Chipola Homecoming 2012 begins Feb. 20

Chipola will celebrate Homecoming 2012 from Feb. 15-25 with the Indians hosting Gulf Coast for the big Homecoming games on Saturday, Feb. 25. This year’s theme is “Fear the Spear.”

Candidates for Mr. Chipola and Homecoming Queen will be introduced at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 15, in the Cafeteria. Voting for candidates will take place on the Feb. 15-16. The top two freshmen vote winners (women and men) and the top three sophomores or upper classmen vote winners will be named to the Homecoming Court. The sophomore or upper classmen winners will be crowned Homecoming Queen and Mr. Chipola at the Homecoming game on Feb. 25.

SGA will sponsor a Building Decoration Contest among the campus organizations to be judged at 1 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 21. Buildings must be decorated on Monday, Feb. 20. Campus groups should contact Nancy Johnson about the building their club would like to decorate.

The Homecoming Talent Show is Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 10:05 a.m. in the Arts Center. The contest is open to any campus group or individual currently 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. 20 in the SGA Office.

The Homecoming games between Chipola and Gulf Coast are set for Saturday, Feb. 25. 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 at 6:30 p.m. All alumni, college retirees and friends of the college are invited.

Also on Saturday, a life-size bronze statue of legendary Chipola basketball coach Milton H. Johnson will be unveiled during pre-game of the Chipola men’s game. Friends and former players raised the funds for the bronze likeness of Coach Johnson that will be erected at the entrance to the gymnasium. The Homecoming court will be presented during halftime of the men’s game which begins at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call Nancy Johnson at 718-2314.

Waste Management sponsors state tourney at Chipola

Waste Management is continuing its long-standing partnership with Chipola College by once again sponsoring the Men’s and Women’s State Community College Basketball Tournament, set for March 7-10 in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. Pictured from left, are: Chipola College president Dr. Gene Prough, Waste Management Springhill Manager Jeff Massey, Waste Management Community Affairs Manager Amy Boyson, Tournament Administrator Alice Pendergrass, and Tournament Coordinator Dr. Steve Givens. Since opening its operations in Jackson County, Waste Management has contributed more than $160,000 to Chipola’s academic and athletic programs.

THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

13 MONDAY
- Last Day to Withdraw from a Class for Spring B
- Student Government Association – 2 p.m., Z116

14 TUESDAY
- Administrative Council - 9 a.m., Foundation Conf
- Student Ambassadors – 1 p.m., A156
- Practice for Intro of Homecoming Candidates – 2 p.m., Cafeteria
- CC BASKETBALL VS. NORTHWEST FL – Women 5:30 p.m., Men 7:30 p.m., Health Center

15 WEDNESDAY
- Intro of Homecoming Candidates and Voting - 10 a.m., K
- Homecoming Candidates Night Voting - 5-6 p.m., Z Lobby

16 THURSDAY
- Homecoming Candidates Voting, Cont. - 8 a.m. - Noon, K105
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes – 7 p.m., K

17 FRIDAY
- Literature/Language Festival
- Last Day for Vertical Transfer for Spring A

19 SUNDAY
- FCA Chapel Service – 7:30 p.m., Chapel
Chipola hosts Northwest Florida in league matchups

Chipola hosts Northwest Florida State in a pair of big conference games Tuesday, Feb. 14, in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. The women’s game tips off at 5:30 p.m., followed by the men’s game at 7:30 p.m.

The Lady Indians improved to 4-4 in conference play and 18-8 overall with a big 55-47 win over Gulf Coast on Feb. 8. Sara Djassi led with 16 points. Oneal Session had 15. Chipola led 30-18 at the half.

Chipola head coach David Lane says, “All around, a great defensive effort. We held Gulf Coast to only 10 points with five minutes to go in the first half.” The Lady Indians led the Lady Commodores by as many as 17 late in the game. Chipola was 23 of 27 from the free throw line.

As of Feb. 9, Chipola is tied for third in the women’s league race with Northwest Florida. The women’s conference standings are: Pensacola (7-1), Gulf Coast (5-3), Northwest (4-4), Chipola (4-4) and Tallahassee (0-8). In the Feb. 7 FCSAA women’s poll, Pensacola is first. Gulf Coast is second. Northwest is fourth. Chipola is fifth and Tallahassee is ninth.

The top three women’s teams in the Panhandle Conference earn a berth to the state tournament, March 7-10, at Chipola.


Chipola head coach Headrick says, “This is the best team win we’ve had all year. I’m proud of the way our guys came out and responded. They’ve have calmed down and started playing like there’s no pressure on them. Our guard play is getting better and offensively, Joseph Uchebo’s presence is important. Even though he’s not scoring a lot, teams still have to guard him.”


Chipola suffered a close 63-55 loss to Northwest Florida State on Jan. 28. Aishon White led Chipola with 11 points. Mohammad Lee had 9 points.

The Indians are still in contention for a state tournament berth heading into the final round left of league play. The top two men’s teams in the Panhandle Conference earn a berth to the state tournament, March 7-10, at Chipola.

As of Feb. 9, the Panhandle Conference men’s standings are: Northwest (7-1), Pensacola (5-3), Chipola (4-4), Gulf Coast (3-5), and Tallahassee (1-7).

In the Feb. 7 FCSAA poll, Chipola’s men were ranked seventh. Northwest is first. Pensacola is fifth. Gulf Coast is tenth.

For the latest scores visit www.chipola.edu or by call 718-2CJC.

Two kids win flat screens at Chipola games

Jameel Wilson, a 14 year old on the Marianna Middle School basketball team, won a 50” plasma television in a Half Court Shootout at Chipola College on Feb. 4. Pictured from left, are: Chipola Appreciation Club president Colby Peel, Terry Allen of Graceville Badcock, winner Jameel Wilson, his mother Ida Wilson, and Chipola athletic director Dr. Dale O’Daniel. Terry Allen of the Graceville Badcock and More store donated two 50” Plasma television sets to winners on Feb. 4.

Cephus Green, a student at W.R. Tolar School in Bristol, made a half-court shot to win a TV during the Chipola men’s game on Feb. 4. Pictured from left, are: Chipola Appreciation Club president Colby Peel, winner Cephus Green, Terry Allen of Graceville Badcock, and Chipola athletic director Dr. Dale O’Daniel. Terry Allen of the Graceville Badcock and More store donated two 50” Plasma television sets.
Chipola black history program set for Feb. 24

The Chipola Black Student Union and the Association of United Professionals will host a Black History Month Program, Friday, Feb. 24, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the Chipola Arts Center. Dinner will be served.

Dr. Rufus Wood of Panama City is the guest speaker. A prominent local civil rights leader and pastor Wood was honored in 2010 by the Glenwood Community Center for his 25 years of dedication in bringing social justice to the community. Wood has served as pastor of the Love Center Missionary Baptist Church, Moderator of the Progressive Missionary Baptist District Association of West Florida, and President of the Bay County branch of the NAACP.

The public is invited to enjoy the free festivities and dinner, while learning more about Black History.

For information about the event, contact Dr. Willie Spires at 718-2232.

Firearms course set at Chipola

Chipola College will hold an 8-hour Firearms (Semi-Automatic) Familiarization course, Saturday, Feb. 25, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Reddoch Firing Range on the Blue Springs Highway.

The course will involve classroom time, coupled with extensive gun handling and live fire shooting. Successful completion of the course may be used in applying for a Concealed Weapons Permit. Application packets for the permit will be furnished upon request.

Registration and payment of the $100 fee must be completed in advance. A 24-hour cancellation notice is required for a refund. Class size is limited. Students must be at least 18 years of age. Use of a weapon and ammunition are included in the cost of the course. No vending machines are available at the range so participants are asked to bring lunch.

For information, call Doris Williams at (850) 718-2394 or e-mail williamsd@chipola.edu.

Throssell Literature/Language Festival set at Chipola

Chipola College will host the Twenty-second Annual Throssell Literature/Language Festival on Friday, Feb. 17.

Currently enrolled juniors or seniors from high schools in the Chipola District will compete in writing, speech, oral interpretation, humanities, grammar/mechanics/usage, literature, reading and Spanish competitions. Festival coordinator Rachel West says, “Recognition will be given to first, second, and third places and two honorable mentions in each competition. A monetary award will be given to the first place winner of the President’s Reading contest.”

The festival will begin at 8:15 a.m. and conclude with the awards ceremony at 12:30 p.m. Lunch, compliments of the college, will be provided to the contestants and their sponsors. Participants also will see a preview of the upcoming Chipola musical Godspell.

Dr. Sarah Clemmons says, “We are looking forward to hosting our twenty-second festival. It is always a pleasure to have area high school students on our campus for a day of academic competition.”

Marketing seminars set at Chipola

Chipola College will offer two marketing seminars for small businesses.

“Marketing Series, Part 1: Introduction to 21st Century Marketing,” is Friday, Feb. 10. Participants will learn to choose the best methods for marketing a business, target a market audience, create a free web site quickly and easily, discover which social media avenues are the best, and learn to optimize internet presence.

“Marketing Series Part 2: Marketing on the Internet and Using Social Media” is Feb. 24. Participants will discover the power of having a social media strategy and learn to implement new marketing techniques, unlock the secrets of the top social media sites and establish online presence.

The seminars will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Room M-108 of the Chipola Business and Technology building.

Pre-registration is required. Cost of each seminar is $30. Students should contact Elissa Severson at 718-2441 to register, or sign up in person in Building M, Office 208A.

Additional seminars scheduled, include: March 9, “International Import/Export Trade Basics”; April 6, “Steps to Starting a Small Business”; and April 13, “Ultimate Business Plan.”

Register at http://clients.floridasbdc.org/center.aspx?center=41230&subloc=4 or email seversone@chipola.edu.

Chipola to present Godspell

Chipola College Theatre will present the hit musical “Godspell,” Feb. 29 through Mar. 4. Tickets go on sale Feb. 15 in the college business office. Here, Trey McKay rehearses for the role of Jesus. The Tony-nominated show includes popular hits “Day By Day,” “Learn Your Lessons Well” and “Turn Back, O Man.” The timeless tale of friendship, loyalty and love has touched the hearts of countless theatergoers all over the world with the greatest story ever told. For ticket information, call 718-2220.
Chipola hosts Health Sciences

The Chipola College School of Health Sciences recently held a Career Fair for Associate Degree Nursing students. Here, Terri Glass (right) of Covenant Hospice shares information with a group of students. Ten health care agencies attended, including: Chipola Nursing Pavilion, Covenant Hospice, Emerald Coast Hospice, Florida State Hospital, Flower's Hospital, Gentiva Home Health, Gulf Coast Medical Center, Jackson Hospital, Signature Healthcare, and Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare. Approximately 150 students attended the annual event to discuss employment opportunities and sign-up for door prizes.

Barnes is top employee

Ionia Barnes is Chipola College’s Career Employee of the month for January. Barnes serves as the Department Staff Assistant in Mathematics and Natural Science and has worked at the college since 1976. Pictured from left, are: Associate Dean of Mathematics and Natural Science, Dr. Rose Cavin, Ionia Barnes and Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough.

Chipola alumni to perform at St. Luke’s Episcopal

Chipola College alumni Rebecca Boggs and John Baumer will perform a vocal concert of classical favorites at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 4 p.m.

The concert is to help support their study abroad trip to Germany. Currently, Rebecca and John are near completion of the undergraduate music degrees at Troy University.

Although admission is free, any donations will be used to help offset the cost of the trip.

Chipola Associate Dean of Fine and Performing Arts Dr. Daniel Powell says, “The study abroad program will not only expose them to a culturally rich country, but also give them the opportunity to see where some of the greatest composers and musicians once lived and thrived.”

The two students were in Dr. Powell’s first music class he taught at Chipola. Dr. Powell, says, “They will be among the many graduates that have represented our program with distinction and we are all very proud of them.”

Many Chipola alumni from the Southeast and as far away as New York recently returned to Chipola to participate in the Show Choir Jazzmatazz concerts. “Chipola’s strong art programs continue to unite alumni and represent the college beyond graduation,” Powell said.

For more information, email powelld@chipola.edu or call (850) 718-2257.

Chipola team wins at state

A team of future teachers from Chipola College won first place in the Chapter Display competition at the recent State Future Educator Club Conference. Pictured from left, are: Sarah Moore of Dothan, Jennifer Adkinson of Chipley, Britney Collings of Altha and Coy Williams of Graceville. Chipola instructor Casey Bush is the faculty sponsor of the group. This was the first time that Chipola students attended the conference and could only compete in two competitions.