Tickets go on sale Nov. 21 for the Chipola College Theatre production of “The 1940’s Radio Hour,” which runs Dec. 5-8.

Tickets—$8 for adults and $6 for 18 and under—are available online at www.chipola.edu Tickets also are available at the Center for the Arts Box Office 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to noon on Friday.

“The 1940’s Radio Hour” depicts the final holiday broadcast of the Manhattan Variety Cavalcade on a New York radio station in December 1942. 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.

Chipola Theater director Charles Sirmon cast local actors in the show, including: Dakota Ball as Clifton Feddington, Dale Heidebrecht as Zoot Doubleman, Chris Manasco as Pops Baily, Deondre Davis as Wally Fergusson, Nick Cessna as Lou Cohn, Colton Day as Johnny Cantone, Lindsey Whatley as Ginger Brooks, Kate Burke as Connie Miller, Seth Alderman as B.J. Gibson, Odra Chapman as Ann Collier, Patria Clark as Geneva Lee Browne, Dylan Bass as Biff Baker and Elyn Sapp as Rosie. Shayli Tharp, Meredith Saunders and Victoria Taylor will play the WOV girls.

The show runs Dec. 4, 5, 6, 7 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8 at 2 p.m.

A “Sneak Peek Dinner Theatre,” preview is set for Tuesday, Dec. 3. The event will include a steak dinner and dress-rehearsal preview of the show. Tickets are $25 per person. For Sneak Peek tickets, call Evelyn Ward at 718-2257 or Lillie Hamil at 718-2375.

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.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.chipola.edu or by calling 850-718-2420.

Chipola and AFC invite all college employees to help local families with a gift to United Way. We are just halfway from our campus goal of $2,500. Deadline to give is Monday, Nov. 25. Payroll deduction is available. You may designate your gift to help your favorite non-profit charity.

Employees who donate at least $25 will get a free jump drive.

United Way gifts stay in the area to help people in your community. Thanks to you, it’s working.
**Student-Athletes sign with major universities**

Chipola Athletics hosted a signing ceremony for several student-athletes, on Wednesday.

Chipola has a great tradition in athletics and academic success. Most players move on to four year colleges and several sign professional contracts.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough says, “We have a rich tradition of success in athletics. But I am even more proud of the success that our coaches have had in preparing student-athletes to move on to the next level.”

Chipola competes in five intercollegiate sports—baseball, men’s and women’s basketball and women’s cross country.

The following Men’s Basketball players signed with these colleges:
- Cinmeon Bowers – Florida State University
- Sam Cassell, Jr. – University of Connecticut
- Carlos Morris – University of Minnesota
- Demetrious Floyd – Stephen F. Austin

The following Baseball players signed with the following colleges:
- Michael Mader – Florida State University
- Taylor Lewis – University of Florida
- Ian Rice – University of Houston

**Basketball Teams top polls**

Both Chipola teams are ranked first in the latest FCSAA polls. The Indians, ranked No. 7 in the NJCAA national poll, moved up from second to the top spot in state poll after previous No. 1 and defending state and national champion Central Florida lost to USC-Salkehatchie 92-89 on Nov. 9. Northwest (4-0) is No. 2, with Panhandle teams Tallahassee (4-0), Pensacola State (2-1), and Gulf Coast State (3-1) coming in at No. 4, 6, and 10 in the poll.

The Lady Indians opened the season atop the FCSAA poll and stayed there thanks to three straight wins in the Girls Basketball Report Classic, Nov. 7-9. Chipola knocked off Eastern Florida State 93-34, South Georgia Tech 68-45, and Broward 86-40 to move to 3-0 on the year.

Keith Williams and State Farm donate $10k

Keith Williams, a Marianna State Farm agent, presented a check for $10,000 to the Chipola College Appreciation Club during a press conference on Friday.

The donation will be used to support the college’s athletics programs. Williams is a long-time supporter of the college who has made significant donations in the past. He donated several thousand dollars for a giant blimp which was used for years at Chipola basketball games. He also paid thousands for a radar system which projects the speed of pitches at baseball games.

Dr. Gene Prough said, “Keith is a great friend to the college. His support over the years has been nothing short of amazing. He has helped many student-athletes realize their dreams of playing on a big stage while earning a college education.”
Student artists work on display

Original works by Chipola art students will be on display beginning Nov. 18 in the Art Gallery of the Violet McLendon Building.

The exhibit is open to the public for viewing on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from Nov. 18 – Dec. 2.

Pictured top right is Morgan Cook and bottom left is Chris Rockwell with their art to be displayed Nov. 18-Dec. 2. For information, call 718-2277.

Chipola launches new welding program

Chipola is now accepting students for a new welding program which begins in Jan. 7, 2014.

The program is 1,170 clock-hours which can be completed in approximately one year. Financial aid is available for those who qualify. Prospective students must earn a minimum score on the TABE.

New Chipola welding instructor Patrick Kennedy, says, “The job outlook is very good in the area and especially for those willing to travel or relocate. Starting pay for pipe welders in ship-building is $20 per hour and higher. Local manufacturing plants offer $14-$18 per hour. Pay goes up substantially for construction welders who are willing to travel.”

Eastern Ship Builders in Panama City hires numerous welders and is expected to expand their operation in the near future. Other local employers include Rolls Right Trailers and Anderson Columbia in Marianna. Welding jobs also are available in Tallahassee, Panama City, Jacksonville, Dothan and Mobile, Alabama.

Instructor Kennedy holds multiple certifications as a Pipe Welder and is a Certified Welding Inspector. He has worked in the nuclear power and gas pipeline industry as a welder and inspector for more than 20 years. A native of Montgomery, Kennedy has called Panama City home since 2000. He also has taught welding at Trenholm State Technical College. Kennedy said, “While taking welding in high school, my instructor told me that a good welder would never be out of work unless he wanted to be. So far this has been true and that is my firsthand experience.”

“We are excited about the opportunities this new welding program will provide for the citizens in our district,” said Dr. Jason Hurst, Executive Vice-President of Chipola. “Welding is a targeted occupation that offers high wages and excellent benefits for trained welders.”

Byron Ward, Chipola Welding Career Coach, says, “Workforce Florida projects annual growth of 13,500 jobs in advanced manufacturing and construction, with 75% requiring postsecondary training. The Alabama Department of Industrial Relations (ADIR) lists welding among Alabama’s “Hot 40 Jobs” with expected annual growth of more than 2% through 2018.”

For information, call 850-718-2270, or visit www.chipola.edu
Brain Bowl wins sixth straight Delta Burke Tournament

The Brain Bowl team finished the Fall season by winning the 2013 Delta Burke Invitational at Valencia College in Orlando, Nov. 9. Chipola has won the Delta Burke Invitational six years in a row.

The tournament included 30 teams, including most of the community colleges in Florida, along with the University of Central Florida and Mercer College.

Chipola defeated Broward College 380-145 in the final match to claim the title. Broward upset Valencia in the finals, 300-225.

The Chipola team finished the tournament undefeated, winning all 12 matches, averaging 465 points per games, with an average margin of victory of 406.7 points.

Chipola Blue team members are: William Singleton, Wesley Chevillot, Jacob Leff and Rebecca Delgado. Leff finished second in overall scoring. Singleton finished 12th overall.

Chipola Brain Bowl coaches are Stan Young, Assistant Professor of Mathematics and volunteer assistant coach Dr. Robert Dunkle.

The Chipola team also had an impressive showing ago at ACF Fall held recently at Georgia Tech. Competing as the only community college in the field, Chipola finished with a 6-4 record, with wins over South Carolina, Auburn A, Auburn B, College of Charleston and Dunwoody. Chipola’s losses came against Georgia Tech, Vanderbilt and Georgia.

Chipola finished 9th overall at ACF Fall. The team’s next match is in late January in the NAQT Florida Sectionals.

Team and individual statistics for both tournaments are available at: www.hsquizbowl.org/db/tournaments/1911/stats/combined/standings & www.hsquizbowl.org/db/tournaments/1662/stats/combined/

First generation scholarship

The Chipola Foundation is accepting applications for the First Generation in College Scholarship for the Spring 2014 semester. Approximately six partial scholarships will be awarded.

Completed applications must be received in the Foundation office by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4.

Students must have applied for Federal Pell Grant (FAFSA) and have been determined to be Pell eligible and still have an unmet financial need in order to apply for the First Generation Scholarship.

The need-based scholarship is available to Florida residents who enroll as undergraduate, degree-seeking students for a minimum of six hours per term. Students must meet the eligibility requirements for demonstrated financial need and must come from a family where neither parent has completed a bachelor’s degree. If the student regularly resides with only one parent who provides support, that one parent must not have completed a bachelor’s degree for the student to be eligible.

Students must submit an application—available in the Foundation Office—with all required items outlined on the application by Dec. 4. For information, call 850-718-2404.