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Alumni Spotlight

Bill Frost ’69 of Canal Winchester, Ohio was presented with GSC’s Community Service Award at our Alumni Banquet on April 28th. Frost, a native of Belpre, Ohio, is a United States Air Force Veteran of the Vietnam War Era and a retired educator from the Logan Elm School District in Pickaway County, Ohio where his tenure included that as a teacher, coach, athletic director, and high school guidance counselor.

He has been inducted into the Mid-State League Coaches Hall of Fame, the Logan Elm Athletic Hall of Fame, and the Football Hall of Fame at Southern High School in Oakland, Maryland.

(standing) Heather (Conrad) Sodaro ‘96, Tim Via, Crystal (Roberts) Spaur ‘09, Flora Cox, Tim Butcher ‘77, Dave Hoover, Jessica Pierson ‘06, Tracy Arden ‘01, Rachel Adams ‘04, and Jean Boggs (seated) Braxton County Schools Superintendent David Dilly and GSC President Dr. Tracy Pellett

GSC and BCHS Sign Landmark Agreement to Speed Time to College Degree Completion for High School Students

Glenville State College has offered dual credit courses at schools throughout West Virginia for years but seniors have never been able to graduate from high school and college simultaneously – until now.

At a signing ceremony held Monday, May 21, Glenville State representatives joined Braxton County High School administrators and Board of Education members to formally acknowledge a new agreement.

Frost is a certified hunter safety instructor and has been conducting private and public courses since 1980. He is a member of the Pickaway County Chapter of the National Council on Youth Leadership and, in 2010, launched the first disabled veteran's hunt in that county with the number of participants in this event having tripled since that time.

Frost is dedicated to providing veterans with relaxation, means to forget about their disabilities, and inspiration to participate in the activities they enjoy. The State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation honored him with the Volunteer of the Year Award in 2011 and the State's Outstanding "Wheelin' Sportsmen" event award in 2015.

Because of his efforts to help his area's veterans, Bill was a Class of 2016 Inductee into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame which is administered by the Ohio Department of Veterans Services. Men and women chosen for this high honor come from all eras, all branches of service, and all walks of life. Those selected for this honor of induction are veterans who have honorably served their country through the military service and continue to serve and inspire their fellow citizens with their deeds and accomplishments in community service. For this same recognition, Bill was awarded with the Alumni

The initiative provides a framework for high school students enrolled at Braxton County High School to potentially graduate concurrently with their high school diploma and an Associate of Arts degree in General Studies from Glenville State.

"This agreement allows us to join forces with our partners at BCHS to help propel high school students into college graduates without them ever needing to set foot on a college campus. This presents a tremendous opportunity for students who can now maximize their time to yield two credentials – a high school diploma and a two-year degree – all while still in high school," said GSC President Dr. Tracy Pellett.

The courses are available to BCHS students at a reduced, dual credit rate. Additionally, GSC is the only higher education institution in the Mountain State authorized to make Pell Grant funds available to dual enrollment students, which could allow eligible students to realize significant reductions in their out-of-pocket costs for the courses and degree attainment.

"Students who opt to take these courses while they are still in high school are positioning themselves to save time and money, which is a smart move and allows them to begin a college career, if they so choose, with a leg up on other students," said Braxton County Schools Superintendent David Dilly.

The program is scheduled to begin in the fall.

GSC Bluegrass Sponsoring Youth Summer Camps

This summer, the Glenville State College Bluegrass Program will be sponsoring several Youth Bluegrass Day Camps throughout the United States. The Bluegrass Camps are open to all skill levels (beginner, intermediate, and advanced) and are intended to enrich the lives of children who have a passion

Association's Community Service Award at our Alumni Banquet.

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

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for traditional bluegrass music. Those with a strong desire to learn not only how to play the music but also the history of the music, vocals and harmonies, instrument care, stage presence, jamming etiquette, and more are encouraged to attend. The camps are designed for students 6-18 years old who are interested in learning the great American tradition of bluegrass music.

Click here to find out more information about the Bluegrass Camps.

In other exciting GSC Bluegrass news, the program has relocated to 10 East Main Street, formerly the College's Small Business Development Center and known to many of you as the old Midland Store Building, in efforts to help revitalize downtown Glenville. Program Director Megan (Murphy) Darby '11 extends a special thanks to all those who have donated music, equipment, and supplies to help make the new space a true haven for bluegrass music.

Alumni Return for Pioneer Football Golf Tournament

Several GSC alumni including (l-r) Adam Adkins '11, Mike Daly '10, Zack Hopkins '05, Jonathan Griffin '09, Jody Pauley '05, Philip Wright '06, and Scott Sears '10 returned to Glenville on Friday, May 18 for the Whitey Adolfson Memorial Football Golf Tournament.

D'Annunzio Foundation, Inc. - $1,000 for PAC Women's Basketball

Andrew Minigh '09 - $500 for PAC Women's Basketball

Betty (Wagner) King '85 - $300 for the Alumni Association

Terry Williams '74 - $200 for Sesquicentennial Silver Coins (Academic Success Center)

Special thanks to everyone who participated in the Whitey Adolfson Memorial Football Golf Tournament!

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