

Chipola This Week

A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

April 8 - 14, 2013

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Three on a String to perform for Artist Series

Three on a String, a popular bluegrass, country and comedy group will perform at the Chipola Center for the Arts, Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m. This is the final event in the Artist Series.

Three on a String performs all kinds of music - classic old standards, country, bluegrass, and folk mixed with comedy and humor suitable for the entire family. Jerry Ryan, Bobby Horton and Brad Ryan have been having a good time right along with their audiences all over the country for over 40 years. The group has gained a wide following on the convention, music festival, or a symphony pops concert circuit.

Three on a String's show has evolved into a well-timed, musically interesting and funny presentation. Their three-part harmony has a unique and pleasing blend, from a heart-rending country song to an unexpected a cappella rendition.

Tickets are available online at www.chipola.edu. Will-call tickets will be available at the box office the night of the show. The Center for the Arts Box Office will be open from 2 to 5 p.m., April 4, April 8-10, and from 6 to 7 p.m. on April 11.

Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$10 for children under 18. Tickets for Chipola students and employees are \$5 the day of the show.

For information, visit www.chipola.edu or phone 718-2257.



Chipola math honorary inducts members

The Chipola College chapter of Mu Alpha Theta, a national honorary mathematics club, recently held an initiation for new members. Pictured are officers, new members and sponsors, from left (front) Jaren Bannerman, Jae Jung Hyun, Wesley Chevillot, Allen Campbell, John Whittington, Jackson Nathanael Cagle (back) Annie Braxton, Rachel Pelt, Linsey Basford, Brandi Brubaker, Meghan Delang, Meghan Wilder, Joy Ree Ashmore (sponsor). Mu Alpha Theta is an international mathematics society for high school and two-year colleges. The purpose of Mu Alpha Theta is to stimulate a deeper and more effective interest in mathematics.



THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

8 MONDAY

- ♦ Early Registration Summer I & II for Currently Enrolled Students
- ♦ SGA – 2 p.m., Z116

9 TUESDAY

- ♦ Early Registration Summer I & II for Currently Enrolled Students
- ♦ Administrative Council - 9 a.m., Foundation Conf
- ♦ Student Ambassadors – 1 p.m., A156

10 WEDNESDAY

- ♦ Black Student Union – 10 a.m., C104
- ♦ Spanish Club - 2:15 p.m., Z113

11 THURSDAY

- ♦ Last Day to Withdraw from a Class for Spring Term C.
- ♦ Night Student Social – 7 p.m., Z
- ♦ FCA – 7 p.m., Cafeteria
- ♦ ARTIST SERIES: Three on a String - 7 p.m., Center for the Arts

12 FRIDAY

- ♦ District STEM Meeting
- ♦ CC Baseball vs. TCC– 4 p.m., BC

13 SATURDAY

- ♦ ACT Exam

14 SUNDAY

- ♦ FCA Chapel Service – 7:30 p.m., Chapel

Chipola softball tied for second in conference

Chipola split a double-header with Tallahassee on April 2 to put the Lady Indians in a tie with Gulf Coast for second place midway through the conference season. Chipola scored a 7-3 win in the opener, but the Eagles won game two, 9-1. As of April 3, Northwest (6-2) leads the league. Chipola (5-3) and Gulf Coast (5-3) are knotted at second. Pensacola is (2-6) and Tallahassee is (2-6).

Chipola's Mya Anderson is the NJCAA Region 8/FCSAA Softball Player of the Week.

Anderson, a sophomore from Tampa, batted .700 (7-for-10) with four runs scored, one home run



Mya Anderson

and seven RBI in four games during the voting period. Anderson hit safely in both games of double-headers against Gulf Coast and Pensacola. She was a combined 2-for-5 with a run scored and two RBI in the March 26 games against Gulf Coast. She went 5-for-5, scored three

runs, homered and drove in five in a pair of games against Pensacola. Anderson was also a perfect 3-for-3 in stolen bases last week.

Chipola is third in the FCSAA State Rankings. Gulf Coast is second. Northwest is fourth.

The Lady Indians host Darton in a non-conference double-header, Saturday, April 6, at 2 p.m. Chipola hits the road for three conference double-headers at Northwest April 11, at Gulf Coast April 13 and at Pensacola April 16. Chipola finishes the conference season at home Thursday, April 18, with a 4 p.m. double-header against Tallahassee.

Chipola baseball in the thick of conference race

The Chipola Indians picked up a big 5-4 win over Pensacola April 1.

Freshman pitcher Michael Mader went seven innings and allowed just one earned run on six hits, one walk, and six strikeouts.

The Indians led 5-1 when Mader exited the game before the eighth, but the Pirates fought back with three runs in the top of the eighth, taking advantage of an error, a walk, and a wild pitch by reliever Mikel Belcher, and getting a two-RBI double by Jake Swearingen to make it 5-4.

Taylor Lewis came in for Belcher and eventually ended the inning by striking out Toby Thomas with runners on the corners to preserve the lead for Chipola. Lewis came back on in the ninth and retired the

side in order to earn the save.

The Indians got their first run of the game in the fourth when Ian Rice walked and scored on a passed ball to make it 1-0. A solo home run by Taylor Eads in the top of the fifth tied the game for Pensacola, but the Indians answered in the bottom of the inning with a three-run shot by Luis Tunon off of reliever Matt Muench to make it 4-1. Tunon struck again in the seventh inning with an RBI single to score Cameron Gibson to give Chipola a four-run cushion.

Tunon finished 2-for-3 with four RBI and a run, while Gibson was 2-for-4 with a run, while Daniel Mars was 1-for-3 with a walk and a run, and Rice walked four times and scored twice.

With the win, Chipola moved to 4-5 in the Panhandle Conference and stayed within a game of second-place Gulf Coast State (5-4) in the standings.

The Indians will face the Commodores in a three-game series with postseason implications, with the first game slated for Wednesday, April 3, in Panama City at 5 p.m. Chipola hosts Gulf Coast Friday, April 5, at 5 p.m., before finishing the series at Gulf Coast on Saturday, April 6. The Indians travel to Darton April 8, and to Alabama Southern April 9 before returning home to host Tallahassee Friday, April 12, at 4 p.m.



Top Employees at Chipola

(LEFT) Edward Mount is Chipola College's Career Employee for March. Mount serves as a Custodial Supervisor in the College Physical Plant and has worked at the college since 2006. Here, Mount (left) is congratulated by Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough.

(RIGHT) Dr. Jayne Roberts has been selected the Chipola College Faculty/Administrator/Other Professional Award of the month for April. Roberts has served as a Vice President of Student Affairs since 1986. Here, Roberts (right) is congratulated by Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough.



Chipola women finish in Elite Eight at national tournament

The Chipola Lady Indians finished in the Elite Eight of the NJCAA Women's Basketball National Tournament in Salina, KS, March 21.

The Lady Indians (27-7) won two of three games in the tournament before falling to number two seed Central Arizona (32-1), 84-67, on Thursday, March 21. Kristine Brance led Chipola with 23 points including four three-pointers. Jasmine Crawford had 12 points. Lashonda Littleton had 10 points and 4 rebounds. Treyvonna Brooks led Chipola in rebounding with 5.

Chipola scored a 66-57 win over Southern Idaho on March 20. Jasmine Crawford led Chipola with 18 points off the bench, making 11-of-12 free throws for the game. Free throws turned out to be the difference in the game. Chipola shot an amazing 26-of-29 free throws as a team. Rayven Brooks added 16 points, seven rebounds, four assists, and three steals. Jade Givens finished with 11 points and 13 rebounds.

The Lady Indians opened the tournament March 18 with a 78-62 win over Southwest Illinois. Rayven Brooks led the Lady Indians in nearly every category with 29 points including 6 of 9 three pointers, 11 rebounds, 5 assists and 4 steals. Brance and Littleton each scored 13. Littleton also grabbed 8 rebounds. Treyvonna Brooks scored 11 and pulled down 8 rebounds. Crawford also added 8 points.

Chipola's Cinderella post-season run began with a 72-52 upset win over Northwest Florida in the FCSAA Florida/Region VIII Tournament. The Lady Indians went

on to finish second in the state tournament, losing 61-53 to state champion Gulf Coast in the title game. Their showing earned the Lady Indians a first ever at-large bid to play in the NJCAA National Tournament.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough dubbed the Lady Indians, "The Magnificent Seven," as only seven players on the injury-plagued squad played in state and national tournaments.

The Lady Indians finished the regular season third in the Panhandle Conference under first year head coach Greg Franklin. Gulf Coast and Northwest were conference co-champions.

Franklin came to Chipola after serving five seasons as an assistant coach in the Mississippi State University women's basketball program where he was instrumental in helping Mississippi State claim back-to-back year wins in the NCAA Tournament, including the program's first Sweet 16 appearance. Before Mississippi State, Franklin served at Southeastern Illinois College in Har-

risburg, Illinois, as athletic director, head women's coach and assistant men's coach.

Chipola and Northwest both were beneficiaries of the NJCAA's change to an expanded 24 team bracket which now includes four at-large teams, four 'zone' qualifiers and 16 district champions. Northwest also made it to the Elite Eight before losing to Hutchinson on March 21. Gulf Coast is scheduled to play Trinity Valley in the semi-finals Friday, March 22, at 6 p.m. The national title game is Saturday, March 23, at 7 p.m. Tournament games will be aired live on NJCAA TV. Visit www.njcaa.org/newsArticle.cfm?articleId=19118



Members of the Chipola College Women's Basketball team are, from left: (top) Jasmine Crawford, Treyvonna Brooks, Rayven Brooks, Jade Givens, (bottom) Rahni Bell, Kristine Brance, LaShonda Littleton and head coach Greg Franklin.

Cast announced for Chipola's 'Alice in Wonderland'

The Chipola College Theater is in rehearsal for the children's musical, "Alice in Wonderland," which will be presented to hundreds of elementary school children in May. A public performance is set for Thursday, May 9, at 7 p.m.

Chipola Theater director Charles Sirmon recently cast actors in the following roles: Colton Day and Trey McKay as Chesire Cats, Christin Wiggins as Mathilda, Gracie Wallace as Alice, Diane Glaze as White Rabbit, Austin Pettis as Doorknob, Patrea Clark as Dodo Bird, Terrence Shanks as Tweedle Dum, Shayli

Tharp as Tweedle Dee, Brienne Beechum as Rose, Kayla Todd as Petunia, Melanie Henderson as Lily, Jae House as Caterpillar, Dylan Bass as Mad Hatter, Dante Tyler as March Hare, Odra Chapman as Queen of Hearts, Nick Cessna as King of Hearts. Royal Cardsman and Tea Partiers include: Alex Anderson, Deanna Bailey, Amberly Corbin, Maddie Craven, Elyn Sapp and Julie Wells.

Tickets go sale two weeks prior to the performance. Tickets are available online with box office hours Monday through Thursday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and one

hour prior to curtain at the Center for the Arts box office.

Theatre fans also are invited to join the Applauding Chipola Theatre (ACT) VIP fund, which guarantees the best seats for all shows. The ACT Fund offers five levels of membership including Sponsor, Patron, Benefactor, Angel and Corporate Angel with VIP seating available at all levels. A portion of ACT memberships is tax-deductible.

For more information contact Charles Sirmon, Director of Theatre sirmonc@chipola.edu 850-718-2277.

Chipola president receives excellent evaluation



Dr. Gene Prough

The Chipola College District Board of Trustees gave college president Dr. Gene Prough an excellent rating on his annual performance evaluation which was presented during the board's regular monthly meeting on March 19.

All board members rated the president's performance as excellent, the highest rating available.

Board members listed several areas of the president's strengths, including: great leader with a strong and very good support team; leadership, honesty, interest in students and faculty; and good manager.

One trustee commented, "Dr. Prough is a super leader in his ability to adjust to change and the needs of Chipola, its students and staff. He is open to suggestions from anyone

and has a vision for Chipola and its future." One trustee commended the president for his leadership during lean budget years, saying, "With his skills, experience and forward thinking, he has led Chipola through some very difficult financial times. He continues to guide the college in a direction that will provide excellent educational opportunities for the citizens of our region for years to come."

Another trustee also commended Dr. Prough for his work with the legislature, saying, "His ability to work with state government is beyond reproach."

Following the meeting, Prough said, "I consider it a privilege to serve as president of Chipola College. I appreciate the work of our board of trustees, faculty and staff as we continue to provide quality educational programs for our students and the people of this area."

Prough, a 1968 graduate of Chipola, became the college's ninth president in October of 2002. He served as executive vice president of the college from 1997 to 2002. He also served as interim president in 2004-05. Prough first came to Chipola as Director of Vocational Education in 1994.

During his time as presi-

dent and executive vice-president, Dr. Prough has provided leadership that enabled the college to obtain more than \$30 million in building projects and more than \$20 million in federal and state grants. A new entrance road to the college opened in 2011 which leads to the college's new \$16 million Center for the Arts which opened in September, 2012. A new Workforce Development building also was completed in 2011. A new Student Services building was completed in 2005.

Under his leadership, the college foundation has grown from \$2 million to \$15 million. Endowments and scholarships in the foundation have provided millions in direct aid to students.

During Prough's tenure as president, the college changed its name from Chipola Junior College to Chipola College in order to offer bachelor's degrees. Chipola offers the Associate in Arts (AA) Degree, the Associate in Science (AS) Degree and Workforce Education programs, and ten bachelor's degrees in education, business and nursing.

Prough and his wife, Priscilla, also a Chipola graduate, live in Chipley. Both of their children and two of their grandchildren are Chipola alumni.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 15-19 Early Fall Terms A&B Reg for Currently Enrolled Students
- 16 District STEM Parent's Meeting
- 16 Sprint Ensemble Concert
- 18 Last Day to Resign from All Classes for Spring Term C
- 18 AWARDS NIGHT
- 19 Appl Deadline for Summer I
- 22-25 Early Fall Terms A&B Reg for Currently Enrolled Students
- 23 Show Choir Auditions for 2013-14
- 24 Financial Aid Files Must Be Completed for Summer I & II 2013

THIS WEEK

"Chipola This Week" is a weekly publication of the Chipola Public Relations Office.

Deadline for the next issue is 8 a.m., Wednesday, April 10. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at ward@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 10-Apr Steve Givens
- 12-Apr Bunny Odom

THANKS. A big thanks goes out to all the students and staff that came to Chipola's Spring Frolics. It was a huge success! Also, thanks to the clubs for participating in the relays. The winner of the tug-of-war competition was the Science Club. Spring Frolics was sponsored by Chipola College SGA.

Thanks to all SGA and Student Ambassador members for helping me plan and organize this event. I could not have done it without you!
Nancy Johnson, Student Activities

\$\$\$\$. Deadline to have Financial Aid files complete for Summer I and Summer II is April 24. Deadline for completion for Fall is July 24.

BUSINESS SEMINAR. Chipola will offer the seminar, "Government Contracting," on April 19. Participants will learn how to identify government agencies and target marketing efforts to save both time and money. Cost is \$30.

Participants may register for the seminar online at www.northfloridabiz.com. At Chipola, contact Elissa Severson 850-718-2441 or email severson@chipola.edu.



Spring Frolics cash

Daylon McKinnon (center) of Marianna won a \$100 cash door prize at the Chipola College Spring Frolics on April 3. Here, he accepts the cash from Chipola Theatre Director Charles Sirmon (left) and Student Activities Director Nancy Johnson. Students were treated to free food, games and hundreds of dollars in door prizes.