Chipola Polar Beach Party to raise funds for Honors

Chipola College will host the Polar Bear Beach Party, a benefit dance for the college Honors Program, on Saturday, Jan. 28. The Ivey Brothers band will play the dance which is set in the college Arts Center—known to locals as the old field house—the same venue where the Iveys last played in 1968. Doors open at 8 p.m. and guests can dance the night away or just reminisce with some great music until midnight.

Drummer Robert Ivey is a Chipola history instructor who serves as adviser to Chipola’s Freshman Honors program along with math instructor Bonnie Smith. Some 60 of the brightest students from the five-county area are enrolled in Honors.

According to Smith, “The Honors program needs support from citizens who value academics. The endowment will provide resources for the many annual projects of the Honors, including thought-provoking speakers and educational visits to other cities.”

Dance tickets—$10—may be purchased from any Honors student or by phoning Smith or Ivey at 526-2761.

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

The band first performed in 1965. Their versatile repertoire became well known in the Dothan club scene in the 70’s and 80’s. An 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.”

Tax-deductible gifts also may be mailed to the Chipola College Foundation noted for the Honors Program.

Chipola to host Pensacola Saturday

Both Chipola squads host Pensacola in a pair of conference games, Saturday, Jan. 28 in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. The women’s game tips off at 5:30 p.m. The men play at 7:30 p.m.

Chipola was scheduled to host Okaloosa-Walton in an important pair of conference games on Jan. 21. Call 718-2CJC for the latest scores.

The Chipola Indians held onto their number two ranking in both the state and national JUCO polls after winning the first two games in defense of their State and Panhandle Conference titles.


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The Lady Indians closed out 2005 with a 75-70 win over Central Florida on Dec. 19. Chipola started the New Year with a 73-41 romp of Middle Georgia on Jan. 7.

Phi Theta Kappa helps Shriner’s Hospital

Through the years, members of Chipola College’s Phi Theta Kappa have looked for ways to help others. This year, one particular member has a passion for helping children in the Shriner’s Hospital in Tampa.

Sophomore Valerie Jones designed a project to raise money for the Shriner’s Orthopedic Hospital. Valerie recruited students in Calhoun County and challenged individual classes to raise money for the cause. Classes collected a total of $845. The class that led in collections received an ice cream party in celebration of their efforts.

During the Christmas holidays, Valerie and fellow Phi Theta Kappa members, Joy Post, Cassie Prichard, and Timothy Kleiser, traveled to the Shriner’s Hospital with advisor, Joan Lasseter where they presented the funds to hospital administrators.

The students were treated to a tour of the facility from a “fez” attired Shriner, and visited several of the hospitalized children.

Adviser Joan Lasseter said, “The trip was not only an informative experience, but each and every participant found it personally enriching. The Shriner’s hospital operation was entirely impressive.”

Pictured from left, are: Phi Theta Kappa members Cassie Prichard, Timothy Kleiser, Joy Post, Valerie Jones, Joan Lasseter (PTK adviser), with three representatives from the Shriner’s Hospital. Chipola’s PTK and students from Calhoun County collected $845 in support of the hospital.

Bradwell Scholarship established at Chipola

Jackson County Habitat for Humanity has established the Annie Bradwell Habitat for Humanity Scholarship fund with the Chipola College Foundation. Here, Ralph Harrison, executive director of Habitat, presents a check for $5,034 to Julie Fuqua, director of the Chipola Foundation. The first scholarship will be awarded in Fall of 2007. The late Annie Bradwell was a key leader in the local Habitat for Humanity effort. She died in an automobile accident in 2004. Those wishing to make donations in her memory may contact the Foundation at 718-2445.
Continuing Education courses set at Chipola

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

A Retirement Plan Distribution class will meet Thursday, Jan. 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is $10 per person or $15 per couple.

An Introduction to Computers with Internet for Seniors class will meet Feb. 1 from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is $24.

A Cake Decorating I class will meet Thursdays, Feb. 2 through 23 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is $41. 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 (behavioral observation & screening) course will meet Feb. 4 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $38. 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.

A Real Estate Sales course will meet Saturdays, Feb. 4 through March 18 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $240.

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

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.

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.

Chipola to offer free tax preparation

Last year, 10,000 Jackson County residents claimed $7.6 million in Earned Income Tax Credits from the IRS.

This year, the total amount could be even higher. However, taxpayers who qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit must file a tax return with the IRS in order to receive a refund.

In order to help more local citizens get the most refund due them, Chipola business instructor Lee Shook is training student volunteers to provide free tax preparation, including free electronic filing, beginning Jan. 27. The free service will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Fridays from Jan. 27 through April 15, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturdays (Jan. 28, Feb. 11, Feb. 25, March 11, March 25, and April 8).

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 free tax assistance, call Lee Shook at (850) 526-2761 x 3268.

Stadsklev honored for work in the arts

The Foundation for Academic Educators, Inc. in Ft. Myers have made two gifts totaling $11,500 to the Chipola College Foundation in recognition of the outstanding work of Joan Stadsklev, Chipola’s Director of the Fine and Performing Arts.

In making the gift, the organization’s president, Marjorie M. Gruber, noted that the funds are intended for use by faculty members to further their education or to bring speakers/facilitators on campus to reach a larger number of faculty members.

Stadsklev began teaching at Chipola on a part-time basis in 1976, and went to full time staff in 1986. She has been in her current position as Director of Fine & Performing Arts for 18 years.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough, said, “Joan is very worthy of this honor. She does an excellent job of leading Chipola’s fine and performing arts program.”

CHIPOLA CORRECTIONS GRADS—Fourteen candidates recently completed the Basic Corrections Academy at Chipola College. Graduates are, from left: (front) Jacob Baxter of Malone, Julia Ann Davis of Blountstown, Christopher Deese of Grand Ridge, Miriam Evans of Tallahassee, Cynthia Grant of Alford, Dewayne Henry of Marianna, Theresa Mc Leroy of Greenwood, Ladonna Martin of Marianna, Jonathan Poole of Marianna, Kassidy Streetman of Marianna, April Williams of Marianna, Deborah Hodge of Greenwood, Antwan Brown of Chipley and Dustin Jordan of Marianna.
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. Chipola College Student Ambassadors and Phi Theta Kappa members will host a leadership conference on Thursday, Jan. 26. The top ten seniors from the 16 area high schools will attend the conference. An all day affair, the Leadership Conference will include leadership games, workshops, and free food. The students will gain valuable knowledge from speakers on a variety of leadership topics. Small group sessions will allow the students to interact with each other and the college students.

HOMECOMING PLANS. Chipola will celebrate Homecoming the week of February 13-18. The Indians will host the Gulf Coast Commodores on Saturday, Feb. 18 and this year’s theme is “Shiver Their Timbers.”

Candidates for Mr. Chipola and Homecoming Queen will be introduced at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 1 in the Arts Center. Voting for the candidates will take place at the following locations. You must be a currently enrolled student to vote.

February 1
Arts Center - 10-11 a.m.
Student Activities - 11 - 4 p.m.
Building Z Lobby - 5 - 6 p.m.

February 2
Student Activities - until noon.

Chipola’s 2006 Homecoming Queen and Mr. Chipola will be crowned at halftime of the men’s basketball game on Feb. 18.

Continue to check out Chipola This Week for more Homecoming information.

FOUNDATIONS MEETS. The Chipola College Foundation Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, January 24, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. in the Foundation House Conference Room.

ENC 1102 STUDENTS. If you have a copy of The Art of Critical Reading, used in REA 1205 that you no longer need, the Bookstore will buy it back now.

HUMANITIES STUDENTS. If you have a copy of Writing About Literature, used in ENC 1102 that you no longer need, the Bookstore will buy it back now.

BOOK RETURN. Students who tried to sell back a Perrine’s English 1102 textbook and were turned away because the book was damaged, can bring it to the bookstore for a replacement copy. Thomson Publishing has agreed to replace the inferior textbooks. Books must be returned by Feb. 2.

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.

WELCOME. Angie White is the new FSU Program Coordinator located in the University Center on the Chipola Campus.

Students interested in seeking the RN-to-BSN degree here at Chipola or students interested in transferring to FSU-Panama City should contact her at ext. 2419 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome!

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. The ID picture also will be used for the Chipola Yearbook unless a waiver is on file in the Admissions and Records Office. Scheduled times for ID’s are Tuesdays (8-11 & 1-3:30) and Wednesdays (8-11) in Building A, Room 107. A special time has been set for Wednesday, Jan. 25, from 4 – 6:30 p.m. Students must bring a white copy of the Spring 2005 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 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday 5 - 7:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Thursdays 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday 5 - 7:30 p.m.
For more information concerning specific tests available, call 718-2284.

LIBRARY HOURS:
Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday 2-6 p.m.

LOCATOR

A- Administration  I- Arts Center  Q- Health Science
B- Library  J- Theater  R- Johnson Health Center
C- Social Science  K- Cafeteria, Bookstore  S- Continuing Ed/Conference Ctr
D- Fink Natural Science  L- University Center  T- Pool
E- Physical Plant Office  M- Business A  U- Foundation House
F- Residence Hall  N- Workforce Devel Labs  Y- Public Service
G- Student Services  O- Success Center, Electronics  Z- Literature/Language
H- McLendon Fine Arts  P- Automotive Tech