

Chipola This Week

April 27 - May 3, 2009

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A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Chipola's "Beanie and the Book Machine" tickets go on sale Thursday

The children's play, "Beanie and the Bamboozling Book Machine," will be presented to hundreds of elementary school children in May.

A public performance is set for Thursday, May 14, at 7 p.m. Tickets go on sale April 30 in the Chipola Business Office.

The children's show tells the story of Beanie, a science wiz who has designed a reading machine which can read three books at once. When Beanie turns it on out pop the witches from Snow White, Hansel and Gretel, and the Wizard of Oz. Beanie must get them back into the books with help from the good guys.

For information about Chipola Theater, call 718-2227.



Chipola officials cut ribbon for renovated building

The Chipola College District Board of Trustees hosted a Ribbon-Cutting and Open House for the college's newly renovated Building 'L' on April 21.

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

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough thanked the college's Board of Trustees for their leadership on the project which includes the Dean Allen Atrium, named for the late Webb Allen, the first dean of the college and one of the most influential leaders in the school's history. In addition to teaching, Dean Allen was practically the president of Chipola handling many of the day-to-day operations of the college from 1948 to 1978. Prough, who was a Chipola student during Allen's tenure, said, "Dean Allen loved students and a genuine



concern for them to succeed. We are proud to name the Dean Allen Atrium in his honor."

The renovation project also provides space for the college ACE (Academic Center for Excellence). Bonnie Smith, ACE Coordinator, said, "We appreciate the board and administration for providing this new space. We especially appreciate the faculty for supporting the ACE and our students." ACE offers free peer tutoring for Chipola students.

Dr. Prough said, "To borrow a popular slogan, ACE is the place. This is the place where students can find help, find a friend, and find success in their college classes."

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

THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

27 MONDAY

- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., CC Bookstore
- ♦ SGA — 2 p.m., Q111

28 TUESDAY

- ♦ BCM Prayer Meeting — 8:15 a.m., Dorm
- ♦ Executive Council — 9 a.m., A 192

- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., CC Bookstore

- ♦ Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., A156

- ♦ Awards Ceremony — 7 p.m., I

29 WEDNESDAY

- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., CC Bookstore
- ♦ BCM Bible Study — 10 a.m., A156

30 THURSDAY

- ♦ Last Class Day Academics - Spring Term
- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., CC Bookstore

MAY, 1 FRIDAY

- ♦ Last Class Day Workforce - Spring Term
- ♦ FINAL EXAMS



Soccer at Chipola

A group of Chipola College students and economics Professor Tom Lundergan have been playing intramural soccer this semester. Four teams participated with the Blue team winning the most games this season. The group plans to play on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 2 to 3 p.m., beginning next semester.



Davis is Employee of the Month

Rebecca Davis (left) accepts the May Career Employee of the Month award from Chipola Dean of Enrollment Services Jayne Roberts. Davis has worked in the college Testing Center since 2003.

Chipola alumni visit Oxford

OXFORD, ENGLAND—Chipola alumni and sisters, Geraldine Paulk DeFelix and Marilyn Paulk Davis, recently spent a week living the Oxford University experience in England.

As an English/reading professor at Chipola, DeFelix was invited to join 34 worldwide participants for the Oxford Round Table Symposium on Early Childhood Literacy and was encouraged to take a guest. Her sister Marilyn Davis accompanied her thus beginning the fulfillment of a lifelong dream as a result of their initial association with Chipola in the late sixties.

During the symposium DeFelix was asked to lead a discussion addressing issues related to preparing and certifying effective reading teachers. She emphasized the fact that community colleges that have an open door admission policy face challenges similar to those of early childhood teachers when struggling readers are trying to read and write at the college level. All agreed that effective early intervention training for those who teach the at-risk students must be a top priority at all levels of teacher preparation. The papers presented at the conference offered many ideas that can enhance the reading and English programs at Chipola and at the Baptist College of Florida, where DeFelix also serves as the Writing Center Director. She is also anxious to share what she learned at the symposium with area public school teachers.

The sisters spent a week living in actual dorm rooms of Lincoln College, one of the 38 colleges that make up the Oxford University system. Their week of stimulating presentations and discussions was highlighted with a tour of Blenheim Palace, the ancestral home of the families of Winston Churchill and Princess Diana.

Both DeFelix and Davis graduated from Chipola and earned their bachelor's degrees from the University of West Florida and master's degrees from Troy State University. As a Chipola stu-



dent, DeFelix worked in the library under the direction of Mrs. Merle Houston, who proved to be an exemplary mentor and role model. DeFelix also worked on the Chipola yearbook staff with Professor Donnie Adams, who would later be one of her mentors when she became a new faculty member in the English Department. Davis enjoyed acting in the Chipola Theater Department, playing a supporting role in *The Dark of the Moon*, directed by Larry Alford. She also participated in other productions and was a member of SGA.

The sisters have always been grateful for the positive influence their Chipola experience had on them. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Paulk, sacrificed much financially to ensure that their daughters received the education they needed to become successful in their chosen fields. DeFelix said, "Without the opportunities Chipola afforded our farm family, earning a college degree would have been virtually impossible for both of us."



Mathis elected Chipola SGA prez

Maggie Mathis of Marianna was elected president of the Chipola College Student Government Association in the Spring Elections. Other officers elected include: sophomore class president, Jamila Holmes of Marianna and chief justice, Meredith Pritchard, of Bonifay. Sophomore senators are: Jessica McCalister of Greenwood, Lainey Powell of Graceville, Taylor Shelton of Altha, Casey Speers of Cottondale, Cora Ann Thomas of Marianna and Ashley Whitfield of Blountstown. SGA sponsors the Fall Festival and the Spring Frolics as well as other student activities.

Chipola piano student to give concert May 5

Chipola College sophomore Piano Major James Matthews will present his debut recital "Music under the Moonlight," Tuesday, May 5, at 6 p.m., in the Chipola Fine Arts Recital Hall H108.

Matthews will perform works by Beethoven, Schubert, Chopin, Liszt and Evanescence with special duo performances by Chipola Voice Major Jonathan Keeman, piano professor Dr. Josh Martin, and The Mathis Quartet. This event is free and open to the public. Donations for the artist will be accepted following the concert.

Matthews studies piano under Chipola professor Dr. Josh Martin and sings bass in the Chamber Chorus. A winner of several piano competitions, Matthews has performed throughout the East Coast in North Carolina, Michigan, Ohio, Boston and New York. He attended the summer programs at the Juilliard School in New York where he participated in Master classes by Murray Perahia and Emmanuel Ax. He has collaborated and toured with pop rock bands The Fray and Avril Lavigne. This summer, he will participate in Rocky Ridge Music Center's Young Artists Seminar. Matthews is one of only 25 piano students selected nationwide to attend the seminar.

For information, contact Joan Stadskev at (850) 718-2277.



Chipola instructor invited to guitar competition



Andrew Stroud, adjunct guitar instructor at Chipola College, has been named as one of 15 competitors in the Parkening International Guitar Competition, the preeminent classical guitar competition in the world held every three years.

Cash prizes in excess of \$65,000 will be awarded, representing the largest prize purse of any classical guitar competition. The Gold Medalist will receive a professionally managed performance tour of recitals and concerts with orchestra.

The other 14 competitors come from Russia, Italy, Romania, France, Germany, Spain, Finland, Australia, Scotland, and the USA. The competition will take place May 28-30, on the Pepperdine University in Malibu, California.

Stroud is presently in the doctoral program in guitar perfor-

mance at Florida State University and teaches weekly at Chipola College in the Fine and Performing Arts Department. He was born in 1981 in the United Kingdom and began studying classical guitar with his father in Corsham, England. By the age of 10 he had already passed his Royal Conservatory Exam with honors. Soon afterwards he left for the USA and went on to receive his Bachelor of Music degree from Stetson University and his Master's degree from Florida State University. He was a medalist at the 2007, 2002, and 2001 Columbus State Guitar Symposium, the 2008 Schadt Strong Competition, and a competitor in the first Parkening International Guitar Competition. Stroud is a founding member of the guitar duo called Duo 220 with a debut CD called Equal Parts. He has performed across the U.S., Canada, the United Kingdom, France, and Italy. For more information contact Joan Stadskev, Director, Fine and Performing Arts, Chipola College at stadskev@chipola.edu or 850-718-2301

Stroud may be heard in concert on May 16 at 7 p.m. EST at the Veterans Memorial Civic Center in Bristol, Florida, hosted by the Liberty County Arts Council. For more information contact Babs Moran at bmoran@gtcom.net

Lady Indians advance to state

The Chipola Lady Indians softball team will take on Polk Community College Lady at noon (EST) Friday, May 1, in the first round of the FCCAA State/NJCAA Region VIII Tournament.

Six Lady Indians were named to the Panhandle All-Conference team. First Team picks are: Tera Gainer, Meredith Heath, Kellie Todd and Rayna McClinton

Second Team selections are: Kara Gordon and Michelle Hewett.

Blue Springs Old Timers Day is May 2

Blue Springs Old Timers Day is set for Saturday, May 2, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Blue Springs Recreation Area.

The Blue Springs Working Group is hosting the event. Allan Tidwell, Working Group leader, says, "The purpose of Old Timer's Day is to assemble those who have known and cherished Blue Springs in order to hear their stories of the 'old days' at the spring. We are especially interested in stories before 1970."

The event begins at 11 a.m. with an informal visit with friends and interviews. A fish fry and covered dish picnic begins at noon. A storytelling session kicks off at 1 p.m.

All who want to tell stories or hear them are invited. Guests are asked to bring: a covered dish, a lawn chair, old photos of Blue Springs, and stories to share or an ear to listen.

Tidwell says, "Blue Springs has been a magnet for the citizens of Jackson County for nearly 200 years. It has been a special place to swim, picnic, relax and play hooky from school. Family reunions, Fourth of July celebrations, school outings and church baptisms are all part of the springs story. Come join us as we add to that history."

For information, call Tidwell at 526-2761, Ext. 3248.

West chosen finalist for Best Practice



Chipola English professor Rachel West was selected as a finalist for the Faculty Commission's Best Practice Award at the Florida Association of Community Colleges' Spring Commission Conference April 16 in Avon Park.

The competition gives community college faculty members the opportunity to

share teaching strategies with faculty members across the state.

West's presentation on "Compound Sentence Structure" was chosen as one of three finalists who will compete before the FACC body at their annual convention November 18-20 in Orlando.

West's approach uses mathematical formulas to construct and punctuate compound sentences correctly.

ACE THOSE FINALS. ACE is offering individual tutoring, review sessions and group study sessions to help Chipola students prepare for those last class tests and final examinations. The sessions will be lead by Chipola faculty and ACE staff. **ACE will be open until 10 p.m. on Wednesday, April 29 and Thursday, April 30. ACE will be open 3-6 p.m. on Sunday May 3.**

Come by ACE to pick up a schedule of the study sessions for final examinations. Review sessions are scheduled April 27 through May 5.

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.

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 exhibit is open weekdays from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. through April 28.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

- 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
- 11 Faculty Returns — Summer I
- 11 New & Returning Student Reg Summer I./Drop/Add
- 12 Classes Begin
- 12-13 Late Registration, Drop/Add & Employee Fee Waiver Reg

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 29.** Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 27-Apr Deidra Johnson
- 29-Apr Shawn Keihn
- 30-Apr Dean Giles

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

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

BCM INVITES. Baptist Campus Ministries (BCM) will sponsor a Bible Study on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in A-156.

They will hold a Prayer Meeting on Tuesdays at 8:15 a.m. in the Dorm Lobby.

Everyone is invited.

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