



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**

Delegate Brent Boggs '76 is currently serving in the West Virginia House of Delegates representing the 34<sup>th</sup> District, which includes Braxton and Gilmer Counties.

Brent was first elected to the West Virginia Legislature in 1996 and has been serving his constituents for the



## **Glenville State College Virtual 5K**

On your mark, get set, go! Everyone is invited to lace up their shoes and take part in Glenville State College's "Race to Pioneer Peak" virtual 5K event.

Participants will log a distance of 3.1 miles (five kilometers), in any location, anytime between Monday, October 26 and Saturday, October 31. Walking or running is permitted.

Participants are encouraged to share photos of their individual experience by using #RaceToPioneerPeak and tagging GSC in their photos on social media. There is no requirement for participants to log their miles.

"We've been looking for ways to safely engage with our alumni and friends during the Coronavirus pandemic and this virtual 5K

last 24 years. Throughout his time in the legislature, he has served as the Majority Leader, chaired the House Finance Committee, and has been a member of the Joint Committee on Government and Finance, Committee on Government Organization; Committee on Energy, as well as a host of others interim, select and blue ribbon committees, including appointment to the WV Jobs and Infrastructure Council by the Governor.

Delegate Boggs graduated from Glenville State College in 1976 and went on to serve over 37 years as an engineer with CSX Transportation.

Brent spends much of his free time serving his community. He serves on the Board of Directors for Braxton County Memorial Hospital, Mountaineer Food Bank, Highmark WV, Central WV Aging Services, and is a member of the

seemed like a fun, socially distant way to do that,” said GSC Director of Alumni Relations Conner Ferguson '17.

The race package entry fee is \$20 and includes a t-shirt, race bib, and a GSC gift. Current Glenville State students may enter for a reduced fee of \$10. Refunds and t-shirt exchanges are not available once the registration is received.

[Click here](#) to complete a registration form.

Proceeds from the virtual 5K support the GSC Alumni Student Hardship Fund.

For more information, contact Ferguson by [clicking here](#) or calling (304) 462-6116.



Gassaway Baptist Church. He also is a Mason, Shriner, and member of the Sons of the American Legion, Lions, Kiwanis, National Rifle Association, AARP, and other groups that serve the citizens of central West Virginia.

For his dedication to his community, Brent was awarded with the GSC Alumni Association's Community Service Award in 2006 and was presented with a GSC Presidential Citation at Commencement in 2007. In 2010, Glenville State College awarded him the honorary degree of Doctor of Public Service.

Brent and his wife Jean have been married for nearly 42 years and reside in Gassaway, West Virginia. They have two children - Jessica Boggs Cote and Justin Boggs. They are the proud grandparents of four grandchildren.

We are proud to feature Brent in this week's Alumni Spotlight and proud

## **Students Take Part in Timber Felling and Chainsaw Safety Workshop**

Students within the Glenville State College Department of Land Resources' timber harvesting course had the opportunity to take part in the West Virginia Division of Forestry's (WVDOF) Timber Felling and Chainsaw Safety Workshop on the College Farm recently.

The workshop, organized by WVDOF Service Forester, Jesse King '14, was led by Johnny King '14 and Jack Spencer '95 of the WVDOF. During the workshop, students learned the importance of personal protective equipment, timber harvesting laws and regulations, how to obtain a timber harvesting license in the State of West Virginia, and OSHA regulations.

Following the lecture on laws and regulations, the students began refining the skills that they had already learned in their timber harvesting course, as well as learning new skills along the way. The hands-on training included practicing notches, boring into a tree, spring pole removal, tree topping, and more. Johnny King demonstrated a safe tree felling, followed by a stump analysis to discuss proper felling technique.

[Click here](#) to read more.

to call him an  
alumnus of Glenville  
State College.

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## **Women's Leadership Circle Virtual Paint Night**

The Glenville State College Women's Leadership Circle invites you to join them for a virtual paint night on Wednesday, October 28 at 6PM. [Click here to register](#). Contact GSC

Director of Fundraising Ashley Knight by [clicking here](#) or calling (304) 462-6382 if you have any questions.

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## **Dr. Kevin Evans Reflects on Successful Career**

Glennville State College's Science Hall has long been a haven for academic success. For decades, the building has produced students who have gone on to success in graduate school, teaching, and the professional world in a variety of areas.

Dr. Kevin Evans '87, Glennville State College Professor of Chemistry, has been in the center of this tremendous academic culture for most of his life. Today, he is one of the leaders in this effort. The veteran educator has not only served for over two decades on the faculty, but is now the Faculty Representative on the institution's Board of Governors.

Evans' relationship with Glennville has been a life-long affair. His father, Professor Emeritus Dr. Joe Evans '63, came to GSC in 1966. The elder Evans became a mainstay on campus and helped elevate an already highly productive Science Department.

Kevin Evans was born in Weston's Stonewall Hospital, and grew up in Gilmer County. He started his education at Troy Elementary, then attended Glennville Elementary from the fifth grade through the eighth grade. Moving on to Gilmer County High School (GCHS), he eventually was able to get ahead on his college career by taking college courses at GSC during his senior year of high school.

"Back then, the high school didn't offer dual credit course so you had to come to the campus for classes," Evans noted. "So you had a time commitment on top of your regular amount of work. This helped me in preparation for the rest of my college courses."

Not that Evans was unfamiliar with the college scene. He had indeed grown up on the campus being around his dad. But it was for this reason that he was looking beyond GSC for his immediate future after graduating from GCHS in 1984.

[Click here](#) to read more.

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## Pioneer Progress is Returning

GSC's magazine for alumni and friends - the Pioneer Progress - is returning this fall after a three year hiatus! Have you married recently? Been honored with an award or accolade? Received a promotion or taken on a new career path? Added a new bundle of joy to your family? Celebrated a milestone anniversary?

We want to know what is happening with our GSC alumni and their families. [Click here](#) to send us your updates for our upcoming edition of the Pioneer Progress.



## THE GIVING CORNER

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Michael '73 and Nancy Rust – \$5,000 for PAC Acrobatics and Tumbling Scholarship and PAC Women's Basketball

Doug Cottrill – \$1,510 for Campus Beautification

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Kathryn Stoops – \$1,000 for the Ronald V. and Kathryn Stoops Wood County Education Scholarship

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Craig & Craig, LLC DBA Main Street Automotive – \$520 for PAC Men's Golf

David '70 and Diana Bodkin – \$500 for the Pioneer Fund

Dr. J. Michael and Diane Burke – \$500 for the Johnson Burke Pioneer Award

Margaret (Spicer) Peters '59 – \$500 for the Pioneer Fund

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Richard '68 and Barbara Wagner – \$500 for the Pioneer Fund

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Jesse Skiles '87 – \$333 for the Jesse Skiles Scholarship, PAC Men's Golf, and PAC Softball

Professor Emeritus O. Tim '62 and Linda (Campbell) '61 Carney – \$300 for PAC Men's Golf

Berk Reed – \$300 for PAC Softball

Daniel '04 and Kristen (Nichols) '04 Smith – \$300 for PAC Men's Golf

Calhoun Banks – \$300 for PAC Men's Golf and PAC Softball

Tom '75 and Sue Lilly – \$260 for PAC Men's Golf

Tom '06 and Sherry (Reed) '87 Ratliff – \$260 for PAC Men's Golf

Marilyn (Hawkins) Bechtol '63 – \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

Charles "Bob" '75 and Marlena (Smith) '76 Maynard – \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

Racine '69 and Doris Thompson – \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

Patricia Barnes '71 – \$200 for the Pioneer Fund

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Eugene Bell '73 – \$197.30 for the Pioneer Fund

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Jessica Creek – \$100 for PAC Softball

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