This Week

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A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Chipola welcomes new director of business department

Chipola College recently named Dr. Jim Froh as Director of the Business and Technology Division.

Froh earned a PhD in leadership from Capella University, a master’s in Management from the Milwaukee School of Engineering and a B.S. from the University of Wisconsin, Osh Kosh.

He has run several private businesses over the years and also has done consulting work in the Czech Republic and Russia where he had the opportunity to meet Mikhail Gorbachev.

Of coming to Chipola, Dr. Froh says, “I am thrilled to be part of such an exciting Business program and serving our students at Chipola College.”

The college recently celebrated its first class of graduates in the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) in Business. The program has continued to grow and become a vital part of the Business College and the community. Of his first days at the college, Dr. Froh says, “I met so many great students. It was exhilarating to be part of helping many students get their classes and also help them to see the end of the tunnel where they could see themselves graduating soon.”

Dr. Froh says his focus is to continue to expand the Bachelor’s program and to reach out to the community. “We need to meet the needs of our students and also to make sure the students can and will live up to the needs of the employers. In today’s world economy we must prepare each and every student to embrace change as an opportunity and strive to be life-long learners.”

Dr. Froh and his wife are from Wisconsin. They have three boys, two of whom are married, and three granddaughters.

For information about Chipola’s Business and Technology Division, call Dr. Froh at 718-2413 or email: frohj@chipola.edu

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20 MONDAY
• Student Government Association - 2 p.m., Z116
• Night Student Social - 7 p.m., D Lobby

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

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22 WEDNESDAY
• Black Student Union - 10 a.m., C104

23 THURSDAY
• Deadline to Apply to ADN Program for Spring 2011
• Fellowship of Christian Athletes - 7 p.m., Cafeteria

24 FRIDAY
• Academic Directors Meeting - 9 a.m., A192
Main Street Marianna director to speak at CRAA meeting

The public is cordially invited to attend the monthly meeting of the Chipola Regional Arts Association, Tuesday, Sept. 21, at Jim’s Buffet in Marianna.

This month’s program will be presented by Charlotte Brunner, Director of Main Street Marianna. Brunner will be speaking on the historic First National Bank Building in downtown Marianna and the goal of converting the space into a new Fine Arts and Cultural History Museum for the city.

No reservations are required. The Dutch-treat buffet luncheon which begins at 11:30 a.m. followed by the program at noon.

For information, contact Joan Stadsklev at 718-2301.

Basic automotive courses set at Chipola

Chipola College will offer basic automotive courses which are open to the public.

Chipola automotive instructor Chase Vlieg will teach the courses in the college Automotive Technology Building (P-103). Students are encouraged to register as soon as possible. The cost of each course is $40. Registration and payment must be completed two days prior to beginning of class.

Introduction to Automotive Mechanics will meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Sept. 21 to Oct. 28, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The 30-hour course is designed to provide the student with entry level skills to ASE standards for automotive technicians. The use of diagnostic equipment is stressed.

Auto Detailing will meet Saturday, Nov. 6, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The five-hour course covers five major areas of auto detailing: exterior, interior, engine, trunk, and special problems. Core topics include: washing, buffing, touch-up painting, detailing chemical equipment, accessories, auto restoration, marketing and entrepreneurial skills.

For questions, call Christen Bennett at (850)718-2395, or email: bennettc@chipola.edu.

Small business seminars set at Chipola

Chipola will offer two small business seminars in October with more to come in the near future.

“Choosing Your First Business” is set for Friday, October 8, from 9 a.m. to noon. The seminar will help answer the questions: When can you quit your day job to focus entirely on your passion? When can a dream become a profitable moonlighting business? The seminar is designed to help individuals begin the process of converting a part-time business into a full-time business.

“Steps to Starting a Small Business” will meet Friday, October 8, from 1 to 4 p.m. Topics include discussion on organizational requirements and licensing for a small business in Florida, personal financial assessments, credit checks, defining your customers, location considerations, and employee requirements. Valerie Simmons, a Certified Business Analyst with the Small Business Development Center, will lead the seminar.

The Small Business Development Center is based in Lynn Haven and utilizes experienced business owners to present hands-on instruction from the business world. The workshops will meet in Room M-108 of the Chipola Business and Technology building. Cost of each seminar is $20.


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Fall Festival to be held Sept. 29

Chipola’s annual Fall Festival will be Wednesday, Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on the lawn in front of 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. Several universities will have recruiting tables for interested students.

There will be relay and tug of war competitions between campus clubs 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, K-105.

Organizations selling MOD cards

Chipola Organizations will be selling March of Dimes March for Babies cards. For a donation of $1 your name will be placed on the card and displayed at CC. Funds raised from this sale will provide public education materials for schools and clinics, or can help researchers find the causes of birth defects.

Cards for organizations are available in Student Activities (K-105) and all money must be turned in by Tuesday, Sept. 28.