

**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*

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## **Alumni Spotlight**

Trena (Williston) Williams '02 continues to practice law from her office in Lewis County, West Virginia. Since 2009 the Law Office of Trena Williams, PLLC has offered legal services focusing on divorce, custody, child support, adoption, wills, and deeds. In December 2017, in addition to her private practice, Trena began working at the Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney's office. Her role there is to handle cases of child abuse and neglect. Trena graduated from the West Virginia University College of Law in 2005.



## **GSC Alumni and Friends Meet at Wirt County High School**

Alumni and Friends of Glenville State College gathered Thursday, September 20 at Wirt County High School in Elizabeth, West Virginia for a meet and greet reception. Those in attendance were able to see familiar faces, former classmates, and share memories from their time at GSC.

[Click here](#) to view photos from the event. If you are interested in hosting an alumni gathering in your area – [click here](#) to let us know.

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Her husband Jeremy Williams, MD opened Williams Family Practice, PLLC, also in Lewis County, in 2012. In addition to being together for the past 22 years, they also have three children, Kyanna, Kaelyn, and Kayda.

A highlight of the year for Trena is when her office participates in the Lewis County Christmas Parade by giving away hundreds of cups of hot chocolate, coffee, and cookies – something they've done for nearly 10 years.

As a family, Trena and Jeremy enjoy traveling, gardening, and their newest adventure of being backyard chicken farmers.

We are pleased to feature Trena in this week's Alumni Spotlight. You make us proud that you are an alumna of Glenville State College!



*(l-r) GSC Financial Aid Office employees Stephany Harper and Michelle Hypes*

## **Financial Aid Employees Earn Top Credentials**

Three Glenville State College alumnae, Stephany Harper '13, Michelle (Koch) Hypes '11, and Bonnie Edwards '07, have earned the top financial aid credentials from the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA). The [NASFAA](#) program consists of 17 courses which tests financial aid administrators on a variety of rigorous topics.

Harper (GSC Financial Aid Manager), Hypes (GSC Student Loan Officer), and Edwards (BridgeValley Community & Technical College Financial Aid Manager) are three of only 36 individuals in the United States who have completed all of the courses. Congratulations Stephany, Michelle, and Bonnie!



## Raban Named Princeton Head Coach

Tracy (Wyatt) Raban '05 has been selected as the Head Women's Basketball Coach at Princeton High School in Princeton, West Virginia. Raban joins the Tiggerettes after serving as the Head Coach at Graham High School in Bluefield, Virginia from 2006-14 with a record of 127-75.

In accepting the position, Raban said, "My main goal is to get Princeton back on the map and get people to know who we are."

Raban had a remarkable career as a Lady Pioneer basketball player while at GSC. She was inducted into the Glenville State College Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame in 2011.

[Click here](#) to read the complete article in the *Bluefield Daily Telegraph*.



## Save The Date! Homecoming Oct. 8-14

The fall semester is zooming by and Homecoming will be here in three short weeks! We hope that you are making plans to return to campus on Saturday, October 13 to take in the parade at 10:00 a.m. and cheer on the Pioneers as they challenge West Liberty University at a 1:00 p.m. kick-off. Stay tuned to our [GSC Alumni and Friends Facebook Group](#) for additional updates and tailgate information.

If you or a group you know are interested in participating in the Homecoming Parade, [click here](#) to complete an entry form.

[Click here](#) to view a schedule of events being planned for Homecoming Week October 8-14.



## Pioneer Stage Grand Opening Sep. 22

The GSC Bluegrass Program has recently relocated to The Pioneer Stage at 10 East Main Street in downtown Glenville. The Pioneer Stage will serve as the Bluegrass Music Education Center for GSC and will be open to the public.

A [grand opening celebration](#) for The Pioneer Stage will take place throughout the day on Saturday, September 22. The day kicks-off at 10:00 a.m. with a performance by the GSC Bluegrass Band followed by: history lectures, musical performances, workshops, square dancing, a car show, and more.

For more information about the event, contact Dr. Megan Darby by [clicking here](#) or calling (304) 462-6347.



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