

GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE
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Alumni Spotlight

This week's Alumni Spotlight is on the 2017 Class of Inductees to the Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame. The group was recognized during an Induction Banquet on Friday evening and during halftime of the Homecoming football game. Pictured from left to right are: Vice President for Student Life and Athletics Rusty Vineyard, Tammy Spence '03, Greg Del Prince '80, Steve Buffington '75, Whitney (Garnett) Garrett and Jaime (Garnett) Moran representing the Jim Garnett family, John Flint '68, Dr. Carl Nichols '64, and President Dr. Tracy Pellett.

Tammy Spence '03, a native of Belpre, Ohio, was a four-year starter for the Lady Pioneer Basketball Team and Co-Captain of the 2001-2002 squad. She holds multiple school records, was a WVIAC All-Conference Performer, and received several awards during her playing career including being honored with the Clarissa Williams Award in 2003. Spence currently

resides in Ohio and works for the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Defense.

Greg Del Prince '80, a native of Ashtabula, Ohio, was a four-year member of the Pioneer Men's Golf Team. During his time at GSC, he competed and placed in local, regional, and national tournaments all around the country. Del Prince is currently Head Golf Professional and part owner of the Hickory Grove Golf Club in Ashtabula, Ohio. He is also Director of Golf at the Club.

Steve Buffington '75, a native of Ravenswood, West Virginia, was a four-year letterman in football for the Pioneers. He was named WVIAC All-Conference in 1972; led the Conference in pass receiving in 1972, led the NAIA in yards per catch in 1972, held or shared all GSC pass receiving records at the time of his graduation and was named Outstanding Back in the NAIA Semi Final Championship Game in 1973 when he scored both of Glenville State's touchdowns. Buffington was also the Glenville State College Record Holder in the 100 yard dash and upon graduation, was invited to Rookie Camp for the Philadelphia Bell of the World Football League where he made five cuts before leaving camp on his own due to back problems. Buffington taught health and coached wrestling before holding vice principal positions at Ravenswood High School (WV) and at Williamstown High School (WV). He is retired and resides in Ravenswood.

Jim Garnett, a native of Fredericksburg, Virginia, lettered in Men's Basketball and Baseball at Glenville State College. Garnett led the WVIAC in team defensive average points per game for four consecutive years. He is fondly remembered as being wonderful at basketball and phenomenal in baseball. He passed away in October 2012 at the age of 60. His posthumous induction was accepted by his daughters, Jaime (Garnett) Moran and Whitey (Garnett) Garrett.

John Flint '68, a native of Glenville, West Virginia, played football and baseball at GSC. He lettered four years in each sport, was named WVIAC First Team All-Conference in football in 1967, received multiple All-Conference honors in baseball, and received the prestigious Frank Montrose Award during Homecoming in 1968. Flint retired as Athletic Director and Assistant Principal at Parkersburg South High School where he managed an ultra-successful athletic program. John left retirement in July 2014 to become the superintendent of Wood County (WV) Schools. He is married to Cathy (Nocida) Flint '70.

Carl Nichols, M.D. '64, of Glenville, West Virginia, was recognized for his meritorious service to Glenville State College athletics. Dr. Nichols is the dedicated full-time team physician for GSC's student-athletes, which includes being onsite for all football practices and games in addition to traveling to away football games. He also is available for all home basketball games and accompanies these teams to their basketball tournaments. Additionally he keeps regular office hours for consultation and follow-up treatment of injuries and illnesses.

We are happy to honor these individuals in this week's Alumni Spotlight. Congratulations inductees!

If you would like to nominate someone for possible induction into the Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame, [click here to download the nomination form](#).



Scenes from Homecoming

If you missed Homecoming weekend, [visit our Facebook page](#) to see photos and rewatch a live broadcast of the parade!



The Giving Corner

Thanks to everyone who made donations, came to the game, participated in raffles, attended the alumni tailgate tent, the bluegrass concert, purchased concessions, and joined us for the Hall of Fame Induction Banquet during Homecoming weekend. Because of your overwhelming participation, we simply don't have enough room in this update to recognize you as we normally do in The Giving Corner. Glenville State College extends kudos to



Baseball Team Helps Revamp Local Elementary School Playground

Last week several members of the Glenville State College Baseball Team traveled to Sutton Elementary School in Sutton, West Virginia to help finish construction on a new playground for the students at the school. Sutton Elementary School Faculty Senate President Susan (Facemire) Schiefer '78

helped coordinate the visit. Kudos to the student-athletes from the Baseball Team for lending a hand for this worthwhile community service project.



Upcoming Events

Click the links below to learn more.

Friday, October 27 5:30 PM [SGA's Community Halloween](#)

[Spooktacular](#)

Friday, October 27 7:00 PM [Pioneer Volleyball vs. Concord](#)

Saturday, October 28 8:00 AM [National Chi Beta Phi Conference](#)

Saturday, October 28 1:00 PM [Pioneer Football at Urbana](#)

all of our alumni and friends!

Click the gift icon to make a donation of your own and join the Giving Corner.

Saturday, October 28 1:00 PM [Pioneer Volleyball vs UVA-Wise](#)

Monday, October 30 3:00 PM Student Recitals:
Breanna Bennett & Clayton Swisher

Friday, November 3 7:00 PM Concert Choir Concert

Friday, November 3 7:00 PM [Pioneer Volleyball vs WV State](#)

Save the Date

Inauguration Ceremony for President Pellett

Friday, November 10

Ten Year Anniversary Bluegrass Concert

Friday, November 17

Mid-Ohio Valley Alumni Chapter Christmas Dinner

Tuesday, December 5



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