

Chipola This Week

January 13-19, 2003

— A newsletter for Chipola Junior College students, employees, and friends —

Chipola enjoying record enrollment

Chipola Junior College is experiencing the greatest Spring enrollment increase in recent history.

A total of 1,815 students were enrolled through Thursday, Jan. 9, the final day of late registration, up 19 percent over last Spring's 1,524 figure. Full-time Equivalency (FTE), an average calculation of the number of hours students take, also is up more than 15 percent to 450, compared to 390 last Spring.

"We are excited that so many students have chosen to attend Chipola," said CJC president Dr. Gene Prough. "Chipola offers a quality education and we have worked to make our programs more accessible to the people in our area."

The president cites three factors that may have affected enrollment: a new program for local school paraprofessionals, expanded university offerings on campus and the college's retention program. The new paraprofessional program began this Fall with more than 80 paraprofessionals (teachers' aides) from three county school districts—Holmes, Jackson and Washington—enrolled. CJC officials designed an afternoon program just for the paraprofessionals who must meet educational requirements of the Federal No Child Left Behind Act.

Prough said a greater emphasis on retention may also account for part of the increase. "Our faculty and staff work hard to

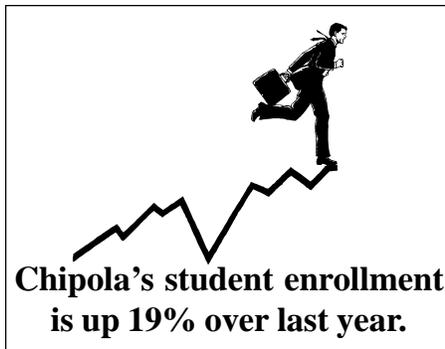
help students overcome obstacles and stay in college. I believe we are just beginning to see the results of these retention efforts," Prough said.

The presence of four-year and advanced degree programs at Chipola also has positively affected enrollment. Dr. Kitty Myers, Dean of University programs, said, "Many students are enrolling in our AA program because they know that they can finish here without having to travel or relocate." An estimated 300 students are currently enrolled in university programs offered by FSU and UWF on the CJC campus. Enrollment in the University Center is expected to grow with the addition of FSU's Business Administration degree and Chipola's own four-year degree which may begin in Fall 2003.

Dean of Student Services Dr. Joan Miller said, "The college's expanded nursing program, a recent reduction in tuition for Alabama and Georgia residents and the national economy are some of the variables which I believe have led to this increase."

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

For more information, call the Registration Office at 718-2211.



Basketball This Week

Date	Opponent	Time	Women/Men
Sat. Jan. 18	PENSACOLA	5:30/7:30 PM	W/M

Home games are in all caps. All times are Central Standard Time.



featuring the
Chipola Show Choir

January 16 and 17, 2003

7:30 p.m.

CJC Theatre

Tickets—\$10 for general admission and \$4 for students—are available from the main office in the McLendon Fine Arts Building. CJC students and employees are entitled to one comp ticket. Sellout performances are expected. For information, call 718-2221.

this week at Chipola

13 MONDAY

- ♦ Student Government—2 p.m., Z116
- ♦ Night Student Social—7 p.m., D Lobby

14 TUESDAY

- ♦ FSU Rep on campus—10 a.m., C

16 THURSDAY

- ♦ FACC Executive Board Meeting—2 p.m., Z
- ♦ Jazzmatazz—7:30 p.m., J

17 FRIDAY

- ♦ CLAST Registration Deadline
- ♦ Jazzmatazz—7:30 p.m., J

18 SATURDAY

- ♦ CJC vs Pensacola (W)—5:30 p.m., R
- ♦ CJC vs Pensacola (M)—7:30 p.m., R

20 MONDAY

- ♦ Martin Luther King Holiday—College Closed

Melvin is CJC Alumnus of the Year



Engineer David H. Melvin has been named the Chipola Junior College Alumnus of the Year.

The 1981 CJC graduate is an engineer by profession, but he is on a mission to bring character education to the forefront in his community.

Melvin owns a successful engineering firm with 40 employees in two cities. He is also the father of seven. David and his wife Patty were looking for some positive ways to teach their children about good character when they first learned about Character First. The program describes 49 character traits through a series of writings, posters, videos, and a monthly newsletter. The family studied concepts like obedience, tolerance, generosity and creativity. Melvin said the results were nothing short of amazing.

The program had such a positive effect on his family that he decided to take it to his office. He introduces a new character trait at monthly staff meetings along with a review of the previous month's focus. When employees are recognized on the anniversary of their hiring, Melvin praises them in the meeting for exemplifying a particular character trait.

His employees embraced the program

and many have introduced character training to their own families. But Melvin didn't stop at the office. He continued to spread the word about character training. In 2001, he introduced the idea at a countywide meeting, and local officials signed resolutions designating Marianna and Jackson County as Communities of Character.

Melvin says, "Good character transcends age, position, financial status, race, religion, education, gender and personality. It enables people to see the wise decision in every situation and provides the courage to choose that route."

The 43-year-old is quick to point out that character training made a difference in his life. "My office was a mess, until I learned the trait of orderliness. We would leave things undone after a big project, until we began to understand thoroughness," said Melvin.

He recently established the non-profit Character Council of Northwest Florida, Inc., to promote character awareness and to obtain funding to boost character development initiatives in local communities. Participating groups and individuals pledge to promote the Character Quality of the Month, to implement a character program and to encourage other organizations to consider a character focus.

Melvin's character was evident during his years at Chipola. He was elected Student Government President of Florida's 28 community colleges. He was awarded the Chipola Board of Trustees Scholarship

and the University of Florida Community College Scholarship. He graduated Magna Cum Laude from Chipola then transferred to the University of Florida where he was a member of Tau Beta Pi, the Engineering Honor Society.

The Marianna native has high praise for Chipola. "I appreciated and enjoyed my Chipola experience. When I began classes at the University of Florida, I felt I was better prepared than the students who took their first two years at the university." He graduated from UF with honors in civil engineering, and went on to earn an MBA from Florida State University. He established his engineering/consulting business in 1989. The firm has become known not only for its quality and commitment to clients, but also for its company philosophy of integrity, trust and character.

Melvin is a registered engineer in four states and is a member of several professional engineering societies. He has worked on a number of projects in his hometown of Marianna, including the Jackson County Water and Sewer System, the Historic Russ House and Commons, the City of Marianna Street Paving, the Jackson County Countywide Resurfacing Program and an addition to Chipola's new Literature/Language Building.

Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough says, "David represents the best of our alumni. He has achieved great success in the field of engineering, and now he is making a positive impact on his community."

Soprano Alison England to perform at CJC

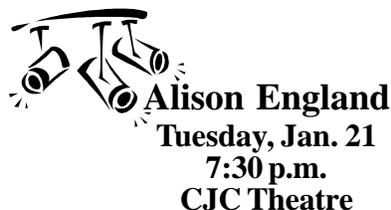
Soprano Alison England hits the Chipola Junior College stage Tuesday, **Jan. 21**, to open the 2003 portion of the Chipola Artist Series.

Tickets—\$12 for adults, \$8 for ages 18 and under, and \$4 for current CJC students—are on sale in the CJC Business Office.

England's one woman show Opera, Broadway & Beyond includes selections from Romeo & Juliet, Carmen, South Pacific, Carousel, The King and I, My Fair Lady, Phantom of the Opera, Easter Parade and many others.

England recently finished her second season as a featured operatic artist on ABC's Dharma & Greg. She can be seen in

Sky-Tel's national commercial as "Brunnehilde," and is sought after as a recitalist and artist-in-residence around the



country. Her debut album Harp & Soul is due for release this year.

The stellar singer/actress/comedienne has starred at Lincoln Center, Kennedy Center, The Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, Orange County Performing Arts Center and

Ambassador Auditorium. She has appeared with the Los Angeles, Miami, Honolulu, Miami and Redlands Symphonies and has sung leading roles with the Seattle, Miami, St. Louis, Long Beach and Kansas City Operas. She has starred in "The Sound of Music," "The King & I," "Hello Dolly."

The Artist Series is funded through Chipola's Performing Arts Fund, and 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 ticket information, call the CJC Business Office at 718-2220.

Chipola hoopsters open conference with wins over Tallahassee

Both Chipola basketball squads opened the conference season with wins over Tallahassee on Wednesday, Jan. 8.

The Indians improved to 14-5 and 1-0 in the conference with 70-69 win over the Eagles.

Head coach Ryan Cross said, "We had some chances to build our lead and put the game away at times, but they hung around and actually had the lead late in the game." Brandon Freeman made a big three to give the Indians the lead late in the game.

JueMichael Young led Chipola with 22 points and 10 rebounds. Freeman scored 19 points. Michael Wilds added 10.

The Indians travel to Okaloosa-Walton on Saturday, Jan. 11. OW is ranked first in the country, but they defeated Gulf Coast by only one point on Wednesday. Cross said, "They haven't lost at home in four or five years, so it will be a big test for us Saturday night."

Cross is optimistic about his team's chances this season. "This is the best team we've had in my three years. And we're finally at full strength with everybody healthy. Wednesday was the first time in a while that we've had our whole team together. I think we should start playing our best basketball."

Starting point guard Nick Williams, a pre-season All American transfer from Kansas State, returned to the CJC lineup this week.

The Lady Indians improved to 10-6 and 1-0 in the conference with a 63-53 win over the Lady Eagles on Wednesday.

Kayla Ard led Chipola with 22 points and 6 rebounds. Lanita Carter scored 12 points and pulled down 10 rebounds. Reginette Maddox scored 9 points with six rebounds and five assists. Rebecca Montz scored 9. Chipola led 31-26 at the half. Both teams travel to Okaloosa-Walton on Saturday, Jan.

11. TCC was ranked 17th in the nation. Head coach Jason Keene said, "It was a good win for us to start the conference with a win at home. The girls did a good job."

Maddox leads the squad in scoring, averaging 15.5 points per game. She is also tenth in state in scoring. Montz is averaging 11.8 points a game, putting her at number 22 on the state scoring list.

The Lady Indians welcomed back Amber Bryant on Wednesday, who returned following ACL surgery.

For the latest scores, call the CJC Hotline at 718-2CJC.

CJC Workforce programs have openings

Registration is ongoing for a number of Workforce Development programs at CJC.

Most programs feature open enrollment, which allows students to enroll at any time and complete programs at their own pace. All programs offer excellent job placement potential. Financial aid is available, and remedial assistance is provided for most programs. Several programs have reached capacity for the semester, but have established waiting lists.

Certificate Programs include: Accounting Applications, Applied Welding Technologies, Automotive Service Technology, Commercial Food and Culinary Arts, Correctional Officer, Computer Electronics Technology, Electronics Technology, Emergency Medical Technician, Grooming & Salon Services (formerly Cosmetology), Law Enforcement, Combination Law Enforcement & Corrections, Office Specialist and Telecommunications.

Associate in Science Degree Programs include: Business Administration & Management, Child Development & Education, Computer Information Technology, Networking Services Technology, Criminal Justice Technology, Culinary Management, Dental Hygiene, Electronic Engineering Technology, Fire Science Technology, Recreation Technology, Telecommunications Technology, and Office Technology with a choice of four specializations: Medical Secretarial, Legal Secretarial, Office Management and Word Processing.

The CJC Success Center has openings for students who need help with testing skills, GED Prep, academic confidence or a refresher in Reading, Language, Math and Pre-algebra in order to continue their education in Academics or Work Force Development Programs.

For information about CJC Workforce programs, call 718-2270.

Corrections course set at CJC

Application deadline for Chipola's next evening course in Basic Corrections is Feb. 10.

The class will begin Feb. 18, and will meet weeknights from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Applicants must be at least 19 years of age, be of good moral character, possess a valid

driver's license, earn a passing score on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) and meet FDLE requirements. Students are encouraged to apply early due the extensive application process.

For information, call (850) 718-2394.

Short Course Offerings

10 Hour Childcare Training - Behavior Observation	Jan. 18	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.	\$31.
10 Hour Childcare Training - Mainstreaming	April 5	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.	\$31.
20 Hour Childcare Training	Begins March 8		\$62.
Introduction to Computers for Seniors	Jan. 23 and Feb. 11		\$20.
Introduction to Computers	Jan. 14		\$45.
Word I - Office 97	Jan. 22	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	\$45.
Excel I - Office 97	Jan. 28	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	\$45.
First Aid	Feb. 18/20	5 - 9:30 p.m.	\$40.
CPR	Feb. 4/6	5 - 9 p.m.	\$34.
Cake Decorating Courses	Mondays	6 - 8:30 p.m.	\$28.
	Cake I - Feb. 3 - 24, Cake II - Mar. 3 - 31		
Sign Language I	Mondays, Jan. 27 - April 7	7 - 9 p.m.	\$33.
Sign Language II	Mondays, Jan. 27 - April 7	5 - 7 p.m.	\$33.
Real Estate	Saturdays, Feb. 1 - Mar. 11	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.	195.

EducationToGo offers online programs in a number of areas, including: Internet, Computers, Certification Prep, Writing, Personal Enrichment, Test Prep, Business, Legal, Nursing, Large Business/Management, and Design and Media Certification Programs. Visit www.ed2go.com/chipola. Online courses on a variety of subjects also are available at www.elementk.com.

For information about any of these non-credit courses, call the Office of Continuing Education at 718-2395.



INTRAMURAL UPDATE. We would like to congratulate the Science Club for taking top honors in the Flag-football league that finished up before the Christmas break. This puts them in the top spot to represent Chipola at "Sports Day" a competition between area colleges to be held this Spring. Hats off to the "Hurricanes" for a strong 2nd place finish. Thanks for the participation of the other teams, which were: Automotive, Firefighting and Corrections.

3 ON 3 BASKETBALL AND BOWLING LEAGUE SCHEDULED TO START.

We have four teams signed up for the 3 on 3 league with room for more before play begins. This will be a less formal schedule of play based on the availability of the gym. All teams must complete four games supervised by the Intramurals director. The winning team will also be eligible to attend the Sports Day.

We are also putting the finishing arrangements with Kindel Lanes to offer a Monday and Wednesday night Student Bowling League. All are welcome to compete or bowl just for fun. Those bowling for ranking must bowl six complete games and turn in score cards to the Intramural Coordinator.

For information, call Ext. 3466, or visit Public Service Building, Room #138.

Rance Massengill, Intramurals



REP ON CAMPUS. A recruiter from the Panama City Campus of Florida State University will be in the hallway of the Social Science Building (C) on Tuesday, Jan. 14, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.



THIS WEEK'S MENU.

- Monday**
Turkey Tetrazini
Stuffed Bell Peppers
- Tuesday**
Chicken Pot Pie
Beef Peppersteak
- Wednesday**
Turkey Pilaf
Rotisserie Chicken
- Thursday**
B-B-Q Chicken
Vegetable Lasagna
- Friday**
Spaghetti and Meatballs
Chicken and Rice



NEW LIBRARY HOURS. The Library and the Information Technology Center have reopened after renovation and regular hours have resumed. Library hours for Spring Semester are as follows:

- Monday - Thursday**
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
 - Friday**
7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 - Sunday (starting 1/26/03)**
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Tech Center hours for Spring Semester are as follows:
- Monday - Thursday**
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
 - Friday**
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 - Sunday (starting 1/26/03)**
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



PARKING REMINDER. White and unpainted spots are for students. Green parking spots are for CJC employees. Red designates fire lanes and blue is for disabled persons.

CJC Parking Services will issue parking tickets. Parking fines are \$5 and up, if paid within 24 hours. Students are required to display CJC parking decals. Failure to pay fines will result in a hold on registration and student records.



CJC STUDENT OF THE MONTH.

Nominate your favorite CJC student for Student of the Month. Nominees should be currently enrolled CJC students with a 2.5 GPA or higher. The nominee should be involved in at least two CJC clubs, organizations or activities and at least one community organization or activity. Winners will be published in Chipola This Week and will receive a medal. Applications are available in the Student Activities Office, Building K, Room 104. All applications are due by the 15th of each month. The winner will be voted on by the SGA Student of the Month Committee and announced by the end of the month.



PBL NEWS. Phi Beta Lambda will meet Wednesday, Jan. 15, at 10 am in M204. PBL is for all students with an interest in business. PBL provides opportunities for students to develop career abilities and to promote civic and personal responsibility.

At Wednesday's meeting we will choose homecoming representatives and building decorations and sign up for District Competition in Tallahassee. Contact Kathryn Roberts in M208G or at Ext. 3269.



LOST AND FOUND.

Lost: Black Leather Jacket
Lost and Found is located in Student Services, Building G.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- JANUARY**
20 Martin Luther King Holiday
- FEBRUARY**
6 Lion's Club Pancake Supper
3-8 Homecoming Week
8 HOMECOMING
- MARCH**
5-8 FCCAA State Basketball Tourney
18 Last day to withdraw from a class for Spring Term
24-28 Spring Break Holidays
- APRIL**
2 Spring Frolics - classes dismissed from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
4 Last day to resign from all classes for Spring Term
7 Early Summer Registration for currently enrolled students with 30+ hours
8 Early Summer Registration for currently enrolled students
17 College Application Deadline - Summer I
25 Last Class Day - Spring Term
28-30 Final Exams
- MAY**
1 Last Faculty Work Day - Spring Term
Graduation

THIS WEEK

"Chipola This Week" is a weekly publication of the CJC PR Office.

Deadline for the next issue is noon, **Thursday, Jan. 16.** Articles will be printed as space permits. Call ext. 2265, or e-mail Evelyn Ward.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.

- Jan. 16 Joan Miller
- Jan. 18 Freddie Foran
- Jan. 18 Gina McAllister

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	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	