

Chipola graduation ceremony is May 3

Retired Air Force Colonel Westanna Harvey Bobbitt will deliver the commencement address at the Chipola College graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 3, at 7 p.m., in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

Westanna Bobbitt was born and raised in Sneads, Florida as the youngest of eight children. She earned an Associate in Arts degree from Chipola in 1975. She graduated from the University of Florida in 1977 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Secondary Education. She earned a Masters of Public Administration degree in Human Resources from Central Michigan University in 1988. She was Chipola's 1995-1996 Alumnus of the Year.

Col. Bobbitt entered the Air Force in May 1979 and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant at Officers' Training School, Medina Air Base, San Antonio, Texas. During her 26 years of active military service, she served in numerous assignments to include: Executive Support Officer, Andrews AFB, MD; Chief Equal Opportunity/ Human Relations, Langley AFB, VA; Chief of Protocol, Kadena Air Base, Japan; Air Officer Commanding, Cadet Squadron 16, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO; Director of Protocol, Fifth Air and US Forces Japan, Yokota AFB, Japan; Commander, 32nd Student Squadron, Squadron Officers' School, Maxwell AFB, AL; Protocol Officer to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Protocol at the Pentagon; Commander;

Headquarters Squadron and Chief Executive Services, Air University, Maxwell AFB; Director of Joint Services Personnel for the 2001 Armed Forces Inaugural Committee, Washington, D.C.; Senior Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs at the Pentagon; and Director of the Air Force Inaugural Liaison Office to the 2005 Joint Task Force Armed Forces Inaugural Committee, Washington, D.C.

Col. Bobbitt is a graduate of Squadron Officers' School and the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB. She is a distinguished graduate of the Academic Instructor School at Maxwell and the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute at Patrick AFB, Florida. She completed her military senior service school as a National Defense Fellow at the Atlantic Council of the United States, Washington, D.C. Her military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service

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Tickets on Sale for "Golden Goose"

Chipola Theatre will present the children's classic The Golden Goose, Thursday, May 10 at 7 p.m.

General admission tickets—\$5—are on sale in the Chipola Business office.

The Golden Goose," which will be presented to hundreds of elementary school children May 7-10.

Chipola Theater director Charles Sirmon recently cast the following actors: Mike Milton, Shannon Grice, Rowdy Wilbur, Justin McCoy, Chris Calton, Brittney Holmes, Kevin Russell, Katie Brown, Meghan Gilliland, Jessie Lawson, Rowdy Wilbur, Justin McCoy, Brittany York, Danielle Manton, Charles Sirmon, Tonye Wheelless, Shannon Grice, Aaron Summerlin, and Josh Peterson.

THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

30 MONDAY

- ♦ Final Exams
- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Chipola Bookstore

MAY

1 TUESDAY

- ♦ Final Exams
- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Chipola Bookstore
- ♦ Executive Council — 9 a.m., A 192

2 WEDNESDAY

- ♦ Final Exams
- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Chipola Bookstore

3 THURSDAY

- ♦ Grades Due 8 a.m. (Including "I" Grades from Fall)

- ♦ Book Buyback — 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Chipola Bookstore
- ♦ ADN Pinning — 3 p.m., Health Center
- ♦ Graduation — 7 p.m., Health Center

4 FRIDAY

- ♦ Last Faculty Work Day — Spring Term
- ♦ CLAST Registration Deadline
- ♦ ACT Registration Deadline

Softball team piles up conference honors

The Chipola Lady Indians captured the Panhandle Conference championship and most of the top honors in the All-Conference selections.

Ten Lady Indians made the All-conference list along with player of the year, pitcher of the year and coach of the year.

Chipola's First Team All Conference selections include: pitcher/infielder Cassie Lassiter, infielder Sara Lovestrand, pitcher Brittany Minton, catcher Alyssa Shirey, outfielder Tiffany Harmon, infielder Christal Kotchman and utility player Areke Spel.

Martina Landrum and Tori Fobb were named second team All Conference. Carolyn Moore was honorable mention.

Lassiter was named Conference Player of the Year. She hit .402 with nine home runs, 12 stolen bases, 31 runs scored and 41 RBIs.

Minton was named Pitcher of the Year with a 17-1 mark, a 0.92 ERA and 127 strikeouts in 114 1/3 innings.

The Lady Indians have eight players that have driven in 20 or more runs. Landrum leads all Chipola batters with a .495 average.

Lady Indians head coach Belinda Hendrix won Coach of the Year honors after she led the squad to a 18-3 league record and a Panhandle crown.



Hendrix

Lassiter

Minton

Chipola travels to the FCCAA State and NJCAA Region VIII Women's Fast-Pitch Softball Championships, May 3-6, at the Auburndale (FL) Softball Complex.

The Lady Indians have spent the last five weeks at the top of both the state and national polls.

The team celebrated sophomore night, April 25, with a two game sweep of Darton College. Chipola won the first game, 3-2, behind the pitching of Minton. Lassiter led the Lady Indians to a 16-3 rout in the second game.

The Lady Indians finished the regular season with a 47-6 mark and an 18-3 conference record.



Chipola students generate \$240,000 in tax refunds

Chipola College student volunteers helped generate more than \$240,000 for area residents who took advantage of a free tax preparation service offered at the college. Volunteers are pictured from left: Jackie Keller, Senior Income Tax Specialist, IRS; Pati Robinson, Jamie Williams, Tiffany Harmon, Kathy Griffin, Matilda Weeks and Lee Shook, Accounting Professor.

Chipola students named to Who's Who

The 2007 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges* will include the names of 84 students from Chipola College who have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders.

Chipola students named this year are:

Altha—Lacy Adkins, Barbara Brown, Brandon Dysard, Krystle Shelton.

Blountstown—Donald Stanley, Jr.

Bonifay—Gary Chestnut, Jill Cook, Mark Hodge, Christa Judah, Clayton Land, Martha Moran, Paul Segers, Lindsay Short.

Bristol—Samantha Clackum, Kevin McCoy.

Campbellton—Kayla Baxter, Rachael Douglas, Parisia Wesley.

ChIPLEY—Alesha Bell, Daniel Carter, Ryan Clark, Allison Garrett, Joel Goodson, Alexander May, Kendra Mayfield, Kevin Russell, Kevin Smith, James Staten, Jr.

Clarksville—Justin McCoy, Bart Nichols.

Cottondale—Kara Hewitt, Joshua Storm, Christina Toole.

Graceville—Ashley Burdeshaw, Karisa Olds.

Grand Ridge—Seth Basford, Thomas Walker.

Greenwood—Anthony Bennett, Jessica Bradwell, Ashley Duce, Sylvianna Garrett, Nicholas Graves, Beverly Pollock.

Malone—Joc Calloway, Lenoris Dixon, Mariea Lane, Tommy Thompson, II.

Marianna—Jesus Barroso, Edward Berrios, Latoya Brown, John Brunner, Sarah Cartwright, Kristin Coley, Victor Dubovitsky, Jamarcus Ellis, Janna Ellis, Paul Gatchell, Shannon Grice, Michael Haagen, Thomas Hatcher, Jr., Brian Hobbs, Meghan Holley, Jennifer Kelly, Monica Kennedy, Christal Kotchman, Martina Landrum, Sara Lovestrand, Vernon Manz, Michael Milton II, Tyler Musselwhite, Michael Owen, Kevin Shores, Brandon Street, Erin Tanner, David Thoms.

Ponce de Leon—Dustin Leavins, Alysia Locke.

Sneads—Casey Alford, Timothy Kleiser.

Out of District—James Gay, **Quincy**; Tiffany Harmon, Nicole Winterman, **Lynn Haven**; Andrea Rogers, Rachel Taylor, **Chattahoochee**.

Inclusion in the directory is based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. They join an elite group of students from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in Who's Who since it was first published in 1966.

Chipola Class of 2007 to graduate Thursday

The Chipola College Class of 2007 is a highly-motivated bunch of 354 students.

The graduates will turn their tassels at the college's annual commencement ceremony Thursday, May 3, at 7 p.m., in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

About 70 percent of the graduates have made plans to continue their education and earn a BS Degree. Nearly 39 percent of the grads will begin work in the nursing field.

One hundred percent of Chipola's 10 bachelor's degree graduates have been offered jobs teaching science or math in middle and high schools. The future teachers make up Chipola's third class of bachelor's degree grads.

Nearly three-fourths of the graduates are female and more than 79 percent live in Chipola's five-county district.

Over half of the graduates earned a 3.0 GPA or higher. Some 83 percent have at least a 2.5 GPA.

Final Exam Schedule - Spring 2007

MONDAY - APRIL 30, 2007

- 8:00** ENC 0004, ENC 1101, ENC 1102, HUM 2216, HUM 2233, NUR 1280C, NUR 2810, OST 1501
- 10:00** ACG 2002, CGS 1060-002, CGS 1101-001, CGS 1263, MAP 2302, MUL 2010, NUR 2142, PSY 2012, REA 1205, SYG 1010
- 12:00** CHM 1030, CHM 1045, CHM 1046, CHM 2211, ECO 2013, MCB 2010, NUR 1020C, NUR 1211C, OST 1501, REA 0004
- 2:00** BOT 3015, CGS 1060-006, DEP 2004, EDM 3001, ENL 2022, SPC 2600, SPN 1120, SPN 2220

TUESDAY - MAY 1, 2007

- 8:00** ARH 1000, BSC 1005, BSC 2010, BSC 2011, BSC 2093C, BSC 2094C, ECO 2023, MUT 1112, NUR 2212C, NUR 2291C, SPN 1121
- 10:00** ACG 2021, ACG 2071, CGS 1060-003, CGS 1100-002, COP 2000, GLY 1001, HSC 2400, MAC 1114, MUT 2117, NUR 1010, NUR 1312C, PSC 1121, STA 2023, SYG 1000, TAX 2000
- 12:00** CEN 1300, EDG 2701, MAC 1105, MAC 1140, MAC 1311, MAC 2233, MAC 2312, MAC 2313, MAT 0024, MAT 1033, MGF 1106, MGF 1107, NUR 1141, NUR 2350C
- 2:00** CGS 1060-004 & 005, COP 2224, EME 2040, EME 3410, MAE 3651, MMC 1000, POS 2041, SPC 2050

WEDNESDAY - MAY 2, 2007

- 8:00** AMH 2010, AMH 2020, AMH 2092, BUL 2131, HUN 1201, NUR 1422C, NUR 2450C, WOH 2022
- 10:00** CGS 1060-001 & 700, CGS 1550, CGS 1557, CLP 2100, PET 2622, PHY 1054C, PHY 2049C, REL 2300, TAX 2000
- 12:00/ 2:00** MAKE-UP PERIODS

For more information see page 65 of the Student Handbook/Planner.

ENGLISH FINALS. 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.

Minority students make up 27 percent of the graduates, and three-fourths of the grads are under age 25. A total of 21 students are over 40 and a half dozen are over 50.

Two graduates—Dashoan Olds and Shane Bennett—had their educational careers interrupted by serving 10 months in the Iraq war. Olds is completing his AA Degree and is pursuing a BS Degree in Math Education from Chipola. Bennett is earning an AS Degree in Nursing.

The class of 2007 will join the ranks of more than 10,000 Chipola graduates.

Retired Air Force Colonel Westanna Harvey Bobbitt will deliver the commencement address in celebration of Chipola's 60th Anniversary.

Parents, relatives and friends are invited to a reception immediately following the ceremony.

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Medal, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, and Air Force Achievement Medal.

Col. Bobbitt is a lifetime member of the Air Force Association and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She is married to Jimmy R. Bobbitt, Commander, U.S. Navy (Retired) of Cocoa. After 53 years of combined honorable service with the USAF and the USN, the couple retired in June 2005. They now reside in West Melbourne, Florida.

Their daughter, Jasmine R. Bobbitt is a First Lieutenant stationed at Maxwell AFB. Their beloved son, James R. Bobbitt, preceded them in death on 7 May 2004.

Col. Bobbitt continues to be an involved member of her local community. She is enrolled in the Brevard County Citizens' Academy and will graduate on 8 May 07.

Parents, relatives and friends are invited to a reception immediately following the ceremony.

Harris signs with New Mexico

Chipola College forward Johnnie Harris has signed a national letter of intent to play for the University of New Mexico men's basketball team next season, coach Steve Alford said Wednesday.

Harris averaged 7.3 points and 4.6 rebounds per game for the Indians last season. Chipola was the runner-up in the 2007 NJCAA Division I tournament.

"Johnnie is a winner and does everything he can to help his team get better," Alford said. "He is a big kid inside who can guard the post and is a great finisher. He has great hands and footwork and gives us a presence inside that we need."

Harris was a prep standout at Chicago Vocational High School, where he was one of the top 100 players in Illinois as a senior in 2004-05.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

- 7 College Begins 4-Day Work Week
- 7 Summer I Registration
- 7 Faculty Returns
- 8 Summer I Classes Begin
- 8 Distance Learning Orientation
- 8-9 Late Registration/Drop/Add
- 10 Theatre Production, The Golden Goose
- 15 District Board of Trustees Meeting
- 22 Last Day to Vertically Transfer SSI
- 24 CAAP Registration Deadline
- 28 Memorial Day Holiday
- 31 FTCE Registration Deadline for July
- 31 Deadline for McLendon Scholarship

JUNE

- 2 CLAST Exam
- 4 Deadline to Apply for SSI Graduation
- 4-7 Early Fall Registration for currently enrolled students
- 5 Last Day to withdraw from SSI class
- 7 College Application Deadline - SSII
- 12 Last Day to resign all SSI classes
- 16 CAAP Exam
- 18 Deadline for Foundation scholarships
- 19 Last Class Day SSI
- 20 Last Faculty Day SSI
- 21 Faculty Returns SSII
- 21 Summer II Registration/Drop/Add
- 25 Classes Begin SSII
- 25-26 Late Registration/Drop/Add
- 25 Distance Learning Orientation

JULY

- 4 Independence Day Holiday
- 9 Deadline to Apply for SSII Grad
- 10 Last Day to Vertically Transfer SSII
- 16-17 Early Fall Registration for currently enrolled students
- 17 District Board of Trustees Meeting

THIS WEEK

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

Deadline for the next issue is noon, **Wednesday, May 2**. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

5-May Rachel West

OLD TIMERS DAY SET. Blue Springs Old Timers Day is set for Saturday, May 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Blue Springs Recreation Area.

The Blue Springs Working Group is hosting the event. Dr. Steve Shimmel, Working Group leader, says, “The purpose is to assemble those who have known and cherished Blue Springs in order to hear their stories of the ‘old days’ at the spring.”

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

All those who want to tell stories or hear them is invited. Guests are asked to bring: a covered dish to compliment fried fish, a lawn chair, old photos, and stories to share or an ear to listen.

Shimmel 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. Come join us as we add to that history.”

For information, call Shimmel at 526-2761, Ext. 3246.

SCHOLARSHIP. The Panhandle Seminole Club is accepting applications for several \$1,000 scholarships. To be eligible a student must be a US citizen and a graduate of a high school in the Chipola district. Applicants must already be accepted to Florida State University and planning to enroll as a full-time student for Fall 2007. Deadline to apply is **May 7**. Applications can be picked up at the Chipola Foundation office, Room 002 Administration Building.

BOOK BUY BACK. The Chipola Bookstore will be buying back textbooks, **April 30-May 3**. Hours are 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

TRYOUTS. Cheerleader tryouts will be held **May 29-30**, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

The 2007-08 Chipola College Cheerleaders will host a **Junior Varsity Cheerleader Camp** on **June 18-19**. Registration will be \$70 per cheerleader for the two days.

Contact Geraldine DeFelix at 718-2322 or e-mail: defelixg@chipola.edu for more information about tryouts or the Junior Varsity camp.

FREE REFRESHMENTS. The SGA will serve free refreshments during final exams. They will be in front of the Arts Center on Monday, **April 30** from 7:30-8 a.m. and in the lobby of Building D from 8-11 a.m. on Tuesday, **May 1**. They will be located in the lobby of Building C from 8-11 a.m. on Wednesday, **May 2**.

AUDITIONS. Chipola College offers scholarships in music, art, and theatre.

Art and theatre auditions may be scheduled on an individual date basis as well as on the formerly announced audition date on **May 10**.

For more information, call 718-2227 or 718-2301.

NURSING PROGRAM DEADLINE. Application deadline is **May 15** for the next Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) class.

Applications are available in the Health Science Building or at www.chipola.edu/instruct/Health-Sciences/index.htm

The ADN program is a 1+1 LPN to RN curriculum. After completing the first year of coursework, students are eligible to take the LPN state licensure exam. Students are eligible to take the RN exam after completing the second year of the program.

For information call Tracey Kitts at 850-718-2316.



CONGRATS. Congratulations to Chipola College’s Career Employees of the Month for Spring 2007.

(Clockwise) **February** - Michelle Stone, 1986, Senior Programmer Analyst

March - Sid Folsom, 2002, Painter

April - Dennis Kosciw, 1998, HVAC Technician

May - Michael Pinnella, 2005, Distributed Systems Technician

LOCATOR

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