Homecoming slated for Feb. 13-18 at Chipola

Chipola College will celebrate Homecoming 2006, the week of Feb. 13-18.

This year’s theme is “Shiver Their Timbers,” as the Indians hope to sink the Commodores of Gulf Coast.

Student activities for the week include a building decoration contest which begins Monday, Feb. 13 with judging at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14.

Students are encouraged to show spirit through dress-up days. Monday, Feb. 13, is Camouflage Day. Students are asked to wear their camo gear. Tuesday, Feb. 14, is High School Spirit Day. Students are asked to wear high school colors. Wednesday, Feb. 15, is Pajamas Day. Students are asked to wear their p.j.’s. Thursday, Feb. 16, is Tacky Day. Students are asked to wear mis-matched, tacky clothes. Friday, Feb. 17, is Blue & Gold Day. Students are asked to show their Chipola spirit by wearing school colors.

“Grease” tickets on sale Feb. 22

Tickets for the Chipola College production of “Grease” go on sale Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 8 a.m., in the college business office (Building A).

Tickets are $7 for adults and $5 for students. Chipola employees and students get one free ticket with ID. The musical opens a five-day run, March 8.

“Grease” tells the story of Rydell High’s spirited class of ’59. The gum-chewing, hub-cap stealing, hot-rod loving boys with D.A.’s and leather jackets and their wise-cracking girls in teased curls, bobby sox, and pedal pushers — capture the look and sounds of the 1950’s in this rollicking musical that salutes the rock ‘n’ roll era. While hip Danny Zuko and wholesome Sandy Dumbrowski resolve the problems of their mutual attraction for each other, the gang sings and dances its way through such nostalgic scenes as the pajama party, the prom, the burger palace and the drive-in movie.

Chipola director Charles Sirmon recently cast local actors in the following roles: Mike Milton as Danny, Felicia Gibson as Sandy, Britney Holmes as Rizzo, Mary Kathryn Tanner as Frenchy, Shannon Grice as Marty, Anne Gilmartin as Jan, Heath Carroll as Kenickie, Seth Basford as Doody, Kevin Russell as Roger, Scott Boyle as Sonny, Katie Brown as Patty Simcox, Courtney Haile as Cha-Cha, Josh Barber as Eugene, Princess Brinson as Teen Angel, Terry Tanner Smith as Miss Lynch and Danuta Jacob as Blanche. The Grease Girls are Tiffany Pippin, Stacey Hall, Kara Hewitt, Meredith Nailen, Tara Padgett, Brook Spivey and Ashley Tanner. The Grease Guys are Robbie Bouck, Chris Calton, Richie Cooper, Lenaris Dixon, David Kawar and Zach Price. The Beauty School Dropouts are Arielle Bateman, Jamila Holmes, Jennifer Nicole Jones, Karisa Olds, Amber Rivera and Holly Walters. Kelci Stephenson is Stage Manager.

For information about Chipola Theater, call 718-2227.
Chipola hoopsters doing well in Panhandle Conference

The Chipola Indians improved to 6-0 in Panhandle Conference play with a 96-84 victory over Gulf Coast on Feb. 1.

Michael Taylor led with 27 points, including 21 in the second half. Stefhon Hannah scored 21.

The Indians lead the league with a 6-0 mark. Tallahassee is in second place with a 5-1 mark. OW is third at 2-4. Chipola is first in the Florida JUCO poll and second in the national poll with a 23-1 overall mark.

The Indians beat Pensacola, 95-66, on Jan. 28, behind the scoring of Stefhon Hannah with 21 points, 9 assists, 5 rebounds and 4 steals. Jamarcus Ellis scored 20 points, pulled in 11 rebounds, and dished out 7 assists on the night. Ryne Hamblet added 15 points, shooting 6 of 8 from the field. Michael Taylor scored 13 with 5 rebounds. Gerard Jackson chalked up his second consecutive double-double with 10 points and 11 rebounds.

Chipola scored a 70-68 win on the road over Tallahassee on Jan. 24. Chipola won a heated battle over Okaloosa-Walton on Jan. 21. The Indians pulled out the 69-68 win with Thomas leading the scoring with 24 points.


The Lady Indians are 19-3 overall, second place in the state poll and sixth place in the national poll.

Chipola auto program is Bellwether finalist

Chipola College's innovative program in Automotive Technology recently was selected as a finalist for a Bellwether Award in the Workforce Development. Pictured from left, are: Chipola automotive students Cameron Pelt, Kirstin Menzies, instructor John Gardner and Robert Hagen.

Chipola theater scholarship grows

Chipola College business instructor Lee Shook recently made a second $5,000 contribution to the Lee Shook Theatre Scholarship Endowment fund which will provide a scholarship to a future theatre major. Shook has performed in numerous Chipola productions and is key supporter of the Chipola (ACT) Applauding Chipola Theater fund. Shook, who is also an accountant, hopes that all theater lovers and friends of the college will consider the endowment in their tax-deductible giving plans. Here, Shook (right) presents the check to Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough. For information, contact the Chipola Foundation at 718-2478.
Continuing Education courses set at Chipola

Chipola College will offer a variety of short courses in the coming weeks.

A Sign Language I class will meet Tuesdays, Feb. 7 through April 18 from 5 to 7 p.m. Cost is $81.

A Cake Decorating II class will meet Thursdays, March 2 through 30 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is $41. An Advanced Level Cake Decorating III class will meet Thursdays, April 6 through 27 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is $41.

A 10 Hour Childcare Training (special needs) course will meet March 11 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $38. A 20 Hour Childcare Training course will meet April 1 & 8 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $76. A 10 Hour Childcare Training (developmentally appropriate practices, 3-5 year olds) course will meet May 6 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $38.

An Introduction to Computers with Internet for Seniors class will meet Mar 30 from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is $24.

The Continuing Education Department also offers custom motivational workshops for businesses and organizations. The following are available: Eat That Frog: Stop Procrastinating and Get More Done in Less Time; Whale Done: The Power of Positive Relationships; The Pygmalion Effect: Managing the Power of Expectations; Discussing Performance; The Attitude Virus: Curing Negativity in the Workplace; Team Building: What makes a Good Team Player?; and After All, You’re the Supervisor!

Gatlin Education Services (GES) offers, open enrollment, online courses in: health care, internet graphics/web design, business, law and travel. Register online at www.gatineduation.com/chipola.

Education To Go offers online programs in: computers, photography, languages, writing, entertainment industry, grant writing, business, sales, accounting, test prep, finance, health, child care, parenting, art, history, psychology, literature, statistics, philosophy, engineering, law and nursing. For dates and course outlines, visit www.ed2go.com/chipola.

For information about any of these non-credit courses, call 850-718-2395.

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Pencie Wester, Chipola’s oldest living alumnus, is this year’s special guest at homecoming. Wester will turn 100 in June. Other special guests include members of the 1965-66 men’s basketball team which finished fourth in the nation.

The Indians take on the Commodores in the men’s game at 7:30 p.m. Chipola’s 2006 Homecoming Queen and Mr. Chipola will be crowned during halftime.

For more information, call the SGA office at 718-2308 or 718-2314.

Sophomore women nominated for the Chipola College Homecoming Court were: Angela Griffin, Bethany Gwaltney, Stacey Hall, Mindy Hanson, Bridget Holmes, Cara Kostovic, Jessica Olds, Mary Kathryn Tanner, Claire Maria Thornton and Parisia Wesley. Sophomore men nominated for Mr. Chipola were Joshua Barber, Brandon Bittner, Nick Graves, Darryl Hunter, Joseph Livingston, Cesar Morales, Zack Price and Brooks Sherrel.

Freshmen women nominated for the Chipola Homecoming Court were: Kayla Baxter, Sarah Cartwright, Stephanie Castleberry, Janna Ellis, Brittney Nicole Holmes, Jenni Kelly, Danielle JaRita Myrick, Karissa Olds, Amber Owens and Rachel Taylor. Freshmen Mr. Chipola nominees were John Brunner, Chris Calton, Jay McClellan, Keegan McKay, Nick Melvin and Mike Milton.

Homecoming court announced

Members of the 2006 Homecoming Court are: freshman female attendants: Jenni Kelly and Karissa Olds. Freshman male attendants are: Keegan McKay and Mike Milton. Sophomore candidates for Homecoming Queen are: Jessica Olds, Mary Kathryn Tanner and Claire Thornton. Sophomore candidates for Mr. Chipola are: Nick Graves, Darryl Hunter and Zack Price.

Baseball opens at home Feb. 8

The Chipola baseball team opens the Spring 2006 season at home, Wednesday, Feb. 8, with a 2 p.m. game against Lake City.

The Indians will host St. Petersburg in doubleheaders on Feb. 11 and 12, beginning at noon both days.

Chipola’s homestand continues with Louisburg, Feb. 16 at 3 p.m.; Young Harris, Feb. 17 at 11 a.m.; Louisburg, Feb. 18 at 3 p.m. and Wallace, Feb. 19 at 2 p.m.

The Indians are defending Panhandle Conference Champions.
GATOR SCHOLARSHIP. The Panhandle Gator Club presents scholarships to deserving students in Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes and Washington County areas. The scholarship is awarded during the club’s annual Gator Gathering held in Panama City Beach. Candidates must have been accepted to the University of Florida beginning Fall 2006 semester or earlier. Deadline for submission of the application packet is April 3, 2006. Copies of the application packet can be picked up from the Chipola College Foundation office.

AUDIT REPORT. Chipola College received a favorable audit report of its financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005. This means that the college’s financial statements were accurately presented. It also means that the college had no material weaknesses involving its internal control over financial reporting and there were no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

SCIENCE CLUB SEMINARS. Dr. Clifford M. Will will be the guest speaker at two Chipola College science seminars Friday, Feb. 10, in the Chipola Theatre.

There will be a general campus seminar at 10 a.m. titled, “The Search for Black Holes”. The general public is invited to a second seminar at 7 p.m. titled, “Was Einstein Right?”

The event is sponsored by the Science Club in conjunction with the Chipola Honors Program and the Student Government Association.

For information, call Jeff Bodart at 526-2761, Ext. 3252.

WANTED FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE. Phi Beta Lambda is collecting the following items for the Ronald McDonald Tallahassee House: Soda tabs, non-perishable foods, toiletries, paper goods and toys. Items may be left in boxes located in buildings A, B, C, D, M, N, Q, and Z. McDonald houses provide housing for patients under age 18 and their families while receiving hospital treatment.

PBL MEETS. Phi Beta Lambda will meet Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 10 a.m. in M204 to begin decorating for homecoming. Members who plan to go to district competition at FSU on March 4 will need to pay a refundable deposit of $10. If you cannot attend the meeting but want to go to district, see Mrs. K. Roberts before Feb. 9.

IDENTITY SEMINAR. Chipola employees are invited to attend an Identity Theft seminar hosted by the Information Systems department and Chipola’s FACC chapter. The seminar will be held from 2:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, and again on Thursday, Feb. 23 in Jackson Hall. Please contact Glenda Bethel at ext. 2217 if you can attend either of the seminars.

TAX HELP. In order to help local citizens get the most tax refund due them, Chipola student volunteers are providing free tax preparation, including free electronic filing. The service will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Fridays from through April 15, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturdays (Feb. 11, Feb. 25, March 11, March 25, and April 8).

For assistance, call Lee Shook at (850) 526-2761, Ext. 3268.

NEW IDS NEEDED. Students must present new Chipola ID cards to access the computers in the library and tech center and to check out materials from the library. Scheduled times for ID’s are Tuesdays (8-11 & 1-3:30) and Wednesdays (8-11) in Building A, Room 107. Students must bring a white copy of the Spring 2006 fee receipt.

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

SUCCESS CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Friday
8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
5 - 7:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Thursday
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
5 - 7:30 p.m.

TECH CENTER HOURS:
Monday - Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Friday
8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Sunday
2-5:30 p.m.