

Chipola This Week

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A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Chipola students recognized by USA Today/Coca-Cola academic program

Chipola College students **Russell Register** and **Cassie Mitchell** have earned high honors from USA Today Academic Team program. The program is associated with Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges.

Register was named a member of the All-USA Today Coca-Cola Bronze Team. He will receive a medallion and \$1,000, and was highlighted in the April 6 edition of *USA Today*.

Mitchell was named a Coca-Cola Finalist in the All-USA Academic Team competition and also will receive \$1,000. Both students were named to the All-Florida First Team. Mitchell also has earned a \$3,000 award from FSU.

Russell Register is an active member of Chipola's Phi Theta Kappa honor society. PTK adviser Pam Rentz, says, "His compassion for others, his undeniable leadership, and his academic achievement distinguish him from other students."

Russell became active in PTK as a Marianna High School senior while dually enrolled at Chipola. He quickly shared his passion for working with medical organizations to provide support in finding cures for serious illnesses that affected members of his family, as well as members of our community. He implemented "Project Patients," an avenue to work with various charitable organizations.

Having a maternal aunt who died of brain cancer, Russell has been passionate about the American Cancer Society. He served as captain of a Relay for Life team which raised \$900 in the Relay Walk and he helped to sponsor a Breast Cancer Awareness Seminar on campus.

Russell led chapter members in a partnership with the Chipola women's basketball team for "Think Pink Night" to raise awareness of breast cancer.

Russell also helped with the March of Dimes, heading a fundraising drive and coordinating a team to participate in the March of Dimes Walk. He also organized a team for the first Jackson County Multiple Sclerosis Society Walk.

Russell also conducted a toy drive and organized a trip to the Shriners' Hospital in Tampa, delivering toys and books to be used for birthday and Christmas gifts for pediatric patients.



Pictured from left, are: PTK adviser Pam Rentz, Russell Register, Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough, Cassie Mitchell and Chipola vice president Dr. Sarah Clemmons.

Russell helped to lead all these projects while maintaining a 4.0 grade point average to become valedictorian of his Marianna High School class. Rentz, says, "Even as a dual enrollment student, Russell led with humor, dedication, and generosity, making him so important to our chapter, campus and community, and truly, he is worthy of this award."

Register said, "I have great pride in my community and pride for Chipola College. Both of my parents are Chipola alumni, as are many family members and friends. The Chipola legacy is one I value because of the advantages that I have received by attending this outstanding institution."

Register is the son of Russell and Jill Register of Marianna. He plans to transfer to the University of West Florida to major in history.

Chipola sophomore Cassie Mitchell of Sneads was named a finalist in the **in the USA Today All-American** competition. She also was awarded a scholarship from the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation in 2008.

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THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

20 MONDAY

- ◆ SGA — 2 p.m., Q111
- ◆ CEA Meeting — 2:30 p.m., Z116

21 TUESDAY

- ◆ Show Choir Auditions for 2009-10
- ◆ College Application Deadline—Summer I
- ◆ BCM Prayer Meeting — 8:15 a.m., Dorm
- ◆ Executive Council — 9 a.m., A 192
- ◆ Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., A156

- ◆ Ribbon Cutting — 4:30 p.m., L
- ◆ District Board of Trustees — 7 p.m., Bldg. Y
- ◆ Science Club Star Gazing — 7:30 p.m., R

22 WEDNESDAY

- ◆ BCM Bible Study — 10 a.m., A156

23 THURSDAY

- ◆ Music and Theatre Scholarship Auditions for 2009-10

- ◆ FACC Executive Board Meeting — 2:30 p.m., Z215
- ◆ Night Students Social — 7 p.m., Z
- ◆ Just a Singin' and Swingin', spring ensemble concert — 7 p.m., I

24 FRIDAY

- ◆ Early Summer I Registration Payment Deadline
- ◆ Academic Directors — 9 a.m., A192
- ◆ CC Baseball vs. Gulf Coast—4 p.m., BC
- ◆ FCA Chariot Races — 6 p.m., R

Academic All Americans, *continued from page 1*

In addition to many service activities, Mitchell is a member of the Honors Program, Show Choir and the New Friends Program. She was involved in numerous Phi Theta Kappa projects. She also is a Chipola Student Ambassador and a member of the Student Government Association.

According to Pam Rentz, “Cassie is big energy disguised in a tiny package. She brings enthusiasm to every project. Her compassion for others, along with her deep desire to serve, makes her an asset to both our campus and community.”

Cassie’s goal of promoting reading and learning at every grade level from preschool to college through the “Leaps for Literacy” program featured many projects, including “Pajama Night” at the Jackson County Public Library. Cassie recruited Phi Theta Kappa chapter members to read to children of all ages who showed up at the library in pajamas and carrying pillows and blankets.

Cassie also provided leadership for the “Characters with Class,” project in which she accompanied children’s author Paula Stark to 20 area elementary schools. While Stark read her book *Abraham the Alligator* to over 5,000 students, Cassie and other chapter members dressed as characters and interacted with the children.

For middle school students, Cassie organized the “Behind the Scenes” a competition in which student teams read a novel and created a life-size scene for competition on the Chipola campus.

For high school and college students, Cassie organized a free ACT Prep course. Cassie recruited college faculty to teach the Saturday sessions. Some 150 students participants reported score increases with 70 percent improving in at least one subtest and some by as many as 10 points.

Cassie also volunteers in the Chipola Academic Center for Excellence, a free tutorial service on campus, where she works individually with students. “Throughout my community college career I have been exposed to many wonderful English professors who have stressed the importance of literacy, as well as the enjoyment one can derive from reading. The academic program and the leadership opportunities provided to me at Chipola have given me a passion for literacy in Chipola’s five-county district and beyond.”

Mitchell is the daughter of Lonnie and Joyce Mitchell of Sneads. She plans to transfer to Florida State University to major in Public Relations.

Chipola Math Olympic winners announced

Some 200 students representing 14 area high schools participated in the 25th annual Chipola College Math Olympiad on April 10.

Students competed individually on written exams in Algebra I and II, Geometry, Trigonometry and Calculus. Teams competed in three Ciphering competitions and for Team Awards that are earned through highest combined scores on the written exams. For their hard work, the students earned certificates of participation and were treated to lunch. The event concluded with an awards ceremony in the college Arts Center.

Overall team winners are: first, Blountstown High, team members: Harlea Perdue, Caitlyn Stewart, Ashley Adams; second, Vernon High, team members: Aidon Utebayev, Thomas Capps, Caitlin Smith.

Ciphering team winners are:

Algebra I—first, Blountstown High, team members: Caitlyn Stewart, Saad Farooqi, P.J. Buggs; second, Chipley High, team members: Zack Butler, Julia Veit, Tyler Pettis.

Algebra II—first, Marianna High, team members: Paul Gochenaur, Zach Gilmore, Alex Bigale; second, Vernon High, team members: Caitlin Smith, Victoria Tanaka, Alex Anderson.

Geometry—first, Vernon High, team members: Aidon Utebayev, Autumn Basinger, Chris Beard; second, Blountstown High, team members: Harlea Perdue, Travis Pittman, Stewart Herndon.

Individual award winners by category are:

Algebra I—first, Chipley High, Zack Butler; second, Blountstown High, Caitlyn Stewart; third(tie), Blountstown High, Saad Farooqi; Holmes County High, Alex Meintel; fourth, Holmes County High, Zach Cooley; fifth, Holmes County High, Madison Simmons; sixth (tie), Altha Public, Tyler McClellan; Bethlehem High, Summer Potter; seventh (tie), Chipley High, Tyler Pettis; Graceville High, Jen He So; eighth (tie), Marianna High, Will Glover; Chipley High, Julia Veit; ninth, Marianna High, Jamie McCoy; tenth (tie), Vernon High, Thomas Capps; Sneads High, Alan Toole.

Algebra II—first, Liberty County High, Jing Jing Dai; second, Marianna High, Zach Gilmore; third, Blountstown High, Aubrey Tharpe; fourth, Blountstown High, Ashley Adams; fifth, Marianna High, Alex Bigale; sixth, Vernon High, Victoria Tanaka; seventh, Vernon High, Alex Anderson; eighth (tie), Marianna High, Paul Gochenaur; Altha Public, Lucas Basford; ninth, Sneads High, Justin Edge; tenth (tie), Bethlehem High, Whitley Albury; Blountstown High, Tarak Amin; Graceville High, Garrett Stevenson.

Geometry—first, Vernon High, Aidon Utebayev; second, Blountstown High, Travis Pittman; third (tie), Blountstown High, Harlea Perdue and Stewart Herndon; fourth, Holmes County High, Jon Pendoley; fifth (tie), Marianna High, Clayton Rooks; Poplar Springs High, Sarah Bowen; sixth (tie), Marianna High, Ashley Laramore; Chipley High, Michael Pritchard; seventh (tie), Marianna High, Kristi Folds; Altha Public, Kala Sewell; eighth, Sneads High, Chris Justiss; ninth (tie), Chipley High, Luke Hinson; Bethlehem High, Brittany Riley; tenth (tie), Bethlehem High, Brittany May; Liberty County High, Shawn Arrant.

Trigonometry—first, Marianna High, Travis Bontrager; second, Chipley High, Jessica O’Keefe; third, Vernon High, Sakib Rahman; fourth (tie), Holmes County High, Haley Granger; Marianna High, Maria Anna Osiecka; fifth, Bethlehem High, Ethan Thomas; sixth, Holmes County High, Christy Bess; seventh, Holmes County High, Cody Brentner; eighth, Vernon High, Belton Snider; ninth (tie), Chipley High, Hillary Saunder and Adriane Guettler; tenth, Bethlehem High, Heidi Kriser.

Calculus—first, Bethlehem High, Megan Dady; second, Marianna High, Sai Chin; third, Marianna High, Chris Sawyer; fourth, Chipley High, John Tomkiewicz; fifth, Chipley High, Miranda Shaw; sixth, Chipley High, Marybeth Alderman; seventh, Marianna High, Alex Nowell; eighth, Bethlehem High, Mindy Dampier; ninth, Holmes County High, Ashlee Eaton; and tenth (tie), Chipley High, Charity Newsom; Holmes County High, Gary Moore.

Chipola baseball closes regular season at home on Friday

The Chipola Indians close out the regular home baseball season, Friday, April 24, with a 4 p.m. game against Gulf Coast. The Indians moved into second place in the league with a big Chipola 13-8 win over Conference champion Tallahassee on April 18. J.B. Johnson earned with win for Chipola. The Indians scored 11 runs in their last three at bats.

The conference standings as of April 20 are: TCC (12-5),

Chipola (9-9), NW (8-9), Gulf Coast 8-10 and PJC (7-11). The top two teams in the league play in the state tournament.

The Chipola Lady Indians Softball Team swept TCC in a double header on April 19 to qualify for the State Tournament May 1 in Auburndale. In the first game of the double header, Chipola turned a triple play to end the game winning 2-1. Chipola won game two, 3-2.



Chipola student art on display

An art exhibit featuring the work of Chipola students is now on display in the gallery of the McLendon Fine Arts building.

The original works were created in Drawing I and II, Sculpture, Three-Dimensional Art, and Ceramics classes taught by art instructors Kelly Boehmer and Chuck Carbia.

The public is invited to enjoy the exhibit weekdays from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. through April 28.

Show Choir, music and theater scholarship dates set

Chipola College scholarship audition dates are scheduled for Music and Theatre for the 2009-10 academic year.

Show Choir auditions are set for April 21 at 4 p.m. Theatre/Musical Theatre audition dates are April 23 and May 21.

High school graduates with acceptable academic records and aptitude planning to major in music or theatre are eligible to apply for scholarships. Show Choir auditions are open to all students in all majors. Rock and Jazz scholarships are available upon audition for instrumentalists of any major.

The Show Choir is open to all full-time Chipola students. Students should wear comfortable clothes and shoes for the dance audition and bring an accompanied vocal solo with sheet music or an accompaniment track. Students also must bring a completed

Show Choir Application, available in the Fine Arts Office or at www.chipola.edu,

Individual auditions begin at 4 p.m. with solo vocal auditions followed by a group dance routine.

The Show Choir is directed by Angie White and Dr. Josh Martin and performs throughout the southeast for various events, schools and civic organizations. The group has won awards at Invitational Show Choir Workshops, participated in the Florida Community College Show Choir Festivals, and has been guest performer on Royal Caribbean and Carnival Cruise lines. The annual Show Choir Jazzmatazz show is always a sell-out.

For information, call 850-718-2227 or Joan Stadskev at 718-2301 or stadskev@chipola.edu

Chipola presents Just a Singin' and Swingin' concert



“Just a Singin’ and Swingin’” a free concert featuring the Chipola College’s Chamber Chorus and Jazz Band is set for Thursday, April 23, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chipola Arts Center.

Jazz Band director Daniel Powell says, “The Jazz Band will play more consecutive notes in a single piece than it ever has before under my direction. It will continue its tradition of excellent performing with an eclectic program including Latin, fun, rock, ballad, and swing styles. Whatever you desire, the CC Jazz Band offers you ‘a bailout’ from your hectic life and will deliver an evening of enjoyment and excitement.”

The Chipola Chamber Chorus’ eclectic program under the direction of Bethany Kiral and accompanied by Dr. Josh Martin will include Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “People Will Say We’re in Love,” Stephen Foster’s “Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming,” “Deep Purple,” by Peter de Rose, Mendelssohn’s “He, Watching Over Israel,” from Elijah and more.

The concert is free and only requires the public to come ready to tap their toes, expect to have fun, and enjoy a wide variety of good music.

For information, call 850-718-2301.

Chipola to cut ribbon for renovated building

The Chipola College District Board of Trustees will host a Ribbon-Cutting and Open House of the newly renovated Building 'L', Tuesday, April 21, at 4:30 p.m.

The renovation project will provide additional classroom space and a new home for the college's ACE (Academic Center for Excellence).

Whiterock & Associates, Inc., completed the renovation at a cost of \$1.7 million.

Chariot Races on campus Friday

The Chipola Fellowship of Christian athletes will be sponsoring their First Annual Chariot Race on Friday, April 24 at 6 p.m. at the Milton Johnson Health Center.

Area high school and middle school students will compete in 5-person teams transporting one person in the middle of a sheet with the one person on each corner carrying! University of Alabama's Siran Stacey will be our powerful speaker! The public is invited for this free event.

For more information, call 526-2761, ext. 3331.

Science Club to host star-gazing event

The Chipola College Science Club will host a Star Gazing event, Tuesday, April 21, around 7:30 p.m., on the lawn of the Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

Star gazers will be able to use the LX 200 12 inch Reflecting Telescope to see Jupiter and some constellations.

For information, call 526-2761, Ext. 3252.

Chipola to offer Lifeguard Training

Chipola College will offer a Red Cross **Lifeguard Training** course beginning **Monday, May 4**. A pre-requisite swim test is scheduled for 4 p.m., **Thursday, April 30**.

The course will meet from 4 to 8 p.m. on May 4-7 and May 11-16.

Students must be at least age 15 by the first day of class. Participants must be able to swim 500 yards continuously, perform a variety of water safety skills and pass a written test. Completion of the course does not guarantee summer employment.

Cost is \$175. Pre-registration is required in the Continuing Education Office at 718-2473.

Free piano concert Wednesday

The Chipola College Department of Fine and Performing Arts presents a guest artist concert by pianist Andrew O'Brien, Wednesday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m.

The concert will be held in the Violet H. McLendon Fine Arts Building, Room H108. This event is free and open to the public.

Works by Haydn, Schumann, Szymanowski, Debussy, and Chopin will be performed by O'Brien.

O'Brien is a doctoral candidate in piano performance at Arizona State University. He holds degrees in piano performance from Chicago Musical College of Roosevelt University and New England Conservatory. He is an adjunct faculty member in piano and music theory at Scottsdale Community College and is a member of the College of Examiners of the Royal Conservatory of Music.

REP ON CAMPUS. A U.S. Air Force recruiter will be available in the hallway of the Social Science Building (C) on Tuesday, April 21, from 8:30 to 11:15 a.m.

UCA INFO. Transfer scholarship applications for the University of Central Florida are available in Student Services, room 107A.

THANKS. A big thanks goes out to all the students and staff that came to Chipola's Spring Frolics and to the clubs for participating in the relays. It was a huge success! The winner of the relay competition was the Players Club.

Spring Frolics was sponsored by the Chipola SGA.

Thanks to all SGA and Student Ambassador members for helping me plan and organize Spring Frolics. I could not have done it without you!

Nancy Johnson, Student Activities

CONGRATS. Congratulations to the following Chipola faculty approved for promotion: Georgia Ashmore, Assistant Professor; Santine Cuccio, Associate Professor; and David Saffo, Associate Professor.

UWF OFFERS. The University of West Florida offers several graduate programs in collaboration with the Chipola College University Center.

Courses are offered on Chipola's campus as well as online.

Registration is **April 20**. Classes begin **May 11**.

For information, call 718-2295.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 27-30 Book Buyback
- 28 Awards Ceremony
- 30 Last Class Day Academics

MAY

- 1 Last Class Day Workforce
- 1 FINAL EXAMS
- 4-5 FINAL EXAMS
- 4-6 Book Buyback
- 6 Grades Due 4 p.m.
- 7 Last Faculty Work Day
- 7 ADN Pinning
- 7 Graduation
- 8 CLAST Reg Deadline - June
- 8 ACT Reg Deadline - June
- 11 College Begins Four-Day Week

THIS WEEK

"Chipola This Week" is a weekly publication of the Chipola PR Office.

Deadline for the next issue is 8 a.m., **Wednesday, April 22**. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 21-Apr Mark Brogdon
- 23-Apr Santine Cuccio
- 23-Apr Michelle Jeter
- 26-Apr Mary McClendon

ATTENTION! Students are cautioned to not leave books and valuables unattended.

ATTENTION ENC 1101 & 1102 STUDENTS. ENC 1101 and 1102 students must have a Chipola photo ID for admission to take the final exam. Students may have a student ID made at Student Services (A107) on Tuesdays, 8 - 11 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. and Wednesdays, 8-11 a.m. Students should bring their Spring fee receipt with them. There is a \$10 replacement fee for lost IDs.

LOCATOR

A- Student Services/ Administration	I- Arts Center	Q- Health Science
B- Library	J- Theater	R- Johnson Health Center
C- Social Science	K- Cafeteria, Bookstore	S- Continuing Ed/Conf Ctr
D- Fink Natural Science	L- ACE Lab	T- Pool
E- Physical Plant Office	M- Business/Cosmetology	U- Foundation
F- Residence Hall	N- Workforce Devel Labs	Y- Public Service
G- Math Annex	O- Workforce Devel / Electronics	Z- Literature/Language
H- McLendon Fine Arts	P- Automotive Tech	BC/SC - Baseball/Softball Complex