Chipola SGA hosts annual Fall Festival, Sept 28

Chipola College’s annual Fall Festival will be Wednesday, Sept. 28 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on the lawn in front of the Health Center. If it is raining, it will be in the Health Center. Students will be excused from classes to participate in this fun event!

SGA has some great activities lined up including soft play blow up games. There will also be music, door prizes, and hotdogs and hamburgers for everyone. There should be several universities on hand to answer questions about their programs.

Don’t forget about the match up between campus clubs. There will be relay and tug of war competitions to see which club rules the campus. Everything is FREE, so come join the fun!

For more information, call 718-2308 or come by the Student Activities Office, K-105.

Stadsklev concert/reception sendoff a hit

Joan Stadsklev, the retiring Associate Dean of Chipola College’s Fine and Performing Arts Department, was given a grand sendoff with an Artist Series Faculty tribute and a reception sponsored by the Chipola Regional Arts Association (CRAA) on Sept. 11.

Stadsklev has served for 25 years as the Director (Associate Dean) of the Fine and Performing Arts department at Chipola and has lead CRAA for the past 22 years as the executive director.

The elegant reception was made possible by the efforts of CRAA and the contributions of arts supporters that wished to give Joan a well-deserved farewell. Stadsklev said, “I extend my deepest thanks to the members and contributors to the Chipola Regional Arts Association and to my faculty and staff. The reception and concert given in my honor were truly exquisite. It has been an honor to work with so many wonderfully talented people in the arts always striving together to give our students and our district the very best we could offer in the arts.”

Dr. Daniel Powell, the newly-appointed Associate Dean of the Fine and Performing Arts, said, “I am pleased to continue the fine tradition established by Joan Stadsklev. The standing ovation of the packed house was a testament to the high caliber faculty that teaches in the arts at Chipola. Many audience members attended the reception and were dazzled by the music of Anita Pizza while they floated through the warm friendly crowd.”

Here, Stadsklev is congratulated by Dr. Jerry Kandzer, CRAA President.

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.

19 MONDAY
• SGA – 2 p.m., Z116
• Night Student Social – 7 p.m., D

20 TUESDAY
• Executive Council – 9 a.m., A192
• Student Ambassadors – 1 p.m., A156
• District Board of Trustees – 7 p.m., Bldg Y

21 WEDNESDAY
• Career and Administrative Payroll Due in HR
• Black Student Union – 10 a.m., C104

22 THURSDAY
• Deadline to Apply to ADN Program for Spring 2012
• Fellowship of Christian Athletes – 7 p.m., Cafeteria

23 FRIDAY
• Deans Meeting – 9 a.m., A192

25 SUNDAY
• FCA Chapel Service – 7:30 p.m., Chapel

Expected date of disbursement for financial aid checks (pell grant, bright futures etc.) will be Oct. 10.
Former Chipola player Adam Loewen joins Toronto

Former Chipola College player Adam Loewen has joined the Toronto Blue Jays as a teammate of Chipola alumnus Jose Bautista.

Loewen hit his first major league homerun on Sept. 11 to help the Jays to a 6-5 win against the Orioles, who are managed by another former Chipola player Buck Showalter.

Loewen was called up to the big leagues in September after spending most of the year in Triple A Las Vegas where he played first base and outfield and hit .306 with 17 homers and 85 RBIs.

A former pitcher, Loewen was the highest round draft pick ever from Canada, when he was drafted fourth overall in the first round by Baltimore in 2002. An odd rule and a few friends helped lure the big Canadian to Chipola. He signed with Arizona State out of high school, but by playing at Chipola, was able to continue negotiations with Baltimore for the 2003 draft. The 6-6, 220 pound, lefthander, whose fastball was clocked at 95 miles per hour, signed a contract worth an estimated $3.8 million in 2003.

The day he enrolled at Chipola in 2002, Loewen said, “It was everything I expected. It’s a great program for a junior college. You can compare it to D-1 facilities. It’s just a great place to be,” said Loewen. Several successful Canadian players started their college careers at Chipola, including catcher Cole Armstrong, Loewen’s good friend, as well as Yankee All-Star catcher Russell Martin, Ivan Nacarratta and Eric Bernier. Most were Loewen’s teammates on Canadian National Teams.

Loewen pitched in only 35 big league games for Baltimore from 2006 to 2008 as the big lefty was plagued by injuries. He made the move from pitcher to outfielder after fracturing his elbow in 2008. Facing surgery and a long rehabilitation, Loewen decided to try to restart his career as an outfielder. He signed with the Blue Jays in 2008 and worked three years to get back to the majors. Moving from pitcher to position player is rare in the big leagues, but Loewen was much more than a pitcher during his high school and college years. He worked as a first baseman and outfielder and hit .770 for Team Canada in the Junior World Games in 2001.

In the past three years Loewen has done time at Class A Dunedin, Double-A New Hampshire, the Arizona Fall League, Dominican Winter League and with the Canadian national team.

Eight years after leaving Chipola, at age 27, Loewen is finally living his dream of playing major league baseball in his home country of Canada.

Mercer addresses Honors

Attorney Wade Mercer of the Dellwood/Cypress area recently addressed the Chipola College Honors group. Pictured from left, are Caroline Peacock, Emily Stewart, Mercer and Travis Bontrager. Mercer discussed his time as a student at Chipola, as well as FSU where he earned a degree in Mathematics Education. He went on to earn a law degree from Mercer University. Mercer encouraged the students to find their passion and to focus on things that matter most in life.

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 11:30 a.m. at Jim’s Buffet in Marianna.

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.

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

Upcoming Events

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

19-sep Kim Collins
19-sep Martin Fowler
20-sep Terri Fowler
21-sep Dennis Kosciw
22-sep Melinda Sherrill
23-sep Richard Vann
24-sep Terolyn Lay

Library Hours

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

Tech Center Hours

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

Ace Hours

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

Testing Center Hours

Monday & Wednesday
8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday
8 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
By appointment only