**Chipola ranks 14th Best in Nation**

On Tuesday, Washington Monthly ranked Chipola College number 14 among national community colleges in its ninth annual college rankings survey. Four other Florida College System (FCS) institutions made the list: North Florida Community College, Miami Dade College, Valencia College and South Florida State College.

“On behalf of the faculty and staff of Chipola College, we are pleased to be recognized for offering quality instruction,” said Chipola President Dr. Gene Prough. “I am very proud of our faculty and support personnel who provide a quality learning environment for our students.”

“This honor recognizes the Florida College System’s commitment to both access and high-quality education,” said FCS Chancellor Randy Hanna. “I commend our colleges for their ongoing efforts to serve the needs of our state.”

Using data from the Community College Survey of Student Engagement and U.S. Department of Education, Washington Monthly rates community colleges in a number of areas, including collaborative learning, student effort, academic rigor, student-faculty interaction and support for learning. Retention, graduation and completion rates are also factored into the rankings.

Chipola had a first-year retention rate of 65.9 which was fifth among the top 50 colleges. Chipola was eleventh in the Three-year graduation/transfer rate at 57.9 percent. This number indicates the percentage of students who graduate or transfer to another college within three years of first enrolling.

Chipola offers the Bachelor of Science Degree, the Associate in Arts Degree, the Associate in Science Degree and Workforce Development programs.

According to Washington Monthly’s editors, “We designed the Washington Monthly college rankings to embody the American higher education compact at the institutional level. Instead of lauding colleges for closing their doors to all but an elite few, we give high marks to institutions that enroll low-income students, help them graduate and don’t charge them an arm and a leg to attend.”

“These rankings are especially important because they highlight the system’s mission of providing access to low-cost, high-quality education and job training,” said Chancellor Hanna. “I am extremely proud of all of our colleges for helping prepare Floridians for high-skill, high-wage jobs.”

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**THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA**

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**SGA FALL ELECTIONS**

will be September 11th and 12th-see page 4 for more details on open positions.

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**CLUB DAY**

Wednesday, September 4, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the sidewalk in front of the LitLang Building-Z. Each campus club is encouraged to participate. Representatives from all campus organizations will be available to share information about their group. Refreshments will be served.
CHIPOLA THEATRE ANNOUNCES SEASON

Charles Sirmon, Director of Theatre at Chipola College recently announced the lineup for his fourteenth season which includes: The Chipola Theatre Showcase, “The 1940’s Radio Hour,” “The Sound of Music,” and “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown (Revised).”

This season kicks off with the Chipola Theatre Showcase, Thursday, Sept. 26, at 7 p.m. The night of scenes and songs is billed as “Saturday Night Live on a Thursday.” The annual fundraiser helps theatre majors take an educational trip to New York in the Spring.

Next up is “The 1940’s Radio Hour,” which runs Dec. 5–8. Auditions are Sept. 30, and Oct. 1, at 6 p.m. With music by Walton Jones, the show is full of 1940’s music, dancing and old-time sound effects. Hits include: “That Old Black Magic,” “Ain’t She Sweet,” “Blue Moon,” “Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy,” and “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas.” The play portrays the final holiday broadcast of the Manhattan Variety Cavalcade on a New York radio station in December 1942.

“The Sound of Music,” is set for Feb. 26-March 2. Mar. 1 at 7 p.m. This all-time favorite with music by Rodgers and Hammerstein won 8 Tony Awards including Best Musical, Book and Score. The world’s most beloved musical tells the story of a nun who is dispatched to serve as governess for the seven children of a widowed naval Captain on the eve of World War II. Her growing rapport with the youngsters, coupled with her generosity of spirit, gradually captures the heart of the stern Captain. Auditions are Jan. 6–7 at 6 p.m.

“You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown (Revised),” is set for May 7–8, at 7 p.m. The show will also play for hundreds of school children the same week. Charlie Brown opened on Broadway in 1999 with a fresh approach to the all-time 1967 classic. Sally Brown joins Charlie Brown, Linus, Lucy, Schroeder and Snoopy in this version. Musical numbers include: “My Blanket and Me,” “The Kite,” “The Baseball Game,” “Little Known Facts,” “Suppertime” and “Happiness.” Auditions will be held March 17–18 at 6 p.m.

Tickets for all Theatre productions go sale two weeks prior to the performance. Tickets are available online, with box office hours Monday through Thursday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and one hour prior to curtain at the box office.

Theatre fans also are invited to join the Applauding Chipola Theatre (ACT) VIP fund, which guarantees the best seats for all shows. The ACT Fund offers five levels of membership including Sponsor, Patron, Benefactor, Angel and Corporate Angel with VIP seating available at all levels. A portion of ACT memberships is tax-deductible.

For more information contact Charles Sirmon, Director of Theatre sirmonc@chipola.edu or at 718-2277.

If you missed the opening of Ethan Sawyers’s After the Fly Loft art exhibit, the work will be on display in the Gallery through Oct. 31. A viewing appointment can be made by contacting Anita Price at 718-2277 or Evelyn Ward at 718-2257.
Florida College System helps Chipola students

The Florida College System Foundation recently presented checks to Chipola to provide scholarships. Pictured from left, are: John Holdnak, the Executive Vice-Chancellor of the Florida College System; Judy Green, Executive Director of the Florida College System Foundation; Julie Fuqua, Director of the Chipola College Foundation; and Dr. Gene Prough, President of Chipola College. The donations included $1,770 for the Helios Education Foundation First Generation Scholarship and $4,159 for the Bank of America “Dream Makers” Scholarship. Recipients of both scholarships are attending Chipola this Fall.

Chipola to host High School Baseball Showcase

Chipola College’s annual Select Baseball Showcase, is set for Saturday, Sept. 21, 2013 at the Chipola Field.

The event is open to all high school juniors and seniors who are current members of a varsity baseball team.

Chipola head coach Jeff Johnson says, “This is a great opportunity for players to showcase their skills and to gain national exposure while being evaluated by JUCO and Division 1 coaches, as well as professional scouts.” Johnson says he is expecting from 50 to 100 pro and college scouts to attend.

The Showcase will be in a pro-style setup with two different time slots players can choose to attend.

The showcase is by invitation only by high school coaches, summer league coaches, Chipola coaches, other college coaches and/or professional scouts.

Check-in opens at 8 a.m. on Sept. 21. The event will continue rain or shine with indoor facilities available. Players should wear baseball pants and bring their own bats, spikes, gloves, hats and protective cups.

Registration deadline is Sept. 11, 2013.
Participants must provide proof of insurance and sign a waiver of liability.
Cost is $125.
For information, call coach Jeff Johnson at 850-718-2332.

Social Media Seminar set

Chipola will offer a small business seminar “Social Media Beyond Facebook” on Friday, Sept. 20. The seminar meets from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., in Room M-108 of the Chipola Business and Technology building.

This class provides an overview of new, emerging, and audience specific Social Media Channels. Learn how to know which are right for which businesses in order to engage in to gain clients and build client relationships.

“Market Research and Feasibility Analysis” is Oct. 18. “Restaurant Fundamentals” will meet Nov. 15.
Cost of each seminar is $15. The first six Chipola students to sign up receive free admission. Students should contact Elissa Severson at 718-2441, sign up in Building M, Office 108 or register online at www.northfloridabiz.com.

BASIC CORRECTIONS CLASSES

Chipola will offer two classes of the Basic Corrections Academy beginning Sept. 10 and Oct. 22. Classes meet weekdays, from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Completion of the program prepares candidates to take the State Board Examination for entry into the Corrections field and certification by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission.

At a minimum, successful applicants must meet the following qualifications: 19 years of age; U.S. Citizen; high school diploma or equivalent and a valid driver’s license.

Candidates must pass a drug test and physical examination and are subject to fingerprinting and a background investigation which includes: no felony convictions; no misdemeanor involving perjury or false statement; no misdemeanor conviction of domestic violence; and no dishonorable discharge from the Armed Forces.

Applicants must earn a passing score on the Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT) offered at Public Services Tuesdays at 12:30.
Cost of the test is $45. For information, contact Jamie McAllister, Corrections Coordinator, at 718-2212.

**Dean’s List for Summer I & II**

Dr. Sarah Clemmons, senior vice president of Instruction at Chipola, commends some 200 students who made the Dean’s List for academic achievement during the Summer I and II Terms 2013.

To be placed on the Dean’s List, a student must take 6 or more semester hours of courses and make an average of 3.25 (B+) to 4.0 (A) in all courses.

Students who made perfect averages of 4.0—straight A’s are:

**Alford-** Audrey Sterrett.
**Altha-** Caleb Chew, Deborah Graham, William Graham, Mescal Hall, Adam Preston, Linda Young.
**Bascum-** Patrick Collins, Miranda Jordan, Deja McColough, Breanna Moore.
**Blountstown-** Robert Deason, Geraldine Gutierrez, Kylee Harrell, Thomas Howell, Santana Lee, Shannite Lockhart, Jessica Stallworth.
**Boulay-** Brianna Belcher, Aaron Godwin, Misty Kirkland, Anne Mary Nichols, Troy Rackley, Savannah Ryken, Shana Sloan, April Yates.
**Bristol-** Carla Bramblett, Paul Gauthier, Tammy Stephens, Britney Willis.
**Campbellton-** Scheneka Johnson.
**Chipley-** Rebecca Day, James Dilmore, Tanner Gilbert, Cileena Padgett, Meghan Pettis, Meghan Salter, Noah Smothers, John Thompson, Savannah Waddell.
**Clarksville-** Joshua Jeffery, Melissa Newsome, Hannah Plazarin, Ashley Sims, Lyndsey Wainwright, Timothy Waldhoff.
**Cottondale-** Kyle Griffin, Hannah Wilkes.
**Graceville-** Victoria Brown, Cierra Corbitt, Cameron Dixon, Frances Martin, Indigo Pierce, Meagan Sanders, Jinhee So.
**Grand Ridge-** Katherine Campbell, Barbara Toole, Joshua Toole.
**Greenwood-** Nicole Bradley, Mary Culppepper, Jennifer Neto, Robert Neto.
**Hosford-** Krista Black.
**Sneds-** Kelly Lanier, Amanda Locke, Trenton McDaniel.
**Vernon-** Emily Adams, Dante Brown, Susie Sewell.
**Westville-** Whitney Ellenburg, Carrie Hayford, Andrew Stafford.
**Out of District-** Alissa Commerford of Ashford, AL, Christopher Johnson of Chattahoochee, Rebecca Stewart of Crawfordville, Ciara Folsom and Alisa Kronberger of Dothan, AL, Richard Houghton of Jacksonville, Kerry Bryant of Panama City, April McGrotha and Alexander Poole of Tallahassee, Samantha Layfield of Wewahitchka.

**Students who earned grade point averages ranging from 3.25(B+) to 3.99 (A) are:**

**Alford-** Audrey Sterrett.
**Altha-** Katelynn Ballard, Deborah Graham, Katrina Messer, Heather Parrish, James Sellers, Justin Terry, Selena Williams, Steve Yoder, Jr.
**Blountstown-** Cierra Brown, Cardicco Mosley, Mark Shuler.
**Boulay-** Monica Greuel, Theresa Wilson, April Yates.
**Bristol-** Jeri Anderson, Bettina Tharpe.
**Chipley-** Farrah Davis, Angeleigh Donaldson, Cheyenne Fenwick, Ashley Foshee, Holley Hinson, Monica Roberts, Ryan Smith, Tori Taylor, John Thompson.

**Clarksdale-** Robert Johns, Adam McCullen.
**Cottondale-** Alida Capps, Kody Sims.
**Graceville-** Anna Cathery Payne, Jessica Singletary, Carly Wilson.
**Grand Ridge-** Joseph Harrison, Joseph Taylor, Joshua Toole.
**Greenwood-** Yessica Betancur, Lydia Degroot, Jessica McCalister, Tiffany Smith, Erik Utter.
**Hosford-** Hannah Moore, Tristen Parrish.
**Malone-** Dezmond Baker, Brittany Woods.

**NOTE:** Students must begin testing in time to finish before closing time.

**THIS WEEK**

“Chipola This Week” is a weekly publication of the Chipola Public Relations Office. Deadline for the next issue is 8 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 4. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail information to Meri Mock at chipolahisweek@chipola.edu.

**BIRTHDAYS**

2-Sep Pam Rentz
3-Sep Anita Adams Price
4-Sep Carl DesRosier
4-Sep Willie Spires
5-Sep Steve Anderson
5-Sep Scott Pittenger
7-Sep Wayne Herring

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**SEPTEMBBER**

9 Blood Drive Front of Building Z
10 Last Day for Vertical Transfer
11-12 Student Gov Elections
21 ACT Exam
25 Fall Festival
26 Chipola Theatre Showcase

**RECRUITERS on Campus**

FSU PC: Sept. 25 from10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fall Festival
FSU PC: Oct. 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Front of Cafeteria
FSU PC: Nov. 21 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Front of Cafeteria

Troy Univ Dothan: Sept. 25 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fall Festival
Troy Univ Dothan: Nov. 12 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Front of Cafeteria

Student ID Cards are made:
Monday through Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

SGA Fall Elections will be held September 11th and 12th. The positions available are: SGA Vice President, Sophomore Class Vice President, Freshmen Class President and Vice President, and Six Freshmen Senators. Deadline to apply is Friday, Sept. 6. For more info, visit the Student Activities Office in Bldg. K room 105.