More than 2,000 visitors will converge on Marianna March 1-4 when Chipola Junior College hosts the Florida Junior College Men’s and Women’s State Basketball Tournament.

Chipola Appreciation club president Allen Clark says, “This is one of the biggest annual events in the area. Sixteen teams, with coaches, cheerleaders and hundreds of fans will visit Marianna and contribute a significant amount of money to our local economy.”

Ronnie Myers, tournament director, estimates that more than $250,000 will flow into the local economy during the tournament from food, lodging, recreation and incidental expenses.

CJC Human Resources director Karan Davis, who coordinates motel rooms for the tournament, reports that more than 175 rooms will be reserved for teams and game officials.

Waste Management is corporate sponsor for the event. District manager Len Necaise recently presented a check for $10,000 to the Appreciation Club to help fund the event. And on Feb. 8, the Jackson County Tourist Development Council awarded its first-ever grant in the amount of $10,000 to help Chipola promote the tournament Chipola president, Dr. Dale O’Daniel says, “We are excited about hosting the tournament again this year. And we are very grateful to Waste Management and to the TDC for their support of the tournament.”

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Double Exposure to perform at Chipola

The Florida Panhandle is in for a musical treat on Monday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m., when Double Exposure, Great Britain’s most sought-after violin virtuosi and one of the world’s leading black female composers and pianists, graces the Chipola Theatre stage.

This extraordinary duo has received critical acclaim for major concert series and festivals across the US, Europe and Asia. Double Exposure’s concerts span the great Baroque, classical and romantic masterpieces for piano and violin, as well as works by living composers and include humorous, informative spoken program notes.

Violinist Thomas Bowes recently performed as soloist with the London Philharmonic. He has achieved international recognition for his work as a soloist, chamber musician and director with such ensembles as the London Mozart Players and the Maggini String Quartet. He has been guest concertmaster with such conductors as Michael Tilson Thomas, Sir Georg Solti, Kent Nagano and Colin Davis, and with such orchestras as the Royal Philharmonic, the London Symphony and the Scottish Chamber Orchestra. He plays a magnificent 1659 Amati violin.

Pianist/Composer Eleanor Alberga moved from her native Jamaica to London in 1970 when she won a scholarship to the Royal Academy of Music. A finalist in England’s National Piano competition, she has performed at the Royal Albert Hall, Queen Elizabeth Hall, and Covent Garden. As a composer, Alberga has had works commissioned and performed by London Philharmonic, the London Mozart Players, the London Chamber Symphony, the European Women’s Orchestra and the Bournemouth Sinfonietta.

The performance is the second of four offerings in the Chipola Artist Series. The series ends with a classic of American dramatic literature “To Kill a Mockingbird” on March 30.

Tickets—$12 for adults and $8 age 18 and under—are on sale at the CJC Book Store and may be available at the door. For ticket information, call 718-2258.

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High school graduates or college transfers interested in pursuing careers in the fields of music, art, or theater may audition for a scholarship or submit a visual art portfolio to Chipola Junior College’s Fine and Performing Arts Department.

Music scholarship auditions are scheduled for Feb. 17, March 14, April 13 and May 18. Theatre scholarship auditions are March 11, with alternate dates on April 13 and May 18. Visual art portfolios and art application deadline is scheduled for April 13.

Application forms may be obtained by writing to the Fine and Performing Arts Department, Chipola Junior College, 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446, or by phoning (850) 718-2301. Applicants may also visit Chipola’s web-site at www.chipola.cc.fl.us
Chipola to host final home basketball games

Chipola hosts Okaloosa-Walton in the final home games of the regular season on Saturday, Feb. 19. The women play at 5:30 p.m. The men tip off at 7:30 p.m.

The evening is billed as Calhoun/Liberty Counties Appreciation night. CJC president Dr. Dale O’Daniel invites all Calhoun and Liberty County residents to attend the game free of charge. The Panhandle Conference race is turning out to be just that with changes in the standings nearly every night of league play.

The Indians (19-7), who were tied for second before their Homecoming loss to Tallahassee, now find themselves in fourth place at 4-4 as of Feb. 11. But according to head coach Ryan Cross, the Indians are not out of the hunt. “We’re still in there,” says Cross. “The conference is still up in the air. We’re only one game out of this point and we’re still confident. Our kids are still focused and hopefully we’ll make it to the tournament.” The top two men’s Panhandle teams will earn berths to the state tournament that will be held at CJC, March 1-4.

As of Feb. 11, Tallahassee and OW were tied for first at 6-3. Pensacola (5-4) is in second, a half game ahead of Chipola (4-4). But there is another round of games that could move Chipola up in the league once again. The Indians were the heavy favorite against Gulf Coast (1-8) on Feb. 12. Gulf Coast was to play without its big man, Stepanovic, who was suspended for the remainder of conference play for punching a TCC player on Feb. 8. TCC’s Nick Boyd and Darnell Tyler also were reportedly suspended one game for their part in the bench-clearing fight. Pensacola, which upset OW last Saturday, traveled to TCC on Feb. 12. OW was idle.

Chipola has three more conference games: at PJC on Feb. 15; OW in Marianna, Feb. 19; and at TCC, Feb. 21.

The Indians suffered an 84-78 Homecoming loss at the hands of Tallahassee Community College on Feb. 5. Will Campbell led Chipola with 18 points. Mike Hardaway had 16. Kevin Paige and Marcelle Davis each scored 15.

Auburn standout Chris Porter was on hand to see his jersey (#34) retired by Chipola. Porter was a first team All-American who played at Chipola in 1997 and 1998.

The Lady Indians picked up an important conference win with a 77-63 victory over North Florida on Feb. 8. CJC built a 42-26 lead at the half. Chipola was led in scoring by Tina Stapleton with 20 points. Sheherah Clark added 16. Tracy Tolbert scored 12 of her 13 points in the first half. Her twin sister Lacy Tolbert also scored 13 points.

Chipola’s Keelee Traylor broke a school record for conference rebounds with 12 on the night to give her a two-year running total of 732 rebounds.

As of Feb. 11, the Lady Indians were ranked ninth in the state with a record of 17-9 and 6-5 in the Conference. Gulf Coast has clinched first in the conference with a 10-1 mark. As of Feb. 11, Chipola was tied with TCC and PJC, all three with identical 6-5 records. OW was a half-game back at 6-6. North Florida is winless in the league. The top two teams in the league will earn a berth to the state tournament, and due to some reorganization in women’s leagues, the number three women’s Panhandle team may win an at-large berth to the tournament.

CJC’s Sheherah Clark is second in the state in assists, with a 5.96 average, and third in steals, with 4.24 per game. Keelee Traylor is the state’s number-two rebounder with a 13.56 average. Tina Stapleton has the state’s fourth best field goal percentage, at .565.

Chipola baseball team at home this week

The Chipola baseball team hosts a string of games in Marianna beginning this week with Mississippi Gulf Coast on Feb. 17 at 2 p.m.

The Indians host doubleheaders with North Lake on Feb. 18 at 11 a.m.; Wallace Dothan on Feb. 19 at 3 p.m.; and single games with Lake City on Feb. 20 at 1 p.m. and FCCJ on Feb. 24 at 3 p.m.

Chipola improved to 4-2 on the season with a 5-3 win at Jeff Davis on Feb. 8. Drew Miller hit a three-run homer in the top of the ninth to give Chipola the win.

Pitcher Caleb Crosby picked up his first win of the season. Starter Justin Lord threw the first four innings. David Wolensky came in for an inning. Max Havel also pitched two innings.

The Indians play at Meridian on Feb. 11 and 12, and at Mississippi Gulf Coast on Feb. 13.

For the latest scores, call the CJC Hotline at 718-2CJC.

TECH CENTER/ LIBRARY HOURS
Tech Center hours are Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Library hours are Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Sunday 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

CHEERLEADERS THANK CIRCLE D
The CJC Cheerleaders recently cheered Circle D Ranch for sponsoring the cheerleaders’ program this season. They would like to thank Circle D manager, Matt Dryden and George and Ruth Dryden, owners of Circle D Ranch.

BASIC CORRECTIONS COURSE SET
Application deadline for the next round of Basic Corrections course is Feb. 23.

An evening Basic Corrections class begins March 14, and will meet weekdays from 5 to 9:30 p.m. The day class begins April 11, and will meet weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Applicants must be at least 19 years of age, be of good moral character and possess a valid driver’s license. Applicants also must earn a passing score on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) and meet FDLE requirements.

For information, call 718-2394.
Sanders does it all for Chipola

Chipola’s Charles Sanders is a well-rounded player who contributes to every area of the Indians’ game plan.

Head coach Ryan Cross says, “Charles is our most athletic player around the basket. And he does a good job off the court as well. He is a very good student who’s always in class and taking care of business.”

Sanders, who is averaging 10 points and 4 rebounds per game, is one of Chipola’s top defenders. Cross says, “He always has to guard our opponent’s best player and does an outstanding job.”

Against Abraham-Baldwin early in the season Sanders stepped up in the absence of team leader Janerio Spurlock, to lead the Chipola’s offensives charge with 20 points and 8 rebounds, including 4 of 6 from the three-point line. Cross says, “When we need him to take charge and do anything, he does it on both ends of the court—he’s our do-it-all guy.”

Sanders, a 6’6, 200 pounder, from Hogansville, GA, is getting some serious looks from some top four-year programs including Oregon State, The University of Nevada, Georgia Southern, Northeast Louisiana and the University of New Orleans.

He averaged 15 points and 9 rebounds at Callaway High in Hogansville, GA, where he led his team to the state championship. He was the squad’s MVP, top rebounder, and also earned All State honors. Sanders transferred to CJC from Mississippi Delta College where he averaged 16 points and 7 rebounds during his freshman year.

Continuing Education courses set

Chipola will offer a variety of short courses during the month of February and March.

- **A Word I** course will meet Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 15 and 16, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $45.
- **A Crochet** course will meet Tuesdays, Feb. 16 through March 16, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $30.
- **A Conflict Resolution Workshop** will be held Tuesday, Feb. 16, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is $20.
- **A First Aid** course will meet Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 16 and 18, from 5 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is $40.
- **An Instant Piano Workshop** will be held Thursday, Feb. 18, from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is $55.
- **A 20-Hour Childcare Training** course will meet Fridays, Feb. 26 and March 5, from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays, Feb. 27 and March 6, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is $57.
- **An Excel Introductory** course will meet Monday and Tuesday, March 1 and 2, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $45.
- **A Cake I** course will be held Mondays, March 1 through March 22, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $21.
- **A Cake II** course will be held Tuesdays, March 2 through March 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. Cost is $21.
- **A Cake III** course will be held Thursdays, March 4 through March 25, from 6 to 8 p.m. Cost is $21.
- **A Genealogy Workshop** will meet Saturday, March 13, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Cost is $12.
- **An HIV Aids 101** course will meet Monday, March 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. Cost is $12.
- **An HIV Aids 104** course will meet Monday, March 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. Cost is $12.
- **An Internet** course will meet Monday and Tuesday, March 15 and 16, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $45.
- **A Windows 95** course will meet Monday and Tuesday, March 29 and 30, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $45.
- **A Real Estate** course will be held Tuesday and Thursday, March 30 through June 8, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $190.

Pre-registration is recommended for these non-credit courses. For information, call the CJC Continuing Education Office at 718-2395.