

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



Alumni Spotlight

Mr. Gregory B. "Greg" Reed '87 has been serving as Assistant Executive Director of the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission (WVSSAC), which is headquartered in Parkersburg, West Virginia, since December 2015.

A Nicholas County native, Greg taught and coached at Nicholas County High School and later was Assistant Principal/Athletic Director at Martinsburg High School, in Martinsburg, West Virginia (2003-2015) before assuming his current position.

Athletics have always been a major part of Greg's life, so

Cogar Wins his Sixth STIHL U.S. Championship

Matt Cogar '10 has won his unprecedented sixth straight STIHL Timbersports United States Professional Championship Series. The competition took place July 27-29 in front of thousands of fans at German Fest Milwaukee in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The series, which has been around for over thirty years, assembles the



world's top lumberjack athletes to compete in a variety of competitions based on mastery of traditional logging skills.

This U.S. Championship win propelled Cogar, who has turned professional, to represent the United States at the <u>World</u> <u>Championship</u>, which will be held in Liverpool, England October 18-21. Congratulations and good luck Matt!

it was indeed a big honor for him to be recognized in his hometown of Summersville, West Virginia in September 2017 when he was inducted into the Nicholas County High School Hall of Fame as a student athlete and former coach. Congratulations, Greg!

In addition to his Bachelor of Arts degree in Secondary Education from Glenville State College, Greg holds a Master's Degree in Communication Studies from West Virginia University and an Education Leadership Degree from Salem International University.

We are pleased to feature Greg, who currently resides in Mineral Wells, West Virginia, in this week's Alumni Spotlight and proud to have him as an outstanding alumnus of Glenville State College.

Now Hiring:

Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving



Congressman McKinley Recognizes GSC on the U.S. House Floor

Last week, Congressman David McKinley (R-WV) recognized Glenville State College on the U.S. House floor for our continued efforts to provide affordable and quality education for GSC students and families. <u>Click here</u> to watch the floor speech.



John R. Lilly '76 – \$1,000 for the Jesse Lilly Scholarship Fund

Richard L. Wagner '68 – \$1,000 for the Annual Fund

Jessica Asbury – \$500 for PAC Acrobatics and Tumbling

Citizens Bank of Weston - \$300 for PAC Men's Golf

Calhoun Banks - \$200 for PAC Men's Golf

John Strunak – \$200 for PAC Men's Golf



Lewis County Alumni & Friends Event

On Wednesday, August 8, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Glenville State College will be hosting a meet and greet event at Lambert's Vintage <u>Wine</u> in Weston, WV for GSC Alumni and Friends in Lewis County and the north central West Virginia area.

All GSC Alumni and Friends are invited to spend the evening reconnecting with old friends while enjoying fun, food, and lots of Pioneer Camaraderie.

<u>Click here</u> for more information or RSVP by <u>clicking here</u> or calling (304) 462-6381. However, if you don't decide to attend until the last minute, come anyway.



GSC Alumnus Releases New App

Last month, Elderied McKinney '13 launched his first-ever mobile app, Doggzam. The app allows its users to take a photo of a dog which the app then uses to identify the breed. In its first iteration, the app can identify terriers, retrievers, poodles, beagles and bulldogs, as well as mixed breeds and some hounds.

McKinney is self-taught when it comes to software development and is currently working toward a career in development and is developing app ideas in his spare time.

<u>Click here</u> to read the full story.



Vega Officially Begins as Provost

Dr. Victor Vega has officially begun his duties as GSC's new Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Vega comes to GSC from the College of Coastal Georgia in Brunswick, Georgia where, for the past eight years, he has served in multiple capacities, most recently as the Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and a tenured Professor of Mathematics. He has spearheaded the adoption of low or no cost textbooks and has been heavily involved in the Mathematical Alliance for Doctoral Studies in Mathematics as a mentor for students planning to attend graduate school.



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