

# Chipola This Week

A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

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## Chipola Brain Bowl wins third straight national championship

The Chipola College Brain Bowl A team won its third straight national championship at the NAQT (National Academic Quiz Tournament) Community College Championship Tournament in St. Louis, Missouri, March 2.

Chipola A defeated Valencia A in the final game. Lamar State College (TX) took third. Redlands (OK), Jefferson (KY), and Central Florida (FL) finished fourth, fifth, and sixth respectively.

The Chipola A team finished the preliminary rounds with a 5-0 record, placing the team in the championship bracket. With a loss to Valencia in the 9th round, Chipola finished the championship bracket at 5-1. The loss by the Chipola team meant they had to beat Valencia twice in the finals to claim the title. Chipola won the first match 560-285, to force a final match. Chipola completed the title run by winning the second match also, with a score of 580-115.

Chipola was again led by sophomore Paul Kelson, who was the MVP of the tournament averaging 214 points per game, the highest average in tournament history. Other Chipola A team members are: Katelyn Miller, William Singleton and Becca Delgado.



Chipola Brain Bowl A team members are, from left: Becca Delgado, Katelyn Miller, Tournament MVP Paul Kelson and William Singleton.

Chipola will now advance to the 2013 Intercollegiate Championship Tournament to be held in Chicago, IL on April 12-13. Chipola will be one of six community colleges competing at the tournament.

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## Chipola women headed to national tournament on at-large bid

The Chipola Lady Indians have earned an at-large bid to play in the Women's Basketball National Tournament in Salina, Kansas.

Chipola (25-6) will play Southwest Illinois (25-5) Monday, March 18, at 8 p.m. (CST). A win would pit the Lady Indians against the winner of Southern Idaho and Central Arizona in a 3 p.m. game on Wednesday, March 20. The single-elimination tournament runs March 18-23.

The Lady Indians finished second in the FCSAA Florida/Region VIII Tournament on March 9, losing 61-53 to state champion Gulf Coast in the title game. Chipola made it to the championship game with a 72-52 win over Northwest Florida State who also

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### THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

#### 18 MONDAY

- ◆ Last Day to Withdraw from a Class for Spring Term A
- ◆ Student Government Association - 2 p.m., Z116

#### 19 TUESDAY

- ◆ Executive Council - 9 a.m., A192
- ◆ Student Ambassadors - 1 p.m., A156
- ◆ Children's Production, "Alice in Wonderland" Auditions - 6 p.m., Center for the Arts
- ◆ District Board of Trustees - 7 p.m., Bldg Y

#### 20 WEDNESDAY

- ◆ Black Student Union - 10 a.m., C104
- ◆ SSS Financial Aid Workshop- 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., ACE 102-103
- ◆ Spanish Club - 2:15 p.m., Z113
- ◆ CC Baseball vs. Tallahassee - 5 p.m., BC
- ◆ Night Student Social - 7 p.m., Front of Z

#### 21 THURSDAY

- ◆ Last Day for Vertical Transfer for Spring C

- ◆ Fellowship of Christian Athletes - 7 p.m., Cafeteria

#### 23 SATURDAY

- ◆ CC Baseball vs. Northwest FL - 1 p.m., BC
- ◆ CC Softball vs. Northwest FL - 1/3 p.m., SC

#### 24 SUNDAY

- ◆ CC Softball vs. Sneads State - TBA., SC

## Brain Bowl, *continued from page 1*

Based on Chipola's strong performance at the community college championship, Chipola has received the number 5 seed in the nation, behind only Harvard, Yale, Stanford, and Brown. Chipola was the number 13 seed in last year's competition, finishing the 2012 tournament in ninth place.

Chipola B also had a strong performance in the national tournament, finishing seventh overall. Chipola B also made the championship bracket, but fell one spot short of advancing to the ICT tournament in Chicago. Chipola B was led by Blake Benton, finishing as the 13th overall individual. Other Chipola B team members are: Wesley Chevillot, Bobby Gause, Jamie McCoy, and Faith Tice.

Chipola math professor Stan Young is head coach of the Brain Bowl team with volunteer assistant Dr. Robert Dunkle.

The Chipola Brain Bowl team will try for sixth straight FCSAA State Championship March 16 in Lake City. Chipola is now tied with Broward, both with five consecutive state titles.



*Team members are, from left: Tournament MVP Paul Kelson, Blake Benton, Bobby Gause, Wesley Chevillot, William Singleton, volunteer assistant coach Dr. Robert Dunkle (back) head coach Stan Young, Faith Tice, Katelyn Miller, Jamie McCoy and Becca Delgado.*

## National tournament, *continued from page 1*

earned an at-large bid in the national tournament. The Lady Indians beat Florida State College 62-55 in the opening round of the state tournament.

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

Chipola and Northwest are both beneficiaries of the NJCAA's change to an expanded tournament bracket which now

includes four at-large teams, four 'zone' qualifiers and 16 district champions. The 24-team seeded tournament will be played at the Bicentennial Center in Salina, Kansas.

The national title game will be played on Saturday, March 23. Tournament games will be aired live on NJCAA TV. Visit [www.njcaa.org/newsArticle.cfm?articleId=19118](http://www.njcaa.org/newsArticle.cfm?articleId=19118)



## Spires interviewed for poverty research

William Galvan (right), a graduate student enrolled in the Institut d'Études Politique de Paris, recently interviewed Dr. Willie Spires, Chipola College Associate Dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences. Galvan, a native of the Dominican Republic, is conducting research on poverty for a thesis in Public Affairs. Dr. Spires reported that the student was interested in the role of local government in combatting poverty. The student also interviewed Bill Stanton, Executive Director of the Jackson County Development Council.

## Online evaluations of courses and faculty set

During March 4-22, each student will have an opportunity to complete an anonymous online evaluation of his/her classes quickly and conveniently. Students can access the evaluation form on the college website beginning March 4. After semester grades are posted, student confidential feedback will provide information on instructional practices and instructional needs. Student participation in this process is very important. Chipola's administration and faculty use the candid responses to assess teaching and learning.

## Lady Indians finish second in state

The Chipola **Lady Indians** finished second in the Florida/Region VIII Basketball Tournament held March 6-9 in Chipola's Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

Gulf Coast captured the women's title with a 61-53 win over runner-up Chipola in the Championship game on March 9. Chipola was led by Rayven Brooks with 15. Jade Givens had 11 points and four steals. Three Lady Indians—Jade Givens, Kristine Brance and Rayven Brooks—were named to the All-Tournament team.

In the women's semi-final round, Chipola shocked Northwest, 72-52. Rahni Bell led Chipola with 19 points on five three-pointers. Rayven Brooks had 18 points and 9 rebounds. Kristine Brance had 11 points. Jasmine Crawford had nine

points and seven steals. Gulf Coast handled St. Pete, 80-70.

Chipola's performance in the State Tournament won the Lady Indians an at-large bid to play in the Women's Basketball National Tournament in Salina, Kansas.

The Chipola **Indians** lost their bid for a 13th state title losing to Brevard, 82-72, in the semi-final round. Chipola was led in scoring by Demetrious Floyd with 19 points. Earl Watson had 15 points and seven rebounds. Cinmeon Bowers had 14 points and 6 rebounds. Cinmeon Bowers and Earl Watson were both named to the All-Tournament team.

Northwest was also upset in the semi-finals by Central Florida, 74-71.

In the men's first round, Chipola

trounced Polk, 70-47. Torian Graham led Chipola with 18 points and 6 rebounds. Carlos Morris had 15 points and two threes. Bowers had 12 points and 8 rebounds. Central Florida beat State College of Florida, 90-77. Northwest outlasted Palm Beach 72-64. Brevard dominated Santa Fe, 69-48.

Waste Management was the official host sponsor for the event. The Jackson County Tourist Development Council awarded a grant to help fund the tournament. The Florida Lottery, First Commerce Credit Union and the Jackson County Teachers Credit Union were also major sponsors of the event.

Visit the official tourney web site at: [www.chipola.edu](http://www.chipola.edu)



## First Commerce sponsors seminar

First Commerce Credit Union recently sponsored a free lunch and learn seminar on identity theft for Chipola College employees. Pictured from left, are: Chuck Hudson, Jackson County Executive of First Commerce Credit Union; Carla DeBaldo, Vice President of Sales for First Commerce and Alicia Hatcher, Chipola College Coordinator of Extended Learning.



## Tickets still available for Hairspray

Tickets are still available for the Chipola College Theatre musical, "Hairspray," which runs March 13-17. Tickets are available online at [www.chipola.edu](http://www.chipola.edu) and in the Center for the Arts Box Office one hour prior to the performance. For more information contact Charles Sirmon, Director of Theatre [sirmonc@chipola.edu](mailto:sirmonc@chipola.edu) 850-718-2277.

## Free seminar for veterans set at Chipola

Chipola will offer a free seminar, "What the Veterans' Business Outreach Center Can Do for You," on Friday, March 22, from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m., in the Business and Technology building, Room M108.

The Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC) helps create, develop, and retain veteran-owned small business enterprises. The VBOC provides training

through workshops, counseling, assistance, and resource utilization services to Veterans, Service-Disabled Veterans, Reservists, National Guard, and Active Duty business owners and entrepreneurs.

The next seminar, "Government Contracting," will meet April 19. Participants will learn how to identify government agencies and target marketing efforts to save

both time and money. Cost is \$30. The first six Chipola students to sign up will receive free admission.

Participants may register for all seminars online at [www.northfloridabiz.com](http://www.northfloridabiz.com). At Chipola, contact Elissa Severson 850-718-2441 or email [severson@chipola.edu](mailto:severson@chipola.edu). Participants may register in person in Building M, Office 208.



### Stephens presents at conference

the benefits of an online RN to BSN program.

The theme of the conference was Alternative Pathways to the Baccalaureate. Health educators from Australia, China, Denmark, Sweden and numerous members from states in the United States were in attendance.

Dr. Stephens, said, “The state of Florida is known as a trend-setter in the academic circles of community colleges making bachelors’ degrees accessible and affordable to future students. Many states continue to work through political issues related to community colleges offering baccalaureate degrees.”

In 2011, the Institute of Medicine (IOM) recommended that 80% of Registered Nurses be Baccalaureate prepared by the year 2020. The Florida College system has accepted the challenge by

implementing post licensure RN to BSN programs across the state. Currently, there are 14 Florida State (Community) Colleges offering this option. The attainment of the BSN offers advances in employment, clinical teaching opportunities, and advancement of the professional nursing practice.

Chipola offers the RN-BSN Degree with all upper level classes offered in an online format. The college accepts RN-BSN students each semester and they may complete the online courses in one year or choose to individualize their educational plans to fit their schedules. Chipola’s RN-BSN program is now in the candidacy status for NLNAC Accreditation.

To learn more about program requirements, call 850-718-2278, 850-718-2316 or visit [www.chipola.edu](http://www.chipola.edu)

Dr. Vickie Stephens, Dean of the Chipola College School of Health Sciences, served as a presenter and panelist at the thirteenth annual Community College Baccalaureate Association Conference in Dallas, March 8-10.

Dr. Stephens served on a panel which provided an overview and historical review of the creation of Baccalaureate Nursing programs in Florida. Dr. Stephens also presented a plenary session highlighting

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- MARCH**  
25-29 SPRING BREAK HOLIDAYS
- APRIL**  
2 Last Day to Resign from All Classes - Spring Term A  
3 Spring Frolics  
5 Math Olympiad

### 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, March 20. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at [warde@chipola.edu](mailto:warde@chipola.edu).

### BELATED BIRTHDAYS

- 11-Mar Robert Farnell
- 11-Mar Janice Holley
- 12-Mar Amanda Clark
- 15-Mar Marti Coley
- 17-Mar Jennifer Ham

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 21-Mar Shane Hendrix
- 24-Mar James Froh
- 24-Mar Vickie Stephens

**THANK YOU.** The Traynom family wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, delicious food and donations during this time. We so appreciate our Chipola family.

Joyce Traynom

**SPRING FROLICS.** Spring Frolics will be Wednesday, April 3 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Chipola Pool. Students will be excused from their classes to participate in games, music, and free food.

The SGA Spring Elections will also be held and voting for the Distinguished Service Awards for a faculty member and a career employee or administrator.

If you are interested in running for office, come by the Student Activities Office, (K-105). The deadline to apply is March 18.

**SSS TRIPS.** Student Support Services (SSS) students will be visiting the Troy-Dothan Campus on April 12 and the University of Florida on April 19. If you are interested in the attending one of these trips, please RSVP at 718-2431 by April 5. For more information, please visit [www.chipola.edu/SSS](http://www.chipola.edu/SSS).



### Holley retires

Gerald Holley recently retired as Board Attorney for the Chipola College District Board of Trustees after 25 years of service. Here, Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough (left) presents a plaque of appreciation to Holley.

### March CRAA meeting to be held in Liberty County

Each year the Chipola Regional Arts Association (CRAA) holds a meeting in a different featured county to increase interest and support for CRAA programs. This year, the meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19 at 11:30 (EST), at the Civic Center in Liberty County.

The public is invited to attend. There will be a catered lunch available for \$8-\$10. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. with the program at noon. Please RSVP by March 10.

The program will feature teachers from Liberty County who have been awarded CRAA mini-grants for improvement

of instruction in the arts. The program also will include a historical look into the development of the Veterans Memorial Park Railroad and the Liberty Arts Council. For information on the CRAA meeting, contact Anita Price at [pricea@chipola.edu](mailto:pricea@chipola.edu) or (850) 718-2277.

# 2013 NJCAA Division I Women's Basketball National Championship

