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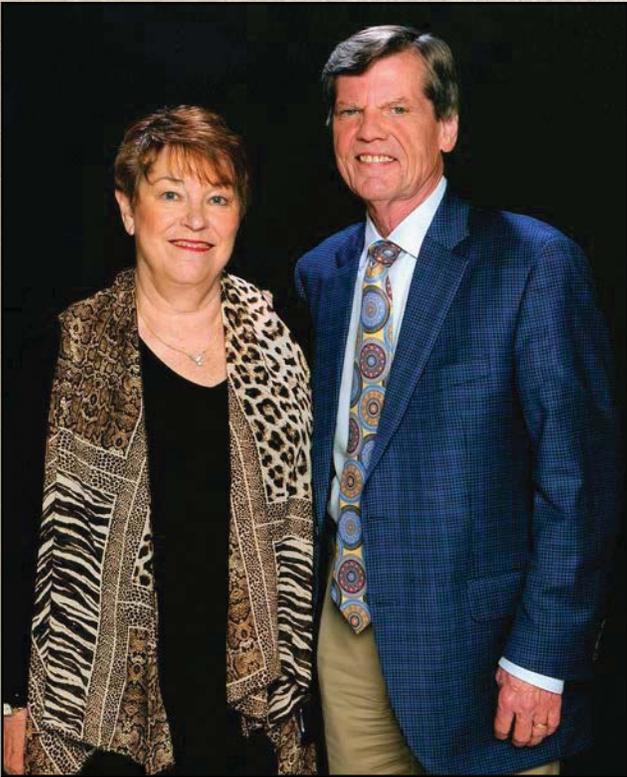
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FROM PETE AND BETSY *Greetings to our Alumni and Supporters*

Fall 2015 marked the beginning of the 10th year that Betsy and I have been proud members of the Glenville State College community. We hope we have contributed to the amazing progress of this vibrant and changing community. With students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of Glenville State, we celebrate a rich heritage and anticipate with excitement the prospects that lie ahead.



This issue of *Pioneer Progress* illustrates a sampling of Glenville State's progress. Like the College itself, *Pioneer Progress* has evolved as readers like you have written to suggest stories and express opinions. With the next issue, I hope we can begin a Letters To the Editor section. I invite your suggestions and opinions.

This issue of *Pioneer Progress* is a special one for Betsy and me. The Hidden Promise Consortium and Scholars program affirms the unwavering mission of Glenville State and expands our collaborations with K-12 education. While the program has many elements, the underlying goal is easy to understand: identify and foster the potential in young West Virginians. Through summer camps, mentoring with current students, and a healthy dose of optimism, students can achieve what they've always been capable of but have had just the slightest bit of apprehension about—earning a college degree.

As I consulted with *Pioneer Progress* staff to decide the best method for offering you, the reader, candid snapshots of Hidden Promise Scholars, the ever-inventive Program Director Teresa Sterns suggested we look at the Hidden Promise Scholar Coordinators: Stacy, Jeremy, and Lora. They serve both the on- and off-campus Scholars in a variety of roles. We hope you will gain an understanding of how they help and respond to the Scholars from the articles and profiles in this issue.

In addition to news about the Hidden Promise Consortium, this *Pioneer Progress* also reports the activities of graduates, updates on a thriving campus community, and more.

We encourage you to browse these pages. Read, reminisce, and reconnect with Glenville State College—an exceptional college and “the best small public liberal arts college in the country.”

Sincerely,

Pete & Betsy

Pete & Betsy Barr



ON THE COVER

Betsy and Pete Barr with Hidden Promise summer campers and mentors.

Learn more about student mentoring, program activities, summer camps, our HPS Coordinators, and more inside.

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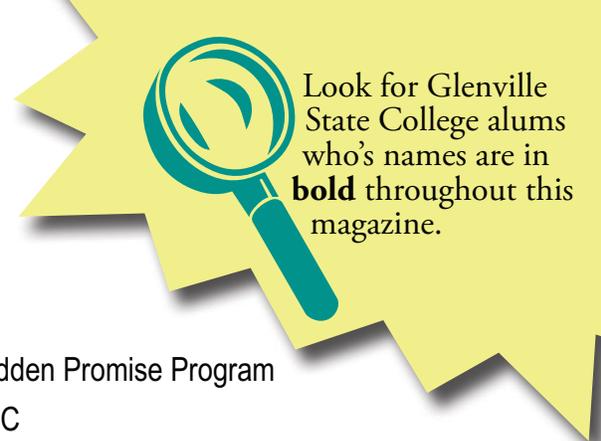
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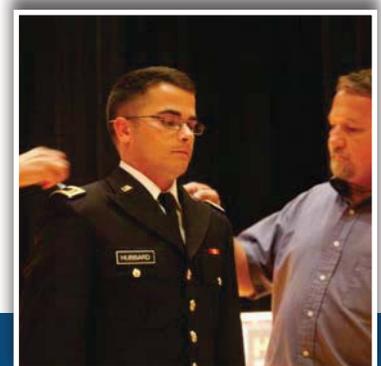
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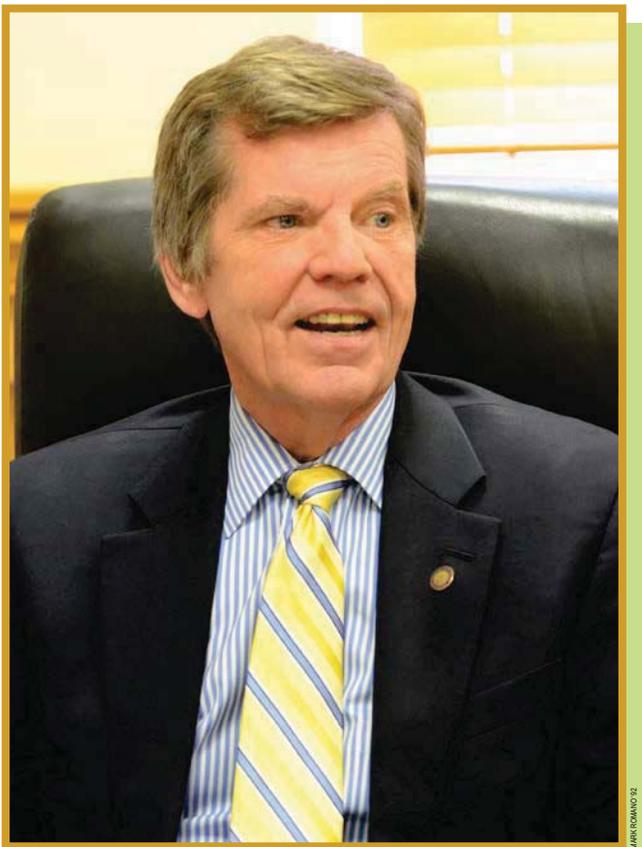
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Cadets Finish ROTC Program

President Barr's **Promise** to the Hidden **Promise** Program

Early reconnaissances following my arrival at Glenville State College in the summer of 2006 were visits to regional school district superintendents. I began my tour with two ambitions, increasing Glenville State's enrollment and introducing myself as a partner in improving educational prospects for central West Virginia students.

I found welcoming educators committed to overcoming the hurdles faced by K-12 students who often come from low to moderate family incomes and reduced educational expectations. These local leaders of education were seeking to create best-practices in the classroom and to heighten educational aspirations against the formidable odds of sometimes-dire rural circumstances. I found myself admiring these superintendents and their high ambitions for both teachers and students.



The recurrent theme presented by superintendents during these visits—that mirrored my own desire for increased college enrollment—was the desire to increase their students' attendance at any post-secondary institution. With this common desire, we began to strategize forming an alliance with a primary goal of better preparing students for college enrollment, increasing college attendance, and improving the overall success of central West Virginian students in pursuits of higher education.

In June 2007, 13 district superintendents and I signed the Memo of Understanding that established the Hidden Promise Consortium, named for the promise of students whose potential needed discovery and cultivation. The Consortium rapidly adopted Hidden Promise Scholars as a signature program to identify and mentor 8-12th grade students with undiscovered promise. These students would be identified by the district and recognized by Glenville State as Scholars.

Both the Consortium and the Hidden Promise Scholars initiative have flourished in the succeeding eight years. The Consortium has grown to 55 school districts across West Virginia from which over 2,000 8-12th grade Scholars hail. The growth is not unexpected in light of

the Consortium's remarkable success; the specialized attention 8-12th grade Scholars receive has produced a college-going rate 33 percent greater than the statewide college-going rate. By any standard, a 33 percent premium is a stunning rate of return.

The Scholars program both preserves the longstanding legacy of Glenville State's commitment to central West Virginia and expands that legacy to a broader constituency. The Scholars program serves as a pilot

Did You Know ?

The Hidden Promise Consortium has expanded from the original 13 West Virginia counties to all 55 counties in the Mountain State!

What's the most rewarding part about being Program Director?

I have watched 50 of our Scholars grow as individuals, develop into adulthood, and graduate from the Hidden Promise Scholars program over the last eight years. To witness each of our Scholars' transformation as they progress through the program, from that first introduction when they are selected, attending summer camp for the first time, and when they deliver inspiring speeches to their younger peers as they are about to graduate and move on to rewarding careers, is most gratifying.

The Hidden Promise Scholars program provides so many opportunities for the Scholars, who regularly speak of being grateful for having been selected to participate. It is amazing to hear Scholars beg to stay longer at summer camps and get to know the incoming freshmen during the week of their special orientation. During a HPS annual dinner, for example, a freshman scholar acknowledged, "I've never been recognized for anything in my life and this is such an honor." A graduating Scholar, that initially refused to go on any of the trips as these were out of her comfort zone, thanked us for requiring her to go on a Washington D.C. trip and noted that it was one of the best times and experiences of her life. Seeing the Scholars' excitement when they see the ocean for the first time is so uplifting. I'm privileged and thankful to be part of a program that provides such life-changing opportunities.

On a personal note, the Program has challenged me, as its Director, to be more than I thought I could be and I'm blessed to work with so many incredible people.



Teresa Sterns

Hidden Promise Scholars
Program Director
GSC Class of 1998 & 2001

HIDDEN PROMISE PROFILES

K-20 Partnerships Important to HPC

A vital component of the Hidden Promise Consortium (HPC) model is the integration of K-20 partnerships. To advance K-20 coordination in language arts, mathematics, and science teaching and learning, the Hidden Promise Consortium brings together middle school, secondary, and postsecondary teachers and professors to explore teacher expectations at each level, discover critical standards and measures of student proficiency, and reconcile an often-fragmented educational system. These instructors participate in workshops and round table discussions to share strategies, identify barriers to success, and develop systems of early intervention for students with diminished aspirations.



English workshop attendees with West Virginia authors (seated, l-r) Rick Steelhammer, Marie Manilla, and Edwin Daryl Michael

To motivate college-going aspirations and raise STEM proficiencies among middle school students, our science coordinator has been working to develop workshops with counties and schools to meet the needs of teachers in their new NexGen science standards. The needs of each county or school can vary and the coordinator works closely with administrators and teachers to create professional development that integrates hands-on inquiry with literacy and engineering/technology standards.

Additionally, President Barr and the school district superintendents from throughout West Virginia's HPC counties meet regularly during the year to explore

opportunities for further collaboration and reduce the structural barriers that unnecessarily convolute pathways to further education. Their focus continues to be aimed at creating a seamless K-20 educational experience for both teachers and students. ■

Did You Know ?

The percentage of high school Hidden Promise Scholars that go on to college is 33% higher than the average college-going rate of other high school seniors in West Virginia.

SCENES FROM HIDDEN PROMISE SUMMER CAMPS



An eighth grade camper from Cabell County dusts for fingerprints during career exploration at the Crime Scene House.



Ninth grade students take a musical break and learn some African drumming.



Campers at the tenth grade camp try their hand at a team-building exercise.



A science lab experiment during the eleventh grade camp had the students dissecting squid under the direction of Hidden Promise Program Director Teresa Sterns '98 & '01 (right).

Each summer, camps are held at Glenville State College for Hidden Promise Scholars in the 8th through 11th grades. The agenda varies but usually include activities such as aquatic exploration, crime scene investigation, etiquette, career exploration, ACT prep, STEM activities, and team-building.

This year's incoming on-campus freshmen Scholars were able to move into their rooms early and had an extra week to adjust to life at GSC before their peers arrived at the beginning of the fall semester.



(top right) Incoming freshman Scholars share stories and become friends during a campfire session.

(top left) One of the winning groups celebrate with a photo after competing in some lawn games.

(bottom left) A Scholar works on an arts and crafts project for her residence hall room.

(bottom right) Two Scholars work on spreading new mulch around the planters at Goodwin Hall. Elsewhere, the Scholars also cleaned up at Pioneer Village, the welcome sign near the Alumni Center, and at the Hays City intersection.





Stacy Adkins

Hidden Promise Scholar
On-Campus Coordinator
GSC Class of 2011

How long have you been doing this?
September 2015 made three years.

Where are you from originally?
I grew up in Charleston, West Virginia. My husband, **Adam '11**, and I came here almost 10 years ago. We became active in the community and Glenville has become our home. We love the small town atmosphere and raising our daughters, Hailey and Aubrey, here.

What are you known for professionally?
Being an advocate, advisor, leader, and mentor for Glenville State Hidden Promise Scholars. I also supervise college Scholars acting as 8-12th grade mentors. Finding the right mentor for a young Scholar is a time-intensive task that requires engaging the school system with these young Scholars and identifying the personality, character type, and other traits that will create a strong dynamic for mentor to mentee pairing.

What most excites you about your work?
Watching our Scholars and mentors excel, seeing their opportunities arise, doors open and witnessing their inner change; the change from a student believing "I can't" to "I can, I will." When our students realize their own power, their unique gifts, and their limitless potential, they begin the transition from first seeing their dreams as impossible, to real possibilities, and finally to actual accomplishments.

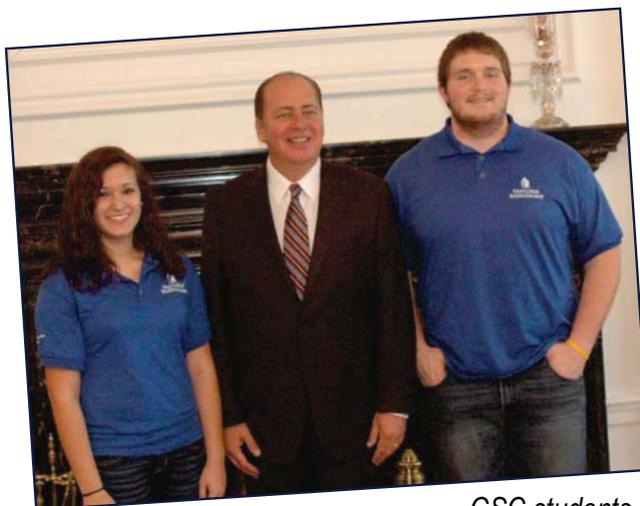
What is a typical day like for you?
There is no typical day, so I have sampled some days from the spring of 2015. I have removed names and adjusted some narratives to avoid breaching my assurances of confidentiality. Many of my exchanges with students reveal personal matters, so it is imperative that I maintain my commitment to confidentiality.

DIARY OF THE

Hidden Promise Scholar On-Campus Coordinator

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

10:00 a.m., Charleston
Higher Education Day: Each year GSC takes two Scholar representatives to Higher Ed. Day at the capital to meet state legislators, and sometimes, the Governor.



GSC students Kayla Palmer and Brandon Peck with West Virginia Governor Earl Ray Tomblin

3:15 p.m.
Scholar is stressed with the open-ended years in school. Originally, she was set to be an education major and had made it to student teaching when she discovered she was not cut out for teaching. Instead of missing graduation and withdrawing, we discussed options and she chose another career path and graduated as planned.

I was ready to give up on school last December but you wouldn't sign my paper so I could drop out... instead you helped me change my major so I could still stay in school and graduate sooner.

You convinced me to stay in school and that it would help my future when I didn't think it would. You called everyone in your power to make sure I could stay (almost including my mom)!

So glad you talked me out of quitting. :)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:45 a.m.

Scholar is forced to withdraw from classes due to mother being ill and obligation to care for multiple siblings. We adjusted his current class schedule to give him time to be at home and work to assist with family. This will work short term and, following a next-semester full withdrawal, he hopes to return full-time.

3:00 p.m.

With no Scholars in sight, I turn to paperwork; monitor student academics, arrange tutoring, track class attendance and hours, and check degree completion progress.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22



Earth Day 2015

Scholars have celebrated Earth Day at Yeager Airport in Charleston, West Virginia the last two years. The Scholars truly enjoy making the trip and participating in community service. This trip is always filled with luck and laughter. I say luck because one of our students found 14 four-leaf clovers one year. This year, the on-campus Scholars linked up with the Kanawha County 8-12th grade Scholars and helped plant trees and spread mulch.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

8:30 a.m. A Scholar just stopped by and talked about her family struggles, anxiety about summer break, and concerns with classes. Sometimes all someone needs is someone else to listen.

5:00 p.m. Spring 2015 Scholar Graduation Dinner celebrating 13 graduating Scholars. Currently, 50 Scholar graduates have bested the struggles of low and moderate family incomes and being first generation college students.

9:30 p.m. Wow! I see that 51 graduating high school Scholars are registered at Glenville State for Fall 2015. As a whole, I see focus, determination, and potential in these students.

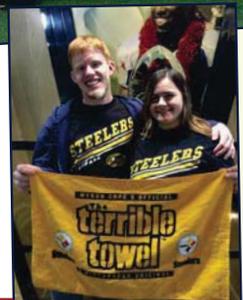
TUESDAY, MAY 12

2:30 p.m.

Each year HPS takes a Fall & Spring multicultural trip. Most of our scholars truly enjoy and appreciate these trips. Several of the students have never seen the ocean, walked through a zoo, or attended an NFL or MLB game.

The Scholars traveled to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina last spring.

This fall they visited the Pittsburgh Zoo, PPG Aquarium, and attended a Steelers football game at Heinz Field.



Did You Know?

- **Sue (Bartlett) Morris '65** was made an honorary Hidden Promise Scholar graduate in 2012.
- She has served as the Chairperson and Vice Chair for the College's Board of Governors and has been an active board member since 2005. Mrs. Morris also serves on the Glenville State College Foundation Board of Directors and on other committees of the College.
- Sue was a teacher in Gilmer County schools for thirty years and retired from the Gilmer County Board of Education in 1996.
- She and her husband Ike have been steadfast supporters of both Gilmer County Schools and Glenville State College for many years.
- They have two children, **Doug '91** and **Shelly '85**, and four grandchildren.



Sue Morris stands ready to sign the 'Hidden Promise Book' signaling her status as an honorary Hidden Promise Scholar as President Barr speaks at the podium

Meet Them:

Hidden Promise Scholar Off-Campus Coordinators



Jeremy Carter



Lora Gray
GSC Class of 2013

What's the best way to describe what you both do?

Being a Hidden Promise Coordinator is like having several different jobs rolled into one. There are many different roles to play on any given day. Mostly, Jeremy travels around the central and southern parts of the state and **Lora '13** visits the northern and eastern counties talking to 8-12th grade Scholars, parents, and school counselors about the program; what it is we do and why we do it. People get confused and they think we're only here for future students of Glenville, but we constantly remind them that our goal is to increase college enrollment throughout the state of West Virginia, regardless of college preference. Of course, we would love for all of our Hidden Promise Scholars to attend GSC, however, we want them to achieve their dreams wherever doing that might take them.

DR. JONATHAN MINTON

FACULTY AWARD OF EXCELLENCE RECIPIENT

Glenville State College's newest Faculty Award of Excellence recipient is Associate Professor of English Dr. Jonathan Minton. He received the award at the 141st Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 9.

"I work with a truly exceptional faculty and staff, so I feel completely honored to receive the Faculty Award of Excellence. I am grateful beyond words," said Minton. "I was indeed surprised when President Barr asked me to join him onstage at Commencement. In fact, when he was describing the person receiving the award as being 'a poet,' my first thought was that one of my colleagues writes poetry, and I didn't even know it."

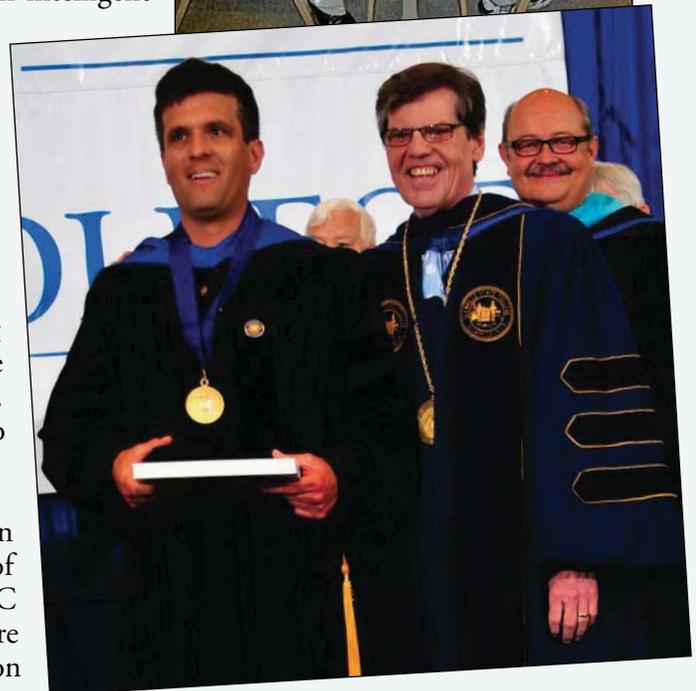
Minton has been a faculty member at GSC since 2005. In addition to his teaching duties, he serves the campus as a Faculty Senator, is an advisor to the *Trillium*, GSC's literary magazine, Honors Program Director, Faculty Marshal, and member of several campus committees. Off campus, he edits the online literary journal *Word For/Word*.

"I've been a long-time faculty advisor for the Science Fiction and Fantasy Guild, along with Melissa Gish and **Charles "Chuck" Schmidt '89**. They do all the real work. I handle our banking account and some of the paperwork. I'm also an advisor for Sigma Omega Beta. They are a terrific fraternity. I am also the director of GSC's Honors Program. We're about to begin our third full year and I am very proud of our Honors Students," he said.

"There are so many things I love about teaching at GSC. The college has been very good to me. Plus, I get to spend my time thinking about, researching, and writing about literature. And then I get to share this with intelligent young adults. I literally have the greatest job in the world," he concluded.

Minton is originally from North Carolina, where most of his family still lives. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees in English Literature at North Carolina State University. He lived in Buffalo, New York for a time where he received a Ph.D. in Poetics at the State University of New York at Buffalo. He has also spent time in Detroit, Michigan and Helena, Montana and, as he puts it, has gotten very used to harsh winters. Following the ceremony he was surprised to learn that his parents, Allene and Eddie, were in the audience on Commencement Saturday. They had made the trip from North Carolina unbeknownst to him.

Each spring the campus community is invited to nominate an outstanding faculty member for this award. Faculty Award of Excellence recipients must be full-time and have taught at GSC for at least two years to be eligible. Names of the honorees are displayed on a permanent plaque in the Heflin Administration Building. ■



Top: Dr. Minton (third from left, back row) with a group of Honors Program students; Middle: Minton (left) and Dr. Fred Walborn enjoy a game of chess between classes; Bottom: Dr. Minton with President Barr as he accepts his award at Commencement, Senator Doug Facemire (Commencement Speaker and former Honorary Degree Recipient) stands in the background



Did You
Know?

Less than 10% of all U.S. higher education students travel abroad at some point prior to graduation.

INTERNATIONAL LEARNING IN A GLOBAL COMMUNITY

Early in 2014 the Institute of International Education (IIE) launched its Generation Study Abroad initiative with the hope of doubling the number of American higher education students traveling abroad by the year 2019. Glenville State College signed up as a 'commitment partner' in the first round, making it the first institution in West Virginia to take the pledge. Currently, only GSC and West Virginia University are Generation Study Abroad Commitment Partners.

According to Director of International Programs, Dr. Megan Gibbons, Glenville State tripled the number of students who took advantage of study abroad opportunities. In recent years GSC has seen students travel to China, Italy, and England.

As noted in the Fall 2014 issue of *Pioneer Progress*, Glenville State College was one of three Internationalization Through Technology Award winners in a national competition offered by the State University of New York's Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) program and the American Council on Education (ACE). GSC ran two pilot courses in the spring of 2014 with our international partners at the University of Oviedo in Asturias, Spain. The pilot courses, taught by Gibbons and GSC Professor of History Dr. Art DeMatteo, were team taught with two professors from the University of Oviedo in order to explore the shared cultural and historical connections between the Appalachian and Asturian regions. That opportunity was enhanced by the local connection to West Virginia's Asturian communities that got their start in the early 1900s. Art Z. Wagner (whose paternal grandfather was **Professor Emeritus John R. Wagner '30**, namesake of Wagner Wing in Pickens Hall) hosted an art exhibit and gallery talk on campus with his mother Honnie. Her father, Emilio Fernández Alvarez, was among a significant number of Asturian peoples who immigrated to Harrison County, West Virginia where they made their homes and worked in zinc smelting factories. Their exhibit was, as Art put it, "A visual journey as a metaphor for the multigenerational immigrant experience in West Virginia." Students had the opportunity to view their paintings, ask questions, and learn about Art and Honnie's visits back to Spain.

The Asturian immigrants who settled in Central West Virginia maintained their language and traditions while simultaneously adjusting to life in Appalachia. Students in Dr. DeMatteo's

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90% OF OUR STUDENTS."**

**DR. MEGAN GIBBONS
GSC ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SPANISH &
DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS**



Wes Lane chats with students in Mexico as part of a GSC COIL class

course focused on the topics of discrimination and resistance and those in Dr. Gibbons' course honed language skills relevant to teacher education by practicing with native speakers. All of the students expanded their cultural knowledge.

Professor Gibbons also has been busy discussing ways that other schools can join in international and collaborative learning for students. She participated in a four-person panel session at this year's COIL conference in New York City that was dedicated to the design, delivery, and results of GSC's pilot courses. She also is working with faculty members from Anahuac University in Puebla, Mexico to design a COIL module for spring 2016.

Last May, Professor Gibbons used funds received from the annual Pete and Betsy Barr Professional Development Award to attend an international educators conference in order to stay current with trends and best practices related to internationalization.

"Although overall education abroad numbers are increasing, the unfortunate reality is that less than 10% of all United States higher education students travel abroad at some point prior to graduation. This means that as educators we are obligated to find alternative global learning experiences for 90% of our students. COIL provides us with that alternative. Furthermore, COIL is particularly appealing because it is faculty driven, inexpensive, flexible, interdisciplinary, and effective," Gibbons explained.

Even with the online collaboration, Gibbons says there is no real replacement for education abroad. However, students often face conflicting course schedules, family obligations, and already tight budgets when considering study abroad programs. She notes though, that with careful planning and targeted fundraising (to include scholarship applications), it is possible to incorporate education abroad into a student's undergraduate experience and still graduate on time.



Students at Anahuac University in Puebla, Mexico answer questions from Emily Snyder about her web design project

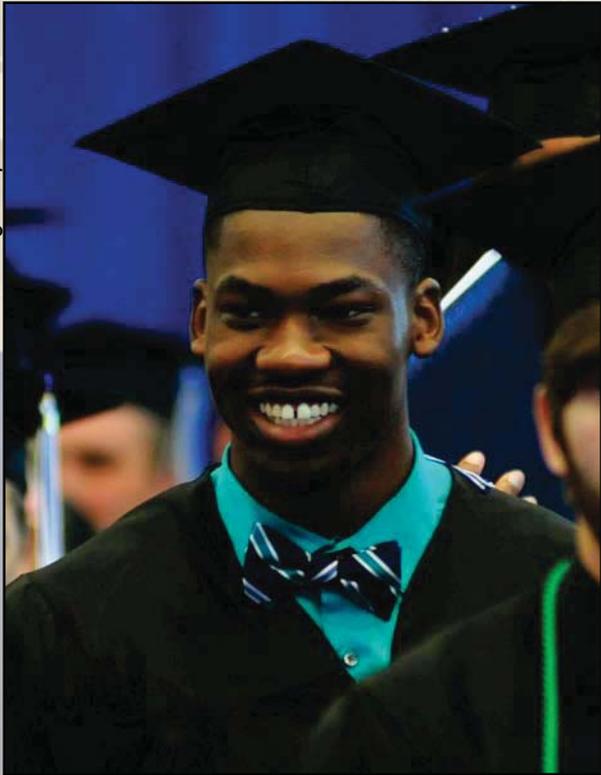
"I have found that helping our students understand that studying, working, or volunteering in another country is an option available to them is the first order of business. The next is helping them, and in many cases their families, recognize that whether via travel or an alternative such as COIL, gaining a global perspective is no longer optional in today's workplace. Our students will be hard pressed to find a field in today's world untouched by internationalization; therefore, it is our responsibility to prepare them to enter a global economy here in West Virginia and beyond," she said.

Plans are already being developed for study abroad trips to London for criminal justice students, to Ibero University in Mexico for ten environmental science students, and trips to World War II battle sites, among others. ■

Did You Know?

GSC is the first higher education institution in the Mountain State to offer COIL courses.

Donald Pierre-Louis '15 is all smiles during the processional



Robert "Robbie" Mann Jr '15 celebrates

Families of new GSC grads capture memorable photos



Scenes From Commencement

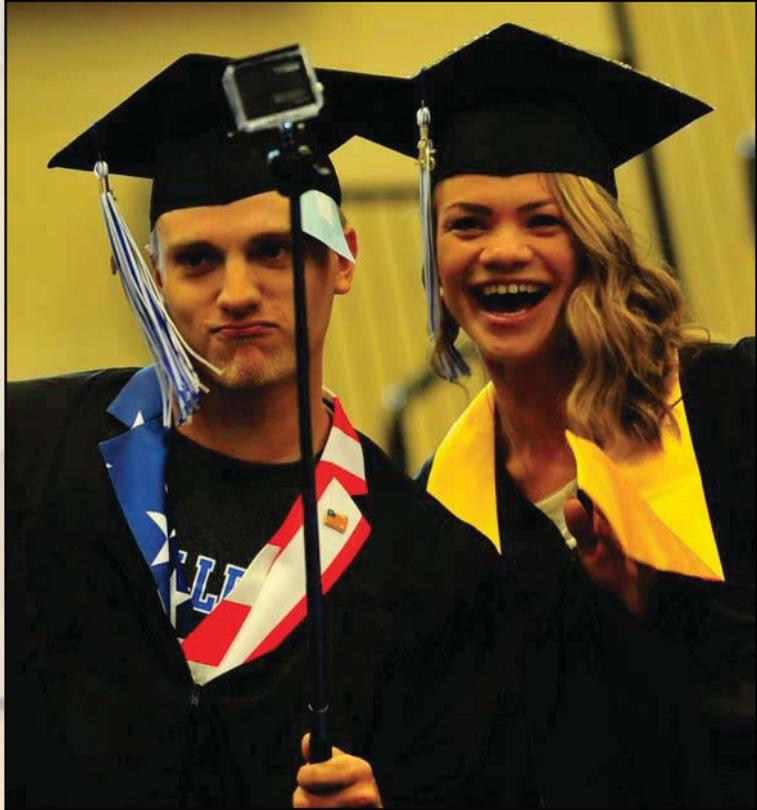


West Virginia Senator Doug Facemire, who received an honorary degree from GSC in 2010, delivered the keynote address at the Saturday, May 9 Commencement Ceremony. He spoke to the graduates about the importance of exercising their right to vote and recognizing the sacrifices that others made to help them in their higher education journey.

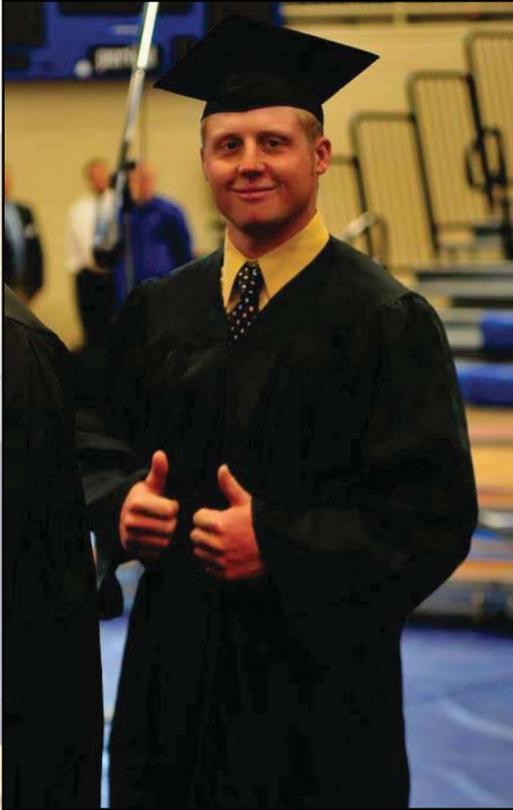
"You've got an education, now use it. It truly is an exciting time to be a young person in America," said Facemire.

Facemire was introduced at the ceremony by fellow Glenville State College supporter and 2007 honorary degree recipient Ike Morris. ■

John Royce '16 and Megan Ruddlesden '15
ham it up as Royce's GoPro captures the fun



Broc Benner '15 flashes thumbs up as he enters the Waco Center



ncement

Jessica Parsons '15 hugs
Amanda Frymier '06
after the ceremony



(l-r) **KayDee Mansheim '15, Madison Martin '15, Brock McLung '15, Kalleone Moret '15, and Travis Nesbitt '15** pose for the photographer

Did You Know?

• Senator Facemire is the owner of Facemire Foods, a chain of Foodland grocery stores across the state, including Glenville

• He and his wife Tammy have three children; the oldest, **Corey '09**, is a GSC grad

• Facemire has represented West Virginia's 12th District since 2008



Members of the 1965 class participating in Commencement as Fifty Year Graduates
See the full list of those who attended on page 31



FROM THE DESK OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT BOB MARSHALL

Some may say that I'm a romantic because returning to our campus in Glenville conjures fond memories of the many good times I had as a student. Fall is especially nice with the start of each new academic year bringing lots of new faces, footballs in the air, cheering crowds, and gentle breezes that make our hills come alive with the smell of freshly fallen leaves.

Members of GSC's Alumni Council become excited each fall when we see so many good things happening to report to our fellow alumni. The campus' new buildings, new faces, and new programs cause our alums to swell with "Glenville pride". It feels great knowing that our small college continues to educate and empower students from throughout West Virginia and all across the nation.

As your Council President, it is an honor and privilege to partner with the College and serve our faithful alumni as well as the current student body. Getting to know the individuals, businesses, and organizations that help to advance our institution gives me great appreciation for those who work to make GSC the best small liberal arts college in the country.

Your Alumni Board members look forward to another successful year filled with many academic, cultural, and athletic events that all of us, as alums, can attend and enjoy. We hope you will find time to attend some of these events or perhaps attend one of our alumni chapter events. Most importantly, please remember our annual spring banquet which is held each year on the Glenville State College campus. All of these activities, with their details, will be posted on the GSC website. Periodically visit the site – www.glenville.edu – and look under the Alumni and Friends link for additional information. While on this link, be sure and update your contact information, read our newsletters, and check out GSC's old yearbooks and school newspapers that are sure to cause you to reminisce and enjoy the memories of your time on campus.

Through the years it has become evident that our alumni and friends are dedicated, hardworking individuals. Working together, we surely can continue to strengthen and enhance the extraordinary small liberal arts college nestled in the hills of West Virginia that we all lovingly and respectfully call Glenville State. Go Blue!

Bob Marshall
Bob Marshall
Class of 1966

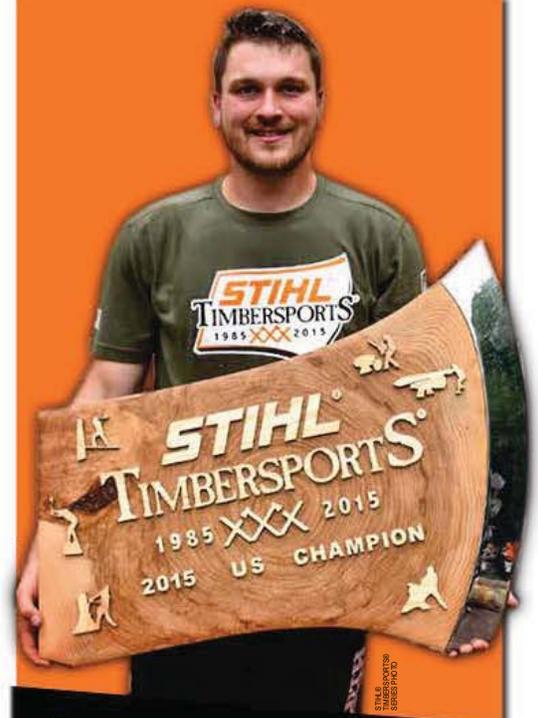
Then & Now



Glenville Normal School purchased a nearby farm in 1919 for growing agriculture programs and to supply the school cafeteria. The farm, on what is now known as Mineral Road, served the campus until the 1970's when the land began to be used for other purposes.



Occupying the land where the College Farm once stood, Glenville State College broke ground on the Waco Center in the summer of 2011, a \$27 million facility that houses the college's Land Resources department, a 2,500 seat sports arena, other athletic facilities and offices, and a community medical facility. The Landaplenty School of Natural Resources (the Land Resources section of the building) opened in 2013 and includes new classrooms, labs, a stunning library space, and new faculty offices. The remainder of the building houses the sports arena and other athletic spaces and offices. That portion of the building was opened in May 2014. The Waco Center is located on Mineral Road just across from the Pioneer Village student housing complex. ■



3-PEAT CHAMP!

Matt Cogar '10 has done it again! The 2014 Outstanding Young Alumnus Award recipient has won his unprecedented third in a row Stihl Timbersports U.S. Championship Series. The Series, which has been around for thirty years, assembles the world's top lumberjack athletes to vie in a variety of competitions based on mastery of traditional logging skills.

The competition took place at New York City's Central Park in June and aired in three segments on ABC throughout October.

He was quoted in a news release from Stihl as saying, "It's been a crazy year coming back from an injury, but this makes it all worth it."

Cogar represented the U.S. team, which placed third, at the World Championship in Poland in November.

Matt is married to **Emma (Bailey) Cogar '10** and they reside in Cross Lanes, West Virginia. ■



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#3

Virginia Beach, VA

6'5"

Guard

Business Management Major

DONTE MORALES

PIONEER MEN TAKE MEC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP

Glennville State knocked off second-seeded Fairmont State, 65-58 in the March 8, 2015 championship game of the Mountain East Conference men's basketball tournament at the Charleston Civic Center in what was the first Men's Conference Title for GSC since 1972.

Glennville's Donte Morales scored a game high 21 points and grabbed four rebounds. He was named MVP of the MEC Tournament. GSC's Sedric Nady scored 15 points while Reggie Williams and Brett Morris both chipped in with 10 points each. Morris also grabbed a game high 11 rebounds as he finished with a double-double. Thomas Wimbush, lead scorer for the Falcons, garnered 19 points and 10 rebounds.

Glennville State ousted top-seeded West Liberty in the Semifinals the evening before, 83-68.

Both Glennville and Fairmont earned at-large berths to the NCAA Division II Regional Tournament which was hosted by West Liberty because of their top-seed status going into the MEC Tournament. The Pioneers' first game at the Regionals, however, brought their season to an end when they fell to Indiana University of Pennsylvania 73-53.

Regardless, the Glennville State Pioneers (22-11) head coach Stephen Dye and assistant coaches **Justin Caldwell '14** and **Bill Lilly '82** had a terrific season. They finished with the best record in school history since becoming a member of the NCAA Division II and also won a Conference Tournament Championship, the first championship in 43 years and that one, in 1972, under Bill's father **Jesse R. Lilly, Jr. '48** who is an inaugural member of GSC's Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame. ■



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Did You Know?

Curtis Elam '49, was an avid sports fan during his college career and, as an alumnus, bequeathed a large share of his estate to GSC, a portion of which was used to establish the Hall of Fame.

Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame 2015 Inductees

Dick Barrett '55, a native of Glenville, West Virginia, excelled in football, basketball and baseball at Glenville High School where he played each sport for four years. He played the same three sports while he was at Glenville State



College and lettered 13 times. He served as quarterback for the Pioneers, as point guard for the Pioneer

basketball team where he was known as 'sparkplug' for his energizing effect, as short stop, second baseman, and outfielder for GSC's baseball team, and as a golfer.

He was a freshman on the 1950-51 WVIAC Basketball Championship team when they went to Kansas City

for the NAIA Championship. His career total in basketball was 877 points, eighth highest in Pioneer hoop annals at the time. He tallied 33 points as a freshman, 301 as a sophomore, 361 in his junior season, and 182 as a senior for an average of 10.8 points a game during his college career.

Barrett always played his greatest in the crucial games, averaging better than 15 points a game in his last three basketball tourney appearances.

He began officiating in college and worked his way up to being one of the top ranked officials in Northern Virginia by 1965. Over the next 16 years, Barrett worked the finals of a district and regional tournament each year. From 1970-81, he was selected to work in nine Virginia state high school tournaments before health issues forced him to give up refereeing.

Barrett retired in July 1987 and returned to his native Glenville where he can be found on the golf course most every day. He averages 200 rounds per year.

"I have many friends from Glenville and many memories of the great education and opportunities to play ball at Glenville State. I grew up on this campus from the age of nine when we first moved here in 1941. From that time on I was a gym rat and I was a football field bum; I was there daily and I played a lot of sports," Barrett said.

He continued, "**Carlos Ratliff** (Class of '34 and 2002 posthumous Hall of Fame inductee) was an athletic director, a basketball coach, football coach, and more here...he was a big part of my life. He guided me in a lot of directions and even got me my first job here at the school." ■

Tom Coates '78 was a two year basketball transfer from Allegheny Community College in Pennsylvania. He was inducted into that schools' Hall of Fame in 2008.

Coates led the Pioneers in scoring and rebounding during the 1976-77 season, received 1977 Honorable Mention All-American status, First Team WVIAC All-Conference in 1977, and was a

member of the 1977 WVIAC All-Tournament Team.

He scored 470 points in 1975-76 and 479 points in 1976-77. His 46 points in the 1977 Glenville vs Alderson Broaddus game was the highest single game point production at the time. He was the 1978 winner of Glenville State's prestigious Montrose Award and was even in a few NBA camps until their final cut, specifically the

New Orleans Jazz and the Detroit Pistons.

Coates continues to play in the American Old Timers League, Pittsburgh chapter and was named MVP when his Pittsburgh team



captured the American Old Timers League Championship for the 2013 season. He works at Pressley Ridge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania as a Family Specialist.

Coates thanked those in attendance at the ceremony, his former teammates, and the college. Before

accepting his ceremonial plaque he said, "I'm truly very honored to be inducted in the Hall of Fame."

Bill Lilly '82 (son of inaugural inductee **Jesse R. Lilly Jr '48** who coached Coates) introduced him for the award and said, "There are a thousand things that can justify

Tom's invitation to be in the Hall of Fame but this might be the leader of the bunch: when the guys came back to school at the end of summer I can remember my dad coming home and saying, there's a new guy named Tom Coates up here and I think he may be the best there's ever been." ■

Leandis Hodges Jr '79, a native of Virginia Beach, Virginia, was named WVIAC Offensive Player of the Week on numerous occasions throughout his college football career. He received All-American status as a running back in 1976 (NAIA) that placed him in a very elite group of GSC football players to have been recognized for the prestigious national honor.



Hodges also remains sixth on the Career Rushing Yardage Leader Chart with 1,947 yards which he also accumulated in 1976.

He scored the first touchdown at Pioneer Stadium (now known as Morris Stadium) against Gardner-Webb College in the opening game of the 1977 season and served as co-captain of the 1977 Pioneer football team.

Known as one of the friendliest students on campus, Hodges exhibited the character traits that are emblematic of a GSC student athlete.

He rushed for over 1,351 yards his junior year, making him the third leading single season rushing leader in Glenville State College history; a record that he still holds.

He is employed by the U.S. Department of Treasury, Bureau of Printing and Engraving, located in Fort Worth, Texas.

"I had offers from other colleges, but I knew that this place was for me. The great moments were being with my teammates, they put me up here and I love them for it. Without them there wouldn't be a Leandis Hodges Jr and I stand here not representing myself, but representing the 1974 and 1978 Glenville State Pioneer football and track and field teams and I love that very much," said Hodges. "I stand here proud to say that I will always and forever be a Glenville State College Pioneer." ■

Larry Taylor '84, a St. Mary's High School (St. Mary's, West Virginia) track and cross country standout, was a four-time All-Conference cross country runner and track star earning three-time league MVP in cross country and two-time high point during the high school's conference track meets.

He led the Pioneers to three cross country titles and received the Pioneers first-ever track title in 1984. Taylor is especially remembered for his performance in the WVIAC Conference Track and Field events. Specifically one year at the Conference, he requested to run

the 800, 1,500, 5,000, and 10,000 meter events. The first day he won the 5,000, the second day, he won the 800, 1,500, and 10,000 meter events. He went out extremely fast at the 'bell lap' and the top 800 competitors could not catch him.

Taylor also went out hard and fast in the 10,000 and his top competitor couldn't catch him. He enjoyed a very successful road-racing career up until three years ago, many times participating in meets that were 15 miles long. He still runs competitively.

"I put four years in here and a lot

of miles... I know more back roads in this county than most locals do. After college I quit running for about 12 years, until my daughter told me that she wanted to start running track. So we started running and it took about a year. She ran middle and high school track and I coached her to 16 state titles, which hasn't been repeated even today," said Taylor. ■



Paul Grier Jr '91, a native of Charlotte, North Carolina, excelled in Pioneer Basketball. He is 11th on Glenville State's All-Time Career Scoring Leaders Chart with 1,670 points during his playing time, 1985-1989. As a point guard for the Pioneers under Hall of Famer **Coach Gary Nottingham '79**, he played in three WVIAC Tournament 'Final Fours,' posting a record of 7-4 in tournament play. Grier gained last second field goals to secure wins in two successive tournament settings, helping the Pioneers advance in post season play.

He was named to the WVIAC Tournament Selection two times and made All-WVIAC section in 1988 and 1989. Grier holds GSC's



record for the most three point field goals in one game (nine). He remains fourth among the All-Time Seasonal Three Point Field Goal Leaders with 46.1% in 1988-89. He is sixth on the Three Point Field Goal Leaders Chart with 151 field goals made during the course of his career, which spanned 1986-89. Grier is also ranked third on the Three Point Career Leaders Chart at 43.1% (1985-89) and received the college's prestigious Montrose Award in 1991.

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Grier played on four straight winning WVIAC season teams. The teams won 63 overall games, for about 16 wins a year. He is remembered for his magnificent clutch shots.

"When I was leaving to come to college as a freshman, I cried like a baby. But once I got here I never wanted to go home, I loved the place. This place did a lot for me, it made me grow up," said Grier. "Coach Nottingham was like my father away from home. Someone shared a compliment that he had given me once. He told them, if I had a son I would want him to be like Paul Jr. To this day I live my life trying to be the best person I can be because of that." ■

Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame Nominations

Inquiries about the Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame can be made via e-mail to Debra.Nagy@glenville.edu or at (304) 462-6100.

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To nominate someone for Hall of Fame recognition, download a form at www.glenville.edu/hof_form



(Green)
Thumbs Up!



The decorative planter in front of Goodwin Hall is a bit more colorful these days thanks to updated landscaping work done by Criminal Justice major Stephanie Giffin of Mineral Wells, West Virginia. (pictured at right)

"I have always had an interest in landscaping and gardening and this was a good way to combine my interests with the chance to add some color and inviting looks to GSC's campus," said Giffin.

After discussing her landscaping plan with Residence Hall Director **Jerry Burkhammer '88** and staffers from the campus Physical Plant, Stephanie was able to obtain a donation from Lowes in Parkersburg, West Virginia. In addition to completing other plantings and spreading a fresh layer of mulch, Stephanie also planted white petunias in a 'G' shaped flower box that she had constructed. Great work! ■



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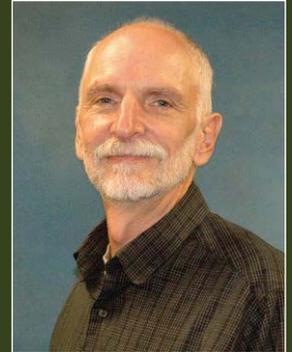
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VAVREK NAMED VP OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Professor Milan Vavrek has been appointed Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs at Glenville State College.

Dr. Vavrek joined the Glenville State College faculty in fall 2006 and was promoted to full professor status with tenure in 2010. He has served as chair of the Land Resources Department since July 2011 and continues an active research agenda.



A native of northern Ohio who has resided in West Virginia for nearly twenty years, Vavrek earned his baccalaureate degree at Kent State University. He then went on to earn his masters and doctorate degrees in biology from West Virginia University.

"I'm pleased and excited to have Dr. Vavrek in this new role. Having worked with him for the last nine years I know he will be an outstanding leader for Academic Affairs at Glenville State College," said GSC President Dr. Peter Barr.

Vavrek assumed his duties on July 1, 2015 after the retirement of former GSC Provost Dr. John Peek. ■

Did You Know?

- **WV Senator Dave Sypolt** graduated from GSC in 1988 (AS) and 2004 (RBA)
- He is the WV Senate Education Committee Chairman
- Sypolt has represented WV's 14th District since 2006
- He operates Surveyor & Associates in Kingwood, West Virginia
- Dave is the son of Alice and **Professor Emeritus Charles "Rick" Sypolt '75**
- He is married to Terri, is the father of three children, and grandfather of two



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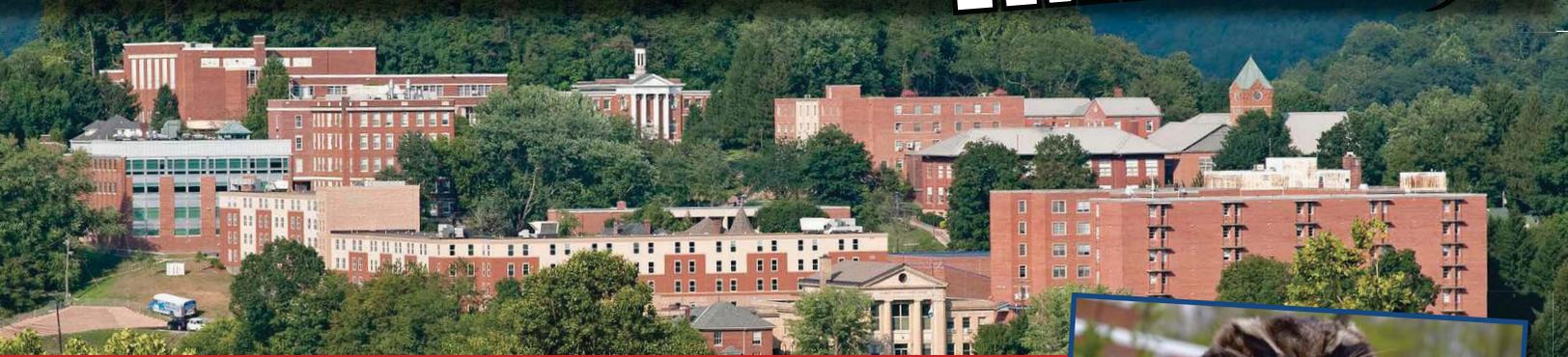
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STOKER 7 WINS HPS BATTLE OF THE BANDS



The first place winner of the Hidden Promise Battle of the Bands competition was Stoker 7.

The band is made up of (l-r) **Dustin Wagoner '08**, **Tyson Price '09**, and **Joe Park '07**.

The trio have played together for many years, including at the inaugural festivities for President Barr back in 2006. ■

STUDENTS RAISE MONEY FOR AUTISM AWARENESS

Pioneers for a Cause, a student organization on campus, held a 'color run' for autism awareness back in April. Approximately 160 GSC students, faculty, staff, and community members of all ages were in attendance.

In total, nearly \$2,000 was raised for autism research that was later donated to the Autism Society of West Virginia.

The students are already planning for another similar 5K event for 2016. ■



DR. ED WOOD IS NEW CURTIS ELAM PROFESSOR

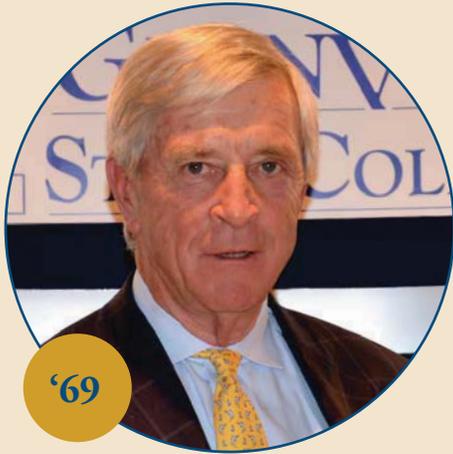
Associate Professor of History Dr. Ed Wood has received the 2015 Curtis Elam Professor for Teaching Excellence Award.

The award, which is effective for three years, provides \$5,000 per year to support professional development.

The late **Curtis Elam '49** established the Curtis Elam Faculty Award as a tribute to the faculty of Glenville State College in recognition of the help and guidance they provided to him in obtaining his undergraduate degree.

Dr. Wood has been at GSC since 2004. ■

Notable Grads Recognized



Alumnus of the Year
WALT TURNER

Right out of college Walter W. 'Walt' Turner began his career as a production assistant at Koppers, a Fortune 500 company with worldwide facilities. He worked his way up to President and Chief Executive Officer, a position he would hold until his retirement in December 2014. Turner currently serves on the board of trustees for Carnegie Museums and the Junior Achievement Board.

He is a native of Bedford County, Pennsylvania and graduated from Glenville State College in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Turner also attended Amos Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College. He is married to Arlene.

The Alumnus of the Year Award is given to a graduate of Glenville State College for outstanding contributions in their chosen field or for outstanding personal accomplishments.



Community Service Award
MIKE LIEVING

After graduation Mike Lieving began a career in banking in Mason County, West Virginia where he has resided with his wife **Holly (Layne) Lieving '76** and thier family for the past 30 years. He currently is employed by the Farmers Bank and Savings Company as President of the West Virginia Division and Chief Lending Officer.

Lieving is a past chairman and still serves on the Pleasant Valley Board of Trustees, past president and board member of the Mason County Chamber of Commerce, Mason County Community Foundation Board member, past chairman and current member of the Board of the West Virginia Bankers Association, and is involved with the St. Paul Lutheran Church in New Haven, West Virginia where he also served as past council president.

The Community Service Award is given to an individual who has distinguished themselves in community service.



Young Alumna Award
KARINA KENDRICK

Karina Kendrick received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and Psychology at Glenville State College where she graduated Summa Cum Laude. She also was a member of the Lady Pioneer Basketball team where she earned honors from the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) all four years of her undergraduate career. Kendrick attended the West Virginia University College of Law where she graduated Order of Coif (top 10% of her graduating class) and earned her J.D. in 2011. She began her law career at Jackson Kelly PLLC in Charleston, West Virginia and has since relocated to Westlake, Ohio where she is working as an Associate with Jackson Lewis P.C., an AmLaw 100 and Global 100 ranked law firm.

The Outstanding Young Alumna Award is presented to a female graduate who is less than thirty-six years old who has achieved early and remarkable success in her career.

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At 2015 Alumni Banquet



Young Alumnus Award
TONY MINNEY

Tony Minney was involved in many different activities and organizations while at GSC. Minney said that the different leadership positions he held at GSC, both in the Student Government Association and a few other organizations, gave him skills that he uses daily in his professional career.

After graduation, Minney was the Technology Integration Specialist at Gilmer County High School, Principal at Pleasant Hill Elementary School, and is currently serving as Principal at Braxton County High School. He is in the last year of his doctoral program. He resides in Coxs Mills, West Virginia with his wife **Kyre-Anna (Bartz) Minney '08** and their two children.

The Outstanding Young Alumnus Award is presented to a male graduate who is less than thirty-six years old who has achieved early and remarkable success in his career.

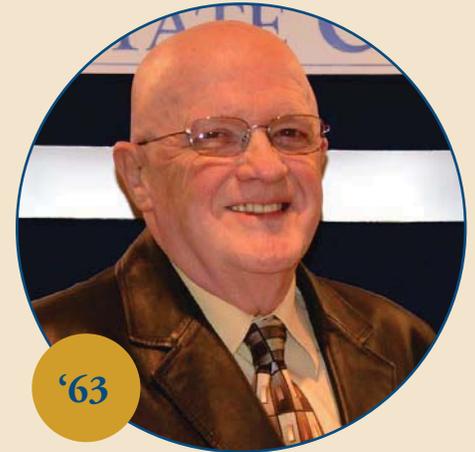


Outstanding Teacher Award
RESSIE THOMAS

Ressie (Brown) Thomas graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education, Multi-Subjects K-8. She later received an Associate's Degree in Sign Language Interpreting and a Master's Degree in Deaf Education pre-school-adult. Ressie is currently working on a dissertation for her Doctoral Degree in Educational Leadership.

She has worked for seventeen years as the Nicholas County deaf and hard of hearing teacher and, since 2012, has served as the Regional Outreach Specialist for the WV School for the Deaf and Blind which covers fifteen counties in central and southeastern West Virginia. Ressie also teaches sign language for New River Community and Technical College and is a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma honor society where she has served as the President of the Nu Chapter since 2014.

The Outstanding Teacher Award is designated for public school teachers who have distinguished themselves during their careers.



Alumni Achievement Award
DR. JOE EVANS

After graduating from GSC, Dr. J. Joe Evans completed his Master of Science degree from Ohio State University and later received his Doctor of Education from West Virginia University. Except for a few early years in his career, Evans has been employed at his alma mater since 1970. While working at Glenville State College he has served the institution in both teaching and administrative positions, currently as a professor.

He has been the recipient of many awards throughout his career including: West Virginia University College of Education and Human Services Hall of Fame inductee, Outstanding Faculty Award from the GSC Alumni Association, Curtis Elam Professor for Teaching Excellence at GSC, Faculty Marshal, and many more. Evans resides in Glenville, West Virginia with his wife June.

The Alumni Achievement Award is given to a graduate who has distinguished themselves in their chosen field.



Alumni Service Award **DR. BILL DEEL**

Immediate past Alumni Association President Bill Deel was recognized with the Alumni Service Award at the banquet.

In addition to his continued support for the Alumni Council, he also serves on the GSC Board of Governors and the GSC Foundation Board of Directors. Bill and his wife **Martha (Douglas) Deel '59** reside in Milton, West Virginia.

The award is reserved for those who have and continue to give their all to the College.

In addition to the seven graduates who were honored at the Alumni Banquet, eight alumni and friends of the College who passed away in the last year also were recognized in memoriam. They were: Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame inductee Coach Earl 'Whitey' Adolfson, **Dr. Billie M. Atkinson '56**, **Joyce (Georgalis) Geyh '53**, **Dr. Robert 'Ted' Hauman '65**, **Thomas McPherson '58**, **Ronnie Barker Peters '59**, **Frances 'Fran' (Myers) Schmetzer '43**, and **H. Laban White, Jr. '37**.

Nominations for Alumni Awards

Nominations that were received before the deadline will be considered for the 2016 awards. Others will be saved for the following year's consideration.

The Alumni Council will review all nominees and decide, by majority vote, who the Alumni Association's 2016 award recipients will be. Awardees will be announced in the Spring.

View and download a nomination form at:
www.glennville.edu/alumni_nominations

Before retiring at the end of the spring semester, Cinda Echard discovered this photo in her office and shared it with the *Pioneer Progress*. It shows some of her fellow Business Division coworkers from 1991. Who do you remember in this picture?

From left to right: computer science professor Jenny Dawkins, division secretary Sherry de Rosset, vocational business/marketing **Professor Emerita Cinda (Ramsey) Echard '75**, Peter Tjaden (from Holland, who was at GSC through a faculty exchange program), computer science professor Nick Bassett, business education **Professor Emerita Dr. Sherry (Woofter) Jones '76**, marketing/management Professor Emeritus Owen Stanley, accounting, business, and management **Professor Emerita Dr. Marty Garrett '71**, economics professor Dr. Gary Arbogast, and accounting professor Cheryl McKinney.

Of those pictured, Arbogast and McKinney are still teaching in the department full time. ■

Photographic Flashback



BUSINESS STUDENTS TOUR MANUFACTURING FACILITY



Nicholas Dent (left) with students in Dr. Batson's management class

Students in Dr. Chuck Batson's summer management course had the unique opportunity to tour local manufacturing facility, Flying W Plastics.

Nicholas Dent '13 conducted the tour, which took the class through the main office, manufacturing floor, testing lab, and maintenance areas. Dent currently serves as Safety Director at Flying W Plastics.

Pioneer Basketball fans will remember Nick as a talented player who still holds the top spot on GSC's All-Time Career Leaders chart for Three Point Goals with 267 made between 2005-2010.

Flying W Plastics produces polyethylene pipe products for assorted applications. ■



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FORMER FACULTY, STAFF RECOGNIZED AT LUNCHEON

Nearly 60 former Glenville State College employees recently returned to campus for a Retirees Luncheon hosted by GSC President Peter Barr. The event, according to Barr, was a chance to honor those who devoted years of work to ensure the success of the college. "These individuals built the culture that lets our students know we care. I appreciate all of the things that they've brought to this campus over their many years of accumulated service," he said.

Those in attendance included: **Mary (Wiseman) Alltop '79** and **'01**; Professor Emeritus Ralph J. Bame; Bill Bonnett; **Professor Emerita Dr. Kathy (Poling) Butler '76**; **Carla (Mick) Conley '80**; Dr. John Curran; Sherry de Rosset; **Dennis Fitzpatrick '73**; **Dr. David Gillespie '65**; **Professor Emeritus Dr. H. Gary Gillespie '59**; **Professor Emeritus George Harper '70**; Layne Jenkins; Garry Kight; **Professor Emerita Yvonne (Hart) King '57**; **Professor Emerita Dr. Sharon (King) Kraus '67**; **Karen (Bush) Lay '79**; Wilda Kuhl; **Brenda (Barton) McCartney '76**; **Professor Emeritus James H. Meads '68**; **Eleanor (Bell) Nicholas '89**; **Linda (Lipps-Foster) Riegel '75**; Professor Emeritus Harry Rich; Professor Emeritus Phil Rossano; Professor Emeritus Charles C. Scott; Professor Emeritus Dr. Mike Smith; James Stalnaker; **Professor Emeritus Charles 'Rick' Sybolt '75**; E. Jean Weese; Doris Williams; Joe Wilmoth; and **Ginny (Hart) Yeager '75**. ■



Dr. Kathy Butler, Jim Meads, and Dr. Sharon Kraus share some laughs at the retirees luncheon

CLASS OF 1955

Richard “Dick” Barrett was honored in June 2015 as an Alumnus of the Year at the annual Glenville High School Alumni Banquet. He was also inducted into the 2015 class of GSC’s Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame, read about it on page 17.

CLASS OF 1958

Dr. William S. “Bill” Deel has been elected vice president of the GSC Foundation Board of Directors. He also is a member of the College’s Board of Governors and is a past president of the GSC Alumni Association. He and his wife **Martha (Douglas) Deel ‘59** reside in Milton, WV and attend campus events frequently.

CLASS OF 1961

Jim Dotson has retired from his national sales manager position for Beynon Sports but is staying on as the company’s senior consultant for the next year where he will be available for consultation and all questions concerning running track design and construction.

Former GSC President William K. Simmons was honored in June 2014 as Alumnus of the Year at the annual Glenville High School Alumni Banquet.

CLASS OF 1963

Dr. J. Joe Evans was inducted into the West Virginia University College



of Education and Human Services (CEHS) Hall of Fame at a reception in Morgantown last fall.

The Hall of Fame recognizes and honors alumni and other individuals who have significantly contributed to the vision and mission of the CEHS and/or who have distinguished themselves in their chosen fields, disciplines, positions or occupations.

William “Bill” Gainer was honored in June 2015 as an Alumnus of the Year at the annual Glenville High School Alumni Banquet.

CLASS OF 1965

Celebrating 50 Years by Participating in the 2015 Commencement Ceremony as 50 Year Graduates



(l-r) Front row, seated: Sue (Bartlett) Morris, Frankie (Cutlip) Morehead, Lillian (Rice) Gillespie, Katie (Frazer) Hardin, Sandra (Given) Kerekes, Jolene (Cole) Jones, Sharon (Sponaugle) Hanna, Shelva Scott

Middle row, seated: Kent Shock, Dean Strickland, Joe Duncan, Joyce (Grose) Neil, Thomas Neil

Back row, standing: Alfred Clay, William Ball Jr, Mark Downey, Roger Gossman, Dr. Robert Smith, Terry George, Ronald Hill, Bill Henderson, Rogers Cunningham, Joe Fields, Paul Taylor

Not pictured but also in attendance: Katherine (Davis) Collins

CLASS OF 1965

Randy Daniels retired from his supervisor's position in Social Work with the WV Department of Health and Human Resources in 2001. He holds a Masters in Social Work from Indiana University and resides in Parkersburg with his wife Lois. They are parents of two children, Chris and Jennifer. They also have four grandchildren.



Dr. David Gillespie (pictured above, at right), former Librarian at GSC, now has the Dr. David M. Gillespie Special Collections room named in his honor in the Lewis J. Ort Library at Frostburg State University (Frostburg, MD). The naming took place in October 2014 at Ort Library where Dr. Gillespie served as Director for 30 years. His tireless work on behalf of the library and the university was the impetus for the honor.

CLASS OF 1966

Ella (Fitzwater) Cox and her husband **Warren '48** reside in Covenant Village, a retirement community in Plantation, FL.

Bob Marshall has been elected president of GSC's Alumni Association. His two-year appointment became effective at the Alumni Banquet on April 25, 2015. Bob operates a State Farm Insurance Agency in Vienna, WV.

CLASS OF 1968

Linda Chapman-Turner received the Trans-Allegheny Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) American Heritage Committee's



Women in the Arts award in March 2015 at the Museum of American Glass in Weston, WV. Regent **Pat (McKown) Goodwin '70** introduced the award recipient. West Virginia DAR American Heritage Committee State Chairman Lillian Lee Eddy and Trans-Allegheny American Heritage Committee Chairman Kelly Goodwin made the presentation.

CLASS OF 1970

Professor Emeritus George Harper was honored in June 2015 as an Alumnus of the Year at the annual Glenville High School Alumni Banquet.

CLASS OF 1971

Julia (Murin) Lee was honored in June 2014 as Alumna of the Year at the annual Glenville High School Alumni Banquet.



Gary Ray will retire in January 2016 from his Executive Director's position with the West Virginia Secondary Schools Athletic Conference (WVS-SAC). He has been with the organization since 2001 and has been executive director since 2007. Gary was inducted into GSC's Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame in 2013.

CLASS OF 1972

Ken Davis was recently presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Parkersburg South High School Student Council.

This award recognized him for his 25 years of serving as the "Voice of the Patriots" for football, boys and girls basketball, wrestling, track in addition to reading names at graduation.

CLASS OF 1973

D. Mike Wilt continues to rally the troops in getting his Theta Xi brothers back each year for Homecoming. As in years past, they will have a tent again in 2016. Mike can be contacted by e-mail at mikewilt0529@yahoo.com for more information.

CLASS OF 1974

George Brumfield was inducted into the National High School Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame on December 5, 2014 at the National Clinic in Nashville, TN. Visit www.baseballcoaches.org to view his bio.

Dennis Carpenter has been appointed President-Elect of GSC's Alumni Association. His two-year term became effective at the Alumni Banquet on April 25, 2015.

Greg Nicholson has retired from his Executive Director of Operations position with the WV Department of Health and Human Resources in Charleston.

CLASS OF 1975



Cinda (Ramsey) Echard retired from GSC at the end of the Spring 2015 semester and in doing so was granted Professor Emerita status during the May 9th Commencement Ceremony. She continues to teach at GSC on a part-time basis.

Dr. Charles A. Julian is the Director of Mary F. Shipper Library and Associate University Librarian at Potomac State College of West Virginia University. He resides in Keyser, WV.

Howard R. Scott was the guest speaker at Gilmer County Farm Bureau's first Educational Dinner meeting in September 2014. Dr. Scott, Monongalia County's Extension Agent, spoke about fall/winter pasture management.

Randall Snider, President and Chief Executive Officer of Community Bankshares and Community Bank of Parkersburg, has been named to the Camden Clark Medical Center's Board of Directors. He is also Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bankers Bank of Kentucky and serves on the Audit Committee.

CLASS OF 1976

Jeff Matthews and **Paul Ayers '75** are once again appealing to all GSC Lambda Chi alumni to come back to campus for Homecoming 2016. They will have a Lambda Chi tent set up like the past three years for all of their brothers and they hope to have an even larger crowd next year. Their e-mail addresses are paul.ayers@healthsmart.com and jeff.matthews@dep.nj.gov should you wish to contact them directly for more information.

Sherry (Horne) Poole was inducted into the inaugural class of the WV Marching Band Directors Hall of Fame in October 2014 by the WV Department of Culture and History. She has served the Ripley High School Band for forty years; 26 as head director and 15 as assistant director.

CLASS OF 1977

Tim McCartney has left retirement to serve as principal of Parkersburg South High School. He had been the school's vice principal for eight years before retiring in the spring of 2014 with 32 years of service as an

administrator, teacher, and coach. McCartney was briefly named interim principal after the passing of PSHS principal Tom Eschbacher (husband of **Amy '87**) before taking the job full-time in October 2014.

CLASS OF 1978

Judith (Umstead) Fuller, her husband David Fuller, and her mother **Mary L. (Gillespie) Umstead '56** traveled to the Glenville State College campus on May 9, 2015 to see their son (Mary's grandson) **Adam Fuller '15** graduate Cum Laude.

CLASS OF 1979

Mary Alltop (and '01), Educational Counselor in GSC's Academic Support Center, has retired after twenty-two years of service to her alma mater.

Jane Burdette, Chairperson of the Wood County Democratic Executive Committee, was chosen as the group's 2014 Outstanding Democrat of the Year and recognized at the annual Jefferson-Jackson Dinner in October 2014 at the Charleston Civic Center.

Karen (Bush) Lay retired from her position as Director of Financial Aid at GSC but continues to work at the College on a part-time basis.

CLASS OF 1980

Carla (Mick) Conley, GSC's Student Loan Officer, retired after 33½ years of service to her alma mater. She continues to work at GSC on a part-time basis.



James M. "Jeep/Doc" Sabo, EdD, ATC/LAT resides in Rockwell, NC and has started a part time business in blacksmithing/tinsmithing. Visit www.jeepsforge.com to check out his webpage.

CLASS OF 1981

Kemp Kelly has been named head coach for Ravenswood High School's Red Devil football team.

CLASS OF 1982

Maureen (Kraus-Hite) Gildein has moved from Mocksville, NC back to her native Lewis County and is serving as principal at St. Patrick Elementary School in Weston. She was principal at Shady Grove Elementary in Advance, NC before taking the position in West Virginia. She is also a member of GSC's Alumni Council.



Terry and Patricia "Patty" (Pierce) Hawkins have lived in Montgomery, AL for the past 31 years where they raised their two sons. Terry is chief of the Reader Services Division at the Fairchild Research Information Center on Maxwell Air Force Base. Patty works as a Billing Representative for Inventurus Solutions Health. They have two grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1984



Neal Benson was recognized by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin in September 2014 at a State Employee Recognition Ceremony in Charleston for his 30 years of service at GSC. Neal and other GSC employees receiving awards for 15, 20, 25, 35, and 40 years of service were also recognized by GSC President Peter Barr at a luncheon on campus. Only those having 30 or more years of service were invited to Charleston.

CLASS OF 1985

Sandy (Moyers) Pettit was elected president of the GSC Foundation Board of Directors in June 2015. The Foundation is the fundraising arm of Glenville State College. If you are in a position to give back to your alma mater, go to http://www.glenville.edu/foundation/donation_form.php or contact the GSC Foundation, at (304) 462-6381 for additional information.

Joe Webb began serving as youth and children's director at the First Presbyterian Church of Marietta, OH in September 2014. He has been involved in youth ministries, directly or indirectly, since 2006 through the First United Methodist Church in Williamstown.

CLASS OF 1987

Dave Darst was presented with the "Lifetime Service to Wrestling" award and inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame with the Class of 2014. He is head football coach at Point Pleasant High School. David and his wife Brenda have two children, Anthony and Alissa. Dave was inducted into the GSC Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame in 2010.

Steve Harold, head basketball coach at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, IN, won his 400th collegiate game in December 2014.

CLASS OF 1988

Terry Barr works as registered sanitarian and emergency response coordinator at the Jackson County Health Department in Jackson, OH. He is also Deputy EMA Director for the county.

CLASS OF 1989

Charles "Bubby" Dent ran in the Boston Marathon in April 2015 and is hoping to do so again in 2016. He recently told the *Herald Dispatch* that running in the New York City Marathon is on his bucket list and that

his long term goal is to compete in the National Senior Games/Senior Olympics. Dent, a resident of Scott Depot and an Inaugural Inductee in GSC's Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame, works at Zoll Lifestart in Charleston as a territory manager.

Frederick "Rick" Harris started Elk Energy Services, LLC in 2009. In just six years his company, which provides staffing to the energy industry, has grown to over 100 employees serving 15 natural gas clients in nine surrounding states.

CLASS OF 1990

Patricia Collins-Cain has retired from Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center after teaching for 21 years. During her tenure at the career center, Patty was recognized twice with the Golden Apple award for excellence in teaching at the Alternative Learning Center. Her plans for retirement are to quilt and to spend quality time with her husband Bill and sons, Ed and Heath.

Dr. Stephanie Frame has taken a physician's position at Braxton Community Health Center. Her husband, **Dr. Steve Creasey '76**, has retired from his professor's position at Davis and Elkins College.



Melissa (Jones) Jedamski has left employment at GSC to work at the Gilmer Senior Citizens Center.

CLASS OF 1992

John R. Goodwin, Jr. was named manager of the new Hanover (PA) office of Northwest Consumer Discount Company in 2014. He is a graduate of the West Virginia School of Banking



at Marshall University, has over 25 years of experience in the financial industry, and has served as assistant manager of Northwest Consumer Discount Company locations in Carlisle, Bedford, and Lewistown, PA. John lives in Gettysburg, PA with his wife, Linda. They have two children.

CLASS OF 1995



Barbara (Sturms) Laugh received the 2015 Ritchie County Teacher of the Year award. She resides in Harrisville and has taught preschool in Ritchie County for 17 years. Laugh is pictured here (center holding plaque) with Ritchie County Superintendent **Ed Toman '92**, her children Alex and Hannah, husband **Allen '94**, Harrisville Elementary Principle Laura Snodgrass, Ritchie County Personnel Director **April (Powell) Haught '90**, and Special Education Director Debbie Bever.

Brenda Mobley has joined the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and Jackson County Development Authority as program manager after serving for many years with the West Virginia Department of Agriculture in Charleston.



CLASS OF 1997

Carla (Williams) Taylor holds a Master's in Education and Education Leadership from West Virginia University and has been named Roane County Schools Director of Curriculum. She served as Director of Student Improvement in Calhoun County from 2008 to June 2015,

as assistant principal at Calhoun County Middle School from 2005-2008, and taught in Calhoun, Gilmer, and Wood counties before she went into administration.

CLASS OF 2000

Linda James has served as Gilmer County Magistrate Clerk since 2010 and is responsible for managing the office.

“Lightning” Mike Sheppard became the new World Boxing Federal North American heavyweight champion in April 2015 in his latest professional match which took place in Sarasota, FL. This was his 96th professional fight and he is chasing the world title.



CLASS OF 2001

Tom Ewing, a member of Kay Casto & Chaney, PLLC law firm, manages local operations at the firm's new Fayetteville location. Kay Casto & Chaney is one of the state's larger law firms and also has locations in Charleston and Morgantown.



CLASS OF 2002

Allery Lockridge received his masters degree from Lindsey Wilson College, School of Professional Counseling in December 2014. He hopes to get into coaching football. In the meantime, he writes musicals as a hobby.

Shelly (Sheets) Ratliff received her Doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction with an emphasis in literacy from Marshall University in December 2014. She is an Assistant

Professor of Education at GSC and resides in Glenville with her husband Jon and daughter, Brooklyn.

CLASS OF 2003

David Rupe accepted a new job in 2014 as Director of Operations at New Lexington City Schools in Ohio.

CLASS OF 2004

Warren “Clay” Chesser has been hired as an accounting instructor at GSC. He previously worked as an accountant in his alma mater's Business Office.

Justin Simmons is the new Chief of Staff at the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce in addition to his position as Executive Pastor of Love Chapel Hill. His wife, **Jeanine (Walker) Simmons '04**, is the new Director of Development at Caring House, a nonprofit providing housing for patients receiving treatment at Duke Cancer Institute.



CLASS OF 2006

Briana (Lilly) Devore received her master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction from Ohio Valley University in May 2014. She is working as a curriculum maintenance support specialist for Lincoln Learning Solutions in Pennsylvania.

Evie McPherson was named Director of Human Resources for the WVU Foundation in January 2015.

CLASS OF 2007

Kyle Ann (Dugas) Ison has returned from an 11-month overseas deployment with the U.S. Army Reserves. She has served in the Army for seven years now as a military police officer. She married Lawrence Ison III on March 19, 2011 and is the middle school science teacher at Community Day School in

Pittsburgh, PA. Kyle received her MA.Ed from the University of North Alabama in December 2012 and is working on a MA.Ed in STEM education from California University of Pennsylvania.

Paul Nagy III is Promotions Producer at WCHS/WVAH in Charleston, WV. He has previously worked in radio and at WBOY in Clarksburg.

Brian Moss has taken a position with Mylan Pharmaceuticals in Morgantown.

CLASS OF 2008

Roger Burkowski is currently stationed in Germany. His wife, **Beth (Ware) Burkowski '05** and their two children are living with him on the Army base.

Karina Kendrick has joined the AmLaw 100 and Global 100 ranked law firm, Jackson Lewis P.C., in its Cleveland, OH office as an Associate. Jackson Lewis has over 800 attorneys throughout the United States and specializes in representing management and employers in workplace legal issues. Ms. Kendrick, who joins Jackson Lewis after practicing with Jackson Kelly, PLLC in its Charleston, WV office, represents employers in a variety of labor and employment matters including claims of discrimination, harassment, wrongful termination, retaliation, FMLA, ADA, ADEA, and wage and hour issues.



Luke Samples has left the Hampshire Trojans (OH) after three years to become the new boys basketball coach at John Marshall High School in Glen Dale (WV). He is looking forward to being fairly close to home in the Northern Panhandle.

CLASS OF 2009

Marcal Lazenby was named Glenville State College's Interim

Athletic Director on July 1, 2015. Originally from Atlanta, GA, Marcal came to GSC in 2003 where he was a member of the Pioneer Football team and was the starting offensive guard on the 2008 WVIAC Conference Champion Football team. He was also a three time All-Conference player and an All-Region player.

CLASS OF 2010

Seth Canfield is a Financial Aid Counselor, Online Student Support at Southwestern Christian University in Bethany, OK.

Brittany (Gillespie) Hinkle is employed by the Nicholas County Board of Education as their County Option Pathway Teacher at the Nicholas County Career and Technical Center.

CLASS OF 2011

John Mahlon Brown is in his third year of teaching 7th grade science at John Adams Middle School in Charleston, WV. His love of teaching goes beyond the classroom and doesn't go unnoticed. This love of educating led him to start the Family Science Program which teaches basic science principles to third-eighth graders and gives them the opportunity to study their skills outside the classroom. He was recognized for this in November 2014 when WSAZ TV 3 went into his classroom and proclaimed him Kanawha County's Hometown Hero.



Allison (Drane) Canfield, a Southwestern Christian University English professor, has been approved for additional graduate studies in the prestigious Anthropology Department at the University of Oklahoma. While completing her work for a second master's degree and a fu-



ture Ph.D. at OU, Allison continues her full-time duties at SCU where she teaches English Composition I & II, Introduction to Literature, Creative Writing, and American Literature. Ali also holds a master's degree in English from Marshall University. She is beginning her third full year as a professor at SCU.

Christopher "Tex" Freeman lives in Axtell, TX and is in his third year as a high school history teacher as well as head track and assistant football coach with Penelope ISD. Tex and his fiancée Ashley bought their first home in August 2015 and welcomed their first child, Hazel Marie Freeman, on September 1st.

Michelle Hypes has been hired as a Financial Aid Assistant at GSC.

Joshua Todd James has relocated to Florida after working as an admissions counselor at his alma mater. He worked for Homeland Security for two years before coming back to campus in September 2014.

Jade Jean is teaching eighth grade math at Spring Mills Middle School in Martinsburg, WV. Her mother tells us that she has bought her first home and adopted an adorable pit bull.

Luke Shamblin has taken a softball assistant coaching position at the University of Mount Olive in North Carolina where former GSC Coach Mandy Sansbury is serving as head coach. Luke also served as her assistant when she was at Glenville.

State Trooper Bryant N. Snapp of Hedgesville, WV has been assigned to the Martinsburg detachment of the West Virginia State Police. Snapp, a May 2015 graduate of the State Police Academy, was a former probation officer for the 23rd Judicial Circuit.



Rachael Stewart is assistant health

and wellness director at Phil Cline Family FMCA in Hurricane, WV.

CLASS OF 2012

Chance Chapman graduated from WVU School of Law in May 2015. While in law school, he was vice-president of the WVU Christian Legal Society and for the last year and a half of his college career, he was employed part time by the West Virginia Water Research Institute in Morgantown where he worked with water testing for acid mine drainage. Chance continues to reside in Morgantown and is busy preparing for his bar exam.



Dustin "Dusty" Dent was named manager of the Pioneer Grill in Glenville in 2014. He returned to Gilmer County after serving as manager of multiple food service operations at Snowshoe Mountain Resort. Dent is married to Sam and has two sons, Keelan and Derek.

Isac Osborne was named head football coach at Gilmer County High School in 2014. He served as one of the school's assistant football coaches for two years before taking the head coaching position.

Sarah Ratliff left employment at GSC in 2014 to work at FCI Gilmer as a Unit Secretary.

Sara Wise is wearing many hats at the *Glenville Democrat/Pathfinder* office where she serves as receptionist, typist, circulation clerk, and ad sales consultant. She is engaged to **Kenneth Carpenter '13** and enjoys photography in her spare time.

CLASS OF 2013

Aaron Frymier is in his third year at the WV School of Osteopathic Medicine and is completing a Family Medicine clinical rotation at

Braxton County Memorial Hospital in Gassaway, WV. He is working at BCMH under the supervision of **Dr. Stephanie Frame '90**.

Stephany Harper was hired as a full time Financial Aid Assistant at GSC in July 2014. She previously worked part time in that office.

Matthew David Thompson is program director at Vision Shared, Inc., a non-profit organization in Charleston, WV.

CLASS OF 2014

Christopher Baber, a GSC Hidden Promise Scholar graduate, resides in Oceana, WV and is band director for Oceana Middle School and assistant band director for Westside High School.

State Trooper Tiffani Huffman of Gassaway, WV has been assigned to the Ripley detachment of the West Virginia State Police. Huffman is a May 2015 graduate of the State Police Academy.



Lamar Mallory has signed with the Albury-Wodonga Bandits in Australia.

Dendra Miller is secretary at Normantown Elementary School, where three generations of her family have received wonderful pieces of their education.

Sammi Moore attended Homecoming festivities in 2014 to accept the Clarissa Williams Award. A standout golfer, Sammi won several tournaments during her time at GSC and is the only women's golfer in school history to make All-Conference honors.

Megan Lynnette (Rollins) Parker is a unit clerk in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown, WV and a full-time graduate student at West Virginia University working on

her final year in the Master of Social Work program. As part of the MSW program, Megan is interning with the West Virginia Coalition to End Homelessness.



Jon Rasnick enters his second year on the GSC Pioneer Football Staff this fall as the offensive line coach. He was a four year starter for the Pioneer Football team during his playing career when he was named to the WVIAC Honorable Mention Team his sophomore year, to the WVIAC All-Conference First Team during his junior year, and to the MEC All-Conference First Team his senior year. Rasnick was also named to the MEC All-Conference First Team during his senior year and was elected to the Don Henson Football Gazette Super Region One Third Team. He was given the prestigious Montrose Award at Homecoming 2014.

CLASS OF 2015

Adam Fuller is working as a Youth Services Worker in Lewis and Upshur Counties.

Kayleigh Huck has joined GSC's Science and Math Department as a Visiting Instructor of Developmental Math. She received the Student Leadership Award at the May 2015 Commencement Ceremony and was given the prestigious Clarissa Williams award at Homecoming 2015.

Hunter McWhorter received the Frank Montrose Award at Homecoming 2015. During his football career, Hunter finished with 127 career tackles and 9.5 sacks. In 2011 he was the WVIAC Defensive Freshman of the Year and was a Team Captain in 2014. He is now an assistant football coach at Lewis County High School and works at Tri-State Forest Products.

Travis Nesbitt has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army after successfully completing the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program and graduating with a bachelor's degree from Glenville State College.

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Did You Know?
Caitlin, Travis, and Ryan were all Hidden Promise Scholars during their time at GSC.

GSC students among the Yellow Jacket Battalion commissioned cadets were Caitlin Gwinn (second from left), Kyle Hartleben (beside Gwinn on the right), and Travis Nesbitt (far right)

Glenville State College cadets, and students in other Army ROTC programs at West Virginia State University, the University of Charleston, and WVU Institute of Technology, make up the Yellow Jacket Battalion.

Among the six Yellow Jacket Battalion cadets who were commissioned as Second Lieutenants last spring, three were Glenville State College students.

Caitlin Gwinn '15, from Nicholas County, West Virginia, is attending Concord University to obtain a Master's Degree in Social Work and hopes to work with young children. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Behavioral Science.

Travis Nesbitt '15, from Lewis County, West Virginia,

was commissioned as a Signal Officer in the United States Army National Guard and will attend the Basic Officer Leadership Course at Fort Gordon, Georgia with follow on duty in the 151st Military Police Company in Gassaway, West Virginia. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice in Administration of Justice.

Kyle Hartleben '15, from Putnam County, West Virginia, is currently working as a firefighter and EMT in Charleston, West Virginia. He graduated with a Regents Bachelor of Arts degree.

The event, which saw families of the cadets participate in the pinning ceremony, took place on May 16 at the rotunda in the West Virginia state capitol.

Additionally, **James 'Ryan' Hubbard '15**, from Clay County, West Virginia, has completed the summer Cadet Leadership Course and will enlist as active duty in the United States Army as a Chaplain. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice. ■

Birth Announcements



Logan Cooper

Steven Cooper '05 and **Megan (Winemiller) Cooper '07** announce the birth of their son, Logan Chase Cooper, who was born on September 17, 2014 in Harrisonburg, VA. He weighed 6 lbs 15 oz at birth and was 19.5 inches long.

Megan (Murphy) Darby '11 and Bryan Darby welcomed Miss

Presley Jewell Darby to the world on February 18, 2015. Presley was born in Parkersburg, WV, weighed 9 lbs 10 oz, and was 21¾ inches long at birth.

Briana (Lilly) DeVore '06 and Daniel Hinkle announce the birth of their daughter McKinley Paige who was born on June 26, 2014. McKinley was 7 lbs 8 oz and 18¾ inches long at birth.



Presley Darby

Jeramey and **Corrie (Lay) Grogg '07** welcomed their second son, Beckett Walker Grogg on February 4, 2015. He weighed 7 lbs 7 oz and was 20 inches long at birth.



Beckett Grogg

Beckett was welcomed home by his older brother Lexington, Aunt **Alex (Lay) Sears '08**, and his grandparents Barry and **Karen (Bush) Lay '79**.

Reba (Wilson) Jourdan '07, and her husband Eric, announce the birth of their son, Ethan Michael Jourdan. He was born on October 28, 2014 in Beckley weighing 7 lbs 13 oz.

Brittany (de Rosset) Metzgar '08 and Brian Metzgar proudly announcement the birth of their daughter, Felicity Graydon Metzgar who was born on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Buckhannon. She was 6 lbs, 13 oz. at birth.

Chris '06 and Jennifer Owens announce the arrival of their new daughter, Leona Marie Owens. She was born on August 24, 2015. The Owens family resides in Brunswick, Maryland.



Arabella Woods

Robert '13 and Moriah Woods announce the birth of their daughter, Arabella Sophia Woods, who was born on January 31, 2015. She weighed 7 lbs 1 oz and was 19¼ inches at birth.

Engagements & Marriages

Jessica Lynn Allen '13 and Gregg Lenart were married on August 1, 2015. The happy couple resides in Wellington, OH.

Keith Barr '07 and **Grace Boyles '11** were married on June 10, 2015 at the Chestnut Ridge Artist Colony in Spencer, WV. Grace continues to work at WVU and Keith works in the West Union Control Room for Antero Resources.

Professor Emerita Kathy (Poling) Butler '76 and Jeffery Donley of Orlando, FL were married in Charleston, WV on May 2, 2015.

Carla Curran '00 and Rodney Davis were married in June 2015. She is employed by BAE Inc., as an intelligence analyst.

Heather Dove '12 and Cory Rose were married July 6, 2014 at Twinfalls Resort State Park in Mullens, WV. Cory, her sweetheart since high school, actually started at Glenville but transferred to WVU Tech in 2010 and graduated in 2014 with a B.S. in Chemical Engineering.



Clifford & Vanessa Frymier

Vanessa Jade Garrett '08 and Clifford Scott Frymier were united in marriage on September 19, 2014 in Myrtle Beach, SC. The wedding was held at the beachfront home of the bride's parents, Rick and **Desi (Skinner) Garrett '83**, surrounded by dear friends and family.

Rebecca Lynn Heater '09 and Tyler David Wanstreet were married in August 2015 at the Immaculate Conception Church in Clarksburg, WV. She is currently a permitting technician at EQT.

Katelyn Lake '14 and **Scottie Elliott '13**, both GSC Hidden Promise Scholar graduates, were married on August 9, 2014. Katelyn is a third grade teacher at Gauley River Elementary and Scottie is a surveyor at Allegheny Surveys.



Rebecca Heater & Tyler Wanstreet

Rebekah Long '08 and Ben Spears were married on October 26, 2014. They reside in Nashville, TN.

Melissa Nicholas '03 married Tracy West in June 2012. The couple lives in Calhoun County and Melissa currently works as a Parenting Specialist for West Virginia Family Support and Rehabilitation Services in Parkersburg, WV.

Jodi-Marie Ocheltree '03 and Brent Walters were married in Las Vegas, NV on May 13, 2015. She works in GSC's Office of Student Life as Director of Student Activities. Brent is employed at Glenville State College as an Athletic Trainer.

Linda Poe '09 and Travis Barnhouse were married on August 24, 2012 in Parsons, WV. She is currently working at a juvenile placement facility in Elkins, WV.

D. Aaron Radcliff '09 and Julie Smith were married on June 27, 2015 in Jane Lew, WV. Both are employed at Robert L. Bland Middle School in Weston, WV.

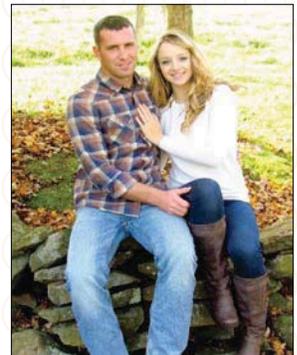
Megan Lynnette Rollins '14 married Stephen Michael Parker on August 1, 2014.

Camai Roberson '09 and Joe Mazzulla were married on August 9, 2014 in Morgantown, WV. She is Deputy Clerk under the Honorable Judge Janes in Marion County.

Brian Sprouse '12 and Kari Radcliffe were married on August 2, 2014 at the First Baptist Church in Glenville, WV.

Connie L. Scavarello Myers '00 and Clinton Mayo were married on August 28 2014. Connie tells us that he has been her best friend since childhood.

Sarah Elizabeth Suan '12 and **Travis Scott Yost '10** were united in marriage in October 2015. Sarah is employed in the Lewis County school system and Travis works for Jay Bee Oil and Gas as a field supervisor. He is also a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving from 2001-2005. They reside in Weston, WV.



Travis Yost & Sarah Suan



David & Katie Williamson

Krystle J. Vaughan '12 and Christopher Morris were married on September 20, 2014. She works at G.A. Covey Engineering in Sutton, WV as an Environmental Technician.

Katie Jo Walker '10 and David James Williamson were united in marriage on July 12, 2014 at Daniel Vineyards of Crab Orchard, WV. Katie, a GSC Hidden Promise Scholar graduate, is employed by the Wyoming County Board of Education as a Reading/Language Arts teacher at Pineville Middle School and is working toward a master's degree from Liberty University as a licensed professional counselor.

Anniversaries

Professor Emeritus Ralph J. Bame and his wife, Annette celebrated their 50th anniversary on June 29, 2014 with former colleagues, alumni, friends, and family at the Fellowship Hall of Trinity Methodist Church in Glenville, WV.



Bob and Dora Jean Bumgarner

Robert L. Bumgarner and **Dora Jean (Brannon) Bumgarner '59** of Marietta, OH celebrated their 50th anniversary on December 21, 2014. Both are retired from Marietta City Schools. Dora Jean served a variety of positions, including superintendent of schools. Since retirement, she has served as an interim superintendent in a number of school districts throughout Ohio. Bob and Dora Jean are the parents of two children and the grandparents of one granddaughter and one grandson.

Dr. Joseph and **Carolyn (Waugh) Gregori**, both 1961 graduates, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June 2015. Dr. Gregori also celebrated 50 years of practicing medicine in June 2015 after graduating from WVU in 1965. They have three children: **Stephen '85**, a retail manager in Cambridge, MD, and his wife **Michele (Hines) Gregori '85**; Brian, who is a practicing medical doctor in Columbus, OH, and his wife Terri; and Jeanne, who is a financial administrator for 15 attorneys in Akron, OH. They also have five grandchildren. Sadly, Carolyn passed away in August.

Professor Emerita Dr. Sharon (King) Kraus '67 and David Kraus celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 30, 2015 at St. Boniface Church in Camden, WV where they renewed their wedding vows at an afternoon Mass, which was followed with a party in the Church hall hosted by their family. Dr. Kraus is a retired professor of education at Glenville State College and David retired as materials supervisor from the West Virginia Department of Transportation. They are parents of three children and have six grandchildren.



David & Sharon Kraus

Bob and **Wyene (Bush) Turner '57** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on December 28, 2014. They maintain homes in Glenville, WV and The Villages, FL.

In Memoriam

William R. "Bill" Adams '65
Milton, WV
November 26, 2014

Iris Bernice (Hersman) Arbogast '46
Barberton, OH
November 13, 2014

Ann (Brannon) Ashley '52
Sissonville, WV
April 16, 2015

Donald David Barnes '71
Vienna, WV
September 28, 2014

Gregory F. Bogard '75
Parkersburg, WV
March 20, 2014

James Parmy Boso '79
Parkersburg, WV
March 28, 2015

Nella Jean (Bess) Bumgardner '61
Glenville, WV
April 2, 2015

Ronald L. Butcher '79
Roanoke, WV
June 29, 2015

Louise (Brown) Butcher '57
Green Bank, WV
February 24, 2015

Patrick N. Cahill '92
Huttonsville, WV
August 2, 2015

William J. "Bill" Church '89
Normantown, WV
November 29, 2014

Vanessa Maria Cochran '87
Ravenswood, WV
October 12, 2014

Wanda (Taylor) Cooper '54
Spencer, WV
April 20, 2015

Patricia L. (Masters) Cumberledge '69
Horner, WV
May 8, 2015

William C. "Bill" Dawson '61
Celina, OH
November 1, 2014

Rebecca L. (Simmons) Drennon '79
Parkersburg, WV
February 8, 2015

Joyce M. Elkin '02
Cedarville, WV
February 7, 2015

Sue (Wright) Everett '64
Romney, WV
January 6, 2015

Remona "Ann" (Heater) Fisher '66
Ohio and Weston, WV
April 5, 2015

B. Marie (Barbarow) Burton Flaherty '37
Parkersburg, WV
December 24, 2014

Richard L. Frame '81
Sutton, WV
May 7, 2015

William D. "Jake" Gainer '14
Germantown, TN
May 27, 2015

William Henry Given '43
Strange Creek, WV
January 13, 2015

Joseph I. Grant '77
Clarksburg, WV
February 11, 2015

Carolyn K. Gregori '61
Youngstown, OH
August 13, 2015

Albert Groves, Jr. '55
Grafton, OH
June 6, 2015

Roger Hamilton '80
Charleston, WV
March 21, 2015

Margaret (Tate-Ratliff) Hofstetter '47
Huntington, WV
September 28, 2014

Reva Halbert Hopkins '44
Given, WV
February 24, 2015

Billy Jemison Jones '57
Mineral Wells, WV
March 22, 2015

Arnetta "Peggy" (Brown) Kight '61
McLean, VA
January 1, 2015

Vonda Lee Kuhl '79
Barrackville, WV
December 14, 2014

Glenna Marie (Skidmore) Luzader '73
Newville, WV
May 21, 2015

Carmen Jean (Amos) Manter '60
Ledyard, CT
August 7, 2014

Elaine (Bell) Markley '55
Huttensville, WV
June 10, 2014

Eloise Meads '77
Spencer, WV
January 29, 2015

Donald K. Merriman '54
Owings, MD
August 5, 2015

Patricia (Cline) Milhoan '65
Vienna, WV
February 13, 2015

James E. Millard '59
Kenton, OH
May 14, 2015

Rondel C. Miller '78
Normantown, WV
December 11, 2014

Dr. Ronzel D. Minney '49
Steubenville, OH
June 1, 2015

Sue (Sullivan) Morris '69
Oxford, OH
April 27, 2015

Carolyn (Sims) Rader '44
Elizabeth, WV
November 25, 2014

Lenita R. Reale '49
Mount Zion, WV
August 6, 2015

Eugene W. Reynolds '48
Parkersburg, WV
September 10, 2014

Emma Georgianna (McCullough) Riggs '53
Meza, AZ
October 15, 2014

Edna Ruth (Ellyson) Riley '46
Walnut Creek, CA
January 31, 2015

Dolores (Justice) Rine '51
Tavares, FL
March 31, 2015

Ruth (Robinson) Salla '42
Downey, CA
January 30, 2014

Kathleen (Murphy) Schultz '46
Morgantown, WV
September 4, 2014

Georgia P. (Reed) Sergent '51
Walton, WV
September 28, 2014

Julius Singleton '88
Sutton, WV
November 26, 2014

Pete Dorsey Sizemore '58
Georgetown, DE
March 23, 2015

William W. Spelbring '63
Valley City, OH
June 13, 2015

Mansfield Neel Summers '57
 Wooster, OH
 February 9, 2015

Beatrice Almeda (Summers) Tawney '47
 Ravenswood, WV
 March 12, 2015

Rhoda (Bell) Trippett '40
 Parkersburg, WV
 January 19, 2015

Karen (Raines) Waldo, PhD '58
 Martinsburg, WV
 February 28, 2015

Robert Weaver '56
 Little River, SC
 February 1, 2015

Jeffrey S. Wynne '74
 Bluefield, WV
 May 27, 2015

H. Laban White, Jr. '37
 Clarksburg, WV
 January 31, 2015

Juanita (Haught) Willard '42
 Raleigh, NC
 May 1, 2015

Charles "Chick" Zakarian '54
 Frederick, MD
 July 14, 2015

FRIENDS OF GSC

Earl "Whitey" Adolfson
 (Former Coach and Curtis Elam
 Athletic Hall of Fame Member)
 Glenville, WV
 November 10, 2014

William S.E. Coleman, PhD
 (Former Speech and English Professor;
 Theater Director)
 Des Moines, IA
 July 8, 2015

Dr. David J. Ernest
 (Former Chair, Fine Arts Department)
 St. Cloud, MN
 August 1, 2014

Marvin B. Newman
 (Former Mathematics Professor)
 McKeesport, PA
 April 20, 2015

Lucy Porter-O'Brien
 (Former Social Work Professor)
 Towson, MD
 March 22, 2015

A TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR PRIBBLE

Dr. Pribble died August 11, 2015 at her residence in Bridgewater, Virginia. She was 85.

Professor Pribble, who was originally from neighboring Ritchie County, attained her bachelor's degree from Maryville College, her master's from Duke University, and Ph.D. from Louisiana State University.

She had been a documentation chemist at Ethel Corporation in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and then had a 35 year teaching career at Limestone College in South Carolina before coming to Glenville State College, where she taught for 17 years.



While in Glenville, Dr. Pribble was an elder at the Glenville Presbyterian Church and was a Folk Festival Belle committee member.

She was well known for her love of weaving, even holding workshops on campus to share her talents. Former students fondly recall her influence in their education and lives.

Dr. Pribble retired from GSC in 1994 and relocated to North Carolina. Her mother, Flora, was a resident hall director at Glenville State College from 1957-1962.

Mary Jo established the Dr. Mary Jo Pribble Scholarship at Glenville State College in 1998 to assist students majoring in a science field. ■

A TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR WEST

As a longstanding fixture in the Language Division, it seemed only fitting that the 2015 edition of the student literary magazine, the *Trillium*, be dedicated to **Professor Emerita Virginia West '41**.

Professor West earned her master's degree from West Virginia University in 1950 and then began teaching English and journalism at Glenville State College in 1955. She also was the advisor for the *Mercury*. In 1978 she was promoted to the status of full professor and served as Chairperson of the Language Division. In 1979, she was awarded the Outstanding Faculty Award by the Alumni Association. Professor West was the first female president of the GSC Faculty Administrative Organization. She retired in 1983 after 42 years of teaching, 28 of those years at Glenville State College. That year she served as honorary parade marshal for the Homecoming Parade.

Professor West was an avid reader, sometimes finishing up to three books in the span of a weekend.

She was also known for her strength in grammar and writing. The 1984 *Kanawachen* yearbook, which was dedicated to her, referenced her support of the college in all aspects, her concern for her students, her sharp, dry wit, and her desire to better educate the people of central West Virginia.



After her retirement she was bestowed with the title of Professor Emerita.

In 1998 a scholarship was established in her honor at GSC to assist upperclassmen education majors. ■

CLEMONS TOWER

Remembering a Member of the Pioneer Family

The bell and original clockworks in the Administration Building clock tower were removed in 2010 and relocated to a space for display and preservation. The Glenville State College Classified Staff Council elected to dedicate the new building to Mr. Els Roy Clemons in honor of his years of service at GSC. The building, now named Clemons Tower, is located between Goodwin Hall and the Mollohan Campus Community Center (formerly the Heflin Student Union/Pioneer Center).



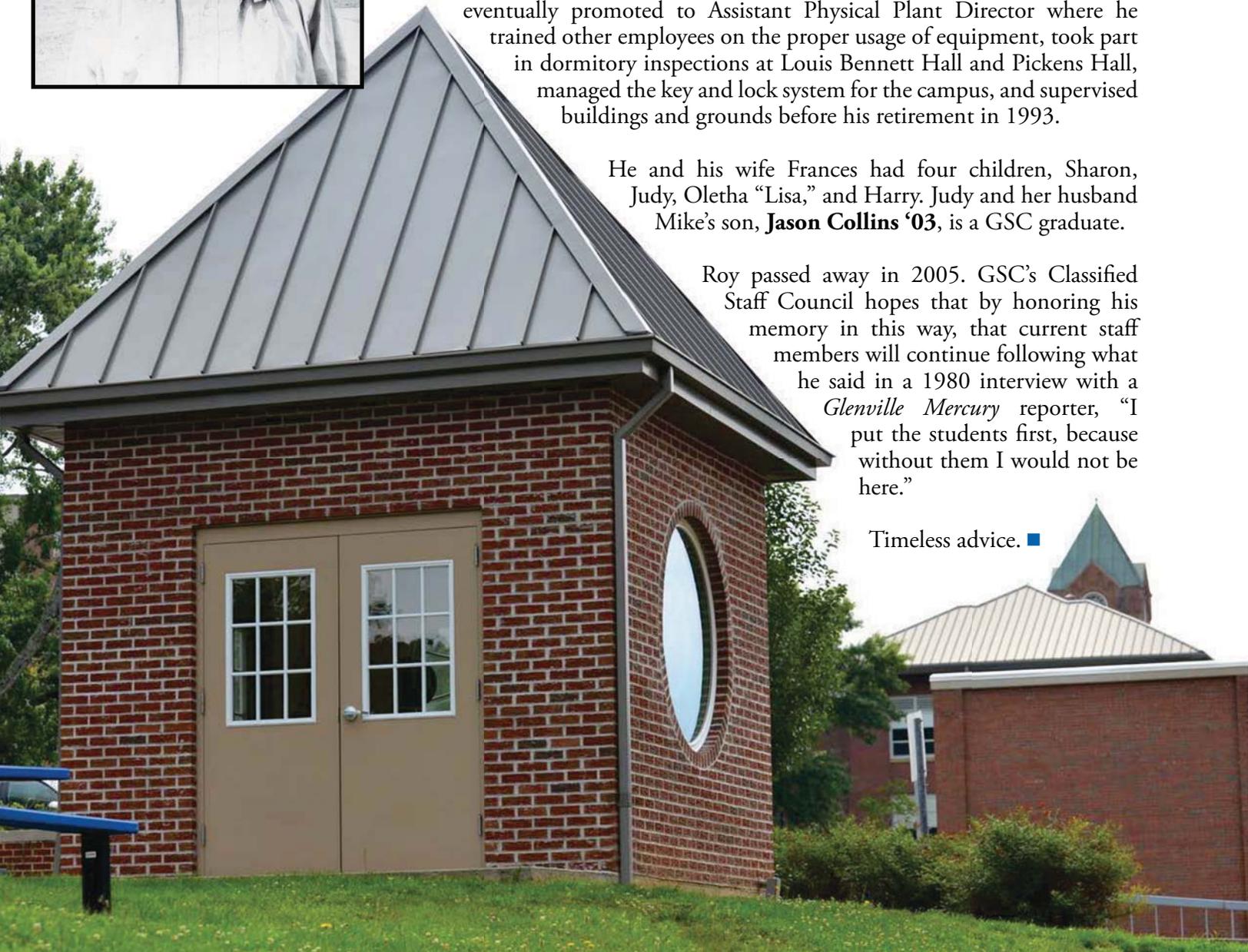
Construction work on the Health and Physical Education Building first brought Clemons to GSC in the early 1950's. After it opened, he was hired to be the building's custodian by Former GSC President **Harry Heflin '37**. To first help build a structure and then be hired to help maintain it is thought to be an infrequent occurrence (something Roy was known to comment on). Thus began his 39 year career at GSC.

Roy went on to spend time winding and maintaining the clock in the Administration Building clock tower among his other duties. He was eventually promoted to Assistant Physical Plant Director where he trained other employees on the proper usage of equipment, took part in dormitory inspections at Louis Bennett Hall and Pickens Hall, managed the key and lock system for the campus, and supervised buildings and grounds before his retirement in 1993.

He and his wife Frances had four children, Sharon, Judy, Oletha "Lisa," and Harry. Judy and her husband Mike's son, **Jason Collins '03**, is a GSC graduate.

Roy passed away in 2005. GSC's Classified Staff Council hopes that by honoring his memory in this way, that current staff members will continue following what he said in a 1980 interview with a *Glenville Mercury* reporter, "I put the students first, because without them I would not be here."

Timeless advice. ■



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SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2016