Chipola sweeps men’s and women’s state hoops titles

The Chipola College Indians captured their second straight Florida Junior College Region VIII men’s basketball championship Saturday, with a 73-61 win over Daytona Beach Community College.

The Indians were led in scoring by Mario Boggan with 19 points. Stefon Hannah scored 12. Kendaris Pelton added 11.

Chipola will represent Florida and Region VIII in the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament, March 22-26 in Hutchinson, KS. Chipola finished sixth in the 2004 national tour-

Earlier Saturday evening the Chipola Lady Indians captured their first-ever state championship—only the second time in state history that one community college won both the men’s and women’s titles.

The Lady Indians captured the Florida Championship with a 54-51 win over defending state champion Gulf Coast.

A capacity home-court crowd in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center watched as Tojalyn “Sweet Pea” Atmore hit a shot at the buzzer to give Chipola the edge. Atmore also led Chipola with 16 points. Chinata Nesbit added 12. Tayani Clark scored 10.

The game appeared to be headed for overtime with four seconds remaining when Atmore made the field goal to give Chipola its first-ever women’s state title.

Second year Chipola head coach David Lane, said, “It was unbelievable. I’m so happy for Sweet Pea. We practiced the shot several times this year. From my angle, the shot appeared to be off, but it hooked and went in.”

Lane said his team had tremendous heart and spirit. “They battled and did what they had to do to win. It was a neat experience for them. I’m happy they’ll get to go to nationals. That’s why I coach, so they can get see that hard work pays off.”

Chipola’s Cinderella season began to blossom on Feb. 1, when they scored a 62-40 upset over top-ranked Gulf Coast. The Chipola win was Gulf Coast’s first conference loss in 66 games. Chipola also had to beat Pensacola in a Feb. 28 playoff game to earn their spot in the state tournament.

The Lady Indians will represent Florida and Region VIII in the NJCAA National Tournament, March 22-26 in Salina, KS.
FCCAA State Basketball Tournament Final Brackets
March 9-12 Milton Johnson Health Center

WOMEN’S TOURNAMENT BRACKETS

Central Florida 88
Indian River 49
Wednesday, March 9 8:30 p.m.

CHIPOLA 73
Palm Beach 56
Wednesday, March 9 6:30 p.m.

Gulf Coast 61
Seminole 47
Wednesday, March 9 4:00 p.m.

Broward 52
Daytona Beach 66
Wednesday, March 9 2:00 p.m.

Central Florida 45
CHIPOLA 57
Friday, March 11 6:30 p.m.

CHIPOLA 54
Gulf Coast 51
Saturday, March 12 5 p.m.

Gulf Coast 81
Daytona Beach 73
Friday, March 11 2:00 p.m.

MEN’S TOURNAMENT BRACKETS

Daytona Beach 91
Indian River 74
Thursday, March 10 2:00 p.m.

St. Petersburg 73
Okaloosa Walton 78
Thursday, March 10 4 p.m.

CHIPOLA 74
Hillsborough 56
Thursday, March 10 6:30 p.m.

Miami Dade 92
Seminole 83
Thursday, March 10 8:30 p.m.

Daytona Beach 81
Okaloosa Walton 77
Friday, March 11 4:00 p.m.

Daytona Beach 61
CHIPOLA 73
Saturday, March 12 7:30 p.m.

CHIPOLA 74
Miami Dade 65
Friday, March 11 8:30 p.m.

Spring Frolics slated for Wednesday, April 6

Spring Frolics will be Wednesday, April 6, 2005, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Chipola College Pool or Health Center, in case of rain. Students will be excused from their classes to participate in this fun event!

SGA has some great activities lined up including soft play blow up games. There will be music and hotdogs and hamburgers for everyone! We will have some great door prizes to give out at lunch. You must be present to win. There should be several universities attending that day to display recruiting tables for people that are interested.

There will be a match up between clubs in a relay competition and volleyball game to see which club rules the campus. The SGA Spring Elections will also be held at Spring Frolics, as well as voting for The Distinguished Service Award for a Faculty Member and The Distinguished Service Award for a Career Employee or Administrator. If you are interested in running for an SGA position, come by the Student Activities Office, (K-104) and pick up the information. The deadline to apply is Monday, April 4, 2005.

Everything is FREE, so come join the fun! Questions, call 718-2308 or come by the Student Activities Office, K-104.

Chipola’s Mario Boggan was named the FCCAA State Tournament Most Valuable Player.
All American Day at Chipola baseball stadium Wednesday

The Chipola Indians baseball team hosts North Florida CC, Wednesday, March 16, at 5 p.m., for All-American day. People’s First Community Bank will provide free hot dogs, cokes and chips to all Chipola fans beginning at 4:30 p.m.

The Indians open the Panhandle Conference race on the road at OW, March 15, at 5 p.m.

Chipola improved to 13-11 on the year after sweeping a double-header from Grand Rapids College on March 10. The Indians routed GR 11-1 in game one and 6-3 in game two.

The Lady Indians softball team opens the Panhandle Conference race, Thursday, March 17, at 4 p.m., when they host Tallahassee in a double-header.

Chipola split a double-header with Darton on March 8. Jessica Littlejohn was the winning pitcher in the 2-0 first game. Chipola lost the second game 5-2.

The softball team is out to a 16-7 start in pre-conference play.

For information about Chipola baseball and softball, call 718-2CJC, or visit www.chipola.edu

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

A 10 Hour Childcare Training (behavioral observation & screening course) will meet Mar. 19 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $38. A 10 Hour Childcare Training (developmentally appropriate practices, 3-5 year olds) will meet April 2 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $38. A 10 Hour Childcare Training Special Needs (mainstreaming) will meet April 9 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $38. A 20 Hour Childcare Training will meet May 7 and 14 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is $76 An Advanced Level Cake Decorating class will meet Thursdays, April 7 through 28 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is $41.

A CPR class will meet April 12 and 14 from 5 to 9 p.m. Cost is $42. A First Aid class will meet April 26 and 28 from 5 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is $41.

The Continuing Education Department also offers custom motivational workshops for businesses and organizations. The following are available: Eat That Frog: Stop Procrastinating and Get More Done in Less Time; Whale Done: The Power of Positive Relationships; The Pygmalion Effect: Managing the Power of Expectations; Discussing Performance; The Attitude Virus: Curing Negativity in the Workplace; Team Building: What makes a Good Team Player?; and After All, You’re the Supervisor!

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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.

EducationToGo 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.

Melody Ruano (Reno) leads a rousing chorus of “Blow Gabriel Blow” in Chipola’s Anything Goes. The spring musical entertained packed houses last week in Chipola’s theatre.
FIN AID APPL. Summer applications are now available in the Financial Aid Office. If you are planning to enroll this summer session and you have not used all your Pell eligibility for the fall and spring, you need to stop by our office and complete a summer application. This means that if you were not full time in the fall, 2004 and spring, 2005, there is a possibility that you have available Pell money left.

These applications are numbered and must be completed in the financial aid office.

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

TECH CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Thursday
8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday
8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday
2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

CHECK THEM OUT! Just in time for Spring Break, the Chipola Library now has new Leisure reading books, both fiction and non-fiction, for your pleasure. Take a look at them Wednesday, March 16th in the Library.

MOLINEUX PERFORMED. Chipola music instructor Dr. Allen Molineux recently attended the Annual Conference of the Southern Regional Chapter of The College Music Society at the University of Florida. One of Dr. Molineux’s original compositions, ENIGMATIC EPISODE for bassoon and piano, was performed during the Composer’s Concert.

FREE E-FILING. In order to help more local citizens get the most refund due them, volunteers from Chipola College, United Way and the Jackson County Development Council will offer free tax preparation, including free electronic filing. The free service will be available March 18 and 19 and April 1 and 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Chipola College.

Call 526-2761 x 3268.

UF SCHOLARS. The Department of Entomology and Nematology, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, University of Florida announces two upper division, full-tuition scholarships to qualified students interested in majoring in one of the six departmental degree tracks. Applications are available in Student Services.

BAKED GOODIES. PBL will have a bake sale in front of the library on Tuesday, March 15, to raise money for Relay for Life Cancer Drive. Support this worthwhile cause while enjoying delicious treats.

SUCCESS CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Friday
8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
6 - 8:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Thursday
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
6 - 8:30 p.m.

MARCH 2005
21-25 Spring Break Holidays
28 Last Day to Withdraw from a Class for Spring
29-30 Children’s Theatre Auditions
31 McClendon Appl Deadline

APRIL
5 Mozart’s Requiem
6 Spring Frolics
11 Last Day to Resign from all Classes for Spring
12-13 Early Summer Reg for Currently Enrolled
13 SGA Blood Drive
21 Awards Ceremony
22 College Appl Deadline for Summer
28 Last Class Day - Spring
29 FINAL EXAMS

MAY
2-3 FINAL EXAMS
5 Grades Due 8 a.m.
6 Last Faculty Work Day
5 GRADUATION
6 Claust Reg Deadline
9 College Begins Four-Day Work Week
9 Faculty Returns - SSI
9 New & Returning Student Reg/Drop/Add

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.
3/16 Robert Dunkle
3/18 Gary Cook
3/20 Gayle Duncan
3/23 Bruce Culpepper
3/26 Gene Prough
3/27 Lisa Shores