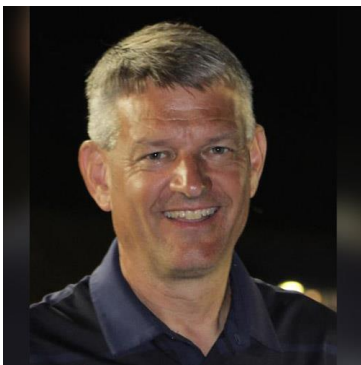


**GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE**  
*Pioneer Update*  
**YOUR BIWEEKLY UPDATE ON GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE**  
***A COMMUNICATION TO ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ABOUT EVENTS AND PEOPLE IN THE NEWS***

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## **Alumni Spotlight**

Rick Haught '85 is currently serving as a history teacher at Ritchie County High School (RCHS) in Ritchie County, West Virginia where he has been since the fall of 1988. He has also served as an adjunct professor for Glensville State several times throughout his career.

In addition to his teaching duties, Rick serves as the head coach of three varsity sports teams, football, basketball, and track and field at Ritchie County High School. Coach Haught and the Ritchie County Rebels had an exciting 2021. He led the football team to their first WV State Championship, led the boys basketball team to



## **Glensville State Kicks Off Spring Semester**

Glensville State students and staff marked the first day of spring 2022 semester classes on Monday, January 10.

"I am very excited to begin this new semester here at Glensville State. And we are working hard to make things look as normal as possible this spring," said Glensville State College President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin.

Being mindful of COVID-19, masks are required in classroom settings again this semester at Glensville State.

The new year also brings a noteworthy milestone for Glensville State, its sesquicentennial. Founded in February 1872, the institution will be marking the anniversary throughout the year.

"Marking 150 years is a monumental occasion and we look forward to celebrating it with our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends. This will be an opportunity to remember those who laid the foundation for this institution, to reflect on the things that make our college so special, and to look ahead as we plan for the next 150 years," Manchin added.

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their first WV State Basketball Tournament appearance, and led the Rebel Track and Field team to a state runner-up title.

Haught has served as the track and field coach since coming to Ritchie County and has never experienced a losing season. In his time with the team, they have won five WV State Championship and hold 4 Runner-Up titles. In his four years with the Rebel Football Team, his teams have made the playoffs each season, were State Runner-Up in 2020, and State Champions in 2021.

A decorated high school teacher and coach, Rick has been named the Ritchie County Teacher of the Year, 2021 Little Kanawha Conference (LKC) Football Coach of the Year, 2013 LKC Basketball Coach of the Year, and the West Virginia Boys Track Coach of the Year in 1998, 2005, and 2015.

While a student at Glenville State, he was a member of the Pioneer Track and Field team for four years. In 1985, he graduated from GSC with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education and returned to his alma mater in 1990 to receive his special education certification. After graduating from Glenville State, he earned his Master of Arts Degree in Geography from Marshall University.



## Join us for Winter Homecoming

Glenville 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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A native of Williamstown, West Virginia, Rick currently resides in Harrisville, West Virginia with his wife April (Powell) '90. He has three children, Paige (Rachele), Abi, and Ethan, and two grandchildren. He spends most of his time coaching, but, when he has free time, he enjoys spending time outdoors.

When asked what GSC means to him, he said, "I received an excellent education at GSC that prepared me well for a career in teaching. The institution was the perfect fit for me that led to opportunities after college. I appreciate the people I met while being in school and still enjoy going back and visiting today."

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



## 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.

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## *In Memoriam – Remembering Those Pioneers We've Lost*

[Click here](#) to view the listing of Glenville State Alumni & Friends we lost in 2021.

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*Save the Date*

2021 Day of Giving  
Saturday, February 19



## **Forest Technology Students Benefit from Weyerhaeuser Donation**

The Department of Land Resources at Glenville State College recently received a grant from Weyerhaeuser to support the College's Forest Technology program.

The Department of Land Resources will use the funds from the \$1,485 grant to purchase basic forestry tools and instruments used in measuring tree height and diameter. These new items will be part of the instrumentation pool that are loaned to students for their use throughout the semester.

"The most recent grant that we received is a clear indicator of Weyerhaeuser's unwavering support of the Forest Technology program at Glenville State College," said Department Chair and Professor of Forestry, Dr. Rico Gazal. "We are glad to know that Weyerhaeuser continues to be a valuable partner in providing quality education to our students."

Gazal adds that when students have unlimited access to the instruments, their experiential learning is expanded beyond the laboratory period. Students will have the ability to collect

data, review for an exam, and conduct basic tree measurement required in their courses on their own time. Having an individual instrument is also consistent with COVID-19 safety protocols.

[Click here](#) to read more.



**150 years.  
150 stories.**

Join Glensville 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**

**GLENSVILLE STATE COLLEGE**  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday, February 5** Black Alumni History Recognition

**Saturday, February 19** Founders Day of Giving

**Saturday, February 19** Winter Homecoming

**Tuesday, February 22** Glensville State Day at the Legislature



### ***Did You Know?***

Wednesday night, with the win over West Virginia State, Glensville State Lady Pioneer Basketball Coach Kim Stephens '11

secured her 100th Mountain East Conference win, bringing her MEC record to 100-10. She is 138-20 overall, and the Lady Pioneers are 15-0 this season and currently ranked third in the nation.



## **GSC Vice President Named to 2022 Class of Leadership West Virginia**

David Hutchison, Vice President for College Advancement and Executive Director of the GSC Foundation at Glenville State College, has accepted an invitation to participate in the 2022 Class of Leadership West Virginia (LWV).

Hutchison joins several others from around the Mountain State who will also be part of the program.

"I am so honored and humbled to have the opportunity to participate in such a prestigious leadership program. I look

forward to representing Glenville State College while working with this exclusive group across our great State," Hutchison said.

Class participants were selected from a list of well-qualified applicants and were chosen because they demonstrate outstanding leadership skills and experiences in their professional careers and civic and community activities. As interest in the program grows, the competition does too, according to Pam Farris, Executive Director of the LWV program.

"We continue to see a large number of diverse applicants each year, all with various professional and civic experiences, making our selection process a challenging, but rewarding one," Farris said.

Leadership West Virginia, which is celebrating 31 years as a statewide education and leadership development not-for-profit program, is a seventh-month program that cultivates leaders from a variety of industries and regions across West Virginia. The program is aimed at enhancing knowledge, not only of the challenges facing the state, but also its unique attributes and diversity for the participants. Recognizing that leadership is of utmost importance to West Virginia's prosperity and progress, this program is designed to develop and motivate a cross-section of visionary leaders who can and should use their talents and abilities to inspire others and foster a new spirit of energy, enthusiasm, and vitality throughout the state. LWV is affiliated with the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

[Click here](#) to read more.

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## 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.*

The McGee Foundation - \$100,000 for the McGee Foundation Scholarship Program

David and Barbara (Clark) '59 Simmons - \$15,000 for the H.Y. Clark Scholarship

John Leslie - \$10,003.50 for the John Leslie Scholarship

Minnie Hamilton Health Care Center - \$8,008.90 for Student Healthcare

Mr. Jacob Freshwater - \$5,000 for the Freshwater Family Scholarship

Maple Hills Farm - \$2,500 for the Freshwater Family Scholarship

Barnes & Noble College Booksellers, LLC - \$2,000 for Student Scholarships

Estate of Dr. Mabel Nichols - \$1,418.36 for the Alumni Center

Berthold "Bert" '93 and Melissa (Jones) '90 Jedamski - \$1,311.04 for the Ed Grafton Forest Technology Scholarship, Rick Sypolt Land Surveying Scholarship, Bob Reed Football Scholarship, and Pioneer Fund

Robert "Bob" '66 and Sue"(Eddy) '66 Marshall - \$1,282 for the Mid-Ohio Valley Christmas Dinner

James '83 and Dena (Dunlap) '82 Cunningham - \$1,100 for the Department of Business

8Z Timber Products, LLC - \$1,000 for the Ed Grafton Forest Technology Scholarship and Rick Sypolt Land Surveying Scholarship

Pardee & Curtin Realty, LLC - \$1,000 for the Department of Land Resources

Diane Bach '77 - \$1,000 for the Alumni Center and the Harry Rich Scholarship

Steven Kee '67 - \$1,000 for the Steven and Lynn Kee Diversity Scholarship

David and Patricia (Klein) '72 Patterson - \$1,000 for the Pioneer Fund

Nancy (Lemon) Rust - \$1,000 for the GSC Athletic Trainer Scholarship

Stephen "Steve" '60 and Carolyn (Dotson) '61 Taylor - \$1,000 for the Pioneer Fund

Mark Turner - \$1,000 for the Turner Science and Math Scholarship Fund

Peggy Volin '72 - \$1,000 for the Pioneer Fund

Richard '68 and Barbara Wagner - \$1,000 for the Pioneer Fund

Dr. Jason and Jennifer Yeager - \$950.29 for the Pioneer Pantry

North Central Building Solutions, LLC - \$600 for PAC Boxing

Barry and Karen (Bush) '79 Lay - \$550 for the Karen D. Lay Academic Scholarship and Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Dr. J. Michael and Diane Burke - \$500 for the Johnson Burke Pioneer Award

Mr. John Fidler, Jr. - \$500 for the Robert Fidler Scholarship

Christopher and Jennifer (Chisler Borsch) '82 Kennedy - \$500 for the Chisler Science and Math Scholarship

John '73 and Cheryl McKinney - \$500 for the Harry Rich Scholarship

Jesse F. Skiles '87 - \$445 for the Jesse Skiles Scholarship



Victor "Vic" Fitzsimmons '74 - \$408.90 for the Pioneer Fund

Ida Warder - \$327.04 for the John Warder Ray Scholarship

Mason & Barry, Inc. - \$300 for the General Meritorious Scholarship

Jeffrey '74 and Roberta (Martin) '73 Jackson - \$300 for the Bob Minnieweather Scholarship Fund

Berk Reed - \$300 for Club 1872

Cengage Group - \$250 for Faculty Development

Dr. Jack '70 and Betty Albert - \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

Jeffrey '74 and Roberta (Martin) '73 Jackson - \$250 for the Bob Minnieweather Scholarship Fund

R. Dale '69 and Rebecca "Becky" Sheets - \$210 for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Silver Coin Project

Dr. Paul '56 and Virginia Caltrider - \$208.90 for the Pioneer Fund

David Bailey - \$200 for the Department of Science and Mathematics

Professor Emertius Tim '62 and Linda (Campbell) '61 Carney - \$200 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Leah Josephine Fidler '54 - \$200 for the Women's Leadership Circle

Mary Lee (Wiant) McPherson - \$200 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

John '76 and Carol (Reed) '78 Wolfe - \$200 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

The Estate of Former President Dr. Harry '37 and Dora (Morgan) '53 Heflin - \$155 for the Harry B. and Dora Morgan Heflin Scholarship

David and Jessie (Moss) '09 Hutchison - \$154.60 for the Pioneer Fund and Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Doug Cottrill - \$150 for the Pioneer Shooting Club Student Organization

Kathryn S. Moore - \$150 for the Albert J. Woofter Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dr. Gary and Athena '17 Morris - \$150 for Academic Affairs

Rusty and Mary Grace (Hanson Tomblin) '77 Tallhamer - \$150 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Bobby and Bridget '18 Carr - \$104.60 for the Pioneer Fund

Kelly and Melissa Castleberry - \$104.60 for the Pioneer Fund

Mrs. Lela '53 Bailey - \$100 for the Lela Brooks Bailey Scholarship

Charles "Chuck" '79 and Tanya (Adolfson) '73 Barker - \$100 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

James "Jim" and Patricia (Callihan) Burke - \$100 for the Johnson Burke Pioneer Award

Thomas "Tom" '83 and Toni Davisson - \$100 for the GSC Alumni Student Hardship

Denver Drake '76 - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Ronald "Ron" '71 and Janie Duncan - \$100 for the GSC Athletic Trainer Scholarship (In memory of Darnell Atkins)

Antonio "Tony" Franklin '76 - \$100 for the Bob Minnieweather Scholarship Fund

Paul '55 and Patsy '61 Given - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Dr. Jeffrey Hunter - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Mark '80 and Barb McLaughlin - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Ronald "Ronnie" and Eleanor McPherson - \$100 for the Tom McPherson Athletic Scholarship

Jerry and Jacqueline "Jackie" (Epling) '72 Milliken - \$100 for the 150th Anniversary Silver Coin Project

Paul and Barbara Bobbi Moss - \$100 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Debra "Debbie" (Reed) Nagy - \$100 for the 150th Anniversary Silver Coin Project

William "Bill" Niday '71 - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Charles and Eileen (Fisher) '56 Nixon - \$100 for the Helen Brammer Hunt & Paul Hunt Scholarship

Frank '74 and Anna Jean (Maddix) '70 Rogucki - \$100 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Mark Sarver and Leslie Mason - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Kevin '77 and Sue '77 Stalnaker - \$100 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Lorene (Lewis) Wolfe '53 - \$100 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Ronald "Ron" Hill '65 - \$75 for the Pioneer Fund

Rebecca "Becky" (Coberly) Slaughter '82 - \$75 for the Robert F. Kidd Library

Barbara (Stemple) Harris '76 - \$52.45 for the Pioneer Fund

Mr. Michael Smith - \$52.45 for the Pioneer Fund

Dr. Will Vann - \$52.45 for the Pioneer Fund

Paul Chapman - \$50 for the GSC Honors Program

James "Jim" Hamrick '58 - \$50 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Ms. Julia McDonough - \$50 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

John "JT" '78 and Anita Petties - \$50 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Ann Randall - \$50 for the Jesse Lilly Scholarship

Eric Rogucki '05 - \$50 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Kevin Sears '91 - \$50 for the Harry Rich Scholarship

Sheryl Sergent - \$50 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

David "Dave" Tenney '67 - \$50 for the Bob Reed Football Scholarship

Robert "Bob Edwards" and Diane Zdanek - \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

Eric and Melissa Hahn - \$25 for the Pioneer Fund

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