“Starting a Business” seminar is Friday at Chipola

Chipola College will offer the first in a series of small-business seminars on Friday, Sept. 16.

“Steps to Starting a Business” will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Participants will learn about organizational requirements and licensing for a small business in Florida, personal financial assessments, credit checks, defining customers, location considerations, and employee requirements. Cost of the seminar is $30.

On Oct. 7, a seminar entitled, “How to write a Business Plan,” will be offered from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Participants will learn to create an impressive, professional business plan to get it right the first time. Participants also will review a software program and walk through the business plan process.


The workshops will meet in Room M-108 of the Chipola Business and Technology building. Cost of each seminar is $30.


For more information call (850) 718-2441 or e-mail sever-sone@chipola.edu.

Chipola theatre students attend FSU meeting

Chipola Theatre majors, under the direction of Charles Sirmon, were special guests at a recent meeting of the Panhandle Seminole Club. The students attended the meeting to hear Cameron Jackson, Executive Director of Theatre and Producing Artistic Director of the School of Theatre at Florida State University. Chipola theatre students also had a chance to meet FSU students studying in the area of theatre production. Pictured from left, are: (front) Jamal Engram, Laura Sweat, Haylie McLane, (back) Dante Brown, Alex Anderson, Leah Page, Christin Wiggins, Ashleigh Stowe, Matthew Van Buren, Trey McKay, Chris Holloway, Jay House, Joni Barfield, Pete Smith.

For more information about Chipola Theatre, contact Charles Sirmon at sirmonc@chipola.edu

Chipola and AFC invite all college employees to help local families with a gift to United Way. Chipola’s 2011 goal is $2,500. Employees who give at least $25 get a free jump drive. Payroll deduction is available. United Way gifts stay in the area to help people in local communities. Employees may designate their United Way gift to help a favorite charity. For information, contact Lillie Hamil Ext. 2375.

There will be a Welcome and Orientation Workshop for new and returning Student Support Services (SSS) students, Wednesday, September 14th, 10:00 and 12:00, ACE Lab, Room 102.
New director to speak at CRAA meeting

The public is invited to attend the Chipola Regional Arts Association (CRAA) meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at Jim’s Buffet in Marianna.

A Dutch-treat luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. with the program beginning at noon.

The program for this first meeting of the season will feature Dr. Daniel Powell, the newly-appointed Associate Dean of the Fine and Performing Arts department at Chipola. Dr. Powell will assume leadership over the Chipola Regional Arts Association as their executive director and will speak about the future of the arts in the Chipola district.

Dr. Powell will discuss exciting opportunities in the area and share ways to strengthen the community through the arts. “I want to start a conversation with the community,” Powell says, “to find out what people want to improve and ways to implement this. I am not only an approachable guy, I am eager to meet people and involve everyone in the community with what we are doing. All of those wishing to make a difference in the community are invited to attend all or part of this event.”

For information, contact Daniel Powell at powelld@chipola.edu or (850) 718-2257.

Chipola Baseball fall schedule

The reigning state champion Chipola College baseball team will play a pre-conference Fall schedule beginning with four home games, Sept. 15-16.

On Thursday, Sept. 15, the Indians will host Wallace-Dothan, at 10 a.m. and Darton College at 6:30 p.m. On Friday, Sept. 16, Chipola will host Pensacola at 10 a.m. and Gulf Coast at 5:30 p.m.

The Indians will host the Next Level Baseball squad, Sunday, Oct. 16, at 1 p.m.

Chipola will play at Gulf Coast, Sept. 21; in Lakeland, Sept. 24; at the University of West Florida, Sept. 30; at Gulf Coast, Oct. 7; in Montgomery, Oct. 8 and in Tallahassee, Oct. 28.

For the latest scores, visit www.chipola.edu or call 718-2CJC.

Spikes is Employee of the Month

Tracy Spikes (right) accepts the September Chipola College Career Employee of the Month award from Chipola president, Dr. Gene Prough. Spikes serves as a maintenance repairman in the college Physical Plant where he has worked since 2004.

Cast announced for Chipola’s “Our Town”

Chipola College Theater director Charles Sirmon recently cast local actors in the college production of “Our Town,” which opens Nov. 3.

The “Our Town” cast includes: Joe Gibson as Dr. Gibbs, Leah Page as Mrs. Gibbs, Trey McKay as George Gibbs, Jamal Engram as Howie Newsom, Ashleigh Stowe as Mrs. Webb, Chris Holloway as Mr. Webb, Joni Barfield as Emily Webb, Jae House as Professor Willard, Sierra Hill as Lady in Box, Dante Brown as Simon Stimson, Christin Wiggins as Mrs. Soames, Josh Tetlow as Constable Warren, Matthew Van Buren and Alex Anderson as Baseball Players, Laura Sweat as Sam Craig, Matthew Van Buren as Joe Stoddard, Alexus Perry and Sharraneka Jackson as Townspeople and John David Brown as Stage Manager.

“Our Town” explores the lives of people living in a small, quintessential American town. It was first produced in 1938 and received the Pulitzer Prize for Literature. The play is divided into three aspects of the human experience: Daily Life, Love and Marriage, and Death making it one of the most deeply human scripts in all of American theatre.

For information, contact Charles Sirmon at 850-718-2227 or email: sirmonc@chipola.edu.