Alumni News

2008 WVIAC Champions

Glenville Pioneers Blast University of Charleston to Claim WVIAC Championship!!

On November 8th our Glenville State Pioneers (8-3, 7-1) broke open a close game with 17 points in the final 35 seconds of the first half as they claimed their first WVIAC title since 2001 at Morris Stadium, with a 50-20 win against Charleston (7-4, 5-3).

ALL WVIAC honors were given to Jerry Seymour, who rushed for a pair of touchdowns and 237 yards on 36 carries, establishing a new WVIAC single season rushing record with 2282 yards on the season. The Central Michigan transfer and Harlon Hill regional finalist, ends his GSC career sixth on the WVIAC ALL-TIME rushing list with 3996 yards in only 22 career games as a Pioneer. He was named the League’s Offensive Player of the Year.

Additionally, GSC Head Football Coach Alan Fiddler was named WVIAC Coach of the Year.

GSC’s 1958 Football Team Recognized during Homecoming Activities

Homecoming 2008 on October 25th was a special event for our 1958 undefeated football team who were invited back to campus to celebrate their 50 year reunion weekend. On Friday, October 24th, they renewed acquaintances during a special dinner in their honor and then on Saturday they were featured in the homecoming parade and recognized during halftime of the football game. Returning to campus were Bill Adams, Mike Borro, Ellsworth Buck, Jack Campbell, Ben Lepley, Jim Marsh, Paul McKown, Steve McMillion, Jim Millard, Ronnie Peters, Wesley Shinn, Pete Spencer, Steve Taylor and Fred Taylor. Accompanying them to these events were Assistant Coach Leland Byrd, junior manager R. Terry Butcher and cheerleaders Katie Morgan Buck and Lu Royster Rhoades. Julie Murin Lee, eldest daughter of Head Football Coach Nick Murin, brought congratulations on behalf of the Murin family.

Homecoming 2008
2008 Williams and Montrose Awards

*Jacob Lilly ’08*, a native of Glenville received the Frank Montrose Award during Homecoming 2008 pregame activities. This award is given annually to the top male athlete who graduated during the previous academic year. Jacob lettered all four years in football for the Pioneers. He was a member of the WVIAC Commissioner’s Honor Roll, National Player of the Week during his junior year at GSC, an ALL Conference Performer during his junior and senior years, team captain his senior year and active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Jacob is the son of *John ’76* and Susan Lilly of Glenville. He received a chemistry degree from GSC in May 2008 and is attending the WVU School of Pharmacy. Jacob and his wife, *Bailey Saucerman Lilly ’08*, reside in Morgantown.

*Candice Silberschatz ’08*, a Houston, TX native, received the Clarissa Williams Award during Homecoming 2008. This award is given annually to the College’s top female athlete. Candice was a four year member of our volleyball team and team captain her senior year. She was a member of the WVIAC Commissioner’s Honor Roll, President of GSC’s Student Athlete Advisory Council and nominated for NCAA Division II Woman of the Year in 2007. Additionally, Candice was active in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and spearheaded Operation Christmas Child in 2007. In Spring 2008, holding a 4.0 GPA, she was named *Outstanding Student in Mathematics*. Candice graduated in May 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics Education (5-adult) and is attending the Tufts University Graduate Program in Medford, MA. She is the daughter of Rodney and Sharon Wagner.

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All past Alumni Council Presidents are active members of Council for life if they wish to participate. Their active participation is welcomed and encouraged.

Jim Rogers Donates Third Pioneer Rendering

*Professor Emeritus James W. “Jim” Rogers ’63* has sketched another Pioneer for his alma mater, this one being a full figure version. A former Pioneer (1962), Jim originally drew the pioneer head that continues to be used in athletic, alumni and marketing publications for his friend and former Athletic Director, Joseph Now, in the early 80’s. In the mid 90’s, he drew a second version of the Pioneer at the request of then GSC Bookstore Manager (now Alumni Director) Debbie Nagy. This version is also used in athletic, alumni and marketing publications and a bronze replica of it is on GSC’s Athletic Hall of Fame Wall in the Physical Education Building and carved in the President’s Mace, which is used in all College formal ceremonies.

Last fall, again at the request of Debbie Nagy, Jim drew a full figure version of the Pioneer to be used in College publications (including recruiting brochures) on campus signage, mementos, etc. These drawings were done at no cost to the institution, another example of how our alums so willingly give back of their time, talents and resources to their alma mater.

He only asked that he be sent one of each way these drawings are used. Thanks, Jim for these three different sketches of the Pioneer and continue to watch your mail for more examples of how we use these sketches. Please know that you are appreciated!!!

The Class of 1958 was honored at this year’s Commencement Ceremony. During commencement weekend, our 50-year graduates had several activities on campus to attend. On Friday, May 9th, they renewed acquaintances at the Alumni Center, participated in tours of the campus, attended a reception at the President’s home and attended a dinner in their honor at the Molloyoh Campus Community Center (formerly the Heflin Student Center and before that, the Pioneer Center). On Saturday, May 10th, they participated in Commencement Exercises where they received 50-year medallions before traveling back to their respective homes. The 50 year graduates in attendance were:

- James Anderson, Reedy, WV;
- Esta Marie Rapp Brown, Sutton, WV;
- Shirley Brown Bush, Parkersburg, WV;
- Peggy Foreman Cain, Glenville, WV;
- Nancy Craig, Ireland, WV;
- Rose Gwinn Crews, Luray, VA;
- William S. “Bill” Deel, Milton, WV;
- Michael Ferrell, Parkersburg, WV;
- Glenna Stalnaker Fleming, Arnoldsburg, WV;
- Rosemary Hammond Gillespie, Bedford, VA;
- James Hamrick, Meadow Bridge, WV;
- Paul Hughes, Spencer, WV;
- Patricia Mannor Lee, Charleston, WV;
- Thomas McPherson, Glenville, WV;
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- Mida Bailey Peterson, Horner, WV;
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- Barbara Taylor Sommerville, Webster Springs, WV;
- Alicia Jones Thomas, Sistersville, WV.

The 50-year graduate tradition continues to be a huge hit at Commencement Ceremonies, allowing alumni a chance to return to campus and reminisce with their former classmates.

**Mark your calendar…**

- Lettermen’s Alumni Basketball Game (Men’s). . . . . January 31, 2009
- Blue/White Spring Football Game. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . April 23, 2009
- Alumni Day. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . April 25, 2009
- Commencement. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . May 9, 2009
- (with special recognition of the 1959 graduating class)
- Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet & Induction Ceremony. . May 16, 2009
- Homecoming 2009. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . October 24, 2009

For more information about these upcoming events, contact your Alumni Office at (304) 462-4122, local or (866) 239-0285, toll free. Inquires via e-mail should be directed to debra.nagy@glenville.edu
GSC Inducts Five into Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame

Left to Right: Carlos Ferralls, Bob Armstrong, Earl “Whitey” Adolfson, Steve “Reno” Gandee

On Saturday, May 17, 2008, Glenville State College inducted five individuals to its Athletic Hall of Fame, which was established in May 2001 through the generosity of the late Curtis Elam, a 1949 graduate.

This year’s inductees were:

Russell Porterfield a native of Richwood. Russell graduated from Glenville State Teachers College in 1939, lettering in basketball and football. He competed for the legendary Coach Nate Rohrbough and led the Pioneers to their first WVIAC football title in 1937. Additionally he earned ALL Conference football honors in 1938. Russell was a veteran of WWII where he was awarded a Silver Star for bravery. He went on to become a very successful high school football coach at Webster Springs High School, his record being 125-18. After relocating to Macclenny, FL, he once again enjoyed much success in his coaching career, winning the State’s High School Conference after 60 wins in a row. He later served as a high school principal in Florida for many years. Russell and widow, Mary Helen Smith ’40, are both deceased. They were parents of two sons, John Porterfield ’69 and Steve Porterfield ’75. John accepted posthumously for his father.

Bob Armstrong a native of Warren, OH. Bob graduated from Glenville State Teachers College in 1942, lettering in basketball. In his freshman year, Bob was sixth man on the team and the next three years, a starter and team leader. He was co-captain of the team his junior and senior years and competed for Coach Rohrbough. His team was Three Time First Team ALL Conference, twice competing at the national tournament in Kansas City, where they won third place one time and second place the other. They could have gone to Kansas City a third time but the Coach turned down the invitation in 1942. Bob was Two Time ALL Conference in 1941 and 1942. Additionally, he was named All Tournament in 1942 and named to the 50th Anniversary (1924-1974) ALL Time ALL Conference WVIAC Team. He received a master’s degree from Kent State University, taught and coached in high schools then worked in the insurance business and owned a private business in real estate until his retirement in 1998. Bob is a veteran of WWII and spent 18 months oversees in Counter Intelligence. Bob and his wife, Phyllis, reside in Jacksonville, FL. They are parents of three daughters: Robyn Moronti, Pat Frank and Leslie Post who live near them. His daughter, Leslie, accompanied him from Florida and was by his side at the podium during his induction.

Coach Earl “Whitey” Adolfson, a native of Belmont and who spent much of his young life in Weston. He “walked-on” with West Virginia University’s football team in 1949 before transferring to West Virginia Institute of Technology where he started as center and linebacker from 1950-1953 and graduated in 1954. “Whitey” received his Master of Science degree in Physical Education from West Virginia University in 1962 then taught and coached in Lewis and Wirt County schools and at Southern High School in Oakland, MD before coming to GSC in 1966 as an instructor and assistant football coach. He was defensive coordinator for the Pioneers from 1968-1974 and celebrated the 1973 team’s NAIA Football National Championship Runner-Up honors. Additionally he was assistant basketball coach in 1966 and revived the College’s wrestling program from 1968-1975. He was Head Football Coach from 1975-1979 and continued teaching and served as Assistant Athletic Director from 1980-1985. After 30 years of teaching and coaching, he pursued a career with I. L. Morris Well Service until his retirement in 1993. Respected by his fellow coaches and student athletes, “Whitey” has been a loyal GSC advocate for over four decades. He received the 1996 West Virginia Coaches Association’s “Retired Coach of the Year” honors for his contributions to coaching and was branded “the Players Coach”. Now retired, he continues to be one of the Pioneer’s biggest fans. “Whitey” and his wife, Jean, now deceased, are parents of two daughters Tanya Barker ’73 and Machelle “Shelly” Stalnaker ’77, one son, Greg Adolfson and three grandchildren, Daphne and Tyler Stalnaker and Brett Barker. Both son-in-laws, Charles “Chuck” Barker ’79 and Lynn Stalnaker ’80, played football for “Whitey” at Glenville State College.
Steve “Reno” Gandee, a native of Clendenin. Steve graduated from Glenville State College in 1982, lettering in football and baseball. He received Honorable Mention ALL WVIAC in football during his senior year and was the team’s captain. “Reno” scored a total of 127 points for the Pioneers, compiled 698 yards and had 8 touchdown receptions on 40 pass catches in his career. Additionally, he established a then school record 47 yard field goal. Steve finished his four year baseball career with a winning pitching record and was captain of the baseball team in 1981 and 1982. While at GSC, “Reno” served as a student representative on the athletic committee, was a resident assistant and then a head resident assistant. After completing his student career at GSC, Steve remained at Glenville as a housing director while serving as a graduate assistant football coach in 1982. After receiving his Masters Degree in Business Administration from WVU in 1985, he returned to his alma mater as a visiting instructor in the Division of Business and also served as an assistant football coach. Additionally in 1985, he completed the WVSSC mandated basketball officials training program which led him to his current 24 years of officiating basketball at the high school level and his 14th year at the WVIAC Level. In 2001, Steve was selected as the National Federation Officials Association Boys Basketball Official of the Year for West Virginia. He currently is secretary/treasurer for the WVIAC Basketball Officials Association. Steve received his Juris Doctorate in 1989 and has, on occasion, served as an adjunct professor at his alma mater, teaching among other subjects Business Law based on his experience as an attorney in West Virginia. He currently serves as Chairman of the Department of Litigation for the statewide law firm of Robinson & McElwee, PLLC. He is married to the former Tamra “Tammy” Burkhamer ’83. The Gandees have two children, Stephenee and Andrew. They reside in Jane Lew.

Carlos Ferralls a native of Miami, FL. Carlos graduated from Glenville State College in 1998 lettering in football. He was a three time WVIAC ALL Conference Performer and a three Time ALL American. The Pioneers played in the NAIA during his freshman year. The three subsequent years were played in the NCAA. The 1998 official NCAA record book lists Carlos as being fourth in the nation in ALL Time Receptions per Game with 10.1. During his playing career for the NCAA, Carlos was first in ALL Time Career Receptions per Game with 268 and fourth in ALL Time Career Yards per Game with 120. In 1996 and 1997, he led the nation in receptions per game and in 1997, he led the nation in yards per game. He was awarded the College’s prestigious Montrose Award in 1998, his career stats being 268 receptions, 4101 yards and 46 touchdowns. After returning to his native Florida, he worked at the YMCA for two years “giving back” to the community before coaching football and teaching four years at Miami Senior High School. Carlos currently serves as Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Principal for the Miami Dade County Public School System where he handles among other duties, curriculum and attendance. He recently received a Masters Degree in Leadership and Administration and has career goals to become a principal and later a superintendent. Carlos and his wife, Belkis Ferralls, reside in Coral Gables, FL. In accepting his recognition, Carlos paid tribute to his former coach, by saying “Coach Rich Rodriguez taught me how to be a champion. It is because of him that I am here today as an Inductee to the Hall of Fame. I am living the American dream. Glenville State College helped give that to me,” said Ferralls.

The tradition of each nominee selecting their presenter was observed with Inaugural Inductee Frank Martino ’38 saying a few words about Russell Porterfield ’39 and then introducing Russell’s son, John Porterfield ’69, who accepted posthumously for his father. Lifelong friend, Jack Conrad ’51 introduced his good friend and former team member, Bob Armstrong ’42. Greg Adolfson introduced his father, Earl “Whitney” Adolfson with Hall of Famer Bill Hanlin ’50 and Rick Trickett ’74 offering congratulatory remarks as well. Former Head Women’s Basketball Coach, former Head Men’s Golf Coach and Hall of Famer, Tim Carney ’62, brought introductions and congratulatory remarks for Carlos Ferralls ’98.

Plaques of all Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame inductees are displayed on the Hall of Fame Wall in the lobby of GSC’s Physical Education Building.

Nominations for our 2009 Class of Inductees were accepted until December 1, 2008. Please see our nomination form elsewhere in this newsletter and tell us about athletes who made a difference while you were at GSC. Mail your nomination, with documentation of why the nominee should be considered, to Janet Bailey, Director of Athletics at Glenville State College. Your nomination will be considered by the Hall of Fame Selection Committee beginning with the next class of inductees.

Did you know…. that previous issues of the Alumni News are available online? Simply go to www.glenville.edu then to the Alumni and Friends link (the area to the right of our clock tower on the College’s home page) then to The Alumni Newsletter’s link to select whichever newsletter, since 2004 that you’re interested in.

Not have access to a computer and printer? Simply contact your Alumni Office at (304) 462-4122, local or (866) 239-0285, toll free and we’ll be happy to print a copy and mail it to you.
Texas Chapter Event


Texas alums and representatives from Glenville State College and the Alumni Council gathered in Fairview, Texas on May 31, 2008 at the Billiard Room in the Country Club of the Heritage Ranch Community. This event, just thirty minutes north of Dallas, was hosted by David Sotelo ’78 and his wife, Shonda. Mick Hartley ’69 serves as our Texas representative and would like to see this chapter grow. To learn more about this chapter, please contact Mick at (817) 236-7232 or direct your e-mails to mickhartley@charter.net

Shenandoah Valley Chapter Meeting

John Cutlip ’56 hosted a luncheon on July 19, 2008 for alums in the Shenandoah Valley at the Perkins Family Restaurant and Bakery in Winchester, VA. Attendees included Mary Walters Martin ’51, Bill ’51 and Joann McNemar Richards ’52, Marlene Brown Collins ’54, Harry Smith ’55, John Harris ’59, Michael Morrison ’61, Larry ’62 and Arnetta Brown Kight ’61, David Gillespie ’65, Kent Shock ’65, Ron Hill ’65, Gary ’71 and Doris Strobnider ’70, Tilden “Skip” ’70 and Shirley Hackworth ’68, Jeffrey ’74 and Roberta Martin Jackson ’73, Gary ’85 and Donna Mullenax ’85, John Cutlip ’56, Professor Emerita Dr. Mary Jo Pribble, Ralph Holder ’56, Bill ’58 and Martha Douglas Deel ’59, GSC’s President, Dr. Pete Barr and his wife, Betsy.

John has already set June 13, 2009 as the date for the chapter’s next get together although an exact location has yet to be determined. To learn more about this chapter, contact John at (540) 465-2206 or via e-mail to jcut@shentel.net

Shepherdstown Tailgate

Bill ’51 and Joann McNemar Richards ’52 organized a tailgate on September 13, 2008 at Shepherd University prior to the afternoon’s football game where our Glenville Pioneers posted a decisive 21 to 14 win over the Shepherd Rams. Many of the names weren’t captured for this publication but all had a good time and were very appreciative for the efforts of Dr. Charles Duffy ’67 in setting up a tent for the tailgate, thus making the event more comfortable and our location easier to find.

Florida Alumni Picnic

John Pisapia ’60 organized an alumni picnic in Orlando, FL on November 2, 2008 with hopes to eventually help to form an alumni chapter in the “Sunshine State”. Alums attending the get together included Barbara Gainer Salmons ’75, John Pisapia ’60, Herb Shimer ’50, Dolores Justice Rine ’51, Rodney Jamison ’68, Leo Ours, Jr. ’67, Mariana McFerrin Griffith ’66, and Catherine Salamon Kennedy ’72. Dennis Pounds, Vice President for College Advancement and Executive Director of GSC Foundation, Inc., traveled from campus to spend time with the group.

Charleston Get Together

John Hoover ’66 organized an alumni event in Charleston at Appalachia Power Park on August 22, 2008. Alumni and friends of Glenville State College initially gathered at the park for a picnic style buffet to eat, renew college friendships, make new acquaintances and exchange college experiences. They also had an opportunity to visit with College representatives who were in attendance. Because of the nature of this event, many of the names aren’t readily available for this publication but all enjoyed the relaxing get-together before watching the evening’s ballgame in special box seats reserved for the event.

John would very much like to see more alumni activity in the Kanawha Valley. If you’re willing to help him put something together in the area, please contact him at (304) 421-0040 or direct your e-mails to him at jnhoover@suddenlink.net

Interested in forming an alumni chapter in your area?

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Class Reunion

Left to Right: Dean Hinzman ’65, Victor Debarr, Janice Underwood Hinzman ’64, Catherine “Cathy” Mills Debarr ’64, Ruth Ann Dayhoff ’64, Mack Samples ’65, Thelma Wilson Samples ’64, Sandy Newmeyer Cronin ’64, Yvonne Row Beal ’64, Carolyn Grove ’64, Sharla Cunningham Vickers ’64 and Jim Bill Vickers

Carolyn Grove ’64 hosted a reunion of her classmates at Cindy’s in Weston on October 24, 2008. All enjoyed a noon luncheon, the opportunity to reconnect with each other and Carolyn’s campus updates. Carolyn retired in 2001 from GSC after teaching at her alma mater for 19 years. She continues to keep up with what is happening at her beloved alma mater and hopes to host another get together next fall but to expand it to include other alums and their spouses/friends. To learn more about this reunion, contact Carolyn at (304) 269-7268 or via e-mail to wvgrove@msn.com

GSC Brass Ensemble

The Christmas season has been very busy for the Glenville State College Brass Ensemble. Five students from the GSC Music Department, under the direction of GSC Assistant Professor of Music and Department Chair Lloyd Bone, performed at the Annual Mid Ohio Valley Alumni Chapter’s Christmas Dinner at the Parkersburg Country Club in Vienna on December 2nd.

The entire brass ensemble entertained for the North Central West Virginia Alumni Chapter’s Christmas Dinner at the Bridgeport Country Club on December 7th. The group also played for five hours at the Meadowbrook Mall, also in Bridgeport, before performing at the alumni dinner.

All of the musicians volunteered their time and effort to make these performances, many driving their personal vehicles to and from the Bridgeport performances. They do this because they love to play music and like to represent GSC’s Music Department.

Annual North Central WV Alumni Chapter


Alums and friends of Glenville State College gathered at the Bridgeport Country Club on Sunday evening, December 7th for the Annual North Central West Virginia Alumni Chapter Christmas Dinner. Alumni Council President Ralph Holder ’56 was the evening’s master of ceremonies while Julia Daugherty Yearego ’93, Chapter Representative for the North Central West Virginia Alumni Chapter, brought Chapter greetings before the evening’s dinner where all enjoyed GSC’s Brass Ensemble. After dinner, Dr. Danny Nicholson, Senior Vice President for External Relations, and Dennis Pounds, Vice President for College Advancement and Executive Director of GSC Foundation, Inc., spoke on behalf of GSC President Peter Barr, who couldn’t attend the dinner because of a prior commitment, about the College’s first ever capital campaign (Transforming Lives NOW!). The Campaign started its public phase on November 15, 2008.

Need Motel Accommodations for Alumni Day or next fall’s Homecoming, just call…

Conrad Motel (304) 462-7316
or
Best Western Glenville Inn (304) 462-5511
Conrad Family Business
1927 – 2008

Purchase of the Conrad Motel by the Glenville State College Housing Corporation on July 1, 2008 marked the closing of a family business, spanning more than 81 years in Glenville. Leland and Hallie Conrad and their two children, Madelyn '42 and Jack '51 moved from their farm on Turkey Fork of Dusk Camp in 1926 and by 1927 had bought a restaurant. Jack remembers standing on a stool and washing dishes by the time he was seven years old and Madelyn became a very young waitress.

The Crystal Restaurant stood on the south-western corner of the current Conrad Court and Powell Street. The small ramshackle building was purchased from Okey McCartney. It had four small tables and a counter with nine stools. After a difficult beginning, the Conrads were able to purchase adjoining land and build their own restaurant.

The next expansion saw the beginning of their hotel business. It consisted of adding a second floor in 1934, with rooms to rent. Over time, they added on to this modest building until they had a full-scale hotel with 64 units and a coffee shop. The Crystal Restaurant had long ago lost its name and became the hotel dining room. “Mom” and “Pop” Conrad were popular hosts and became well known for their pies. Hotel guests of note included Lowell Thomas and Eleanor Roosevelt, who at different times, were speakers at the Glenville State Teachers College Lyceum programs.

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The family business was expanded in 1947 to include taxi service. In 1966, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad built the first wing of the existing Conrad Motel, which Mrs. Conrad managed while her husband continued to oversee the hotel. At the motel, Mrs. Conrad doted on the “girls” who cleaned the rooms and she took them to lunch on Wednesdays. Mr. Conrad lost his eyesight to macular degeneration and retired from the hotel in 1983. He sold that building, including the restaurant, and moved across the street to their apartment in the motel. He passed away in 1985.

After more than forty years of working seven days a week, the elder Conrads began to have health problems. Madelyn and Jack had helped their parents as long as they were living in Glenville, but both married and moved away.

After Jack’s discharge from the Army in October, 1945, he and his young family moved back to Glenville and the business. After receiving his BA from Glenville State College in 1951, they moved away again, this time to Morgantown. Jack taught at Morgantown High School and earned his Masters in Educational Guidance from West Virginia University.

It was in 1973 that Jack was asked by his parents to return to Glenville and bring the management up to date. He took a leave of absence from his position as guidance counselor at Fairmont State College, and he and his wife, Jo Bush Conrad FS ’41, moved back to manage the Conrad businesses (hotel, motel and taxi) for four years. They lived in two rooms at the motel for 50 months. Although Madelyn lived in Gassaway, she also pitched in to help.

Mr. Conrad’s health improved and in 1977 Jack returned to school work at Potomac State College, Keyser, WV. In 1985 he retired from there and in 1987, he moved back to Glenville, working with the motel. By this time Jack had also acquired macular degeneration.

When Mrs. Conrad died in 1998, Jack and Madelyn inherited the business. Jack and his wife Jo moved into the motel apartment and resumed active management, with the efficient help of his mother’s “girls” and manager Thelma Norman. When Madelyn passed away in 1998, her daughter Sue Shipe of Albany, New York, inherited her mother’s half of the business. Early in 2008, Jack and Suzie agreed that it was time to let it go.

Now that Jack has finally retired, he remains in his motel apartment and there is no obvious change. All of the same people are employed by the College and the motel is still in operation. Much did change over the years from 1926 to 2008, and much will certainly change over the coming years, but Jack Conrad is relaxed about that. He knows that his motel is in good hands with Glenville State. He observed, “My niece, Suzie, said it best when she wrote of the feeling that the property is being passed into the secure hands of College President Pete Barr.”

The College will utilize the motel to support its alliance with the Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety in the training of law enforcement officers. “The Conrad is a Glenville institution and it will continue to operate as it has in the past, as a public motel. We will use the Conrad to house cadets during their training here at Glenville State College. This is a big step that will help us expand this training program,” said GSC President Peter Barr.

Over the years, the Conrad has served a vital role in the local economy. The families, friends and alumni of Glenville State College have depended on the Conrad for many occasions, including commencement and homecoming. The oil and gas industry frequented the motel during the boom in the 1960’s and 70’s. Getting a room at the Conrad for the West Virginia Folk Festival each June is nearly impossible; there has been a waiting list for years. A gentleman’s agreement will allow the continued use of the motel by the public for the Folk Festival.
Alum Remembers
Professor Emeritus Espy Miller

Glenville State College has lost another of its own, retired Professor Emeritus Dr. Espy W. Miller, who passed away on October 6, 2008.

Dr. Miller and his wife, Roselea, moved to Gilmer County in 1946 when he began his remarkable career as an English professor at Glenville State College. Until his retirement in 1976, he distinguished himself as a teacher and as Chair of the Department of English and Foreign Language. Dr. Miller taught many courses including Chaucer, Shakespeare and Mythology. His effectiveness in the classroom is legendary. Returning alums often spoke of his vast knowledge and enthusiasm for language and literature while maintaining the highest academic standards. More importantly, they always noted how he encouraged them to continue their educational lives and service to others beyond Glenville. Dr. Miller touched and enriched the lives of many young men and women through his career at Glenville State College. He embodies all the qualities which make Glenville State’s faculty among the best of any college or university.

Tributes have been sent to the Alumni Office from alums near and far. One such tribute is printed below in its entirety. See Dr. Miller’s obituary elsewhere in this newsletter for more biographical information about this gentleman who has meant so much for so long to so many.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ESPY W. MILLER
Written by: Michael D. Morrison, Ed.D
Graduate of GSC, Class of 1961

I was saddened to learn of the death of Dr. Espy W. Miller. As I recount the events and people who have affected my life and professional career, Dr. Miller stands in the forefront. He not only was a terrific, well-prepared classroom instructor, he was a valued mentor and counselor. At four crucial times in my life he said the right words and gave the needed encouragement when I was about to make a decision or pursue an endeavor.

This first such happening occurred at the end of my sophomore year at GSC. I had taken a world literature class that he had taught. I learned much and enjoyed the class very much. I had chosen my first teaching field (social studies) but had not selected my second one. As we handed in our final exam papers, he said, “Mike, have you selected your second teaching major?” I stated that I had not. He said, “We in the English Department would be happy to have you as a major.” Such words coming from the Chairman of the Division of English and Foreign Language were almost overwhelming. English became my second major and Dr. Miller became my advisor for that program. Later, because I had a second major in English, I was able to begin my career teaching social studies and English.

The second incident happened one year later as I campaigned successfully for the student government association presidency. He stopped me after class one day and said, “Mike, faculty can have no say in student elections; however, I want you to know that we in the English Department would not be unhappy to see you elected.”

The third incident happened shortly before graduation. I had not yet secured a teaching job and was becoming somewhat apprehensive. Again, he stopped me after class and asked if I had gotten a job. When I told him that I had not, he informed that a school superintendent had contacted him about a job vacancy and asked for a referral. He took me to the English and Foreign Language Office and made the contact. After I had finished talking with the superintendent, I informed Dr. Miller that the man had asked if I would eventually be interested in school administration. He said, “Mike, one day you will have to choose whether you want to teach or be an administrator.” I was surprised that he could see me as an administrator. He explained that he too had to make that choice. He told me of an administrative position that he had been offered at another college and said that he had stayed at Glenville because he loved the classroom. Later, I became an administrator and spent almost three-fourths of my career in that work.

The final incident occurred also shortly before my graduation from GSC. Dr. Miller had been asked to give the commencement address at my high school alma mater, Burnsville High. He asked that I accompany him. He introduced me as a model of a student who graduated from a small high school and achieved success in college. On the way back to Glenville, he asked if I had plans for graduate study. I told him that I did. He encouraged me to pursue a doctorate. Seventeen years later I received my doctorate in education from West Virginia University.

My tribute to Dr. Miller is not unique; it is illustrative of his impact on the lives of many students and colleagues. He truly loved and cared about people. He had a special love for Glenville State College even though he was a Concord alumnus. His feeling for Glenville State can best be summarized by Daniel Webster’s famous peroration in the Dartmouth College case. Referring to his alma mater, Webster said, “It is, sir, as I have said, a small college. Yet there are those who love it!”
Another Glenville State College Alum Pledges $250,000 to Alma Mater

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GSC Public Relations Director, 8/20/08

Tom and Mary Lee McPherson

Glenville State College alum and board member, Tom McPherson ’58 and his wife, Mary Lee, have announced a quarter of a million dollar gift to the Glenville State College capital campaign (Transforming Lives NOW!). They say it is their way of doing their part to make the college a better place. Mr. McPherson said, “I feel the college gave me a good foundation for a successful career and this is a way to give back. Glenville State College was good to me, provided me a good education and has a warm place in my heart.”

GSC President Dr. Peter Barr commends the McPhersons for helping the first capital campaign in Glenville State College’s history. “I am bowled over that Tom and his wife have pledged a quarter of a million dollars. They have set a high standard for others who love Glenville State College. I appreciate their commitment to the college as well as the others who have also displayed loyalty to the campus,” said Barr.

Glenville State College’s Transforming Lives Now capital campaign began earlier this year and continues through June 30th of next year. The public phase of the campaign will begin in mid November 2008.

Mr. McPherson graduated from Glenville State College in 1958. He served as a loan officer for Kanawha Union Bank before rising to the position of President. After the financial institution merged with United Bank in 1988, he served as Executive Vice President for United Bankshares until his retirement. He has served on the GSC Foundation Board for more than twenty years and is currently serving his first term on the GSC Board of Governors. Mrs. McPherson has owned and operated Town and County Real Estate in Glenville for many years. They reside in Burnsville and have three children: Jerry, Brad and Sherrie.

Karen D. Bush Lay ’79, Financial Aid Director at Glenville State College, has announced the establishment of the Karen D. Lay Academic Scholarship. Presiding over the scholarship committee at GSC has allowed Lay to recognize the opportunities that a scholarship would provide to deserving students.

Mrs. Lay is a life-long resident of Gilmer County. Through the loving sacrifice and support of her parents, Irene Bush and the late Asa Bush, she was afforded the opportunity to attend Glenville State College, graduating with a Bachelors Degree in Social Work in 1979. Lay also earned a Master’s Degree in Leadership Studies from Marshall University in 2003. She has been employed at GSC for the past twenty-two years. Lay and her husband, Barry, who reside in Glenville, have two daughters, both graduates of GSC. Corrie received her B.S. in Nursing in 2007, and Alexandria graduated in May of 2008 with a B.A. in History.

“It is very significant that someone who has already given GSC over 20 years of distinguished service would want to give even more by establishing this scholarship. This is a big WOW,” said Dennis J. Pounds, Vice President for College Advancement and Executive Director of the GSC Foundation.

The Karen D. Lay Academic Scholarship will be awarded to West Virginia residents with preference to sons and daughters of current GSC faculty and staff members. “I feel that this is the best way for me to honor the effort my parents made so that I could go to college and at the same time allow me to give back in a small way to the community and the college,” said Lay.

The scholarship is being established through annual donations by Lay. Donations from other interested parties will also be accepted. Scholarship recipients will be determined by the GSC Scholarship Committee and will be renewed based on good academic standing.
GSC Campaign Reaches Eight Million

GSC President Peter Barr announced at the College’s November 15th Celebration to recognize the Transforming Lives NOW! Capital Campaign Steering Committee that to date, the capital campaign has reached the $8 million mark of its $12 million goal. The Steering Committee is chaired by I.L. and Sue Morris ‘65 and consists of members Greg Smith ‘76, Tom McPherson ‘58, R. Terry Butcher ‘69 and Tim Butcher ’77.

“I am overwhelmed by the tremendous leadership of the steering committee. This group of caring alumni has given our campaign great momentum and energy. Through their dedication, generosity, and labor of love, Glenville State College continues to move forward toward the goal of becoming the best small public college in the country,” said Barr.

West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin and First Lady Gayle Manchin attended the Celebration where the Governor proclaimed I.L. “Ike” Morris the first “Ultimate Pioneer” for his previous and continuing support of Glenville State College and Central West Virginia.

This celebration marked the beginning of the public phase of the capital campaign. The President and Mrs. Barr contributed $50,000 to the campaign that evening while alumnus Rick Heffelfinger ’80 gave a $25,000 contribution.

A highlight of the evening was a presentation by selected GSC students from the Call Stars phone-a-thon and Hidden Promise Scholars. The students recounted some of their phone conversations with alums. The Celebration included dinner and dance in recognition of the campaign’s accomplishments and recognized the efforts of the Call Stars and Hidden Promise Scholars.

The Transforming Lives NOW! Campaign is the first comprehensive effort to secure the future of Glenville State College and the impact of the college on students and

Central West Virginia. The campaign began with a magnanimous gift of five million dollars by I. L. and Sue Morris, chairs of the Transforming Lives NOW! Steering Committee. “We have a long way to go to reach our goal, but we are encouraged by the tremendous response of those who understand the urgency of the effort to help Glenville State College respond to the challenges of the 21st century,” said I.L. Morris.

For more information about the capital campaign, contact Dennis Pounds, Vice President for College Advancement and Executive Director of GSC Foundation, Inc. at (304) 462-4125.

United Bank Donates to GSC Athletic Department

The Glenville Branch of United Bank recently contributed $3,000 to Glenville State College’s general athletic budget to help support the College’s athletic teams. GSC Athletic Director Janet James Bailey ’79 and GSC Board of Governors Chairman R. Fred Radabaugh ’52 accepted the gift from United’s Assistant Vice President, John Gumm ’77 who issued the following statement in making the presentation “United Bank is very happy to be able to continue our annual contribution to the GSC Athletic Department. We are proud to give back to Glenville State College which does so much for our community.” GSC Athletic Director Janet James Bailey ’79 says that without the constant financial support of the business community, alumni and others, it would be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to continue to operate. “We are grateful that United Bank has been a long time supporter of Glenville State College and GSC Athletics. We consider them to be a great friend and a vital part of our teams’ success”, said Bailey. Approximately two-hundred student athletes participate in eleven NCAA Division II sports at the College.

For more information on how you can help support GSC Athletics, contact Janet Bailey at (304) 462-4102 or via e-mail to janet.bailey@glenville.edu
New GSC Campus/Community Online Newsletter

In July 2008, GSC launched a new GSC Campus/Community Online Newsletter to improve communications regarding Glenville State College news to both on and off campus audiences. This newsletter is available online via the college website’s homepage (www.glenville.edu) just next to the News Items Header.

Annette Barnette, GSC’s Public Relations and Marketing Director, invites GSC faculty, staff, students and future students as well as alumni, local residents, parents of students and friends of the college to enjoy it and encourage co-workers, family and friends to do the same.

The above referenced online newsletter does not replace the Alumni News that you’ve come to depend upon as your way of keeping up with friends, former classmates, former professors, campus events and events sponsored by your Alumni Association. For those of you online, it does, however, supplement what you’re already receiving.

Alumni Day 2009

GSC’s Alumni Association will observe Alumni Day 2009 on Saturday, April 25th. It is not too late to submit nominations for Alumnus of the Year, the Alumni Achievement Award, Community Service Award, Outstanding Public School Teacher of the Year Award, Alumni Chapter Award, Posthumous Award and the Outstanding Young Alumni Award, the recipients of which will be in honored at the evening’s alumni banquet. See nomination form elsewhere in this newsletter. Mark the date and watch for more information about the day’s program offerings in our spring alumni newsletter and on the alumni links of our website (www.glenville.edu) as time gets closer.

Attention: West Virginia Residents

Interested in having a custom made license plate through the WV Department of Motor Vehicles with Glenville State College on it? It’s our understanding that we will need 100 folks willing to buy these at approximately $65.00 each before we can take the request forward.

Serious inquiries may be directed to Debbie Nagy, Director of Alumni Affairs, Glenville State College, 200 High Street, Glenville, WV 26351. Phone contact numbers are (304) 462-4122, local and (866) 239-0285, toll free.

Prefer to correspond electronically? Direct your e-mails to debra.nagy@glenville.edu

Mark your Calendar….

1/31/09 Returning Lettermen’s Alumni Basketball Game, (Men’s) Jesse Lilly Gym, Physical Education Building
2/17/09 Career Fair (Alums having businesses interested in hiring and those in hiring positions in Public School Systems are encouraged to participate. Just call Amy Fiddler, Director of Academic Support at (304) 462-7361 ext 7105 to facilitate.)
2/20-2/21/09 GSC Theater presents Tennessee Williams’ Glass Menagerie, President’s Auditorium, Harry B. Heflin Administration Building
3/16-4/17/09 Annual Student Art Show, Fine Arts Gallery
4/2-4/3/09 Percussion Concert(s), Fine Arts Auditorium
4/8/09 Donor/Student Scholarship Dinner (Donors financing scholarships will be mailed information about this from the GSC Foundation, Inc.)
4/15/09 Jazz Band Concert, Fine Arts Auditorium
4/22/09 Spring Honors Convocation, Fine Arts Auditorium
4/23/09 Blue and White Spring Football Game, Morris Stadium
4/23/09 – 4/25/09 GSC Theater presents As You Like It, President’s Auditorium, Harry B. Heflin Administration Building
4/24/09 Concert Band Spring Concert, Fine Arts Auditorium
4/25/09 Alumni Day and the evening’s Alumni Banquet
4/28/09 Spring Choir Concert, Fine Arts Auditorium
5/9/09 Commencement (with special recognition of the 1959 graduating class), Jesse Lilly Gym, Physical Education Building
5/16/09 Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony, Ballroom, Mollohan Center
6/13/09 Shenandoah Valley Alumni Chapter Get Together (location yet to be determined)
6/18/09 - 6/21/09 WV Folk Festival, downtown Glenville and GSC campus
10/24/09 Homecoming 2009
12/1/09 Mid Ohio Valley Alumni Chapter Christmas Dinner, Parkersburg Country Club, Vienna
12/6/09 North Central West Virginia Alumni Chapter Christmas Dinner, Bridgeport Country Club, Bridgeport

Glenville State College reserves the right to cancel performances or to make changes in dates. Please fill free to contact your Alumni Office at (304) 462-4122, local or (866) 239-0285, toll free to confirm event dates before making a long trip.
Class Notes

Ronda Albright ’64 was recently recognized by the West Virginia Art Education Association as Art Teacher of the Year at a conference in Shepherdstown. She has taught in the same classroom at Berkeley Heights Elementary for 38 years and says that she is “still having fun”. Reflecting on art, Albright says that “even after 38 years of teaching, the processes in art are still the same; it’s just a different expression”. Ronda and her husband of 33 years, Davis Albright, live in Martinsburg. They are parents of two sons, Mark and Matthew.

Jim Allison ’84 was recently named President of the Colorado Society of Petroleum Accountants. He is also Vice President of Product Management for Oildex, an internet based software company located in Denver, CO that provides financial based software solutions and data workflow to the oil and gas industry. Jim and his wife, Cindy, reside in Denver.

Jerod Altop ’06 is serving as Assistant Women’s Basketball Coach at his alma mater. Additionally he is an Instructor of Business at GSC.

Crystal Amick Hensley ’97 recently accepted employment at Southern WV Community College. She works as an accountant in the College’s Foundation Office and lives in Chapmanville.

Dr. Joseph L. Badgley ’70 was named President of West Virginia State Community and Technical College on June 17, 2008. Dr. Badgley received his master’s degree and doctorate from West Virginia University and has worked in various capacities at West Virginia University at Parkersburg since 1974 serving as an education professor, chair of the College’s Education Division, Academic Dean and last fall, he went back to teaching in the College’s Education Division. Additionally Dr. Badgley served as WVU-Parkersburg’s Interim President in 2003-2004. Joseph and his wife, Therese, reside in Charleston.

Judith Smith Berry ’74 has been selected as the 2008-2009 Putnam County Teacher of the Year. She is a first grade teacher at George Washington Elementary School. Judith became a National Board Certified Teacher in 2000 and recently earned a Master of Arts degree in Reading from Marshall University Graduate School. Judith and her husband, James Berry ’73, reside in Elkview. They are parents of three sons and grandparents of six.

Brent Boggs ’76, a twelve year veteran of the West Virginia House of Delegates, has been named House majority leader, the second most powerful position in the House of Delegates. Delegate Boggs represents the 34th District (Gilmer and Braxton Counties) in the Legislature and was vice chairman of the House Finance Committee.

Marge Hardman Burke ’53 represented West Virginia’s First District as a delegate to the National Democratic Convention in Denver, CO August 25-28, 2008. She was one of only three delegates selected from the First District. Marge represented the Mountain State admirably during the week and during her interview on national television. This is the fourth National Convention for Marge and her husband, Billy ’77, as they previously have attended conventions in Chicago, New York and Atlanta.

Stacy McCallister Crook tells the Alumni News that she and her husband, former GSC football coach Ron Crook, and their two boys, Andrew 5 ½ and Cian (Key-an) who will soon turn 3, live in Boston, MA. Ron continues to coach football and she is an Independent Consultant for Usborne Books at Home, a home-based business where Stacy has shows and does fundraisers for schools. She writes “Boston has been great for us, “two country people in the big city.”

Warren “Clay” Chesser ’04 accepted employment in June ’08 as an accountant in his alma mater’s Business Office. He previously worked as an in-house accountant for Bob Yoak Ford, Inc. in St. Marys. Clay and his wife, Rebecca, reside in Smithville.

Janice Reed Collins ’69 was honored in May 2008 at Gilmer County High School’s Athletic Banquet for her dedication to the high school’s athletic program. She prepares the concession stand for each home game and usually sells the concessions as well. Mrs. Collins, whose students affectionately call “Myrtle” is French teacher at the high school. She arranges the school’s annual French trip for her students and is involved with homecoming, prom and graduation nearly every year. Marie Hoyman Schimmel ’81 and Debbie Huffman were also honored for their dedication to athletics. They prepare food for the games.
Terry Crislip ’77 was inducted into the Mid-Ohio Valley Hall of Fame on June 21, 2008 at the Grand Pointe Conference Center in Vienna. Terry was recognized for being quarterback and team captain at Parkersburg South High School when their team won its first game over the Parkersburg Big Reds. A three-sport high school standout in football, basketball and golf, Crislip concentrated on golf while attending GSC where he earned ALL Conference honors three times in as many years. Additionally at GSC, he was named WVIAC Golfer of the Year in 1976, was awarded the College’s prestigious Montrose Award in 1977 and was inducted into the College’s Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame in 2007.

Michael F. Cunningham ’08 has entered first year studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg. The College has been ranked, for ten straight years, by U.S. News & World Report magazine as one of the nation’s best medical schools.

Rebecca A. “Becky” Davis ’06 recently began serving as Coordinator of the Braxton Community Coalition. She previously has worked for Children’s Heart and Home and for United Summit Center. Becky and her husband, Kaleb, are parents of one son, Jackson.

Shelly Morris DeMarino ’85 was appointed Calhoun County’s Prosecuting Attorney in January 2008 to fill the unexpired term of Matthew Minney ’96 who left the position to work for the West Virginia Public Service Commission. Shelly was elected to the position for her own term in May 2008.

Mary Heather Hickman Davis ’85 is employed at Mount Union College in Alliance, OH. She serves as an administrative assistant in the Physician Assistant Studies Program.

Jessica Dean ’06 is working as a teacher of special education at Pocahontas County High School in Pocahontas County.

Dr. Linda Bissette Dunlap ’84 has been named Director of Teacher Education Initiatives at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC. As director, she oversees the curriculum and course development of teacher education courses at CPCC. She works closely with local and state entities including Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and the North Carolina Community College System to stay abreast of new programs, certification requirements and training needs. Prior to joining Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC, she served as Site Coordinator for the Department of Public Instruction at the Division Regional Alternative Licensing Center. She also served as an associate professor and head of the School of Education at Pfeiffer University.

Rhonda Gay Dunning ’80 lives in eastern North Carolina with her youngest daughter, Whitney, who currently attends college. Her oldest daughter, Ashley, lives in North Carolina as well and works as a Stability Lab Chemist for a pharmaceutical company located in Greenville, NC. Rhonda received her school counselor certification in May 2006 by completing an additional 15 graduate hours from East Carolina University. She has been employed as an elementary school counselor since November of 2003. In addition to her full time position, Rhonda works as an independent contractor as a “QMHP” (i.e. Qualified Mental Health Professional) for a mental health agency. She works with the Mental Health/Substance Abuse populations as well as the Mentally Retarded/Developmentally Disabled populations. She is in the process of obtaining her Licensed Professional Counselor Certification enabling her to work as a clinical therapist. Future plans are to move to the coast of North Carolina, continue school counseling and work part-time as a therapist.

Ed Evans ’82 was selected as America’s Top Science Teacher at NASA’s Goddard Space Flight Center near Washington when they hosted the Discovery Education and 3M competition October 3-6, 2008. As part of this competition, teachers were challenged to make their own videos explaining space-related concepts, including Newton’s Laws of Motion, acceleration, aeronautics, centrifugal and centripetal force and scope and scale. Evans, the president-elect of the West Virginia Science Teachers Association, is a past recipient of the Arch Coal Award, was named the McDowell County Teacher of the Year in 2000 and is a previous Potomac Region Solar Energy Educator of the Year. He teaches at Mount View High School and resides in Welch with his wife, Lynda “Pip” Luikart Evans ’82, and their two children, McKinzie, a student at Mount View High School and Brandon, a student at Welch Elementary. “Pip” is a member and the current vice president of the McDowell County Board of Education.

Jamie Field ’08 resides in Barboursville and is a facilitator with the Roads to Success Program. The program’s goal is to empower young adults to make education and career choices that match their individual skills and interests. He teaches around two hundred forty 7th grade students at Fort Gay Middle School, Ceredo Kenova Middle School and Buffalo Middle School. The Roads to Success Program serves grades 7 through 12 in low-income communities in New York, Pennsylvania and West Virginia with lessons ranging from note taking to college preparation to career exploration. In total, this program reaches approximately four thousand students across three states.
Kelly Ford-Stacy ’82 writes that she will forever be indebted to GSC for enabling her to continue her education and to embark on a writing career. She resides in Wilmington, DE.

Robert Gold ’01 has completed his Doctorate of Chiropractic degree at Palmer College of Chiropractic Florida in Port Orange, FL. Dr. Robert Gold, D.O., currently residing in Dunedin, FL, will be joining practice in Florida.

David Grapes II ’72 is a full tenured professor and Director of the School of Theatre Arts and Dance at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, CO. He is also a published and often produced playwright (My Way – A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra plus many others). He resides in Windsor, CO.

Steve Gregory ’85 has been employed with Kool Ice and Seafood for nine years. He tells the Alumni News that his hobbies include competitive weight lifting. Steve and wife, Michelle Hines Gregory ’85 reside in Hurlock, MD. They have two daughters, Kaitlynn (adopted from Russia in March ’95) and Nicholas (born in December ’95). Michelle has taught kindergarten for Dorchester County Board of Education for 15 years and recently obtained her master’s degree.

Buddy Griffin ’71 will be participating in a Clay Center special tribute to Hank Williams on December 27, 2008. Griffin, a renowned string musician and longtime Nashville performer, is employed at GSC as a visiting instructor of music and director of cultural events. In October of this year, Buddy and some of his bluegrass students were guest performers at the hugely popular Jesse McReynolds Bluegrass Festival in Nashville, TN.

Jason Gum ’05 has been hired as a Library Technical Assistant at the College’s Robert F. Kidd Library. Jason worked at the library while he was a student at GSC. He is happy to be back working at his alma mater.

Eric Hampton ’08 has started eHampOne, a travel business in Cleveland, OH. More information is available about his company at www.ehampone.com

Mike Harmon ’96 is Head Coach of the Lexington Horseman. They play in AF2, one level lower than the Arena Football League which is its parent organization. Prior to being named head coach, he has served at various times as the teams’ assistant head coach, defensive coordinator, special teams coordinator and recruiting coordinator. Many of you will remember Mike, he was First Team ALL WVIAC in football during his student career at GSC.

Sheila Petre Harbert ’04 began working in Accounts Payable at XTO Energy in July 2008. Sheila and her husband, Edward Harbert II, reside in Jane Lew. They were married in September 2005.

Deb Bunner Hartshorn ’89 is the West Virginia Director of the Roads to Success Program, a non-profit career education/guidance program. She has been instrumental in the West Virginia expansion of this New York based program which is currently serving students in ten West Virginia counties. To learn more about this organization, visit the organization’s website at www.roadstosuccess.org Deb and her husband, Jeff Hartshorn, reside in Elizabeth with their two sons, Zach Moore and Luke Moore.

Martha Haymaker ’85 has been promoted to President and Chief Executive Officer of Traders Bank in Spencer. She lives in Mt. Zion.

JoAnn Marks Hill ’71 was named Normantown Alumna of the Year at the former high school’s alumni meeting in May 2008. She has taught kindergarten at the now K-6 school for nineteen years and previously, when the school was a K-8 school, taught math in the upper grades. Jo Ann has been a member of the West Virginia Education Association for 37 years and resides beside of the elementary school where she is often called upon in emergencies to come to the aid of the school’s students and staff.

Sadie Lockard Hoover ’03 and husband, Max Hoover, have moved to Knightdale, NC. She is working in Raleigh, NC as a kindergarten teacher for the Wake County Public School System at JY Joyner Magnet Elementary School.

Denzil Huff ’57 was elected West Virginia Farm Bureau Vice President at the 89th West Virginia Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in Flatwoods. Over 300 farm families from across the State participated in this policy setting meeting.
Wayne E. Huffman '83 is president of Huffman Corporation. In December 2007, his Corporation teamed with TY Pennington and his Extreme Home Make Over Crew and ABC to build the only home to date in Fairmont, WV for the Turner Family. This home was built in 98 hours (4 ½ days) under windy, rainy and sunny conditions - all on the worst site in the show’s history.

Dr. Randy Hunt '75 has been named head football coach at Greensboro College in Greensboro, NC. Most recently, he has been Chair of the Kinesiology Department at Greensboro College, a post he has held since 2003. Randy resides in Greensboro with his wife, Shelly. They have three children: Kasey, Tanner and Sean.

Frances Frame Jenkins '01 started working at WV Junior College as a Financial Aid Officer in April 2006. She resides in Lost Creek with her husband, James Glen Jenkins, a September '07 graduate from WV Junior College. They were married in July 2002.

Mae Weaver Jennings '51 celebrated her 90th birthday by receiving many cards and letters with a card and letter shower that was coordinated by many of her friends. An article about this shower and listing her mailing address was in several local papers. Mae married Fred Wesley Jennings (now deceased) in 1943. She was a school teacher in one and two-room schools in Gilmer and Calhoun Counties and retired from Grantsville Graded School in 1976 after 30 ½ years of teaching. Mrs. Jennings resides alternatively with her two daughters, Ann Richards and Alice Hickman, both of Big Springs. She has five living grandchildren (one is deceased), nine great-grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren.

Angela “Angie” Small Jones '98 has received her master’s degree in counseling from Marshall University Graduate College and works as a school counselor at Clay County High School.

Dr. Sherry Woofter Jones '76 attended the Appalachian Association of Mathematics Teacher Educator’s (AAMTE) Conference in Williamsburg, KY November 7-8, 2008 where she presented research from her dissertation study entitled The Question of Learning Equity between Online and Onsite Undergraduate Courses in Rural Appalachia. Sherry is Chair of GSC’s Department of Business.

Patrick Joyce ’77 recently completed student teaching and has been awarded a Bachelors Degree in Education from Fairmont State University as a School Library Media Specialist with Pre K to adult certification. Pat lives in Bridgeport with wife, Lori. He has four children and three grandchildren.

Marylyn Dawn Harpold Lancaster '98 is Director of Home Infusion Services for Care Partners and is a member of the National Home Infusion Association. She is a 2002 graduate of the WVU School of Pharmacy and has written an article The Clinician’s Role in Infusion Reimbursement which will help streamline the billing process, decrease errors and promote understanding between pharmacists and medical billing specialists in home infusion companies. This article was published in an issue of Infusion, a national publication for infusion health care providers. Care Partners Home Infusion Services, located in Morgantown, is a service of Mon General and WVU hospitals. Dawn and her husband, Christopher Lancaster '97, reside in Morgantown.

Tracy Lane Lancaster ’97 has been hired as Coordinator of Off-Campus Programming at her alma mater. She served as an admissions counselor at GSC before accepting the Assistant Director of Admissions position at Washington State Community College. Tracy returned to Glenville, in a grant-funded position, in 2003 and served as Certification Analyst at that time. She is a resident of Arnoldsburg.

Angela Meadows Linger '94 has been hired as Student Support Services Project Director at GSC. She holds a master’s degree in Leadership Studies from Marshall University and most recently was Community Development Specialist for Marshall University.

Patricia “Patty” Lowther ’89 has been hired as the principal at Normantown Elementary. She previously taught at Sand Fork Elementary.

David Minigh '95 graduated from Logan University with a Doctorate in Chiropractic degree. He resides in Crab Orchard.

Vickie Smith Miller ’86 wishes to say hello to old friends through this publication. A member of Delta Zeta, she currently resides in New Martinsville.

Greg Minner '89, currently employed as the Sr. Regional Director of Housing and Food Service at Pennsylvania State University, has been elected president of the Mid-Atlantic Region for the National Association of University and College Food Services (NACUFS). The formal installation ceremony was held in June 2008 at the group’s national conference in Washington, D.C. Greg and his wife, Rita Carmen Minner, reside in Port Matilda, PA.

Gregory D. “Greg” Morgan '08 started working as band director at Mt. Hope High School in February 2008. A December ’07 graduate, he resides in White Sulphur Springs.
Mike Morrison ’61 was recognized in April 2008 as Outstanding Volunteer for 2008 by the Winchester, Frederick County, Clarke County Faith in Action Program. In 2007, he drove 4,165 miles (in his personal vehicle) transporting chronically ill people to and from medical appointments. This was done at no charge to the clients as the program doesn’t accept payments from clients. He gave 738 volunteer hours to the program. Also in May 2008, the Winchester Medical Center recognized him as one of five outstanding volunteers for 2008. He volunteered for over 300 hours of service to the Center. Additionally in July 2008, he became president of District N of the Virginia Retired Teachers Association, serving the city of Winchester and the counties of Clarke, Culpeper, Fauquier, Frederick, Laodown, Prince William, Rappahannock and Warren.

Joyce Helmick Arnold Morton ’77 is currently serving a second term on the Board of the West Virginia Law Institute. She was inducted in the West Virginia Bar Foundation of Fellows in 2005, served 6 years as a member of the Lawyer Disciplinary Board where she was vice chairman during the second term and has served as a member of the Board of Governors of the West Virginia Trial Lawyers and on various committees. Joyce is married to Michael Ray Carpenter, P.E. and has three children: Christopher Arnold, who lives and works in Gilmer County; Jasmine R.H. Morton, a second year law student at WVU and Michael Morgan Carpenter, age 16. Joyce and her husband reside in Webster Springs.

Twila Collins Moyers ’67 has retired from her position at Gilmer County High School where she taught math for several years.

John Nicolais ’06 has joined the Drury Lady Panthers’ basketball staff at Drury University in Springfield, MO as an assistant coach, working with head women’s basketball coach, Steve Harold ’87. John spent five seasons as an assistant coach at GSC under Coach Harold’s leadership. He was out of coaching last season while he finished his master’s degree at Salem International.

Doretta Pugh Osburn ’85 combines her undergraduate degrees from GSC in management and accounting with minors in music, economics and political science with her master’s degree in business administration (MBA – Marshall ’86) and human resources (MSER – West Virginia University ’92) and tells the Alumni News that she has found the perfect mix of these. She manages a rock band, The Redding Brothers, a trio of real life brothers, who tour internationally with Brick & Stone Records out of Nashville, TN. Last spring, they spent a month in the Middle East on tour with the USO/AFE organization out of Washington, D.C. They performed for the troops in seven countries on two continents. The Redding Brothers are on the cutting edge of live show sound and recently started performing their concerts in surround sound. Their first surround sound concert was held on August 21st at GSC. Be sure and check out the band’s website at www.reddingbrothers.com. Those interested in booking the band or having questions about the band, are encouraged to contact Doretta at 1-888-88REDDING ext 704 or via e-mail to booking@reddingbrothers.com

Julian Phares ’98 has been hired as a mathematics teacher at Gilmer County High School. This position was previously held by his mother, Sharon K. Dobbins Phares ’70, who recently retired.

Misty Pritt ’96 was elected to serve on the Board of Education for Gilmer County Schools in May 2008.

Roger Propst ’71 has been hired as Interim Superintendent for Calhoun County Schools.

Annie Pugh ’07 is Assistant Director of Admissions for the Art Institute of Pittsburgh’s On-Line Division. Annie worked in her alma mater’s Admission’s Office prior to taking the position in Pittsburgh.

April L. Proctor ’04 successfully passed The Supreme Court of Ohio’s July 2008 bar examination and was administered her oath during a special public session of The Supreme Court on November 17, 2008. She was granted her Juris Doctorate in Law degree from the University of Akron School of Law in May of this year.

Sharon Montgomery Radabaugh ’80 has been named Gilmer County’s Teacher of the Year for 2009. She has taught at Sand Fork School for 28 years. Sharon has been a past recipient of the school’s Teacher of the Year Award in 1987, 2006 and 2008.

Shelly Sheets Ratliff ’02 has been hired in GSC’s Education Department as a visiting instructor of Education. Shelly holds masters degrees from Marshall University and Salem International University in reading and

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John P. Shock, M.D. '53 Executive Vice Chancellor at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Director of the Jones Eye Institute and Professor and Chair of the University’s Ophthalmology Department was promoted to Distinguished Professor by the University of Arkansas Board of Trustees in September 2007. The rank of distinguished professor is reserved for those individuals who are recognized nationally and internationally as leaders in their academic disciplines for extraordinary accomplishments in teaching, published works, research or creative accomplishments. He has been with the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences since 1979. He previously enjoyed a successful 20 year career in the Military’s Medical Corps. Dr. Shock is a 1959 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and received his M.D. degree from Duke University in 1966. He completed his ophthalmology residency at Walter Reed Medical Center and Retinal Fellowship at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute in Miami, FL. He received Alumnius of the Year honors in June 2008 at the Glenville High School Alumni Association’s Reunion Banquet. Wanda distinguished herself as a principal for many years before retiring to her native Gilmer County where she volunteers at Gilmer County High School and for various Gilmer County civic organizations.

Wanda Bailey Reed ’60 was named Alumna of the Year in June 2008 at the Glenville High School Alumni Association’s Reunion Banquet. Wanda distinguished herself as a principal for many years before retiring to her native Gilmer County where she volunteers at Gilmer County High School and for various Gilmer County civic organizations.

Patty Riddle ’89 is Director of Finance for the Calhoun County Board of Education. She previously worked for Perry and Associates in Marietta, OH and for Hayhurst Equipment, Inc.

David Rupe ’03 is teaching 7th grade social studies at the Crooksville K-8 building in Crooksville, OH and is head football coach at Crooksville High School. David and his wife, Elizabeth, who is a teacher at Crooksville Elementary, reside in Crooksville, OH with their one year old son, Samuel Rupe.

Christina Rumbach ’91 received the Juris Doctor of Law Degree from Duquesne University School of Law in June 2007. She resides in Weston and was admitted to the West Virginia Bar in October 2007.

Staff Sgt. Julie Derby Triplett ’02 is home in Glenville with her family after a 14 month tour of duty, which included 12 months in war-torn Afghanistan. Julie is with the U.S. Army’s 367th Military Police Company, Detachment 2. Julie’s husband, Richare Triplett ’06 is also a veteran of a foreign war, having served in Iraq in the early years of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is also in the National Guard. In addition to caring for the couple’s two children, Richard and Lillie, during the past 14 months, he works as the Veterans Representative at the Veterans Nursing Home in Clarksburg and previously served the National Guard as Veterans Representative in Spencer.

Connie Sandy Stout ’90, Assistant Professor of Early Education and Director of Field Experiences at GSC, traveled to Dallas, Texas, in November 2008 as West Virginia’s representative to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) at their national conference. A former state president of the association, Connie is recognized nationally for her commitment to young children. She has been teaching at her alma mater since January 1999.

John Mark Walkup ’89, Associate Professor of Music at New River Community and Technical College in Summersville, presented a piano performance at New River in November 2008 as part of the West Virginia Division of Culture and History’s Collegiate Series.

Linda Diane Ward ’78 is currently employed by Watauga County Schools, Boone, NC as Reading Specialist/Exceptional Children’s teacher. She received her reading certification from Appalachian State University in 2006 and resides in Wilkesboro, NC.

Kenneth Wilkins ’96 received his master’s degree in Business Administration from Averret University in 2004. He is employed at Rubbermaid Commercial Products in Winchester, VA where he works as Test Technician in the R & D Engineering/Test Lab.
Paul Williams '03 teaches 9th and 10th grade science at Roane County High School. He also serves as the school’s assistant freshman-varsity football coach and as head girls track coach. He previously taught at Walton Elementary/Middle School. Paul and his wife, Brandy, reside in Spencer. They were married in June 2006.

Engagements/Marriages

James Alltop '05 and Jennifer Cottrill were married in Pigeon Forge, TN on September 20, 2008. The Alltops reside in Gassaway and both work at FCI Gilmer.

Michael Bright '08 and Jillian Jude '08 were united in marriage on August 23, 2008 at the Gassaway Baptist Church in Gassaway.

Erica Dawn Ball '05 and David Adam Dennison '03 were married at the First Baptist Church in Glenville on October 4, 2008. Erica received a second degree from GSC in 2007 and is currently employed as a teacher at Sand Fork Elementary. David is a 2005 graduate of West Virginia State Policy Academy and works for Braxton County Sheriff’s Department.

Kyre Anna Bartz '08 and Tony Minney '08 were married in December 2007. Kyre is teaching at Calhoun County High School and Tony is employed by the Gilmer County Board of Education.

Brittany Church '08 and Jason Frymier '06 were united in marriage on May 31, 2008 at the Sand Fork Baptist Church in Sand Fork. Brittany recently accepted employment as an Administrative Secretary in GSC’s English Department. Jason works for Waco Oil and Gas and Flying W Plastics in Glenville.

Eunice Collins '05 and Norman Coberly were married on August 2, 2008 at Trinity United Methodist Church in Glenville. Eunice is currently employed by Hospice Care Corporation of Burnsville. Norman works for Closetmaid of Grantsville, MD.

Julia Marie Fisher Duffield '97 and Shane Alan Duffield reaffirmed their wedding vows on August 3, 2008 with an open wedding celebration at Cedar Creek State Park. They were initially wed in an intimate ceremony on May 24, 2007, prior to Shane being deployed to serve with the United State Army in Iraq. The August 2008 ceremony was an opportunity for friends and family to celebrate his safe return and to participate in the affirmation of their love to each other.

Kyle Dugas '07 and Gregory Lamecker '07 were married on November 22, 2008. Kyle works as a biology teacher at Norview High School in Norfolk, VA. Gregory is employed in the United States Army as a musician. He is receiving training in Norfolk, VA and his first assignment will be Fairbanks, Alaska.

Amy Hamblin '01 and Seth Fallon were united in marriage on November 8, 2008. Amy is employed with the Department of Treasury, Bureau of the Public Debt in Parkersburg. Seth is the pastor of Small Groups and Discipleship at South Parkersburg Baptist Church in Parkersburg.

Samantha Jarvis '06 and James “Jimmy” Hays were married on August 16, 2008 at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg. She is employed as a 5th grade teacher by the Calhoun County Board of Education. Jimmy works for ST Pipeline in Clendenin.

Tiffany Danielle Jones '07 and Nickolas Dawayne Garrett were united in marriage on October 18, 2008 at Epworth Methodist Church in Ripley. Tiffany is employed by West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. Nick works for Key Energy in Arnoldsburg.

Jason Meadows '05 and Leigh Ann Duckworth were married on July 26, 2008 at the Old German Community Church on Chapel Road in Gassaway. They reside in their new home on Bender’s Run.

Rachel Redick '07 and Michael Roberts '07 were married on April 5, 2008 at the First Baptist Church in Glenville.

Tracie Reed '08 and Jason McHenry '08 were married on July 19, 2008 at the Sand Fork Baptist Church where the couple’s young daughter, Harlee, served as their flower girl.

Craig Ricotilli '08 and Tessa Griffin were married on June 28, 2008, just a few weeks after Craig’s May 10, 2008 graduation from GSC where he received a bachelor’s degree in Natural Resource Management and an associate’s degree in Forest Technology. Tessa is a May 2008 graduate as well. She received her bachelor’s degree in Biology, focusing on medicine from Bridgewater College (VA).

William F. Shahan II '06 and Elizabeth F. Wiseman were married on June 21, 2008 at the First Church of the Nazarene in Stonewoods.
Lucas Stalnaker '06 and Davina Sands were married on July 19, 2008 at the Broad Street United Methodist Church in Weston. Lucas is employed at Buckhannon-Upshur High School as a social studies teacher and he coaches freshman basketball at Lewis County High School. Davina is attending Fairmont State University.

Anniversaries

Don Peterson and Mida Bailey Peterson ’58 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 1, 2008 with an open house at the Stone Coal United Methodist Church. Mida is retired from the Upshur County School System where she taught and coached at Buckhannon-Upshur High School for many years. Don and Mida own and operate Rocking P Farm in Horner where they raise registered Angus cattle.

Paul ’49 and Jewell Cain Siegrist ’48 of Creston celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a dinner hosted by their children. They were married on August 29, 1948, at the home of Jewell’s parents by Rev. Jake Snider, who had also served the wedding ceremony for her parents. They have three sons: Gary, Ron and Glen; one daughter, Paula; twelve grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. Paul and Jewell obtained masters degrees from West Virginia University and are retired educators from the Calhoun County School System. Paul served as superintendent of schools in Ritchie and Calhoun counties. Jewell was the girls’ physical education teacher.

Birth Announcements

Roger Collins and Christy Loyd Collins ’95 announce the birth of their second child, Alex Lee Collins. He was born on August 22, 2007 and welcomed home by proud big sister, Ellen. The Collins family resides in Flatwoods. Alex’s maternal grandparents are Jake FS ’34-’35 and Ethel Loyd of Sutton. His paternal grandparents are Roger and Kathy Collins of Seth.

Jason Fox and Melissa Thrasher Fox ’06 announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Kendra Dale Fox. She was born on April 23, 2008 at St. Joseph’s Hospital in Buckhannon.

Wes ’94 and Sharon Westfall Gladwell ’94 joyfully welcomed Dylan Blake Gladwell into the world on September 24, 2008 at 6 pounds, 9 ounces and 20.5 inches long. The Gladwells, who reside in Raleigh, NC, tell the Alumni News that big brother Cole is so proud and happy and that they are all having a great time together.

Matt Hersom and Marti Steiner Hersom ’95 announce the birth of their first son, Zachary Mathew Hersom, born on October 16, 2007 in Winchester, VA. Zak was welcomed home by sisters Alex, Jessi, Andi and Mikki. The Hersom family resides in Gerrardstown.

Cam Perry ’98 and Amber Burns Perry ’03 of Glenville proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Riley Grace Perry, born on February 19, 2008. She was 8 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 22 inches at birth.

Shelly Sheets Ratliff ’02 and Jon Ratliff welcomed their newborn daughter into the world on November 19, 2008. Brooklynn Grace Ratliff made her debut at 4:36 p.m., weighing 7 lbs, 7 ozs and was 20 inches long.

Jeff Propps ’85 and Rhonda Propps of Mineral Wells proudly announce the birth of their son, Brevin Gage Propps, born on July 30, 2007. He was joined at home by sisters Laken and Chelsea.

Jonathan Townsend USAF ’97 and Tara Lawson Townsend ’98 of Sumter, SC are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Brooke Michaela Townsend. Brooke was born April 3, 2008 at the Tuomey Medical Center in Sumter, SC. She was welcomed home by big sisters Brenley and Madison.

Julia Daugherty Yearego ’93 and Chris Yearego proudly introduce the newest addition to their family, Daniel Nicholas Yearego. Daniel arrived on his due date, August 7, 2008. He was 7.3 lbs and 20.5 inches long, all fingers and toes accounted for. Big sister, Sarah, enjoys quiet time with him. The Yearegos reside near Buckhannon in Ellamore.

In Memoriam

Ernest Lee Arbuckle of Haines City, FL died May 13, 2008. A member of the United States Army Air Corps during WWII, he was awarded the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Purple Heart and was honorably discharged from active military service in 1945 with the rank of First Lieutenant. Ernest Lee graduated from Harvard Business School in 1950 with the M.B.A. degree and returned to Glensville where he was employed by Kanawha Union Bank as its chief financial officer and held a seat on the Bank’s board of directors until 1966 when he left the bank to pursue other business interests. In 1977, he was re-elected to the Bank’s board of directors and played a pivotal role in forming Heritage Bancorp, Inc. in 1982 when West Virginia law changed to permit the creation of bank holding companies. Both
Kanawha Union Bank and the Weston National Bank were acquired by Heritage. He served as a member of the Heritage Board of Directors until 1988, when the company merged with United Bankshares, Inc., of Parkersburg. Ernest Lee was a member of various civic organizations. He was also a former member, deacon and trustee of the Glenville Presbyterian Church and a member and former vestryman of St. Mark's Episcopal Church of Haines City, FL. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Edwina Blackwood Cowart and is survived by his second wife, Norma Lee Neitzel Cardin, three stepchildren and two first cousins once removed. A memorial service was held in Haines City, FL at the time of his passing. His body was laid to rest at Stalnaker Cemetery in Glenville on September 30, 2008.

Elizabeth Swisher Beeghley of Jane Lew died on July 23, 2008 at Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital, Weston, following a brief illness. She was a clerk in GSC’s Bookstore before retiring in 1982. Mrs. Beeghley was preceded in death by her husband, Wirt Beeghley, and son, James “Jim” Beeghley ’69. She is survived by one step-granddaughter, Elizabeth Plass of Buckhannon; daughter in law, Robin Keough and husband John of Buckhannon; two nieces and two nephews.

Velma F. Carson Black ’49 of Kensington, KS passed away October, 21, 2008. A Baldwin, WV native, Velma was preceded in death by her husband, Billy Black. She is survived by two daughters and two sons, Deanna Nech, Kensington, KS; Charlotte Burkett, Sidney Black and Charles Black all of Topeka, KS. Also surviving are nine grandchildren.

Evelyn McClain Boso ’51 died July 14, 2008. She taught at Park Elementary School, Wood County for several years and was retired from the Wood County School System. Evelyn is survived by one daughter, Susan Williams; one son, William E. Boso; four grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, William K. Boso.

Palmoneada Blevins “Pam” Brown, PhD of Lexington, KY died July 26, 2008 at the Hospice Care Center at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington, KY. Dr. Brown’s career at GSC spanned from 1974-1986 when she retired as Dean of Education. Dr. Brown previously had served as Director of GSC Programs on the campus of Parkersburg Community College (now WVU-P). A graduate of Huntington High School, she received her undergraduate degree and master’s degree from Marshall University and her Doctorate from the University of Houston.

Velda Betts Burkhart ’43 of Blacksburg, VA passed away October 1, 2008. After graduating magna cum laude from GSC, she taught in the public schools of West Virginia for eight years before pursuing a master’s degree in Library Science from the University of Michigan and working in college and university libraries for 26 years, including Ohio State University, Ohio Wesleyan University, Kenyon College (OH) and Virginia Tech. Mrs. Burkhart was on the faculty of Virginia Tech Library for 15 years, retiring as head of the Cataloging Department in 1983 with the rank of Associate Professor. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. G. Wayne Burkhart, and a brother. Survivors include her two sons and four grandsons.

Samuel L. Burns of Miami, FL and formerly of White Sulphur Springs passed away September 22, 2008. After attending GSC, he enlisted in the US Army and served in the Vietnam War. Survivors include his mother, Seralda C. Burns; his wife, Thelma Burns; two daughters, two stepsons and one grandson.

Charles R. “Chuck” Byers ’82 of Falling Waters departed this life May 14, 2008. He was a surveyor with the Timmons Group in Leesburg, VA for 25 years. Chuck is survived by his mother, Virginia “Jinny” Sheets Byers; his brother, Larry Lawrence “Larry” Byers, III; three nephews and one niece.

Edward Nelson Cain ’59 of Wheeling died October 28, 2008. He earned his master’s degree from West Virginia University in 1965 and was a former teacher and counselor at Paden City High School and a long-time member of the administrative staff at West Liberty State College. Over a period of more than 35 years, he served in several administrative capacities including registrar, director of admissions, director of enrollment services, executive assistant to the president and vice president of administration. He was very active in WVIAC administrative circles and upon his retirement from West Liberty in 2001, he was awarded the status of "Vice President Emeritus". Nelson is survived by his wife, Susan Lockard Cain ’60; his daughter, Debra Grall, of Windsor Heights; his son, William, of Leesburg, OH and six grandchildren.

Joe H. Clifton ’49 of Webster Springs passed away July 7, 2008. He was a WWII combat veteran, proudly serving in the Pacific Theatre on the heavy cruisers USS Pittsburg (CA 72) and USS Helena (CA75) before receiving his degree from GSC. Following graduation, Joe went to work for the Corps of Engineers in Washington, D.C. before returning to his beloved Webster County, where he held a broad range of jobs, including his all-time favorite which was coal mining. He was also a truck driver, taxi driver, mayor of Camden-on-Gauley, high school teacher, automobile dealer/service manager, restaurant owner, large truck dealer and owner of Clifton, Miller & Skidmore
vehicle repair shop. He culminated his career as Webster County Memorial Hospital administrator, a position he held for over 33 years, which, at the time of his retirement, was the longest tenure of any hospital administrator in the State of West Virginia. He is survived by his long time companion, Diane Starcher of Webster Springs; one son, retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Larry J. Clifton, one grandson and two granddaughters.

Carol Sue Reed Cox ’61 of Wellsburg departed this life August 1, 2008. She was a retired school teacher, having taught for many years as an elementary teacher in Hancock County before serving as a Title I teacher in Brooke County. Survivors include her husband, Leon Cox; two sons, Stephen Cox of Wellsburg and Timothy Cox of Murraysville, PA, two grandsons and two brothers.

Bob Crews of Luray, VA departed this life on August 23, 2008. He was a member of GSC’s 1958 undefeated football team and was looking forward to the team’s 50 year reunion weekend during Homecoming activities this fall. Bob is survived by his wife, Rose Marie Gwinn Crews ’58.

W. Burdette Cutlip ’34 of Flatwoods died July 13, 2008. He was an educator from 1935 – 1940 in Braxton County Schools, having taught at Little Birch Elementary School and Sutton Junior High School. In 1940, he left education to work at the Institute Rubber Plant in Institute, as an accountant and bookkeeper. After WWII, Burdette entered the construction field and in 1950, he began work with Ken Hill Construction Company in Charleston as comptroller and manager where he remained until his first retirement in 1977. Upon retirement, Burdette and his wife moved back to Flatwoods and built a home. His retirement was short lived when he was asked to return to construction as “clerk of the works”, a position which was very much in demand at the time. He oversaw the construction of the Gassaway Armory, Braxton County Memorial Hospital, Braxton County Middle School, St. Joseph’s Hospital in Buckhannon and the Flatwoods Community Center (which was designed by his daughter, Brenda). After completion of the Flatwoods Community Center project, he retired a second time to spend more time with his wife, Elouise Spaur Cutlip, who survives at their Flatwoods home. Burdette is also survived by one son, Thomas A. Cutlip; two daughters Brenda Cutlip Hallinan and Elizabeth A. Costanzo, six grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Raymond R. “Ray” Davidson ’65 of Williamstown passed away September 6, 2008. He received a master’s degree and professional administrative certificate from West Virginia University and served as head principal at Williamstown High School from 1989 until his retirement in 1998. Previously he taught at New Matamoras High School, Parkersburg High School and at Williamstown High School, where he coached wrestling and was assistant football coach. He was the assistant principal of Edison Junior High from 1975 until 1983, before becoming assistant principal at Williamstown. He was twice named Regional Principal of the Year by the West Virginia Coaches Association. He is survived by his mother, Nora Lavon Davidson; his wife, Oleta; their two daughters, Lou E. Tillson, Ph.D. and Ramona A. Dagostine, M.D., four grandchildren, one sister and two brothers.

William Everett Dilley ’81 of Dunmore died September 2, 2008 at his home. He was a licensed land surveyor, the elected Pocahontas County Land Surveyor and a member of the Dunmore United Methodist Church. William was also a member of West Virginia Professional Land Surveyors, the Southern State Board and the West Virginia Farm Bureau. He served on the Board of Directors of Pocahontas Producers and was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha. Survivors include his wife, Brenda Kay Dilley; daughter, Toni Giovanna Dilley; son, Justin Michael Dilley and one sister. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

Chester G. Elder ’49 of Frederick, MD formerly of Mount Airy, MD died June 12, 2008. He served in Europe during WWII as an Army medic. After the war, he attended WVU and GSC where he received his A.B. degree in English. After graduation he taught English and drama at Cairo High School until he and his family moved to Mount Airy in 1955. Mr. Elder taught English at Mt. Airy High School and was made a vice principal in 1958 and principal in 1959. It was during this time that he earned his M.Ed. from George Washington University. He then served as principal of the new South Carroll High School from 1966 until his retirement in 1990. Mr. Elder was preceded in death by his wife, Geraldine Gainer Elder; one daughter, Lineta “Lynn” Elder and one sister, Mabel Elder. He is survived by three sisters: Edith Elder Williams ’62 of Elyria, OH, Mary Elder White ’57 of Vienna and Ruby Elder Massey, FS ’60 of Winterhaven, FL; one brother, Doy Elder of Elyria, OH; three children, Linda Lucas, Karen Anderson and Steven Elder, five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Rita J. Buchanan Falls ’71 of Reedy died October 31, 2008. She received her master’s degree plus 45 from COGS and Marshall University and had retired this year after teaching and counseling in Roane County schools and serving as coach for basketball, volleyball, softball and cheerleading for many years. Rita was instrumental in starting the Roane County Ambulance Squad and was an active member of the Roane County Community Band. She was preceded in death by one brother, a stepbrother and one sister. Surviving relatives include her husband, Ell E. Falls; one daughter, Hope Sharps of Ripley and one grandson. Also surviving are three stepbrothers.
Raymond F. Frazier ’55 of West Union passed away on May 15, 2008. Left to mourn his passing are his wife of 30 years, Wilma Jean Clowser Frazier; sons, John H. Frazier of Orlando and Michael Lee Frazier of Vienna; daughter, Susan Thayer of Orlando; four grandchildren, one great-grandchild, one brother, one sister and several nieces and nephews. He received a master’s degree from WVU and had worked as a classroom teacher in Wirt County, principal at Gassaway High School in Braxton County, county superintendent in Braxton County, principal at Pennsboro High School in Ritchie County, principal of Circleville School (K-12) in Pendleton County and county superintendent in Doddridge County where he retired. Following one year of retirement from State of West Virginia School Systems, he went to work for Hardin County Board of Education in Kenton, OH where he was employed as principal (K-12) at Hardin Northern School. He later retired from the State of Ohio. Mr. Frazier was a 32nd degree Mason of Wirt Lodge No 82 and a member of the Ohio State Teachers Association, the West Virginia State Teachers Association and the American Watchmakers Institution.

Glady’s Ellen Reynolds Gill ’41 of Richmond, IN died May 27, 2008. A Gilmer County native, she taught biology in Clay County before being employed by the Department of Navy during WWII and as a stewardess for Eastern Airlines. Gladys was an artist and enjoyed ceramics. She loved nature and gardening. Gladys was preceded in death by her husband, William A. Gill, Jr. and one sister. Survivors include her sons: William, Stephen, David, and Jonathan Gill, eight grandchildren and a great granddaughter.

Emma Lucille Nottingham Gillespie ’33 of Procious passed away July 3, 2008. She was a retired teacher, having taught 37 years in Clay County and was a member of the West Virginia Retired Teachers Association. Survivors include one son, Larry Gillespie ’72, of Procious, two grandchildren and one sister. Lucille was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Roland Gillespie, one son, Michael, two brothers and one sister.

Marshall A. “Andy” Grogg ’78 died September 2, 2008 at the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville, VA, due to complications after surgery. He was a longtime educator and football coach, having taught most recently in Kanawha and Greenbrier counties. Andy was currently serving as an assistant football coach under his brother, Wyoming East Head Coach Kevin Grogg ’80. He is survived by his parents, Gwen and Kenneth Grogg; wife, LeeAnn; children: Ashley, Thad and Liza; one stepson, Thaxton Peyatte; one brother, Kevin Grogg; one niece, one nephew and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Tamara Lee “Tammy” Gunnoe-Moats ’81 of Charleston passed away June 12, 2008 after a courageous and valiant battle with melanoma. Tammy proudly served as a member of the Alumni Council and is sadly missed by her peers on the Council. She was a marketing/sales manager for Scientific Games. Tammy devoted most her life to the care and protection of animals and she was on the Board of the Kanawha/Charleston Humane Association. Her inner strength and love for friends and family were evident to all who knew her. Survivors include her husband, Ronald M. Moats, whom she married Thanksgiving Day 2000; one sister, Cynthia Gunnoe Mallett ’78 of Marietta; her father, John Gunnoe and stepmother, Yvonne; mother, Joyce Sanders Gunnoe; stepbrother, Michael Payton; stepsister, Cheryl Payton Jarrett; two nephews and one great-niece.

William Dale Hanlin ’50 of Barberton, OH passed away November 6, 2008. William was retired from the Babcock & Wilcox Co. in Barberton where he worked for 32 years. He was also a proud Army Veteran having served in both WWII and the Korean War. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Janell Hanlin; children: Mike of Barberton, OH; Diane Keuck of Cape Coral, FL and Steve Hanlin of Copley; seven grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, two brothers and three sisters.

Lt. Col. James A. Hannaman ’58 of Scott Depot died July 17, 2008 after a long battle with lymphoma. He retired in 1991 from Columbia Gas System, having worked for its processor United Fuel and Gas in Charleston and then subsidiaries Inland Gas Company and Columbia Coal Gasification Company in Ashland, KY. He also retired with 21 years of military service in the Army Reserves, the West Virginia National Guard and the Selective Service System. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Kitty L. Hannaman, who died on April 13, 2008. He is survived by his mother, Fonda Waldeck; one son, Steven K. Hannaman; his daughters, Susan K. Hannaman and Sharon R. “Sherry” Rhodes and three grandsons. Also surviving is one sister and one brother.

Kitty L. Hannaman ’59 of Scott Depot died April 13, 2008 at the Hubbard Hospice House in Charleston, following a long and courageous battle with breast cancer. She taught at various schools before retiring from the Charleston Job Corps in 2000. Kitty is survived by her husband, James A. Hannaman; one son, Steven K. Hannaman; her daughters, Susan K. Hannaman and Sharon R. “Sherry” Rhodes and three grandsons. Also surviving are three brothers.
Bonnie Chrisman Hatfield ’33 of Chester, VA passed away September 21, 2007 after a short illness. Born in Burnsville, Bonnie was a lifelong music and elementary teacher.

Rev. William “Richard” Hill ’73 of Oak Hill departed this life June 14, 2008. He received his master’s degree in Education from Marshall University and was a graduate of Union Tabernacle in Roanoke, VA. Rev. Hill was the minister at Richwood Presbyterian Church in Richwood and taught at Oak Hill High School in Fayette County. Survivors include one son, Bill Hill; two daughters, Kirsten Hill and Susan Hill and two grandchildren.

Clemit O. Humphreys ’46 of Charleston died August 12, 2008. Mr. Humphreys began his career as a Kanawha County educator in 1937, teaching in one-room schools. He served as a principal in Montgomery and as a principal at Dunbar Elementary School before moving to the West Virginia Department of Education where he oversaw the implementation of guidance counseling services in elementary schools statewide. Mr. Humphreys served as president of the Kanawha County Elementary Principals Association and of the Kanawha County Education Association. He received a master’s degree from George Peabody College, now part of Vanderbilt University. He served in the Army Corps of Engineers in WWII, was active in the Lions Club, was a Mason, a civic leader and enjoyed outdoor sports including the West Virginia Mountaineers. Mr. Humphreys was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Christene Cooke Humphreys, four brothers and one sister. Survivors include his children and their spouses: Mary and Josh Fischer of Charleston and Dr. Lewis Humphreys and Dr. Melinda Combs of Seattle, his grandchildren and their spouses, Matthew and Paige Fisher of Fort Collins, CO, Dr. Anne Fischer of Arlington, VA and Jake Humphreys and Caitlin Humphreys of Seattle, three sisters and one brother.

Patrick G. Ireland ’88 of Hanover, PA died September 28, 2008. He was retired from the U.S. Air Force where he served for 22 years. Patrick was preceded in death by one grandson. Survivors include his wife of 34 years, Donna Pundt Ireland, three sons, three grandsons, one granddaughter and one brother.

Virginia Louise Owens James ’49 of Parkersburg passed away November 2, 2008 at her residence. She was a homemaker and had formerly worked with Hope Gas in Clarksburg and America Standard in Elyria, OH. She is survived by her husband, Samuel James; one sister, Geraldine Owens Prunty ’59, of Parkersburg and several nieces and nephews.

Gary L. Jones ’81 of Pennsboro departed this life June 21, 2008. He received a Master of Arts in Education degree from Salem International University. Gary began his teaching and coaching career in Fayette County Schools and later was employed by the Ritchie County School System, first teaching and coaching at Pennsboro Middle School and then at Ritchie County Middle School. He also had been an assistant varsity basketball coach at Ritchie County High School. Gary was preceded in death by his father, Encil Jones. He is survived by his mother, Donna Jones; his wife, Susan Koehnlein Jones; one daughter, Amber Jones; one son, Ryan Jones, one brother and one sister.

Howard M. Justus ’34 of Akron, OH passed away September 24, 2008. He taught in Webster County one and two room schools for ten years before relocating to Akron, OH where he, for 34 years, worked in the production department of Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company. Howard was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret Rose Hoover Justus ’31. Survivors include three children, seven grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren.

William H. Lamb ’51 of Norwalk OH passed away November 4, 2008. A native of Gilmer County, William moved to Cleveland, OH in 1957. South Amherst was his home for twenty-one years prior to moving to Norwalk where he had lived since 1995. William served with the United States Navy during World War II. He was a teacher in West Virginia and at Lorain High School (Ohio) teaching math and English. He was also employed at the Lorain Plant of Ford Motor Company for twenty-seven years, retiring in 1986 as a utility inspector. After retirement, he worked part-time as an instructor for the Murray Ridge Center. An avid hunter and fisherman, he was a member of the Bow and Barrel Archery Club in Vermilion where he served as past president. Survivors include his wife, Nancy Leach Lamb; one son, William D. Lamb, of Massachusetts; his daughters Barbara Menefee of Florida, Sharon Peters of Florida, and Nancy Kuhn of Grafton, OH; nine grandchildren, twenty-two great grandchildren; his brother, Charles Lamb ’43, of Florida and his sister, Ruby V. Lamb Pritt ’38, of Glenville. William was preceded in death by two sons, Stephen Lamb and Donald Lamb; his granddaughter, Lisa Peters and his brother Hubert J. Lamb.

Russell H. McQuain, Jr. ’48 of Belle died July 19, 2008. His undergraduate studies at GSC were interrupted during WWII when he joined the United States Navy. After the war, he completed his studies at GSC where he was editor of The Mercury and a member of the band. Russell received his master’s degree from West Virginia University and briefly taught at Man High School in Logan County before working in various State agencies, including the Public Service Commission, Rehabilitation Services and Behavior Health. The position most fulfilling for him was that of Executive Director to the Commission on Mental Retardation where this agency worked to implement federal guidelines and strategies to end the practice of warehousing...
developmentally delayed individuals within institutional settings and instead, integrating them into community-based residential and workshop training/employment settings that promoted dignity, development and other opportunities. Russell is survived by his wife of 50 years, Betty Martin McQuain; one daughter, Anne McQuain Dushkoff; one son, David H. McQuain and four grandchildren.

Professor Emeritus Dr. Espy W. Miller departed this life on October 6, 2008 at the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital, Weston, following an extended illness. He was 94. The longtime retired professor of English and chairman of the Language Division at Glenville State College was a gentleman and a scholar. He joined the English faculty at GSC as an instructor in English and journalism in 1946. After obtaining a doctorate from Ohio State in 1959, which he obtained while on a leave of absence from Glenville, he came back to his College, became chairman of the Language Division and held that position until his retirement in 1976. While a member of the English faculty at GSC, Dr. Miller was elected chairman of the Advisory Council of Faculty to the West Virginia Board of Regents and served as a member of that board until his retirement. Since retirement, he was active in emergency, medical and ambulance service in Gilmer County, having served as president of the Ambulance Commission for seventeen years. He was an active member of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Glenville, the Glenville/Gilmer County Rotary Club, the Gilmer County Association of Retired School Employees and was always in attendance at the College’s social and sporting events. Dr. Miller was preceded in death by his wife, Rosalea Poling Miller, in 2001. Also preceding him in death were four brothers and one sister. He is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Mildred Lucille Mullins Morris ’43 of West Middlesex, PA died September 27, 2008. A Widen native, Mildred and her husband were co-owners of Pat F. Morris and Son Trucking of Portersville. She formerly taught in Clay. Mrs. Morris enjoyed crocheting and was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star of Butler, PA. Surviving are her husband, Pat F. Morris, whom she married in 1948; one daughter, Sandra Wilson of Pulaski, PA; one son, Pat F. Morris Jr. of Prospect, PA; one sister, Dorothy Ann Neal of Summersville, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Sally Ann Dobbins; two infant sisters, Mary Ellen and Elizabeth Mullins and three brothers, Ed, Russell Jr. and Tom Mullins.

Mabel I. Nichols ’41 of Diana died August 8, 2008. She received multiple degrees and certifications from West Virginia University and her Doctorate of Education from Burton College and Seminary in Manitou Springs, CO. Mabel was regarded as one of Webster County’s most outstanding teachers and in 1964, was presented with the first ever West Virginia Teacher of the Year Award. Mabel held many offices in the educational field through the years, including President of the Webster County Education Association and President of the Webster County Classroom Teachers Association. In 1957, she was a CTA delegate to the NEA Centennial Convention in Philadelphia, CTA delegate to the 1957 Spring Conference, CTA delegate to the 1957 WVEA Delegate Assembly and a consultant to the 1957 NEA Professional Ethics Committee. Mabel was a past president of your Alumni Association. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma International, Woman Teachers’ Honorary Society, Kappa Delta Phi, American Association of University Women, National Association of Mature People, Honorary Education Fraternity, Association of Retired Persons and she was a life member of the National Education Association and the Webster County Association of Retired School Employees. Dr. Nichols was also an officer of the Eastern Star Chapter 145; served as banquet speaker and toastmistress for WCEA banquets; presented book reviews for Cowen & Webster Springs Woman’s Club, was a member of the Brooks Bird Club and National Audubon Society; was elected to the First Silver Haired Legislature, serving as the group’s chairperson of the House Finance Committee in the 1981 and 1982 sessions; a member of the Webster County Fair Association; served as chairman of First Aid, Webster County Chapter; was a member of the American Red Cross and was an American Red Cross First Aid Instructor. She was very active with 4-H and was recognized for her outstanding leadership and four-fold development, not only in Webster County but throughout the state. Additionally, Dr. Nichols served as president of the West Virginia Council for Senior West Virginians and attended a 1990 convention, where she spoke from the floor to 1,357 delegates, representing every state in the union, concerning the dissolution clause needed in the council’s by-laws.

G. T. “Tom” Parker ’70 of Huntington died June 28, 2008. He was a graduate of Marshall University and a licensed psychologist at St. Mary’s Hospital in Huntington. Tom is survived by his mother, Mary Parker; his wife, Dolores Stewart Parker and son, David Parker. He was preceded in death by his father, Glendon H. Parker.

Dr. Robert V. Rentschler, Jr. ’75 of Berkley Springs died suddenly while bike riding on June 15, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Sandra Lea Roberts-Seman Rentschler ’75 whom he married in 1987; two brothers, Charles F. Rentschler, Sr. of San Antonio, TX and Dr. Lawrence L. Rentschaler of Swanton, MD; sisters, Geneva “Jeannie” E. Gallagher of Washington, WV, Shirley E. Rentschler-Hull ’94 of Hagerstown, MD and Maureen Sharps of Oakland, MD. Also surviving are thirty-eight nieces and nephews. At the time of his death, Bob was
principal of Warm Springs Intermediate School in Berkeley Springs. In his thirty-three year education career, he taught and served as the principal of several elementary schools in Maryland, West Virginia and Massachusetts, served as curriculum director for Pendleton County Schools and was director of the Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center for seven years. Before his current position in Berkeley Springs, Bob served as the principal of United Methodist Burlington Center for Residential Youth and the J.M. “Chick” Buckbee Juvenile Detention Center. Prior to pursuing his post secondary education, he served with distinction in the U.S. Army where he received the Bronze Star, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Army Commendation and other medals while serving two combat tours in South Vietnam. He later worked at the Pentagon and in less than three years, ended his military service in 1971 as a Staff Sergeant, E-6. Bob earned his master’s degree in Elementary Administration and Supervision from Frostburg State University in 1977 and his Ph.D. in Education, Curriculum and Instruction from Walden University in 1994. He was awarded the Association for Direct Instruction Excellence in Education Award (for research) in 1998 and appointed a President’s Ambassador for his alma mater in 2000.

Stella Lee Miller Riffle ’66 of Webster Springs passed away November 23, 2008. She received her master’s degree from West Virginia University and had taught in Webster County schools for more than thirty years. Stella was active in the Webster Springs Garden Club, helping with the yearly spring and fall nature classes; a member of the local Historical Society and she volunteered as a teacher for the Holly River State Park Foundation’s one-room school demonstrations. She is survived by one daughter, Shelia Belmont of Morgantown; sons, Bob Riffle Jr. of Parkersburg, William Riffle of Fayetteville and Larry Riffle of Cowen; the father of her children, Bob Riffle, Sr. of Beckley; two grandchildren, five great grandchildren; her mother, Lila Miller of Webster Springs; sons, Bob Riffle Jr. of Parkersburg, William Riffle of Fayetteville and Larry Riffle of Cowen; the father of her children, Bob Riffle, Sr. of Beckley; two grandchildren, five great grandchildren; her mother, Lila Miller of Webster Springs; two sisters and three brothers. She was preceded in death by her father, one brother and one grandson.

Dr. Donald Riggs ’64 of Weston, FL died February 19, 2008. He retired in December 2007 from Nova Southeastern University in Ft Lauderdale, FL where he had served as Vice President for Information Services and as University Librarian. An icon among library professionals, Dr. Riggs is survived by his wife, Jane Riggs, and their two daughters, Janna and Krista. He was awarded your Alumni Association’s prestigious Alumnus of the Year award in 1992.

Kenneth E. Rosier ’90 of Vienna passed away June 3, 2008. He was retired from the United States Navy, had worked as a counselor at Westbrook and was a member of the VFW and The American Legion Post 15 in Parkersburg. Kenneth was preceded in death by his wife, Martha J. Rosier, in 2003. He is survived by two stepsons, Gregory Scott Wyatt and Robert Brian Wyatt, both of Vincent, OH, two sisters, three grandchildren and a loving niece/caregiver.

Jack V. Stalnaker ’42 of Glenville passed away at his Glenville home on July 27, 2008 following an extended illness. A well known Gilmer County personality and long time area business and community leader, Jack was a WWII veteran, GSC’s former Foundation President and former President of Kanawha Union Bank (the forerunner of United Bank, Glenville.) Jack joined the staff of Kanawha Union Bank in 1953. Promotions through the ranks led him to become bank president in 1977, a position he held until retiring in 1984. He was a former Gilmer County representative in the West Virginia House of Delegates and active in civic and community affairs for more than six decades. Glenville State College has lost a friend and faithful supporter in Jack Stalnaker and Gilmer County has lost a quiet, kind and generous native son. An alumnus of GSC, he was first appointed to the GSC Alumni Foundation in 1971, served as this board’s vice-president from 1972-1976 and as its president from 1977-1997. Your Alumni Association awarded him with the Alumni Service Award in 1985 and honored him with our prestigious Alumnus of the Year Award in 1998. Jack was preceded in death by his wife, Ann Carpenter Stalnaker ’66, on July 1, 2007. He is survived by his two children, Sue Ann Charles ’71 (Ted) of Buffalo, New York and Glenville and David Stalnaker ’76 (Judy ’76) of Glenville, three granddaughters, one sister, Georgia Pearl Stalnaker McCartney-Burke ’54 and one brother, Earl Rusty Stalnaker ’48. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Jack V. Stalnaker Scholarship Fund in care of Glenville State College Foundation, 200 High Street, Glenville, WV 26351.

Dorothea M. Sizemore Ward ’42 of Charleston departed this life June 30, 2008. She taught for several years before devoting her remaining years to being a fulltime homemaker, wife, mother and grandmother. Dorothea was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, George Ward, three brothers and two sisters. She is survived by sons, James Ward of Spencer and Glen Ward of Bridgeport, and by three grandchildren.

Rita June Pickens Weaver ’56 of Weston died October 24, 2008. She taught in Lorain County, OH before relocating her family to Fairfax County, VA where she taught first at Fort Hunt High School before beginning her tenure at Annandale High School. Rita retired in 1992 after 25 years in the Fairfax County Public School System.
During her career she earned an additional 38 plus credit hours from George Mason University, College of William and Mary, University of Virginia and Madison College. After retiring, Rita returned home to Weston where she was very active at playing the piano and organ in her church and in working with the church choir as well as helping to organize various activities. Rita was preceded in death by nine brothers and sisters. She is survived by one brother, Donald Robert Pickens of Jane Lew; two sons, Robert Eugene Weaver Jr., Weston and Rodney Keith Weaver, Manassas, VA and one granddaughter.

**Gladys V. Wilson of Glenville** passed away on August 1, 2008. She was a former employee of GSC’s Food Service. Surviving are daughters, Betty Jenkins ’60 of Glenville, Peggy Butcher of Cox’s Mills and Dotty Lamb of Burnt House. Also surviving are four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Craig D. “Bubba” Winans**, age 28, of Parkersburg, passed away June 5, 2008 at his residence after an eight year battle with cancer. He attended GSC from 1998-2000 on a football scholarship until he was diagnosed with cancer and became too sick to play football. He graduated from WVU-P in 2005 with a BA in Business Management. Craig was an assistant coach at Parkersburg South during 2003-2004 and worked at RESA V as an adult education instructor. He was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents. Craig is survived by his parents, David F. and Jeannie Winans; brother, Adam W. Winans and godson, Austin Frank Minter.

**Lucretia Smith Yoak ’80** of Spencer passed away August 30, 2008. She worked tirelessly for the Arts and Humanities of Spencer, lending her talents to scenery and costumes for their many plays. Her paintings and needlework will be treasured by her family and friends. Lucretia was preceded in death by her husband, E. Don Yoak; daughter, Donna Yoak Hardman; infant son, Kenneth and two brothers. Survivors include her son, Denzil; four grandchildren, two sisters, five great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

**Your contributions are still being solicited for the Alumni Association’s Textbook Scholarship Fund**

In an effort to help needy students with the ever-increasing cost of textbooks, your Alumni Association continues to solicit donations of $10 or more from each person in the database for our Textbook Scholarship Fund. If you haven’t already done so, we hope that you will consider helping our students who need funds to buy their textbooks. Make your check payable to the GSC Foundation with a **notation on the memo line** that it is for the Alumni Association’s textbook scholarship fund and mail to: Office of Alumni Affairs, Glenville State College, 200 High Street, Glenville, WV 26351.

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1908-2008

100 Years of Football and Men’s Basketball at Glenville State College

The following text appears in Kent Kessler’s book entitled Hail West Virginians! This book, containing chapters on when each College in West Virginia started competitive sports was copyrighted and published by the author in 1959. Copies of this book are available for your reading enjoyment at GSC’s Robert F. Kidd Library.

Glenville College was established in 1873 and did not become interested in athletics until 1901. During the early years the students were not allowed to participate in athletics of any kind; the faculty believing that sports were unnecessary. In 1900 three students were expelled for attending a dance. We can imagine the boys slipping off to pitch horseshoes and smoke cubers but it was risky business!

In 1901, Edward G. Rohrbough joined the faculty and organized a football team. He had played at Allegheny College and knew that Glenville students needed sports to work off their excess energy. He had the boys clear off a corn field and started practice. The boys had no uniforms but used their old clothes. Some unruly boys were ejected from the field for throwing cornstalks at the players.

Mr. Rohrbough tried to arrange games but found none of the schools willing to make the long trek to Glenville. He arranged for his team to play Wesleyan but heard that Wesleyan might run in ringers and cancelled the game. Without outside competition the boys lost interest.

In 1908 interest in sports was revived and a football team was organized. The boys made their own uniforms by padding old clothes with rags. A few boys bought nose guards and shin protectors because they were the cheapest items in the Sears & Roebuck catalogue. There weren’t enough boys to scrimmage properly but with eight men to a side, the boys got in some good practice sessions. Each afternoon, the boys practiced with almost the entire student body on the sidelines. The girls made pennants and organized a cheering section. A shower was installed in the basement of the administration building by tying a watering can nozzle to the pipes.

Glenville played two games, defeating the Elkins All Stars 8-0, losing the second game to D & E 5-0. To take the trips the team rode a ferry-boat up the Little Kanawha River to Gilmer Station to catch the train. It was a great experience as most of the boys had never been outside Gilmer County. Most of them had never been on a train and the boys “lived it up” at Elkins YMCA. They had interesting stories to tell their less fortunate friends about the great outside world. The players were H. Hays, E. Berkhouse, T. Berkhouse, W. Hopkins, R. Bell, M. Cooper, W. Cooper, C. Morris, H. Stearn, M. Evans, R. Mick, C. Cox, K. Chenoweth, O. Bush and C. Bass.

That fall, a basketball team began practice on a tennis court and when the weather got bad moved inside into an old assembly hall which had been converted into a gymnasium...
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There will be a Hospitality Room at the Charleston Civic Center during the State Basketball Tournaments (early March) providing that our team(s) make it to the finals. Our Men’s and Women’s Basketball teams have provided excitement for enthusiastic fans and residents in the area for many years and our 2008-09 season promises to continue that tradition.

**Let’s Go... Pioneers!!!**

## Support the Pioneers through PAC

(aka Pioneer Athletic Club)

Phone our Department of Athletics at (304) 462-7361 ext 7221 for more information

## Calling All Former GSC Basketball Players…

Back by popular demand, GSC Head Men’s Basketball Coach Dwaine Osborne will bring back the lettermen’s alumni basketball game on Saturday, January 31, 2009, which coincides with the College’s doubleheader games against West Virginia State in the Jesse Lilly Gym of our Physical Education Building. The alumni game will begin at 1:00 p.m. It will be followed by a reception for all the players from 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. At 5:30 p.m. our Lady Pioneers will play WV State and then at 7:30 p.m. our Pioneers will play WV State’s men’s team. Please contact Coach Osborne at (304) 462-7361 ext 7228 or via e-mail to dwaine.osborne@glenville.edu if you are interested in playing in the alumni game. Your phone call or e-mail will help in the planning process for food, shirts, etc. Please know that even if you feel as though you can’t play, we would love to have you come share the afternoon and evening with the lettermen who participate. This is a wonderful opportunity for returning letterman to re-establish contact with each other. Other alums may be interested in attending the game just to watch. Please know that you’re welcome as well. Let’s make this a special alumni event.

## Blue and White Spring Football Game

Head Football Coach Alan Fiddler wishes to announce to GSC alums and friends of Glenville State College that the College’s Blue and White Spring Football Game will be at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday evening, April 23, 2009 at Morris Stadium. For more information, contact Coach Fiddler at (304) 462-7361 ext 7230.
Purpose: Established in 2001, the purpose of Glenville State College’s Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame is to recognize, honor and promote the accomplishments, achievements, leadership, and contributions of former athletes, coaches, members of the media and other individuals who have advanced the athletic programs at Glenville State College.

Eligibility: Eligibility for nomination to Glenville State College’s Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame include:

Athlete:
1. Nominee must have been an athlete as documented in College records.
2. Nominee must be a graduate of Glenville State College.
3. At least two years of the nominee’s intercollegiate athletic competition must have been at Glenville State College.
4. The nominee becomes eligible for nomination five years after graduation.
5. Nominee is someone who has distinguished him/herself through athletic achievements at Glenville State College.
6. Outstanding accomplishments after leaving Glenville State College may be factors in making the selection.

Coach:
1. Nominee must have been a coach at Glenville State College for a minimum of five years.
2. There must be a five-year time lapse since the nominee last coached at Glenville State.

Meritorious Service:
1. Nominee must have a proven record of service that supports the mission and goals of Glenville State College athletics.

Posthumous Selection:
1. Deceased candidates shall be given equal consideration in all categories and may be inducted posthumously. The five-year waiting period may be waived for deceased candidates.

Mail Completed Forms To:
Glenville State College, Athletic Director, 200 High Street, Glenville, WV 26351

Name of Nominee ___________________________________ Class of ________

Current Address ___________________________ Phone Number _____________

Nomination Category: ____________________________

Nominated by: ________________________________

Name _________________________________________
Address ______________________________________
Phone ________________________________

*On a separate sheet of paper, include a detailed list of the nominee’s accomplishments.

Nominations will be accepted through December 1. Nominations received after that date will not be considered for induction in that years’ class. The Hall of Fame Class will consist of the top vote-getters as selected by the Hall of Fame Committee members. Winners will be announced in the Spring.
Glenville State College
Alumni Association Awards
Nomination Form

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Nominee’s Address _____________________________________________________________
Nominee’s Telephone Number ____________________________________________________
Nominee’s Graduation Year ______________________________________________________
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Nominated by ___________________________ Date of Nomination _____________________
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NOMINATIONS FOR ALUMNI AWARDS SOLICITED

The Alumni Association is soliciting nominations for our 2009 alumni awards, which will be presented during the evening’s Alumni Banquet on Alumni Day, April 25, 2009. Please send the names, addresses and any biographical information that you have for those that you wish to nominate. If you have more than one nominee, please photocopy the blank nomination form on the opposite page to have your extra copies. The following awards are open for nomination:

ALUMNUS/ALUMNA OF THE YEAR AWARD
Given to an alumnus or alumna of Glenville State College for outstanding contributions in their chosen field of endeavor or for outstanding personal accomplishments.

ALUMNUS/ALUMNA ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Given to an alumnus or alumna who, within the past three-year period, has been recognized by another group or individual for a similar honor. (This award can also recognize individuals who have distinguished themselves in their chosen field of work.)

ALUMNI/ALUMNA COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Given to individuals who may or may not be an alumnus/alumna of Glenville State College who, over a period of years, have distinguished themselves in community service.

OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD (PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
This award is designated for public school teachers who have distinguished themselves during their beginning years, or perhaps mid career, and have brought recognition to GSC.

ALUMNI CHAPTER AWARD
This award is to be presented, as needed, to an individual or to the chapter itself for contribution in support and development of the Glenville State College Alumni Association.

POSTHUMOUS AWARD
This award is to be presented to the family of a distinguished GSC alumnus/alumna who has passed away.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNUS/ALUMNA AWARD
This award is presented to a graduate less than thirty-six years of age who has achieved early and remarkable success in his/her career.

Nominations received before January 31, 2009 will be considered for this year’s awards. Others will be saved for next year’s consideration. Submit your nomination(s) to:

Debbie Nagy
Director of Alumni Affairs
Glenville State College
200 High Street
Glenville, WV 26351

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The individual you nominate will receive a letter from us requesting their personal information, including a biographical sketch and/or resume if you cannot provide the information.

The Alumni Council will review all nominees and decide, by majority vote, who the Alumni Association’s 2009 award recipients will be. Awardees will be announced in the Spring.
Help us keep in touch with you…

Name________________________________ Maiden Name___________

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Spouse’s Name___________________________ Is he/she a graduate of

GSC? __yes __no (If so, please include grad year, occupation, employer...)

Comments for next “Class Notes” section of Alumni News (new job, engagement, marriage, birth, promotion/advanced degree, obituary, other)

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