GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE Pioneer Update

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



Alumni Spotlight

Jerry Seymour, Jr. '09 is the owner and operator of The <u>Running Back Academy</u> (RBA) in Miramar, Florida.

As RBA's founder and leader, he has over 20 years of experience in the football industry as a highly recruited player, and now a highly sought after coach, specializing in enhancing running back performance through the unique development of position drills. Under his leadership. RBA has grown into the premier training and development program centered around providing an in-depth understanding of the game.



Fall 2020 Glenville State College Student Teachers (I-r) top Hannah Allen, Tabitha Cochrum, Ryan Colaw, Jessica DiGenarro, Anna Lusk; bottom Allison Moss, Sara Sellers, McKenze Steele, Kristie Taylor, Laura Webb

Fall Education Interns Complete Student Teaching

Even in the midst of a global pandemic, ten Glenville State College students have completed their student teaching internships during the fall 2020 semester. With an everevolving education climate, these students had to navigate virtual meetings, classes, and modified school days. Half of the fall interns have already secured employment and have either started in their new positions or will do so later this month. Read more about them <u>here</u>.

Congratulations to our newest GSC Education Alumni!

While a student at GSC, Jerry was a standout player for the Pioneer Football Team. During his tenure, the squad captured the 2008 West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) Championship. He was named the 2008 WVIAC Offensive Player of the Year and, in 2008, he was the NCAA Division II Leading Rusher with 2,357 yards (a GSC single season record). He finished his career with 4,071 rushing yards and graduated from GSC in 2009 with Regents Bachelor of Arts Degree.

In 2019, he was the recipient of the Bill Walsh Minority Coaching Fellowship with the Green Bay Packers. He is the author of the ebook "Mastering the Jump-Cut" and was a member of a running back roundtable with Former NFL Running back Coach David Walker.

Outside of his work with RBA, he serves as the Vice President at the Game-Day Foundation. The Game-Day Foundation is a youth sport development company for children in the foster care system. They use training and sport activities as a form of therapy for the students.

When asked what GSC means to him, he said, "GSC is my second home, and gave me an opportunity when no one else would. I will never forget how much respect that I received from

Professor Emeritus Jim Rogers Passes

Glenville State College is remembering Professor **Emeritus James** "Jim" Rogers '63 after he passed away on Saturday, November 7, 2020. In addition to his nearly 30 years of service to Glenville State College, Professor Rogers was a prolific artist who received many awards and



recognition for his paintings and prints, illustrated two books, presented programs to numerous civic groups and school classrooms, and gave art lessons to groups and individuals. His paintings and prints can be found in permanent collections at Glenville State and West Virginia University, as well as in private collections.

Click here to read Professor Rogers' obituary.



everyone on campus and in the community."

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

Mural Nearly Completed Behind Robert F. Kidd Library

A mural showcasing some of the most famous books in literary history is underway on the wall behind the Robert F. Kidd Library. Students, faculty, and staff have come together to paint the spines of the popular books on sections of the wall, leaving a colorful array of titles and images.

Individuals were given the opportunity to choose their own book or select one from a list of most notable titles. Thus far, over 70 books have been, or will be, added to the mural wall.

Senior integrated marketing major, Leslee Coffman, has painted several books onto the mural wall, including *The Hunger Games, Wizard of Oz*, and others. "I think the mural is a very important piece to our campus! It displays many cherished novels and showcases our students' abilities. In a time when we can't be altogether at once, the mural brings us together as it's slowly pieced together," she said.

The project is around 80% complete and will resume in the spring.



Virtual Holiday Cookie Exchange

The Glenville State College Women's Leadership Circle (WLC) will be hosting their first virtual cookie exchange on Wednesday, December 16 at 11:30 AM via Zoom.

You are invited to enjoy some holiday cheer, learn about the 18 WLC scholarship applicants, and watch a holiday cookie decorating demonstration. Participants are encouraged to wear a tacky holiday sweater.

If you wish to share your cookie recipe for the event, simply take a photo of your creation and upload it by <u>clicking here</u>. Along with your photo, please include the ingredient list, recipe, and how many cookies the batch should yield. Please have your cookie recipe submitted by Sunday, December 13.

For more information or to register for the event, contact GSC Director of Fundraising Ashley Knight by <u>clicking here</u> or calling (304) 462-6382.



UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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

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

Click here to submit your update.



Mountain State Insurance Agency, Inc – \$10,000 for the Steven and Lynn Kee Diversity Scholarship

First Energy Foundation – \$5,000 for the Land Surveying Monument Restoration Grant

GFWC Gilmer County Women's Club - \$3,727 for PAC Women's Golf

David '68 and Celeste (White) '69 Evans – \$2,000 for the President's Circle Fund, Department of Education, and PAC Men's and Women's Track

Dr. Jason and Jennifer Yeager - \$1,033.09 for the Office of Admissions

Nancy (Rogers) Casto '66 – \$1,000 for the President's Circle Fund

Beverly (Clark) Haywood '59 - \$1,000 for the H.Y. Clark Scholarship

Michael "Mike" '73 and Nancy (Lemon) Rust - \$1,000 for the Scott Stephens Fund

John and Cathy Arritt – \$750 for the John and Cathy Arritt Football Scholarship

Kelly and Melissa Castleberry – \$500 for PAC Men's Basketball

James '83 and Dena (Dunlap) '82 Cunningham - \$500 for the Department of Business

Harold Erwin '65 - \$500 for the Pioneer Fund

Milton "Mick" '69 and Beverly Hartley - \$500 for the Pioneer Fund

Robert "Bob" '61 and Alicia "Lu" (Royster) '62 Rhoades - \$500 for the Pioneer Fund

Peggy Volin '72 – \$500 for the Pioneer Fund

Jeffrey and Wendy Corey – \$300 for PAC Acrobatics and Tumbling

Victor "Vic" Fitzsimmons '74 – \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

David Nelson '69 – \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

Kipling "Clark" '65 and Kathleen Swentzel – \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

Kelly Osborn '01 – \$200 for PAC Women's Basketball

Jesse Skiles '87 – \$173 for the Jesse Skiles Scholarship

Susan Bennett '93 – \$150 for General Meritorious Scholarship

Roy '73 and Deborah (Cavender) '75 Henderson - \$150 for the Pioneer Fund

John '84 and Diana (Hilton) '85 Adkins – \$100 for the GSC Alumni Student Hardship Fund

John Beckvold – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Charles "Charlie" Burd '83 – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Kenneth "Ken" '72 and Monica (Borkowski) '79 Davis – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund and Scott Stephens Fund

Edgar "Buster" '66 and Sue Hart - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Norman Hart '72 – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Richard Hayhurst – \$100 for the Scott Stephens Fund

Brian "Scott" '87 and Kelly (Haynes) '88 Kitchen– \$100 for the Bertha Olsen Music Scholarship

Stephen "Steve" and Elizabeth "Sue" King – \$100 for the Bob Minnieweather Scholarship Fund

Kimberly (Shaver) Knight '92 – \$100 for the GSC Alumni Student Hardship Fund

Hester (Reed) McDonald '59 – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Betty (Yoak) McVaney '61 – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Kevin '77 and Sue '77 Stalnaker – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Clyde '72 and Pauline (Maynard) '74 Stepp – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Margaret Straley '71 – \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Paul '61 and Delores (Stanevich) '60 Takach - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Michael '76 and Phoebe (Sunderland) '75 Truex – \$100 for the GSC Alumni Student Hardship

New Orleans Coffeehouse LLC – \$100 for PAC Softball

Anna (Schmidt) Doak '68 – \$65 for the Pioneer Fund

Professor Emeritus Arthur "Art" and Elizabeth DeMatteo – \$50 for the Paris Browning Scholarship

Lyndall '64 and Judith "Judy" (Woofter) Jones '66 - \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

Dr. Gerda Kumpiene - \$50 for the GSC Alumni Student Hardship Fund

Dr. Gary and Athena Morris '17 - \$50 for the Pioneer Pantry

James Owen '81 – \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

Betty Rohr – \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

Rodnal "Rod" '63 and Joan (Davis) '62 Skaggs- \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

Rodney '79 and Rebecca "Becky" '76 Watson - \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

Jimmy and Kristen (Tunno) Mullins – \$25 for the Women's Leadership Circle

Dr. Marilyn "Susie" (Strickland) '68 Rogers- \$25 for the Pioneer Fund

Steven '12 and Celinda (Hymen) '10 Rogers – \$20.12 for the Pioneer Fund

John Bell '73 – \$20 for the Pioneer Fund

Douglas and "Debbie" (Hamric) '79 Skinner - \$20 for the Pioneer Fund

David and Donna Goff – \$18 for the Baptist Campus Ministries Student Organization

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

Alfred Clay '65 – \$10 for the Pioneer Fund

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