Chipola hoopsters set to defend state titles

Both Chipola College basketball teams are set to defend their titles as the best teams in Florida when they play in the Men’s and Women’s FCCAA/Region VIII tournaments, March 8-11, at Chipola College.

The defending state champion Indians begin their quest for an unprecedented third straight title, Wednesday, March 8, at 8:30 p.m., in a first round game against Palm Beach CC.

The Indians finished the regular season as Co-Champions of the Panhandle Conference after a 67-66 loss to TCC on Feb. 25.

Stefhon Hannah led Chipola with 16 and DeAndre Thomas with 11.
Chipola and TCC finished with identical 10-2 league records; however, Chipola beat TCC in two of three meetings to earn the Panhandle Champion seed in the state tournament. If both Chipola and TCC advance, they will meet in the championship game on Saturday, March 11.

Chipola scored a 78-76 win over OW Feb. 22 on a last second slam dunk by Johnnie Harris who finished with 9 on the night.

Two Chipola trustees reappointed by Governor

Two current members of the Chipola College District Board of Trustees—John Padgett of Marianna and Mark Plummer of Bristol—recently were re-appointed by Gov. Jeb Bush to additional four-year terms. Both trustees were originally appointed in 1999.

Plummer, a pharmacist from Bristol, served as chair of the board in 2003-04 year. He currently serves as Library liaison for the board.

Padgett is a retiree who worked for the Compass Lake in the Hills development and also served as a Jackson County commissioner. He is a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and the Jackson County Fair. Padgett is the board’s current vice-chair. He also serves as financial liaison for the board.

Seven other trustees represent Chipola’s five-county district on the nine-member board: Brenda Taylor of Bonifay, Gina Stuart of Marianna, Danny Ryals of Blountstown, Gary Clark of Chipley, Jeff Crawford of Marianna, Jennie Goodman of Bonifay and Abby Hinson of Chipley.

The Board of Trustees meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the college Public Service Building to set policy for the college.

CREDIT UNIONS SUPPORT TOURNAMENT — The Florida Credit Union League, Inc., and three local credit unions recently contributed $10,000 as corporate sponsor of the State Junior College Basketball Tournament to be held at Chipola College, March 8-11. Picture from left, are: Shauna Johnson, Community South CU in Chipley; Vicki Barber, Jackson County Teachers CU; Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough; Billy Grant, JCTCU Board member; Aletta Shutes, executive vice president, Florida Credit Union League, Inc.; Ben Dudley, Focus CU board member; Bill Wright, Appreciation Club Board member and Bill Enfinger, Focus CU.
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The Indians are the defending Florida/Region VIII Champions and are first in the FCCAA men’s state poll and sixth in the NJCAA national poll.


Chipola scored a 59-48 win over OW. Nesbit led Chipola with 13 points. Chipola scored a 77-46 win over North Florida Feb. 20.

The Lady Indians are the defending FCCAA/Region VIII Champions. Chipola finished as runner-up in the Panhandle Conference and will play Central Florida in the first round of the women’s tournament, Thursday, March 9, at 6:30 p.m.

Chipola hoopsters named All Conference

Twelve Chipola basketball players earned All-Panhandle Conference honors for the 2005-06 regular season.

Chipola’s Stefhon Hannah is the Panhandle Men’s Player of the Year. Four players were named First Team All-Conference: Stefhon Hannah, Jamarcus Ellis, Gerard Jackson and Michael Taylor.

Chipola players Ryne Hamblet, Johnnie Harris and DeAndre Thomas earned Second Team All-Conference honors.

Second year Chipola men’s coach, Greg Heiar, will share Conference Coach of the Year honors with TCC coach Eddie Barnes. Chipola and TCC finished with identical 10-2 league records; however, Chipola beat TCC in two of three meetings to earn the Panhandle Champion seed in the state tournament.

The defending state champion Indians begin their quest for an unprecedented third straight title, Wednesday, March 8, at 8:30 p.m., against Palm Beach CC.

Five Lady Indians garnered All-Conference Honors. First Team selections from Chipola are Chinata Nesbit, Tai’Yani Clark, and Nacole Stocks.

Second Team All-Conference picks from Chipola are Latoya Brown and Ra’Shawna Sippio.

The Lady Indians finished a runner-up in the Panhandle Conference with a 12-3 league record and a 26-4 overall mark.

The Lady Indians will seek a second consecutive state title, when they play Central Florida CC in the first round of the state tournament, Thursday, March 9, at 6:30 p.m., at Chipola.

HEALTH SCIENCE CAREER FAIR AT CHIPOLA—Chipola College recently hosted a Health Science Career Fair. Here, Brooke Strickland (left) of Southeast Alabama Medical Center talks with student April Kent of Marianna. For information about training for a career in a health-related field, call 718-2316.

SUPERS AND PRINCIPALS MEET AT CHIPOLA—Superintendents and high school principals from the five-county area met recently at Chipola College to discuss issues related to college enrollment. Here, Poplar Springs principal Patty Segrest (center) talks with Royce Reagen, Chipola’s director of Distance Learning.
Chipola hosts Literature/Language Festival

Some 100 students from 14 area high school competed in writing, reading, speech, oral interpretation, literature, humanities, grammar, and foreign language contests at Chipola College on Feb. 18.

The occasion was the Sixteenth Annual Throssell Literature/Language Festival hosted by Chipola’s Literature/Language 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 high schools are listed below:

President’s Reading Award: Matt Maxwell of Altha School.

Writing: first—Heather Morris of Cottondale; second—Travis Hetzel of Vernon; third—Shelley Allen of Malone; honorable mentions—Ryan Brock of Marianna and Ryan Raven of Vernon.

Speech: first—Brianna Toole of Sneads; second—Jordan Coley of Sneads; third—Jana Barfield of Chipley; honorable mentions—Lindsey Baxter of Malone and Alicia Hatcher of Graceville.

Oral Interpretation: first—Aaron Moore of Bethlehem; second—Aaron Summerlin of Sneads; third—Chelsea Anderson of Chipley; honorable mentions—Holly Walters of Marianna and David Williams of Vernon.


Humanities: first—Brianna Toole of Sneads; second—Daniel Lee of Vernon; third—Justin Kirkland of Chipley; honorable mentions—Catie Proper of Blountstown and Mitchell Whitehead of Cottondale.


Spanish: first—Elba Regalado of Liberty County; second—Mandy Deese of Marianna; third—Sarah Macias of Cottondale; honorable mentions—Leigh Ann George of Chipley and Amanda Jackson of Chipley.

JUCO TEAM HOSTS—Several local families have volunteered to serve as hosts for the 16 teams who will be in town, March 8-11, for the State Junior College Basketball Tournament at Chipola College.

Pictured from left, are: (front) Eulice Bryant, Eddie Hilton, Merle Houston, Mary McClendon, Caretha Everett, (back) Joan Miller, Patrick Bryan, Ken McDonald, Waymon Moneyham, Jay Mitchell, Willie Spires, John Ellerbee, and Team Hosts chair Jayne Roberts. Not pictured are Leroy Boone, Tracey Dudley, JoAnn Everett and Chris Kohlsaatk.

UWF scholarship available for Chipola students

The University of West Florida is offering a $1,000 per year ($500 for 2 semesters) scholarship for a Chipola graduate who majored in business and will be transferring to UWF for 2005-06.

Students should have a 3.0 GPA or better and have met the requirements for UWF by the start of the fall semester.

Arts scholarships available

Audition dates for music and theatre scholarships at Chipola College for 2006-2007 are March 9, April 6, and May 4. The Visual Art Scholarship application and portfolio deadline is April 20.

High School graduates with acceptable academic records and aptitude who plan to pursue studies as music, theatre or art majors are eligible to apply.

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 Chipola Foundation.

Applications may be obtained by phoning Chipola’s Fine and Performing Arts Department at 718-2277. Applications also are available at www.chipola.edu. Choose “Departments” and click on “Fine and Performing Arts.”

Chipola baseball at home this week

The Chipola College baseball team improved to 13-6 on the year with a 3-1 win over Wallace on March 1.

Winning pitcher was Chris Kirkland who allowed one run in seven innings. Stephen Brock and Tyler Musslewhite also pitched one inning apiece in the win.

The Indians are scheduled to host six in a row this week, including: Grand Rapids (DH), March 3, 2 p.m.; Central Alabama (DH), March 4, 2 p.m.; Central Alabama, March 5, 1 p.m.; and Grand Rapids, March 7 at 3 p.m.

The Lady Indians softball team is currently ranked third in the FCCAA state poll with a 16-2 overall record.

Chipola split a double-header with Lake City on Feb. 28. Chipola won the first game, 8-1, behind the pitching of Nadine van Roode. Chipola lost the second game, 6-5.

The Lady Indians travel to Enterprise Ozark CC for a two-day tournament, March 4-5; to Gadsen State, March 8, and to North Florida, March 11-12.

The Lady Indians’ next home game is Monday, March 13, when they host Kishuaukee in a doubleheader at 4 p.m.
CARICATURIST STEVE GIPSON will be on campus Wednesday, March 8 in the Lobby of Building D from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Everyone is invited to stop by and have your picture drawn. This event is sponsored by SGA and is FREE!

PBL MEETS. Phi Beta Lambda will meet Wednesday, March 8 at 10 a.m. in M204 to prepare for state competition.

FESTIVAL. Social work students from Chipola College are hosting a Spring Festival, Saturday March 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bonifay Recreation Center, located at 308 McKinnon Avenue in Bonifay.

Admission is free, but donations will be accepted at the gate to benefit the Florida Guardian Ad Litem Association. The event will feature raffles, food, vendors, entertainment and games for children.

For information, or to be a vendor, contact Misty Brown (850) 548-1246 or Merian Milton (850) 526-7557.

Phi Theta Kappa Satellite Series

Phi Theta Kappa will be delivering another satellite series seminar on Wednesday, March 15 in Building Z, Jackson Hall at 10 a.m.

The seminar entitled “Jesus in America: Cultural Hero and Personal Savior” will highlight areas of our culture and examine how they effect everyday life.

The PTK International Honors Study Topic: Popular Culture Shaping and Reflecting Who We Are examines our culture and how it relates to our society.

The format for this seminar will include a discussion/debate session about the topic to include the views of attendees. All Chipola students, faculty, and staff members are invited to attend.

NEW IDS NEEDED. Students must present new Chipola ID cards to access the computers in the library and tech center and to check out materials from the library. Scheduled times for ID’s are Tuesdays (8-11 & 1-3:30) and Wednesdays (8-11) in Building A, Room 107. Students must bring a white copy of the Spring 2006 fee receipt.

BOOKSTORE HOURS:
Monday - Thursday 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

SUCCESS CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday 5 - 7:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday 5 - 7:30 p.m.
For more information concerning specific tests available, call 718-2284.

LIBRARY HOURS:
Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday 2-6 p.m.

TECH CENTER HOURS:
Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Friday 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Sunday 2-5:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH
14 Governance Council
20-24 SPRING BREAK HOLIDAYS
27 Last Day to Withdraw from a Class for Spring Term
27-28 Auditions for Children’s Theatre production
29 Night Student Social
31 Chipola Foundation McClendon Summer I Appl Deadline

APRIL
3 Artist Series: Tres Vidas
4 Rock & Jazz Ensemble Concert
4 Faculty Meeting
5 Spring Frolics
6 Music and Theatre Scholarship Auditions for 2006-07
10 Last Day To Resign From All Classes For Spring Term
11-12 Early Summer Registration
12 SGA Blood Drive
13 Show Choir Auditions for 2006-07
13 Night Student Social

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK
3/7 Matt White
3/11 Janice Holley
3/11 Mandy Suggs
3/11 Kathy Wheeler

THIS WEEK
“Chipola This Week” is a weekly publication of the Chipola PR Office.
Deadline for the next issue is noon, Wednesday, March 8. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BE A PART OF IT! To see the latest photos of what FACC is up to this semester visit the FACC folder on the Shares drive. If you are not a member of FACC, please contact Tammy Neal (ext. 2494) or Janet Wise (ext. 2395) for more information.