Harrison building dedicated at Chipola College

Chipola College on May 17 marked the completion of “The Chapel at Chipola” donated by the family of Mr. and Mrs. Creshull Harrison, Sr.

Kolmetz Construction was the contractor and Donofro and Associates was the architect for the 2,100 square foot building. The space is equipped with a large video screen and meeting room with stained glass window. The building will be used by students for spiritual meetings and gatherings.

Dave Barkalow, Associate Pastor of the First United Church of Marianna, officially dedicated the building. Dr. Shannon Eads of the First Baptist Church of Marianna pledged both churches’ support for Chipola students. Curt McGinnis, Chipola Baptist Campus Ministry advisor, also spoke.

Pictured are members of the Harrison family with local clergy and Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough.

Retirees honored at Chipola

Chipola College honored six of its retirees—Bob Brown, Gayle Duncan, June Mays, Dr. Joan Miller, Lisa Shores and Janet Wise—at the recent end-of-year luncheon.

Presentation roasts were the order of the day. Harry Fleener honored Bob Brown, Custodian, for his 26 years of service. Dr. Joan Miller highlighted the career of Student Disability Services Advisor, Gayle Duncan for 19 years of service. Dr. Rose Cavin honored June Mays, Professor of Biological Science and Chemistry, for 28 years of service. Dr. Jayne Roberts highlighted the careers of Dr. Joan Miller, Dean of Student Services, for 27 years of service and Lisa Shores, Department Associate of Enrollment Services, for 18 years of service. Bud Riviere honored Janet Wise, Senior Office Assistant of Continuing Education, for 36 years of service.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough presented resolutions from the college board of trustees citing each retiree’s accomplishments. All six were presented Chipola Gold Cards which provide lifetime admission to college events, and all were awarded lifetime memberships in the Florida Association of Community Colleges (FACC).

The event was sponsored by FACC, Council of Chipola Educators (CCE), Chipola Faculty Association (CFA) and Career Employees Association (CEA).

Pictured from left, are Lisa Shores, Dr. Joan Miller, Gayle Duncan, June Mays, Janet Wise and Bob Brown.
Chipola to face GA Perimeter in national softball tourney

The No. 2 seeded Chipola College Lady Indians (47-11) will face #15-seed Georgia Perimeter College (28-13) at 12:30 p.m., (Mountain Time) Thursday, May 20, in the NJCAA Softball Tournament at the Canyons Sports Complex in St. George, Utah.

St. George is in the Mountain Time Zone which is one hour behind the Central Time Zone.

The Chipola team departed from the college, Monday, May 17, to travel by bus to New Orleans where they will fly to Las Vegas and stay Monday night. Vegas is 100 miles from St. George, Utah, the site of the tourney.

The tourney is Thursday through Sunday. Games will be broadcast on WJAQ-100.9 FM and will be available on www.psblive.com

The #1-ranked Salt Lake CC Bruins, who won their first 39 games and enter this weekend’s double-elimination tournament with a 59-3 overall record, will play #16-seed Pitt (NC) CC (39-11). Three other games featuring ranked teams will take place in the first session, including 11th-ranked and #8-seed Seward County (KS) CC (47-12) against 17th-ranked and #9-seed Seminole State (OK) CC (43-12), #5-seed and defending national champion #13 Yavapai (AZ) College (50-14) will face #12-seed Indian Hills (IA) CC (33-22), and eight-ranked and #4-seed Wallace State-Hanceville (AL) CC (56-7) will take on #13-seed John A. Logan (IL) College (38-9).

The other end of the bracket features five more nationally-ranked teams, including third-ranked and the No. 2 seeded Chipola (FL) College Lady Indians (47-11), who open play against #15-seed Georgia Perimeter College (28-13) in the first round at 12:30 p.m. Miami Dade (FL) College (45-6-1), which earned the No. 3 seed in the tournament and will face 20th-ranked and #14-seed Western Nebraska CC (43-19), while 10th-ranked and #6-seed Blinn (TX) College (44-9) will play #11-seed Temple (TX) College (33-20), and seventh-ranked and #7-seed Chattanooga (TN) State CC (51-12) will square off against #10-seed Odessa (TX) College (33-27).

The on-field action continues Thursday evening with four consolation bracket elimination games at 4:30 p.m., followed by four championship-bracket quarterfinal games at 7 p.m. The tournament continues Friday, May 21, with an 11-game schedule start.

Computer Systems scholarships

Scholarships in the Computer Systems program which includes several industry certifications are available to qualified students for Summer I.

These scholarships cover the entire cost of the six weeks term, including books.

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 set up and repair personal computers, laptops as well as maintain computer networks.

Students will experience technical training to include a broad overview of broadband technologies, hands-on training in cable fabrication, hardware component installation and configuration.

“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.

For information, call Dean Giles at 718-2392 or 718-2268.

Top Chipola grads

Five Chipola College graduates recently were awarded the President’s Medallion for earning a perfect 4.0 grade point average in all of their coursework at the college. Associate in Arts degree graduates Allison Ellis of Chipley, Benjamin Griffin of Greenwood, Marshall Hilton of Marianna and Tiffany Newsome of Graceville earned a 4.0 for two years of work. Bachelor of Science degree graduate Daniel Lee of Vernon earned a 4.0 for four years of work. Pictured are, from left: (top) Allison Ellis, Ben Griffin, (bottom) Daniel Lee, Marshall Hilton. Tiffany Newsome is not pictured.

AA students required to take CAAP

Associate in Arts Degree-seeking students are required to take the Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) Exam to graduate from Chipola.

Students planning to graduate this Summer must register for the exam by May 27 in the Testing Center located in the Student Services Building.

The exam will be administered on June 5, and will last approximately four hours.

CAAP is a set of standardized tests developed to provide an objective assessment of the skills students have learned in general education courses at Chipola. Assessing these skills is a requirement of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), the regional accreditation agency for Chipola.

The CAAP assesses the following five areas: Writing Skills, Reading, Mathematics, Critical Thinking, and Science. Copies of the CAAP Student User Guide, which provides sample questions from each test area, are available at no cost in the Testing Center.
Late Edd and Elizabeth Hill honored at Chipola College

Friends and family of the late Edd and Elizabeth Hill of Grand Ridge gathered at Chipola College on May 13 to recognize the Hill’s gift to Chipola College.

In 1991, the Hill’s only son Glen was killed in an auto accident. Glen had recently graduated from Chipola and was a student at FSU, a member of the Marching Chiefs, a talented musician, an Eagle Scout and active in his church. Edd Hill’s brother Gilford, said, “Glen was just an all around good kid who loved life, but most of all, loved his mother, dad and family.”

The establishment of the “Glen Hill Memorial” scholarship was the result of the decision to turn their own personal tragedy into a lasting, positive gift for the benefit of other Grand Ridge students and also a means to give lasting honor to their beloved son. Several students have already graduated from Chipola as a result of this scholarship.

Prior to their deaths, Edd and Elizabeth decided to continue their gift through the establishment of an additional scholarship in their name. The sale of their home and property has already meant $475,000 to the Chipola Foundation. An additional $100,000 to $125,000 is expected when the estate is finally settled.

Half of the Hill’s estate will go to the Glen Hill Memorial Scholarship. The other half will be used to establish the Ed and Elizabeth Hill Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship will be awarded to a Jackson County student who has financial need. The award can be used for tuition and books as long as the student maintains a 2.5 GPA.

Gilford said, “Just think about what this will mean for future students. This is a gift which will just keep on giving for generations to come. What a great day this is indeed for the students of Grand Ridge.”

The Hills had a passion for education and realized its importance for a meaningful life. Elizabeth was a school teacher for almost 40 years and never lost her love for her students. The Hills were active in their church and community and took great pleasure in seeing kids from Grand Ridge excel in all areas.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough, said, “The Hills loved Chipola, and we are honored that they chose to leave a lasting legacy to the college that will support current and future generations of deserving students.”

Chipola College Enrollment Process

- Complete a Chipola College application (call 850-718-2233 for assistance).
- Request your high school to send a final high school transcript to Chipola.
- Apply for federal financial aid (call 850-718-2293 for assistance).
- Apply for scholarships through the Chipola Foundation (call 850-718-2445 for assistance and deadline information).
- Take the College Placement Test (call 850-718-2284 for assistance).
- Look for the blue postcard with the date and time of your appointment with an advisor (call 850-718-2424 for assistance).

If you would like to get an early start, the application deadline for Summer Session II is June 3. Registration is June 24 and classes begin June 28. Application deadline for the Fall Semester is August 5.

New students who have been cleared for admission for the Fall Term by June 30 – can register for fall classes July 12-15th. New students who register during July will be required to attend orientation classes July 19, 20, 21, 22, and 26th. Day and evening orientation classes will be offered.

If you have additional questions, please call 850-526-2761, or visit www.chipola.edu.

Summer children’s programs set

Chipola College will offer programs for children of all ages this summer.

Swimming lessons will be offered for ages four and up. Lessons are based on a combination of nationally-recognized methods. The following sessions are scheduled: Session 1: June 7-17, registration deadline is June 1; Session 2: June 21-July 1, registration deadline is June 14; Session 3: July 12-22, registration deadline is July 6; and Session 4: Aug. 2-12, registration deadline is July 26. Classes are available at 9 a.m., 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. Sessions are Monday through Thursday for two weeks of 45-minute lessons. Cost is $45 and pre-registration is required, with a $5 late registration fee. An Adult Swimming class is scheduled for July 26 – July 29 with classes available at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Registration deadline is July 19. Cost is $40. For information, call pool manager Rance Massengill at 718-2473.

Chipola Baseball Coach Jeff Johnson will offer two camps. A Pitching Camp for ages 7-18 will meet June 14-15. Cost is $100. A Hitting Camp for ages 7-18 will meet June 16-17. Cost is $100. All baseball camps meet from 9 a.m. to noon. For information, contact Assistant Coach Brent Shelton 718-2332.

Chipola Softball Coach Belinda Hendrix will offer two Softball camps. A Fielding, Hitting, and Hustling Camp for all ages will meet June 21-22, from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Cost is $50. A Pitching Camp for all ages will meet June 23, from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Cost is $50. For information, contact Coach Hendrix at 718-2358.
Chipola EMT grads

Ten students recently completed the Chipola College Emergency Medical Technician program. Graduates are, from left: (front) Jarrod Taylor, David Keeney, Justin Thompson, Robert Gentry, Chris Abramantz, Michael Mayo, (back) Instructor Wayne Cherry, Instructor Chris Murray, Chris Campbell, Kyle Horton, Charles Kirkland, Kyle Worrell, instructor Byron Bennett, and Coordinator/Instructor Ricky Winget.

Chipola Nursing grads

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