Chipola’s Cleveland wins Math Educator Award

Dr. Lou Cleveland, Dean of the School of Education at Chipola College, has been named the Kenneth P. Kidd Mathematics Educator of the Year by the Florida Council of Teachers of Mathematics (FCTM).

The award was established in 1976 to recognize outstanding contributions to mathematics education at the local, state, and national levels.

As Dean of the School of Education, Dr. Cleveland directs a program that prepares local students to become local teachers, meeting a critical district need for teachers of Secondary and Middle Grades Mathematics, Secondary Biology, Middle Grades Science, English Education, Elementary Education and Exceptional Education.

She has worked with Chipola instructors and administrators to establish a curriculum that offers multiple opportunities for classroom practice, and specific tasks to ensure completion of all 12 Florida Educator Accomplished Practices.

The person who nominated Dr. Cleveland for the award, says, “As Chipola students enter the classrooms they are prepared to share their love of mathematics with their own students, expanding the influence of Dr. Cleveland’s love of teaching on K-12 students.”

In her work at Chipola, Dr. Cleveland has organized multiple summer workshops for grades K-12 students, including interdisciplinary math/science activities. She was a founder of the annual Chipola Math Olympiad in which teachers and students in a five

Chipola Ensembles Concert is Nov. 13

The premiere performance of the Chipola College ensembles in the new Center for the Arts is set for Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 7 p.m.

The Center for the Arts was acoustically designed by Sieben Associates, Inc. and is called one of the finest performing arts centers in the U.S. by theatre consultant Bob Lorelli. Music fans are invited to hear firsthand the professional craftsmanship of this building as these musical groups showcase the talent in our community.

The evening will feature jazz, an antiphonal choir, and voices from throughout the community that will give celestial meaning to the season.

The Chipola Chamber Chorus will be joined by the Chipola College Community Chorus featuring local voices from the area. This is the premiere performance of new vocal instructor, Dale Heidebrecht, who has recently joined the Chipola faculty from the University of Colorado.

After a one-year hiatus from directing the Jazz Band, Dr. Daniel Powell will once again lead this group of artists. The Jazz Band will perform a variety from a ballad to swing, Latin, and funk styles. Improvisation is heavily featured and the element of uncertainty will keep the audience listening for what will happen next.

This eclectic evening of music is free. For information, contact Dr. Daniel Powell at powelld@chipola.edu or (850)718-2277.
Chipola Brain Bowlers finish third at Vanderbilt

The Chipola Brain Team finished third out of 21 teams at the ACF (Academic College Federation) Fall Tournament Nov. 3 at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee.

As the only community college in the tournament, the Chipola team of Paul Kelson, Katelyn Miller, William Singleton, and Becca Delgado finished the preliminaries 6-0, defeating Georgia Tech A, Alabama A, Auburn B, Harding, Western Kentucky B, and Centre C.

After making it to the top bracket of seven, Chipola went three for three in the playoffs, defeating Centre A, Auburn A, and Western Kentucky A. Chipola’s losses came against Georgia Tech B, Georgia Tech A, and Alabama A. Georgia Tech A and Alabama A avenged losses against Chipola from earlier in the day.

Chipola’s Paul Kelson finished second in overall scoring behind Adam Silverman, the leading scorer at high school nationals last year. Silverman plays for Georgia Tech B as a freshman.

Team and individual statistics from the tournament are available at http://www.hsquizbowl.org/db/tournaments/1155/stats/all_games/standings/

Theatre Showcase is Thursday

The Chipola College Theatre Showcase is Thursday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m., in the new Chipola Center for the Arts. Here, student actors prepare for night of scenes, songs and humor. Theater-goers will enjoy several different scenes during the one-hour show. Tickets—$10—are available from Theatre students, in the Fine Arts Department or at the door. For information, call 850-718-2227 or visit www.chipola.edu

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The county area have the opportunity to meet and compete and discuss their common interest - mathematics.

She travels with her students each year to the annual FCTM conference, where the students present lessons using up-to-date technology. As a Mathematics Coordinator, she has organized numerous enrichment programs for the mathematics educators in a five-county area. She conducted professional development workshops using graphing calculators when they were relatively new to the field. She coordinated field trips for teachers to attend Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama, and also to Washington, D.C., in which teachers explored the mathematics involved in space exploration. These trips served as an inspiration for participating teachers to share new and innovative materials with their students, enhancing the classroom mathematics curriculum at multiple grade levels.

Dr. Cleveland began her career teaching in the K-12 system. She worked at both the middle school and high school levels and taught courses ranging from eighth grade mathematics to Calculus. Her former students praise her enthusiastic teaching style, her caring attitude, and her contributions to their success in mathematics.

Dr. Cleveland earned a doctorate, master’s degree and bachelor’s degree from Florida State University. She has worked at Chipola since 1982.

N UR Face at Chipola BSU

Representatives from the N UR Face project recently discussed their HIV/Substance Abuse Education program at a meeting of the Chipola College Black Student Union. Pictured from left, are: Deneika Roulhac, N UR Face representative; Jessica McCallister, BSU president; and Justin Omorinola, NUR Face representative.

For information about the program, visit www.basicnwfl.com
Prepare now for Spring

Students planning to enroll in Chipola College during the Spring 2013 semester are encouraged to make application as soon as possible.

Students planning to use financial aid to pay tuition for Spring classes must have financial aid files complete by Nov. 15. Apply for federal financial aid on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Call 850-718-2293 for assistance. The college application deadline for the Spring semester is Nov. 28.

There are several steps to completing the application process: (1) complete the college Admission Application; call 718-2311 for assistance; (2) request your high school to send a final transcript to Chipola Admission and Records Office; and (3) take the College Placement Test; call 718-2284 for assistance.

Students who have completed testing, submitted all required documents and been cleared for admission, will be eligible to register Jan. 4.

Registration for currently-enrolled students is scheduled for Nov. 12-13. Registration for new students who have been cleared for admission is also Nov. 12-13.

The schedule of classes is available online at www.chipola.edu. For information, call 718-2211.

Chipola Cross Country team headed to nationals

The Chipola College women’s cross country team will compete in the NJCAA Division I National Championship for the first time in school history on Nov. 10.

Head coach Rance Massengill and five Chipola runners will depart for Ina, Illinois, on Thursday for the meet at Rend Lake College on Saturday.

More than 200 runners are expected to participate in the 5,000 meter run which covers 3.1 miles.

The team is led by Natalya Miller, a freshman from Wewahitchka. She holds the Chipola record of 20:16 at the 5K distance. Miller was second overall in a field of 30 at the Darton College meet in October. She finished among the top 10 percent of runners at three meets this season.

Donia Lanier of Wewahitchka has a personal best of 22:44. Kimi Wiltse of Altha has recorded a 24:30. Newcomers Kathryn Huffman and Karlee Floyd will also participate.

Sharyl Smith of Altha is recovering from surgery and will not participate.

Athletic Director Dr. Steve Givens, said, “We’re very proud of our program. Cross Country offers significant participation opportunities for female athletes in our area.”

Head coach Rance Massengill said, “I hope our improvement over the past season will spark interest from other local runners.”

Chipola offers tuition scholarships for women who compete in the program. For information, call 718-2440.

ACE offers academic assistance for Chipola students

The semester’s end is nearing, bringing unit exams and finals. Chipola’s Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) provides free academic assistance to all Chipola students. Statistically, students who study in the ACE achieve higher grades than their counterparts who do not visit the ACE.

The ACE staff understands the educational backgrounds of local students and is prepared to provide the academic assistance to help students reach their educational goals. In each of the center’s 500 or more visits per week, students receive on-demand assistance in nearly any course offered at Chipola, from Introduction to Biology to Anatomy and Physiology, Elementary Algebra to Calculus, and many in between.

The ACE is staffed with administrative staff and approximately 16 peer-tutors who have excelled in the courses in which they tutor. Tutors lead study sessions and serve as the center’s main source of recruitment. In addition to student staff, Chipola faculty members work closely with the ACE by scheduling office hours to give students accessibility to instructors. Faculty from the Business, Science, and English departments frequent the ACE. Also housed in the ACE are the Social Science film series and the English department’s “Crime Stoppers Writing Hotline,” seminars hosted by English faculty to help students prevent and solve writing crimes in their classes.

Alicia Hatcher, Coordinator of Extended Learning and Professional Development and ACE, coordinates special group sessions that meet in the ACE, such as SSS and academic study hall for Chipola athletes, and has experienced the evolution of the ACE over the past five years as an employee. “The ACE’s ability to adapt to the needs of Chipola students is exceptional. Students provide the staff with different challenges and adventures each semester, and the staff does a remarkable job of meeting the needs presented.”

As the fall semester comes to an end, the ACE will offer extended hours and additional study sessions for unit exams and finals. For information, visit the ACE, located in Building L, or visit www.chipola.edu
Five countries represented in Chipola Spanish class

Students in Chipola College’s Spanish 1121 course have opportunity to experience much diversity during the 2012 Fall semester.

Many cultural backgrounds are represented in the class. The ten students come from five different countries. Akta Patel came to the U.S. as a teenager from Vankal, Gujarat, India. Two young men who made their way to Chipola from Venezuela are Neiker Navarro, a shortstop on the Chipola baseball team and Carlos Misell Martinez, a pitcher. Other players are Luis Tuñon Castillo, a third baseman from Panama, and Alexander De Los Santos, a pitcher from the Dominican Republic.

The Americans in the class are Dennis Allen, Justin Brock, Jason Huckaby, Sharreneka Jackson and Marlena Paulk. Heather Ausburn, Spanish Club President and Spanish tutor, assists in the class as part of her work study.

Dr. Mark Ebel, professor of the class, says, “We use student interviewing as a technique for the students to increase their interaction and learning of each other’s cultures. Open class discussion promotes interaction in the Spanish language amongst the native speakers as well as the English speakers.”

For information about the course, contact Dr. Ebel at ebelm@chipola.edu.

Chipola to offer Law Enforcement Academy

The Chipola College Criminal Justice Training Center will offer an evening Law Enforcement Academy beginning Nov. 28.

The program will meet weeknights from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. The course is 770 clock hours in length.

Candidates for the program must be at least 19 years of age and earn a passing score on the Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT). Applicants must have a standard high school diploma or its equivalent and must undergo a medical physical examination, background check and drug screening. Financial Assistance is available based upon need and eligibility.

The Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT) is offered at the Public Service Building on Chipola Campus every Tuesday at 12:30. Cost of the test is $45.

For information, contact Steven Stewart at 718-2286.

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THIS WEEK

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Deadline for the next issue is 8 a.m., Wednesday, November 14. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

16-Nov  Mark Panichella
18-Nov  Bonnie Smith

$$$$  Deadline to have Financial Aid files complete to pay for Spring 2012 is November 15, 2012.

REPS ON CAMPUS. A recruiter for Troy University will be in Building C on Nov. 13 from 9 a.m. – Noon. He will have information on undergraduate and graduate degrees.

A recruiter from FSU PC will be in the Literature/Language Building (Z) on Nov. 26 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

ONLINE EVALUATIONS OF COURSES/FACULTY. During Nov. 5-16, students will have an opportunity to complete an anonymous online evaluation of his/her classes. Students can access the evaluation form on the college website. After semester grades are posted, student confidential feedback will provide information on instructional practices and instructional needs. Student participation is very important.

CHRISTMAS PLANS. The annual Chipola Christmas Breakfast is Thursday, Dec. 13, from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. The event is hosted by Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough, AFC, CFA, CCE, and CEA for all Chipola employees.

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