

Chipola This Week

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A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Chipola celebrates “Homecoming 2010 a New Decade” Feb. 2-6

Chipola College will celebrate Homecoming 2010 from Jan. 27 through Feb. 6.

This year’s theme is “Homecoming 2010 a New Decade.”

The Chipola Homecoming Court includes: freshman female attendants Ashleigh Lollie and Kaitlin Porter and freshman male attendants Tory Brown and Taylor Reiff. The sophomore candidates for Homecoming Queen are: Allison Ellis, Sylvianna Garrett and Anna Beth Parmer. The sophomore candidates for Mr. Chipola are: Quintin Beechum, Tommy Melvin and Tucker Nebel.

SGA will sponsor a Building Decoration Contest among the campus organizations to be judged at 1 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 2.

The Homecoming Talent show is Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 10:05 a.m. in the Arts Center. The contest is open to any campus group or individual enrolled at Chipola. Cash prizes will be awarded to: Best Overall - 1st, 2nd and 3rd; Best Solo, Best Group and Best Band. Performances are limited to 4 minutes. Sign-up deadline is Feb. 1 in the SGA Office in the Student Center.

The Homecoming games between Chipola and Tallahassee are set for Saturday, Feb. 6. The women game tips off at 5:30 p.m. Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough and his wife, Priscilla, will host an Alumni Reception in the Hospitality Room beginning at 6:30

p.m. All alumni and friends of the college are invited. The homecoming court will be presented during halftime of the men’s game which begins at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, call 718-2314.



The Chipola Homecoming Court includes: (front) sophomore candidates: Sylvianna Garrett of Greenwood, Allison Ellis of Chipley, and Anna Beth Parmer of Bonifay; (second row) sophomore candidates: Quintin Beechum of Campbellton, Tommy Melvin of Marianna and Tucker Nebel of Marianna; (back) freshman attendants Tory Brown of Malone, Ashleigh Lollie of Grand Ridge, Kaitlin Porter of Chipley and Taylor Reiff of Marianna.

Merle Houston Reading Room to be named at Chipola on Feb. 6

Chipola will honor retired college librarian Merle Houston at a reception Saturday, Feb. 6, at 4 p.m., in the college Library.

College officials plan to officially open the Merle Z. Houston Reading Room in the Library in her honor.

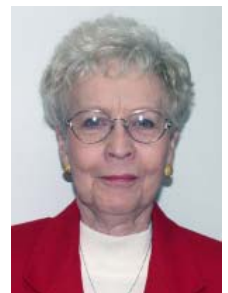
Houston served the college in many capacities during four decades from the 1960’s to the 2000’s. She served as Director of the Library with great strength as a reference librarian with a reputation for helping students and faculty with research. She also served several Chipola presidents as Director of Community Affairs with responsibilities in public relations.

For years, she was the Alumni liaison between the college and former students. She also was the official hostess and historian of the college. She coordinated graduation activities and assisted in recruiting students for the Chipola Honors Program.

Houston has been a faithful supporter of the college’s fine arts and athletic activities. She has served as a team host for the state basketball tournament at Chipola.

Since leaving the college, Houston has continued her community service activities. She is a volunteer at the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and is active in the First United Methodist Church of Marianna.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough, says, “Mrs. Houston is an important member of the Chipola family. She has worked with thousands of Chipola students over the years. She is loved and respected for the special interest she has taken in our students and their families.”



THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

1 MONDAY

- ◆ Last Day for Vertical Transfer for Spring Term B
- ◆ SGA — 2 p.m., Z116
- ◆ Artist Series: “CANTUS”, — 7 P.M., J

2 TUESDAY

- ◆ Testing Center closed until 1 p.m. Today only.
- ◆ Executive Council — 9 a.m., A192
- ◆ Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., A156
- ◆ Homecoming Building Decoration Judging — 1 p.m.

3 WEDNESDAY

- ◆ SGA Talent Show — 10 a.m., I
- ◆ Faculty Meeting — 3 p.m., Z116

4 THURSDAY

- ◆ “Think Red” Heart Disease Awareness — 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Q
- ◆ Fellowship of Christian Athletes Huddle — 7 p.m.

5 FRIDAY

- ◆ Homecoming Court Practice — Noon, I

6 SATURDAY

- ◆ ACT Test
- ◆ HOMECOMING DAY
- ◆ Houston Reading Room Dedication — 4-5 p.m., Library
- ◆ CC Basketball vs. TCC — Women 5:30, Men 7:30 p.m., R
- ◆ Alumni Reception — 6 p.m., R

Chipola hosts Pensacola in key conference battles

Chipola hosts Pensacola, Saturday, Jan. 30, in a pair of important conference games.

The Indians slipped to 1-4 in conference play after a 73-61 loss to Gulf Coast on Jan. 27. Dexter Ellington led with 19 points. John Taylor had 10 points. Steadman Short had 10 points and 11 rebounds. Kevin Powell had 10 rebounds and Sam Grooms had 9.

Chipola coach Jake Headrick, said, "We didn't make a lot of shots in the first half and we just couldn't finish plays. The Indians were 7 for 42 from the field in the first half with nine turnovers. "We really competed in the second half and they kept fighting. The Indians cut the lead to seven late in the second half.

With seven games remaining, Headrick is still hopeful. "We've dug ourselves a hole, but we've got to keep fighting. We're learning from experience. We really need a win over Pensacola."

After the first round of men's Panhandle play, Northwest Florida (5-0) leads the conference race. TCC (5-1) is second. PJC is (2-4). Chipola is (1-4) and Gulf Coast is (1-5). Northwest leads

the FCCAA poll. TCC is second. Chipola is eighth and PJC is tenth.

The Chipola Lady Indians (10-11) lost an 80-54 game to top-ranked Gulf Coast on Jan. 27. Bianca Jarrett led Chipola with 25 points. Tykiesha O'Neil had 17. Gulf Coast led 41-27 at half. Chipola pulled to within 10 points early in the second half.

Head coach David Lane said, "We're getting better every game and hopefully we'll break the seal soon and win one."

Gulf Coast (6-0) leads the conference race. PJC (5-1) is second. TCC (2-4) is third. NWF is (1-4) and Chipola is (0-5).

The Lady Indians are hanging on to the tenth spot in the state poll. Gulf Coast leads the poll. PJC is second. TCC is third. NWF is fifth.

Both squads hit the road Feb. 3 for games at Northwest.

Chipola hosts Tallahassee, Saturday, Feb. 6, for Homecoming. The women's game begins at 5:30 p.m. The men's game begins at 7:30 p.m.

For the latest Chipola sports news, visit www.chipola.edu

Chipola makes pre-season baseball and softball polls

The Chipola baseball and softball teams are were selected for the 2010 FCCAA Baseball and Softball Preseason Coaches' Polls.

In the baseball division, the Indians were tabbed preseason #1 with six first place votes. The Indians finished last season 27-18-1, while advancing deep into the Region VIII Tournament. Conference foes Tallahassee is ranked #7 and Gulf Coast is #8.

The Indians will open their season Jan. 29-31 at Gulf Coast with their first game scheduled against Young Harris on Friday at 11 a.m. The Indians return home Thursday, Feb. 4, to host in-state foe, St. Johns River at 5 p.m.

The Chipola Lady Indians softball team is pre-season #7. Chipola Softball finished third overall in the Gulf Division of the FCCAA Softball Tournament and accumulated a record of 30-19.

The Lady Indians will travel to Las Vegas, NV, Jan. 30, to participate in one of the premier junior college softball events of the year.

The Lady Indians' first home game is Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. against Lakeland College.

For updates, call the Athletics' Hotline at 850-718-2252.

Chipola leading Haiti relief



Students in the Chipola College Honors Program are coordinating a fund drive for the victims of the Haiti Earthquake. Pictured from left, are: Allison Ellis, Pre-Med Society and PTK; Maggie Mathis, SGA President; Quintin Beechum, Student Ambassadors; Alicia Killings, PTK; (back) Jessica Bradley, PTK; Sam Griffin, Science Club; Brent Melvin, Haiti Project Coordinator, Science Club and PTK; and Marshall Hilton, FCA. For information about the project, call Bonnie Smith at 526-2761, Ext. 3247.

Chipola Baseball Alumni Weekend set for Feb. 5-7

Dozens of former Chipola College baseball players—including former Yankees manager Buck Showalter—are expected to return to their alma mater, Feb. 5-7 for the third annual Chipola Baseball Alumni event.

The weekend begins Friday, Feb., 5, with a game between Chipola and Walters State at 11 a.m. A Golf Outing for Chipola Baseball Alumni and friends tees off at noon at Indian Springs Golf Course. An Alumni Night Social will be held at the Old Ice House Restaurant from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Saturday, Feb. 6, events begin at 12:30 p.m. with an Alumni Home Run Derby and Alumni Game. The Indians play a pair of games on Feb. 6: Middle Georgia at 4 p.m., and St. Petersburg at 7 p.m. Chipola baseball alumni are invited to an Alumni Bonfire at

Coach Johnson's home at 8 p.m.

The weekend concludes Sunday, Feb. 7, with a noon game between Chipola and St. Petersburg.

The following Chipola alumni have confirmed their attendance: Buck Showalter, Michael Gibbs, Josh Storm, David Credeur, Tyler Musselwhite, Trey Manz, Andrew Gay, Kurt Lewis, Luke Johnson, Brandon Street, Clay Long, Michael Mitchell, David Oswald, Drew Cook, Casey Owen, Greg Albritton, Grant Conyers, Moises Feliz, Josh Lawhon, Nathan Marks, Travis Anderson, Richie Smith, Alan Horne and Michael Gibbs. Several other former players are expected to attend.

For information, contact Brent Shelton at 850-718-2332, or email sheltonb@chipola.edu.

‘Cantus’ Ensemble to perform Feb. 1

Individual tickets are now on sale for “Cantus,” the Feb. 1 Chipola Artist Series event.

“Cantus,” one of America’s finest professional male vocal ensembles, is known for adventurous programming spanning many periods and genres, including chant, Renaissance music, contemporary works, art song, folk, spirituals, world music and pop.

The ensemble’s performances are met with overwhelming praise for its unique blend of youthful vitality and polished nuance. Their repertoire spans many periods and genres, including Gregorian chant, Renaissance motets, contemporary sacred works, art songs, world music, spirituals, and pop.

Individual event tickets—\$12 for adults and \$8 for ages 18 and under—are available at the Chipola Business Office, or by phoning 850-718-2220.

‘Bye Bye Birdie’ at Chipola



The Chipola College Theater is in rehearsal for the spring musical “Bye Bye Birdie,” which opens a five-day run March 10. Here, Kyndall Covington prepares for her role as Rose Alvarez. For information about Chipola Theater, call 718-2227.

Chipola to host national Brain Bowl tournament

Chipola College has been chosen as the host site for 2010 NAQT (National Academic Quiz Tournaments) Community College National Championship.

The championship is set for Feb. 26-27, in the Chipola Literature/Language Building, Friday from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

As the host, Chipola will provide staff for the tournament. NAQT will provide most of the readers. The public is invited to watch the Chipola Brain Bowl Team compete for the national title.

Beginning in 2008-09, NAQT began holding a separate national championship tournament to crown the best two-year quiz bowl team in North America. Chipola finished second in the NAQT tournament in 2009 and in 2008.

Teams will qualify for the CCCT via Community College

Sectional Championship Tournaments (CC SCTs) held nationwide in late January. The winner of each CC SCT will be invited to the championship along with additional teams based on a national comparison of their statistics, points scored, bonus conversion and other factors. Both Chipola Brain Bowl teams have qualified for the CCCT Tournament.

The top six teams from the CCCT at Chipola will qualify for the overall Division II collegiate championship that will continue to take place as part of the 2010 Intercollegiate Championship Tournament. All two-year, junior, and community colleges are eligible to compete in NAQT’s CC SCT and CCCT events.

For information about the National Brain Bowl Tournament at Chipola College, call Brain Bowl coach Stan Young at 850-718-2336, or email youngsl@chipola.edu

International novelist to visit Chipola

International novelist and journalist Masha Hamilton will visit Chipola College for two special events on Thursday, Feb. 4.

Hamilton, the author of “Staircase of a Thousand Steps,” will conduct a free writing workshop at 10 a.m. in Jackson Lecture Hall. She will present a cultural diversity lecture at 11 a.m., followed by a book-signing in Jackson Hall at noon.

Hamilton is the author of four acclaimed novels, most recently *31 Hours* (2009), a *Washington Post* selection for one of the best novels of the year. Hamilton is also the founder of two world literacy programs: the Camel Book Drive, begun in 2007 to supply a camel-borne library in northeastern Kenya, and the Afghan Women’s Writing Project, to foster intellectual exchange between Afghan women writers and American women authors and teachers.

Her previous novels include *Staircase of a Thousand Steps* (2001), a Booksense pick by independent booksellers; *The Distance Between Us* (2004), named one of the best books of the year by *Library Journal*; and *The Camel Bookmobile* (2007), also a Booksense pick. The *New York Times* said: “Hamilton makes us see how much is really at stake in a poverty-stricken place where every possession carries the weight of significance.”

She worked as a foreign correspondent for The Associated Press for five years in the Middle East. She spent five years in Moscow as a correspondent for the *Los Angeles Times*. She reported from Afghanistan in 2004, and returned in 2008. In 2006, she traveled in Kenya to research *The Camel Bookmobile* and to interview street kids and drought and famine victims.



A Brown University graduate, she has been awarded fiction fellowships from Yaddo, Blue Mountain Center, Squaw Valley Community of Writers and the Arizona Commission on the Arts. She teaches for Gotham Writers’ Workshop and has also taught at the 92nd Street Y in New York City and at a number of writers’ workshops around the country. She is a licensed shiatsu practitioner and lives with her family in Brooklyn.

For information about her visit to Chipola, contact Dr. Sarah Clemmons at 850-718-2213.

Feb. 12 dance to benefit Honors

The Chipola College Honors Dance is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 12 in the Art Center.

The dance is the main fundraiser for the Honors program which recruits students from its five-county district. The Ivey Brothers have again volunteered their talent and time for the event. Members of many local organizations attend the event, which serves as the primary student fund-raiser each year.



The Honors program recruits the best high school students from Chipola's five-county district. Students must have a 3.5 GPA and a minimum ACT of 23.

Honors adviser Bonnie Smith, says, "The Honors program represents the brightest and most involved students from our local high schools."

Many of the past activities have been funded in part by the college and the Chipola Foundation. Due to the expansion of the program and increases in travel costs, the program is looking to the community for additional support. The annual dance for the program is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 12. Donations may be made to Honors endowment through the Chipola Foundation. The endowment provides some of the funding for the cost of the seminars, travel and speaker fees, as well as support materials for student research and presentations.

For information about the Honors program, contact Bonnie Smith or Robert Ivey at 526-1761, Ext. 3247.

Chipola launches Go Red Campaign

The Chipola College Health Science Program is partnering with the Jackson County Public Health Unit in the "Think Red" campaign to promote awareness of heart disease in women.

Think Red will be launched on Thursday, Feb. 4, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the lobby of the Health Science Building.

All Chipola students and staff are invited to collect educational materials about heart health and to enjoy refreshments.

For information, contact Vickie Stephens at 718-2278

Chipola offers free tax preparation

In order to help local citizens get the most refund due them, Chipola business instructor Lee Shook and his student volunteers are providing free tax preparation and free electronic filing.

The free service—for individual tax returns only—is available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Wednesdays, through early April. Other times may be scheduled by appointment. Professor Shook says, "If it is a very complicated return, we ask that you continue to use your paid professional, but if it is a fairly simple return we can help. We will do Schedule A, itemized deductions."

The free service usually takes no longer than 30 minutes. For faster refunds, taxpayers are asked to bring a personal check which has routing information needed for electronic refunds.

To make an appointment for free tax assistance, call Lee Shook at (850) 718-2368.

BOOKSTORE HOURS

Monday-Thursday

7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday

7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:

Monday & Wednesday

8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday

8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday - Thursday

7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

TECH CENTER HOURS:

Monday - Thursday

8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m. - Noon

ACE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday

8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

\$\$\$\$. The estimated disbursement date for Pell and Bright Futures checks is February 17, 2010.

STUDENT PARKING OFF CAMPUS.

Chipola students who park off campus may be in violation of city traffic ordinances. Students should be aware that the Marianna Police Department will begin writing tickets for students illegally parked on the lawns of houses in the neighborhoods around the college. Tickets can cost up to \$150.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 12 CAAP Reg Deadline for March Test
- 12 Literature/Language Festival
- 15 Last Day to Withdraw from a Class for Spring Term B
- 16 District Board of Trustees
- 18 Music and Theatre Scholarship Auditions for 2010-11
- 19 Last Day To Vertically Transfer For Spring Term A
- 22 Last Day to Resign from All Classes for Spring Term B

THIS WEEK

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

Deadline for the next issue is 8 a.m., **Wednesday, Feb. 3.** Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 1-Feb Belinda Hendrix
- 6-Feb Mark Ebel

STUDENT IDS. Student ID's will be made on Tuesdays from 8-11 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 8-11 a.m. in Building A. All students must obtain a student ID. Replacements are \$10. Bring the white copy of your Spring fee receipt to get your ID.

FSU REP. A representative from FSU Panama City will be on campus each Thursday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in Building C, Room 112A. Stop by for program information on transferring to FSU Panama City.

LOCATOR

A- Student Services/ Administration	I- Arts Center	Q- Health Science
B- Library	J- Theater	R- Johnson Health Center
C- Social Science	K- Cafeteria, Bookstore	S- Continuing Ed/Conf Ctr
D- Fink Natural Science	L- ACE Lab	T- Pool
E- Physical Plant Office	M- Business/Cosmetology	U- Foundation
F- Residence Hall	N- Workforce Devel Labs	Y- Public Service
G- Teacher Education	O- Workforce Devel / Electronics	Z- Literature/Language
H- McLendon Fine Arts	P- Automotive Tech	BC/SC - Baseball/Softball Complex