State College Happenings**



PSC's first International Festival will take place next year on April 15th, on the Pensacola campus. It will include displays of food, music, dance, wares, and information about different cultures across the globe. It will be free to attend, family-friendly, and open to the public. Those interested in **volunteering**, **sponsoring**, **performing**, **or being a vendor** for this event are **needed!** 

For more information on the International Festival or to sign up to be a part of this event, please **visit its webpage**!



### #QuoteOfTheMonth

"The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away."

— Pablo Picasso



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