Montford, Villagers headline Chipola party

Celebrate the season with the Chipola Appreciation Club’s “Endless Summer” dinner and dance, Saturday, Aug. 16, at the Marianna National Guard Armory.

Just as the Beach Boys’ “Endless Summer” album reminds us of a simpler time with hits like “Surfin’ USA” and “Be True to Your School,” this event will reunite old Chipola friends and alumni for a relaxing evening to establish an endowed scholarship honoring Florida Senator Bill Montford (Chipola Class of 1967).

The Villagers, a popular Chipola band from the 1960’s which is also being honored, will provide the perfect musical backdrop for the occasion. The Villagers are celebrating their 50th anniversary with the release of a new album. Original Villagers -Cliff Ellis of Chipley, Allen Myers of Malone, George Boyer of Port St. Joe, Walter Dover of Quincy and Andy Murray of Chattahoochee -- will perform their favorite tunes, including their hit song “Laugh It Off.”

Appreciation Club President Robert Trammell says, “Even though music has changed dramatically during Chipola’s 60-plus years, the bonds and friendships built here have remained constant.” Trammell points to the commitment of alumni and supporters as the key to the college’s success. “Without strong support from our people, Chipola would not be what it is today. Our athletic programs would be unable to perform at the national level,” he added.

Chipola College began in 1947 and has enjoyed more than 67 great years, including numerous state and national athletic titles – with hundreds of individual success stories among its graduates.

Tickets are $50 per person, with a social hour at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner. Tables of eight are available for $400. Summer casual attire is recommended. Jackson County’s famous smoked steaks will be served.

For ticket information, call Lillie Hamil at 850-718-2375.

Mark Your Calendars for

endless SUMMER 2014

Dinner and Dance
Saturday, August 16, 2014 • 6:30 p.m.
Guest of Honor: Sen. Bill Montford
Music by: The Villagers

This Week at Chipola

22 Monday
- Classes begin for Summer II
- Late Registration for Summer II, Drop/Add & Employee Fee Waiver Registration; 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- District STEM Intensive Workshops - Chipola Cultural Ctr

24 Tuesday
- Late Registration for Summer II, Drop/Add & Employee Fee Waiver Registration; 8 a.m.-Noon
- District STEM Intensive Workshops - Chipola Cultural Ctr

25 Wednesday
- District STEM Intensive Workshops - Chipola Cultural Ctr

26 Thursday
- Deadline to Apply to ADN Program for Fall 2014
- District STEM Intensive Workshops - Chipola Cultural Ctr

27 Friday
- College Closed - Four Day Work Week

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Chipola screens Stoltzfus wildlife film—Chipola College hosted a screening of the Elam Stoltzfus documentary film, “The Florida Wildlife Corridor Expedition: Everglades to Okefenokee,” on June 12 in the Chipola Center for the Arts. The Emmy award-winning film has been shown nationwide on public television. Chipola graduate and 30-year veteran filmmaker Elam Stoltzfus was on hand to discuss the film.

Marianna Lions help Chipola

The Marianna Lions Club recently added funds to their endowment in the Chipola Foundation. Here, Lions Scholarship chairman Dave Nicholson presents a donation to Julie Fuqua, Chipola Foundation Director. The Lions Club provides scholarships to Chipola students each year through proceeds from the Jesse Hoy Memorial Endowment. This year, the club will award $1,500.

Ret Turner visits Chipola Center—Hollywood costume designer Ret Turner recently toured the Chipola College Center for the Arts. He is the brother-in-law of Pauline Turner of Marianna. Pictured from left, are: Tom Wilkinson, Chipola Technical Theatre director Connie Smith, Ret Turner and Chipola Theatre Director Charles Sirmon. Turner has been nominated for 21 Emmys with five wins. His work includes “The Jim Nabors Show,” “The Andy Williams Show,” “Sonny and Cher,” “Carol Burnett,” “Donny and Marie,” and “Mama’s Family,” just to name a few. He headed NBC Studios’ wardrobe department for 20 years before entering into a partnership with Bob Mackie and Ray Aghayan for Elizabeth Courtney Costumes.