

Chipola Indians place 6th in National Tournament

The Chipola Indians finished sixth in the nation with pair of wins at the NJCAA National Tournament in Hutchinson, KS, March 17-20.

Chipola opened the tourney, March 17, with a 66-61 win over the Southern College of Idaho.

The Indians' dream of a national championship ended March 18 with a 72-51 loss to defending National Champion Southeastern IA.

Chipola scored a 56-44 win over Georgia Perimeter in the consolation bracket on March 19.

The Indians finished the tournament with a 69-55 loss to Coffeyville, Kansas on March 20.

Chipola head coach Chris Jans said the Indians really never got into a groove offensively. "We struggled shooting the basketball all tournament and could never get a rhythm," he said.

FCCAA Player of the Year Je'Kel Foster said that this season

was a great ride. "We came a long way," he said. "It started in September with weight training and we worked all the way to Hutchinson."

Jans went on to say that he was proud of his team and thankful for the opportunity to come to the National Tournament. "I'm happy for our community and the players," he said. "It was a great experience."

Chipola's first trip to the national tournament since 1988 began with a conference championship and an FCCAA State Tournament win over arch-rival OW. The Indians record ended at an impressive 32-5.

Chipola sophomore Mario Jointer was named to the NJCAA All-Tournament team. He averaged 20 points per game for the tournament, including a tournament high 22 points against the eventual National Champions, Southeastern IA.

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Baseball and Softball at Home

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>		<u>Baseball/Softball</u>
Mar. 30	NORTH FLORIDA		5:00 B
Mar. 31	GULF COAST		4:00/6:00 S
Apr. 3	PENSACOLA		2:00 B
Apr. 4	PENSACOLA		1:00 B
Apr. 8	NORTH FLORIDA		4:00/6:00 S
Apr. 9	GULF COAST		5:00 B
Apr. 14	NORTH FLORIDA		5:00 B
Apr. 17	TALLAHASSEE		1:00 B
Apr. 18	TALLAHASSEE		1:00 B
Apr. 21	PENSACOLA		5:00 B
Apr. 23	TALLAHASSEE		4:00/6:00 S
Apr. 23	OKALOOSA-WALTON		5:00 B
Apr. 28	DARTON COLLEGE		5:00 B
May 4	LURLEEN-WALLACE CC		1:00 B

Spring Frolics slated for April 7

Spring Frolics will be Wednesday, April 7 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Chipola Pool or Health Center, in case of rain. Students will be excused from their classes to participate.

The SGA has several activities lined up including soft play blow up games. There will be music and food for everyone. There will be numerous door prizes. Students must be present to win. There will also be several universities on hand with recruiting information.

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, as well as voting for The Distinguished Service Award for a Faculty Member and The Distinguished Service Award for a Career Employee or Administrator. Students that are interested in running for an SGA position, need to come by the Student Activities Office (K-104) and pick up the information. Deadline to apply is Monday, April 5.

This activity is free to all Chipola students and staff. For more information, call 718-2308 or stop by the SGA Office, K-104.

this week at Chipola

29 MONDAY

- ♦ Student Government — 2 p.m., Z112
- ♦ "Children's Theatre" Auditions — 6 p.m., Theatre

30 TUESDAY

- ♦ Student Ambassadors — 1 p.m., Z112
- ♦ "Children's Theatre" Auditions — 6 p.m., Theatre
- ♦ Fellowship of Christian Athletes — 7:30 p.m., K
- ♦ Chipola Foundation Board Meeting — 5 p.m.
- ♦ Chipola Baseball vs North Florida — 5 p.m., BB

31 WEDNESDAY

- ♦ Black Student Union — 10 a.m., C104
- ♦ Baptist Campus Ministry — 10 a.m., H108
- ♦ Phi Beta Lambda — 10 a.m., M204
- ♦ Night Students Social — 7 p.m., Bldg. Z
- ♦ Chipola Softball vs Gulf Coast — 4 p.m. & 6 p.m., SC
- ♦ Math Olympiad — 7 a.m., I

APRIL

3 SATURDAY

- ♦ Chipola Baseball vs Pensacola — 2 p.m., BB
- ♦ ACT Test

4 SUNDAY

- ♦ Chipola Baseball vs Pensacola — 2 p.m., BB

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For Jointer, the tournament was just a continuation of a dream season where he led the Indians in scoring, averaging 17.5 points per game. Jointer also averaged five rebounds and two assists per game.

Jointer, who played with Okaloosa-Walton in 2002, says that Chipola was the best fit for him. "It feels good; I can feel comfortable and I have a great coach who just let's me have fun."

Coach Jans said, "We have a bunch of great players. They are all very deserving. It's a tribute to the great season that they've had. It's nice to know that our kids are recognized for their ability to play this game."



Rogers named to Student of the Year Award list

Chipola College sophomore Kimberly Rogers has been selected for *Florida Leader* magazine's 17th annual Florida College Student of the Year Award.

Rogers was one of 20 outstanding campus leaders picked to represent the state in an upcoming issue of *Florida Leader*. Rogers was named to the honorable mention list of 13. Seven finalists will vie for the title, with one overall winner to be announced at an April 16 press conference at the State Capitol in Tallahassee. The event later will be televised statewide on The Sunshine Network.

The awards program recognizes students who support themselves financially

through college, excel academically, and are involved in community service and political activism. Top students from universities, private colleges, and community colleges throughout Florida compete in the statewide scholarship program.

The 2004 winners will share nearly \$55,000 in scholarships and prizes. All 20 students will also be featured in the "Student of the Year" issue of *Florida Leader* magazine.

Florida Leader, the founding sponsor, is a newsmagazine read by students at 86 colleges and 550 public and private high schools throughout the state of Florida.

Short Course Offerings

CPR
April 6 & 8 5 - 9 p.m. \$42

First Aid
April 13 & 15 5 - 9:30 p.m. \$41

IV Therapy for the LPN and RN
Mon., Tues., Thurs.
Apr. 5-20 5 - 9 p.m. \$121

10 Hour Developmentally Appropriate Practices (3-5 Year Olds)
April 3 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$38

20 Hour Childcare Training
April 10 & 24 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$76

Cake Decorating III
Mondays, April 5-26 6-8:30 p.m. \$41

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

Important tax information for Chipola students

The Hope Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit are education credits you can subtract in full from your federal income tax, not just deduct from your taxable income. The Hope Credit applies only for the first two years of post-secondary education, and it can be worth up to \$1,500 per year. It does not apply to graduate and professional-level programs. You're allowed 100% of the first \$1,000 of qualified tuition and related fees paid during the tax year, plus 50% of the next \$1,000. Each student must be enrolled at least half-time.

The Lifetime Learning Credit applies to undergraduate, graduate and professional degree courses, including instruction to acquire or improve job skills. If you qualify, your credit equals 20% of the first \$10,000

of post-secondary tuition and fees you pay during the year for all eligible students, for a maximum credit of \$2,000 per tax return.

You cannot claim both the Hope and Lifetime Learning Credits for the same student in the same year.

To qualify for either, you must pay post-secondary tuition and fees for yourself, your spouse or your dependent. The credit may be claimed by the parent or the student, but not by both. However, if the student was claimed as a dependent, the student cannot claim the credit.

These credits are phased out for Modified Adjusted Gross Income above \$41,000 (\$83,000 for married filing jointly) and eliminated completely for Modified AGI of \$51,000 or more (\$103,000 for married fil-

ing jointly). If the taxpayer is married, the credit may be claimed only on a joint return.

Use Form 8863 to claim either the Hope or Lifetime Learning Credit.

For information, see IRS Publication 970, "Tax Benefits for Higher Education," online at www.irs.gov or call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676)

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Lee Shook
Chipola accounting instructor



SELF STUDY COUNTDOWN

1 weeks and counting

SACS Substantive Change Committee Visit

The SACS Substantive Change Committee will be on campus April 5-7. Before arriving, the committee will review many documents about Chipola, its programs and services, and the development of its new Secondary Teacher Education Program.

They will be talking with college personnel on Monday afternoon and Tuesday.

While on campus, their main focus will be on upper division math, science and education courses, student services available to upper division students, and faculty credentials—especially in upper divi-

sion courses. They will also assess library and learning resources, facilities, and fiscal resources available to support the new four-year degrees.

The team will work from Building Z and spend a great deal of time in Building D, where most classes in the new Teacher Education Program are taught.

Tips for Interviews

- ♦ Relax and put your interviewer at ease by smiling, looking him/her in the eye, and giving a warm handshake.
- ♦ Allow the interviewer to take the lead in the conversation. Listen carefully to each question.
- ♦ Be sure you understand the question before you try to answer. Be you know the answer before you try to word an answer.
- ♦ Answer honestly and thoroughly.
- ♦ Don't "lecture" team members. They are professionals. Just answer the questions.
- ♦ If you think someone else should answer the question, refer the interviewer to that person. If there is a document which explains something important, provide a copy or offer to get one and take it to the committee room in Building Z.
- ♦ Relax! Most interview questions will be about Chipola's everyday practices and policies. Enjoy the opportunity to talk with a colleague about your role at Chipola. You are the expert on your work.
- ♦ At the end of the interview, offer to assist in getting the interviewer to the next appointment.

Final Schedule for SACS Substantive Change Committee Visit

Sunday, April 4

Several team members begin arriving in Marianna from airport

Monday, April 5

- 2:15-3:00 Arrive campus (Building Z) and be oriented for campus and logistics of visit
- 3:00-3:45 Chipola's presentation to SACS team
- 3:45-4:00 Break/travel to appointments
- 4:00-6:00 Interviews/research (schedule interviews; group meetings; time to review documents, etc.)
- 6:00 Dinner on campus (SACS team and a small group of administrators)

Tuesday, April 6

- 8:30-11:30 Interviews and group meetings (both pre-planned and impromptu)
- 11:30-12:30 Lunch (some members might ask to meet with groups for lunch)
- 1:00 SACS Team meets to determine other interviews or research for afternoon
- 4:00 Depart campus

Wednesday, April 7

- 9:30-10:00 Exit interview (SACS Team with Dr. Prough and small group)

**For more information, access our
SACS Resources webpage at www.chipola.edu/sacs**

Committee Members

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CLEP FEE WAIVED. The Success Center/Testing Center has recently been classified as a “military-friendly” testing cite by the College Board College-Level Examination Program (CLEP).

Active duty and reserve military personnel can take CLEP exams without paying the exam fee of \$50. Service members are required to pay a registration fee of \$15.

All CLEP exams are available Monday - Thursday morning beginning at 8 a.m.

By earning successful scores on CLEP exams, students can bypass introductory courses and receive college credit for their knowledge. Advance registration for CLEP is not required and examinees receive their score reports at the end of the testing session. CLEP testing also is available to civilians, but non-military candidates are responsible for paying the exam fee as well as the registration fee.

Call 718-2284.



PBL NEWS. Phi Beta Lambda will meet Wednesday, March 31 at 10 a.m. in M204. The agenda includes plans for Spring Frolics; preparation for state competition and planning the end of year celebration.



LOST AND FOUND.

Lost: Brown wallet, Black Quick Silver wallet
Lost and Found is located in Student Services (Bldg. G).



SCHOLARSHIPS. Minority Transfer Scholarship applications to Florida Atlantic University are available in the Student Services Office (Bldg G).



SHOW CHOIR AUDITIONS.

The Chipola Show Choir will be holding auditions on Thursday, April 25 in the Arts Center. The Show Choir is open to all full-time Chipola students. Interested incoming freshmen and current Chipola students are encouraged to audition.

The Show Choir is directed by Dr. Ed Lyon and performs throughout the panhandle at schools, civic organizations and Chipola district events.

For further information contact the Fine and Performing Arts office at 718-2227 or Dr. Lyon at 718-2221.



UF OPEN HOUSE. Gator Encounter 2004, the spring open house for the University of Florida’s College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, will be held April 10, 10 am - 1 p.m. in the Stephen O’Connell Center. For more information and to complete the registration form by April 2 deadline, go to the CALS website: www.cals.ufl.edu.



EUROPE BOUND. Chipola History Instructor Robert Ivey is planning a trip to Europe in Summer of 2005, June 23.

The 12-day trip to the Mediterranean coast, will include stops in Barcelona, Spain, Provence in southern France, with its wine producing region and ancient Roman ruins. Also, the French coast with stays in Nice and a visit to Monaco.

For information, call Ivey at 526-2761, Ext. 3240.



IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID INFO.

Pell students that were not enrolled full time for the fall and spring semesters need to come by the Financial Aid Office beginning March 1 and complete a summer application if they plan to enroll in either summer session.

Students who were enrolled full time both semesters will not have any Pell eligibility left and will need to seek other sources for their financial obligations such as the McClendon scholarship. **The deadline for the McClendon for summer I is March 31 and for summer II is June 1.**

There will no work study money for the summer, so please try to plan ahead.



SUCCESS CENTER HOURS:

Monday-Friday

8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday

6 - 8:30 p.m.

Testing Hours are 8 a.m. - noon, Mon. - Thurs. and 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information concerning specific tests available, call 718-2284.

Instruction in basic skills and GED preparation is offered.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK.

3/30 Kathy Anderson

3/31 Laurie Berry

4/2 Edward Finch

4/2 Brandon Vaughn

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 7 Spring Frolics
- 8 Last Day to Resign from all Classes for Spring Term
- 12-13 Early Summer Registration for Currently Enrolled Students
- 13 Artist Series: Orlando Opera
- 14 SGA Blood Drive
- 15 Music and Theatre Scholarship Auditions
- 22 Show Choir Auditions
- 22 Awards Ceremony
- 26 College Appl Deadline - SSI
- 26-30 Book Buyback
- 29-30 Final Exams

MAY

- 1 Final Exams
- 3-6 Book Buyback
- 4 Graduation

THIS WEEK

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

Deadline for the next issue is noon, **Wednesday, March 31.** Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.



DISCOVER FSU-PC. Thinking about FSU Panama City? Get your questions answered by admissions specialists, financial aid experts, and find out what FSU PC is really like from students and professors. The Discover FSU-PC event will be held on April 8, from noon until 2 p.m., in the Barron Building Commons Area on the FSU-PC Campus. There will be giveaways from Island 106 and 97X DJs . . . plus FREE food, prizes, and more.

For more information, call toll free 1-866-MyFSUPC or send an email to admissions@pc.fsu.edu.

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- McClendon Fine Arts	P- Automotive Tech	