Chipola’s Addams Family opens Wednesday, Feb. 24

The Chipola production of The Addams Family Musical opens a five-day run, Wednesday, Feb. 24, in the Center for the Arts. The show runs at 7 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 25-27, with a 2 p.m., Sunday matinee on Feb. 28.

Tickets—$8 for adults and $6 for ages 18 and under—are on sale at the Center for the Arts Box Office, and online at www.chipola.edu/boxoffice.

A special Sunday Brunch show is set for Feb. 28. Tickets ($20, and $15 for ACT Fund members) include brunch at noon and play admission. Deadline to purchase brunch tickets is Feb. 22.

Chipola Theater director Charles Sirmon selected the cast of local actors which includes: Josiah Brooks as Gomez, Shayli Tharp as Morticia, Odra Chapman as Wednesday, Jared Standiford as Lucas, Chandler King as Pugsley, Chris Manasco as Fester, Elyn Sapp as Grandma, Keith Watford as Mal, Sarah Liffick as Alice and Saylor Novonglosky as Lurch. Ancestors include Austin Spears, Aaron Lane, Alex Ozbun, Stephanie Lane, Calen Masai, Gracie Wallace, Jill Berquist, Laura Lee Gause, Emily Childress, Nina Boyde, Kane Keefer, Karissa Mercer, Katelyn Cannady, Jamie Gibson and Tra’vaous Boyd. Monsters are William Crews and Catherine Lewis.

The Addams Family was written by Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice with music and lyrics by Andrew Lippa. In the kooky, upside-down Addams world, to be sad is to be happy, to feel pain is to feel joy, and death and suffering are the stuff of their dreams. The Addams family still has to deal with the spookiest nightmare faced by every family: the kids are growing up.

For brunch tickets, contact Evelyn Ward at 850-718-2257 or warde@chipola.edu. For the Box Office, call 718-2420 or visit www.chipola.edu

Chipola will host a Black History Month Program, Friday, Feb. 19, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., in the Chipola College Cultural Center. Dinner will be served.

The theme for the program is “Celebrating the Life, Legacy and Contributions of African Americans and Charting the Path to Full Liberation.” The guest speaker is Elder Emeritus William McCray. Other speakers include: Salvation Army Victim’s Advocate Lindsey McCrary; Domestic Violence Advocate Felicia Gibson.

Performances will include: 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 information about the event, contact Dr. Willie Spires at 718-2232.
Lady Indians headed to State Basketball Tourney

The Chipola Lady Indians are headed to the FCSAA/Region VIII women’s basketball tournament for the fourth straight year under head coach Greg Franklin.

Gulf Coast (11-1) is the women’s conference champion. Chipola (9-2) finished second. Tallahassee (4-7) is third. Northwest (3-8) is fourth. Pensacola is (1-10).

The Lady Indians will play the Southern Conference Champion, Thursday, March 3, at 5 p.m. CST, in the first round of the state tournament. The brackets are set up for a rematch of Chipola vs. Gulf Coast if both teams advance to the finals.

The Lady Indians (22-4) improved to 9-2 in league play with an 81-59 win over Northwest in the final home games of the season, Feb. 16. Chipola closes out the regular season Feb. 20 at Pensacola.

Chipola scored a 77-67 win over Tallahassee on Feb. 13. Chipola (8-2) and Gulf Coast (10-1) have both clinched berths for the FCSAA State Tournament set for March 2-6 in Ocala. A third team from the Panhandle also gets a berth in this year’s tourney.

Chipola handed formerly undefeated Gulf Coast its 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.

The Lady Indians are ranked third in the FCSAA State Poll behind top-ranked Gulf Coast and second ranked Daytona. Chipola is sixth in the NJCAA National Poll.


Chipola pulled off a big 98-92 overtime upset of top-ranked Northwest 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. 18, Northwest (8-3) and Tallahassee (8-3) have clinched berths in the men’s state tournament, March 2-5. The other league records are: Gulf Coast (5-7), Pensacola (4-7) and Chipola (3-8).

For info, visit www.chipolaathletics.com.

Chipola Baseball picked to go deep in 2016

The Chipola Indians baseball team is expected to go deep into the 2016 post-season according to a Season Preview issued by the NJCAA on Jan. 26.

Chipola is picked to finish among the top four teams in Region 8 along with Northwest, Palm Beach and State College of Florida.

The Indians are currently ranked third in the FCSAA State Poll behind top-ranked Tallahassee and second-ranked Northwest.

Chipola also has three of the top incoming freshman in the region, including Michael Hickman, a center-fielder from Katy, Texas; shortstop Jose Caballero from the country of Panama, and Tek’Waan Whyte from Stone Mountain, Georgia.

The Indians finished the 2015 season with a 40-12 record. Chipola captured a second straight Panhandle Conference Championship by winning 12 of their final 13 league games. Chipola came up short in the 2016 FCSAA State Tournament in Lakeland going 1-2 in three games.

Chipola coach Jeff Johnson’s Indians have made the FCSAA State Tournament 14 straight years with seven appearances in the title game. He has guided the Indians to three state championships, finished second four times and among the top four eight times. Chipola has made three trips to the NJCAA National Tournament in the last seven years including a 2007 national title.

The Indians host a spate of home games beginning with Gordon State, Friday, Feb. 19, at 3 p.m., and again, Saturday, Feb. 20, at noon. Chipola hosts Columbia State in a double-header, Saturday, Feb. 20, beginning at 11 a.m. Home games continue Friday, Feb. 26, with Wallace at 2 p.m., and a double-header with Darton College, Saturday, Feb. 27, at 1 and 4 p.m. Visit www.chipolaathletics.com
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.

Addams Family visits CRAA

The cast of Chipola College’s The Addams Family performed excerpts from the musical at the Feb. 16 meeting of the Chipola Regional Arts Association. Pictured from left, are: Josiah Brooks, Dr. Josh Martin, Shayli Tharp, Charles Sirmon, Odra Chapman, Jared Standiford and Saylor Novonglosky.

ACE

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

Chipola Cosmetology Helps

Night to Shine—

Students in the Cosmetology program provided salon services for several of the students who attended the Feb. 12 “Night to Shine” prom. The national night out for people with special needs was founded by the Tim Tebow Foundation. Here, cosmetology instructor Paige Vanderwerf (left) and student Audrey Eubanks, style a prom-goer’s hair.
Literature/Language Winners

Some 115 students from 12 area high schools competed in writing, reading, speech, oral interpretation, literature, humanities, grammar, and Spanish contests at Chipola College on Feb. 12.

The occasion was the Twenty-sixth Annual Throssell Literature/Language Festival hosted by Chipola’s Letters Department. The purpose of the festival is to recognize and encourage academic excellence. Prizes were awarded to first, second and third places, as well as two honorable mentions, in each category. The winner of the President’s Reading Contest received a special medallion as well as a cash award. Contest winners from participating schools are listed below.

President’s Reading Award—Lauren Drake of Bethlehem High School. (Pictured above.)

Writing: first—Jonce Palmer of Holmes County High School; second—Hayden Church of Graceville High School; third—Carley Kirk of Vernon High School; honorable Mentions—Hunter Davis of Cottontdale High School and Alex Gong of Marianna High School.


Oral Interpretation: first—Gracie Wallace of Marianna High School; second—Cassidy Smith of Vernon High School; third—Ashley Wesley of Graceville High School; honorable Mentions—Skyler Leonberger of Chipley High School and Hannah Murray of Liberty County High School.

Literature: first—Hunter Davis of Cottontdale High School; second—Madison Martin of Marianna High School; third—Justin Moore of Altha High School; honorable Mentions—Mallory Beauchamp of Sneads High School and Hannah Hall of Cottontdale High School.

Humanities: first—Alex Tharp of Cottontdale High School; second—Katie Everett of Marianna High School; third—Sierra Ennis of Graceville High School; honorable Mentions—Jonce Palmer of Holmes County High School and Kyle Silsby of Blountstown High School.

Grammar: first—Alex Gong of Marianna High School; second—Chandra Cooper of Holmes County High School; third—Deidre Walton of Bethlehem High School; honorable Mentions—Hayden Church of Graceville High School and Cassidy Trammell of Bethlehem High School.

Spanish Language Contest: first—Rosio Martinez of Chipley High School; second—Kyhla Bodie of Marianna High School; third—Maria Martinez of Liberty County High School; honorable Mentions—Rachel Nandho of Blountstown High School and Perla Valdovinos of Chipley High School.

Ignite the Night
5K Fun Run/Walk,
Friday, March 11, at 6 p.m., at Citizens Lodge.

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.