This Week

January 17 - 23, 2005

A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Spring enrollment up 2.5 percent

Chipola College continued a positive enrollment trend this term with a total of 1,874 students enrolled for Spring 2005 semester.

Total enrollment was up 2.5 percent over Spring 2004 from 1,825 to 1,874 students. First-time freshmen enrollment was up 25 percent over last spring with 572 new students this term.

The number of transfer students was up by nearly 50 percent with 146 transfers registering this term compared to only 74 last Spring.

Dean of Enrollment Dr. Jayne Roberts said the increase in enrollment is indicative of the greater emphasis students are placing on a quality education and of the college’s ability to offer those students a challenging, innovative education. “It appears that students are looking for the total package—outstanding programs, services to support students as they pursue their degrees, student organizations that offer leadership opportunities, and most of all, competent faculty and staff who are student-oriented and who understand that learning and student development take place both inside and outside of the classroom setting,” said Roberts.

College officials cite the impact of adding four-year degrees to the curriculum as contributing to the positive enrollment trend. The 57-year old institution now awards B.S. degrees in Secondary Education with majors in Mathematics and Science. The first class of Bachelor’s degree students will graduate this summer.

Other factors which have contributed to Chipola’s growth in recent years include: increased retention efforts, the presence of university programs on campus and the offer of in-state tuition for Alabama and Georgia residents.

Students may continue to register for many of Chipola’s Workforce Development programs and Continuing Education courses throughout the semester.

Chipola students leading local Tsunami relief efforts

Chipola College student leaders are spear-heading a five-county effort to raise money for the Tsunami Relief effort in Southeast Asia.

Chipola students are meeting with principals and student leaders in each of the five-county area schools to discuss fundraising opportunities on their campuses.

Students in the Chipola Honors Program, Phi Theta Kappa, Phi Beta Lambda and SGA are leading the effort which will include fundraising on the Chipola campus and at home basketball games on Jan. 18 and 25.

All funds collected will flow through the United Way of Northwest Florida. United Way International will send the money to the Church World Service Emergency Response Program which is providing immediate relief and to the United Way South Asia Response Fund which addresses long-term problems in the region.

For information, contact Bryan Craven at 718-2264

BCM to host reunion during Chipola Homecoming

As part of Homecoming 2005 at Chipola College, members of the 1978-1981 Baptist Campus Ministry organization are hosting a BCM Reunion, Saturday, Feb. 26.

The event will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Continuing Education Building Conference Room (formerly the Old Athletic Dorm) on College Street.

Alumni are asked to bring a finger food, family, and fond memories to enjoy this time of fellowship.

For further information, contact one of the following organizers: Phyllis (Tyus) Daniels, 592-4409, phedaniels@wfeca.net; Renee’ Green, 482-6899, greenNoles@aol.com; Miriam (Linder) McIntosh, 762-8929, Merm14@yahoo.com; Patty (Suggs) Melvin, 482-6674, melvinfamily@melvineng.com; or Tami (Porter) Parish, 547-3118, parishtami@yahoo.com.

17 MONDAY

• MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY - College Closed
• District Board of Trustees — 7 p.m., Bldg. Y
• Chipola Women vs. Pensacola – 5:30 p.m., R
• Chipola Men vs. Pensacola – 7:30 p.m., R

18 TUESDAY

• Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., Z
• Artist Series: RON ROMM, Internationally Renowned Trumpeter — 7 p.m., J

19 WEDNESDAY

• Phi Beta Lambda — 10 a.m., M
• Black Student Union — 10 a.m., C
• District Board of Trustees — 7 p.m., Bldg. Y
• CLAST Registration Deadline

21 FRIDAY

• Florida Teachers Certification Exam
• Show Choir Workshop — 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., I

22 SATURDAY
Chipola opens conference season this week

Chipola College opens the home conference season with a pair of games against Pensacola, Tuesday, Jan. 18, in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

The Lady Indians tip-off at 5:30 p.m. The men play at 7:30 p.m.

Chipola fans will have the chance to win a new Pontiac G-6 valued at $24,000 during halftime of the Indians’ games on Jan. 18 and 25. Hopkins Pontiac in Marianna is sponsoring the contests. Fans may register at Hopkins, at the Chipola Bookstore and during Chipola’s women’s games on Jan. 18 and 25.

Prior to the home openers, the Lady Indians travel to North Florida on Jan. 12. Both teams play at Gulf Coast on Saturday, Jan. 15.

The Indians are 17-1 following three straight wins in their road trip to Mesa, AZ. Chipola scored a 98-66 win over Chandler Gilbert on Jan. 5. Pawel Malesa led Chipola with 20 points on five three-pointers. Victor Gomez scored 16 points including four three-pointers. Jimmy Sloss added 12 points and 7 rebounds. Chipola led 48-24 at the half.

The Indians won the Championship game of the Mesa Classic in Mesa, AZ, with a 94-83 win over Vincennes University on Jan. 3. Ferreira scored 20 points and pulled in 12 rebounds. Bogdan had 16 points and 7 rebounds. Hyambelet had 12 points and 7 rebounds. Hannah added 10 points.

Chipola’s men’s games will be broadcast by Deep South Sports on WJAQ-100.9 FM.

LADY INDIANS

The Lady Indians are 14-2 overall and 1-0 in the conference following an 86-64 win over North Florida on Jan. 12. Chinata Nesbit led Chipola with 25 points. Nacole Stocks scored 16.

The team started the New Year with a whopping 70-37 win over Kaskaskia College in the Gulf Coast Classic. Chinata Nesbit led with 15 points.

Chipola suffered a 54-52 loss to Central Florida, Dec. 31 at the Gulf Coast Classic. Tamika Jackson led with 16 points and 7 rebounds. Elaine McCants scored 13.

Win a new Pontiac at Chipola’s next game

Chipola basketball fans will have the chance to win a new Pontiac G-6 valued at $24,000 during halftime of the Indians’ games on Jan. 18 and 25.

Hopkins Pontiac in Marianna is sponsoring the contests. Fans may register at Hopkins on Hwy. 90 East in Marianna, at the Chipola Bookstore and during Chipola’s women’s games on Jan. 18 and 25. The winning registrant must make two of three half court shots to win the car. All who enter will have the chance to win a trip for two to the 2005 Final Four in St. Louis.

Participants must be at least 18 and must not have played high school or college basketball in the last four years or ever have played professional basketball or ever have coached at or above the high school level. Hopkins employees, Chipola employees and their families are not eligible. Other exclusions also apply.

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Chipola Artist Series presents “A Trumpeter’s Dream”

The Chipola Artist Series will present “A Trumpeter’s Dream” Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.

Trumpeter Ron Romm and pianist Avis Romm enthrall audiences from the beginning breath to the very last breathtaking note. Avis and Romm met as students at Julliard. They have performed in thousands of concerts for well over 100 million people. Ron is a former and founding member of the world famous Canadian Brass. Avis’ expertise extends to Chamber Music, Opera, Orchestra and Musical Theater. The Sun review says, “They brought the house down with brilliance. They built it up again with refinement and sensitivity.”

The Romms will be presenting for selected high school students at the college the morning of January 19 and will also be the featured presenters at the monthly meeting of the Chipola Regional Arts Association, Jan. 18 at noon, at Jim’s Buffet & Grill. This meeting is Dutch-treat and open to the public.

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 Chipola Regional Arts Association, corporate donors, and through ticket sales. The final event of the 2005 season is The Cashore Marionettes set for Feb. 7.

Individual tickets—$12 for adults and $8 for ages 18 and under—are now sale in the college Business Office.

For information, call 850-718-2220.

Milton is Faculty/Administrator of the Month

Vikki Milton of Marianna is the recipient of the Faculty/Administrator of the Month Award at Chipola College.

Milton has worked at Chipola since 1993 where she serves as Computer Networking and Computer Applications instructor in the Business and Technology Division.

The colleague who nominated Milton for the award said, “Vikki is very thoughtful of coworkers and helps solve problems cheerfully and promptly. She is very enthusiastic about Chipola and education which has a positive impact on others.”

Milton is active in the Chipola chapter of the Florida Association of Community Colleges. She also serves on the college Governance Council, Chipola Council of Educators and the Homecoming Committee.

Milton is a Chipola alumnus who earned a degree in Business Administration majoring in Computer Science from the University Florida and an MBA from Troy State University. She holds various technical industry certifications including Microsoft’s MCP, MCSE, MCSA, and MCT.

Milton and her husband John have two children, Deck and Natalee.

The faculty/administrator award includes a plaque, reserved parking for a month, a $300 bonus, and a $50 gift certificate from the College Book Store. Monthly winners are eligible for the annual award.

Cast named for Chipola’s “Anything Goes”

Director Charles Sirmons has selected the cast for the Spring Musical “Anything Goes,” which opens March 9-13.

“Anything Goes” is a gloriously funny 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 Stadsklev, Jessica Tedesco, Terry Tanner-Smith, John Bruner, Kristina Lopez, and Chris Manasco.

For information, phone 718-2227.

Short Course Offerings

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<td>Real Estate</td>
<td>Feb. 19 - Apr. 16</td>
<td>8 a.m. - 4 p.m.</td>
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The Continuing Education Department also offers custom motivational workshops for businesses and organizations.

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

EducationToGo offers many online programs. For dates and course outlines, visit www.ed2go.com/chipola.

For information about any of these non-credit courses, call the Office of Continuing Education at 718-2395.
CHIPOLA FORD HELPS CHIPOLA—Chipola Ford and Ford Motor Company recently donated a new Ford Taurus to Chipola College’s Automotive Technology program. The car will provide learning opportunities for Chipola student technicians and ensure that Ford owners will continue to receive excellent care when serviced by Ford trained technicians at dealerships nationwide. Chipola instructor John Gardner said, “I am grateful to Chipola Ford as well as our entire advisory committee for their commitment to our automotive training program.” Pictured from left are: Matt Cox, John Gardner, Will Rogers, Jeff Howell and Robert Vargo.

**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.

**BE A PART OF IT!** If you are not a member of the FACC Chipola Chapter and would like to become a member, please contact Joyce Traynom (ext. 2201) or Mandy Suggs (ext. 2354). FACC sponsors social events, community service activities, fundraising activities, as well as being your voice in the Florida legislature.

**MEAL PLANS AVAILABLE.** The Chipola College Cafeteria now offers Meal Plans for students and employees.

A monthly breakfast card, good for 20 meals is $4 per meal or $80 per month. Lunch cards good for 20 meals are $5 per meal or $100 per month.

Cards may be purchased at the Chipola business office.

The plan is being made available through a partnership between Jackson Hospital/Morrison Health Care and the Chipola Culinary Management program.

**FREE E-FILING.** In order to help more local citizens get the most refund due them, volunteers from Chipola College, United Way and the Jackson County Development Council will offer free tax preparation, including free electronic filing, beginning Jan. 21. The free service will be available each Friday and Saturday (Jan. 22, Feb. 5, March 5, March 19 and April 2) from 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. A kick off event is planned for 10 a.m., Jan. 21, at Chipola College.

The Earned Income Tax Credit is a credit for certain low-moderate income workers. The credit may produce a refund, even if the taxpayer owes no tax. Income limitations and other rules apply. For additional information, visit irs.gov or call 1-800-829-3676 to order Publication 596, Earned Income Credit.

For information, call (850) 526-2761 x 3268.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**JANUARY**
24 Night Student Social
27 Student Ambassador Leadership Conference

**FEBRUARY**
2 Intro of Homecoming Court
2-3 Voting for Homecoming Court
7 Artist Series: Cashore Marionettes
15 Night Student Social
16 SGA Talent Show
18 Lit/Language Festival
19 CLAST Test
26 HOMECOMING DAY
26 Alumni Reception
26 BCM Reunion

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.**
1/18 Freddie Foran
1/18 Gina McAllister
1/22 Rose Cavin
1/22 Wayne Hill
1/22 Kathryn Roberts
1/23 John Tracy Spikes

**THIS WEEK**

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

Deadline for the next issue is Wednesday, Jan. 19. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

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