Chipola hoopsters begin conference race

Both Chipola teams open the Panhandle Conference race Saturday, Jan. 9, when they host Gulf Coast 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 Indians are the defending conference and state champions ranked second in the FCCAA state poll behind top ranked Northwest Florida. Chipola is 15-1 on the year with their only misfire coming against Central Florida, a loss which the Indians avenged on Dec. 5. Gulf Coast enters the game (13-4) ranked fifth. TCC is third.

The Indians also are ranked fifth in the NJCAA National Poll. Northwest is tenth. TCC is number 22.

First year Chipola men’s coach Jake Headrick is pleased to have a full roster after being shorthanded with injuries for most of the pre-season. “We are almost 100% healthy and at full strength for the first time this season. Depth and speed are the two biggest strengths of this team which is something we can really utilize in conference play,” Headrick said.

When asked about the matchup with Gulf Coast, the coach said, “Our players are really excited to play their first conference game in front of a home crowd. For us it’s about being ready to compete for 40 minutes, executing on offense and being able to defend and rebound. Gulf Coast will be the biggest team we have faced this year as far as their size down low. That will make the rebound battle extra important for us.”

When asked about his outlook on the conference season, Headrick sees a tough league top to bottom. “All five teams probably feel like they have a great chance at making the tournament. Tallahassee is the favorite because of experience, but you never know in this league. With every team playing every other team three times anything can happen. It’s a league where you have to steal some road games and protect your home court.”

The Indians closed out 2009 with a 76-62 New Year’s Eve win over Albany Tech. Lashay Page and Dexter Ellington each scored 16 points for the Indians.

Chipola officials cut ribbon for renovated Cafeteria/Student Center

The Chipola College District Board of Trustees will host a Ribbon-Cutting and Open House of the college’s newly-renovated Cafeteria/Student Center on Tuesday, Jan. 19, at 5 p.m.

The renovation project will provide a home for the college’s Culinary Management program.

For information about the ribbon-cutting, contact Bryan Creshen at 718-2264.

Chipola This Week
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THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

11 MONDAY
• Late Registration, Drop/Add, and Employee Fee Waiver Reg - Spring Terms A & B: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
• Student Government Association — 2 p.m., Z116
• Theatre Auditions for Spring Musical Production, “Bye Bye Birdie” — 6 p.m., J

12 TUESDAY
• Late Registration, Drop/Add, and Employee Fee Waiver Reg - Spring Terms A & B: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
• Administrative Council — 9 a.m., U
• Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., A156
• Governance Council — 2:30 p.m., Y
• Theatre Auditions for Spring Musical Production, “Bye Bye Birdie” — 6 p.m., J

13 WEDNESDAY
• Late Registration, Drop/Add, and Employee Fee Waiver Reg - Spring Terms A & B: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
• BCM Bible Study — 10 a.m., TBA
• BSU — 10 a.m., C104

14 THURSDAY
• Late Registration, Drop/Add, and Employee Fee Waiver Reg - Spring Terms A & B: 8 a.m. - Noon
• FCA Huddle — 7 p.m.

16 SATURDAY
• CC Basketball vs NW Florida — Women: 5:30 p.m., Men 7:30 p.m., R

18 MONDAY
MARTIN L KING HOLIDAY - College Closed
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are very young and it’s difficult to explain what Panhandle play is like without experiencing it. We will get a baptism by fire on Saturday and just need to be prepared to respond.”

When asked what Chipola will need to do to win, Lane said, “We need to execute well on offense and defense. We don’t have a large margin for error in any game, but against Gulf Coast the margin gets very small. We need to take care of the basketball, prevent a large number of offensive rebounds, and create some easy shots early to help with our confidence.”

Lane respects the competition in the Panhandle Conference, saying, “With four teams ranked in the Top Ten nationally, our conference is once again among the toughest in the country. We will have to make sure we are focused and prepared for every practice and every game. We want to be one of the three teams representing the conference in the State Tournament and in order to do so we must take advantage of every opportunity we have to win games.”

Coach Lane thinks his Lady Indians are up to the test of conference play. “I don’t see us blowing teams out, but this is a team that can play very smart and control tempo and pace so that we have a chance to win any game in the last 3 minutes,” Lane said.

All five Panhandle women’s teams are ranked in the FCCAA Top 10. Gulf Coast (14-0) is first. Pensacola (15-1) is second. Northwest Florida (13-0) is third and TCC (12-2) is fourth. Chipola (10-6) is eighth.

Both Chipola teams head to Pensacola Jan. 13, before returning home to host Northwest on Saturday, Jan. 16.

Chipola to hold auditions for Bye Bye Birdie

Chipola Theatre will hold auditions for the hit musical “Bye Bye Birdie,” Jan 11 and 12 at 6 p.m.

The show will be directed by Charles Sirmon with choreography by Chris Manasco. Performance dates are March 10-14.

Audition age is 16 and up. No preparation is needed. Those who audition will be taught a vocal number and choreography piece. Some will be asked to read for character parts.

Bye Bye Birdie is the exuberant rock’n roll smash hit featuring the familiar tunes “A Lot of Livin’ to Do,” “Kids,” and “Put on a Happy Face.”

The satire centers on an Elvis-type rock superstar (Conrad Birdie) who is drafted into the army. His agent (Albert Peterson) and Albert’s secretary and love interest (Rosie Alvarez) plan a farewell performance for Birdie on the Ed Sullivan show, which they hope will sell his new song “One Last Kiss” and bring Albert’s company out of debt. At the conclusion of the performance, Birdie will give a real kiss to a lucky girl chosen from his fan club.

The lucky girl is Kim MacAfee from Sweet Apple, Ohio. Albert and Rosie come to Sweet Apple to prepare for Birdie’s arrival and things begin to unravel. Kim’s new steady (Hugo Peabody) gets jealous of the thought of Kim kissing Birdie on national TV.

Things continue to come undone as Birdie’s charms enrage Hugo to punch him out on national television. Later, Birdie confesses that he is tired of show business and goes out on the town with the kids to show them how to party which leads to his arrest. Meanwhile, Rosie is getting tired of waiting for Albert to propose. She is also tired of Albert’s domineering mother (Mae Peterson) who is constantly interfering in their relationship. Rosie goes out on the town and stumbles into a Shriners’ meeting, leading to a humorous ballet sequence.

The show ends with Albert bailing Birdie out of jail prompting Birdie to ask Albert to be his agent forever as he gets on the train to New York and his induction into the army. In the end, Hugo proposes to Kim and Albert finally proposes to Rosie to tie up the remaining romantic knot before the show’s finale.

Contact Charles Sirmon at sirmonc@chipola.edu or 850-718-2227.

Dupont helps Chipola College

Robert E. Nedley, president of the Alfred I. duPont Foundation, Inc., (center) recently presented a check for $75,000 to Chipola College president Dr. Gene Prough (right) and Chipola Foundation Director Julie Fuqua. The donation will be used to fund scholarships and other special projects at the college. The Alfred I. duPont Foundation supports numerous educational institutions and charitable causes throughout the southeast.
EMT’s graduate from Chipola

Sixteen candidates recently completed the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) program at Chipola College. Pictured from left are: (front) Andrew King, Andrew James, Charles Sherrod, Tonya Chason, Peggy Gay, Tammi Terry, Jamie Roberts, Brian Barnes, Darrius Dudley (back) Ricky Winget (EMT Coordinator), Chris Murray (Instructor), Josh Biggs, Richard Stevens, Brent Poppell, Andy Waldroff, John Miller, Brian Hunt, Cody Steverson, Josh Williams (Instructor), and Wayne Cherry (Instructor). For information about the program, visit www.chipola.edu, or call 718-2251.

Chipola enhances computer program with broadband

The Chipola College Division of Workforce Development has received a grant through the Chipola Regional Workforce Board to enhance the Associate in Science Degree Program in Networking Services Technology to include several industry certifications.

The program and curriculum is designed to afford the student opportunities to earn both A+ and Network + certifications along with resulting employment in the computer industry. These certifications will let employers know that the student has the skills required to setup and repair personal computers, laptops as well as maintain computer networks. Ultimately, the program will include Cisco certification.

The instructional program takes two years to complete and will impart the skills necessary for entering the information technology field fully loaded and competent. Secondary students can earn up to 12 credits while still attending high school through dual enrollment in the program.

Students will experience technical training to include but not limited to a broad overview of broadband technologies, hands-on training in cable fabrication, hardware component installation and configuration where applicable. New equipment, materials, supplies and instructional support will enhance the training process.

“This is a tremendous opportunity for students to embark on a challenging and rewarding career in our technologically advanced age” stated Bud Riviere, Chipola’s Workforce Dean. Classes begin January 7, 2010.

For more information, contact instructor Dean Giles at 850-718-2392 or Bud Riviere’s office at 850-718-2268.

Tickets for Chipola Artist Series event “Cantus” go on sale Jan. 19

Individual tickets go on sale Tuesday, Jan. 19 for “Cantus,” the February 1 Chipola Artist Series event, featuring one of America’s finest professional male vocal ensembles.

Cantus maintains a vigorous schedule of national tours, subscription concerts in its home of Minneapolis and Saint Paul, as well as educational outreach programs and recording. The Washington Post hails the ensemble’s sound as having both “exalting finesse” and “expressive power,” and refers to their music-making as “spontaneous grace.” The ensemble 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 Chipola Artist Series is funded through Chipola’s Performing Arts Fund, with grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Southern Arts Federation, the Florida Division of Cultural Affairs, the Chipola Regional Arts Association and corporate donors.

A limited number of individual event tickets—$12 for adults and $8 for ages 18 and under—will be available Jan. 19 at the Chipola Business Office.

For performance information, contact Joan Stadsklev at 850-718-2301 or stadsklevj@chipola.edu.

For ticket information, call 850-718-2220.
Chipola offers Public Service programs for high schoolers

The Chipola College Public Service Division will offer free Dual Enrollment programs beginning this semester to prepare high school students for careers in Corrections, Law Enforcement and Fire-Fighting.

Three courses will be offered for high school students: (CJC 1000) Introduction to Corrections, (CJE 1000) Introduction to Law Enforcement, and (FFP 1142) Medical First Responder (Fire Fighting). Upon completion of the courses, students may choose a specialization in one of the three areas of Law Enforcement, Corrections or Fire Fighting.

Courses will be offered on the Chipola campus from 1 to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students may earn clock-hours and/ or college credits during the spring term beginning Jan. 19 and ending April 29. Each course is three semester hour credits or 45 contact hours each with a total of 135 contact hours or nine credit hours for the semester. Six of the credit hours may be counted toward an Associate in Arts Degree.

There are no assessment/testing fees associated with the dual enrollment public service programs. A minimum of ten students is required to continue the program.

Chipola’s Dean of Workforce Development, Bud Riviere, says, “This dual enrollment opportunity will enable students in our area to begin exploring a career in public service at no cost to them while earning college credit at the same time. Chipola is pleased to offer this opportunity to our secondary students.”

Students interested in enrolling in this program should contact their high school guidance counselor or the Chipola Public Service Program at 850-718-2253.

BOOKSTORE HOURS
Monday-Thursday
7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday
7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

TECH CENTER HOURS:
Monday - Thursday
8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Friday
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

ACE HOURS:
Monday - Thursday
8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Friday
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

ATTENTION! Students are cautioned to not leave books and valuables unattended.

8-HOUR FIREARMS FAMILARIZATION COURSE is set for Jan. 25 and 26 at the Reddoch Firing Range on the Blue Springs Highway.

Successful completion of the course may be used in applying for a Concealed Weapons Permit.

The 8-hour course will meet from 5 to 9 p.m.

Registration and payment of the $100 fee can be paid on the first night of class. Please call to reserve a place. Class size is limited.

For information, call (850) 718-2394.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY
18 ML King Holiday - College Closed
19 District Board of Trustees
22 FACC Winter Membership Meeting
27 Intro of Homecoming candidates
27-28 Homecoming Court voting

FEBRUARY
1 Last Day for Vertical Transfer for Spring Term B
1 Artist Series: “Cantus”
3 SGA Talent Show
6 HOMECOMING DAY
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, Jan. 13. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK
11-Jan Lee Shook
15-Jan Annie Graham
16-Jan Joan Miller

Belated Wishes to:
6-Jan Tony Baker
8-Jan Ana Stephens
10-Jan Sandra Harrell

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 Fall fee receipt to get your ID.