Chipola celebrates with grand opening gala

More than 400 friends of the college celebrated the first show in the new Chipola College Center for the Arts at a grand opening gala on Sept. 20.

Two-time Emmy Award-winning actress Sally Struthers and Broadway star Tony Yazbeck performed for the well-dressed crowd. The event opened with the announcement that $100,000 had been raised in the Applause! fund-raising campaign. Applause! co-chairs Harold Donaldson and Joan Stadsklev presented a giant ceremonial check to college president Dr. Gene Prough, theater director Charles Sirmon and associate dean of Fine and Performing Arts, Dr. Daniel Powell.

Tony Yazbeck sang and tap danced his way across the brand new Chipola stage and into the hearts of the first-ever audience in the new Center. Yazbeck, who most recently played the role of Billy Flynn in the Broadway production of “Chicago,” said, “Marianna is blessed to have such a wonderful theatre.” Yazbeck sang numbers from West Side Story and other Broadway standards.

Struthers performed her one-woman show for about an hour which included humorous tales from childhood and her days as Gloria on “All in the Family.” The character actress even sang a couple of numbers—“Little Girls” from her role as Miss Hannigan in “Annie” and the moving John Prine song “Hello in There,” made popular by Bette Midler.

The future’s so bright

The Florida Lottery Bright Futures program sponsored Chipola College’s annual Fall Festival on Sept. 26. The Lottery provided t-shirts, ice cream, sunglasses and premium door prizes. Here, several of Chipola’s Bright Futures students pose with college and lottery officials. Pictured from left, are: Shayne Blanton; Chris Godwin; Cody Barfield; Rep. Marti Coley; Dr. Gene Prough, Chipola president; David Bishop, Deputy Secretary of the Florida Lottery; Dr. Sarah Clemmons, Chipola senior vice president; Dr. Jason Hurst, Chipola vice president; Courtney Massengill; Sydney Stone; John Whittington; Karlee Floyd and Ryan Smith.

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THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

1 MONDAY
- SGA – 2 p.m., Z116

2 TUESDAY
- Last Day for Vertical Transfer for Fall Term A
- High School Counselor Appreciation Day
- Executive Council – 9 a.m., A192
- Student Ambassadors – 1 p.m., A156

3 WEDNESDAY
- Black Student Union – 10 a.m., C104
- Spanish Club - 2:15 p.m., Z113
- Faculty Meeting – 3 p.m., Z116

4 THURSDAY
- Last Day to Resign from All Classes for Fall Term B
- FCA – 7 p.m., Cafeteria

5 FRIDAY
- CAAP Registration Deadline for November Test Date- All Fall AA Graduates

7 SUNDAY
- FCA Chapel Service – 7:30 p.m., Chapel
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Dr. Daniel Powell, Associate Dean of Fine and Performing Arts, says, “This was a very special night in the history of the college. The possibilities for this new center are endless.”

Charles Sirmon, Director of Theatre at Chipola, says, “It was a grand night. Everyone loved Tony and Sally and raved about the new theatre. I am so excited about what this place will mean to our students and to the community.”

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**Sneak Peek Dinner Theatre set at Chipola**

Come enjoy a unique behind-the-scenes look at Chipola Theatre with Chipola College’s “Sneak Peek Dinner Theatre”, Monday, October 29, at the new Chipola Center for the Arts. The event will include dinner and a dress rehearsal view of Chipola College’s fall theatre production of “Noises Off”, which runs November 1-4.

The dinner will begin at 6 p.m. and will feature a pre-performance chat with Director Charles Sirmon about the production. After dinner, guests will move to the theatre for a sneak peek at the dress rehearsal for the production.

Written by Michael Fryan, Noises Off has been called the funniest farce ever written. The show presents a manic menagerie of a cast of itinerant actors rehearsing a flop called, “Nothing’s On.” Doors slamming, on-and backstage intrigue, and an errant herring all figure in the plot of this classically comic play. The show also will feature a two-story revolving set. The New York Times, calls “Noises Off,” “The most dexterously-realized comedy ever about putting on a comedy.

The “Noises Off” cast includes: Leah Page as Dotty Otley, Dylan Bass as Loyd Dallas, Trey McKay as Garry Lejeune, Haylee Harris as Brooke Ashton, Kati Lane as Poppy Norton-Taylor, Colton Day as Frederick Fellowes, Christin Wiggins as Belinda Blair, Dante Brown as Tim Allgood and Nick Cessna as Selsdon Mowbray.

Tickets are $25 per person which includes a steak dinner and theatre admission. Tables of eight are available for $200. Deadline for reservations is October 15. There will be no additional seating available the night of the event. This event may not be suitable for children under 13 years of age.

The event is sponsored by the Chipola Chapter of the Association of Florida Colleges. AFC is the professional association for Florida’s 28 state colleges, their Boards, employees, retirees, and associates.

For ticket information, call Lillie Hamil at 850-718-2375 or Evelyn Ward at 850-718-2265.

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**Area singers invited to join Community Chorus**

Area singers are invited to be the first to sing in the Chipola College Community Chorus in the new Center for the Arts with rehearsals beginning Oct. 2. Rehearsals are scheduled on Tuesdays, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Oct. 2 – Nov. 6, in the Center for the Arts Experimental Theatre. The final rehearsal is Nov. 8 in the main theatre with the performance slated for Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m. This historic event is also the premiere of Chipola’s new vocal instructor, Dale Heidebrecht.

Contemporary works will be selected to highlight the new facility. An antiphonal a cappella choir and an Aaron Copland piece are among the music to be selected.

No experience is necessary, just a willing spirit and enthusiasm for this first choir concert in the new Center for the Arts.

Interested singers are asked to call (850) 718-2376.
THANKS! A big thanks goes out to all the students and staff that came to Fall Festival. It was a huge success! Thanks to the clubs for participating in the relays and tug-o-war competitions. The winner of the relay was SGA and the tug-o-war winner was Future Educators Club. Great Job! Chipola’s Fall Festival was sponsored this year by Chipola College SGA and the Florida Lottery.

Special thanks to SGA and Student Ambassadors for helping me plan and organize Fall Festival. I couldn’t have done it without you!
Nancy Johnson, Student Activities

Chipola Cross Country competes in UWF meet
The Chipola College Women’s Cross Country team competed in the recent University of West Florida Gulf Coast Stampede in Pensacola on Sept. 22.

In the women’s 5K race, Natalya Miller of Wewahitchka ran a time of 20:16 to lead the Chipola squad. She finished 22nd overall in the field of 105 runners. Ironically, Miller also finished 22nd in the team’s previous meet in Macon, Georgia. For the second week in a row Miller ran a personal best and set a new record time for the Chipola Cross Country program.

Chipola was the only junior college represented at the meet which included 12 colleges and universities.

Chipola’s Donia Lanier of Wewahitchka improved on her last performance with a time of 22:44 to finish 70th overall. Kimi Wilse of Altha ran a 24:59. Other Chipola team members include Sharlyn Smith of Altha, Katheryn Huffman of Marianna and Lauren Pettis of Marianna.

The Chipola team will travel to Albany on Sept. 29 to compete in the Darton College Skyles Farm Run.

Natalya Miller

Register for Chipola Term “C” Oct. 11
Chipola will hold new and returning student registration for Fall Term C, Thursday, Oct. 11, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Term C classes begin Friday, Oct. 12. Late registration continues through 3 p.m. Oct. 12.

Term C courses include: (AMH 2020) American History since 1865 (online); (CLP 2140) Abnormal Psychology (online); (ENC 1101) Comm Skills I (online); (DEP 2102) Child Psychology; (DEP 2004) Human Growth and Development; (PSY 2012) General Psychology and (SLS 1101) Orientation, (online).

Chipola’s open-door policy guarantees acceptance to any student with a standard high school diploma or its equivalent. Prospective students should complete a college application which is available in the Office of Admissions, or online at www.chipola.edu. Students also must provide an official high school and college transcript. Students should visit an academic advisor in the Student Services building to register.

For information about enrolling at Chipola, call the Admission and Records office at 850-718-2311, or visit www.chipola.edu

Chipola students elect SGA officers
The Chipola College Student Government Association recently held Fall 2012 elections.

Officers for the 2012-13 school year are: SGA President, Karlee Floyd of Malone; and vice president, Jaren Bannerman of Marianna.

Sophomore officers include: sophomore class president, Dara Wilkerson of Bonifay; sophomore class vice president, Hannah Colbert of Marianna; sophomore senators: Cherie Baggett of Marianna, Jessica Bean of Bonifay, Ruby Harrison of Chattahoochee, Tyler McClellan of Blountstown, Trey McKay of Marianna and Joshua Williams of Blountstown.

Freshman officers include: freshman class president, John Eubanks of Bonifay; freshman class vice president, Christopher Godwin of Marianna; freshman senators: Kendall Alderman of Chipley, Cody Barfield of Marianna, Lauryl Clark of Malone, Tiffany Crayton of Grand Ridge, Megan Davis of Cottondale, Olivia Guettler of Chipley, Joshua Myers of Chipley, John Peterson of Marianna, Meredith Saunders of Chipley, Jennifer Ruiz of Cottondale and Lucas Uzzell of Bristol. Other officers include: Chief Justice, Garion Grant of Marianna; Secretary, Courtney Massengill of Marianna; Parliamentarian, Sydney Stone of Sneads; Treasurer, Shayne Blanton of Marianna; Sergeant at Arms, Brittany Arnold of Sneads and Chaplain, Jeff Pitts of Chipley.
Ethiopian coffee talk

Officials from the Oromia Coffee Farmers Co-operative Union that represents over 74,000 farmers in Ethiopia led a panel discussion at the Chipola College Honors program on Sept. 19. The panel discussed fair trade and the ways that cooperative structures benefit coffee growing communities.

Business Plan Basics seminar set at Chipola

Chipola will offer a small business seminar, “Business Plan Basics,” Oct. 12, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., in Room M-108 of the Business and Technology building. Participants will learn which business type is suited to their personality and to create an impressive, professional business plan. The seminar will include a walkthrough of the plan process in order to obtain financing and to create a successful business. Cost is $30. The first five Chipola students to sign up will receive free admission. Participants may register online at www.northfloridabiz.com. For information, call 718-2441.

Chipola Cosmetology food drive

During the month of October, the Chipola College Cosmetology program will host a food drive for Chipola Family Ministries. Some of the needed items are: two pound bags of flour or sugar, spaghetti noodles and sauce, canned meats, peanut butter and one pound packages of dry goods such as rice and beans. Those making donations, will receive a complimentary paraffin wax treatment. For information, call 718-2439.

Literature/Language faculty launch writing tips series

Join Chipola Crime Stoppers Writing Tips Hotline anonymously each week. Turn yourself in to the ACE (L-102) to claim your reward. The reward will be tips to prevent and solve writing crimes in classes across campus. Come and help us stomp out crime.

Crime Stoppers’ Writing Tips Hotline is the premier college-based resource for solving writing crimes. All workshops will meet in the ACE Lab for 20 minutes. Chipola Literature/Language faculty will lead the series of workshops.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER
11 Last Class Day for Fall B
11 Registration Fall C; 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
12 Classes Begin – Fall Term C
12 McLendon Scholarship Spring 2013 Application Deadline
12 Grades for Fall B Due By 8 a.m.
12 Late Reg Drop/Add & Employee Fee Waiver Reg for Fall C
16 District Board of Trustees
17 SENIOR DAY
24-26 AFC Silent Auction

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK
1-Oct Glenda Bethel
4-Oct Kelly Lanier
7-Oct Stacey Hinson

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

SENIORS ON CAMPUS. Chipola’s Student Ambassadors have invited area high school seniors from the Chipola district to come and visit our campus on Oct. 17. The day will consist of performances by the cheerleaders, men’s and women’s basketball teams, show choir, jazz band and theatre. The seniors will also have a tour of our campus and a complimentary lunch.

The Student Ambassadors would like to thank everyone in advance for helping make Senior Day a success!

ACE HOURS
Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - NOON

LIBRARY HOURS
Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

TECH CENTER HOURS
Monday - Thursday 7:45 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Friday 7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.