



Alumni Spotlight

Katherine "Kate" Williams '14 is currently serving as a first grade teacher at Spencer Elementary where she is about to begin her eighth year of teaching.

While a student at GSC, Kate was a member of the Lady Pioneer Softball Team and was a student worker in the Department of Education. In 2014, she earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education, Multi-Categorical Special Education (K-12), and middle school English. After her graduation from GSC, she earned a Master's Degree in Educational



GSC Night at Lambert's Winery

Glenville State College alumni and friends are invited to join us for the fifth annual GSC Night at Lambert's Vintage Wines in Weston, WV on Wednesday, August 11 at 5:00PM.

Reconnect with old friends and enjoy fun, food, and lots of Pioneer Pride.

For more information or questions about the event, contact the GSC Alumni Affairs office by [clicking here](#) or by calling (304) 462-6116.

Leadership from West Virginia State University.

When asked about her career highlights, she noted that it has been challenging being a full distance teacher for the 2020-2021 school year due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. In this position, she had to film every lesson for students, complete weekly live class meetings, and teach fully remote for the school year.

A native of Roane County, Kate currently resides in Spencer, West Virginia with her fiancé Craig. In her spare time, she serves as an assistant coach for the Roane County High School softball team and gives swimming lessons during the summer months. She is a member of the Roane General Hospital Patient and Family Advisory Committee, the Black Walnut Festival Committee, and chairs the Festival's Kid's Day Parade.

Kate serves as the GSC Roane County Alumni Chapter Leader. Under her leadership, the group has been able to create a scholarship for a Roane County student to attend Glenville State. The next Roane County Alumni Chapter event is scheduled for Monday, September 6 at the Roane County Country Club.

We are proud to feature Kate in this week's Alumni Spotlight and proud to call



Hidden History – GSC's President's Home

The Glenville State College President's Home was recently featured on WBOY for their Hidden History segment. The President's Home was built more than 90 years ago in 1928 when the college was known as Glenville State Normal School. At the time, the President (then known as the Principal) stayed in the campus dormitory, Kanawha Hall. Architect R.A. Ellis — known for designing the dining hall at Jackson's Mill — designed the home. Construction took a little over a year to complete, and Principal E.G. Rohrbough was the first president to stay in the home.

"At that time, First Lady Lillian Rohrbaugh helped design different things like a rose garden in the backyard and planting trees around the area. Some of them may still be standing," explained Jason Gum '05, Library Director at Glenville State College.

Just two years after Principal Rohrbough moved in, the school was granted collegiate status and became known as the Glenville State Teacher's College. The college had a couple of notable visits during that time, including Amelia Earhart and Eleanor Roosevelt. Earhart stayed in the President's Home during her visit, just a few months before her infamous disappearance.

While Eleanor Roosevelt did not stay the night during her visit, she did stop by the President's Home after she also gave a speech on the impact teachers have on the world.

In the '50s, during President Harry Heflin's administration, initial meetings for the West Virginia State Folk Festival took

her an Alumna of Glenville State College.

place in the President's home. The founder of JCPenny stores gave a commencement speech in 1957 and stayed in the president's house.

"Everyone thought that he was going to stay one night in the house, and the stories go that he stayed a whole week. I guess he'd planned a vacation in West Virginia," said Gum. "And so, they made the best of it, and basically the first lady and the president at the time were a host for more than one night."

[Click here](#) to read the complete article by WBOY.



Marshall University President Dr. Jerome A. Gilbert (left) and Glenville State College President Dr. Mark A. Manchin at the signing ceremony.

Glenville State College, Marshall University sign agreement to offer bachelor's degree in nursing on Glenville's campus

Marshall University and Glenville State College have reached an agreement that will help the future of nurses in the state.

The partnership establishes a nursing program co-op between the two institutions. A memorandum of agreement brings the two schools together for an association aimed at

providing access to a bachelor's degree in nursing (BSN) at Glenville State College through Marshall's nursing program.

Both presidents signed the agreement last week at Marshall's South Charleston campus. The agreement will see prospective students enroll at Glenville and complete general education courses there during their first year. Then, once the students are admitted to the BSN program, they will receive instruction from Marshall faculty members on Glenville's campus.

Marshall University President Dr. Jerome A. Gilbert says Marshall is excited to enter into the agreement.

"We're excited about this unique opportunity to work with our partners at Glenville State College," Gilbert said. "Any time we can help expand the availability of a college degree is a great day, and to be able to provide more of our state's students with a path to an education in nursing and work in health care in West Virginia is exciting."

Glenville State College President Dr. Mark A. Manchin said it is nice to see this idea come to fruition.

"I have been an advocate for this program, the members of our Board of Governors have been supportive of it, and of course our friends and colleagues at Marshall University have been instrumental in making this happen," Manchin said. "This type of four-year nursing program has never existed in this part of the Mountain State, and we are looking forward to expanding the Glenville State footprint, especially considering the growing need for qualified nurses."

The BSN program at Glenville is expected to start in fall 2023. Glenville will begin enrolling students in the program in fall 2022. The Marshall University School of Nursing is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

Glenville State College and Marshall University already have other academic program partnerships in place, including a Master of Science in Accountancy, a Doctor of Pharmacy fast-track program, and a Professional Master of Science in Athletic Training.

GSC Homecoming 2021

Saturday, October 23



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Doris (Lewis) Cogar '92 - \$20.00 for the Pioneer Fund

Phillip and Karen (Fish) '71 Gibson - \$15.00 for the Pioneer Fund

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