This Week

January 30 - February 5, 2006

A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Chipola College has named the late David Coley as the 2006 Alumnus of the Year.

Coley was elected to the Florida House of Representatives District 7 seat in November of 2004. He died of liver cancer in March of 2005. Coley’s wife, Marti, also a Chipola alumnus, was elected to fill David’s seat in June of 2005. The Coleys have three children Kristin, Vance and Hunter.

David also worked at Chipola as a Special Services Coordinator for the college’s Bachelor’s Degree programs. He was a Chipola graduate in the class of 1982.

Coley formerly served as an aide to Florida House Speaker Allan Bense. He also was a congressional aide to former U.S. Rep. Bill Grant and was aide to former Florida Representatives Robert Trammell and Jamey Westbrook.

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For assistance, call Lee Shook at (850) 526-2761, Ext. 3268.

THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

30 MONDAY

• Student Government Association — 2 p.m., A156

31 TUESDAY

• Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., Z116

FEBRUARY

1 WEDNESDAY

• Introduction of Homecoming Candidates & Voting — 10 a.m., Arts Center
• PBL — 10 a.m., M204 / BSU — 10 a.m., C104
• BCM — 10 a.m., H108
• Homecoming Voting — 5 - 6 p.m., Z Lobby

2 THURSDAY

• Homecoming Court Voting, Cont. — 8 a.m. - Noon, K104

3-4 FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

• Regional Brain Bowl Competition

4 SATURDAY

• Cheerleader Extravaganza — 9 a.m., R

Cheerleaders to host extravaganza

The Chipola College Cheerleaders will host their annual Cheerleading Extravaganza on Saturday, Feb. 4.

The event begins at 9 a.m. at the Milton H. Johnson Health Center, with participating squads coming at 8:30 a.m. for the warm-up session prior to the competition.

Two new competition divisions have been added this year: Straight Cheer and Straight Dance (no tumbling or stunts in either).

Complete rules and information can be accessed at the Chipola website: www.chipola.edu by clicking on “Athletics” and then “Cheerleaders.”

For information, contact cheerleader coaches Geraldine DeFelix at 718-2322, or Melissa Laramore at 482-1333.

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Chipola Indians on the road this week

Chipola’s men’s and women’s basketball teams will travel to Gulf Coast on Wednesday, Feb. 1. The Lady Indians will travel to North Florida on Saturday, Feb. 4. The teams will return home on Saturday, Feb. 11 to host Tallahassee in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. Women play at 5:30 p.m. The men tip of at 7:30 p.m.

Both Chipola squads were scheduled to host Pensacola, Saturday, Jan. 28. Call the hotline at 718-2CJC for the latest game results.

The Chipola Indians improved to a number one ranking in the state and number two ranking in the national JUCO polls after winning the first four games in defense of their State and Panhandle Conference titles.

Chipola improved to 4-0 in league play and 21-1 overall with a 70-68 win on the road over Tallahassee on Jan. 24. DeAndre Thomas led the Indians with 18 points. Stefhon Hannah added 14 points and Gerard Jackson had 11 points.

Chipola won a heated battle over Okaloosa-Walton on Jan. 21. The Indians pulled out the 69-68 win with Thomas leading the scoring with 24 points. Ryne Hamblet added 18 and Jamarcus Ellis had 14 for the night.


Nacole Stocks led the ladies with 23 points. Hannah and Jackson each scored 9.

The Lady Indians held on to second place in the state poll and sixth place in the national poll after a big win over Tallahassee’s women 65-48 on Jan. 24. Nacole Stocks led the ladies with 23 points.

Ta’yani Clark added 17.


The Lady Indians are the defending Florida Region VIII champions.

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

Science Club to offer physics seminars

Dr. Clifford M. Will will be the guest speaker at two Chipola College science seminars Friday, Feb. 10, in the Chipola Theatre.

There will be a general campus seminar at 10 a.m. titled, “The Search for Black Holes,” which deals with the properties of black holes and predictions made from general relativity that may give direct observational evidence for the existence of these distortions of space-time.

The general public is invited to a second seminar at 7 p.m. titled, “Was Einstein Right?” In this seminar, he will focus on the 100 year history of Einstein’s Theory of General Relativity including tests of the theory based on evidence from planetary probes, radio telescopes, and atomic clocks, as well as how relativity plays a role in daily life.

Dr. Will’s research interests are theoretical, encompassing the observational and astrophysical implications of Einstein’s general theory of relativity, including gravitational radiation, black holes, cosmology, the physics of curved spacetime, and the theoretical interpretation of experimental tests of general relativity.

He is the James S. McDonnell Professor of Physics, and member of the McDonnell Center for the Space Sciences at Washington University in St. Louis. Born in Hamilton, Canada, he received his pre-college and college education there, obtaining a B.Sc. in Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics from McMaster University in 1968. In 1971, he obtained a Ph.D. in Physics from the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, and remained at Caltech for one year as an Instructor in Physics. He was an Enrico Fermi Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Chicago from 1972 to 1974. In 1974 he joined the faculty of Stanford University as an Assistant Professor of Physics, and remained there until 1981. From 1975 to 1979, he was an Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Fellow, and during 1978-79 a Mellon Foundation Junior Faculty Fellow. In 1981 he joined Washington University in St. Louis as Associate Professor, in 1985 became Professor of Physics, and in 1997-2002 served as Chairman, and in 2005 was named McDonnell Professor.

He has published over 160 scientific articles, including 13 major review articles, 26 popular or semi-popular articles, and two books, Theory and Experiment in Gravitational Physics and Was Einstein Right?

The event is sponsored by the Science Club in conjunction with the Chipola Honors Program and the Student Government Association.

For information about the seminar, call Jeff Bodart at 526-2761, Ext. 3252.
Continuing Education courses set at Chipola

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

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, February 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.

Homecoming plans underway at Chipola

Chipola College will celebrate Homecoming 2006, the week of Feb. 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.

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

Feb. 2 - Student Activities until noon.

Other student activities for the week include a building decoration contest and Homecoming Talent Show.

Homecoming Night, Saturday, Feb. 18, 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. in the Chipola Appreciation Club Room. All alumni and friends are invited to attend the reception.

Pencie Wester, Chipola’s oldest alumnum, and her family will be the special guests for Homecoming 2006. Wester, who lives in Grand Ridge, will turn 100 on June 19 of this year.

The Indians take on the Commodores in the men’s game at 7:30 p.m. Chipola’s 2006 Homecoming Queen and Mr. Chipola will be crowned during halftime.

For more information on Homecoming events, call the SGA office at 718-2308 or 718-2314.

Chipola celebrates National Career and Technical Education Week

Students and faculty in the 40 career and technical education programs at Chipola College will celebrate National Career and Technical Education week February 12-18, 2006. The theme of this year’s celebration is Career Tech: Education for Success. The special activities scheduled emphasizes the role career tech education and its business/industry partners play in helping youths and adults achieve career success in the new Millennium.

“We take great pride in highlighting the career education programs at Chipola College in that they prepare students to be employed in a global marketplace. Our programs are always open for the public to see the level of skills students gain here and how, by working with people from the business community, we’re preparing students of all ages to be productive workers and community leaders,” said Bud Riviere, Dean of Workforce Development.

According to the Association for Career and Technical Education, research shows that many of the country’s fastest-growing occupations require the technical skills taught in career tech education programs. Research also shows that among high school graduates entering the workforce, those with a technical education background earns more than those without this advantage.

For more information about the Workforce Development programs offered at Chipola College, call 718-2270.

Chipola to cut ribbon for new buildings

The Chipola College District Board of Trustees and college president Dr. Gene Prough invite the public to attend Ribbon-Cutting Ceremonies to celebrate the opening of the college’s new Student Services Building, Administration Building and the Reddoch Annex Fire Tower and Burn Building on Tuesday, Feb. 21.

An Open House will be held from 2-4 p.m. in the Student Services/Administration Building. Ceremonies will begin at 3 p.m.
RECEIVE YOUR REFUND FASTER WITH DIRECT DEPOSIT. Want your refund faster? Have it deposited directly into your bank account. More taxpayers are choosing direct deposit as the way to receive their federal tax refunds.

· Security. The payment is secure — there is no check to get lost. Each year thousands of refund checks are returned by the US Post Office to the IRS as undeliverable mail. It is also the best way to guard against having a tax refund stolen.

· Convenience. There’s no special trip to the bank to deposit a check!

To request direct deposit, follow the instructions for “Refund” on your tax return.

Want an even faster refund? Try e-file! Taxpayers who file electronically get their refunds in about half the time as those who file paper returns.

Some financial institutions do not allow a joint refund to be deposited into an individual account. Check with your bank or other financial institution to make sure your direct deposit will be accepted. Also, make sure you have the correct nine-digit routing number and your account number when selecting direct deposit.

For more information about direct deposit of your tax refund visit the IRS Web site, IRS.gov, or call 1-800-TAX-FORM. IRS Tax Tip 2006-19

BOOK RETURN. Students who have a damaged Perrine’s English 1102 textbook can bring it to the bookstore for a replacement copy. 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.

COURSE SET. Chipola College is now accepting applications for a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) course. Application deadline is Feb. 1. The eight-week course will meet from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and will alternate between Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday classes.

The final week of the course will include clinical experiences for eight hours each day.

The cost is approximately $500. Students must take the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) test and submit scores with their application.

For information, call 850-718-2278.

IDENTITY SEMINAR. Chipola employees are invited to attend an Identity Theft seminar hosted by the Information Systems department and Chipola’s FACC chapter. The seminar will be held from 2:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, and again on Thursday, Feb. 23 in Jackson Hall. Please contact Glenda Bethel at ext. 2217 if you can attend either of the seminars.

NEW IDS NEEDED. Students must present new Chipola ID cards to access the libraries 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. - 2:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 5 - 7:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS: Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 5 - 7:30 p.m.

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.

CONDOLENCES. The Chipola family is saddened by the loss of Diane Smith, mother of Chipola adjunct instructor Jessica Craven and mother-in-law of Public Relations Director Bryan Craven. Please keep this family in your thoughts and prayers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.

1/31 Cherry Ward
2/1 Belinda Hendrix

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

Deadline for the next issue is noon, Wednesday, Feb. 1. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

TECH CENTER HOURS:
Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sunday 2-5:30 p.m.

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