

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



Alumni Spotlight

Brian "Bubba" Hill '93 is currently serving as the Chief Diversity Officer and Defensive Coordinator at Glenville State. He returned to his Alma Mater in 2021 to assume the duties as the College's first diversity official.

In addition to his diversity role, Brian serves on the Pioneer Football team's coaching staff as the Defensive Coordinator. While a student at Glenville State, he was a stand-out student athlete for the Pioneers and was a First-Team All WVIAC player. In 1988, he broke the school record for tackles in a single



View Pioneer Progress Magazine Online

By now, many Glenville State Alumni & Friends have probably received the fall 2021 edition of the Pioneer Progress Magazine. If you haven't received a copy in the mail, you can view the magazine, along with earlier editions of the Pioneer Progress, on the Glenville State Alumni & Friends website by [clicking here](#).

season, producing 145 total tackles.

Upon his graduation from GSC, Brian earned his Master's Degree in education from Union College where he also served as a football coach. He has spent most of his professional career as a coach, serving at several institutions: Cumberland College, Lenoir-Rhyne University, Concord University, Furmon University, Georgia Military, and West Liberty University. While at Lenoir-Rhyne University, he was named employee of the year.

Originally from Clarksburg, West Virginia, Brian currently resides in Glenville, West Virginia with his wife Jamie Pennington and their daughter Emma Hill. Jamie serves as an Administrative Assistant in Glenville State's President's Office and Emma is a student at GSC. In his spare time, Brian enjoys spending time with his family, friends, and his players.

When asked what Glenville State means to him, he says, "Glenville State means family to me – I just feel right at home here!"

We are pleased to feature Brian in this week's Alumni Spotlight and proud to call him an alumnus of Glenville State College.



Fifth Annual Glenville State Day of Giving February 19

Glenville State College's fifth annual Day of Giving will be held on Saturday, February 19 to coincide with the date of the College's founding. The giving campaign will focus on raising money for areas of need on campus such as academics, athletics, scholarships, campus improvements, and more.

"As we celebrate the 150th year of Glenville State College, we anticipate that 2022 will be our largest Day of Giving in the history of the College and we are thrilled to make it a success!" said David Hutchison, Vice President of Advancement. "This is a great opportunity to share the good work we are doing here at GSC and to help us continue to support our students for years to come."

Hutchison adds that those interested may serve as an ambassador and help champion the Day of Giving, either in person or by sharing information via social media. The GSC Foundation, which organizes the Day of Giving campaign, is also available to help set up matching or challenge gifts from individuals or organizations.

For additional information about the Day of Giving at Glenville State College, contact the GSC Foundation at (304) 462-6380.

Founders Day Gala – You're Invited!

Make plans to join us for our Founders Day Gala in celebration of GSC's 150th Anniversary on Saturday, February 19, 2022 in the Mollohan Campus Community Center Ballroom. The night begins with a Reception at 6:00 PM followed by the Gala with dinner, dancing, and an anniversary toast at 7:00 PM. [Click here](#) to RSVP and for more information – *seating is limited*.

Save the Date
2022 Day of Giving
Saturday, February 19



Join us for Winter Homecoming

Glennville State's Winter Homecoming will be held on Saturday, February 19, 2022 at the Waco Center. All GSC alumni, friends, and community members are invited to return to campus for this event. Join us as we take a break from cold winter weather for a Hawaiian Luau themed Winter Homecoming. Hawaiian shirts, leis, and sunglasses are all encouraged.

Starting at 12:00 PM, all alumni and friends are encouraged to attend a reception on The Deck (inside the Waco Center) for a luau and tiki bar. Drinks and refreshments will be available.

Both of the GSC Pioneer basketball teams will host West Virginia Wesleyan College that afternoon with the women's game beginning at 1:00 PM and the men's game at 3:00 PM.

Events for students, including a "Snowball Tailgate" and other activities, will also take place.

For more information about Winter Homecoming, contact Director of Alumni Affairs Conner Ferguson '17 by [clicking here](#) or by calling (304) 462-6116.

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Winter Homecoming Weekend

Costumes and Hawaiian shirts encouraged!

February 18 • February 19 • February 20

Join us as we celebrate Glenville State's 150th anniversary!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2022

GSC Wrestling Alumni Celebration 5PM – Waco Center
GSC Wrestling Senior Night 6PM – Waco Center
Roane County Raider Deck 5PM – Waco Center

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2022

Glenville State College's 150th Anniversary
5th Annual Founders Day of Giving
Snowball Student Tailgate – Waco Center
Alumni Basketball Game 9:30AM – Waco Center
Alumni Deck 12PM – Waco Center
Lady Pioneers vs. WV Wesleyan 1PM – Waco Center
Pioneer Baseball vs. Mansfield University 1PM – Sue Morris Sports Complex
Pioneers vs. WV Wesleyan 3PM – Waco Center
Pioneer Baseball vs. Mansfield University 3:30PM – Sue Morris Sports Complex
Founders Day Gala 6PM – Mollohan Center (Limited capacity RSVP required)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2022

Pioneer Baseball vs. Mansfield University 1PM – Sue Morris Sports Complex
Pioneer Baseball vs. Mansfield University 3:30PM – Sue Morris Sports Complex





2022 Alumni Basketball Game

After a hiatus, the Alumni Basketball Game will return on Saturday, February 19 during GSC's Winter Homecoming at the Waco Center. Winter Homecoming will begin with the Alumni Basketball Game which will tip-off at 9:30 AM. 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 8:30 AM with warm-ups for the game beginning at 9:00 AM.

For planning purposes, returning players are encouraged to [click here](#) or call GSC's Alumni Office at (304) 462-6116 to register.



Student Advances to Business Plan Competition Finals

Glenville State College sophomore Avalon Green, an Integrated Marketing major from Salt Lake City, Utah, has landed a spot in the West Virginia Collegiate Business Plan Competition (WVCBPC) finals. Green's business proposal is Avalon Green Apparel.

Green's proposal includes a line of signature women's golf apparel. A golfer herself, Green conceptualized the designs – built by the player, for the player – to give female golfers the clothing they need to be courageous, confident, and unstoppable.

Green was notified about advancing to the finals in early February.

"I am so excited to be representing Glenville State College in the West Virginia Collegiate Business Plan Competition. I want to be able to give women the freedom to play golf to their true potential, and I believe that Avalon Green Apparel will help them to do that. I would like to thank everyone at the College for helping me get this far. I cannot wait to see where this competition will take all of us," Green said.

"Avalon has identified a market that is not being served well and is creating a solution with mass appeal," said Dr. Mark Sarver, Associate Professor of Business at Glenville State and Green's coach for the competition.

Each team in the finals will have the opportunity to work with 3Steps2StartUp and the Robert C. Byrd Institute (RCBI) to prepare for the last leg of the competition. 3Steps2StartUp is a program designed to help West Virginia businesses prepare to pitch in front of investors. The RCBI empowers entrepreneurs, moving innovative ideas from concept to market with leading-edge equipment and expertise, all while boosting company performance and profitability through skills training and quality implementation initiatives.

Throughout the sixteen-year history of the WVCBPC, Glenville State has been represented in the semifinals and finals multiple times.

[Click here](#) to read more.



**150 years.
150 stories.**

Join Glenville State College in honoring our 150th anniversary by sharing memories from your time on campus.

The stories of our alumni and friends will be featured in our special anniversary issue of the Pioneer Progress in fall 2022.

SUBMIT YOUR STORY

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS
1872 - 2022



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, February 5 Pioneer Basketball vs. Frostburg

Saturday, February 12 Pioneer Basketball vs. Wheeling

Saturday, February 19 Founders Day of Giving

Saturday, February 19 Pioneer Basketball vs. WV Wesleyan

Saturday, February 19 Winter Homecoming

Tuesday, February 22 Glenville State Day at the Legislature

Winter Open House

Glenville State invites future Pioneers to attend its upcoming open house on Saturday, February 19 at 10AM. Prospective students and their families will meet with academic departments, tour campus, have their questions answered, and be provided lunch.

[Click here](#) for more information.

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GLENVILLE STATE LADY PIONEERS

FEB. 5 VS FROSTBURG

FEB. 19 VS WVWC



FEB. 12 VS WHEELING

FEB. 26 VS CONCORD



UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Keep in touch with us so we can keep in touch with you!

Have you moved recently? Married? Gotten a new email address? Received a promotion or taken a new career path? Added a new bundle of joy to your family? Celebrated a milestone anniversary? Been honored with an award or accolade?

We want to know what is happening with our GSC alumni and their families.

[Click here](#) to submit your update.



THE GIVING CORNER

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

James "Jim" Hamrick '58 - \$4,000 for the Jim Hamrick Scholarship, PAC Acrobatic and Tumbling Scholarship, PAC Baseball, PAC Men's Track, PAC Softball, PAC Women's Soccer Scholarship, PAC Women's Track, and PAC Wrestling

Gary '71 and Cynthia Ray - \$2,000 for the GSC Athletic Trainer Scholarship

The Estate of Howard Burk - \$794.94 for the Howard Burk Scholarship

Dr. Jason and Jennifer Yeager - \$772.18 for Student Hardship

Berk Reed - \$750 for Club 1872

Victor "Vic" Fitzsimmons '74 - \$600 for the GSC Alumni Student Hardship Fund, GSC Athletic Trainer Scholarship, and Pioneer Fund

Philip '65 and Rita (Patterson) '64 Ramsey - \$500 for Founders Day

Carol (Hawkins) Hamilton '62 - \$300 for Founders Day

Rominger Dental PLLC - \$250 for PAC Softball

McNeely Realty Group, Inc. - \$250 for PAC Softball

Reed & Reed Farm - \$250 for PAC Softball

International Association of Lions Club Glenville Lions Club - \$200 for the GSC Alumni Student Hardship Fund

David '59 and Mary (Cleavenger) '59 Hall - \$200 for the Pioneer Fund

Ronald "Ron" '71 and Janie Duncan - \$150 for Founders Day

Dr. David Gillespie '64 - \$150 for Founders Day

Jesse F. Skiles '87 - \$117 for the Jesse Skiles Scholarship

Larry and Amy (Riddle) '08 Chapman - \$100 for PAC Women's Basketball

Dr. Kaitlin Ensor - \$100 for the Department of Social Science

James "Jim" and Maureen (Kraus) '82 Gildein - \$100 for the Women's Leadership Circle

John Irwin '82 - \$100 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Frank Pethtel - \$100 for the Silver Coin Project

George "Kent" Shock '65 - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

David '70 and Diana Bodkin - \$70 for Founders Day

Adrian Marini '76 - \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

Rupert and Patricia "Pat" Stump - \$50 for Founders Day

Bobby and Bridget '18 Carr - \$30 for Founders Day

Daniel Smith Insurance - \$30 for Founders Day

Professor Emeritus Wayne and Sherry deRosset - \$30 for Founders Day

Diana (Fankhauser) Brown '69 - \$25 for the Pioneer Fund

Phillip and Karen (Fish) '71 Gibson - \$15 for the Pioneer Fund

The Estate of Isadore Nachman - \$13.50 for the Isadore & Nataleah S. Nachman Scholarship

Dr. Donal and Lisa Hardin - \$5 for Founders Day

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