Chipola to host reunion of Coach Johnson’s teams from Chipola and Campbellton High

Chipola College is hosting a reunion of Coach Milton Johnson’s Chipola and Campbellton High School teams, Saturday, Feb. 16, at the college.

All of Johnson’s former players, assistant coaches, managers, and their guests are invited to a luncheon on Saturday, Feb. 16, from noon to 2 p.m. (CST) in the Arts Center. The luncheon will feature a program highlighting Johnson’s legendary career, followed by a time to visit with old friends.

Event organizer Robert Trammell, said, “Not many people earn the title of legend during their lifetime, but Coach Milton Johnson has done just that. In addition to his phenomenal records on the court, the contributions he made to the lives of so many young people are tremendous.”

Trammell says he expects some 75 former team members to attend the reunion, including two father and son sets who played for Johnson: Cody and Zack Taylor from Bonifay and Sydney and Greg Granger from Blountstown.

ABA star Red Robbins is expected to return along with many of his 1965 teammates. The Hines brothers—Kevin, Keith and Sammy—who played for Johnson in the early 1990’s are also expected to attend.

All returning players and their guests will sit in a special section during Chipola’s men’s game with Okaloosa-Walton at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 16. During halftime, Coach Johnson and former team members will be recognized.

Chipola theater to present at CRAA

Students from Chipola’s upcoming spring musical “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying,” will present the program at the monthly meeting of the Chipola Regional Arts Association, Tuesday, Feb. 19, at Jim’s Buffet and Grill. Pictured are Kevin Russell as J. Pierrepont Finch and Lindsey Baxter as Rosemary Pilkington. The public is invited to attend the 11:30 a.m. Dutch treat luncheon and noon program.

Math prof recognized by ‘Site’ Society

A paper scheduled for presentation at the annual conference of the Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education (SITE) by Chipola College math professor Dr. Rose Cavin won an Outstanding Paper award from the Society.

Some 700 papers are presented each year, and an average of eight are selected to receive this recognition.

The paper summarized a research project which was part of Dr. Cavin’s doctoral dissertation, and explored the development of technological pedagogical content knowledge (TPCK) in pre-service teachers participating in microteaching lesson study (MLS).
Chipola hosts North Florida Tuesday and OW Saturday

The CHIPOLA LADY INDIANS host North Florida, Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 5:30 p.m., in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. Both Chipola teams host Okaloosa-Walton in a pair of big conference games, Saturday, Feb. 16. The women’s game tips off at 5:30 p.m., followed by the men’s game at 7:30 p.m.

Both Chipola teams travel to Tallahassee on Feb. 9. The Lady Indians improved to 5-5 in league play and 19-6 overall with a 70-66 win over Pensacola on Feb. 5. Lesheria Stevens led Chipola with 20 points. Gekeela Clemmons and Latoya Williams scored 13 apiece. Ashley McCray added 10.


The Lady Indians are sixth in the FCCAA state rankings. GCCC is first. OW is fourth and TCC is fifth. With five games remaining in league play, Gulf Coast (9-0) leads the conference. TCC (7-3) is second. Chipola and OW are tied for third at (5-5). PJC is (4-7). NFL is (0-10). The top two women’s finishers in the conference earn a berth to the state tournament.

The CHIPOLA INDIANS got back on track Feb. 5, with a 73-70 come-from-behind win over Pensacola.

PJC led 36-35 at the break and Chipola still trailed by 10 points at the 5 minute mark. But the Indians bounced back to outscore the Pirates, 38-34, in the second half.


The Indians’ longest win-streak in school history (24 games) came to an end Feb. 2 with a 68-59 loss at OW. Four Indians scored in double figures, with Mitchell leading with 13 points. Little chipped in 11 points and hauled in 6 rebounds. Gary Flowers and Clevin Hannah each scored 10. Jon Kreft added 7 points and 8 rebounds. Sophomore Malik Alvin dished out a team high 6 assists.

“It never feels good to lose,” said Chipola coach Greg Heiar. “The last time we were over here we lost by one on a 35 foot buzzer beater. After that night, we rebounded and came together as a team and road that unity all the way to the National Championship game.”

The final four conference games are crucial to the Indians post-season hopes. Chipola and OW split the first two meetings of the three game set, each going unbeaten against the rest of the conference.

The men’s conference race is a two-team battle with Chipola and OW knotted at 7-1. Tallahassee (3-5) is third. Gulf Coast is 3-5 and PJC is 0-8. The top two teams in the league make it to the state tournament, set for March 5-8 at Chipola.

Officers from across the U.S. at Chipola this week

Law Enforcement officers from as far west as Colorado and as far north as New York are on the campus of Chipola College this week hoping to become certified officers in the state of Florida. Chipola’s Public Service program offers one of only a few Out-of-State Equivalency programs in Florida. The 40-hour refresher course gives officers from other states the opportunity to take the same exam that officers must pass to work in Florida.

Steve Anderson, who oversees the Chipola program, says, “Because of our high passing rates and low cost, FDLE has been referring lots of officers from states like New York and Utah.”

Raleigh, NC, police officer Alexander Morton is taking the course hoping to land a job as Miami South Beach police officer. He said, “This program is streamlined, fantastic and cost effective.” Morton said he found similar programs with tuition as high as $1,500 compared to Chipola’s $200 fee.

John Oreolt, a ten-year veteran of the Colorado State Troopers heard about the program through a Florida Highway Patrol recruiter. He says, “The program is about proving your proficiency in high-liability areas. The instructors have been phenomenal. This is a great facility.” Oreolt was hired as a Colorado Trooper after completing the state’s 22-week academy and later served as an instructor for the same academy.

New York City policeman Mike Bauta is in familiar surroundings at Chipola this week. Bauta played baseball for Chipola in 1994 and even served as the school’s mascot as basketball games.

He has worked for NYPD for three years and is looking to relocate to Miami. He learned about the class on Chipola’s website. He said, “It’s great to be back at Chipola. The class is awesome; I love it.”

Chipola’s next Out-of-State Equivalency class will be offered March 17-21.

For information contact, Steve Anderson at 850-718-2479, or email: andersons@chipola.edu.
Strata to perform classics for Chipola Artist Series

Classical music ensemble “Strata” will perform Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 7 p.m., as part of the Chipola College Artist Series. A limited number of tickets—$12 for adults and $8 for ages 18 and under—are on sale in the Chipola Business Office. “Strata” is three musicians, three instruments, and one unique sound performing exhilarating Classical and Modern repertoire in trio and duo combinations for violin/viola, clarinet, and piano.

The musicians of Strata—Nathan Williams, clarinet; James Stern, violin/viola; and Audrey Andrist, piano—all hold the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the Julliard School. The group has been performing together since 1988. Praised by The Washington Post for program building as artful as their performances, Strata has appeared in concert throughout North America. On San Francisco’s Composers Inc. series, they presented world premiere performances of five works composed especially for them. As resident artists at the Banff Festival of the Arts, they were presented in a wide array of concerts. Strata also appeared as the featured ensemble at the Music Teachers’ Association of California annual convention, and recorded live for CBC Radio in Canada.

The final offering of the Chipola Artist series—Proteus 7, Brass Ensemble—is March 25. The Artist Series is funded through Chipola’s Performing Arts Fund, with grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Southern Arts Federation, the Florida Division of Cultural Affairs, the Chipola Regional Arts Association and corporate donors. For information call the Chipola business office at 718-2204.

Show Choir performs at Disney

Chipola College’s Show Choir recently performed in the Galaxy Palace Theatre in Tomorrowland of Walt Disney World’s Magic Kingdom. Here, Chipola Student Choreographer Brittney Holmes (right) of Dothan accepts a performance award from a Disney representative.

Florida Surveying Society helps Chipola

Buddy Bannerman (left) of Bannerman Surveying recently presented five surveying calculators to Chipola College Surveying and Mapping instructor Sam Bruner (right) and Bud Riviere, Chipola Dean of Workforce Development. The calculators were donated by the Northwest Florida (Tallahassee) Chapter of the Florida Surveying and Mapping Society.

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The research focused on future teachers’ decisions to incorporate technological tools into a mathematics lesson. Small groups of students in Chipola’s teacher education program, enrolled in Dr. Cavin’s technology class, worked in repetitive cycles of microteaching, reflecting, and modifying a group lesson. Findings indicate that the pre-service teachers developed an awareness of the nuances of teaching with technology in a student-centered learning environment. The teachers-in-training also recognized that traditional methods of teaching take on special characteristics when technology is involved. Moreover, subject teachers experienced a shift in mathematical knowledge from a proce-
Homecoming 2008 set for Feb. 18-23

Chipola will celebrate Homecoming 2008, the week of Feb. 18-23. This year’s theme is “On Top of Our Game: as the Indians hope to exceed the performance of the Commodores of Gulf Coast.

During the week before homecoming, candidates for Mr. Chipola and Homecoming Queen will be introduced at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 13, in the Arts Center.

Student Activities for the week include: Monday, Feb. 18: Camouflage Day; Tuesday, Feb. 19: Hawaiian Day; Wednesday, Feb. 20: Pajamas Day; Thursday, Feb. 21: Favorite College Day; and Friday, Feb. 22: Chipola Blue and Gold Day. A campus building decoration contest will be judged Tuesday, Feb.19 at 1 p.m.

The Homecoming Talent Show is Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 10:05 a.m., in the Arts Center. Current students or groups are invited to perform. Cash prizes will be awarded to best overall and top places in solo, group and band categories. Performers must register by Monday, Feb.18.

Homecoming Night, Saturday, Feb. 23, begins with the Lady Indians game against Gulf Coast at 5:30 p.m. An Alumni Reception hosted by Chipola President Dr. Gene Prough and his wife Priscilla, begins at 6 p.m. All alumni and friends are invited to attend. Chipola’s 2008 Homecoming Queen and Mr. Chipola will be crowned during halftime.

Throssell Literature/Language Festival set at Chipola

Chipola College will host the Eighteenth Annual Throssell Literature/Language Festival on Friday, Feb. 15.

Currently enrolled juniors or seniors from high schools in the Chipola District will compete in writing, speech, oral interpretation, humanities, grammar/mechanics/usage, literature, reading and Spanish competitions. Recognition will be given to first, second, and third places and two honorable mentions in each competition. A monetary award will be given to the first place winner of the President’s Reading contest.

The festival will begin at 8:15 a.m. and conclude with the awards ceremony at 12:30 p.m. Lunch, compliments of the college, will be provided to the contestants and their sponsors. Participants also will see a preview of the upcoming Chipola musical, “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Dr. Sarah Clemmons, Vice President of Instruction and Student Services, said, “We are looking forward to hosting our eighteenth festival. It is always a pleasure to have area high school students on our campus for a day of rigorous, academic competition.”

BSU to host Black History program

The Chipola College Black Student Union will host a Black History Month program, Friday, Feb. 22, from 6 to 8 p.m., in the Chipola Arts Center.

BSU members invite the public to enjoy the festivities and learn more about Black History.

For information, call 850-718-2319.

VALENTINE FLOWERS FOR SALE

BSU members are also selling Valentine Flowers for $3. The flowers may be ordered from any BSU member or call 718-2319. The flowers may be picked up in Building C on Feb. 14.

FINANCIAL AID $$$. Expected disbursement of Financial Aid checks is Feb. 18.

PBL MEETS. Phi Beta Lambda will meet Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 10 a.m. in M202. All students interested in business are encouraged to attend.

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. For faster refunds, taxpayers are asked to bring a personal check which has routing information needed for electronic refunds. Call Lee Shook at (850) 718 2368.

Harry Fleener (right) accepts Chipola’s February Faculty/ Administrator of the Month award from his supervisor Dr. Dale O’Daniel. Fleener is Director of Physical Plant and has worked at the college since 1996.