Chipola athletic programs celebrate successful year

Chipola Junior College’s athletic programs achieved much success during the 2001-2002 school year.

The CJC baseball team set the curve for Chipola’s four athletic programs with a Runner-up finish in the FCCAA / NJCAA Region VIII tournament, a 46-10 record, and a second Panhandle Conference Championship in as many years. The Indians were ranked as high as third in the country for much of the season. Head coach Jeff Johnson was named Panhandle Conference Coach-of-the-Year for the second year in a row.

Several baseballers were among the best in the state and nation. Blake Balkcom was named to the NJCAA All District Team. Three Indians were named to the FCCAA All Tournament Team: Balkcom, Ivan Naccarata and Kyle Pawelczyk.

Three CJC players made the FCCAA All State squad: Balkcom, Ricardo Nanita and Naccarata.

The All Panhandle Conference team listed eight CJC players: Balkcom, Nanita, Naccarata, Pawelczyk, Russell Martin, Victor Alvarez, Troy Fry and Scott Wearne. Russell Martin was named to the Academic All Conference team and the state FCCAA All Academic Team.

Chipola’s men’s basketball team had a very successful season with an 18-12 record. All Panhandle Conference picks from Chipola include: Kareem Johnson, John Andrews and Brandon Freeman. Michael Wilds was named to the Panhandle Conference All Freshman Team.

Brandon Freeman and David Hilton were named to the Panhandle Academic All Conference team.

The Lady Indians softball squad finished the year with a 26-18 record. All Panhandle Conference picks included: Neikole Royster, Jill Foye, Virginia Spencer and Stephanie Gray.

Elisha Scott and Virginia Spencer were named to both the FCCAA All Academic Team and the Academic All Conference team.

Cloutia Young also made the Academic All Conference Team.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE
18 Last Class Day - Summer I
19 Last Faculty Day for Summer I
20 Faculty Returns - Summer II
24 Classes Begin
24-25 Late Registration/Drop/Add

POOL HALF OFF
The Governance Council has announced special pool rates for all employees. Those wishing to purchase a leisure season pool pass will receive 50% off the regular rate. For more information, call ext. 3466.

APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER SESSION II CLASSES AT CJC

Application deadline is June 11.
Summer II Term Registration - Thursday, June 20 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Classes begin Monday, June 24.
Late registration continues June 25, from 8 a.m. to noon.

For information, call the CJC Registration Office at 718-2211.

Happy Birthday CJC Family

June 10 Alice Pittman       June 12 Judith Riviere
June 10 Evelyn Ward        June 13 Byron Quivey
June 11 Harrell Glisson    June 16 Robert Brown, Jr.
June 12 Sheila Mercer      June 16 JoAnn Everett
**CONDOLENCES**

The Chipola family is saddened by the loss of Louis Powell, brother of Wanda Powell (custodian). Please remember this family in your prayers.

**UWF/CJC REGISTERS**

The University of West Florida will hold a series of information/registration meetings for programs offered at Chipola.

Registration for the new Master’s degrees in Curriculum & Instruction and Educational Leadership with Administrative Certification is Wednesday, June 12, from 4 to 6 p.m. in L-400.

Registration for the bachelor’s degree in Special/Elementary Education is June 24, 25 and 26 in L-400. Call Patricia Davis at (850) 718-2361 to make an appointment.

For information, call 718-2260.

**EVERGLADES ART**

A pictorial exhibit entitled “The Everglades, Its Exploitation and Conservation” is on display in the lobby of Building Z through June 20.

The exhibit shows development, exploitation and restoration of the Everglades since 1898.

The exhibit is open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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**Chipola baseball players picked in major league draft**

Several players from the Chipola Junior College baseball team that finished second in the state tournament were picked in the Major League draft on June 6.

Sophomore pitcher Kyle Pawelczyk of Elkins, West Virginia, was drafted in the 3rd round by the Anaheim Angels. The left-hander amassed a 6-1 record during his sophomore season. He threw 70 strikeouts in 67 innings with a 2.14 ERA. One of the Indians’ top starters for two years, he signed a scholarship with LSU earlier this season.

Freshman Kellen Ludwig of Leesburg, GA, was drafted in the 12th round by the San Francisco Giants. Though his record was 1-1, he threw 40 strikeouts in 28 critical innings, making him one of the Indians top closers.

Freshman Tony Mandel of Pensacola was drafted in the 17th round by the Anaheim Angels. He had a stellar 6-0 season on the mound for the Indians including a complete game against Manatee in the state tourney. He threw 52 strikeouts in 64 innings.

Sophomore third baseman Russell Martin of Montreal, Canada, was picked in the 17th by the Los Angeles Dodgers. The former member of the Canadian National team hit .324 with 18 doubles, 4 homeruns and 42 RBI’s. He signed a scholarship with NC State earlier this year.

Sophomore second baseman Ivan Naccarata of Laval Quebec, Canada, was picked in the 21st round by the Houston Astros. Also a member of the Canadian National team, Naccarata hit .365 with 16 homeruns and 56 RBI’s.

Freshman Victor Alvarez of Valencia, Venezuela, was picked in the 37th round by the Colorado Rockies. He hit .316 on the season.

Ricardo Nanita and Johnny Lynch also were offered pro contracts, but both turned them down for college scholarships. Nanita will play at Florida International University. Lynch signed with the University of South Alabama.

Chipola coach Jeff Johnson says, “Not only are these great athletes, they’re all fine people. We’re very happy that these players came in here and contributed to our success and became better ball players. They will be fine representatives of Chipola.”

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**Summer children’s programs at CJC**

Chipola Junior College has scheduled a number of summer programs for children of all ages.

Baseball Coach Jeff Johnson will offer a Hitting Camp for ages 8-18, June 12-13 from 9 a.m. to Noon. The camp was originally scheduled for June 10-11. Cost is $100. Registration is limited. Call Johnson at (850) 718-2237.

Swimming lessons will be offered for ages two and up. Lessons are based on a combination of nationally recognized methods. Sessions are: June 10-20, July 8-18 and July 22-Aug. 1. Class times are 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. Sessions include eight 45-minute lessons that meet Monday through Thursday for two weeks. Cost is $40 and pre-registration is required, with a $5 fee for late registration. Call Rance Massengill at 718-2473.

Pool Camps for school-age swimmers include:
- Wet and Wild Camp: June 24-27 and Stroke Improvement Camp: July 1-3. After School at the Pool for school age swimmers will be August 12-16 and 19-23. Cost is $35 per week and includes swimming lessons, games and supervised playtime. Call Rance Massengill at 718-2473.
- Chipola Basketball Coach Ryan Cross will offer a Basketball Camp for grades K-8, June 24-27. The camp will meet from 8:30 a.m. to Noon in the Milton H. Johnson Health Center. The CJC coaching staff and players will teach youngsters the fundamentals of basketball. The fee of $35 includes insurance and a camp t-shirt. Call coach Cross at 718-2236.

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**Things You Might Not Have Known**

When the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers play football at home to a sellout crowd, the full stadium becomes the state’s third largest city.