

GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE
Pioneer Update
YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE ON GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE
A COMMUNICATION TO ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ABOUT EVENTS AND PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Alumni Spotlight

Daniel Reed '93 is currently serving as a counselor at Gilmer County High School. He graduated from GSC in 1993 before going on to earn a Master's of Arts Degree in Counseling from West Virginia University in 1997.

Prior to Gilmer County High School, he worked at Weston State Hospital as a Behavior Management Specialist, the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission as an Awareness Counselor, United Summit Center as a Therapist, at Glensville State College as Director of the Academic Support Center, and at Salem University where he served as the



Gilmer County Elementary School staff in their GSC alumni shirts

Recognizing our Education Alumni

The Glensville State College Office of Alumni Affairs has kicked-off a new initiative to unite educators who are GSC alumni. There is a long and proud history of Glensville State College training teachers dating back to 1872. Glensville State is nationally accredited and, with its updated facilities and dedicated faculty, is home to the premier teacher education program in the region.

Through this initiative, GSC is identifying teacher education alumni who are currently working within a school system, updating their contact information, providing them with Glensville gear to proudly display in their classrooms, and asking them encourage their students to someday attend GSC.

“I’m excited to start this new initiative with our teachers throughout the state. Teachers not only educate their students but they also serve as trusted mentors who

Dean of Counseling and Academic Support.

Reed is the author of two books, *Living in the Now: A Guide to Living a More Fulfilled Life*, and *My Senior Year: A Guide for High School Seniors and Their Parents*. He also holds a black belt in karate and dabbles as a blacksmith, wood-worker, amateur magician, and pianist.

Daniel resides in Gilmer County and his wife Ann, who serves as the Registrar at Glenville State College, along with his stepson Dayton.

We are pleased to feature Daniel in this week's alumni Spotlight and are proud to have him as an alumnus of Glenville State College.

Did You Know?

[New Cleveland Browns Head Coach](#) Freddie Kitchens started his coaching career at GSC as a running backs and tight ends coach under former head coach Rick Trickett '74 in 1999.

ATTENTION READERS!

Beginning next week the Pioneer Update will transition to a bi-weekly mailing. You can still look

offer valuable support and guidance to their students. Reconfirming this relationship will strengthen our alumni connection with those who have a passion for education and who are committed to being life-long Pioneers," said GSC Director of Alumni Affairs Conner Ferguson '17.

Are you a GSC graduate working as a teacher or education administrator? If so - please let us know by [clicking here](#) or calling (304) 462-6116.

From The President Dr. Tracy L. Pellett, President

Greetings Pioneers:

As many of you already know, West Virginia is facing a teacher shortage. In fact, there are almost 1,000 teacher vacancies across the state right now. Glenville State is currently working to take a focused lead in encouraging enrollment in teacher education programs, especially in areas where major shortages are identified such as special education, mathematics, early education, and science.



Our alumni know the proud history GSC has when it comes to training teachers. I've heard from many of you who, right out of college, recall being immediately recognized as an outstanding teacher candidate just for being a Glenville State College graduate.

Working with school districts within central West Virginia, we plan to implement targeted recruitment of future teachers, provide financial support, and facilitate mentoring and practical experiences to do our part in filling the gap of qualified teachers.

As we think about all of our alumni who are educators, our Alumni Affairs office has been reaching out to connect with the Pioneers working in the public school system. It only seemed right to begin with the elementary school right here in Gilmer County. I appreciate those teachers for taking time out

forward to the same updates, event announcements, Alumni Spotlights, and more in your inbox every other week!

of their day to gather for a photo and look forward to seeing more alumni from across the state in similar pictures soon.

My best,

Tracy

A promotional poster for an Alumni Basketball Game. The background is dark blue with a large, stylized orange basketball on the right side. The text is white and reads: "Alumni Basketball Game", "Saturday, March 2, 2019", "GSC Waco Center", "10:00 AM", and "RSVP to Alumni Affairs Office".

Alumni Basketball Game
Saturday, March 2, 2019
GSC Waco Center
10:00 AM

RSVP to Alumni Affairs Office

2019 Alumni Basketball Game

Glenville State College's Winter Homecoming will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at the Waco Center. The day will begin with the annual GSC Alumni Basketball Game which will tip-off at 10:00 a.m. All former Pioneer and Lady Pioneer basketball players, former coaches, and their fans are invited to return to campus for this event and then to spend the day with us. Check-in for the alumni game will begin at 9:00 a.m. with warm-ups for the game being at 9:30 a.m.

For planning purposes, returning players are encouraged to [click here](#) or call GSC's Alumni Office at (304) 462-6116 to RSVP. If you don't decide to participate until the last minute, come anyway!



Saturday, February 2 2:00 PM GSC Black History Month Celebration

Tuesday, February 19 8:00 AM GSC Founders Day of Giving

Friday, March 1 6:00 PM Mardi Gras Murder Mystery Dinner Theater

Saturday, March 2 10:00 AM Alumni Basketball Game & Winter Homecoming

Thursday, April 4 & Friday, April 5 GSC Percussion Ensemble Concerts

Saturday, April 27 Alumni Day

Friday, May 17 & Saturday, May 18 50 Year Graduate Celebration

Foodland Book Scholarship

Do you know a current high school senior or GSC student? If so, they are eligible to win free books for a semester to help them pursue their education at Glenville State College. Foodland will select one winner from each of their Glenville, Grantsville, and Craigsville locations on January 31, 2019.

For your chance to win, complete an entry form and submit it in the designated drop box which is available at each of the three Foodland store locations.

For questions and more information, contact GSC Director of Fundraising Ashley Knight by [clicking here](#) or calling (304) 462-6382.



THE GIVING CORNER

Click the gift icon to make a donation of your own and join the Giving Corner.

Mike Ross – \$25,000 for the Mike Ross Scholarship Fund

Carolyn I. Atkinson – \$6,000 for the Billie M. Atkinson Scholarship Fund

Mary Lee McPherson (H) '17 – \$5,000 for the Tom McPherson Athletic Scholarship Fund

The Estate of Luanna Smith '55 – \$1,632.00 for the Ernest H. Smith and the Luanna T. Smith Scholarship Funds

Lacy and Joann Jones – \$500 for the D. Banks Wilburn Scholarship Fund

R. Dale '69 and Rebecca "Becky" Sheets – \$500 for the Annual Fund

Kipling '65 and Kathleen Swentzel – \$500 for the Annual Fund

Charles "Bubby" Dent '89 – \$250 for Men's and Women's Track and Field

Dr. William "Bill" '58 and Martha (Douglas) '59 Deel – \$200 for the Debra Nagy Alumni Recognition Fund

Professor Emerita Yvonne (Hart) King '57 – \$200 for the Annual Fund



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