

Chipola captures State Brain Bowl Championship

Chipola College captured the school's first ever state Brain Bowl championship Saturday in the 27th Annual Florida State Brain Bowl Tournament.

Chipola defeated defending state champion Okaloosa-Walton, 545-475, in the championship round.

In individual scoring, Chipola Chuck Bryant was fourth in the tournament and Mark Hodge was sixth.

Chipola brain bowl coach Stan Young, said, "I'm just so proud of our kids and my fellow coach Robert Dunkle for the long hours they've put in. I also want to thank the many college employees who have supported our team in so many ways."

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough, said, "The members of our brain bowl team are among the best students anywhere in the country. I congratulate the team and coaches for the hard work they invested to reach this goal."

The purpose of FCCAA Brain Bowl competition is to recognize outstanding student academic achievement, to promote community interest in academic excellence in the community colleges,



Chipola Brain Bowl team members are, from left: Mitchell Whitehead, coach Stan Young, Mark Hodge, Jantzen Whitehead, Trey Paul, coach Dr. Robert Dunkle and Chuck Bryant.

and to foster relations among faculty and students.

Chipola was host for the event which brought the top 10 community college teams in Florida together for head-to-head competition. Chipola was among the smallest of the colleges in the tournament which included: Brevard, Broward, Chipola, Indian River, Lake-Sumter, Manatee, Okaloosa-Walton, Pasco-Hernando, Pensacola and Valencia.

Chipola is enjoying its best season ever with four tournaments wins and at least a semi-final finish in every junior college tournament

they have entered.

The Chipola team will play in the national college bowl tournament in St. Louis, Missouri, April 11-12. Chipola is one of only eight community colleges—including defending national champion Valencia—invited to the tournament.

Chipola College team members are Mark Hodge, Jantzen Whitehead, Chuck Bryant, Trey Paul and Mitchell Whitehead. Chipola coaches are Stan Young and Dr. Robert Dunkle.

Spring Frolics slated for Wednesday

Spring Frolics will be Wednesday, April 9 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Chipola Pool or Health Center, in case of rain. Students will be excused from classes to participate in this fun event!

SGA has some great activities lined up including soft play blow up games, the annual club relay competition, free lunch and great door prizes. Several universities will have recruiting tables for students that are interested.

The SGA Spring Elections will also be held, as well as voting for the Distinguished Service Awards for a faculty member and a career employee or administrator.

If you are interested in running for an SGA position, go by the Student Activities Office, (K-104) and pick up the information. The deadline to apply is April 7.

For more information, call 718-2308.

THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

7 MONDAY

- ♦ Health Science Faculty Meeting — 11 a.m.
- ♦ Student Government Association — 2 p.m., A156

8 TUESDAY

- ♦ Last Day to Resign From All Classes for Spring Term
- ♦ Administrative Council — 9 a.m., U Conf. Room
- ♦ Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., A156

9 WEDNESDAY

- ♦ Spring Frolics — Classes Dismissed 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Pool
- ♦ Faculty Meeting — 2:30 p.m., Z116
- ♦ CC Baseball vs. Pensacola - 5 p.m., BC

10 THURSDAY

- ♦ BCM Prayer Time — 6:45 p.m., Dorm Lobby
- ♦ BCM Bible Study — 7:30 p.m., Dorm
- ♦ Night Students Social — 7 p.m., Z

- ♦ "A Musical Prism", Chipola Chamber Chorus and Jazz Band — 7 p.m., Chipola Theatre

12 SATURDAY

- ♦ ACT Test
- ♦ CC Baseball vs. Gulf Coast - 1 p.m., BC

13 SUNDAY

- ♦ "Classics On A Sunday Afternoon", Chipola Music Majors In Recital — 2 p.m., H108

Chipola to host cultural celebration

The Chipola College Social and Behavioral Sciences Department will host a **“Cultural Celebration!”** event, Wednesday, April 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., in front of the Milton H. Johnson Health Center on College Street.

Dr. Willie Spires, Director of the Social and Behavioral Sciences department, said, “The purpose of the event is to increase awareness of the many diverse cultures in our world as we become more global within the many sociological institutions.”

Students in Spires’ Contemporary Sociology course are highlighting the seven continents by selecting various cultures within their continent. There will be entertainment including music, dancing, and marital arts demonstrations to illustrate each of the cultures along with displays of various cultures.

Chipola students are inviting the community and the sixth grade classes from the surrounding counties.

“Chipola students are very enthusiastic about this event,” said, Dr. Spires. “The visiting students and other guests will gain an invaluable cultural and educational experience in a fun way. We plan to make this an annual event.”

Community members or cultural groups interested in participating, should contact Angela Paul at pitbull_charm@yahoo.com or Jonathan Sober at collegeboundjds@yahoo.com.

Show Choir Jazzmatazz tickets on sale



Tickets for the Show Choir’s Jazzmatazz are on sale now.

Three performances of the annual song and dance show will be presented April 18-20 in the Chipola Theatre. The Friday and Saturday shows begin at 7 p.m., with the Sunday show at 2 p.m.

Tickets—\$10 for adults and \$5 for 18 and under—are available from Show Choir members or in the lobby of the Fine Arts Building. Proceeds from the concert will benefit the Show Choir Spring Tour.

Chipola students and staff can get one free ticket in the Fine Arts Office. For more information, call Joan Stadskev at 718-2301.

Sulpture exhibit on display

Tallahassee artist Mark J. Fletcher will present an exhibit entitled, “Essential Nature” in the gallery of the McLendon Fine Arts Building on the Chipola College campus, April 13 through May 3. The exhibit is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Fletcher had already built his own kick wheel and two wood-fired kilns in his backyard by the end of high school, but it was during his apprenticeship with a ceramic artist in Japan that he developed his art through the medium of clay.

Fletcher lived in Japan in the 1990’s where he studied sculpture, ceramic design and ink painting. His study of *sumi-e* has inspired him to combine his poetry with other media. His Turtle Hill Clay Studio in Tallahassee is named for a small town in Kyoto, Japan where Mark and his wife, Sara, lived.

Chipola hosts free concerts April 10 and 13



Chipola College will host a pair of free concerts, April 10 and April 13.

The Chipola Chamber Chorus and Jazz Band will present a free concert, entitled “A Musical Prism,” Thursday, April 10, at 7 p.m. in the Chipola Theatre.

A free concert of music majors, “Classics on a Sunday Afternoon,” is April 13 at 2 p.m. The concert will feature selected music majors in recital in the McLendon Fine Arts Building.

For information, call Joan Stadskev at 718-2301



Second place Chipola hosts PJC Wed

The Chipola Indians have a chance to challenge the first place Pirates in Pensacola on Tuesday, April 8. The Indians host Pensacola, Wednesday, April 9, 5 p.m., game at Chipola stadium.

The Indians kept a firm hold on second placed in the Conference race after splitting a pair of weekend games with Tallahassee. Chipola (8-4) is a game and a half behind first place Pensacola (9-2). North Florida (5-5) is third. TCC (6-6) is fourth. OW is 4-8 and Gulf Coast is 2-9.

The Indians scored six runs in the first inning to whip TCC 12-4 on Friday, April 4. Jordan Lucas had the Indians' only hit of the inning, a two-run homer.

Jason Bailey was the winning pitcher for Chipola in the game that was called in the eighth due to the run rule. Jason Bailey was the winning pitcher for the Indians.

Chipola dropped an April 6 game at Tallahassee, 7-6.

The Indians play at Gulf Coast, April 11, and return home to host the Commodores on Saturday, April 12, at 1 p.m. Chipola hosts OW, Tuesday, April 15, at 5 p.m. before heading to Niceville on Wednesday, April 16. Chipola's last home game of the conference season is a 5 p.m. game with North Florida on Friday, April 18. The Indians finish out the season in Madison on April 19.

The defending state and national champion Indians are fourth in the FCCAA State Poll. Pensacola is first. North Florida is eighth.



Lady Indians lead conference race

The Chipola Lady Indians (8-2) moved into first place in the Panhandle Conference after sweeping Gulf Coast in a pair of games on April 2.

Tara Gainer hit a walk off home to give Chipola the 2-1 win in game one. Brook Muth was the winning pitcher. Amber Weeks got the 3-1 win in game two.

Second place Gulf Coast (7-3) is second in the league. PJC and TCC are tied for third at 5-5. OW is 4-6 and NFL is 1-9.

The Lady Indians head to Pensacola Tuesday, April 8, and to Tallahassee on Thursday, April 10.

Chipola's final home game of the season is Tuesday, April 15—a 4 p.m. double-header with Okaloosa-Walton.

The Ladies finish league play at Gulf Coast on April 17.

The defending state and national champion Lady Indians are ranked fourth in the FCCAA state poll. Gulf Coast is second.



Several Chipola College students and Spanish professor Dr. Mark Ebel will travel to Samara Beach, Costa Rica, during the college's Spring Break March 30 through April 6. Pictured from left, are: Alice Carroll-Miller of Bonifay, Valoris Richardson of Greenwood, Heather Eskuchen of Marianna and Maria Kenyon of Donalsonville, GA. Not pictured is Sharon Robinson of Eustiss

Chipola students learning in Coasta Rica during Spring Break

Several Chipola College students and Spanish professor Dr. Mark Ebel will travel to Samara Beach, Costa Rica, during the college's Spring Break March 30 through April 6.

Students will earn 3 hours of credit in Spanish Travel Study (SPN 1170) on the Pacific Costa Rican campus and stay in homes with a Costa Rican family in a rural setting.

The trip will include classes in Spanish, cooking, dance and surfing with excursions to the rainforest and sea turtle refuge.

Dr. Ebel said, "The most challenging part of the trip is staying with a family which takes a bit of courage." While the students all have different reasons for making the journey, Ebel says that all will benefit from being immersed in a Spanish-speaking culture.

Alice Carroll Miller of Bonifay hopes to improve her Spanish fluency to help in work as a teacher Spanish teacher at Ponce De Leon and Bethlehem High Schools.

Heather Eskuchen of Marianna says, "I just like to travel, surf and dance, and I want to be able to teach my kids, so they can grow up with Spanish."

Valoris Richardson of Greenwood is making the trip because she likes to learn about other cultures. "I want to familiarize myself with Spanish which will be a valuable skill as I pursue a career in Social Work," she said.

Maria Kenyon of Donalsonville, GA, wants to improve her conversational Spanish as she is planning to become a foreign language teacher. She is currently in Chipola's most advanced class, Spanish 4.

Sharon Robinson of Eustiss is a social work major at UWF. She hopes to become more fluent in Spanish to help in her work as a member of a local Emergency Response Team.

Blood Drive on campus April 14

The Blood Mobile be on campus Monday, April 14, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will be parked on Indian Circle in front of the Literature/ Language Building. Please donate!

Chipola Spanish prof to host lecture series

Chipola College Spanish professor Dr. Mark Ebel will present part two of a Spanish Lecture/Film Series, **Thursday, April 10.**

Ebel will deliver a lecture on “The Legacy of the Spanish Conquest,” followed by a screening of the documentary film, *The Last Conquistador*, produced by John Valdez and Christina Ibarra.

The event runs from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Lecture Hall (Y107) in the Chipola College Public Service Building. The series is free and open to the public.

For information, contact Dr. Ebel at 718-2282.

Public invited to Blue Springs Group meeting

The public is invited to attend a meeting of the Jackson Blue Spring Basin Working Group, **Thursday, April 17**, in the Continuing Education Building Conference Room at Chipola College.

Presentations begin at 9 a.m. and will run until 2 p.m. with a lunch break.

Chipola science professor Allan Tidwell, Working Group Leader, will direct the meeting.

Chuck Hatcher, Director of Jackson County Parks and Recycling will provide an update of Blue Springs Park.

Edd Sorenson of Cave Adventurers will give an update on Cave System Exporation.

David Wright, Professor of Agronomy University of Florida North Florida Research and Education Center will discuss Reduced Environmental Impacts from Row Crops in a Sod Based Rotation.

Annett Rudlaff, Source Water Protection Specialist, Florida Rural Water Association will give an Update and Overview of Source Water Protection Implementation Methods.

Bill Stanton, Executive Director, Jackson County Development Council will discuss New Economic and Developmental Projects for Jackson County and the Impact on Water Resources.

Darryl Boudreau, Northwest District Florida Department of Environmental Protection, will provide an update on Amnesty for Sinkhole Cleanup Project. Boudreau also serves as moderator for a meeting of the Jackson County Spring/Sinkhole Cleanup Amnesty Committee.

The Blue Springs Working group’s annual Old Timer’s Day is set for Saturday, May 3, at Blue Springs. For information on Old Timer’s Day, or to volunteer, contact Chad Taylor at cct@phonl.com.

For information, contact Vicki Mathis at 850-718-2289, or Allan Tidwell at 526-2761, Ext. 3248 or email tidwella@chipola.edu.

Troy University hosts information session

Troy University will be hosting an information session for the Master of Science in Counseling and Psychology on April 17, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. in Bldg. D, Room 109.

Classes are held at Chipola College. The next term begins May 27, 2008.

Admission information, applications, and registration materials will be provided at the session.

Please contact Mandy Suggs (718-2352) if you have any questions.

FREE TAX HELP. Chipola business instructor Lee Shook and student volunteers are providing free tax preparation and free electronic filing. The free service—for individual tax returns only—is available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Fridays, **through April 11.** The free service usually takes no longer than 30 minutes. Call 718-2368.

UF TRANFERS. Chipola has received information from the University of Florida that no decisions on acceptance of transfer students will be made until **April 15, 2008.** Students are asked to be patient. However, students should make sure all applications and transcripts are turned in on time so there will no other cause for delay.

Students are cautioned to not sign housing contracts and make deposits on apartments and utilities without confirmation of acceptance to their college of choice.

UF AG AND LIFE SCIENCES MEETING AT CHIPOLA. Chipola will host a University of Florida Gator Gathering on Monday, **April 14**, at 6 p.m., in the Continuing Education Conference Center.

Dr. Kirby Barrick, Dean of the UF College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, will be on hand to share information regarding career opportunities in technical agriculture.

Dinner will be served. Reservations should be made by **April 10** at 718-2270, or riviareb@chipola.edu

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 14 Blood Drive
- 15-16 Early Reg Summer I & II
- 15 District Board of Trustees
- 17 Awards Ceremony
- 18-20 Jazzmatazz
- 19 FTCE Exam
- 21 College Appl Deadline—SSI
- 22-23 Spring Planning Meetings
- 22 Show Choir Auditions for '08-09
- 24 Early SSI Payment Deadline
- 24 Last Class Day Academics
- 24 2008-09 Music and Theatre Scholarship Auditions
- 25 Last Class Day Workforce
- 25 Final Exams
- 28-29 Final Exams

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

BELATED BIRTHDAYS

- 31-Mar Laurie Berry
 - 31-Mar Lucinda Graven
 - 3-Apr Dale O’Daniel
 - 5-Apr Gail Hartzog
- There are no Chipola birthdays this week.*

CNA CLASS SET. Application deadline is **April 25** for Chipola College’s next Certified Nursing Assistant class. The 12-week course runs May 5 through Aug. 27, and will meet Monday Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Applicants must complete a college application and take the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) available in the college Testing Office.

For information, call Stacey Sapp at 718-2316.

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