Chipola to host northwest in final home games
Edwards is State Player of the Week

Both Chipola basketball teams host Northwest in the final home games of the season, Tuesday, Feb. 16. The teams close out the regular season Feb. 20 at Pensacola.

The Lady Indians (20-4) handed formerly undefeated Gulf Coast their first loss of the season, in a 78-64 win on Feb. 6. Aisha Edwards scored a career-high 32 points in Chipola’s 14-point win over Gulf Coast State. She was named Region 8 Women’s Basketball Player of the Week. The freshman guard from Boca Raton averaged 24.0 points, 2.0 rebounds, 4.5 assists and 2.5 steals in two games during the voting period. She shot 42.2 percent (19-of-45) from the field, 50.0 percent (4-of-8) from the three-point line and 75 percent (6-of-8) in free throws.

As of Feb. 11, Gulf Coast (9-1) leads the women’s conference race. Chipola (7-2) is second. Tallahassee (4-6) is third. Northwest (3-6) is fourth. Pensacola is (1-9).

The Lady Indians are ranked third in the FCSAA State Poll behind top-ranked Gulf Coast and second ranked Daytona. Other Panhandle teams in the state ranking include: Northwest (4) and Tallahassee (6). Chipola is sixth in the NJCAA National Poll.

The Chipola men’s team (16-11) made it three in a row with a 94-72 Homecoming win over Gulf Coast on Feb. 6. Mehdy N gouama, Cletrell Pope and Eric Turner each scored 15 points for Chipola. Eric Lockett had 14. With the win, Chipola improves to 16-11 overall and 3-6 in conference play.

Chipola pulled off a stunning 98-92 overtime upset of top-ranked Northwest Florida on Jan. 30. Antwain Johnson hit a game-tying shot with .8 seconds to go in regulation. He led Chipola with 26 points.

As of Feb. 11, the men’s Panhandle standings are: Tallahassee (7-3), Northwest (6-3), Gulf Coast (5-5), Chipola (3-6) and Pensacola (3-7). For information, visit www.chipolaathletics.com.

Olivia Saunders of Chipley was crowned Homecoming Queen, and Andrew Bennett of Blountstown was crowned Mr. Chipola 2016 on Feb. 6. The Court, from left: Anthony Severson of Graceville, Maddy Christmas of Marianna, Edward Arroyo of Marianna, Aaliyah Raines of Sneads, 2015 Queen Sara Kaye Compton of Chipley, 2016 Queen Olivia Saunders of Chipley, 2016 Mr. Chipola Andrew Bennett of Blountstown, 2015 Mr. Chipola Trey White of Marianna, Keionna Mitchell of Marianna, Patrick Spires of Malone, Cianna Harris of Marianna and Tripp Taylor of Blountstown.
Addams Family tickets on sale at Chipola
The Chipola production of The Addams Family Musical runs Feb. 24-28. Pictured from left, are: Chris Manasco as Fester, Chandler King as Pugsley, Shayli Tharp as Morticia, Odra Chapman as Wednesday, Josiah Brooks as Gomez, Saylor Novonglosky as Lurch and Elyn Sapp as Grandma. Tickets are on sale at the Center for the Arts Box Office, and online at www.chipola.edu/boxoffice. Tickets are $8 for adults and $6 for ages 18 and under. A Sunday Brunch and show is set for Feb. 28. For brunch tickets, contact Evelyn Ward at 850-718-2257 or warde@chipola.edu. For the Box Office, call 718-2420.

Chipola to host Financial Aid Day Feb. 20
Chipola will host a Financial Aid Day, Saturday, Feb. 20, from 9 a.m. to noon, in the Student Services Building.
Prospective students can get free, expert help applying, registering and paying for college. Participants may use college computers for online forms, and receive one-on-one assistance. Academic counselors will be available to help new and returning students and their parents through the admissions and registration steps.
Participants also will get help in completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), a mandatory first step to receiving financial aid. To expedite processing of the FAFSA form, students and parents should apply for a federal FSA ID # at www.fsid.ed.gov.
To complete FAFSA, please bring: FSA ID number, the legal electronic signature to access the federal student aid on-line system; 2015 IRS Tax returns and W-2 statements; Social Security Number; Driver’s License or other valid photo ID; Alien Registration card. Participants should also bring Untaxed Income records for 2015, which may consist of payments to tax-deferred pensions or retirement savings, child support paid or received, housing or food or living allowance (assistance from government agencies: Florida Department of Children and families), Social Security benefits, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, WIC and/or HUD, Veterans non-education benefits (disability compensation).
For more information, call Beverly Hambright at 850-718-2223.

CHIPOLA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS
Available
The Chipola Foundation Scholarship list for Fall 2016 will be available the first week of March.
The McLendon Educational Trust applications for Summer I and Summer II are available online at www.chipola.edu and in the Foundation office. Application deadlines are: Summer I, March 15 and Summer II, May 16. Summer II applications should include Spring 2016 semester grades if student is enrolled in Spring 2016 classes.
For information, call the Chipola Foundation at 718-2404.

CHIPOLAMUSICSTUDENTSATTENDSYMPOSIUM—
Chipola music majors recently attended the Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA) winter symposium at University of North Florida in Jacksonville. Pictured from left, are: (front) Kaitlyn Miller, Alex Ozbun, Lindsay Miller, (middle row) Dr. Christina Villaverde, Summer Consalo, Hannah Alhalaseh, Emily Childress, (back) Dr. Josh Martin, George Kleinpeter and Daniel Clubb.
Also attending were Chipola faculty members, Dr. Josh Martin and Dr. Christina Villaverde, and Director of Fine and Performing Arts, Evelyn Ward.
Baseball Alumni Weekend is a Homerun

The annual Chipola College Baseball Alumni Weekend was nothing short of a Homerun. Major league baseball stars who played at Chipola joined dozens of other former players for the weekend’s events which included a Homerun Derby, Celebrity Dinner and Auction and MLB Autograph session.

Jose Bautista of the Toronto Blue Jays was the headliner for the event. The two-time MLB Homerun champ signed autographs and posed for photos for two full days to help raise money for the Chipola program. Bautista said, “It really feels like a family here. These people have known me since I came to school at Chipola. They’ve kept up with me and I’ve come back, so we’ve had that continuing relationship. This is a close-knit group; not only the baseball guys, but also the local community.”

Baseball coach Jeff Johnson said, “I’m grateful to have so many alumni take time out of their busy schedules to come spend time with us to help our program. It’s very humbling.”

More than 100 fans waited for up to two hours for the chance to get an autograph from several MLB players, including Bautista, honorary Chipola alumnus Jeff Mathis of the Marlins, his brother-in-law Cory Rasmus of the Angels, Marianna’s own Michael Mader of the Marlins, Phillies pitcher David Buchanan, Jaye Chapman of the Brewers, Isaiah Gilliam of the Yankees and former Milwaukee Brewer Mat Gamel.

Isaiah Gilliam won the Homerun Derby with 15 four-baggers in the finals against two other former draft picks Blake Balkom and Jordan Poole.

Some 200 former players and fans attended an Alumni Dinner and Auction which raised thousands for the baseball program. James and Shealyn Estes were the winning bidders for a Jose Bautista Blue Jays Game Experience which includes VIP tickets to a Jays game, luxury hotel, and on-field passes for batting practice.

Former Chipola player Nathan Marks was the event organizer. Alumni are encouraged to contact him at nathan@marksinsurance.com to stay involved with the group.

Chipola ACE offering teacher certification exam review

The Chipola ACE Lab is offering review sessions for the General Knowledge Florida Teacher Certification Examination.

Review sessions for the various tests are scheduled from 3 to 5 p.m. on the following dates: Reading/Writing, March 14 and 16; Mathematics, March 15 and 17. For information, 850-718-2312.

Having trouble with a class? Get free help in ACE

The Chipola ACE (Academic Center for Excellence) provides free tutoring for all Chipola students. ACE is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Mon. through Thurs., and 8 a.m. to noon on Friday.

ACE is a full-service lab which offers individual tutoring, test-prep sessions for specific courses, study group organization, study skills development and high-speed computers with course software.

ACE offers Reviews, Study Sessions, and Instructor-led sessions.

ACE is located in the Z Building. For information, call 718-2312.
The Boys Choir of Tallahassee to perform at Chipola

The nationally acclaimed Boys’ Choir of Tallahassee will perform Friday, March 11, 2016, at 7 p.m., in the Center for the Arts, Chipola College.

The Boys’ Choir of Tallahassee (BCT) is a community outreach program for males, ages eight to 18, enrolled in schools throughout Tallahassee and the surrounding area. BCT works to help young men meet their developmental needs and realize their full potential by proactively reducing risky behavior, restoring self-esteem and promoting academic success. Strategies include creating a safe, supportive afterschool setting which includes adult and peer mentoring for both academic and social skills.

The Choir strives to help members develop a sense of poise and self-confidence through education and performance. Members are challenged to sing well, stand tall, stay on schedule, take pride in their appearance, respect those in charge and tap into the best part of whom he is and what he can accomplish.

The key to the success of the Choir is its emphasis on discipline, hard work, responsibility and respect for oneself and others. BCT reaches out to youth to give them a sense of purpose and accomplishment through music instruction and the encouragement of a positive adult role model.

The choir has performed for Oprah Winfrey, President Barack Obama and Michelle Obama and more. The concert is begin sponsored by the Chipola Regional Arts Association and the Chipola College Fine Arts Department.

Open seating tickets for the March 11 performance will be on sale for $10 each beginning Monday, February 15 at the Chipola Box Office or online at www.chipola.edu/boxoffice. Box Office hours are Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information, call 850-718-2420 or visit www.chipola.edu/boxoffice.

Course Evaluations on Canvas
Students are asked to complete course evaluations online in Canvas from Feb. 29—Mar. 14, 2016. Confidential feedback provides information on effective instructional practices and instructional needs.

SMITH IS TOP EMPLOYEE
Connie Smith, Director of Technical Theatre, is the Chipola College Faculty/Other Professional Administrator of the Month. Here, Smith receives a plaque from Chipola president Dr. Jason Hurst and Evelyn Ward, Director of Fine Arts with members of the cast and crew of the Chipola spring musical, The Addams Family.

Dr. Loran Anderson, Professor Emeritus of Biological Science and former Curator of the Godfrey Herbarium, FSU, was a guest lecturer for Chipola environmental science students. His presentation on botanical biodiversity was second in a program of study designed by Billy Bailey, Florida Caverns State Park Specialist to move students from visualizing environmental science to living it. Anderson’s lecture connected botany with careers in forensic science, surveys, pharmacy, engineering, environmental consulting and agriculture.

Black History program Feb. 19
at 6:30 p.m., in the Cultural Center.
Join guest speaker Elder Emeritus William McCray along with Salvation Army Victim’s Advocate Lindsey McCrary and Domestic Violence Advocate Felicia Gibson. Enjoy performances including The Riverside Beaver Chorus; Singer Daniel Marks; Dance routines by the Girls of Pearls and the Omega Lamplighters; and Poetry reading with Barrone Evans. For info call 718-2232.