Brain Bowl debuts with win over UGA

The Chipola Brain Bowl Teams played for the first time this season in Columbia, South Carolina, Oct. 2.

Both Chipola teams had strong showings at the tournament. Chipola A finished 7-5, with a big win over the University of Georgia, which finished the tournament with only two losses. Chipola B finished 5-7 in their first tournament ever.

Two Chipola players received individual awards. Dallin Kelson finished fourth overall and Ethan Hewett finished twelfth.

Chipola A Team members are: Ethan Hewett, Cody Pickens, Drew Padgett and Nathan Hooppell. Chipola B Team members are: Dallin Kelson, Daniel Leonard, Brittany Stephens and Max Herndon.

Stan Young and Dr. Robert Dunkle coach the two-time defending state champion Chipola team.

Geeks Help @ Chipola launches computer training initiative

Local technology training company Geeks Help, LLC, in partnership with the Continuing Education department at Chipola College, is offering several informational seminars and hands-on workshops during the Fall semester. All workshops are open to the public and several are free of charge.

Geeks Help is an LLC partnership between computer experts Matt White and Glenda Bethel. White is a Microsoft Certified professional. Bethel has experience in computer networking and consulting.

Geeks Help, LLC and the Chipola Continuing Education department will hold a press conference, Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 10 a.m., to kick off a new computer training initiative of seminars and workshops at the college. The press conference will be held in the Continuing Education Conference Center on College Street.

The first Geeks Help event is a free Identity Theft seminar on Tuesday, Oct. 20, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. in the Continuing Education Conference Center at Chipola. The seminar is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served.

This objective of the seminar is to raise awareness about identity theft and to inform individuals about the websites, databases and agencies that can help lessen the impact of an identity exposure. In keeping with this objective, law enforcement representatives from the Jackson County Sheriff’s Office and the City of Marianna Police Department will be on hand to offer suggestions and to answer questions from the audience.

The following seminars and workshops are scheduled for the Fall semester:

- **Identity Theft Seminar**, Tuesday, Oct. 20, 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., FREE;
- **Windows 7 Launch Party seminar**, Thursday, Oct. 29, 6 to 8 p.m., FREE;
- **Basic Computer Operations I** seminar, Thursday, Oct. 29, 10 a.m. to noon, $25;
- **Electronics Purchasing Help** seminar, Thursday, Oct. 29, 1 to 3 p.m., $25;
- **Basic Computer Operations II** workshop, Friday, Nov. 6, 9 a.m. to noon, $60;
- **Social Networking** seminar, Thursday, Nov. 12, 6 to 8 p.m., $25;
- **Beginning Word 2007** workshop, Saturday, Nov. 21, 9 a.m. to noon, $60;
- **Electronics Purchasing Help** seminar, Saturday, Nov. 21, 1 to 3 p.m., $25.

Workshop space is limited. Pre-registration for paid events is encouraged to secure a spot. Registration through the website is preferred with credit cards accepted through the PayPal system.

For more information, call 850-718-7563, or visit www.geekshelp.com
Chipola to host seminars on student leadership

The Chipola Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) will present two Academic Success Workshops, Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. in Jackson Lecture Hall in the Literature and Language Building Z.

The 10 a.m. workshop is entitled, “So You Want to be a Leader? What Every College Student Should Know.” The 1 p.m. workshop is entitled, “Leadership & Service Learning.”

Dr. Earl Paul of Hillsborough Community College is the guest speaker for both workshops which will cover leadership, character, goal setting and motivation. Dr. Paul also will discuss soft skills like classroom etiquette, effective and appropriate e-mails and phone calls and other basic skills for the successful college student. Dr. Paul has written a book, “So You Want to be a Leader? What Every College Student Should Know.”

Dr. Paul works in student affairs and is a faculty member at Hillsborough Community College in Tampa. Along with his college career, he is a speaker, an author and a radio talk show host.

Dr. Paul earned a Ph.D. in Adult Education at the University of South Florida. He also has a Bachelor’s degree in English Education a Master’s degree in Student Personnel/Counseling.

For information about the seminars, call Ext. 526-2761, Ext. 3247.

Chipola’s computer technology systems

As computer use continues to grow in our society, so does the need for individuals who are educated in areas of computer technology.

Chipola College offers a Computer Systems Technology Certificate program, as well as a Networking Systems Technology Associate in Science degree program. The NST program is a two year degree. The CST program is a 1,650 clock hour certificate program which emphasizes hands on experience and puts the student in class 30 hours a week.

Both programs help to pave the way to students receiving their Comp TIA A+ and Network+ certifications, among others. The A+ certification covers set-up and repair of desktop computers and laptops. The Network+ certification covers repair and setup of computer networks. One of the main goals of the Chipola program is to prepare students for certification exams. Dean Giles, the instructor for these two programs, choose his text, TestOut’s LabSim, for this reason. The text offers lecture videos, demonstration videos, lab simulations, fact sheets and exams. Each book comes with a DVD so that students may pause or rewind at their own pace. The LabSim text also offers a practice certification exam at the end of the course to prepare students for the actual exam.

According to instructor Giles, “Once a student has completed the program they can pursue jobs in the technology field. Many companies need technical support and as the use of computers in business grows so is the need for information technology techni-

Chipola in rehearsal for “Musical Comedy Murders of 1940”

Chipola College Theater is in full rehearsal for the upcoming, “Musical Comedy Murders of 1940.” Performances of the show are set for Nov. 5-9.

Pictured from left are: Joseph Phinney of Blountstown, Zachary Folks of Grand Ridge and Instructor Dean Giles.
Chipola Term C registration Oct. 15

Chipola College officials have added a new “C” term during the Fall semester to give students another opportunity to enroll in classes.

Registration is Thursday, Oct. 15, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Classes begin Oct. 16 and run through Dec. 16. Late registration for Term C continues on Friday, Oct. 16, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The following courses will be offered: American History to 1865, (AMH 2010), 3 hours, online; Introduction to Biological Science (BSC 1005), 3 hours, 12-1:50 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday; Microcomputer Applications for Business and Economics (CGS 1100), 3 hours, partially online; Human Growth and Development, (DEP 2004), 3 hours, online; Communications Skills I, (ENC 1101), 4 hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday; Introduction to

Pay tuition on-line now at Chipola

Chipola College is now accepting tuition payments online. Students can pay tuition with credit/debit cards via the College’s website at http://www.chipola.edu/student-records/Fee_Payment.htm. Several links entitled ‘Online Fee Payment’ have been established on the Chipola website.

Some items to consider:

· Visa, MasterCard, and Discover are accepted.

· Partial payments are not allowed. Fee balances must be paid in full. Any payments from Financial Aid and Scholarship awards must be posted to the student’s account prior to making the online payment. Payments already posted will be reflected in the “Fees Paid” field. If awards have not posted, students should call the Business Office at 718-2204.

· Student ID (SSN) and PIN numbers are required. For PIN help, students should contact the Help Desk at 718-2200 X-4357.

· Online payments may take 1 business day to post to the student’s tuition account at Chipola.

· Do not confuse this payment option with the Nelnet Installment Payment Plan, which is NOT yet available.

For problems with online payment processing, students should call the Business Office at 718-2204.

Chipola College Senior Day is Oct. 14

Chipola College Student Ambassadors will host 1,000 area high school seniors from Calhoun, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty and Washington counties for Senior Day, Oct. 14.

The day’s events will include performances by the Chipola cheerleaders, men’s and women’s basketball teams beginning at 9:15 a.m. in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. Seniors will tour of campus beginning at 9:50 a.m. with performances by show choir, jazz band and theater along the way..

Seniors also will be treated to lunch at the gym beginning at 11:45 a.m., and will depart for their schools by 1:30 p.m.

Chipola scholarships still available for computer majors

College students interested in computers and information technology are encouraged to apply by Oct. 22 for a new scholarship program at Chipola College.

Chipola is the recipient of a $50,000 grant to promote and fund “WIRED for Technology” scholarships for students enrolled in several computer-related programs. The scholarships were awarded 13 students during the fall 2009 semester. Applications for the spring 2010 semester will be accepted through October 22.

Scholarships are available for Associate in Arts (AA) degrees in Computer Science and Information Technology. AA students typically take courses for two years and then transfer to a university to complete the junior and senior years of a bachelor’s degree.

Associate in Science (AS) degrees in Computer Engineering Technology, Computer Information Technology, and Networking Services Technology are also included among the eligible programs. AS degrees are designed to prepare students for careers after taking one to two years of coursework.

Scholarships are also available for Workforce Certificate program in Computer Systems Technology which can be completed in as little as one year.

The new Scholarships may fund all or part of costs for tuition, fees, textbooks and software for students in technology or computer-related majors or programs of study. The scholarships may be awarded in addition to other scholarships or grants; however, the selection panel will also consider other funds available to students through the Foundation or Financial Aid Office. The scholarships will be available only for the 2009-10 school year.

The WIRED for Technology project is being funded by the U.S. Department of Labor through a consortium of panhandle colleges in partnership with the University of West Florida and Florida’s Great Northwest.

For information about the scholarships at Chipola, contact Gail Hartzog or Pat Barfield at 850-718-2342 or email: hartzogg@chipola.edu or Nancy Burns at 850-526-2761 or email: burnsni@chipola.edu.
Marianna donates fire truck to Chipola

The City of Marianna and Marianna Fire and Rescue recently donated a complete 1991 Fire Engine to the Chipola College Fire Science program.

As Chipola Fire Science Coordinator Martin Fowler accepted the keys from Marianna Chief Byron Bennett, Fowler, said, “Engine 43 will greatly compliment the college’s ability to facilitate realistic training on modern equipment thereby making our students competent in an array of fire fighting skills.

Chipola Public Service Programs Director Charlie Crawford echoed Fowler’s excitement resulting from the tremendous training enhancement that the new engine will bring.

The engine complete with fire apparatus, ladders, lights, generator, water pumps and tanks will be put into service by the college immediately. The engine will be made available to the city in case of emergency.

Students in the college Automotive Technology program will maintain the truck engine and drive train.

Workforce Dean Bud Riviere expressed his appreciation to the City of Marianna and to Chief Bennett, saying, “We have developed an excellent, collaborative working relationship with the Marianna Fire Department over the years through the training venue and use of city fire equipment and engines in the Fire Science Program.”

For information on becoming a fire fighting student, call Chief Martin Fowler at 718-2483.

Singers invited to join Chamber Chorus

The Chipola Chamber Chorus invites all area singers to join with the chorus in singing a portion of their upcoming Fall Concert.

Rehearsals will be held Monday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m., Nov. 2, 9, and 16, and Saturday, Nov. 21, at 10 a.m. The performance is set for Sunday, Nov. 22, at 2:30 p.m., in the Chipola Arts Center.

Music, rehearsal CD’s and other information will be available beginning Oct. 12 by contacting Joan Stadsklev at 718-2301.

BOOKSTORE HOURS
Monday-Thursday
7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday
7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:
Monday & Wednesday
8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday
8 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Friday
8 a.m - 1:30 p.m.

TECH CENTER HOURS:
Monday - Thursday
8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Friday
8 a.m. - Noon

ACE HOURS:
Monday - Thursday
8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Friday
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

RENT ON CAMPUS.
FSU Panama City will have a representative on campus each Thursday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Student Services Building, Room A115.

OPEN HOUSE. The Chipola Cosmetology Department will be hosting their 3rd Annual Fall Open House, Thursday, October 15, from 10 a.m. to noon. Activities will include a pumpkin contest, aromatherapy hand towels, hand massages, and paraffin wax treatments, door prizes, and small gifts for each person attending. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK
There are no Chipola family birthdays this week.

THANKS! A big thanks goes out to all the students and staff that came to Chipola’s Fall Festival. It was a huge success! Also, thanks to the clubs for participating in the relays and tug-o-war competitions. The winner of the relays was the Players Club and the tug-o-war winner was the Spanish Club. Great Job!

Fall Festival was sponsored by Chipola SGA. Thanks to all SGA and Student Ambassador members for helping me plan and organize Fall Festival. I could not have done it without you!

Nancy Johnson

ATTENTION! Students are cautioned to not leave books and valuables unattended.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER
19-20 FALL BREAK
24 Florida Teacher Certification Exam
27 Night Students Social
27 District Board of Trustees
28-30 FACC Silent Auction
30 Deadline to Apply For Fall Graduation All Degrees

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