Dr. J. R. Kirkland visits Chipola College

Dr. J.R. Kirkland, a Chipola College alumnus and founder of a Washington-based government relations firm, recently returned to his alma mater to address the Chipola Honors Seminar.

Kirkland offered college and career advice and encouraged students to get as much education as quickly as possible.

College officials also held a reception in Kirkland’s honor to recognize his contribution of a significant history collection to the college Library.

Dr. Kirkland is founder and President of FBA Inc., a government relations firm that represents colleges and universities, associations, foundations and private sector companies in their work with Congress, the White House and Executive Agencies of the federal government.

Dr. Kirkland graduated from Chipola in 1960 and was named Chipola’s Alumnus of the Year in 2000. In 1990 Kirkland and his brother, David, endowed the Kirkland Award for Excellence in Teaching at Chipola in honor of their parents Carolyn and the late Willis Kirkland. The award was the first at Chipola to recognize outstanding teaching.

Dr. Kirkland has a special interest and expertise in the inter-relationship of federal science policies and programs and the research communities of technology firms and American universities. During the past 20 years, he has directed numerous business and academic coalitions that have secured federal funding for research in advanced computing, neurosciences, nanotechnology and various health related fields.

In addition to his business activities, Dr. Kirkland has served in numerous positions in education and government. The holder of a Ph. D in American History from the University of North Carolina, he has been a professor at Cornell University, American University, and Heidelberg University in Germany. Currently, he is Senior Research Fellow of the IC Squared Institute at the University of Texas, Austin, and chairs the Graduate Education Advisory Board at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He has staffed and has served as advisor to a number of Congressmen and Senators.

He served as a member of the White House Domestic Policy Staff, and was a Director of the 1980 Conference on Small Business.

A resident of the Washington D. C. area since 1965, Dr. Kirkland is married and has four children. His wife Martha is Executive Director of the Association of Fund-raising professionals.

Here, Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough presents a plaque made of wood from bleachers in the old Chipola Field House.
Lindbergh show coming to Chipola

Charles Lindbergh: The Lone Eagle, the second event in the Chipola College Artist Series, will be presented Nov. 9.

Individual event tickets - $12 for adults and $8 for ages 18 and under –go on sale Oct. 26 in the Chipola Business Office.

“The Lone Eagle” was just one of many nicknames given to Lindbergh by the press after he became the first pilot to fly nonstop from New York to Paris in May of 1927.

This one-man play written and portrayed by Steve Carroll spans Lindbergh’s life as he returns from the grave to set the record straight about his life. Guests will learn of his early barnstorming days, the famous flight to Paris, his son’s kidnapping, the unpopular stance he took against entering WWII, his subsequent heroism as a fighter pilot, and his final days as a world renowned environmentalist. For information, visit www.dreamscapeprods.com.

Two more events are slated in the Chipola Artist Series. The Freddy Cole Quartet in Concert will be presented Feb. 7, 2011. Freddy Cole, a Grammy nominee in his own right, makes no apology for sounding like his brother, Nat King Cole. The Manhattan Piano Trio closes the 2010-11 season, March 17, 2011.

For ticket information, call 718-2220.

Chipola Show Choir to present ‘A Jazzmatazz Christmas’

Tickets are now on sale for A Jazzmatazz Christmas to be presented by Chipola College’s Award-Winning Show Choir December 9, 10 and 11 at 7 p.m. nightly in the college theatre.

Celebrating 25-plus years of Show Choir at Chipola, A Jazzmatazz Christmas will feature holiday favorites from this high energy, song and dance 20-member troupe under the direction of Angie White and Dr. Josh Martin, and featuring the choreography of Brittney Holmes and Rebecca Parmer.


Tickets—$10 for adults and $5 for ages 18 and under—for this annual sold-out show are available from Show Choir members or in the lobby of the McLendon Fine Arts Building.

For more information contact Anita Price at 850-718-2277 or email pricea@chipola.edu.

Chipola’s ‘Dearly Departed’ showing now

Kayla Todd as Suzanne (left) and Deanna Harrison as Sister Marguerite share a tender moment in Chipola’s Fall comedy, “Dearly Departed,” which plays Nov. 4-7 in the Chipola Theater. Show time is 7 p.m. nightly with a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. Tickets are available in the college Business Office during regular business hours and will be available at the Theater Box Office 30 minutes before each show. For ticket information, call 718-2220.
Chipola College announces early Spring Registration

Early registration for the Spring 2011 semester at Chipola College is scheduled Nov. 5-10.

Current Chipola students are assigned registration dates based on the number of hours they have completed: 45+ hours, Nov. 5, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; 30+ hours, Nov. 8, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; 15+ hours, Nov. 9, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; 1+ hours, Nov. 10, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

New students seeking admission for Spring 2011 who are cleared by the Admission and Records Office by Nov. 5 may register Nov. 12 and 15.

New and returning students may register Nov. 12, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Nov. 15, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Payment deadline for early registration is Dec. 3.

For information, call 718-2311, or visit www.chipola.edu

Chipola students attend FAST Conference

Chipola College Science Education and Elementary Education bachelor’s degree students Rebekah Carnley, Rebecca Hambly, James McCalvin, Jessica Whittington and Cassandra Witt, recently attended the Florida Association of Science Teachers (FAST) conference in St. Augustine.

Dr. Santine Cuccio, Chipola science education facilitator, accompanied the students to the conference where educators from Florida and other states conferred, planned lessons, and networked. Students met with astronauts, scientists and other veteran teachers; and attended demonstrations and lectures on magnetism, genetics, energy conservation, and ecology. Participating students stated that both their content knowledge and pedagogy were reinforced and extended. Conference vendors provided the students with sample textbooks, instructional materials, CD’s and DVD’s to use in their classrooms.

Students who attended the conference will share some of the outstanding teaching strategies at the Future Educator’s Club Teacher Workshop on January 22, 2011. The conference held on the Chipola campus is free to all district educators.

Pictured from left, are: Cassandra Witt, U.S. Astronaut Jon McBride, Jessica Whittington, Rebekah Carnley and Rebecca Hambly.

FSU professor’s art on display at Chipola

Original works by Anne Stagg, Director of the BFA Studio Art Program at Florida State University, are on display in the Gallery of the McLendon Fine Arts Building on the campus of Chipola College.

Of her exhibit entitled, “Methods of Escape,” Stagg says, “We all need a means of escape from the daily grind. Be it a fantasy, a trip to the river, a mid-summer storm, a hobby, or the comfort of home, these escapes provide balance and refuge from our daily stressors.”

Stagg admits the series of drawings began in the midst of a creative dry spell. “My work was in transition and one day I looked around and realized that I had put away all of the projects I had begun, she said. “All around me white, blank canveses and stacks of paper returned my gaze and I felt a little daunted by the thought of making the first mark and beginning the process of making again. On impulse, I picked up a ruler and a tech pen. I put one line on the first sheet, two on the second, three on the third and so on. These marks were not contrived, they were just marks and I knew that I could be ruining a stack of paper or freeing myself to begin making again,” she said.

Stagg says she didn’t set out to make anything specific, just thinking about escape. “I found myself reaching for watercolors. I was interested in the dripping, slightly transparent immediacy of the material. In the end, I hope the drawings in the Methods of Escape series are playful voids where the viewer may find their own escape from the day-to-day,” Stagg said.

The show is available for viewing weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. through Nov. 9. For information, call 718-2301.
**Bodart is top Chipola employee**

Dr. Jeff Bodart has been selected the Chipola College Faculty/Administrator of the month for November. Bodart has served as Professor of Physics since 1995. Here, Bodart (left) accepts the award from, Chipola senior vice president Dr. Sarah Clemmons.

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**Olympic softball players coming to Chipola College**

Area softball players will have the once-in-a-lifetime chance to work with three team USA Olympic medalists at the Chipola College Softball field, Jan. 22-23, 2011.

The Triple Threat team of Cat Osterman, Kelly Kretschman and Caitlin Lowe will provide a weekend of softball instruction focusing on pitching, offense and defense.

Pitcher Cat Osterman played at the University of Texas. She was an Olympic Gold Medalist and Silver Medalist, a two-time World Cup Champion and a two-time Pan American Gold Medalist. Osterman was a three-time USA Collegiate Player of the Year and a three-time NFCA First-Team All-American. She was the two-time ESPY Award winner as the Top Collegiate Female Athlete. Cat is the assistant softball coach at DePaul University in Chicago, and plays professionally for the Rockford Thunder.

Kelly Kretschman played outfield and infield at the University of Alabama. She was an Olympic Gold Medalist and Silver Medalist. She also was a Gold medalist at the Pan American Games and a member of the World Cup Championship team. The four-time NFCA All-American lives in Southern California and plays for the USSSA Pride.

Caitlin Lowe played outfield at the University of Arizona. She was an Olympic Silver Medalist and a Gold medalist at Pan American Games. A member of the two-time World Cup Championship team, she also was a four-time NFCA First-Team All-American. Caitlin now resides in Texas where she gives specialized lessons in out-fielding and slapping.

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**TROY $$$$$.** Fall 2011 Scholarship applications for Troy University, Dothan Campus, are available in A-112. The deadline to apply is March 1, 2011.

**GRADS.** Students planning to graduate Spring or Summer of 2011 should see an advisor for a graduation check prior to early spring registration.

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

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**NOVEMBER**

15 Deadline: Financial Aid Files for Spring 2011
15 Early Spring A&B Reg for New & Returning Students
16 Chipola Fall Ensemble Concert - Jax
17 Last Day to Resign from All Classes for Fall A
17-19 FACC Fall Convention - Jax
18 Chipola Theatre Showcase
23 District Board of Trustees
24-26 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

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**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

8-Nov Matthew Addison
8-Nov Stacey Gainer

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**LIBRARY HOURS.**

**Monday - Thursday**

7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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**TECH CENTER HOURS.**

**Monday - Thursday**

8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Closed Friday

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**ACE HOURS.**

**Monday - Thursday**

8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Friday 8 - 2 p.m.