Chipola Homecoming week is Feb. 19-24

Chipola College will celebrate Homecoming 2007, the week of Feb. 19-24. This year’s theme is “Chipola: Celebrating 60 Years of Excellence,” as the Indians hope to exceed the performance of the Eagles of Tallahassee.

Student Activities for the week include: Monday, Feb. 19: Camouflage Day; Tuesday, Feb. 20: Hawaiian Day; Wednesday, Feb. 21: Pajamas Day; Thursday, Feb. 22: Favorite College Day; and Friday, Feb. 23: Chipola Blue and Gold Day.

A building decoration contest begins Monday, Feb. 19 and will be judged Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 1 p.m.

The Homecoming Talent Show is Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 10 a.m., in the Arts Center. Current students or groups are invited to perform. Time limit is four minutes. Cash prizes will be awarded to best overall and top places in solo, group and band categories. Performers must register in the Student Activities by Monday, Feb. 19.

Chipola Alumnus of the Year Jim Hart, a retired public relations executive, will address the Chipola Honors Seminar on Friday, Feb. 23, at 10 a.m., in Jackson Lecture Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Homecoming Night. Saturday, Feb. 24, begins with the Lady Indians game against Tallahassee 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 the reception.

The Indians take on the Eagles in the men’s game at 7:30 p.m. Chipola’s 2007 Homecoming Queen and Mr. Chipola will be crowned during halftime. The 2007 Homecoming Court includes: freshman female attendants: Kristin Coley and Destinie Sanders; freshman male attendants: Matt Amos and Erik Blount; sophomore female candidates: Janna Ellis, Sylvianna Garrett and Rachel Taylor, and sophomore candidates for Mr. Chipola: John Brunner, Lenoris Dixon and Robert Jones.

For more information, call 718-2308 or 718-2314.

Chipola Honors Dance is Friday

The Ivey Brothers band will return to Chipola College for the second straight year to play “The 60 Rockin’ Years Party,” a benefit dance for the Chipola Honors Program on Friday, Feb. 23.

The dance will be held in the college Arts Center—known to locals as the old field house—the same venue where the Iveys played in 1968. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and guests can dance the night away or just reminisce with some great music.

Three brothers—Robert Ivey, Richard Ivey and Wilson Ivey—have made up the core of the group since the mid-60’s. Wilson’s son, Chase Ivey, joined the group in 2004.

Local guitarist Dennis Guy will join the band for the Chipola gig.

The Ivey Brothers first performed at a high school dance in 1965, and quickly progressed to dances at Chipola, FSU, UWF and UF. Their ability to entertain with their versatile repertoire became well known in the Dothan club scene in the 70’s and 80’s.

A European tour in 1977 and release of a local hit “It’s Not Worth The Pain” in 1978 made the group’s fame complete.

The Iveys have played with and backed “The Pointer Sisters,” “The Coasters,” “Jeannie Pruitt,” “Billy Crash Craddock,” and “The Platters.”

Drummer Robert Ivey is a Chipola history professor who serves as adviser to the Freshman Honors program. Math professor Bonnie Smith, who directs the program with Ivey, says, “The goal of Honors is to equip our local leaders of tomorrow with aware-

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Chipola teams headed for state tourney

The Chipola College men’s and women’s basketball teams both are expected to earn spots in the state basketball tournament set for March 7-10.

The Chipola Indians held on to sole possession of first place in the Panhandle Conference with a 68-56 win over Gulf Coast on Feb. 14. Jamarcus Ellis led Chipola with 16 points, 11 rebounds and 6 assists. Mario Little had 12 points and 9 rebounds. Chipola (9-1) leads the league. TCC (8-2) is in second. OW (5-4) is in third.

The Indians (26-1) are the top-ranked team in the FCCAA poll ahead of number two Tallahassee, Santa Fe and Okaloosa Walton are tied for third.

Chipola scored an 84-72 win over Pensacola on Feb. 10. Victor Dubovitsky had 15 points and 5 rebounds. Jamarcus Ellis had 11 points, 3 rebounds, 3 assists and 2 steals. Ed Berrios had 10 points, 4 rebounds, and 4 assists.

The top two men’s teams from the Panhandle Conference earn a berth to the state tournament.

The Lady Indians (9-3) held on to second place in the league despite a 65-46 loss to top-ranked Gulf Coast (10-2) on Feb. 14.

Chipola scored a big 74-47 win over PJC on Feb. 10. Shawnta Pope had 14 points and 7 rebounds. CJ Pace had 8 points. Lesheria Stevens and Gekeela Clemmons scored 8 apiece.

TCC (8-4) is third in the league, OW (7-5) is fourth.

The top three women’s teams from the Panhandle represent the conference at the state tournament.

Chipola hosts TCC for Homecoming in the final game of the regular season on Feb. 24.

All men’s and women’s games are broadcast by Deep South Sports on WJAQ (100.9). The Feb. 21 game will be broadcast on WTOT (101.7). Live video web-cast and radio-simulcast are available at www.chipola.edu

For the latest scores, call 718-2CJC.

Chipola has two FCCAA Players of the Week

Two Chipola College athletes were named FCCAA players of the week in their respective sports.

Chipola College’s Jamarcus Ellis is this week’s FCCAA Men’s Basketball Player of the Week.

Ellis, a sophomore combo guard from Chicago, helped the Indians stay on course for another trip to the postseason by keying two big victories last week.

In No. 1 Chipola’s biggest win to date, Ellis posted 20 points, 12 rebounds, 6 assists and 1 steal in a 65-58 win at No. 2 TCC.

With his team trailing by four with 6:30 left, Ellis scored Chipola’s next 12 points during a decisive 12-2 run. He followed that with an 11-point, 4-rebound, 4-assist, 1-steal night against Pensacola on Saturday.

For the week, Ellis averaged 15.5 points, 8.0 rebounds, 5.0 assists and 1.0 steal per game while shooting 48 percent from the floor and a perfect 9-of-9 from the foul line.

Chipola College’s Melody Moore is this week’s FCCAA Softball Player of the Week.

Moore, a freshman infielder from Cameron, N.C., batted .560 (14-of-25) with 14 RBI as the Indians posted a 6-1 record last week.

Of her 14 hits, eight were for extra bases – six doubles, one triple and a home run – which resulted in a 1.000 slugging percentage.

Moore’s top performance came against Andrew on February 8 when she was 4-4 with a double, triple, three runs scored and four RBI in game one of the doubleheader.

Chipola announces art, music and theatre scholarships

Scholarship Audition dates for Music and Theatre scholarships at Chipola College for 2007-08 are set for March 8, April 12, and May 10.

Show Choir auditions are set for April 26. Students majoring in art should submit their application, letters of recommendation, and portfolio no later than April 20 to the Office of Fine and Performing Arts.

Applications in all areas may be obtained by phoning Chipola’s Fine and Performing Arts Department at 718-2277 or 718-2301. Applications are available online at www.chipola.edu by going to Departments and clicking on “Fine and Performing Arts.”

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. Show Choir auditions are open to all students in all majors. Rock and Jazz scholarships are available upon audition for instrumentalists who are not music majors.

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 information, call 850-718-2277 or 850-718-2301.

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ness and understanding which will improve the lives of our citizens. This endowment will provide resources for the many annual projects of the Honors Program.” Some 70 of the brightest students from the five-county area are enrolled in the Honors program.

Smith said the Honors program needs support from citizens who value academics. The program brings thought-provoking speakers to campus and provides opportunities for students to visit educational sites in other cities.

Dance tickets are $10 and may be purchased from any Honors student or by phoning Smith or Ivey at 526-2761. Tax-deductible gifts for the Honors Endowment also may be mailed to the Chipola College Foundation at 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446.
**College Goal Sunday set at Chipola**

Students who hope to attend college will be given a clear path to federal cash assistance during a free statewide event known as Florida College Goal Sunday on Feb. 25.

The event will begin promptly at 2 p.m. and will last until 4 p.m., in the Chipola Continuing Education Building located near the gym on College Street.

College Goal Sunday is free and open to the public. A drawing for door prizes and a $500 scholarship will be held for students who attend the event. Financial aid experts will help college-bound students and their families complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To complete the FAFSA, students must bring:

* 2006 IRS tax returns, W-2 statements, and Form 1099 (parents and students)
* Social Security number and Driver’s license (parents and students)
* Untaxed income records for the previous year (parents and students) which may include Social Security benefits; Temporary Assistance to Needy Families; Welfare and/or Veteran’s benefits

The FAFSA helps students access billions in federal funds available for college.

College Goal Sunday was designed to help dispel the idea that higher education is too expensive. The event is designed to offer information about the availability of financial aid, and expert assistance in filling out the required paperwork.

Dr. Jayne Roberts, Chipola’s Dean of Enrollment Services, said, “Many students fall through the cracks in the financial aid process because they’re intimidated by the forms and have not been exposed to the financial aid system. This event will help break down some of the barriers that prevent students from accessing funds they need to pursue higher education.”

For information, call 718-2209.

**Breaking up exhibit deals with divorce**

Chipola College will host an art exhibit entitled, “Breaking Up Is Hard To Do,” Feb. 5 through Feb. 23, in the gallery of the McLendon Fine Arts Building. The exhibit is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In “Breaking Up is Hard to Do,” a group of eight artists tell the world about divorce – each in her own way. Chipola adjunct art instructor Jacquelin Boulanger created this sculpture “When We Lay” (pictured) to depict the negatively charged space between individuals. “My pieces incorporate ritual. We don’t have much ritual in western culture.” Another of Boulanger’s works, “Vestige,” includes a vessel which holds the ashes of her former husband’s love letters.

Contributing artists include: Chipola adjunct art instructor, Jacquelin Boulanger; Mariann Berenice Kearsly; Lynn Priestley; Susan Peacock; Barbara Edwards; Leslie Puckett; Joan Matey and Mary Donahue.

For information, contact Joan Stadsklev at 718-2301.

**Tickets for Chipola’s “Oklahoma” on sale Feb. 21**

Tickets for the Chipola College Theater production of “Oklahoma” go on sale Wednesday, Feb. 21, in the Chipola Business Office.

The award-winning musical opens a five-day run, Wednesday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. Additional evening shows are Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m., and a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee.

Chipola director Charles Sirmon cast the following roles: Mike Milton as Curly, Felecia Gibson as Laurey Williams, Katie Brown as Aunt Eller, Kevin Russell as Will Parker, Jessica Lawson as Ado Annie Carnes, Alex May as Jud Fry, Justin McCoy as Ali Hakim, Charles Sirmon as Andrew Carnes, Shannon Grice as Gertie Cummings, Rowdy Wilbur as Cord Elam and Seth Basford as Ike Skidmore.

Farmers, Cowmen, Farmers’ Daughters and Wives include: Spring Taylor, Lee Shook, Aaron Summerlin, Mary-Kathryn Tanner, Charlene Wiggins, Britney Holmes, Julia Martin, Justin Curr, Arthur Obar, Ashley Bruce, Marilee Dalbey, Kristinia Lopez, Chelsea Carroll, Josh Peterson and Chris Manasco.

The production staff includes: Charles Sirmon, director; Joan Stadsklev and Angie White, musical directors; Chris Manasco, choreographer; Chris Lauen and Dr. Josh Martin, pianists; and Daniel Powell, conductor.

‘Oklahoma’ is set in a Western Indian Territory just after the turn of the century. The high-spirited rivalry between local farmers and cowboys provides the colorful background against which Curly, a handsome cowboy, and Laurey, a winsome farm girl, play out their love story. Although the road to true love never runs smooth, with these two headstrong romantics holding the reins, love’s journey is as bumpy as a surrey ride down a country road.

For information about Chipola Theater, call 718-2227.
CONGRATS. Congratulations to Connie Young and husband Steve, Chipola Vice President of Finance, on the birth of their daughter.

Katelyn Ranea Young was born on Feb. 9, weighing in at 10 lb 6 oz and measuring 22 inches in length.

Father, Mother, and siblings Michael, Mason, Taylor, and Sarah are all doing well.

BLACK HISTORY. The Black Student Union invites the public to attend a Black History Program, Friday, Feb. 23, from 6 to 8 p.m., in the Continuing Education Conference Center.

The program will be an educational, informative and entertaining look at the historical greatness of the African American Culture. The public is invited to attend.

TROY REGISTRATION. Troy University offers classes in the field of Counseling and Psychology at Chipola.

Registration for Troy’s Term 4 continues through March 9. Classes begin March 12. Students may register with an advisor at the Troy office in the Chipola University Center, Mondays or Thursdays, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., or online at www.troy.edu.

Florida residents qualify for in-state tuition.

For information, call 718-2352, or contact Lisa Kitto at 283-4449, or email lkitto@troy.edu

T-SHIRTS FOR SALE. Homecoming t-shirts are on sale now for $15 each in the Chipola Bookstore.

FSU COLLEGE OF LAW. The Florida State University College of Law invites undergraduate students to take classes in the College of Law, to learn about the Law School Admission Test, meet with prominent attorneys, and learn about the law school admissions process.

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This program begins May 21 and runs through June 15. Application deadline is March 30. For information, contact Dr. Willie E. Spires in C-106 the Social Science Building.

FREE TAX PREP. Chipola business instructor Lee Shook and his students are providing free tax preparation and electronic filing.

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