University Center @ Chipola gains national attention

The University Center @ Chipola Junior College recently earned recognition from two national organizations for its innovative programs.

Chipola was the featured program on a recent posting of the League for Innovation web site. The League is an international organization dedicated to catalyzing the community college movement by fostering research, publications, projects and initiatives among community colleges. The full text of the Chipola article is available at www.league.org

Chipola’s University Center also was nominated for a Bellwether Award by the Community College Futures Assembly, a national consortium of community college leaders. The Bellwether Award recognizes outstanding and innovative programs and practices that are successfully leading community colleges into the future.

In addition to these honors, Chipola was recently granted approval by the state of Florida to offer its own bachelor’s degrees in Secondary Education beginning in the Fall of 2003. Chipola has made application to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, a regional accreditation body, to offer secondary teaching degrees in four majors: Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics. SACS will announce its review of Chipola’s application at a regional meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 10.

Dr. Kitty Myers, dean of the University Center @ Chipola, said, “Chipola has taken learning opportunities and postsecondary degree programs to an even higher level of success for its rural population. Because Chipola is distant from any state university, more than half of Chipola’s graduates do not continue their education after the first two years.” Myers said the college has learned

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Chipola shines at state FACC Convention

Chipola Junior College was one of the most talked-about colleges at the 2002 Florida Association of Community Colleges Annual Convention in Orlando.

Chipola garnered numerous honors, including two membership awards. CJC membership chair, Margie Williams accepted awards for: 50% or Better Membership and Greatest Percentage of Employees as Members (180 members).

Joyce Traynom, administrative assistant to the CJC president, was honored for “Distinguished Service” for her many contributions to the organization.

Sandra Harrell, administrative assistant in CJC athletics was presented a “Lifesaver Award” by Kevin Peddie, Region I director. Lindsay Roach, who serves as a counselor in the student services department, was honored as an Unsung Hero for his outstanding

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that financial, family, or job constraints prohibit many CJC graduates from moving or commuting to a university. State and national education organizations call for greater access to postsecondary education and encourage greater collaboration between community colleges and universities. The UC Project addresses these issues.

The UC strategy involves showing universities that the UC model is financially feasible, and convincing them that part of a university’s mission is to provide learning opportunities to students in remote areas. UC personnel conduct needs assessments, investigate high-demand programs at universities, and negotiate with the university whose degree is the “best fit” for Chipola.

Chipola’s (UC) Project began in Fall 2000 and initially involved collaboration between CJC and three state universities. The program began with BS degrees in Social Work, Nursing, Criminal Justice and Elementary Education/Special Education. In 2001, MS degrees in Educational Leadership and MS, Ed.S. and Ed.D. degrees in Curriculum & Instruction were added. New Fall 2003 offerings will include an MS degree in School Guidance and a BS in Electronic Engineering Technology.

Myers said the presence of university personnel on campus is a key to the program’s success. University program coordinators work full-time on CJC’s campus, teach classes, advise students, and supervise instructors. Each university ensures that the instructors and programs of the UC Project are comparable to those found on the university campus. University personnel teach all courses and degrees are awarded by each university.

The UC project mirrors CJC’s student-centered climate and sense of community while creating a rigorous and challenging university experience. Under the direction of the UC Director, a student support network was adapted to meet the special needs of UC students. Student-friendly procedures for admissions, registration, and advising have also been established. To give UC students a place to call their own, CJC renovated an area on campus with offices, classrooms, and a UC Student Commons.

Myers said, “The Commons has the feel of a comfortable library or coffee house and is a gathering, study and meeting place for students, staff, the community and others.”

In tough financial times, the UC Project is extremely cost effective. CJC and most rural community colleges have classroom and office space that is underutilized in the evenings and on weekends. Each UC program was initiated without any capital expense and minimal equipment and supply dollars were required to start the programs. The UC is funded in part by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education FIPSE program, which partly covers the costs of the university coordinators, the salary of the UC Dean and recruitment.

The UC provides area residents with access to bachelor’s and graduate degrees with the retention rates, completion rates, and level of student satisfaction comparable to or higher than those of students who transfer to a university. More than 250 students are now enrolled in UC programs and enrollments in Chipola’s trademark AA degree program also are up. Myers said that many students have expressed their gratitude to the UC for making it possible for them to continue their education. Area principals are hopeful that the UC will help with the critical shortage of Special Education teachers in the district.

“The UC programs are seen as an extension of Chipola’s mission,” said Myers. “We work together with the universities and the UC student is perceived as ‘our student’ by both CJC and by the university.”

For information about the University Center @ Chipola, call Dr. Kitty Myers or Joan Lasser at 850-718-2260, or visit the UC on the web at www.chipola.edu

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work in planning and organizing the 2002 Student Development Conference hosted at Chipola.

Lindsay Roach served as chairman of the Student Development Commission. Sandra Harrell was elected Vice President Elect of Regions and Chapters. CJC English instructor Laurie Culbreth was elected Chair Elect of the Curriculum Commission.

The Institutional Advancement Commission presented two “Awards of Excellence” to Evelyn Ward, CJC publications coordinator, for outstanding design of a viewbook and outstanding design of the Chipola Basketball Media Guide.

Also attending the convention from Chipola, were: Rachel Cooley, Alice Pendergrass, Dr. Dale O’Daniel, Judith O’Daniel, Dr. Gene Prough, Laurie Hargrave, Dr. Carolyn Poole, Angie Rodriguez, Lou Kind, Larry Kusynski and CJC trustees Brenda Taylor, Danny Ryals, Jennie Goodman, and Gina Stuart.

FACC is a statewide organization open to all employees, retirees and trustees of Florida’s 28 public community colleges. FACC provides professional development opportunities for its members, and represents the interests of community colleges before the Florida Legislature.

Indians ranked third in state

The Chipola Indians (9-3 as of Dec. 6) are third in the state FCCAA poll and number 14 in the NJCAA Poll.

Chipola was scheduled to play Surry College and St. John’s River in the Panhandle Basketball Classic Dec. 6 and 7.

As of Dec. 6, conference rival Okaloosa-Walton (11-0) was ranked first in the state and second in the nation. Santa Fe (11-0) was second in the state poll. Tallahassee (8-2) was fifth in the state. Gulf Coast was 7-5. Pensacola was 2-6.

Several CJC players are listed among the top performers on the latest FCCAA stats report. Walker Russell leads the state in assists with 10.3 per game. He is shooting 73 percent from the line and is number 13 in steals with 2.7 per game. Brandon Freeman is the state’s seventh leading scorer with 21.7 points per game. He is sixth in free throw percentage at 85 percent and number 14 in three-point percentage. Michael Wilds is eighth in rebounding with 9.7 per game.

The Indians will finish out the 2002 schedule in Wentworth, NC, on Dec. 13 and 14, with games against Rockingham and Cincinnati State. CJC plays Seminole and Broward, Jan.3 and 4, in Ocala. Chipola opens the conference season on the road at Tallahassee, Jan. 8.
Student Activities News

Student Government News

The SGA will serve FREE refreshments during final exams. They will be in front of the Arts Center on Monday, Dec. 9 from 7:30 to 8 a.m. and in the lobby of Building D from 8 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10. They will be located in the lobby of Building C from 8 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

Congratulations Talent Show Winners

The SGA talent show was a big success. Thanks to all of the people that participated!

1st place – Nathaniel Williams
2nd place – Candace Cartwright
3rd place – Lex McLelland
Best Solo Winner – Jill White
Best Group Winner – Sofia Pelt and DaShoan Olds

Best Band – Brian Mitchell and Lex McLelland

The next talent show will be during Homecoming Week on Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003. Start working on your talent for that show. All CJC students are eligible to enter.

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FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE
FALL 2002

Monday – December 9
8:00 CET 1171, ENC 0004, ENC 1101, ENC 1102, HUM 2216, HUM 2233, NUR 1020C
10:00 ECO 2013, ENL 2011, OST 1582, PSY 2012, REA 0004, REA 1205, SYG 1000, SYG 1010
12:00 ACG 2021, CHM 1030, CHM 1045, CHM 2210, NUR 2224C, OST 1335, SPN 1121
2:00 ACG 2071, AML 2010, MUL 2010, SPC 2600, SPN 1120

Tuesday – December 10
8:00 BSC 1005, BSC 2010, BSC 2011, BSC 2093C, BSC 2094C, CEN 2320, MCB 2010, MUT 1111
10:00 ARH 1003, CGS 1100, COP 2000, GLY 1001, HSC 2400, MAC 1114, PSC 1121, STA 2023
12:00 MAC 1105, MAC 1140, MAC 1311, MAC 2233, MAC 2312, MAC 2313, MAT 0024, MAT 1033, MGF 1106, MUT 2116
2:00 CGS 1060, DEP 2004, EME 2040, POS 2041, THE 1020

Wednesday – December 11
8:00 APA 1251, AMH 2010, AMH 2091, ECO 2023, HUN 1201, WOH 2012, WOH 2022
10:00 DEP 2102, NUR 1260, PEO 2003, PHY 1053C, PHY 2048C, REL 2300, SLS 1401
12:00 MAKE-UP PERIOD
2:00 MAKE-UP PERIOD

*SPECIAL NOTE: Any conflicts should be resolved between student and instructor.

1. CLASSES LISTED – No early final examinations will be given.
2. ROOM ASSIGNMENT – Instructional Deans will make room assignments for each examination. Each instructor should announce the time and site of each exam several times before the beginning of final exams.
3. EVENING CLASSES – The final examinations for all evening classes may be given during the last class period for the semester or may be scheduled during one of the evenings of the three-day examination period.
4. CLASSES NOT LISTED –
   A. There is no examination scheduled; or
   B. Because of the nature of the course, the instructor has made other examination arrangements that will be announced in class prior to the beginning of the final exams.
5. GRADES – Grades are due in the Registrar’s Office, Thursday, December 12, at 3:00 p.m. (including “I” grades from SSI & SSII)
6. MAKE-UP EXAMS – All make-up exams must be scheduled by the Instructional Deans.

Short Course Offerings

10 Hour Childcare Training- Mainstreaming
Dec. 14 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. $31.

10 Hour Childcare Training - Behavior Observation
Jan. 18 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. $31.

Curriculum for Young Children
Tuesdays, Jan. 7 - April 22 6 - 9 p.m. $98.

Early Care and Education Administrative Overview
Thursdays, Jan. 9 - April 24 6 - 9 p.m. $98.

Introduction to Computers - Office 97
Jan. 14 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. $45.

Word I - Office 97
Jan. 22 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. $45.

Excel I - Office 97
Jan. 28 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. $45.

First Aid
Feb. 18/20 5 - 9:30 p.m. $40.

CPR
Feb. 4/6 5 - 9 p.m. $34.

Cake Decorating Courses
Mondays 6 - 8:30 p.m. $28.
Cake I - Feb. 3 - 24, Cake II - Mar. 3 - 31

Sign Language I
Mondays, Jan. 27 - April 7 7 - 9 p.m. $33.

Sign Language II
Mondays, Jan. 27 - April 7 5 - 7 p.m. $33.

Real Estate
Saturdays, Feb. 1 - Mar. 8 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
and Mar. 11 6 - 9 p.m. $195.

EducationToGo offers online programs in a number of areas, including: Internet, Computers, Certification Prep, Writing, Personal Enrichment, Test Prep, Business, Legal, Nursing, Large Business/Management, and Design and Media Certification Programs. Visit www.ed2go.com/chipola. Online courses on a variety of subjects also are available at www.elementk.com.

For information about any of these non-credit courses, call the Office of Continuing Education at 718-2395.
POSITIONS AVAILABLE.
Career Specialist (1 full time/4 part time positions)
Application Deadline: Dec. 11
These are grant positions. Continued employment beyond Aug. 31, 2003 is contingent upon grant funding.
For more information, contact 718-2351.

SPRING REGISTRATION.
New students planning to enroll at Chipola in the Spring 2003 Semester are encouraged to make application before Dec. 14.
Chipola’s open-door policy allows any student with a high school diploma to enroll after completing an application and providing high school or college transcripts.
Chipola offers hundreds of college credit courses during the day and evening, and also online and through independent study. The college offers the Associate in Arts (AA) degree that guarantees acceptance to Florida’s public universities. Chipola also offers several Associate in Science (AS) programs, as well as a number of Workforce Development programs which provide training for high wage jobs.
Chipola’s University Center provides opportunities for students to pursue a number of bachelor’s and graduate degrees on the CJC campus.
Registration for the Spring Semester is Jan. 2 for returning students and Jan. 3 for new students. Classes begin Jan. 6.
For more information, call the CJC Registration Office at 718-2211, or visit Chipola on the web at www.chipola.edu.

THIS WEEK’S MENU.
Monday
Turkey Tetrazzini
Stuffed Bell Peppers
Tuesday
Chicken Pot Pie
Bee Peppersteak
Wednesday
Turkey Pilaf
Rotisserie Chicken
Thursday
B-B-Q Chicken
Vegetable Lasagna
Friday
Spaghetti and Meatballs

PBL TO COLLECT TOYS.
Phi Beta Lambda invites everyone to participate in Toys-for-Tots sponsored by the United States Marine Corps. Boxes for toy collection are located in Buildings M, N, D, and Z. Contributions will be collected through Dec. 10. Please help a child have a brighter Christmas. If you have any questions, please call ext. 3269.

UPCOMING ARTIST SERIES.
Soprano Alison England will be featured as the third event in the Artist Series on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 7 p.m.
This stellar singer/actress/comedienne has starred at Lincoln Center, Kennedy Center, The Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, and The Orange County Performing Arts Center & Ambassador Auditorium. She has starred in “The Sound of Music”, “The King & I”, “Hello Dolly” and as Mrs. Santa Claus at Radio City Music Hall.

HELP NEEDED.
Temporary help needed in the bookstore for book buy back and January rush. Pick up an application in the bookstore.

CENTURY TELEPHONE LEARNS AT CJC.
Technicians from Century Telephone Company recently completed specialized training at Chipola. Graduates are: Blake Autrey of Greenville, AL; Josh Ivey of Brundage, AL; Tommy Hawkins of Mobile, AL; Jason Bradshaw of Hartford, AL; and Rhonda White of Dothan, AL.

FINAL GRADES.
CJC students will not receive their grades via mail this semester.
Students can access their grades online at www.FACTS.org. Standard access hours are 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday-Friday, however, due to the holidays, student records will be available online the weekend of Dec 14 and 15. All grades should be available after 3 p.m., Dec. 12.

For instructions and to obtain a PIN #, students should go to www.chipola.edu, then “Current Students”, “Registrar/Admissions”, and “Official Transcripts”.
Students needing “Official Transcripts” must submit a written request to the Registrar’s Office by Dec 12.

ATTENTION
ENC 1101 & 1102 STUDENTS
You will need your photo ID for admission to take your final exam. If you do not have your photo ID, contact Student Services. Exceptions will be by appointment only.

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