Chipola Indians win Florida JUCO Championship

The Chipola College Indians captured the men's FCCAA/Region VIII state Basketball Championship Saturday with a 71-59 win over defending champion Okaloosa-Walton.

Chipola played host to the state tournament and took early advantage of their home-court advantage in the Johnson Health Center. Tournament MVP Je'kel Foster and fellow Indian Mario Jointer hit back to back threes to put Chipola up 16-7 at the 15 minute mark of the first half. With 7 minutes left in the first, Va'shun Newborne made a three and followed with a layup to push the Indians up 29-15. Newborne led the Indians with 19 points and 12 rebounds.

The Indians, who had beaten OW three times in the regular season, Chipola followed with a 7-0 run to go up 42-23 at the break.

Foster opened the second half with a jumper and then a three to give the Indians a 47-23 lead, their biggest of the night.

OW rallied with a 7-0 run to get within 10 of the Indians with 5 minutes remaining. But it was too little, too late, as the Indians went on to win by 12.

Foster, who was also named Panhandle Conference Player of the year, said, "I feel like I'm on top of the world." He finished with 18 points and seven rebounds.

Chipola's first year head coach Chris Jans, said, "I'm happy for the Chipola family. It was very important to bring another state championship trophy back to the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. We had a great crowd behind us all year. It was great to see that kind of support. I'm happy for our guys. They deserve all the success they're having. The great thing about this team is that they'll come back to work next week and try to get better and try to keep it going. We're looking forward to playing at nationals. I feel like we've got just as good a chance as anybody out there." Chipola finished the season at 29-3.

Chipola defeated Broward, 81-64, on Friday in the semi-finals. The Indians beat Florida Community College @ Jacksonville, 85-72, Wednesday in the first round.

It has been a season of firsts for Chipola. In the first season since being renamed Chipola College, first-year coach Chris Jans was named Panhandle Coach of the Year. And for the first time since 1998, the Indians won the conference championship.

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Baseball and Softball This Week



<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u> <u>Baseb</u>	all/Softball
Mar. 8	ALVIN, TX	2:00/4:00	S
Mar. 9	Lurleen-Wallace CC	1:00	В
Mar. 10	Andrew College	1:00/3:00	S
Mar. 10	Wallace - Dothan CC	6:00	В
Mar. 11	KISHWAUKEE, IL	2:00/4:00	S
Mar. 11	JEFFERSON COLLEGE	6:00	В
Mar. 14	JOHNSON COUNTY, KS	2:00/4:00	S

Gypsy opens Wednesday at Chipola

A handful of tickets for the Wednesday, March 10 performance of "Gypsy," is all that remains for the Chipola production which opens the same day.

"Gypsy" runs March 10-14. Evening shows are set for 7:30 p.m., with a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. All other performances are sold out.

Tickets are also available for a special Gala dinner set for March 11, at 6 p.m., prior to the Thursday evening performance. The \$25 a plate dinner will benefit the Anna K. Williams memorial scholarship fund.

Tickets are on sale weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the college Business Office and are available by phone. Children under the age of five will not be admitted to the show.

For ticket information, call 718-2220.

this week at Chipola

8 MONDAY

• Student Government — 2 p.m., Z112

9 TUESDAY

- Student Ambassadors 1 p.m., Z112
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes—7:30 p.m., K

10 WEDNESDAY

- Black Student Union 10 a.m., C104
- Baptist Campus Ministry—10 a.m., H108
- Spring Theatre Production, "Gypsy" 7:30 p.m., J

11 THURSDAY

- Music and Theatre Scholarship Auditions for 2004-05
- Spring Theatre Production, "Gypsy" 7:30 p.m., J

12 FRIDAY

Spring Theatre Production, "Gypsy" — 7:30 p.m., J

13 SATURDAY

◆ Spring Theatre Production, "Gypsy" — 7:30 p.m., J

14 SUNDAY

 Spring Theatre Production, "Gypsy" Matinee - 2:00 p.m., J

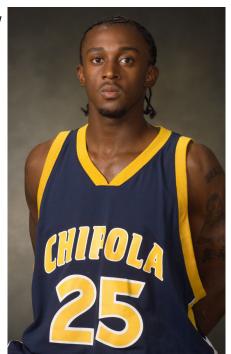
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First on the list of reasons for Chipola's success is Je'kel Foster who was named Panhandle Conference Player of the Year. Foster is first in the state in free-throw percentage, shooting an unbelievable 85 percent from the line. He averaged 17.3 points per game, ranking number 13 on the state scoring list.

In his first regular season at the helm of the Chipola program, head coach Chris Jans led his Indians to an 11-1 league record and 30-3 overall, pushing his career record to 157-43. Jans came to Chipola from Howard College in Big Spring, TX, where he led Howard to an overall record of 29-4 in 2003. Jans' captured the 1998 NJCAA National Championship in his first head coaching job at Kirkwood CC (Cedar Rapids, IA).

Chipola entered the tournament as the top-ranked team in Florida and fifth in the national poll.

Chipola advances to the NJCAA National Tournament, March 16-20, in Hutchinson, KS.



Chipola's Je'kel Foster State Tournament MVP

Chipola's Literature/Language winners

Some 100 students from 11 area high schools competed in writing, reading, speech, oral interpretation, literature, humanities and grammar contests at Chipola College on Feb. 20.

The occasion was the Fourteenth Annual Throssell Literature/Language Festival hosted by Chipola's Letters Department. The purpose of the festival is to recognize and encourage academic excellence. Prizes were awarded to first, second and third places, as well as two honorable mentions, in each category. The winner of the President's Reading Contest received a special medallion as well as a cash award.

Contest winners from participating schools are listed below.

President's Reading Award—Brandi Smith of Sneads High School.

Writing: first—Meredith Henry of Marianna High; second—A.J. Gochenaur of Marianna High; third—Leslie Owings of Blountstown High; honorable mentions—Monica Huff of Holmes County High and Cora Burke of Chipley High.

Speech: first—Allison Owens of Blountstown High; second—Katherine McMillian of Blountstown High; third— Catherine Sherman of Sneads High; honorable mentions—Brooks Sherrel of Marianna High and James Lewis of Bethlehem High.

Oral Interpretation: first—Karia Olds or Graceville High; second—Kevin Russell of Chipley High; third—Heath Carroll of Ponce de Leon High; honorable mentions—Andrena Johnson of Chipley and Amanda Lamphere of Sneads High.

Literature: first—Jessie English of Marianna High; second—Neil Patel of Marianna High; third—Ashley Roberts of Sneads High; honorable mentions—Laura Nolin of Graceville High and Jamie Williams of Bethlehem High.

Humanities: first— Catherine Sherman of Sneads High; second— Treyson Sanders of Blountstown High; third—Sarah Johnson of Sneads High; honorable mentions—Mark Jumper of Graceville High and Jake Wheldon of Marianna High.

Grammar: first—A. J. Gochenaur of Marianna High; second—Ariel Briggs of Marianna High; third—Clint Capps of Blountstown High; honorable mentions—Kendall Peddie of Liberty High and Mandy Blankenship of Vernon High.

Short Course Offerings

Intro to Computers for Seniors \$24 Mar. 11 Outlook Mar. 16 \$53 **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. 5 - 9 p.m. \$121 Apr. 5-20 10 Hour Developmentally Appropriate Practices (3-5 Year Olds) 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$38 April 3 20 Hour Childcare Training 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$76 April 10 & 24 10 Hour Behavior Observation

Mar. 20 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$38

Cake Decorating III
Mondays April 5-26 6-8

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.

Local artists to speak

Local artisan William Ashley Hill and his long time artist friend Maria Lincoln Johnson will present a program on their successful team effort in stained glass for the Chipola Regional Arts Association meeting at Jim's Buffet & Grill, Tuesday, March 16. The Dutch-treat luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. with a noon program.

The two artisans combine their talents in craftsmanship and design to create unique and custom works of art in stained glass. Both artists will also briefly discuss their personal careers and accomplishments. The public is invited.

For information, call 718-2301.



SELF STUDY COUNTDOWN 4 weeks and counting

SACS Substantive Change Committee Visit, continued from last week

Shown below are the SACS requirements on faculty credentials.

3.7.2 The institution regularly evaluates the effectiveness of each faculty member in accord with published criteria, regardless of contractual or tenured status.

3.7.3 The institution provides evidence of ongoing professional development of faculty as teachers, scholars, and practitioners.

3.7.4 The institution ensures adequate procedures for the safeguard and protection of academic freedom.

3.7.5 The institution publishes policies on the responsibility and authority of faculty in academic and governance matters.

Source: Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement. "3.7 Faculty." SACS. Jan. 2004.

In preparation for the SACS Substantive Change Committee's visit, there will be a meeting for all employees in the Auditorium on Wednesday, March 10, at 3:00 p.m. The 30-minute meeting will help focus the college on the SACS visit scheduled for April 5-7.

Chipola Baseball and Softball at home this week

The Chipola Indians improved to scored a 2-0 win over Darton College on March 2.

Barrett Browning went 8 innings for the Indians. He allowed no runs and struck out eight. Daniel Forrer came in the last inning to strike out two of three batters and earn his first save of the year. Travis Anderson was two for four with two homeruns.

The Indians host a three-day series with Middle Georgia, Friday, March 5 at 2 p.m.; a doubleheader, Saturday, March 6 at 11 a.m.; and one game Sunday, March 7 at 1

The Indians are on the road at Lurleen Wallace, March 9 and at Wallace Dothan. March 10. The squad returns home Thursday, March 11 to host Jefferson College at 6 p.m. Chipola hosts Wallace, Friday, March 12 at 2 p.m.

Chipola begins their defense of the Panhandle Conference title, March 16, when they host Okaloosa-Walton at 5 p.m. Chipola was 32-12 last season with a Panhandle Conference Championship and a trip to the state tournament.

The Lady Indians softball team is now 12-0 on the year. Chipola hosts Alvin Community College in a double-header, Monday, March 8 at 2 p.m. The team hosts Kishwaukee (IL), March 11 at 2 p.m. and Johnson County (KS), March 14 at 2 p.m. The Lady Indians begin conference play at home, March 16 with OW at 4 p.m.

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

Chipola Lady Indians Finish Season at State Tourney

The Chipola Lady Indians' 2003-04 season came to an end with a 61-46 loss to Central Florida in the first round of the State JUCO Tournament on March 4.

First year Chipola head coach David Lane said he was pleased with the Lady Indians' effort this season.

"Obviously, it didn't end up the way we wanted. But our girls never made excuses. They dealt with every obstacle by working hard," Lane said.

Chipola finished third in the conference with a number four ranking in the pretourney state poll. The team reached as high seventh in the national poll and stayed in the Top 25 for 14 straight weeks. The Lady Indians also scored Chipola's first-ever win at Tallahassee CC.

"We had a couple of big injuries near the end of conference, but the hard work

they put in early kept us in the race," the coach said. Chipola's All Conference guard Reginette Maddox missed the last few regular season games with a broken foot. She returned for the Central Florida game, but was not at full speed. She led Chipola's offense this season with 14.2 points per game. She also averaged 3.2 assists and 2.3 steals per game. Lane said, "Reggie is a difference-maker. She's arguably the best point guard in the Southeast. And as you can tell from our last few games without her, she's been a very important part of our success this season." Lane took over as interim head coach in October of 2003. His position was made permanent in January of 2004.

The Lady Indians finished third in the league with a 22-9 overall record.

Chipola Success Center offers help for students

The Success/Testing Center can assist individuals who would like to return to school or to train or retrain for a career.

The center offers Computerized Placement Test, required for entrance into academic programs; the Nurse Entrance Test, required for entrance into Chipola's nursing program; and the Test of Adult Basic Education, required for work force development programs.

Success Center staff can assist students with weaknesses detected in areas such as reading, English, or mathematics. The staff includes Joyce Mitchell, of Sneads, and Rebecca Davis and Angie Tyler, both of Marianna, who have a combined 50 years of teaching experience.

The staff may also help students locate scholarships and/or grants once program or major is chosen.

Tyler says, "If you are interested in leaving a 'dead-end job' or if you are interested in changing jobs or career fields, we invite you to investigate the opportunities available through the Success/Testing Center at Chipola College."

For information, call 850-718-2457.

SPRING BREAK

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March 22-26 College Closed



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.

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SCHOLARSHIPS. The dead-line for the Dr. Robert W. Sims Memorial Scholarship is March 15. Any post-secondary student, who is attending or planning to attend a Florida public or private college and is planning to major in computer science/information technology related field, may apply. Applications available on the FAEDS website via: www.faeds.org.

The UWF School of Business will award a \$1,000 yearly scholarship to a Chipola student for Fall 2004. Interested students must have completed UWF business school requirements by August 4. Applications are available in the reception area in Building M and from Chipola faculty members. Deadline for application is March 17.



ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS.

Audition dates for Chipola College music and theatre scholarships for the 2004-05 school year are March 11, April 15, and May 20. Show Choir auditions are April 22.

The Visual Art scholarship deadline for application, portfolio and letters of recommendation is April 15.

High school graduates with acceptable academic records and music, theatre and art aptitude are eligible to apply for scholarships in music, theatre or art majors.

Scholarships in various amounts, up to full tuition and fees, are awarded on the basis of talent and academic record. Students with financial need may seek additional assistance through the college's Office of Financial Aid and the Foundation.

Applications may be obtained by phoning 718-2277 or by visiting the college's web site at www.chipola.edu and clicking on Fine and Performing Arts.



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.



LOST & FOUND.

Lost: Black backpack, checkbook

Found: Set of keys, pair of glasses, woman's ring

Lost and Found is located in Student Services (Bldg. G).



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 session I is March 31 and for summer session 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.

3/8 Micah J. Byars3/11 Janice Y. Holley3/11 Mandi Suggs3/11 Kathy Wheeler

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

18 Last Day To Withdraw from a Class22-26 Spring Break-College Closed

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- 7 Spring Frolics
- 8 Last Day to Resign from all Classes for Spring Term

Math Olympics

- 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 10.** Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.



EUROPE BOUND. Chipola HistorylInstructor 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.

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