Chipola Night of Champions to honor Milton H. Johnson

Chipola Appreciation Club officials on Tuesday announced that Billy Donovan—coach of the Florida Gators two-time national champions—will headline Chipola’s Night of Champions event on Sept. 20 to honor retired Chipola coaching legend Milton H. Johnson.

“This has been a storybook year for the Chipola athletics program with four state championships and national titles in baseball and softball,” said college president Dr. Gene Prough. “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 over 800 games during his 32 years at Chipola. On Sept. 20 we will gather to honor Coach Johnson’s legacy and to announce that we are establishing a special scholarship in his name.”

The Night of Champions will cap off a year-long celebration of Chipola’s unparalleled success in junior college athletics with all four of the college’s teams winning state championships and baseball and softball capturing national championships.

“Like the Gators, Chipola accomplished something last year that’s never been done before,” said athletic director Dr. Dale O’Daniel. “It’s very appropriate that our guest speaker on Sept. 20 is head basketball coach of the University of Florida, which has won two straight NCAA basketball championships and was this year’s national champion in both football and basketball.”

“A key reason why we’ve been able to achieve such success in athletics,” said event organizer and Chipola alumnus Robert Trammell, “is the commitment of our alumni and friends to endow athletic scholarships. Through events like this, we have raised more than $1 million in our athletic scholarship endowment. Without such strong support from the private sector, the rising cost of operating athletic programs would prevent us from continuing the national-level programs we’ve put in place at Chipola.”

Other featured speakers at the Sept. 20 event will be Chipola alumnus Cliff Ellis, the 1999 NJCAA National Coach of the year, who recently was named head coach at Coastal Carolina. Ellis has coached teams to championships in three different conferences – ACC (Clemson), SEC (Auburn) and Sun Belt (South Alabama).

Ellis will be joined by Chipola’s “fab four” head coaches who led their teams to national prominence this season: David Lane, women’s basketball; Greg Heiar, men’s basketball; Belinda Hendrix, softball; and Jeff Johnson, baseball.

Tickets for the dinner are $75, most of which is tax-deductible. For information, call 850-718-2375.

Chipola Employees eligible for free tuition

Full-time employees who have worked at Chipola for one year are eligible for free tuition for one course per term on a space-available basis. The employee is responsible for any special fees associated with the class which may include lab, applied music, DIS, distance learning, and supply fees. All credit hour classes qualify except for those specific to limited access programs (i.e. Nursing). Vocational clock-hour and Continuing Education courses are not eligible. Employees must gain supervisor approval, complete a college application and register through Enrollment Services. Chipola employee fee waiver forms are available in the Business Office.
Learn to play Guitar at Chipola College

Chipola will offer a Guitar class during the Fall semester. Andrew Stroud is the instructor for the course which will offer instruction from beginning to advanced guitar in a class setting. Some departmental guitars are available, but students are encouraged to bring their own guitars if possible.

The course meets Thursdays from 3 to 4:50 p.m. in the McLendon Fine Arts Building, Aug. 23 through Dec. 6.

Non-degree seeking students should apply to Chipola as a non-degree seeking student, be accepted for admission, and register for MVS 1116-001 (beginning guitar) or MVS 2126-001 (advanced guitar). Cost is approximately $80, plus textbook.

College application deadline is August 2; however, late applications will be accepted through August 23.

For information, contact Joan Stadsklev at 850-718-2301.

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Mon– Wed 7 am – 5 pm
Thurs 7 am – 4:30 pm
TECH CENTER
Mon– Wed 8 am – 4 pm
Thurs 8 am – 3:30 pm
SUCCESS CENTER/
TESTING CENTER
Mon– Thurs
8 am – 2:30 pm
ACE
Academic Center
for Excellence
Mon–Wed 8 am – 5 pm
Thurs 9 am – 2 pm

CONTINUING ED. A Child Growth & Development course will meet Mondays, August 20 through Dec. 3 from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $191. An Early Care & Education Administrative Overview course will meet Tuesdays, August 21 through Dec. 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $191. An Internship course will meet Thursdays, August 23 through Dec. 6 from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $191.

Mandatory training for child care personnel is scheduled: Child Abuse and Neglect, Aug. 24, 6 to 10 p.m.; Child Growth and Development, Aug. 25, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Behavioral Observation and Screening, Aug. 27 & 29, 6 to 9 p.m.; Health, Safety and Nutrition, Sept. 8; Rules and Regulations (center), Sept. 10 & 12; Pre-School Appropriate Practices, Oct. 20; Special Needs Appropriate Practices, Oct. 27. Call 718-2395.

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