This Week at Chipola

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A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Chipola Theatre to present Showcase Nov. 19

Chipola College theatre majors will present their annual Theatre Showcase, “NYC BOUND: A night of Scenes, Songs and Humor,” Thursday, Nov. 19, at 7 p.m., in the Chipola Theatre.

Theater director Charles Sirmon, says, “It’s sort of Saturday Night Live on a Thursday!”

The show contains adult humor which may not be suitable for children.

General admission tickets for this one-night-only event are $10 and may be purchased from any Theater major, or in the Fine and Performing Arts Building lobby.

Proceeds from the show will go to support the theatre program, including a New York Theatre tour in May, which includes Broadway shows, backstage tours and a Master acting class with a New York professional.

The cast includes: Sarah Lovins, Piper Williams, Austin Pettis, Ben Grande, Mark Lent, Breanna Kneiss, Aven Pitts, Kristina Lopez, Matthew Van Buren, Kayla Todd, Joe Evans, David Reeves Forrester, Tristen St. Onge, Brenton Jones, Kyndal Covington and Diana Glaze.

For information, contact director Sirmon at 850-718-2227.

First Generation scholarships available at Chipola

The Chipola College Foundation is accepting applications for the First Generation in College Scholarship for the Spring 2010 semester.

Four $1,000 scholarships may be awarded to qualified students. Applications are available in the Foundation Office and are due by 4 p.m. on Dec. 2.

The First Generation Scholarship is available to Florida residents whose parents did not complete a four-year (bachelor’s) degree. If the student regularly resides with only one parent who provides the majority of support, that one parent must not have completed a bachelor’s degree.

Applicants must have applied for Federal Pell Grant (FAFSA) and been determined to be Pell eligible, and have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) below 4617 with unmet financial need.

Recipients must enroll in a minimum of six hours per term as undergraduate, degree-seeking students.

For information, contact the Chipola Foundation at 850-718-2445.
Chipola Lady Indians host Alzheimer’s Classic Nov. 13-15

The Chipola Lady Indians host the Fourth Annual Alzheimer’s Classic, Nov. 13-15, in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. The classic includes one of the toughest fields in the country with five of the seven teams ranked in the top 15 nationally. The classic will also feature 19 of the top 50 junior college players in the country according to Dan Olson’s Collegiate Girls Basketball Report.

Action tips off Friday, Nov. 13, with Tallahassee and Jefferson College (MO) at 2 p.m. Pensacola meets Trinity Valley at 4 p.m. A pair of ranked teams will square off in the final game of the day at 6 p.m. when third-ranked Chipola takes on number 14 Monroe Community College (NY) in a rematch of a Nov. 6 game between the two in which Monroe edged Chipola 63-61.

Saturday’s action starts at noon with Tallahassee and Wallace (Hanceville). At 2 p.m., Monroe plays Pensacola. The final two games of the day promise to provide some great basketball as four top-seven teams are in action. At 4 p.m., number five Trinity Valley (TX) battles number seven Gulf Coast. The 6 p.m. contest features a rematch between number two, Jefferson College (MO), and third-ranked Chipola College.

Two games are slated for Sunday, Nov. 15, with Gulf Coast and Monroe at noon, and Chipola and Trinity Valley at 2 p.m. Chipola defeated Florida State Community College at Jacksonville 84-75 in the first game of the season. Leading scorer for the Lady Indians was Lindsey Carr with 18. Bianca Jarrett had 17. Jasmine Shaw had 16, and Malesha Peterson had 13. Chipola led 34-28 at the half.

The Lady Indians lost a 63-61 nail-biter to Monroe (NY), one of the top teams in the country. Jasmine Shaw led Chipola with 19 points. Chipola trailed by 12 with 8 minutes remaining, but battled back to tie the game at 61. The Lady Indians missed a couple of late free throws and Monroe made a couple to win by two.

The Lady Indians (1-1) are second in the FCCAA State Women’s Poll. Gulf Coast (2-0) is first in the poll. Northwest Florida (2-0) is third. Pensacola (3-0) is fourth. Tallahassee (1-2) is seventh.

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

Chipola Indians pick up first win

The Chipola Indians kicked off the 2009-10 season with a 96-74 win over L. B. Wallace on Nov. 6.

The win was the first of new coach Jake Headrick’s career.

Lashay Page led the Indians with 26 points including seven three-pointers. Dexter Ellington scored 18. Marvin Fitzgerald had 10 points. Aaron Davis and Chadrack Lufile had 9 apiece. Sam Grooms, Delwan Graham and Kevin Powell each scored 8 points. The Indians led 52-26 at the half.

Chipola is fourth in the FCCAA State Men’s Poll. Tallahassee (2-0) is first. Central Florida (3-0) is second. Northwest Florida (3-0) is third. Gulf Coast (2-0) is fifth.

The Indians host the Panhandle Classic Dec. 3-5 in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. Chipola plays Enterprise-Ozark, Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. The Indians face Georgia Perimeter Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. and Central Florida, Dec. 5, at 8 p.m.

The classic features all five Panhandle teams in the following games: Thursday, Dec. 3, 5 p.m., Miami-Dade vs. Central Florida; 7 p.m., Chipola vs. Enterprise-Ozark; Friday, Dec. 4, noon, Pensacola vs. Miami-Dade; 2 p.m., Tallahassee vs. Santa Fe; 4 p.m., Gulf Coast vs. Alabama Southern; 6 p.m., Northwest Florida vs. Central Florida; 8 p.m., Chipola vs. Georgia Perimeter; Saturday, Dec. 5, noon, Tallahassee vs. Alabama Southern; 2 p.m., Pensacola vs. Georgia Perimeter; 4 p.m., Gulf Coast vs. Miami-Dade; 6 p.m., Northwest Florida vs. Santa Fe; 8 p.m., Chipola vs. Central Florida.

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Vlieg is Employee of the Month

Chase Vlieg (right) accepts the November Chipola College Career Employee of the Month award from Automotive professor John Gardner. Vlieg serves as a teaching assistant in the Chipola Automotive program where he has worked since 2007.
Fall Festival of the Arts set at Chipola

Chipola College’s Chamber Chorus, Rock and Jazz Ensemble, and Show Choir invite the public to a free Fall Festival of the Arts in the Chipola Arts Center, Sunday, Nov. 22, at 2:30 p.m.

Music will be presented by the Chamber Chorus under the direction of Bethany Kiral, and accompanied by Dr. Josh Martin. The audience will enjoy songs such as Bonse Ama, a traditional Zambian Song, and works by P.L. van Dijk and G.F. Handel. The Chamber Chorus will be joined by community members for a portion of the concert.

Chipola’s Show Choir will entertain with three high energy medleys including Aladdin, Medley from the Broadway musical Jekyll and Hyde, and Disco Fever: A medley of ’70’s Dance Hits.

The Rock and Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Daniel Powell will swing into action with a compliment of standard jazz tunes and familiar rock favorites to close out the show. Students and community members in this ensemble have worked to provide a top-tapping concert that will feature various jazz styles that challenge the members to improvise and work together.

Guests also are invited to enjoy a Student Art Show from the teaching studios of Chipola adjunct art instructors Kelly Boehmer and Chuck Carbia.

Joan Stadsklev, Chipola director of Fine and Performing Arts, says, “Parents of our students will be honored during the event. We especially want to thank them for sending their children to Chipola.”

This non-ticketed event is free and open to the public.

For more information contact Joan Stadsklev at 718-2301 or stadsklevj@chipola.edu

Chipola hosts middle and high school Brain Bowl competition

Area middle and high schools competed in Chipola College’s Brain Bowl Invitational on Nov. 6.

In the high school division, Marianna placed first, with Bainbridge High finishing second.

Paul Kelson of Marianna finished first in the individual competition. Other top individuals are: Erick Juarez of Bainbridge (second); Annemarie Nichols of Graceville (third); Dylan Faircloth of Bainbridge (fourth-tie); Lawson Mozley of Malone (fourth-tie); Katelyn Miller of Marianna (fifth); Cameron Bailey of Holmes County (sixth); Connor Renihan of Graceville (seventh); Anne Reynolds of Bainbridge (seventh); Michael Janik of Holmes County (ninth); and Sammy Muniz of Marianna (tenth).

In the middle school division Marianna Middle C Team placed first. Marianna Middle A finished second, and Bainbridge Middle A finished third.

Adrian Alvarez of Marianna finished first in the middle school individual competition. Other top individuals are: Bill Braxton of Marianna (second); Jakob Thorne of Bainbridge (third); Ty Jones of Bainbridge (fourth); Tristen Allen of Bainbridge (fifth-tie); Belle Chin of Marianna (fifth-tie); Brianna McCaffery of Marianna (sixth); Quest Brown of Hutto (seventh); Trey Walker of Marianna (eighth); Courtney Harrol of Malone (ninth); and Steve Spence of Marianna (tenth).

Local authors to read at Chipola Arts Association meeting

Local authors—Dale Cox, Queen Brown and M.B. Bechum—will read from their books at the Tuesday, Nov. 17, meeting of the Chipola Regional Arts Association (CRAA).

Dale Cox is the author of several local history books, including one on the Battle of Marianna and the history of Jackson County. Queen Brown is the author of “My Journey.” M.B. Bechum wrote “Family Treasures.”

The authors will be introduced by Michael Downum, owner of Chipola River Book and Tea. Guests will have an opportunity to ask questions of the authors and to purchase copies of their books.

CRAA officer Homer Hirt, says, “This program will be an excellent opportunity for attendees to get pointers in committing their life experiences to print.”

CRAA meets at Jim’s Buffet in Marianna with a Dutch-treat luncheon at 11:30 a.m. and program at noon.

For information, call 850-593-6907.
Health Science learns with simulators

The Chipola College Health Science Department is utilizing state-of-the-art technology to teach clinical skills in a safe learning environment.

Nursing, paramedic, and emergency medical technician students are using a family of patient simulators to practice various skills.

A birthing simulator named Noelle can breathe, bleed and talk just like a real mother. The high tech device is designed to help students learn about the challenges associated with delivering babies by making quick decisions in a stressful environment.

Noelle is Chipola’s fourth human simulator in the family which includes a child, and male and female adults. Funds for the latest simulator came from the Chipola Regional Workforce Development Board.

All simulators can be adjusted to suit the education point of the student. Medical issues and training can be progressively increased in difficulty as students move through the program. Amy Samson, a Jackson Hospital nurse and Chipola adjunct instructor, is responsible for the patient simulator project. Samson can control the patients’ vital signs and speech from a remote location which is equipped with cameras for observing the students.

Chipola Health Science director Vickie Stephens, says, “Simulation in skills labs has become more life-like with the development of moulage, which uses molded plaster to create realistic tissue. The simulation experience affords the students opportunities to integrate critical thinking in the assessment of medical conditions and promotes self-confidence in the nursing process.”

Simulation exercises are often videotaped and used by students as a learning tool in de-briefing sessions. When students arrive in the real-life clinical setting, the skills lab training has provided a basic foundation for quality patient care.

An Open House for Alumni of the Chipola Nursing program is planned for mid December. Alumni and members of the Chipola Nursing Advisory Committee will be invited to tour the facility and learn of new opportunities to partner with the nursing program to ensure future generations of success. An alumni link is being added to the Chipola Nursing website, at www.chipola.edu

For information about Chipola’s Health Science programs, call 850-718-2316.