

## Dr. Gene Prough hired for new term as Chipola president



**Dr. Gene Prough**

The Chipola College District Board of Trustees on Tuesday voted unanimously to appoint Dr. Gene Prough as the new president of the college effective April 1, 2010. Dr. Prough's retirement/separation from the college will be Feb. 28 through March 31.

In a related action, the board voted to appoint Dr. Sarah Clemmons as interim president during Prough's retirement period. Dr. Clemmons currently serves as Senior Vice President of Academic and Student Services.

She has worked at the college since 1979.

The terms of Prough's and Clemmons' contracts will be discussed by board attorney Gerald Holley and board chairman Gary Clark, who will make a recommendation to the board at the Feb. 16 meeting.

During the meeting, Prough said, "I appreciate your vote of confidence. I love this school and the students here. I know that we would not be successful if we did not work together. I look forward to working with our faculty and staff to provide the best learning environment for our students."

Dr. Prough has an excellent record of service to Chipola, and has earned the highest ratings in each of his annual evaluations. A

1968 graduate of Chipola, Prough 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 1994-95. Prough first came to Chipola as Director of Vocational Education in 1994.

During his time as president 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 Student Services building was completed in 2005. A new entrance road to the college is slated to open in the near future to provide the setting for the college's new \$16 million Center for the Arts.

Under his leadership, the college foundation has grown from \$2 million to more than \$14 million. Endowments and scholarships in the foundation provide some more than \$1 million annually in direct aid to students.

During Prough's tenure as president, the college has changed its name from Chipola Junior College to Chipola College in order to offer four-year degrees. The college now offers eight bachelor's degrees in education, business and nursing. Chipola became one of nine community colleges designated as a state college in 2009.



**Dr. Sarah Clemmons**

## Chipola Homecoming 2010 begins Jan. 27

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

This year's theme is "Homecoming 2010 a New Decade."

On Wednesday, Jan. 27, candidates for homecoming and Mr. Chipola will be introduced at a ceremony at 10 a.m. in the Student Center. Voting will be Jan. 27 from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the Cafeteria, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Student Activities Office (K105), and from 5 - 6 p.m. in the lobby of Building Z. Voting will continue on Jan. 28 in the Student Activities Office until noon.

The top two freshmen vote-getters (women and men) and the top three sophomores or upper classmen will be named to the court. The sophomores or upper classmen with the most votes will be crowned Queen and Mr. Chipola. The court will be posted by 4 p.m., Jan. 28.

Student Activities for the week include: Monday, Feb. 1: Pajamas Day; Tuesday, Feb. 2: Tacky Day; Wednesday, Feb. 3: Decade Day; Thursday, Feb. 4: Chipola Blue and Gold Day; and Friday, Feb. 5: Sports Day.

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### THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

#### 25 MONDAY

- ♦ SGA — 2 p.m., Z116
- ♦ Night Students Social — 7 p.m., D Lobby

#### 26 TUESDAY

- ♦ Executive Council — 9 a.m., A192
- ♦ Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., A156
- ♦ Practice for Intro of Homecoming Candidates — 2 p.m., I

#### 27 WEDNESDAY

- ♦ Intro of Homecoming Candidates & Voting — 10 a.m., I
- ♦ Homecoming Court, Night Voting — 5-6 p.m., Z
- ♦ Music Symposium

#### 28 THURSDAY

- ♦ Homecoming Court Voting, cont. — 8 a.m.-Noon, A156
- ♦ FCA Huddle — 7 p.m.
- ♦ Music Symposium

#### 29 FRIDAY

- ♦ Music Symposium
- ♦ Academic Directors — 9 a.m., A192

#### 30 SATURDAY

- ♦ CC Basketball vs. Pensacola — Women 5:30 p.m., Men 7:30 p.m., R

## Homecoming, *continued from page 1*

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

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 currently enrolled at Chipola. Cash prizes will be awarded to: Best Overall - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>; 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 Tal-



lahassee are set for Saturday, Feb. 6. The day's events begin with a reception in honor of retired librarian Merle Houston at 4 p.m. in the college Library where a reading room is being dedicated in honor of Mrs. Houston's long-time service to the college.

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.

## Chipola hosts Pensacola, Saturday, Jan. 30

Chipola hosts Pensacola in a pair of big basketball games, Saturday, Jan. 30, in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. Both squads are enjoying eight days off before traveling to Gulf Coast for games on Jan. 27.

The Indians slipped to 1-3 in league play following a 69-49 loss to Tallahassee on Jan. 19. Chipola was without the services of leading scorer Lashay Page who is out indefinitely with a knee injury. John Taylor led Chipola with 14 points. Dexter Ellington had 10. TCC led 38-30 at the half.

Head coach Jake Headrick, "Our effort and energy was the best it's been all year, but you can't win on the road when you only score 49 points." Headrick was pleased with his team's effort. If we'll play with the same energy that we played with tonight, we can win a lot of games."

The Indians suffered an 86-74 loss to Northwest Florida on Jan. 16. Chipola's newest player Keith Dewitt had a breakout performance with 17 points and 17 rebounds. Ellington scored 14 points. Page had 12 points and 7 rebounds. Aaron Davis added 10.

After the first round of league play, Northwest (4-0) leads the conference race. Tallahassee (3-1) is in second. Chipola (1-3) is

third, with Gulf Coast (0-4). The top two men's teams make it to the state tournament.

The Lady Indians are still in pursuit of their first conference win following a heartbreaking 69-64 loss at Tallahassee on Jan. 19. Bianca Jarrett led Chipola with 25 points. Tykiesha O'Neil had 15. Lindsey Carr added 11. Chipola was up 32-16 late in the first half, but TCC closed the gap to 40-34 at the break.

Head coach David Lane said, "We shot 60 percent from the field in the first half and we did a good job defensively, but we gave up 18 offensive rebounds." The Lady Indians cut the deficit to three with 17 seconds remaining, but were forced to foul with no time outs and lost by five.

The Lady Indians suffered a 76-63 loss to Northwest on Jan. 16. Jarrett led Chipola with 25 points and 9 rebounds. O'Neil had 10 points and 5 rebounds. Cayla Walker had 11 points and 3 rebounds.

After the first round of league play, Gulf Coast (4-0) is in first. Pensacola (3-1) is in second. TCC (2-2) is third. NWF is (1-3) and Chipola is (0-4). The top three teams in the league earn a trip to the state tourney.

## 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 Oswalt, 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](mailto:sheltonb@chipola.edu).

## ‘Cantus’ Ensemble to perform for Chipola Artist Series

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.

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. Cantus was founded in the fall of 1995 when a few college friends gathered on the campus of St. Olaf College in Minnesota. Since then, Cantus has performed more than 400 concerts across the nation, including appearances at AmericaFest, UCLA Live, the University of Chicago Presents, Merkin Concert Hall of New York City and Harvard University.

Cantus made its first European appearance singing at the Polyfolia festival in Normandy, France in 2003. Cantus is a resident artist at St. John’s University, Collegeville, MN. Having worked with thousands of young people across the country, Cantus is committed to educational endeavors and encouraging singing with their motto “Live. Play. Sing.”

**Violinist Sarah Geller** will perform in the final Artist Series event of the season on March 18. Geller performs a wide variety of



music from Latin American and flamenco treasures to traditional favorites and unknown gems of mainstream composers.

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.

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.

## 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, where she covered the peace process and the partial Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon. She spent five years in Moscow as a correspondent for the *Los Angeles Times*.

She wrote a newspaper column, *Postcard from Moscow*, and reported for NBC/Mutual Radio. She wrote about Kremlin politics as well as life for average Russians under Gorbachev and Yeltsin during the coup and collapse of the Soviet Union. 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.

## Chipola officials cut ribbon



The Chipola College District Board of Trustees recently hosted a Ribbon-Cutting to open the college’s newly-renovated Cafeteria/Student Center. The \$2.7 million renovation project will provide a home for the Student Activities Office, recreational space for the students and wi-fi connection. Sodexo will provide food service. The public is welcome to enjoy breakfast or lunch in the facility. For information, call 526-2761, Ext. 3329.

## Chipola and Health Department launch 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 on the Chipola campus.

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

## Teacher workshop set at Chipola

The Chipola College Future Educators Club will host its Third Annual Teacher Workshop, Saturday, Jan. 30.

Chipola’s future educators with the assistance of the education faculty, staff, and education graduates will present the free workshop for area educators and education students.

The students will present hands-on activities that can be used in the classroom along with samples for teachers and education majors to take and use in their own classrooms.

The sessions will include presentations and strategies in Math and Science, grades K-12 and Reading, grades K-6. Sessions will include a presentation on using poetry to teach, using Music in the classroom, ideas to teach fractions, connections in Geometry, Interwrite demonstrations, science activities, and general sessions with center ideas, Pyramath, and more. Area teachers may earn 10 in-service points by registering for the workshop through PAEC.

The workshop will be held in Building D on the Chipola campus from 8 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Teachers and students interested in a career in education are invited to attend. Registration will begin at 8 a.m., with the first session at 8:15 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

To ensure that sufficient materials are available, please RSVP to Dr. Cherry Ward at 850-526-2761 or wardc@chipola.edu.

### 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

- 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. 27.** Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at wardc@chipola.edu.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 25-Jan Betty Broome
- 28-Jan Harry Fleener
- 31-Jan Cherry Ward

### 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