



**GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE**

*Pioneer Update*

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



## **Alumni Spotlight**

Dr. Debra (McCartney Simon) Harrison '76 has been named Assistant Superintendent of Upshur County Schools. Her appointment took effect July 1.

Deb, to all of us on campus, taught in West Virginia and North Carolina public schools before coming to Glenville State College as an Assistant Professor of Special Education in 1990.

After serving in this capacity for five years, she left Glenville State for a two year stint as Principal of Frametown Elementary, Frametown, West Virginia. She returned to Glenville



*View inside a Riverfront Residence Hall room as work nears completion*

## **Work Progressing on Riverfront Residence**

Glenville State College is embarking on an ambitious economic stimulus investment in downtown Glenville. A major part of this investment includes the new Riverfront Residence Hall.

The Riverfront Residence is the result of refurbishing and remodeling the Conrad Motel into a modern and attractive residence hall for GSC students. Besides providing employment for several workers in Glenville this summer, the renovation will create a new residence hall that will house up to 90 new students starting this fall. Seen above, is the progress that has been made during the renovation. Once the rooms are completed, they will be furnished with a mini refrigerator, microwave, extra-long twin bed, desk, chair, chest of drawers, and a wardrobe. The view below is a rendering of

State College in 1997 as Associate Professor of Special Education and was appointed Vice President for Enrollment Services the following year, a position that she held until 2001 when she was named Provost of Glenville State's Community and Technical College, headquartered at the time in Summersville, West Virginia although classes were offered in Braxton and Lewis Counties as well.

When the state legislature mandated in 2002 that community and technical components be severed from GSC's main operations by 2003, she was brought back to the main campus to lead our Teacher Education Department and served as Dean of Teacher Education through 2007. During this time, she also served as Chair of the Division of Professional Studies (2002-2004) and as Vice President for Enrollment Management (January 2007-May 2007), these additional positions being while she was still leading our Teacher Education Department.

Dr. Harrison left Glenville State in 2007 to serve as Dean of the School of Education at Salem University, Salem, West Virginia and in December of that year assumed the position of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Salem, a position that she held until July 2013 when she worked for

what the building exterior will look like when this phase of the project is completed.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ***Tim Carney Tribute Golf Tournament***

Saturday, August 4 at 9:00 AM

Glenville Golf Club in Glenville, WV

Glenville's legendary former head golf coach Tim Carney '62 will be honored in next Saturday's tournament. The Hall of Fame mentor coached the golf program from 1969 through 1995, winning 12 WVIAC league titles and also producing eight runner-up teams. His 1985 and 1994 teams both finished in the Top 10 in the nation. Carney's record in WVIAC Tournament play was 198-40.

For more information contact Jesse Skiles '87 by [clicking here](#) or calling (304) 462-6382.

### ***Mid-Ohio Valley Alumni Chapter Summer Picnic***

Sunday, August 5 at 5:00 PM

Ralph '56 and Joann Holder's Residence in Belpre, OH

Join fellow GSC alumni at the Holder's home for fun, food, and lots of Pioneer camaraderie. This is a covered dish event with meat and beverages provided. Please RSVP to Joann by calling (740) 423-9226.

Doddridge County Schools for a couple for years before returning to Salem in 2015 as Vice President for Student Advancement and Success. She took on the additional roles of Director of Alumni Relations and Director of Salem University's Foundation in 2016 and was holding all three of these positions and serving on numerous leadership teams and committees when she left Salem for her current position with Upshur County Schools earlier this month. Upshur County, by the way, is her native county. Taking this position allowed her to return home and provided her an opportunity to give back to the school system that had instilled her passion for education.

Harrison's previous activities and memberships include: Co-Chair WVPASS, NCATE Reviewer, CAR Reviewer (WVDE), West Virginia Department of Education Leadership Collaborative, West Virginia Department of Education Mentorship Study Group, West Virginia Department of Education Policy 5100 and 5202 Revision Committee, Higher Learning Commission National Conference (March 2012, Chicago, IL), Assessment Academy Team Member (2009-2013), CAEP Regional Conference (March 2012, Las Vegas, NV), NCATE Candidate Conference Attendee.

For more information contact David Hutchison by [clicking here](#) or by calling (304) 462-8361.

### ***GSC Night at Lambert's Winery***

Wednesday, August 8 at 5:30 PM

Lambert's Vintage Wines in Weston, WV

For more information contact David Hutchison by [clicking here](#) or by calling (304) 462-8361.

### ***50 Year Forest Technology Program Reunion***

Saturday, August 25 at 9:00 AM

Glenville State College Waco Center in Glenville, WV

GSC's Department of Land Resources invites forestry alumni back to campus to celebrate 50 years of Forest Technology education. GSC accepted its first forestry students in the fall of 1968. Under the leadership of A.E. 'Doc' Grafton and Rick Sypolt '75 the program became well known for its rigorous curriculum, hands-on learning approach, and well-prepared graduates.

For more information [click here](#) or contact Ashley Reed '12 by [clicking here](#) or by calling (304) 462-6370.



**THE GIVING CORNER**

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Graystone Consulting – \$250 for GSC Night at Power Park

West Union Bank – \$250 for GSC Bluegrass Program

Roane County Alumni Chapter – \$190 for the Pioneer Athletic Club

Flat Top Fridays, LLC – \$150 for PAC Football



In addition to her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education, Social Studies; Mental Impairments; Behavior Disorders from GSC, Harrison holds Certifications and Public School Licensures in Elementary Education (1-8), Social Studies (1-9), Mental Retardation (1-12), Specific Learning Disabilities (K-12) and B.D. Excluding Autism (K-12). She also holds a master's degree in Specific Learning Disabilities from WVU and a doctorate from WVU in Higher Education Administration where her Dissertation was entitled The Relationship of Leadership Styles of Deans and Department Chairs upon Job Satisfaction of Departmental Faculty members. Her Minor Area was Special Education Administration.

We are pleased to feature Deb in this week's Alumni Spotlight and proud to have her as an outstanding alumna of Glenville State College.

James K. Weekley '94 – \$100 for Sesquicentennial Silver Coin (Academic Success Center)

Reed and Reed Farm – \$100 for PAC Golf

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## Picture This: Liberty High School Holds Band Camp at GSC



Jeremy Rodriguez '07 (pictured above center, seated) - a theater and music teacher at Liberty High School - returned to campus again this week. As he's done for many years, Rodriguez held a summer band camp for his students at GSC. Many talented band students have come to Glenville State from Liberty High, thanks in large part to Jeremy.



## Memorial Bench Dedicated to Shelly and Lee Kraus

Earlier this month a memorial bench was placed at St. Patrick Church in Weston, West Virginia in honor of Lee '92 and Lisa Michelle "Shelly" (Hardman) Kraus '92.

Joey Aman, a student at St. Patrick School where Shelly was a teacher, came up with the idea and recruited help from local craftsmen to help create the bench. [You can read more about the bench and see photos from the dedication here.](#)

Several members of the Kraus family were on hand at this year's Alumni Banquet as Shelly and Lee were recognized in memoriam.

## Forensic Science Institute Held Again at GSC

Over the past two weeks Glenville State College has hosted several high school juniors from around West Virginia who were on campus to take part in the Health Sciences and Technology Academy (HSTA) Forensic Science Institute. The students, who were mentored by current GSC students, spent time reviewing mock crime scenes, analyzing evidence, and interviewing suspects and witnesses in order to solve a faux murders. They also prepared the evidence they collected for presentation to a judge. The HSTA Forensic Science Institute has taken place at GSC for the past several years.

## Stephens Named MEC Women's Coach of the Year

Glenville State's Kim Stephens '11 has been named the Mountain East Conference Women's Sports Coach of the Year for 2017-18.

Stephens, in her second season at her alma mater, directed the Pioneers to a 31-2 season on the hardwood. Glenville State became the first program -- men's or women's -- to navigate conference play with an undefeated record at 22-0 en route to a second-straight regular season conference title.

The MEC Women's Sports Coach of the Year is selected by a vote of institutional administrators and the conference office.



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