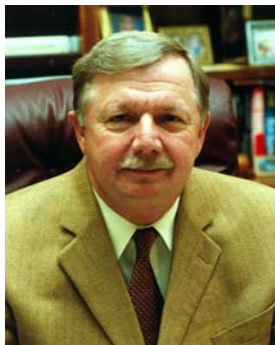


Alumnus of the Year to speak at Chipola Friday



For the past 29 years, Chipola College Alumnus of the Year Dr. Wayne Blanton has fought to improve the state of education in Florida.

In keeping with his efforts, Blanton will return to his alma mater, Friday, Feb. 25, to address students in the Chipola Honors Program. The public is invited to attend. The address begins at 10 a.m.

As executive director of the Florida School Boards Association, a position he has held for 19 years, Dr. Blanton continually monitors and lobbies for or against legislation affecting Florida's school children.

The Constitutional Accountability Commission formed in 2004 and made up of many prestigious, bi-partisan, Floridians, is his brainchild. Its purpose: to determine whether Florida lawmakers are meeting their constitutional requirements by adequately funding education.

Dr. Blanton graduated from Marianna High in 1964 and from then Chipola (Junior) College in 1966. He earned his bachelor's degree in special education from Florida State University. He is a Vietnam veteran, serving as an infantry officer in the U.S. Army. He earned his masters in guidance and counseling from Florida A & M University and his doctorate in education administration from Florida State University in 1978.

"Community colleges are critical to meeting the educational needs of Florida's citizens," believes Dr. Blanton. "Chipola's existence in 1964 meant I could pursue my education close to home. It was less expensive while providing me a quality education. I thank Chipola for helping me get my career off to a great start. I applaud Chipola College for the forward-thinking steps it has taken to further meet the needs of the area's citizens, particularly in the area of education which is, as you know, very close to my heart."

Before joining the Florida School Boards Association in 1975 as its associate director, he spent two years as counselor with the Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and two years as di-

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Lady Indians top state poll and conference race

The Chipola Lady Indians held first place in the Panhandle Conference and moved into number one in the State JUCO Basketball poll with a 70-66 over North Florida on Feb. 16.

Chinata Nesbit led Chipola with 15 points. Elaine McCants scored 12.

Chipola is 9-2 in the conference and 22-4 overall, one game ahead of defending state champion Gulf Coast (8-3) and Pensacola (8-3).

The Lady Indians beat TCC, 59-54, on Feb. 12. Nesbit led Chipola with 15 points and 16 rebounds. Tojalynn Atmore scored 13 points. Nacole Stocks added 10.

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1988 cheerleaders are Brenda Garrett, Pukki Jusonwili, Jackie Hanson, Sue Thomas, Gloria Arnold, Mary Jac Post, James Frank and Bruce Corred

Former Chipola Cheerleaders are this year's special guests at Chipola's Homecoming Game on Feb. 26. For more Homecoming events information, see page 2.

this week at Chipola

21 MONDAY

- ♦ CAMOFLAGE DAY
- ♦ Student Government Association — 2 p.m., Z
- ♦ Chipola Women vs. Pensacola — 5:30 p.m., R
- ♦ Chipola Men vs. Pensacola — 7:30 p.m., R

22 TUESDAY

- ♦ TACKY DAY
- ♦ FSU/Panama City Representative-available — 10 a.m.-Noon, C
- ♦ Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., Z
- ♦ Building Decorating Contest Judging — 2 p.m.

23 WEDNESDAY

- ♦ HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY
- ♦ Homecoming Talent Show — 10 a.m., I

24 THURSDAY

- ♦ COLLEGE DAY

25 FRIDAY

- ♦ BLUE AND GOLD DAY
- ♦ Florida Teachers Certification Exam Reg Deadline
- ♦ Honors Seminar: Chipola Alumnus of the Year, Dr. Wayne Blanton— 10 a.m., Z, Jackson Hall
- ♦ CC Baseball vs Miami Dade — 3 p.m. (DH) BB

26 SATURDAY

- ♦ HOMECOMING DAY
- ♦ CC Baseball vs Miami Dade — 11 a.m. (DH) BB
- ♦ Baptist Campus Ministries Reunion — 4 - 6 p.m., S
- ♦ Chipola Women vs. Tallahassee — 5:30 p.m., R
- ♦ Alumni Reception — 6 p.m., R
- ♦ Chipola Men vs. Tallahassee — 7:30 p.m., R
- ♦ Crowning of Homecoming Queen and Mr. Chipola — Halftime of 7:30 p.m. game

Homecoming Week at Chipola

Chipola College will celebrate Homecoming 2005, the week of Feb. 21-26. The theme for this year is "Do you smell what the Indians are cooking? The Indian Special: Eagle Wings".

Student activities for the week include the following **dress up days**: Monday, Camouflage Day; Tuesday, Tacky Day; Wednesday, High School Spirit Day; Thursday, College Day; and Friday, Blue and Gold Day.

A **building decoration contest** between campus organizations will be held on Monday, Feb. 21 and judged on Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 1 p.m.

The **Homecoming Talent Show** will be on Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 10 a.m. in the Arts Center. Any currently enrolled Chipola student is eligible to enter. Talents must be limited to four minutes or less. Cash prizes will be awarded. There may be a sign up limit, so participants are asked to sign up in the Student Activities Office (K104) by Monday, Feb. 21.

For more information on student homecoming activities, call the SGA office at 718-2308 or 718-2314.

The Chipola Alumnus of the year, Dr. Wayne Blanton, will address Chipola's Honors Seminar on **Friday, Feb. 25** at 10 a.m., in Jackson Hall. The Marianna native is director of the Florida School Boards Association. The public is invited to attend.

A **Baptist Campus Ministry Reunion, is set for Saturday, Feb. 26, from 4 to 6 p.m.** in the Continuing Education Building (for-

merly the Old Athletic Dorm) on College Street. Alumni members of the 1978-1981 BCM

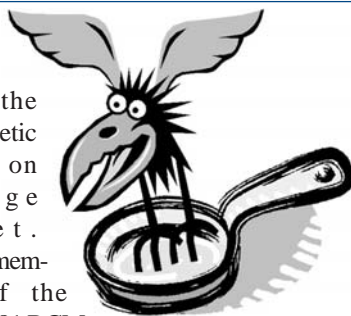
organization are hosting the event. Former BCM members are asked to bring a finger food, family, and fond memories to enjoy this time of fellowship.

Homecoming Night, Saturday, Feb. 26, begins with the Lady Indians game against Tallahassee Community College at 5:30 p.m. An **Alumni Reception** hosted by Chipola President Dr. Gene Prough and his wife Priscilla, begins at 6 p.m. in the Chipola Appreciation Club Room. All alumni and friends are invited to attend the reception.

Former Chipola Cheerleaders are this year's special guests at homecoming. All returning cheerleaders will be invited to join the current squad in a routine to "Devil in a Blue Dress."

The **Indians take on Tallahassee Community College** in the men's game at 7:30 p.m. Chipola's 2004 **Homecoming Queen** and **Mr. Chipola** will be crowned during halftime. Brenda Garrett Taylor, chair of the Chipola Board of Trustees will assist in the coronation.

For more information on Homecoming events, call the SGA office at 718-2308 or the Public Relations Office at 718-2375.



Chipola announces arts scholarships for 2005-06

Auditions for Chipola College music, art, and theatre scholarships for 2005-2006 are: March 10, April 28, and May 12 for music and theatre.

Show Choir Auditions are April 14. Visual Art application and portfolio deadline is April 15.

Applications may be accessed at: www.chipola.edu by going to Departments and selecting "Fine and Performing Arts," or by phoning 850-718-2277.

High School graduates with acceptable academic records and music, theatre, and art aptitude who plan to pursue studies as music, theatre or art majors are eligible to apply.

Scholarships in various amounts, up to full tuition and fees, are awarded on the basis of talent and academic record. Students with financial need may seek additional assistance through the college's Office of Financial Aid and the Chipola Foundation.

For more information, call Joan Stadskev, Chipola Director of Fine and Performing Arts, at 850-718-2301.



Chipola tied for first in conference

The Chipola Indians are tied with OW for first place in the Panhandle Conference after a 74-56 win over Tallahassee on Feb. 12.

Mario Boggan led Chipola with 27 points, 13 rebounds and 2 blocks. Stefhon Hannah had 10 points, 6 rebounds, 8 assists and 4 steals. Brent Crews scored 9 points, with 4 rebounds, 3 assists and 2 steals. Gerrard Jackson had 9 points and 2 rebounds. Anderson Ferreira had 6 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists and 3 steals.

The Indians upset top-ranked Okaloosa-Walton on Tuesday, Feb. 8. Chipola trounced OW, 68-48, before a packed house in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. Four Indians scored in double

figures. Kendaris Pelton had 14 points and 7 rebounds. Hannah scored 12 points and pulled in 5 rebounds. Boggan had 12 points and 5 rebounds. Michael Taylor also had 12 points and 5 rebounds.

The Indians forced 25 turnovers and though they shot only 39 percent from the field, they were 10 of 10 from the free throw line.

As of Feb. 17, Chipola is 7-1 in the league and 24-2 overall. The Indians' only conference loss was at OW on Jan. 22. The men's conference standings as of Feb. 17, are: Chipola (7-1); OW (8-1); TCC (4-5); GCC (3-6) and PJC (0-9).

Chipola travels to Gulf Coast, Feb. 19, before returning home to host Pensacola,

Monday, Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Chipola hosts Tallahassee for Homecoming on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m.

The top two teams in the conference earn a berth in the state tournament, set for March 9-12, at Chipola.

The Indians are still ranked second in the state JUCO poll behind OW.

For the latest scores, call 718-2CJC or visit www.chipola.edu

“Anything Goes” tickets on sale Wednesday at Chipola



Tickets for the Chipola College production of “Anything Goes,” go on sale, Wednesday, Feb. 23, at 8 a.m. in the college Business Office.

The play opens a five-day run, March 9 with evening shows at 7:30 p.m. and a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee.

“Anything Goes” is a gloriously funny screwball musical comedy which makes for an evening of romance, dance, mistaken identities and mismatched lovers and of course those wonderful Cole Porter songs.

Players in the Chipola cast are: Melody Ruano as Reno Sweeney, Felicia Gibson as Hope Harcourt, Meredith Nailen as Evangeline Harcourt, Heath Carroll as Lord Evelyn Oakleigh, Lee Shook as Elisha Whitney, Jonathan Dowling as Billy

Crocker, Charles Sirmon as Moonface Martin, Anne Gilmartin as Erma, Zack Price and Kim Hobgood as Luke & John, Brad Brooks as Ship’s Captain, Brad Bunce as Ship’s Purser, Mary Katheryn Tanner as Virtue, Courtney Haile as Chastity, Stacey Hall as Charity, Angela Griffin as Purity, Josh Barber as Sailor #1, Conner Walton as Sailor #2, Scott Boyle as Sailor #3, Cesar Morales as Sailor #4, John Bruner as Fred, Photographer, Arthur Obar as Reporter, Terry Tanner-Smith as Old Lady in Wheelchair, Josh Barber as FBI Agent, and Chris Manasco as Minister.

Passengers include: Megan Dougherty, Angie White, Joan Stadskev, Jessica Tedesco, Terry Tanner-Smith, John Bruner, Kristina Lopez, and Chris Manasco. For information, call 850-718-2204.

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rector of client services for Sunland Center of Tallahassee. In 1985 he was named FSBA’s executive director.

Blanton has served with the Leon Association for Retarded Citizens, the Florida Association for Retarded Citizens (state president), United Cerebral Palsy of Florida (state president), and has chaired the Governor’s Committee on Autism and the Needs Assessment Task Force for the Handicapped.

Among the more than 30 awards he has received while leading FSBA: The 1997 FSBA’s President’s Award, the 1997 Florida Physical Education Award (“Distinguished Friend of Education”) and the 2000 Pat

Spengler Award given by rural counties as a distinguished service honor.

He makes more than 50 public presentations every year to civic groups and to other state and national educational organizations. He is considered one of Florida’s strongest advocates for public education.

Dr. Blanton is the proud father of two children and he has two grandchildren.

Blanton will speak to students in the Chipola Honors Program on Friday, Feb. 25 at 10 a.m. (CST) in the Jackson Lecture Hall of the Chipola Literature/Language Building. The public is invited to attend.

For information, call 850-718-2264.

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Chipola defeated Okaloosa-Walton, 54-51, on Feb. 8, behind the scoring of McCants with 19 points. Tayani Clark scored 10 points on the night. Tamika Jackson added 10 rebounds.

The women’s league standings as of Feb. 17, are: Chipola (9-2); Gulf Coast (8-3); PJC (8-3); OW is (5-6); TCC is (3-7); and NFL is (0-12). The top two teams in the women’s league earn a spot in the state tournament set for March 9-12 at Chipola.

Chipola travels to Gulf Coast, Feb. 19. The Lady Indians’ next home game is Monday, Feb. 21, against Pensacola. Chipola’s Homecoming is Feb. 26 against Tallahassee.

For the latest scores, call 718-2CJC or visit www.chipola.edu

FSU to begin new education programs at Chipola

Florida State University Panama City and the University Center at Chipola College will host a “Town Meeting” on Monday, Feb. 28, at 5:30 p.m., for individuals interested in earning a Master’s or Specialist’s degree in Elementary Education (with Reading Endorsement) through the FSU Rural Outreach Program.

The meeting will be held in Jackson Hall (Room 116) of the Literature/Language Building on the Chipola College campus.

The FSU program is designed to prepare teachers to assume leadership roles in school districts, community literacy programs and state departments of education.

The program is 33 semester hours in length and requires successful completion of a Comprehensive Exam. The course schedule is planned so that summer semester courses are taken on the FSU Panama City Campus. Fall and spring semester courses will be offered on the Chipola campus.

A group of highly-motivated teachers in the Calhoun and Liberty County School systems have already taken advantage of this opportunity and are well on their way toward degree completion. FSU is seeking another group of 10-15 students to begin this exciting program in the summer.

For information, call Dr. Marion Fesmire at (850) 522-5511 or email: mfesmire@pc.fsu.edu.



REP ON CAMPUS. A representative from the Florida State University Panama City campus will be available in the Social Science Building (C) on Wednesday, Feb. 22 from 10 a.m. - Noon.



LIBRARY HOURS:
 Monday - Thursday
 7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Friday
 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Sunday
 2 - 6 p.m.

TECH CENTER HOURS:
 Monday-Thursday
 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Friday
 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Sunday
 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.



NCF SCHOLARSHIPS. New College of Florida has announced that they have expanded their Fall 05 scholarship offerings. Admitted Florida residents with a minimum 3.5 GPA are now eligible for an automatic \$1000 scholarship. PTK members who finish the AA degree prior to the fall of '05 are eligible for an additional \$2500.

Scholarship applications are not required. Scholarships are automatically assigned to admitted students based on information listed on the admissions applications and official transcripts.

New College of Florida, formerly the Honors College of the University of South Florida, is a member of the State University System. The college is located in Sarasota, FL.



UPS SCHOLARS. Applications for the Theodore R. & Vivian M. Johnson Scholarship are available in Student Services. Applicants must be children of UPS employees or retirees



SUCCESS CENTER HOURS:
 Monday-Friday
 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
 Tuesday and Thursday
 6 - 8:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:
 Monday-Thursday
 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Tuesday and Thursday
 6 - 8:30 p.m.

The Success Center has compiled a TABE study guide that can be picked up in the Success Center, the Registrar's Office and the Workforce Development Office. For more information concerning specific tests available, call 718-2284.



NEW BOOKSTORE HOURS:
 Monday - Thursday
 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Friday
 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.



AU ENGINEERING. Information on Auburn University's Engineering Day is available in Student Services. **Engineering Day is Feb. 25, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.
 2/21 Nancy Nobles-Dunkle
 2/21 Sonny Wise
 2/22 Jeff Bodart
 2/26 Annie O'Pry
 2/27 Carol Saunders
 2/27 Carolyn Wilson



SCHOLARSHIP. Applications for the W.W. Richardson & Loretta C. Richardson Foundation Applications are available in Student Services. Only applicants majoring in a medical field are eligible. Deadline to apply is **April 15.**



ALERT. Students are cautioned to not leave books and valuables unattended.

THIS WEEK

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

Deadline for the next issue is Wednesday, Feb. 23. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.



Workforce Development and Jane Walker, cut a cake highlighting the theme, Career Tech: Training Tomorrow's Workforce. For information about Chipola's Workforce programs, call 718-2270.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH
 1 Deadline to apply for Grad
 9 Caricaturist Steve Gipson
 9-12 FCCAA State Basketball Tournament
 9-13 "Anything Goes" production
 21-25 Spring Break Holidays

CHIPOLA CELEBRATES CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK—Chipola College marked National Career and Technical Education week with a reception for employees and students on Feb. 16. Here, Bud Riviere, Dean of



JUCO TEAM HOSTS—Sixteen local families have volunteered to serve as hosts for the 16 teams who will be in town, March 9-12, for the State Junior College Basketball Tournament. Pictured from left, are: (front) Mary McClendon, Caretha Everett, Tracey Dudley, Merle Houston, Sarah Walls, Eddie Hilton, Eulice Bryant, (back) Hubert Williams, Ed Hill, Waymon Moneyham, Jay Mitchell, Patrick Bryan, Leroy Boone and Willie Spires. Not pictured are Mary Lu Andreu and John Ellerbee.

LOCATOR

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