Top-ranked Indians still perfect after 21 games

The top-ranked Chipola Indians head to Pensacola, Jan. 19, before returning home to host Tallahassee, Saturday, Jan. 26, in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

Chipola leads the Panhandle Conference at (3-0), followed by OW (2-1), Gulf Coast (2-2), TCC (1-2) and PJC (0-3).

The Indians improved to 21-0 with a 79-68 win over Gulf Coast on Tuesday. After struggling to score early, the Indians used a 51-33 finish during the game’s final 18 minutes to take the win.

With the victory, the 21-0 Indians set a new school record for the best start to a season. Chipola won the first 20 games last season before losing to Tallahassee in double overtime.

Chipola coach Greg Heiar said, “In this league, you are going to get tested every time you step onto the court. Earlier in the year we could show up and maybe not play as well and come away with a 30-point win. That certainly is no longer the case.”

Sophomore point guard Malik led a balanced Indian attack with a team high 15 points. Mario Little scored 14 points and freshman guard Casey Mitchell added 13 points off of the bench as Chipola improved to 3-0 in Panhandle play.

“I thought our depth was a key factor,” added Heiar. “Torye Pelham (7 points and 6 rebounds) gave us a lot of energy. Vernon Teel (7 points and 4 rebounds) came in during our run and played very well. Jon Kreft was active. It doesn’t matter who is on the court, as long as they play with energy and intensity.”

Mario Edwards finished the evening with 11 points, 6 rebounds, and 4 assists and freshman Gary Flowers added 8 points and 4 rebounds in the win.

Sims is first recipient of Hudson Memorial Scholarship

Cy Sims of Marianna is the first recipient of the John Hudson Memorial Scholarship to Chipola College. Here, scholarship golf tournament committee members congratulate Sims. Pictured from left, are: Scott Jordan, John Donaldson, Cy Sims, Hunter Nolen and Ricky Miller. Tax-deductible donations to the Hudson scholarship may be mailed to the Chipola Foundation, 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446. For information, call (850) 718-2478.
Lady Indians third in Conference race

The Chipola Lady Indians play at Pensacola, Jan. 19, and at North Florida, Jan. 23, before returning home to host Tallahassee, Saturday, Jan. 26, in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center.

The Lady Indians (2-2) moved to third in the league race with a 63-51 loss to Gulf on Jan. 15, in a pair of big conference basketball match-ups. Latoya Williams led Chipola with 18 points.

The conference standings as of Jan. 17 are: Gulf Coast (4-0), TCC (3-1), Chipola (2-2), Pensacola (2-3), OW (1-2) and NFL (0-4).

The Lady Indians scored a big 52-40 win over OW on Jan. 12. Williams led Chipola with 23 points.


The Lady Indians are third in the FCCAA poll behind top-ranked Gulf Coast and second place Santa Fe. OW is fifth. TCC is sixth and Pensacola is seventh. Chipola is 12th in the NJCAA national poll.

The Lady Indians are the defending state champions having won the state title three years straight. The squad finished fifth in the 2007 national tourney.

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

National Champions Chipola ranked first in pre-season poll

The Chipola Indians are ranked first in Collegiate Baseball Newspaper’s national pre-season poll.

The defending national champions captured the won the school’s first national title in May after picking up the 2007 FCCAA state championship and the 2007 Panhandle Conference title.

Miami-Dade (9) and Palm Beach CC (12) are the only other Florida teams in the newspaper’s pre-season poll.

The Indians open the pre-conference schedule with a spate of road games at Broward CC, Jan. 25 and 26, and at Palm Beach, Jan. 27. The national champs head to the Coyote Baseball Slug Out, Jan. 31-Feb. 2, for games with Arizona Western, Southern Idaho, Southern Nevada, and Yavapai.

Chipola returns home Feb. 8-10 to host the Rahal-Miller JUCO National Classic at the Chipola field. The Indians face Walters State, College of Southern Nevada and St. Petersburg.

Chipola begins conference play March 14 at Tallahassee.

For the latest information on Chipola baseball, visit www.chipola.edu

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

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

All of Johnson’s former players, assistant coaches, managers, and their guests are invited to a luncheon with Coach Johnson on Saturday, Feb. 16, at from noon to 2 p.m. (CST) in the old college gym, now known as 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 that 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.

Former Chipola player Ronnie Myers and his wife Kitty will host a 4 p.m. reception and 5:30 p.m. dinner at their home in Marianna on Saturday.

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 in a special ceremony.

The Feb. 16 celebration follows the Chipola Night of Champions last September which brought Florida Coach Billy Donovan to the college to raise money for an endowment in honor of Coach Johnson.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough said, “Chipola has developed a national reputation in athletics, and no one has contributed more to our success over the years than Coach Milton Johnson. His basketball teams won more than 800 games during his 32 years at Chipola. We will gather to honor Coach Johnson’s legacy and to announce that we are establishing a special scholarship in his name.”

For information, call 850-510-2187 or email kaytram@yahoo.com
Got rings?

Chipola’s 2007 National Champion Baseball and Softball teams were honored at Championship Ring Ceremonies during the CC vs. OW games on Jan. 12.

‘Pop! Go the Classics’ at Chipola Thursday, Jan. 24

Tickets for the Chipola College Artists Series event “Pop! Go The Classics” are on sale now in the college Business Office.

Starring Mac Frampton and the ThreePenny Symphony, “Pop! Go The Classics” is set for Thursday, Jan. 24, at 7 p.m., in the Chipola theatre.

The performance showcases celebrated pianist and arranger Mac Frampton in a production that merges his conservatory training with his mastery of the pop and jazz idioms and original interpretations of revered classical works. Frampton has built a library of innovative arrangements based on classical themes in such as works as “Pictures at an Exhibition,” Rachmaninoff’s “Prelude In C# Minor,” “Flight of the Bumblebee.” Bach, Chopin, and of course, Gershwin are featured in this evening of classical music with a twist of pop.

Upcoming performances in the Chipola Artist series include: “Strata,” classical trio, Feb. 19; and Proteus 7, Brass Ensemble, 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.
Broome is Employee of the Month

Betty Broome (right) accepts the Chipola College January Career Employee of the Month award from college president Dr. Gene Prough. Broome has worked at Chipola for more than 22 years and now serves as Department Associate in Student Services.

Chipola Brain Bowlers perform well in TCC Tourney

The Chipola Brain Bowl Team competed in the Tom Deaton Classic in Tallahassee Jan. 11-12. Four panhandle schools made it to the semi-final round of the 28 teams in the competition.

The Chipola Blue Team lost to Pensacola in the semi-final round by a score of 195-185. Okaloosa-Walton lost to Gulf Coast in the other semi-final. Pensacola eliminated Gulf Coast in the final to win the tournament.

The Chipola Gold Team also made it to the final eight teams of the playoff round. Some other teams in attendance included: Valencia, Pasco-Hernando, Dalton State (Tennessee), Bevill State (Alabama), Lake Sumter, Seminole, and Manatee.

Chipola Blue team members are: Mark Hodge, Jantzen Whitehead, Brandon (Chuck) Bryant, and Julian (Trey) Paul.

Chipola Gold team members are: Brad Wells, Ryan Wells, Anthony Garrett, and Adam Hahn.

Chipola White Team members are: Mitchell Whitehead, Jicole Niemi, Jared Moseley, and Rachael Taylor. Mitchell Whitehead finished fifth in individual scoring among all tournament players.

Math professor Stan Young and Humanities professor Dr. Robert Dunkle coach the Chipola teams.

JOIN US. Students interested in joining a Debate/Oral Interpretation group are encouraged to contact Erin Witt at 850-547-5065 or email eronos.lookfar@yahoo.com or Carol Saunders at 526-2761, Ext. 3280, or email saundersc@chipola.edu. The group plans to meet at 2 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons in Z-107.

An ACE OPEN HOUSE is scheduled for Jan. 29 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for all students and staff. Refreshments will be served.

REP ON CAMPUS. Dr. Charles Woosley from the Harrison School of Pharmacy at Auburn will visit Chipola on Thursday, Feb. 14. Dr. Woosley will have an information table set up in the hallway of Building D from 9 a.m. until Noon. All students interested in pursuing a degree in Pharmacy are encouraged to stop by.

PHI BETA LAMBDA MEETS. Phi Beta Lambda will meet Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 10 a.m. in M204. All students interested in business are encouraged to attend.

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Tuesday & Thursday
5 - 7:30 p.m.

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