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Saying Goodbye**

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Still Strong at
Glenville State**

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Recognizes Honorees**

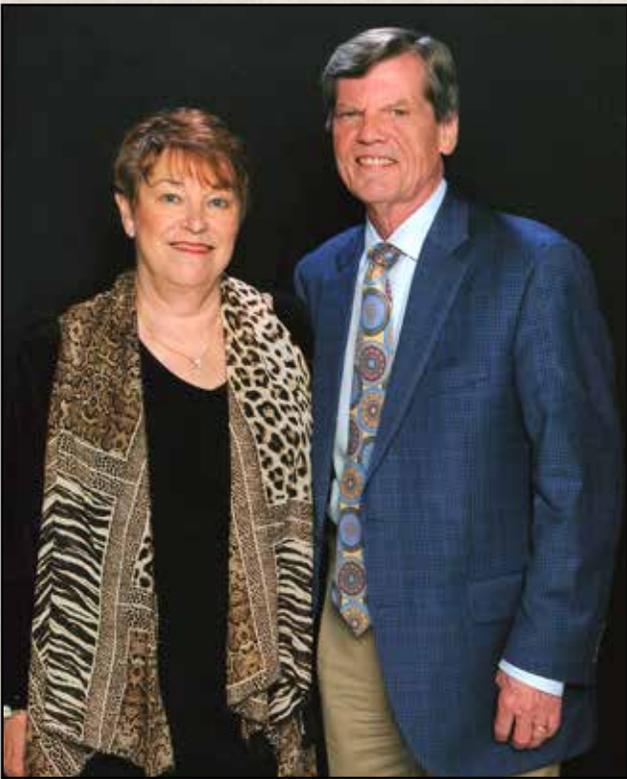
CLARK HALL



**Fall
2016**

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

Betsy and I have been deeply saddened with Dora Heflin's death in May. We became acquainted with Mrs. Heflin soon after our arrival at Glenville State and enjoyed a continuing relationship. For Betsy, Mrs. Heflin, who was the College's first lady between 1947 and 1964, was a trusted friend, gracious tutor, and confidante. They exchanged news and reminiscences of Glenville State, families, and acquaintances. Mrs. Heflin's service to Glenville State during her tenure as first lady and afterwards are commemorated with the Dora Heflin Garden on the approach to Clark Hall lawn.



This issue of the *Pioneer Progress* magazine also showcases the spring 2016 commencement with Professor Joe Evans' address to the students, happenings in the Department of Education, and the addition of boxing to the College's roll of intercollegiate sports. Glenville State is the only West Virginia college to receive an award from the U.S. Department of Education—Dual Credit and Second Chance Pell Grants—that extends off-campus programs to underserved people.

As always, *Pioneer Progress's* most popular features are the back pages with photography and notes from students, alumni, and benefactors.

With next year's *Pioneer Progress* will come a new signature on this letter. After heartfelt discussions, Betsy and I have determined that our season at Glenville State College will end with the current school year. For 11 years, we have enjoyed the gracious hospitality, the expansive tolerance, and the generous friendship of students, colleagues, alumni, and friends.

I love this place as no place I have been. I will look forward to pioneer progress with keen interest and, above all, my highest aspirations for your bringing the promises and opportunities of higher education to new generations of students.

Betsy and I will always cherish our season at Glenville State. We will treasure our memories of colleagues and friends bound by a distinct loyalty to achieving the high mission of Glenville State College.

Sincerely,

Pete & Betsy

Pete & Betsy Barr



ON THE COVER

A Pioneer statue stands in the center of the Dora Heflin Garden with Clark Hall in the background.

Clark Hall reminds many former students of GSC's Education Program. You'll see more about teacher education, your fellow Pioneers, and the garden's namesake inside this issue.

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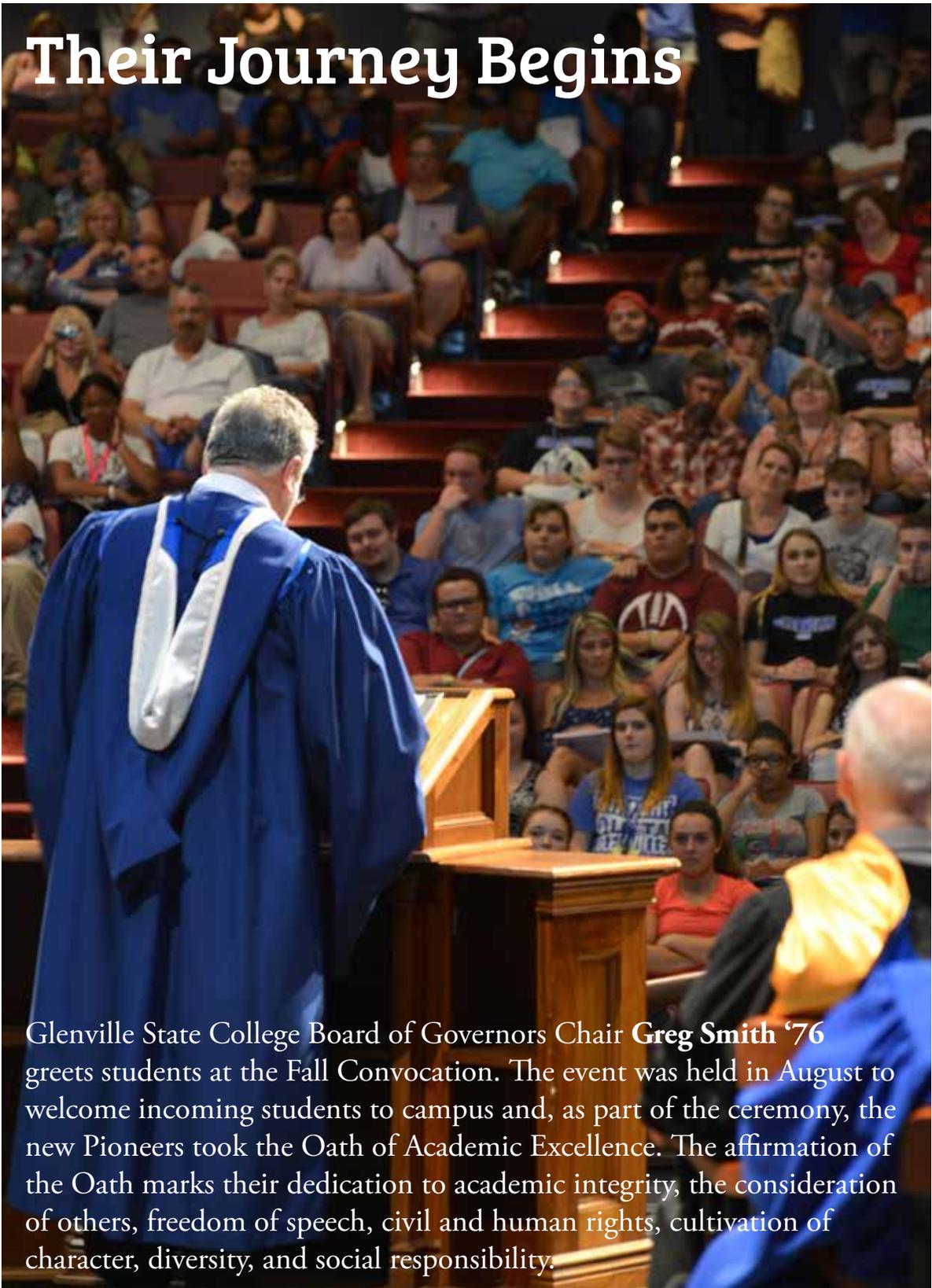
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Their Journey Begins



Glenville State College Board of Governors Chair **Greg Smith '76** greets students at the Fall Convocation. The event was held in August to welcome incoming students to campus and, as part of the ceremony, the new Pioneers took the Oath of Academic Excellence. The affirmation of the Oath marks their dedication to academic integrity, the consideration of others, freedom of speech, civil and human rights, cultivation of character, diversity, and social responsibility.

Not Your Average Joe

Forty-six years. That's how long **Dr. J. Joe Evans '63** has served at his alma mater.

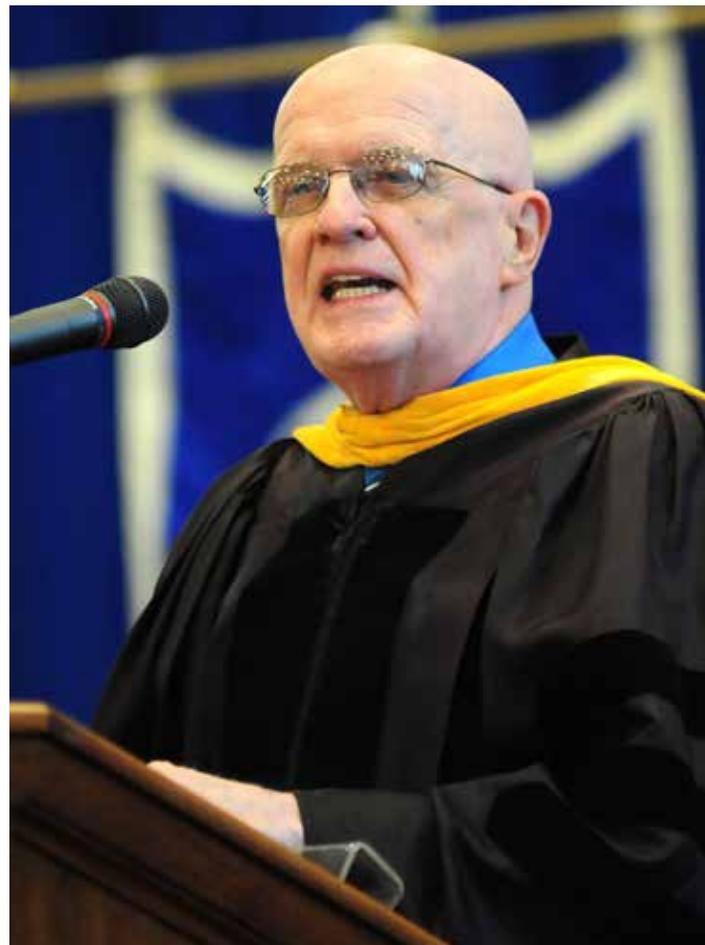
Since he began working at GSC in 1970, Evans has taught Science Education, Earth Science, Physical Science, and Chemistry. He also served the campus as Dean of Teacher Education and Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Many on- and off-campus accolades have been presented to him and all the while he maintained a love of the classroom and always challenged his students to strive

harder and reach a little higher.

Evans delivered the keynote address at the May 2016 Commencement Ceremony, his last before being awarded the title of Professor Emeritus upon his retirement.

Addressing the students, Evans said, "Being graduates of Glenville State College, I am confident that you are well prepared to enter the workforce. I am certain you have the skill-sets, you have the content knowledge, and you have the disposition to do the work for which you have been prepared." ■



Facing Off In The Ring

GSC Athletics Adds Boxing

Men's and women's boxing has been established as a new sport at Glenville State College beginning this fall.

Duane Chapman '93, who has been a part of the Boxing Club at GSC for several years now, has taken over the coaching responsibilities. He is also an Associate Professor of Art at GSC where he has taught since 1997. **Max Beaubrun '13** is serving as an assistant coach.

Students will have use of a new boxing ring in the Waco Center and the Athletic Department will provide gloves, uniforms, and other necessary supplies for the pugilists.

The team is affiliated with USA Boxing, which aims to enable athletes and coaches to achieve sustained competitive excellence, develop character, support the sport of boxing, and promote and grow Olympic style boxing in the United States. ■



Kristian Barr '16 faces off with an opponent earlier in the year

A Presidential Departure

*Pete And Betsy Barr Reflect On Their Eleven Years At
Glenville State College As They Prepare To Retire*

At the beginning of the Fall 2016 semester, Glenville State College President Dr. Peter Barr knew he would have a hard time saying what was written down before him. In addition to the usual address to faculty and staff before classes began, he had something personal to say.

At the meeting, Barr announced that he will continue his service to GSC through the 2016-17 academic year and then retire from the institution in June 2017.

“After extended and heartfelt discussion, Betsy and I have determined that our season at Glenville State College will end with the current school year. The past eleven years have been exceptional and could not have happened anywhere else. We have enjoyed the gracious hospitality, expansive tolerance, and generous friendship of the faculty, staff, students, and community at large. Nowhere else could we have learned so much, dreamed so much, and valued so much. Our years here have been an astonishing adventure,” Barr said at the meeting.

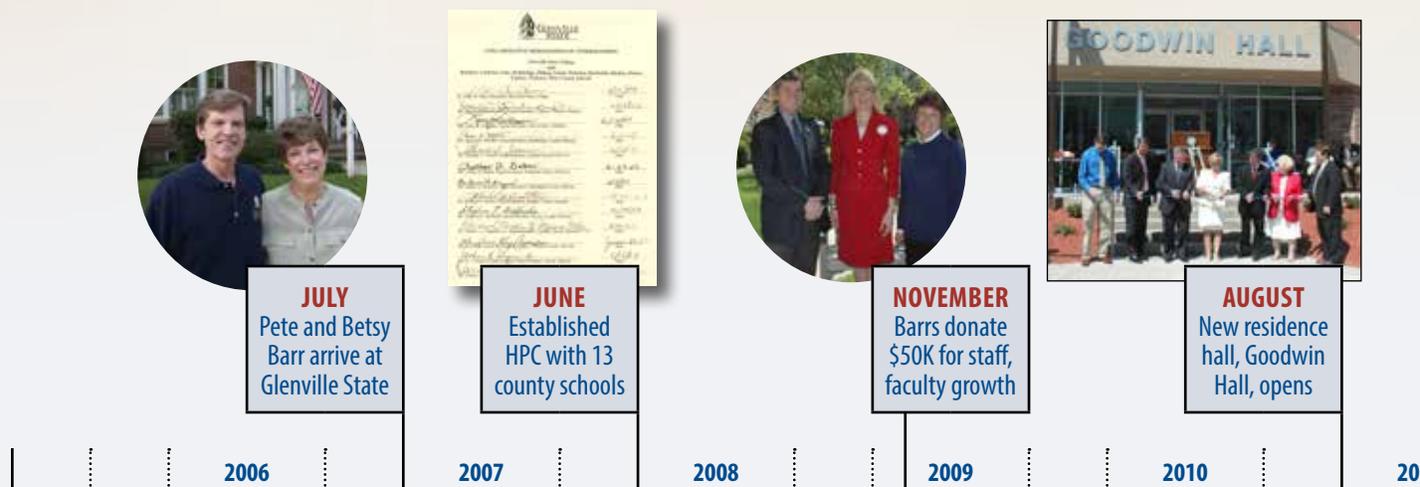
Dr. Barr was selected as GSC’s twenty-third president in 2006. From the outset of his tenure at Glenville State College, he was focused on increasing enrollment, improving student retention, coordinating a capital campaign with the GSC Foundation, and boosting economic development in the area.

His time at Glenville State College has seen efforts to boost enrollment even in the face of decreasing college-going rates nationwide and in West Virginia. He has guided the implementation of programs across campus to help students stay engaged, marked increases in private donations, and outreach into the community.

In an interview several years ago, Barr said he hoped by the time he was ready to leave the campus, that he could look back and say that the people at Glenville would have begun to realize that they are good and that this truly is the best small public liberal arts college in the country.

Barr was known for not only saying that he felt GSC was the best small public liberal arts college in the country, but for trying to instill that idea into the core of the institution.

One of the crowning achievements of Barr’s presidency has been the implementation of the Hidden Promise Consortium, a program that seeks to increase high school and college graduation rates, better prepare students for college enrollment, encourage increased college attendance, and improve overall success in pursuits of higher education. The Consortium had humble beginnings – 13 central West Virginia counties – but is now accessible to students in all 55 counties. The program has over 2,000 participants throughout the Mountain State



in grades 8-12 and approximately 200 current GSC students.

His tenure at GSC has seen the completion of a new residence hall, the new Waco Center, and a training facility used by the WV Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety.

Betsy Barr has been active in the campus and community during their years in Glenville, having hosted the annual campus Christmas tree lighting ceremony and serving with the WV State Folk Festival Belle Committee. The presidential couple share the President's Home with their dog, Mika. Their dog Scooter came with them to GSC, but passed in 2012.

Barr plans to stay as busy as ever in his final year. In addition to his day-to-day job at the helm of the College, he will be teaching two classes through the GSC Department of Business.

In advising his successor, Barr wants whoever is chosen to know that Glenville State College serves a unique mission. He adds, "I want them to know the importance of this institution. You should understand where you are and recognize the value of what you have - faculty, staff, students, and the community. Take advantage of that."

The Glenville State College Board of Governors has appointed a committee to spearhead a national search for a new leader of the college. The search is expected to take several months. ■



Betsy and Pete Barr



MAY
First HPS student graduates



NOVEMBER
GSC's Veterans' Legacy Project debuts



APRIL
Sen. Joe Manchin visits Waco Center



MAY
Largest HPS group graduates



AUGUST
Barr announces retirement

11

2012

2013

2014

2015

2016



LADY PIONEER HEAD COACH
KIM STEPHENS

Kim Stephens '11, is entering her first year as the Head Coach of the Lady Pioneers basketball team. Stephens returns to Glenville State after serving as the Assistant Coach at Division I Sacramento State for the past three seasons.

While at Sacramento State, Stephens assisted with all aspects of the Women's Basketball program including travel, budget, on-court skill development and recruiting. She also helped the Lady Hornets earn a berth in the Women's NIT Tournament during the 2014-15 season.

Stephens, who played her college ball at Glenville State and later joined the Lady Pioneers coaching staff as an Assistant Coach, was a team captain for the 2010-11 Glenville State team that won the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) Championship and advanced to the NCAA Tournament. Stephens, that season, was also named the WVIAC Student-Athlete of the Year. During her time at GSC Stephens made the WVIAC Commissioner's Honor Roll during her Junior and Senior years.

A native of Parkersburg, West Virginia, she graduated from Glenville State with a bachelor's degree in sport management and a minor in psychology. She went on to earn a Master's Degree in education from Ohio Valley University in 2012 and is a certified personal trainer through the International Sports Science Association.

Before her previous stint as an Assistant Coach for the Lady Pioneers, Stephens was a Graduate Assistant Coach at Ohio Valley University. She also has experience as an Amateur Athletic Union coach and as a camp counselor in basketball at camps such as the Future & Elite Sports Center. ■

Pioneer Football Schedule

Cheer on the Pioneers in person or listen to the action online at www.gscpioneers.com and keep track of the season here.

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT/LOCATION	RESULT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 7:00 PM	VS URBANA @ GLENVILLE, WV	
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 1:00 PM	VS WV WESLEYAN @ BUCKHANNON, WV	
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 1:00 PM	VS CHARLESTON @ GLENVILLE, WV	
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 2:00 PM	VS UVA-WISE @ WISE, VA	
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 1:00 PM	<i>HALL OF FAME WEEKEND</i> VS NOTRE DAME @ GLENVILLE, WV	
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 12:00 PM	VS SHEPHERD @ SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV	
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13 7:00 PM	<i>I-79 BARREL CLASSIC</i> VS ALDERSON BROADDUS @ GLENVILLE, WV	
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 1:30 PM	<i>HOMECOMING</i> VS WEST VIRGINIA STATE @ GLENVILLE, WV	
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 12:00 PM	VS CONCORD @ ATHENS, WV	
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 7:00 PM	VS WEST LIBERTY @ GLENVILLE, WV	
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 7:00 PM	<i>BATTLE FOR THE BIT</i> VS FAIRMONT STATE @ FAIRMONT, WV	

Remembering THE G-CLUB

The G-Club Sweater that belonged to **Paul Fulks '37** has been donated to GSC by his two children and is on display at the college's Waco Center.

It is the oldest known G-Club Sweater to be gifted to the institution.

Paul was a native of Fayette County and a long time resident of Lewis County. He lettered in football, basketball, and baseball at Glenville State where he competed for legendary Coach Nate Rohrbough. Paul was captain of his 1936 football team and president of the College's G-Club; he received his G-Club Sweater in 1934.

He went on to become a secondary school coach at Weston High School and then at Oak Hill High School. After a successful coaching career, he entered the private sector and established the very successful Fulks Sporting Goods. He retired from this company in 1971 and served on the Citizens Bank of Weston Board of Directors for many years.

He was inducted into GSC's Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame posthumously in 2006. Paul and his wife Shirley Bush Fulks had two children, Paul Michael "Mike" Fulks, who served on GSC's Board of Governors, and Melody Fulks

Bennett, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Paul passed away in 2006 and Shirley in 2013.

The G-Club was organized at Glenville in 1929. Men who had earned letters in football, basketball, and baseball were to be members of the organization. The purpose was to bring the athletes together and to create a feeling of fellowship among them. The group sponsored student activities and were active in the community and sometimes held functions at local high schools. The "Honor G" Sweaters were awarded to each member and served as the defining characteristic regarding their membership. ■

Student Veterans Association Helps Fellow Servicemembers



Attendees of a previous Military Appreciation Ball dance the night away. The annual event honors the dedication of veterans and their families but is open to everyone.

GSC's Student Veterans Association (SVA) was organized with the goal of becoming a resource to student veterans by student veterans. The group helps determine eligibility for VA assistance, shares information about benefit programs, and provides a social group for Pioneers who are former members of the military, regardless of service branch.

The group has held fundraisers, worked with a local VFW Post, and attended recruiting fairs to share information with other veterans about attending Glenville State College. Using input from SVA students, an automated contact system was established for incoming students who are veterans. Students in the group also maintain a Veterans Lounge with study space, an area for TV viewing, billiards table, and conference room.

Additionally, the group plans an annual Military Appreciation Ball complete with dinner, music, dancing, and traditional toasts. The event is open to everyone. ■

Accessibility and Second Chances

GSC taking part in initiative that opens availability of Pell Grants to high schoolers, prison inmates

The United States Department of Education has invited Glensville State College and 43 other postsecondary institutions across the nation to participate in an experiment that, for the first time, allows students taking college-credit courses to access Federal Pell Grants as early as high school. As part of this experiment, an estimated 10,000 high school students will have the opportunity to access approximately \$20 million in Federal Pell Grants to take dual enrollment courses provided by colleges and high schools throughout the nation. GSC is the only higher education institution in West Virginia invited to participate.

“Glensville State College is thrilled to be a part of this program which builds on efforts to make college-going more affordable for students and their families. Our Off-Campus Programming Office already has a network of area high schools where students can participate in dual enrollment courses and this will only expand our efforts. Glensville State’s participation in this program was a natural fit because much of what the Department of Education is now focusing on involves stronger partnerships between higher education and K-12 – something that we’ve already been working to do on this campus for the past several years,” said Glensville State College President Dr. Peter Barr.

Glensville State College was the only higher education institution in West Virginia selected for these nationwide initiatives.



Dual enrollment, in which students enroll in postsecondary coursework while also enrolled in high school, is a promising approach to improve academic outcomes for students, particularly those from low-income backgrounds. Selected experimental sites are required to ensure Pell-eligible students are not responsible for any charges for postsecondary coursework after applying Pell Grants, public and institutional aid, and other sources of funding.

According to information from the U.S. Department of Education, during the 2010-2011 school year, more than 1.4 million high school students took courses offered by a college or university for credit through dual enrollment. A growing body of research suggests that participation in dual enrollment can lead to improved academic outcomes, especially for students from low-income backgrounds and first-generation college students. Research suggests participation in dual enrollment can lead to better grades in high school, increased enrollment in college following high school, higher rates of persistence in college, greater credit accumulation, and increased rates of credential attainment.

While dual enrollment models have shown promising academic outcomes for students, cost can be a barrier; at nearly half of institutions with dual enrollment programs, most students pay out of pocket to attend.



Congressman David McKinley, P.E. delivered the keynote address at the last GSC Commencement ceremony held at FCI Gilmer. McKinley's great-grandfather is the Honorable Louis Bennett who served as the first Principal of Glenville Normal School.

Through this experiment, the Department of Education hopes to learn about the impact of providing earlier access to financial aid on low-income students' college access, participation, and success. The effectiveness of statutory and regulatory flexibility for postsecondary institutions that participate in the Federal student aid programs will be tested and, as such, existing financial aid rules that prohibit high school students from accessing Federal Pell Grants will be waived.

The Second Chance Pell pilot program is another that GSC is taking part in. The program, which includes 66 other educational institutions across the United States, will allow eligible incarcerated Americans to receive Pell Grants and pursue postsecondary education with the goal of helping them get jobs and support their families when they are released. The program builds on the U.S. Department of Education's commitment to contribute to a more effective criminal justice system, reduce the chance of being reincarcerated, and combat the impact of mass incarceration on families and communities through education.

GSC and the other selected colleges and

universities will partner with 141 Federal and state penal institutions to enroll roughly 12,000 incarcerated students in educational and training programs. Through the Second Chance Pell pilot program, Federal Pell Grant funds will be made available to qualified students who are incarcerated and are likely to be released within five years of enrolling in coursework.

Since 2005, Glenville State College has been an active partner in educating the incarcerated population at Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Gilmer. GSC and FCI Gilmer have an educational agreement that will be expanded to a larger percentage of their population by allowing them to use their Federal Pell Grant money.

GSC already offers a two-year degree program in business at FCI Gilmer and has seen over 50 individuals complete that program. With the announcement of the Second Chance Pell program, offerings will expand to include two- and four-year programs in business and natural resource management with a concentration in land surveying. Glenville State College programs are also being offered at Huttonsville Correctional Center in Randolph County. ■

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13%

Inmates who participate in correctional education programs have a 30% chance of recidivating, compared with 43% for those who do not. That's a 13-percentage-point drop in the risk of recidivism for those who participate.

Source: www.rand.org/t/r266

STUDENT REPRESENTS GSC AT NCAA LEADERSHIP FORUM

Glennville State College student-athlete Hunter Given was selected to attend the 2016 NCAA Student Leadership Forum that was held in Phoenix, Arizona in April. He was chosen by the Mountain East Conference (MEC) to represent GSC and the conference at the event. Given is a member of the Pioneer Men's Basketball team and a senior marketing and sport management student.

The Leadership Forum brings together a diverse and dynamic group of student-athletes, coaches, faculty, and administrators from all across the country at one event. Student-athletes selected to attend can return to their campuses with additional leadership skills, the experience of exploring the relationship between personal values, core beliefs, and behavioral styles, and a thorough understanding of the NCAA as a whole, the different divisional perspectives, and the valuable role of Student-Athlete Advisory Committees (SAAC). There is no cost to the participants, institutions, or conference offices for attending the event.

In addition to his responsibilities on the court and in the classroom, Given also represents GSC Athletics as Vice President of the campus SAAC, has been honored by the GSC Department of Business at their Annual Business Recognition Event for the last two years, and has earned academic honor roll recognition several times during his college career.

Topics covered at the forum mainly focused on evolving leadership skills for the student-athletes and other attendees. Guest speakers at the forum covered topics ranging from life after sports to what not to do on social media and making yourself a brand. The students also completed a community service project for children.

"I made several connections with various people at the event and I made friendships that will last a lifetime. It was neat to hear all the different stories from the others because we were all from different parts of the country," Given said.

"They separated the student-athletes into several different groups and I was a part of the Green Squad. My favorite thing was hanging out with the other members of my 'squad.' Everyone bonded and we created friendships that will last forever. It was awesome getting to represent the MEC and GSC. I met the others that were also representing the MEC and they enjoyed the forum as well," Given said.

"There was a quote that stuck with me that I plan on sharing with other students in our SAAC, 'you don't get what you deserve; you get what you go after.' To me, it just shows that you need to take action and go get what you want in life," he concluded.

Given, a Cowen, West Virginia native, graduated from Webster County High School in 2013 and is the son of Samuel and the late Teri Given. ■



Hunter Given at the NCAA Forum



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 HOMECOMING

Homecoming is a wonderful time for renewing college friendships, making new acquaintances, exchanging college memories and experiences, and enjoying Pioneer camaraderie.

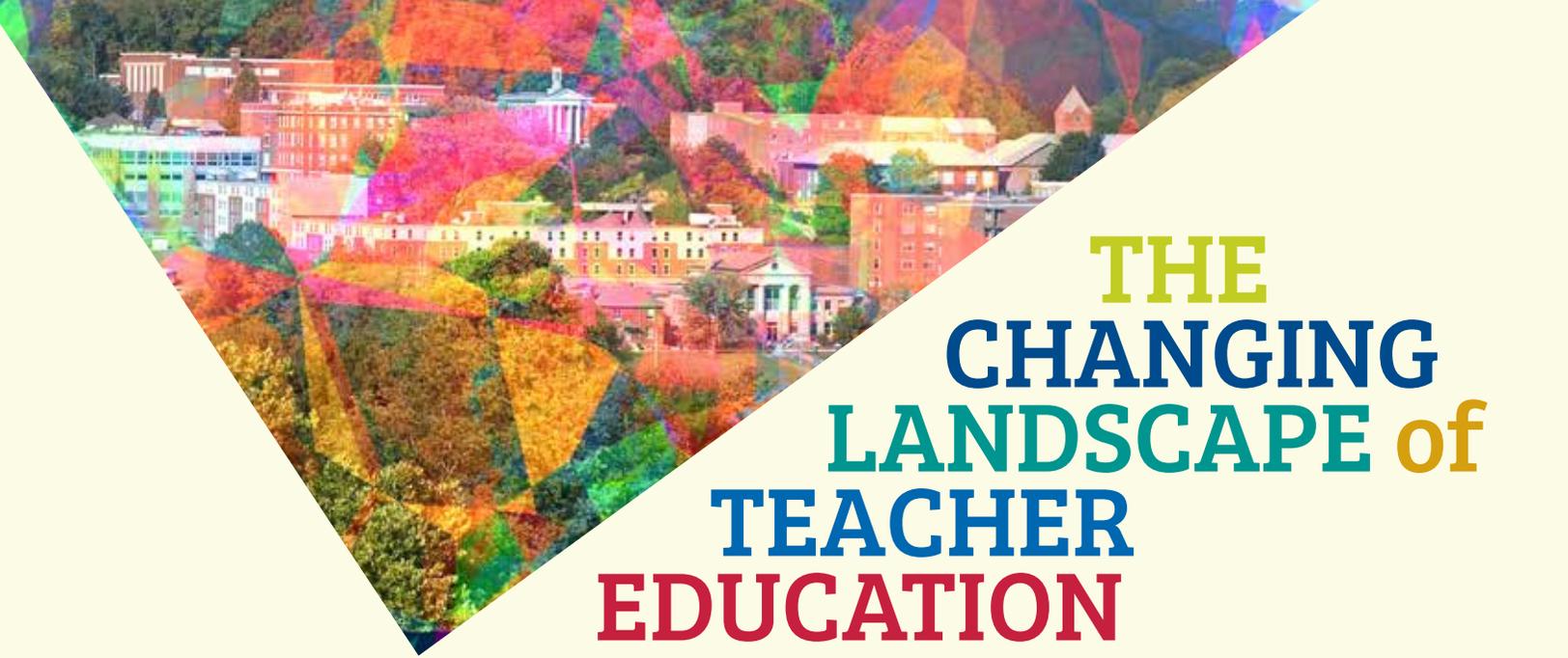
Come cheer on the Pioneers as they take on the West Virginia State Yellowjackets. Game time is set for 1:30 p.m. at Morris Stadium.

Other event details are being finalized as well. Check the college website, www.glenville.edu, for more information as the date nears.

This year we will be honoring former Homecoming Queens and Kings. If you or someone you know was a GSC Homecoming Queen or King in the past, you are asked to contact Debra.Nagy@glenville.edu or phone (304) 462-6100 for more information.

We hope you'll make plans to attend Homecoming 2016. GO PIONEERS!





THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE of TEACHER EDUCATION

By Dr. John Taylor and
Connie (Sandy) Stout O'Dell '90

The Teacher Education Program at Glenville State College has a long history of preparing highly successful teachers. Even though times have changed and teacher preparation has changed, the mission of the Teacher Education Program continues to focus on preparing highly effective teachers. Currently, the program emphasizes the Skilled, Reflective, and Responsive Teacher (SRRT) Model.

The SRRT Model encompasses a thorough understanding of subject content, along with well-developed capacities in instruction, classroom management, assessment, dispositions, and educational applications of technology. All of these are essential for successful teaching. It is equally important that prospective teachers develop the ability to reflect on their learning and teaching and respond to the identified needs based on this reflection. This will help to ensure that reflective practice results in responsive action, improving the teaching/learning process, and leading to continued professional growth.

At Glenville State College, the Department of Education has integrated many instructional strategies, reflective skills, content knowledge, and the evaluation of dispositions in the presentation of our professional course work and field experiences. We believe that continued improvement in teacher preparation demands the integration of knowledge, skills, and dispositions leading to responsive behavior. We proposed and developed a merger of skills, reflection, and response into the conceptual framework of SRRT.

The SRRT framework is not exclusive of the current teacher preparation curriculum, but rather surrounds and supports the acquisition of effective teaching skills with the reflective, responsive nature of good teaching. We further believe that skills, strategies, reflection, and productive and professional habits of mind can be molded and taught by unified faculty and, in turn, by our teacher candidates to their students. ■

CURRENTLY, THE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM INCLUDES A NUMBER OF RIGOROUS STANDARDS INCLUDING:

- Background checks for teacher candidates entering all clinical and field experiences
- Extensive number of hours in clinical and field experiences (up to 1,000 hours for some teacher education majors)
- Extensive experiences working with diverse populations
- Clinical and field experiences at a variety of programmatic levels and in varying certification areas
- Extensive opportunities for professional development both on and off campus
- All teacher candidates pass all mandated state licensure exams at the Admission to Teacher Education benchmark, as well as prior to Admission to the Internship semester. This allows our teacher education graduates to be fully certified in their respective specialization areas upon successful completion of the internship semester

Taylor and O'Dell are instructors in Glenville State College's Teacher Education Program.

WHAT RECENT GRADUATES ARE SAYING:

“I know that going into the world of education is a lot of hard work. It is my responsibility to be the skilled, reflective, and responsive teacher that Glenville State College has prepared me to be. I must be willing to change with the times and pay attention to the changes around me. Having a proper and formal education is only the first step in being successful. I have the skills to succeed. The SRRT is not just three individual items that a teacher needs to be; it is three things that go hand in hand in the world today.”

Erica (Perdue) Smith ‘16

Elementary Education (K-6) and Early Education (PreK-K) Major
Currently teaching Fourth Grade at Burnsville Elementary School



“During my education at Glenville State College, I have been trained on the ins and outs of teaching. I have been able to be a part of many professional development opportunities as well. Being a skilled teacher means that I have completed my teaching degree; but, I will also seek out opportunities to continually learn about my profession (professional development). The world of teaching is ever-changing, so it is important to be continually trained in order to keep up. Progressive, successful classrooms are not created overnight.

I definitely feel as if Glenville State College has given me the necessary background information to use as tools for teaching. By instilling this SRRT Model into our minds early on and continually touching on it all throughout the process, we will hopefully be better teachers. I know that my first year (or three) of teaching is going to be quite the adventure, but I hope that each year will provide me with a little more insight that will lead to a more successful learning environment.”

Annetta Snyder ‘16

English (5-Adult) Major
Currently teaching Special Education/English at Gilmer County High School

REQUIREMENTS FOR EDUCATION PROGRAM & STUDENT TEACHING INTERNSHIP

Course-work

Minimum 42 hours of coursework to be admitted to Teacher Education program

Praxis

Must take and pass required Praxis exams to be admitted into the Teacher Education program and for the student teaching internship

GPA

Must have a minimum 2.75 GPA to be admitted into the Teacher Education program

Permits & More

Complete an entrance interview, pass a background check, obtain a student teaching permit from the WV Department of Education, complete an exit interview at the conclusion of the program, submit a final portfolio showing evidence of impactful student learning, and more

Teacher Education students are responsible for over \$1,000 worth of out-of-pocket costs associated with additional testing, permits, etc.



Conner Ferguson and Brianna McClain at the state Democratic Convention held at the Charleston Civic Center in June

GSC STUDENTS ATTEND WV DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Two years after Glenville State College seniors Conner Ferguson and Brianna McClain were elected to the Democratic Executive Committees of their respective counties (Ferguson in Gilmer and McClain in Lewis), this year both were selected as county delegates to attend the State Democratic Convention that was held at the Charleston Civic Center in June. Every four years the West Virginia Democratic Party hosts an annual convention where the state democratic platform is amended and adopted, party officials and candidates address convention-goers, and delegates to the Democrat National Convention are elected.

As county delegates they were able to speak about issues on their county's behalf, engage in committee work, and network with other delegates, elected officials, and candidates.

Ferguson and McClain both have political aspirations beyond their time at GSC and hope to return to the convention floor as delegates in 2020. ■

Then & Now



This candid photo shows some Glenville State gals from the 1950s chatting and drinking Grapette soda in a dorm room (we're thinking it was taken in Verona Maple Hall - correct us if we got it wrong readers). We liked all of the details this shows from the clothes and hairstyles to the radio behind them and the pictures of their sweeties on the desk.



These days, Glenville students still like to hang out in their residence hall rooms between classes and in the evenings. Smartphones and laptops may have made AM radios and rotary phones unnecessary, but lasting friendships with fellow Pioneers is something that never goes out of style. ■



Greg James (center left) and Tim James (center right) at the WV Marching Band Invitational with their respective bands

WV Marching Band Directors Hall of Fame Inducts Two GSC Grads

Two Glenville State College graduates have been inducted into the West Virginia Marching Band Directors Hall of Fame during an awards ceremony that took place at the conclusion of the fourth annual West Virginia Marching Band Invitational that was held in Charleston in October 2015.

Greg James '76 has been the director of the Richwood High School marching band since 1984 and has been teaching for almost 40 years.

His bands have won many awards and competitions locally and nationally and continue to excel under his leadership. The Lumberjack Express has performed at events throughout the United States and Canada including the Gator Bowl, Kentucky Derby, Walt Disney World, and the Indianapolis 500.

Michael Fox '12 assists Greg with the Richwood Marching Band and tells *Pioneer Progress* that, while their uniforms were mostly spared, much of the rest of the band's equipment was ruined by the June 2016 flooding that hit Richwood especially hard. He said they have received donations of instruments and money from all around the country and are still taking collections to replace what was lost.

The decision was made not to open Richwood High School for the beginning of the new school year, instead holding school in portable classrooms, but the band has no plans of taking a break. In a Facebook post, Fox called it, "nothing the Pride of Nicholas County couldn't handle."

Timothy James '79 has directed the Cabell Midland High School marching band since 2011. He taught at various other schools in the state before his current position. Tim went on to complete a master's degree from Marshall University in 1983 after graduating from GSC.

Since taking leadership of the band, the Cabell Midland Marching Knights have been named the Marshall University Tri-State Band Festival Grand Champion four times. The band also is a three-time West Virginia Invitational Grand Champion.

Cabell Midland High School won the Overall Honor Band Award as well as the State Champion Award for Division AAA school at the 2015 Invitational.

Both the Invitational and the awards are sponsored by the West Virginia Division of Culture and History. ■

PRESERVING TRADITIONS

Fond Memories of Fern Rollyson

By **Susan (Barnhart) Maslowski '72**

I met **Fern (Huff) Rollyson '27** at the Mountain State Art and Craft Fair long before I became a student at Glenville State College.

At the time, I lived in Chester, West Virginia, the state's northernmost town. I did not get to go home much while in college, so Fern became my surrogate mother while at GSC. On weekends, Fern and her husband "Rolly" would often invite me to their house for a home-cooked meal.

For many years, Fern was the president of the WV Folk Festival, a summer celebration dedicated to preserving West Virginia's cultural traditions. Fern opened the Country Store and Museum in the old Ruddell General Store on Court Street.



Susan pictured at a spinning wheel in her downtown Glenville shop from a 1972 issue of The Mercury

During my senior year, I rented the adjacent storefront where I had a consignment craft shop and lived in a modest one-room apartment in the back. My kitchen consisted of a hot plate, so weekend meals with the Rollysons were appreciated.

Like Fern, I value my West Virginia heritage. In addition to the many cultural traditions, the preservation of vintage recipes is very important. They link our past and our connections to special people and events.

Curried Onions were one of Fern's specialties. I had never tasted curry before dining with the Rollysons. Fern's recipe was published in the 1969 WV State Folk Festival Cookbook.

Over the decades, since leaving Glenville, I have served Curried Onions on numerous occasions. The recipe always garners rave reviews.

As we move through our fast-paced, fast food world, we risk losing touch with special moments shared with extraordinary people. Curried Onions bring back fond memories of a lady whom many knew and loved. Fern holds a distinctive place in my heart. ■

Maslowski received an art degree from GSC with minors in home economics and math. She has been making pottery from her Mud River Pottery studio in Milton, WV for nearly 40 years. She also greatly enjoys cooking and gardening and serves as a West Virginia field editor for *Taste of Home* magazine and is a featured food writer for the *Sunday Charleston Gazette-Mail*.

Fern Rollyson, a mainstay of the WV State Folk Festival for many years, passed away in 1988. She was memorialized in the naming of one of the guest bedrooms in the GSC Alumni House which is completely furnished and decorated with items from her estate.

Fern Rollyson



Curried Onions

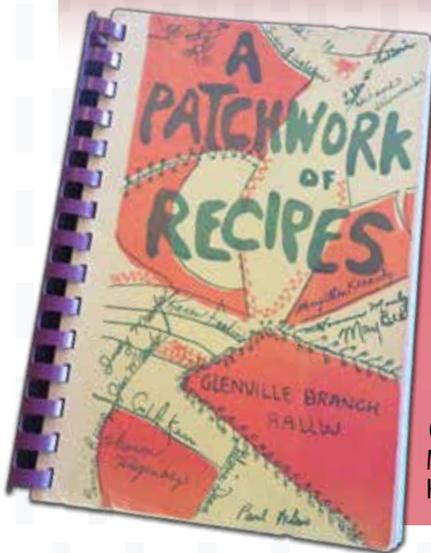
- 2 pounds white onions
- 1/3 cup butter
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon curry powder
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup beef broth
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup grated cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Peel and quarter onions. Boil 10 minutes in salted water. Drain and place in lightly buttered casserole.

Melt butter in medium saucepan. Whisk in flour. Add beef broth slowly, stirring to avoid lumps. Stir in milk and seasonings. When slightly thickened, stir in cheese. Pour hot sauce over onions.

Bake for 30 minutes. Garnish with paprika, if desired.



From Susan: This is a photo of the GSC Branch of American Association of University Women's Cookbook, published in June 1973. (It was one of the first cookbooks I've owned and I use it often.) It includes a recipe submitted by Fern for Hazel Marshall's Coffee Cake. Hazel was the House Mother at Verona Maple Hall for several years.



Last year's PBL President **Kristen (Meadows) Hoover '16** presents a certificate of recognition to **Walt Turner '69**

Walt Turner Meets with GSC Business Students

Walt Turner '69 returned to Glenville State College in April of this year to meet with students in the campus Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) future business leaders club and discuss his work and life experiences.

He was on campus for a meeting of the Business Department's Advisory Board, of which he is a member. That group, which is comprised of both alumni and other members of industry, meets annually to discuss employment trends, student preparedness, and vital skills for graduates.

Turner was named *Alumnus of the Year* by GSC's Alumni Association in 2015. ■

ALUMNI CREATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS IMPACTED BY FLOODING

Like many other GSC graduates, **Neal '84** and **Renita (Emerson) Benson '85** felt compelled to help those who lost nearly everything in the June flooding that ravaged much of West Virginia.

Several of those impacted included current and former Glenville State College students. In an effort to make the task of returning to school this fall a little easier, the Bensons decided to sponsor two book scholarships for new or continuing students who were affected by the flooding.

If students have a documented need through the Financial Aid Office, they can be considered for the scholarship.

"We hope that others will join us in helping these students have one less thing to worry about after this tragic flooding," Neal said.

If you are interested in helping current GSC students through scholarship donations or textbook affordability funds, contact the Glenville State College Foundation. The number to call is (304) 462-6381. ■

Photographic Flashback

This photo from the 1977 *Kanawhachen* shows faculty members from the Education Department. We're sure you recall some of these familiar faces.

Seated: Dr. Theresa Gray and Dr. Palmoneada Brown; standing: Larry Kearon, **Jean (Arnold) Adams-Smith '53**, **Dr. Stanley Anderson '55**, ElmaJean Woofter, and **John James '57**.

Adams-Smith, Anderson, James, and Woofter were given Emeriti status in 2000. ■



Familiar Faces

Former Faculty and Staff Visit Campus for Luncheon, Fellowship



Professor Emeritus Phil Rossano is an avid aficionado for stereo and recording equipment. He is still an active mentor to GSC's Fine Arts Department.

Professor Emeritus Harry Rich still teaches trumpet and French horn classes at GSC.

Professor Emeritus Dr. H. Gary Gillespie '59 has re-energized the Alumni Association's Huntington Chapter and is working to establish relationships with alumni in the area.

Professor Emeritus Rick Sypolt '75 is busy doing community service, working around the farm, and enjoying some travel.



Dennis Fitzpatrick '73 is currently serving as Glenville's Mayor.

Garry Kight enjoys spending time with his grandson and playing bridge now that he is retired. He still likes to stop by the campus Print Shop and 'talk shop' with the current employees when he can.



Mack Samples '64 continues to call square dances at WV's Vandalia Gathering, the WV State Folk Festival, and other events throughout the state. He has also authored 10 books.



Buddy Griffin '71 now resides in Nashville, TN and is "living the dream." He'll be back on campus to take part in GSC's annual Bluegrass Concert on October 8th.

After a stint at the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission as the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Professor Emerita Kathy (Poling) Butler Donley '76, is married and living in the Mountain State again.

Thelma (Wilson) Samples '64 travels the state with Mack '64. She continues to be his longtime ballroom and square dancing partner.

In her retirement, Brenda (Barton) McCartney '76 has spent a lot of time volunteering with the WV State Folk Festival committee and the local Lions Club.

Arleta Davis is spending extra time with her grandkids now that she is retired.

Jerry Collins has returned to GSC and works on a part-time basis.

Jean Weese is enjoying her retirement and still visits her friends and co-workers in the Science Hall.



Sherry deRosset is enjoying spending time with her new grandchild.

Dewell Spence has launched his own plumbing business since retiring last year.



Professor Emeritus Charles C. Scott designed the College's ceremonial mace. Being a renowned ceramist with works displayed in the Smithsonian Institution, he also produced the ceramic pieces that adorn the walnut mace. The mace is carried by the Chief Faculty Marshal (pictured, Wayne deRosset) at most formal events.



Sue Edwards is almost always a part of the Marthas and Marys group that brings treats to current students during finals. She's pictured (inset) with **Judy (Musgrave) Meads '66** and **Frances (Peters) Fitzwater '63**.



Professor Emeritus Yvonne (Hart) King '57 is an active member of the GSC Alumni Association. She continues to be held in high regard for her service to the campus newspaper, *The Mercury*.

Dr. David Gillespie '64 was honored by the GSC Alumni Association this year. See page 28.

Professor Emeritus Ralph Bame led a group of GSC science students on an annual geology field trip with **Larry Baker '88** again last semester.



Karen (Bush) Lay '79 continues to work at GSC on a part-time basis in the Financial Aid Office.

After retiring three times, **Eleanor Nicholas '89** now volunteers as the pianist for the Senior Choir that meets weekly at the Gilmer County Senior Center.

Emma Snider's family was recently featured on an episode of DIY Network's *Barnwood Builders*.

See page 20 to learn about Wilda Kuhl's son, **Ken '82**, and his visit to campus for a presentation.



FROM THE DESK OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT BOB MARSHALL

While serving as your Alumni Association President, I have had the pleasant opportunity of meeting and working with a number of our faculty and staff. This eye opening opportunity allows me to confidently say that the learning experience is being administered by competent, caring, and compassionate people. These are people committed to continuing the traditions and building the human values that the college and her graduates have long admired. It should come as no surprise that while many colleges are worrying about getting bigger and bigger, Glenville has simply been getting better.

In our commitment to Alumni and the college, your alumni association has purchased two blue canopies complete with recognizable Pioneer signage and symbols. Our plan is to have these canopies conspicuously displayed in the parking lots or associated areas at both high school and college football games. The canopy going to the various high school games will provide an opportunity for us to connect not only with alumni and friends of the college attending the games but with interested high school students, encouraging them to take a look at Glenville. There will be brochures available about what your alma mater has to offer as well as some college souvenirs for the taking. The college game canopy will frequent many of the Pioneer football games both home and away. Hopefully this will provide a common area where Alumni can gather and say “hey” to their old friends and acquaintances. Your Alumni Council sincerely hopes that you will take advantage of these opportunities to reconnect with old friends and to make new ones.

I especially encourage each of you to check out our homecoming announcement located elsewhere in this magazine and make plans to come back to campus on October 22nd. Reach out to your former classmates and other Glenville acquaintances that you haven’t seen in a while and encourage them to come early and stay late as we gather to reminisce about our times at Glenville and to enjoy the special Pioneer camaraderie that is so unique to our campus. Check out the college’s website at www.glenville.edu for more information about homecoming event times.

In June 2017 Glenville State College will reach yet another milestone when President Peter Barr retires after eleven years of service to your alma mater. I had the opportunity of meeting Dr. Barr shortly after he assumed the presidency in 2006. His hard work and commitment to Glenville State has come during challenging times for colleges and universities throughout the country. Dr. Barr’s highly successful Hidden Promise Scholars program not only helped further education in West Virginia but it has helped to move the college to where it is today. Clearly, we all owe both Dr. Barr and his wife Betsy a debt of gratitude for their hard work and commitment to making Glenville State College the successful institution it is today. On behalf of our Alumni and Friends of the College, please allow me to offer a heartfelt “thank you” while wishing Dr. Barr and Betsy the very best of everything as they move into this next important and rewarding phase of their lives.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Marshall". The ink is dark and the signature is written in a fluid, personal style.

Bob Marshall
Class of 1966

Ken Kuhl Speaks at GSC



Glennville State College welcomed **Ken Kuhl '82** back to campus in November 2015 as he presented about his background, education, and work experience. He oversees all event operations for the Dallas Mavericks professional basketball team and the Dallas Stars professional ice hockey team. Additionally, he manages booking, marketing, and scheduling of other events held at the American Airlines Center and the AT&T Plaza, an outdoor venue located on the south side of the center.

In his discussion of the ins and outs of his current job, Ken told of how GSC helped him in his career. He is a native of Normantown, West Virginia and holds a Master's Degree in Sports Management from West Virginia University. His mother, Wilda Kuhl (now retired), was a long-time employee in the GSC Robert F. Kidd Library. ■



President and Mrs. Barr with Dennis Wemm (right)

Wemm Receives Barr Award

Glennville State College Professor of Communications Dennis Wemm received the 2016 Pete and Betsy Barr Professional Development Award. Wemm, who directs the theatre program at GSC in addition to his teaching duties, used the funds to purchase a control console for the stage lighting in the Harry B. Heflin Administration Building Auditorium.

"The console will usher in a new era to theatre endeavors in the Presidents Auditorium. Over the past five years, the theatre has been replacing our aging incandescent lighting with LEDs. These are great in terms of saving energy and allowing precise control of color," said Wemm.

The new console allows for easy, accurate, and intuitive programming of the lights. He says that theatre staff will be able to precisely control each fixture using controllers like a video game, set the show up, and run it with the touch of a button.

In addition to directing the theatre program, Wemm is a Past President of the GSC Faculty Senate, has served on the Curriculum Committee, and the HLC accreditation Steering Committee.

Professor Wemm and his wife Dr. Nancy Wemm, a full Professor at New River Community and Technical College in Summersville, West Virginia, live in Glennville. They have two children; daughter Stephanie and son Alex, whose continued academic success he says makes him mighty proud.

The Pete and Betsy Barr Professional Development Award is rotated annually between Glennville State College faculty and staff and must be used within eighteen months of being awarded. The award is designed primarily for the recipient to further their professional growth, although the awardee can use the money to further their particular area of interest in lieu of traditional professional development activities. ■



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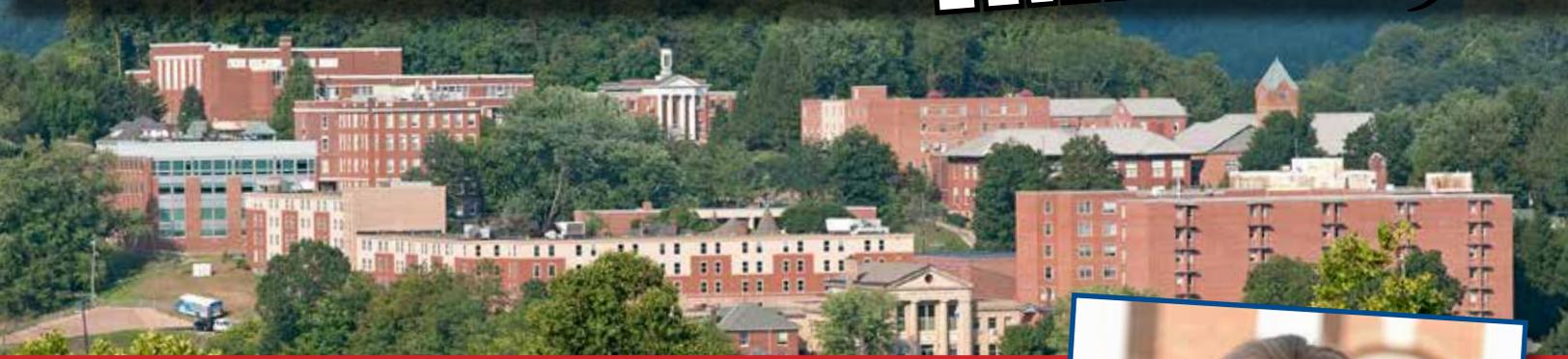
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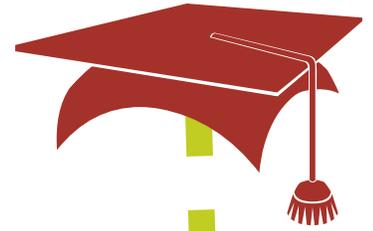
*Student Leadership Award recipient **Emily Ramezan '16** (center) with President Barr and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Milan Vavrek*



***Ben Neal '16, Curtis Sutphin '16, and Levi Lynch '16** perform with the Concert Band at Commencement*



GETTING THERE *from* HERE



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

In Glensville State College's continuing pursuit to provide a quality education to the young people of the Mountain State, we recognize that one of our most important allies are K-12 classroom teachers.

An important part of the Hidden Promise Consortium is outreach to public schools. In coordination with JASON Learning, a non-profit organization focused on exploring Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) careers, a main focus of the program has been improving communication between higher education and K-12 teachers. To that end, multiple conferences, workshops, and

training sessions have been held at GSC for public school teachers, often focusing on ways to help students become better prepared before coming to college.

Through multiple events over the past four years, outreach project coordinators Janet Kerby and **Kim King '69** have established connections with teachers, central office personnel, and superintendents from all around West Virginia. In so doing, discussions have taken place on issues and opportunities facing both public school teachers and college professors.

The workshops have mostly been funded by Improving Teacher Quality (ITQ) grants through the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission. Strategies discussed at the workshops also are frequently shared with pre-service student teachers in GSC's Education Department.

Many of the attendees tell us how much they've enjoyed their trips to campus for the workshops. According to the Mingo County Curriculum Director, two of their ninth grade English language arts (ELA) teachers and a tenth grade teacher attended a previous ITQ workshop at GSC. "All three expressed to the county that they received high quality training during the session," she said. In 2013, Clay County Superintendent **Kenneth Tanner '81** said, "We believe that through the special efforts and assistance of Glensville State College, our teachers will be better trained and our student achievement will increase."

With more and more teachers attending and enjoying the workshops, Kerby and King are always planning new events in English, math, and science. ■



Teachers at GSC for a summer ITQ mathematics workshop



'71

Alumnus of the Year GARY RAY

After graduating from Glenville State, Gary Ray started out as a teacher and coach but quickly rose through the ranks becoming Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Principal, Director of Schools for the Fayette County Board of Education, Assistant Executive Director of the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission, and Executive Director of the Commission until his retirement in January of this year – forty-five years of fulfilling his dream, touching lives, and giving back because of his experiences at Glenville.

Ray resides in Fayetteville with his wife Cindy, who he met at Glenville. They have two grown children and three grandchildren.

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.



'72

Community Service Award KEN DAVIS

Ken Davis was hired by Wood County Schools in the fall of 1973 and served as public address announcer for Wood County junior high schools for 25 years. He started teaching at Parkersburg South in 1990.

Davis has retired from teaching but remains active at the school as the announcer for several of the school's sports teams and was recently presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award which recognized him for 25 years of serving as the 'Voice of the Patriots.'

He and his wife, **Monica (Borkowski) Davis '78**, reside in Parkersburg.

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



'06

Young Alumna Award JAMIE HICKMAN WEAVER

In 2014, Weaver served as a Fulbright Scholar grantee in Romania, where she taught writing at the University of Bucharest. Her work has been published in the *Found Poetry Review* and *The Journal of Artist's Books*. She also has a book of poetry available through Finishing Line Press.

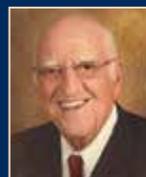
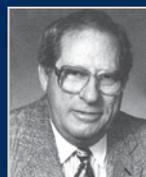
Weaver teaches writing at New River Community and Technical College and is a native of Calhoun County.

She holds a Master of Arts degree in English Composition and Rhetoric from Marshall University and a Master of Fine Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Book and Paper Arts from Columbia College in Chicago, IL.

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.

Those recognized included (l-r):
R. Fred Radabaugh '52, **Dr. Russell M. Shepherd '62**, **D. Maynard Shoemaker '67**, **Gerald Snyder**, **Dr. Mary Jo Pribble**, **Virginia West '41**, and **Charles "Chick" Zakarian '54**.

SEVEN RECOGNIZED POSTHUMOUSLY AT ALUMNI BANQUET



Award Recipients Honored



Young Alumnus Award **FREDDIE PERSINGER, D.O.**

Dr. Persinger, who is a published, board certified, and board eligible general orthopedic surgeon, received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree with high honors from the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg before moving to Columbus, Ohio to complete his orthopedic surgery residency through OhioHealth.

While training, he sharpened his skills by taking trauma calls at Grant Medical Center and Nationwide Children's Hospital and refined his upper and lower extremity surgical skills by training with world renowned surgeons of all orthopedic specialties.

Dr. Persinger is currently working at Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital in the Weston Orthopedic and Sports Medicine Center. He is a native of Lewis County.

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.



Alumni Achievement Award **DR. DAVID GILLESPIE**

Gillespie, a native of Webster Springs, taught two years in public schools after graduating from GSC before entering Indiana University where he earned his master's degree in Library Science. He later returned to GSC as Library Director, where he served for sixteen years and is remembered as an exceptional librarian.

Dr. Gillespie made the Robert F. Kidd Library a first class facility. Additionally, he did a superb job in working with the academic departments. He took a leave of absence while at Glenville and acquired his Ph.D. from Florida State.

In 1984 he left GSC to become Library Director at Frostburg State University in Maryland where he distinguished himself in many areas during his 30 years of service before retiring in 2013.

He has returned to Webster County in his retirement.

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

Outstanding Teacher Award **DAWN BAILEY MCGINNIS**

After her graduation from GSC in 1991, McGinnis went on to earn her master's degree in School Administration from Grand Canyon University.

She taught elementary music in Raleigh County before becoming the Choir and Musical Theatre Director at Woodrow Wilson High School in Beckley. McGinnis also serves as the West Virginia All-State Chorus Chairperson where she travels all across the state to select students to be members of the choir.

McGinnis called her time at GSC her 'saving grace' and said the music faculty members truly changed her life, were her family, and helped her get through college. She continues to send music majors to GSC in her role as a teacher and mentor.

Before her GSC days, she attended Richwood High School in Nicholas County and studied with Dr. David Bess and **Mr. Greg James '76**.

A former student of hers, Scott Barber, is currently attending GSC. He said, "Mrs. McGinnis was like a second mother to me. She always helped me when something was wrong and I was very blessed to have had her as a teacher. Being in her class was amazing and I got to connect with people that I never would have talked to if it wasn't for being in musical theatre. Congratulations on the award Mrs. McGinnis!"

Dawn and her husband have three daughters and one son that also share her love of the arts.

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

NOMINATIONS SOLICITED

Know someone who has excelled in their chosen career path?

See criteria for Alumni Banquet nominations at
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and submit them before December 15th

WILD & WONDERFUL *WYOMING*

GSC MUSICIANS SPEND SUMMER ON COWBOY STATE DUDE RANCH



Two Glenville State College students in the Bluegrass Music Program traveled to Paradise Guest Ranch just outside of Buffalo, Wyoming to take part in a summer-long internship. The sophomore Bluegrass Music majors – Jake Stover from Mason County, West Virginia and Isaiah Sattelmaier from Creston, Ohio – made the trip across the country during the summer. The opportunity was so unique, a *Pioneer Progress* correspondent had to reach out to the two musicians.

Pioneer Progress: *So, an internship on a dude ranch. How did that come about?*

Jake Stover: The owner of the ranch, Clay Miller, actually contacted the college looking for bluegrass musicians to work on his ranch and play music for the guests. I had no clue what a dude ranch was before this.

Isaiah Sattelmaier: The Ranch is a resort of sorts where people come and stay for a week to ride horses and hike and spend time outdoors. Clay told us he watched a documentary on bluegrass music which mentioned colleges that have special programs aimed toward traditional bluegrass. After that, he decided to call GSC to see if he could find some musicians to come work at the ranch...and here we are.

P.P.: *Tell us about what you've been doing through the summer?*

J.S.: We play music in the saloon almost every night, but during the day we are busy with various kinds of ranch work. I'm a part time fly fishing guide as well, which is one of my favorite things that I do here.

I.S.: I mainly perform and host activities for kids at the ranch.

P.P.: *Buffalo, Wyoming and Glenville, West Virginia...any similarities?*

J.S.: Wyoming as a whole is a lot like West Virginia. The people are won-

derful and hardworking who would give you the shirt off their backs if you needed it, just like at home. Plus, where we are staying is somewhat like a college campus. Most of the crew members are college age so that makes it feel a little like Glenville.

I.S.: I'll say some of the culture of Wyoming is different than that of West Virginia. But I agree, the people share the same nice hospitality that I have grown used to in Glenville.

P.P.: *What's been your favorite thing about being a part of the Bluegrass Program at GSC?*

J.S.: Playing shows with the Bluegrass Band of course. Recording our CD was a lot of fun too.

I.S.: Learning about how I can represent traditional bluegrass music as a musician.

P.P.: *Where did your interest in bluegrass and/or traditional music start?*

J.S.: It started when I heard a song with banjo in it when I was about 13 years old. I had not previously had any exposure to the music but at that point I decided I wanted a banjo.

I.S.: Mine began when my dad took me to a big bluegrass jam held weekly at a church. I heard the banjo and decided that I wanted to play it.

P.P.: *What advice do you have for other young and upcoming musicians?*

J.S.: "Sing it the way you feel it." It's a quote from the movie *Tender Mercies*. It has stuck with me for a while and I'm glad I finally got a chance to use it.

I.S.: I would say familiarize yourself with the music you want to play, force yourself to play in uncomfortable situations, and practice like a fiend. Nothing can replace the benefits of practice.



ATTACHED AT THE BANJO

Isaiah Sattelmaier and Jake Stover spent the summer of 2016 completing an internship at a Wyoming dude ranch

P.P.: *What else do we need to know?*

J.S.: We always love to promote our annual fall bluegrass concert. This year it's going to be on Saturday, October 8th in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium on campus. The music starts at 6:00 p.m and you'll hear from the GSC Bluegrass Band and **Buddy Griffin '71** and Ashley Messenger of Retro & Smiling. It'll be a lot of fun. ■

CLASS OF 1960

Fred Taylor was inducted into the inaugural class of the Red Devil Hall of Fame at Ravenswood High School during their homecoming activities in October 2015.

CLASS OF 1967

Ken Fogelsong has retired from his Glenville Nationwide insurance office which he managed for 37 years. He has also sold the used car dealership that he operated alongside his office.

CLASS OF 1969

John M. Collins, although retired, currently teaches Handbell En-

sembles at the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Weston.

Gary Farnsworth of Vincent, OH has published a collection of poetry written while he was serving in Vietnam between 1970 and 1972. The book is entitled *Thoughts of an American Soldier*.

Mike Deem was one of the ten athletes inducted into the Mid-Ohio Valley Sports Hall of Fame during an Induction Banquet in June 2016. He played football at GSC and earned All-West Virginia Conference honors as a junior. Deem spent his entire teaching and coaching career in Jackson County at Ripley High School – 37 years teaching and 27 of those years as athletic director.

CLASS OF 1970

Marcus S. Williams retired in 1995 as a Captain in the U.S. Navy and retired from the Department of Defense Civil Service in 2015.

CLASS OF 1971

J. Larry Barton has retired from two careers. First, he retired as an educator in 2005 after serving as principal at Williamstown High School. In March 2016, he retired as a truck driver for Mystic Hills Transportation LLC in Parkersburg. Larry and his wife, **Deana '98**, a former teacher in the Wood County school system, are building a house in Gilmer County, where they will be relocating from Parkersburg.

CLASS OF 1966

Celebrating 50 Years by Participating in the 2016 Commencement Ceremony as 50 Year Graduates



(l-r) Front row, seated: Sue (Eddy) Marshall, Judith (Woofter) Jones, Judith (Cottrill) Smith, Barbara (Cogar) McDaniels, Rita (Cross) Dale, Joyce McCarty Law, Cynthia (Williams) Cottrill, Coraletta Barker Houck, Darrell "Dike" Goff, Judith (Musgrave) Meads

Back row, standing: Robert "Bob" Marshall, John Hoover, James Johnson, Paul Wigal, Thomas Hawkins, Donald Dooley, James Lydon, Lee Willis, William Cottrill, James Houck, Robert Butler, David Daugherty

Not pictured but also in attendance: Mariana McFerrin Griffith

CLASS OF 1972

Ray Swisher was one of the ten athletes inducted into the Mid-Ohio Valley Sports Hall of Fame during an Induction Banquet in June 2016. After graduation from GSC, he spent 36 years at Ripley High School as head baseball coach, winning over 700 games and two state championships.

John Westfall, DDS has retired as Glenville's local dentist after 41 years. As of May 31, 2016 Gilmer County native Dr. Andrew Minigh and his associate Dr. Rachel Wilt assumed patient responsibility at the Mineral Road practice.

CLASS OF 1973

Roy Henderson was appointed to the Calhoun Banks Board of Directors effective July 1, 2015. Henderson is currently Vice President of Operations at Appalachian Timber Services LLC in Sutton. Calhoun Banks is a community bank with its main headquarters in Grantsville, Elizabeth, and Glenville.

Michael T. Rust was sworn in as a member of the Glenville State College Board of Governors on June 15, 2016. He was named President and Chief Executive Officer of the Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA) in January 1996.



Mike and his wife Nancy reside in Louisville, KY.

CLASS OF 1974

James Bennett, President and CEO of both Calhoun Banks and its holding company Calhoun Bankshares, is preparing for a late 2016 retirement. Jim has been with the bank for 31 years and has served as CEO since 1987. After his retirement, he will continue to serve as president of the board of directors of Calhoun Banks.

William Buddy Thomas has served as Principal at George Jenkins High School in Lakeland, FL for the past fifteen years. Founded in 1993, the school has an enrollment of 2,293.

CLASS OF 1975

Steve Buffington was inducted into the inaugural class of the Red Devil Hall of Fame at Ravenswood High School during their homecoming activities in October 2015.

Debra (McCartney-Simon) Harrison, Ed.D. is the Vice President for Student Advancement and Success at Salem International University.

Charles A. "Chuck" Julian, Ph.D., of Keyser, has been appointed to a two year term on the West Virginia Library Commission (WVLC). He previously served on the Library Commission from July 2000 to June 2013. The gubernatorial appointment by West Virginia Governor Earl Ray Tomblin, with approval of the West Virginia State Senate, makes Julian one of nine West Virginia citizens who serve as State Library Commissioners. His appointment was supported by Delegate Gary Howell who joined the Governor when the official announcement was made. Dr. Julian is Director of the Mary F. Shipper Library and Associate University Librarian at Potomac State College of West Virginia University.



CLASS OF 1976

Charles "Bernie" Buttrey was inducted into the Parkersburg High School Hall of Fame in October 2015. He is the only coach in PHS history to win back to back state championships. Buttrey was inducted into GSC's Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame in 2014.

Stanley Taylor has retired from his math teacher and Title I reading specialist position at Eagle School Intermediate in Berkeley County.

He enjoyed working for the school system for 38 years.

CLASS OF 1977

Faye (Kuhl) Chambers has retired from Gilmer County Schools, coordinating her retirement date with her last day as principal of Normantown Elementary School. The school was closed with the consolidation of the remaining county elementary schools to Gilmer County Elementary.

Jim Mundy is a Client Relationship Manager and assistant to the firm's president at Bice Wealth Management in Mooresville, NC. In addition to over 22 years of experience in the financial services industry, Jim earned a Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow (LUTCF) in 1996.



Jimmy L. Scott was one of the ten athletes inducted into the Mid-Ohio Valley Sports Hall of Fame during an Induction Banquet in June 2016. At Glenville State, he was WVIAC Golfer of the Year as a sophomore and finished 35th in a field of 180 golfers in the NAIA nationals.

CLASS OF 1980

Gary Shaffer continues to enjoy making clay pots and meeting people who like to use them. He credits GSC Professor Emeritus Charles C. Scott in helping him to further his technique. Visit garyshafferpottery.com for more information.

Brenda Weaver, a social worker at Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital in Weston, was named Employee of the Month in February 2016. This is the third time that she has received the honor. Weaver holds a Master's Degree in Counseling from Marshall University.



CLASS OF 1982

Tim Sayre, a three year baseball player at GSC, was inducted into the Wahama High School Athletic Hall of Fame in September 2015. Sayre, who holds a Master's Degree +30, has taught for 33 years in Wood County and coached boys' basketball, girls' basketball, golf, and football for 15 years.



Tom Snyder and his son **Thomas '15** participated in the West Virginia Governor's One Shot Whitetail Hunt at Stonewall Resort as guides in October 2015. Tom works in GSC's Land Resources Department as an Academic Laboratory Instructional Assistant.

CLASS OF 1983

Neil Doug Patterson joined **Ralph J. Holder '56**, Chair of the Mid-Ohio Valley Alumni Chapter, in hosting a golf fundraiser for GSC's Pioneer Athletic Club on Friday, June 24th at the South Hills Golf Club in Parkersburg. PAC is the fundraising arm of GSC Athletics.

CLASS OF 1984

Jimmy Dean Fitzwater, West Virginia Market president for Chase Business Banking, was recently appointed to serve on the Glenville State College Foundation Board. He has more than 30 years of banking experience, is vice chair of the board of directors for Goodwill Industries of KYHOWVA Area, Inc., serves on the executive committee for Huntington Area Development Council, and is treasurer for Hope Christian Center, where he actively participates on the praise and worship team.

Cynthia (Stewart) Kelley, Ed.D. has been selected to serve as the President of Madisonville Community College in Kentucky. She has served as Vice President for Academic Affairs at

Motlow State Community College in Lynchburg, Tennessee since 2014. Prior to that position, she served as Vice President for Student Services at Kanawha Valley Community and Technical College in South Charleston, West Virginia from 2012-2014 and in a variety of leadership positions at West Virginia University at Parkersburg including a stint as Dean of Academic Affairs from 2009-2012. Kelley, who has also taught Special Education in West Virginia's public schools, holds a master's degree in Education of Gifted and Talented Students from West Virginia University, and a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from Ohio University. Dr. Kelly began her duties as MCC president on July 1.



CLASS OF 1985

Betty (Wagner) King is Vice President of Education and Operations for the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra. The Symphony visited Glenville State College for a performance this September.

John L. Morgan of Parkersburg has published his second book, this one entitled *He Said vs She Said*. It is a romance novel intended for mature audiences according to Morgan who has written the book under the pen name J. Leslie Morgan. He hopes to eventually agent a Lifetime movie out of the book, which is available through amazon.com both in paperback and Kindle versions.

CLASS OF 1986

Kaye Spiker was promoted to High School Assistant Director at the Washington County Career Center in Marietta, OH in July 2015. She has been with the Career Center for the past 16 years. Spiker holds a master's degree from Northern Arizona University in educational leadership.

CLASS OF 1987

C. Gregory Cunningham was recently named to the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital board of directors. In his professional career, Cunningham has over 27 years of land acquisition experience in the area.



CLASS OF 1988

Randall Underwood has been hired as senior vice president and chief lending officer at Clear Mountain Bank in Bruceton Mills. He is responsible for managing the bank's commercial loan production process, as well as cash management, business banking, and other related products.

CLASS OF 1989

Charles "Chuck" Schmidt took the lead on developing a GSC smartphone application that current students can use to access their academic records, directories, maps, and more. He teaches developmental mathematics at GSC.

CLASS OF 1990

Rod Barker resides in Keyser and is a financial advisor with the firm, Edward Jones.

Traci Probst of Weston has been hired by West Virginia Wesleyan College as an instructional technology specialist to round out the college's Title III team. Probst went to Wesleyan from the Lewis County school system, where she served as the technology integration specialist.



Crystal (Kitzmiller) Toney is Senior Director of Accounting and Administrative Services of the West

Virginia Housing Development Fund in Charleston. She joined the Fund in 1990 as Accounting Officer. In 1998, she became Manager of Accounting and Investments and in 2005, she became the Managing Director of Accounting and Information Services. Crystal was appointed to her current position in June 2012.

CLASS OF 1991

Toni Bishop is serving as principal of the new Gilmer County Elementary School which opened in August 2016. Bishop has been an employee with Gilmer County Schools since 1984. She holds a master's degree in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Curriculum and Instruction from Marshall University, and an administrative degree from WVU. Toni had been the principal at Glenville Elementary School since August 2003.

Leigh Dawn (Bailey) McGinnis, an instructor at Woodrow Wilson High School in Beckley, was selected Chairperson of the All-State Choir for the State of West Virginia in 2015. McGinnis was appointed by the Executive Committee of the West Virginia Vocal Music Association. McGinnis will hold the position for two years, with one of her responsibilities being to visit all seven regions of the state. She will select members of the All-State Choir during those travels, which will total nearly 250 students.

CLASS OF 1993

Daniel Reed has written a book for high school seniors and their parents entitled *My Senior Year*. This book, published by Darcon Publishing, is written to help both the student and their parent to navigate the student's transition from high school to post graduate goals whether that is going to college, joining the military, or entering the work force. Reed is a professional counselor who is uniquely qualified to provide students with information on how to succeed after high school. Not only has he worked

as a therapist in a community mental health setting, he has also worked across the education spectrum serving students on the primary, secondary, and post-secondary levels. Daniel has been a Dean of Counseling and Academic Services at a private university and has taught classes on both the undergraduate and graduate levels. He currently serves as high school counselor at Gilmer County High School.

CLASS OF 1994

Lisa Hayes-Minney has enjoyed much success with her *Two-Lane Livin'* magazine, a free print magazine completely funded by advertising. Beginning with a 10,000 copies per monthly issue when she launched the publication in 2007, she has since increased the print quantity to 16,000 monthly copies and that still isn't enough to service the sixteen counties



that the magazine is currently available in. Minney says that nationwide print media may be losing the fight against the digital world but the high demand for *Two-Lane Livin'* magazine is proof that print media isn't dead in the Mountain State, largely because of her readership's love for print and partly because of the many issues that she and others in her service area have with reliable internet service. Minney, who is currently working towards a Master of Fine Arts degree at West Virginia Wesleyan College, is also an adjunct professor at Glenville State College. She hopes to soon launch a second publication; a literary journal and possibly Writer's workshops in central West Virginia as there are limited opportunities for creative writing in the Mountain State.

CLASS OF 1996

Kandas A. (Jones) Queen returns to her alma mater this fall as an Assistant Professor of Business.

CLASS OF 1997

Joshua Bonnett has been promoted to Director of Provider Connectivity at Humana, Inc. where he is responsible for population health platforms and strategy. Josh received his master's degree from Webster University in 2004 and resides in Shelbyville, KY.

Tony Gibson has been given the additional title of associate head coach to go with his previous duties of defensive coordinator and linebackers coach for the WVU Mountaineers.



Marlan Zwoll is working with the WV Bureau of Public Health in Charleston as a Compliance and Enforcement Officer. He previously worked for the Calhoun County School system as Supervisor of Support Services from January 2014 to June 2015.

CLASS OF 1998

Angela (Small-Jones) Copeland has her master's degree and works as a school counselor at Westwood Middle School in Morgantown.

Robert Delansky is owner of Shingle Shine, a roof cleaning business serving northern West Virginia and southwestern Pennsylvania. His business recently expanded into central West Virginia including Glenville, Weston, and Buckhannon. In addition to cleaning rooftops, his company also cleans concrete, stone, decks, vinyl siding, and sidewalks. Robert is currently employed full time by the State of West Virginia and runs his business after work and on weekends.

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CLASS OF 2000

Ted Garrett and his wife, Jennifer, have purchased Swisher Feed in Weston. Garrett worked as a surveyor for the JF Allen Company for 15 years and later went into project management where he has managed highway, oil and gas, construction, and aviation projects but his work kept him away from home too much. Ted, who still farms, started his new venture last spring.



CLASS OF 2001

Greg Estep, Ph.D. graduated with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Forest Resource Science from West Virginia University in May 2015.



Fran Jenkins resides in Lost Creek and is Financial Aid Director at West Virginia Junior College's Bridgeport Campus.

CLASS OF 2003

Jennie James has been named Assistant Dean for Development where she is to lead and manage all aspects of the development program at the College of Law at West Virginia University. James, who received a Master of Arts in Journalism from Marshall University in 2006 and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Charleston in 2010, previously was a member of the WVU Foundation's Individual Giving team.

Jeffrey Jenkins is Senior Vice President & Director of Business Development at Citizens Bank in Weston. He also teaches business classes for GSC at FCI Gilmer and serves as the college's head men's golf coach.

Julie (Heckert) Perrin was selected Gilmer County's Teacher of the Year for the 2014-2015 school year. She has taught in Gilmer County for eleven years. Julie and her husband Sam are the parents of two sons, Mason and Matthew.

Melissa (Nicholas) West and her husband Tracy reside in Calhoun County. The two were married on June 16, 2012 and she works as a Parenting Specialist for West Virginia Family Support and Rehabilitation Services in Parkersburg.

CLASS OF 2004

Alicia "Ali" Varney has graduated with honors from Walden University with a Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health. She will further her career in the mental health field as a therapist with her degree advancement.

CLASS OF 2005

Melanie (Ritchie) Arthur returned home to her native Calhoun County in 2015 and is in her second year as principal at Calhoun Middle High School; this is after teaching assignments in North Carolina and Virginia as well as an administration position in Chicago. She credits her husband's coaching assignments for her work in these three states where she has served as a second, third, and fourth grade teacher in Special Education and Child Intervention. In addition to her degree from GSC, she holds a master's degree in Reading and Literacy and an education specialist degree in Leadership and Administration.

Jason Gum was recognized as a West Virginia History Hero during the West Virginia Division of Culture and History's annual West Virginia History Day in February 2016. He currently serves as archivist and staff



librarian at GSC's Robert F. Kidd Library and has a special interest in the history of north central West Virginia. Additionally Jason was named to the Program Committee of the West Virginia Humanities Council for a three year term beginning June 1, 2016. Jason was one of two new members elected to the Program Committee.

Jennifer McPherson is the Policy Analyst for the West Virginia House of Delegates' Minority Office.

CLASS OF 2007

Tom Cumberledge has returned to his native West Virginia as a Kanawha County Sheriff's Deputy. After graduating from GSC with a degree in criminal justice, he worked for six months at the Huttonsville Correctional Center near Elkins before moving to Washington D.C. and accepting a position working for the Metro Transit Police. He and his wife Selena have two children and now enjoy living in Kanawha County.

Katie (Likins) Sergent is Community Relations Coordinator at West Virginia Junior College where she is responsible for spreading awareness in the community about the opportunities at WVJC through high school presentations, GED Class visitations, and more.



CLASS OF 2008

Amy (Riddle) Chapman coached the girls' basketball team at Gilmer County High School to the State Championship in 2016.

Cassandra "Cassy" Davis is an Administrative Assistant at Gupta Permod Corporation in Pittsburgh where she assists the Cor-



poration's president with O'Penny Pictures.

James "Jamie" Fields, Research Assistant at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA, is working to obtain a Doctor of Philosophy in Business. Jamie received his Masters of Business Administration from Marshall University in 2011. He remains an avid golfer.

Jamie Quinn Hopen works as an Environmental Resource Specialist at the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection. She also serves as adjunct faculty member at GSC, teaching environmental science classes.

Rebekah Long released her first project, *Here I Am*, in May 2016 on LUK Records. It was produced by singer, songwriter, and producer Donna Ulisse. The album contains 13 bluegrass tracks consisting of new material and some old classics done with a bluegrass twist. Visit www.cybergrass.com to see more.



CLASS OF 2009

Kim Conrad is an Assistant Professor of Marketing at WV Wesleyan College beginning this fall. Kim has a master's degree in Integrated Marketing Communications from WVU and is currently working on a Doctorate of Business Administration with a specialization in Marketing from Northcentral University. Mrs. Conrad has been an adjunct instructor for Glenville State College as well as Southern New Hampshire University.

Christina Hacker is serving as Assistant Manager of the Calhoun Banks Glenville Office.

Marcal Lazenby has been named Athletic Director at Glenville State

College after serving as Interim Director last year.

Jeanie (Fleming) McClung has received her CPA license. She works in the accounting department at Energy Corporation of America in Charleston.

Molly Snoberger, who works at Frankfort Middle School, was named Mineral County Teacher of the Year for 2016. Molly and her husband Woody have two children.

Jacqlyn (Moss) Swiger has been working at Waco Oil and Gas, Inc. as Payroll and Human Resources Director since 2009. She and her husband, **Timothy A. Swiger '12**, were married in January 2010 and have a three year old son, Colton, who was born in June 2012.

Crystal (Metz) Wagner is teaching second grade at Peterson Central Elementary School in Lewis County and is coaching the Lewis County Minutemaids Volleyball Team. Her husband Jeremy helps her coach the team.

CLASS OF 2010

Seth Canfield began his position of Director of Housing and Residence Life at Southwestern Christian University, Bethany, OK, in July 2015. He traveled to Haiti in December of 2015 with the University President and Associate Vice President of Athletics to begin the establishment of a two year college in Haiti in partnership with Mission of Hope, Haiti.

Matt Cogar has won his fourth straight Stihl Timbersports U.S.



Championship Series. The event took place July 2016 in Chicago. The action will be aired in three segments on ABC on October 16, 23, 30. Matt will represent the U.S. team at the

World Championship, which will be held in Stuttgart, Germany, in November.

Jessica (Jaffre) Cook, who works at Calhoun County Middle/High School, has been named Calhoun County Teacher of the Year for 2016.

Casey Stewart was hired as head football coach and social studies teacher at Rural Retreat High School (VA) in 2015. He had been assistant football coach at Roanoke's Patrick Henry High School for five years and defensive coordinator at the school for three years.



CLASS OF 2011

Cassandra Buckhannon Freshour is employed with Steptoe and Johnson as a legal secretary while her husband **Dustin Freshour '11**, who has his CPA, is employed with Arnett Carbis Toothman as a senior associate. Dustin is also certified as a Chartered Global Management Accountant. In addition to working at Steptoe and Johnson, she is starting a new photography business and is owner of Captured by Cassandra. They have lived in Mount Clare for four years.

Kari Hamric started teaching embedded math to the carpentry students at Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center in August 2015. Kari's fourth child, a son, was born on April 13, 2015.

Michelle Hypes, an employee in GSC's Financial Aid Office, was recently certified in several nationally-recognized programs. After attending two days of financial aid training and taking eleven separate tests she received certification in several topics. The certifications took place through the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators credentialed training programs.

Alicia Rose of Rosedale has been awarded a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the West Virginia University School of Pharmacy. While studying at the WVU School of Pharmacy, Alicia was a member of the WVU Chapter of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists and the WVU Chapter of Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International. She was GSC's first graduate of the Hidden Promise Scholars program.

Amanda (Parkulo) Smarr is a Project Assistant at Region 4 Planning and Development Council. She previously worked as a student recruiter for New River Community and Technical College.



CLASS OF 2012

Sean T. Harris has been working as an Event Center Manager at the Upshur County Convention and Visitors Bureau in Buckhannon since March 2015. He previously worked for the WV Division of Corrections in Clarksburg.

Marlon Henry has transferred to GSC's Office of Admissions and serves as an Admissions Counselor.

Isac Osborne, a former football player for the Pioneers and immediate past head football coach at Gilmer County High School, is now teaching and serving as head football coach at Wirt County High School.

James E. "Trae" Sprague assumed the position of Supervisor of Residence Life at GSC, effective June 1, 2016. He is also spearheading the college's intramural program.

CLASS OF 2013

Christine (DeLay) Barnett received her master's degree in Social Work from Concord University in May 2015.

Lora (Gray) Freeland started working at Glenville State College in October 2015 as a Hidden Promise Scholar Coordinator. Lora was Assistant Executive Director for MCWV, Inc., a marketing and e-business firm in Charleston, before taking this position.

Daniel Page resides in Morgantown and is a security officer at Monongalia General Hospital in Morgantown.

CLASS OF 2014

Caitlyn Greynolds works as a Customer Service Representative at Calhoun Bank's Glenville Branch.

Jazzmin Lee Langman resides in Big Springs and is a Child Support Specialist for the Bureau for Child Support Enforcement.

CLASS OF 2015

Kayleigh Huck has left her teaching position at GSC to seek employment near her hometown of Delaware, Ohio.

Seth Stemple is studying vocal arts at Georgia Southern University.

CLASS OF 2016

Robert "Caleb" Cline has accepted the assistant marketing director position at the Southridge Center Chick-fil-A in Charleston.

Elisabeth Coombs is attending Wheeling Jesuit University and is completing their Doctor of Physical Therapy Program.

Evan Foster is working as a Security Guard at Glenville State College.

Jonathan Massey is working at GSC as the Institutional Programs and High Adventure Coordinator.

Joseph Overbaugh has been hired to teach science at Sissonville High School.

Tyler Steele works as a welder-fabricator at H&H Railroad Contracting.

Derrick Woods is working at Huttonsville Correctional Center as a Correctional Officer and a Correctional Counselor. His wife, **Patricia (McCourt) Woods '16**, also works at Huttonsville as a Correctional Counselor.

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A FLOOD OF SUPPORT

June 2016 brought record flooding to parts of West Virginia that claimed 23 lives and destroyed communities, homes, and businesses. However, in true Pioneer spirit, it didn't take long for grads and current students all across the state to step up and ask, 'how can we help?'

By Katie Stover

My family lives in one of the several areas that was devastated by the flooding that hit West Virginia on June 23, 2016. Luckily for us, we only had some water in our basement that we were able to soak up with towels. As we would come to realize, not everyone was as fortunate.

Several residents in my small town had no choice but to climb hill-sides, rooftops, and seek higher ground. Over twenty people, including children, were killed in the rushing waters that cut their way through the hills, back roads, and streets of our state. After the skies cleared, the devastation was almost too much to witness. Entire families were left with only the clothes on their backs. Things people had worked a lifetime to build and preserve were gone in an instant or ruined by the thick mud the water left behind.

We've all seen the pictures of curbs piled high with someone's former life, a washed out high school baseball field, cars and parts of homes wrapped around trees, and concrete slabs where businesses once stood. Devastation happens on the news everyday but you never really believe it, or it never seems real until it happens to you, your friends, your family, and your community.

However, almost as quickly as the waters rose, people have come together

to help those in need, whether that be cleaning neighbors homes, spending money to donate supplies, or working at a local center to help distribute supplies. I have seen and read about so many of my fellow Pioneers who have made donations, traveled to the hard-hit communities to volunteer their time, or just simply been there for their neighbors. It warms my heart to see people from GSC, other schools, other towns, other states, and even other countries banding together and assisting. They have cooked meals, shoveled mud, cared for, and prayed for one another.

That's who we are, a proud, resilient, strong people, who shine in the face of adversity. We are West Virginia proud. ■

Stover is a senior English Education student at Glenville State College. She is from Clay, West Virginia.



*Several members of Katie Stover's family (including her father **Brett '86**) pitched in with brooms and shovels to clean up a property in Clay*



*GSC Hidden Promise students and staff (including **Lora (Gray) Freeland '13**) take a photo with a Clendenin resident during their visit to help those in the area*



*A crew (including **Sonja Hartshorn '10** and **Robert Rogers '14**) working to help clean up homes in Clendenin, WV take a break to spell out 'WV Strong'*



*Volunteers from Calhoun County's Energy Express group (including **Joseph Overbaugh '16** and, not pictured, **Randy Smith '15**)*

Birth Announcements

W. Clay Chesser '04 and **Becky Chesser '11** announce the birth of their second daughter, Tommie Jo Grace Chesser. She was born May 3, 2016 weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces and was 21.5 inches long.

Matt '10 and **Emma (Bailey) Cogar '10** announce the birth of their daughter, Bailey Nicole Cogar. She made her entrance into the world on May 9, 2016. Mom and dad say she was 7 pounds 11.5 ounces and 20 inches of pure perfection.

JT Fox '06 and **Amber (Price) Fox '07** are proud parents of their newborn son, Hudson Thomas Fox, who was born on September 15, 2015. Both JT and Amber teach at Gilmer County Elementary.

Amanda (Roberts) Lamb '10 and **Matthew Lamb '09** welcomed their second child, Owen Matthew, on June 21, 2016. He weighed 9 pounds 6 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. Owen is being well cared for by mom, dad, and his big sister Ava.

Bradley '03 and Stevieann (Langman) Shingler announce the birth of their second child, a son named Denzil Robert Shingler. He was born on July 14, 2015 and weighed 8.15 pounds and was 21.5 inches long. Denzil was welcomed home by big brother Lincoln Victor Shingler.

Zamira (Heard) Skidmore '10 and Ryan Skidmore are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Tucker Ryan Skidmore who was born on June 3, 2015. Tucker came into the world weighing 8 pounds and was 20 inches long.

Katrina (Adkins) Strohl '14 and her husband Lyjle welcomed their first child, Lyjle Logan Strohl, Jr., in June 2016.

Engagements & Marriages

Wendy Cottrill '07 and **Adam Batton '08** were married on October 17, 2015 at Cedar Creek State Park. Wendy is employed by the Calhoun County Board of Education as a high school Social Studies teacher at Calhoun County Middle/High School while Adam is employed by Smith Land Surveying of Glenville.

Courtney Clevenger '13 and Ryan Heimberger are engaged to be married in October 2016. Courtney is teaching K-2 music at Spring Mills Primary School and assists the band director at Spring Mills High School, both in Berkley County. She is also teaching brass at Music and Arts Studio in Hagerstown, MD.

Courtney Cole '16 and Seth Elmore were married on June 4, 2016. Courtney is the band director at Braxton County High School where Seth assists her.

Joseph Evans '11 and Hannah Gearhart didn't let the rain that hit West Virginia or a subsequently flooded basement derail their wedding ceremony on June 25, 2016. Joe recently left his position in customer service and marketing at B/E Aerospace to take a job in Maryland and, for now, Hannah is teaching at Richwood High School. The pair honeymooned at Saint Helena Island in South Carolina.

Breken Gray '15 and Larisa Gordon are engaged and planning a November 2015 wedding. He teaches chemistry at Westminster High School in Westminster, Maryland.

Leanne Harris '10 married Erin Lambros on May 4, 2013. Leanne has completed her doctorate in physical therapy from Wayne State University in Michigan and is working at the Rehabilitation Institution of Michigan as a physical therapist. The couple lives in Windsor, Ontario.

Miranda Hathaway '08 and Brian McDougal were married on June 12, 2015 in North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. She is employed at Kroger as a co-manager and Brian works for UPS.

Kevin Helmick '03 and Kristy Roberts, both 1998 graduates of Calhoun High School, were united in marriage on September 25, 2015. Kevin currently works as Calhoun County Commissioner and for Helmick Brothers Contracting, Inc. They reside in Orma.

Crystal (Moore) Hixon '90 married Jason Putnam on July 31, 2016 in Ireland, West Virginia.

Alex Joseph '15 and **Nancy Mulhare '13** were married on May 21, 2016 in Fairmont. Alex works at Salem International University as the Athletic Compliance Coordinator. Nancy has completed a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership and is employed at Robert L. Bland Middle School in Lewis County.

Mackenzie Langman '12 and Matthew Helmick were married October 17, 2015. She is employed by the Braxton County Board of Education as a math teacher at Braxton County High School.

Michele Norman '09 married John Cochran in Braxton County on April 11, 2015. Michele works for the U.S. Department of the Treasury at their Bureau of the Fiscal Service office in Parkersburg.

Aaron Parsons '14 and **Rachel Morris '16** were married at Green Valley Gathering Place in Bidwell, Ohio on August 6, 2016. Aaron is employed by Mon Power and Rachel works for the Ritchie County Board of Education. They reside in Harrisville, WV.

Sheri (Connell) Skidmore '04 married Jeff Goff on July 4, 2016 at the Camden Flats Baptist Church in Glenville. The ceremony was conducted by Jeff's brother and pastor of the church, **Rev. Dwight Goff '79**.

Devan Snyder '15 and **Jared Shipe '15** were married at Camp Kootaga on September 5, 2015. Devan currently works at Parkersburg Cardiology and Jared is teaching at Doddridge County Middle School.

Olivia Snyder '16 and **Jeffrey Jenkins '03** are engaged to be married in May 2017.

Taylor Somerville '16 and Tiffany Young were married on June 4, 2016 at the Sand Fork Church of God.

Jade Spencer '16 and **Billy Perkins '15** are engaged to be married in May 2017.

Valeri Sprouse '16 married Hayden Jones on August 6, 2016. Their nuptials took place at the First Baptist Church of Burnsville. Valeri is working at Ernst and Young in Charleston.

Dustin Vaughan '10 and **Brittney Berkhouse '11** were married on July 24, 2015 at Coonskin Park in Charleston.

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Anniversaries

Warren '48 and **Ella (Fitzwater) Cox '66** celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary in August 2015. She retired from teaching at Plantation Elementary School in 1986. Warren, with a master's degree in education, rose through the ranks of Broward's school district, serving as principal in Pompano Beach Schools, and finally as director of pupil accounting and site planning. He retired in 1979. Today, they enjoy retirement living at Covenant Village of Florida.

Terry and **Denise Ellyson '97** celebrated 40 years of marriage in August 2015. Denise has been with GSC for 37 years where she serves as the college's certification analyst. The Lewis County High School sweethearts were married on August 23, 1975.

Jamie (Schindel) Fletcher '13 and **Justin Fletcher '12** celebrated their two year anniversary on September 6, 2016. They reside in New Carlisle, Ohio.

Herman and **L. Onidee Nutter '72** were married on February 12, 1949. The Glenville couple have been happily married for 67 years.

William Rumback '55 and his wife Janice celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on August 20, 2015. Bill retired from the College of Central Florida after 43 years where he served as the Science Department chairman, Director of the Division of Natural Sciences, and Professor of History.

In Memoriam

Gene Werner Alkire '62
Charleston, WV
November 26, 2015

Jane (Christian) Archer '76
Parkersburg, WV
October 9, 2015

Gary H. Bailey '67
Parkersburg, WV
September 13, 2015

Martha (Cunningham) Bargeloh '72
Parkersburg, WV
May 12, 2016

Mary Jane Bayer '73
Vienna, WV
March 27, 2016

Helen Louise (Hill) Border '83
Davisville, WV
August 24, 2015

R. David Boso '67
Belpre, OH
July 6, 2015

Eugenia Rohr Brooks '51
Goldsboro, NC
February 14, 2016

Carolee (Singleton) Brown '59
Gem, WV
June 30, 2016

John F. Chippis '61
Saint Marys, WV
May 20, 2016

Harold Lee Cline '55
Mineral Wells, WV
July 12, 2016

Gladys (Stalnaker) Coberly '40
Glennville, WV
January 26, 2016

Brennice A. (Hull) Cole '34
Salem, WV
January 22, 2016

James S. Collins '48
New Milford, PA
November 14, 2015

Paul Cool Jr. '67
Webster Springs, WV
August 15, 2015

Georgia Lyn "Jo" Cooper '83
Teays Valley, WV
August 10, 2015

Lawrence M. "Bud" Cooper '51
Pittsburg, PA
January 11, 2016

Steven B. Cooper '76
Uniontown, PA
February 29, 2016

Gatha (Romine) Cummings '46
Spencer, WV
September 12, 2015

Col. Charles Elmore Currey (Ret.) '50
Columbia, SC
May 8, 2016

Brack A. Davis, Jr. '51
Haines City, FL
March 28, 2016

Betty (Fitzwater) Dean '66
Ft. Lauderdale, FL
October 28, 2015

Katheryn S. (Parmer) Depue '60
Ashtabula, OH
April 28, 2016

Joseph D. Exline '60
Beaverdam, VA
January 10, 2016

Ralph Fazio '50
Prosperity, SC
October 16, 2015

James Clark Fisher '73
Hurricane, WV
April 28, 2016

Robin J. (Dennis) Fleak '78
Elizabeth, WV
May 30, 2016

Jerome David Fruit '76
Oak Hill, WV
June 10, 2016

Charlene S. Mick-Blagg Foulks '59
Lancaster, OH
March 30, 2016

Verl Z. Garster, Jr. '52
Canton, OH
February 29, 2016

Edward Vincent Gilson, II '00
Beckley, WV
January 14, 2016

Mary (Burk) Greynolds '60
Canton, OH
September 29, 2015

Mildred Elaine (White) Gutshall '37
Junior, WV
May 11, 2016

Doris I. (Perkins) Gwinn '52
Martinsburg, WV
April 23, 2016

Alice Winona (Pratt) Hall '56
Waverly, WV
October 10, 2015

Janice (Morgan) Hall '55
Frametown, WV
August 29, 2015

Samuel C. Halstead '67
Greensboro, NC
April 21, 2016

Susan Kay (Woodyard) Hiener '75
Parkersburg, WV
September 18, 2015

Gloria J. "Jeanie" (Morgan) Higginbotham '71
Charleston, WV
January 23, 2016

Coy R. Hinkle, Jr. '68
Orrville, Ohio
May 4, 2016

Paul William Hughes '09
Lewisburg, WV
June 11, 2016

Martha (White) Hunt '57
Fountain Inn, SC
September 2, 2016

Janet K. Isenhart, Ed.D. '71
Parkersburg, WV
March 21, 2016

David L. Jack, Sr. '73 and '87
Gassaway, WV
February 10, 2016

Hugh Y. Jackson, Jr. '65
Selbyville, DE
January 31, 2016

Judith Ann "Judy" (Devers) Jaffre '82
Glennville, WV
November 8, 2015

Helen (Radcliff) James '44
Glennville, WV
February 7, 2016

George Emmett Johnson '73
Grantsville, WV
August 14, 2016

Richard J. Johnston '83
Vincent, OH
July 16, 2016

Louis Joe Kania, Sr. '50
Gauley Bridge, WV
February 24, 2016

Curtis Cole Kimble '75
Milton, WV
February 5, 2016

Lowell W. Knight '59
Gassaway, WV
September 12, 2015

Kathleen Krohn '83
Chestertown, MD
November 10, 2015

Bruce Curtis Layne '65
Carlsbad, CA
July 15, 2016

John B. Lazear '56
Marietta, OH
April 3, 2016

Kellee M. (Booth) Lewis '86
Parkersburg, WV
April 12, 2016

Steven E. Lockwood
Kingwood, WV
September 1, 2015

Donald Patrick McCartney '54
Normantown, WV
April 5, 2016

Eldon K. McClung, Jr. '92
Hico, WV
December 11, 2015

Robert E. McKown '72
Fayetteville, WV
May 31, 2016

William M. "Willie" Marshall '77
Oak Hill, WV
January 31, 2016

Gene A. Minks '62
Cairo, WV
September 15, 2015

Betty Renee Mollohan '15
Burnsville, WV
August 19, 2016

Alma (Merle) Moore '60
Webster Springs, WV
September 11, 2015

Jeremiah A. Myers '99
Coshocton, OH
January 2, 2016

Rebecca Sue (Cox) Nichols '71
Parkersburg, WV
January 17, 2015

Elizabeth "Jane" Parmer '74
Burnsville, WV
May 10, 2016

Virgil Paul Peggs '71
Glenville, WV
November 20, 2015

Michael Popp III '56
Marietta, OH
November 25, 2015

Robin L. Pumphrey '97
Weston, WV
December 3, 2015

Robert Fred Radabaugh '52
Elkview, WV
February 17, 2016

Deloras Elaine (Brown) Reddecliff '66
Buckhannon, WV
December 22, 2015

Alfreda Smith (Taylor) Rengers '50
Victoria, NM
January 25, 2016

Claudia L. (Rexroad) Rock '92
Alum Bridge, WV
June 7, 2016

Mary Ann (Hyer) Rogers '65
Flatwoods, WV
November 29, 2015

Mozella (Matics) Romine '34
Parkersburg, WV
September 9, 2015

Sandra (Stump) Rowell '62
Williamstown, WV
August 1, 2016

Rita Rae (Hayes) Ryan '71
Belpre, OH
February 5, 2016

Jackie Lee Sears '61
Parkersburg, WV
December 15, 2015

Dr. Russell M. Shepherd '62
Elkins, WV
February 14, 2016

D. Maynard Shoemaker '67
Beverly, OH
April 5, 2016

James Paul Siegrist '49
Creston, WV
July 13, 2015

Thomas Hugh Smith '70
Grandview, WV
February 5, 2016

Mary Ellen "Mickey" Snyder '84
Largo, FL
May 18, 2015

Kenneth E. Squires '71
Mineral Wells, WV
November 10, 2015

Marianne (Rhoades) Stevens '51
Manassas, VA
September 11, 2015

Charlie E. Stewart '75
Harrisville, WV
July 2015

Ernestine (Walker) Stotts '33
Spencer, WV
July 4, 2016

Lucille (Adkins) Thomas '68
Dixie, WV
August 14, 2015

Glenard D. Vannoy '51
Hurricane, WV
July 12, 2015

Doris Carol (Cosby Warner)
Vandevender '66
August 19, 2015
Teays Valley, WV

Anita Charmaine (Keister) White '78
Camden, WV
May 19, 2016

Sam Williams '46
Elizabeth, WV
August 12, 2015

Charlotte S. Woodyard '71
Parkersburg, WV
May 22, 2016

FRIENDS OF GSC

Norma Jean Barnett
(Former College Switchboard and
Mail Room Operator)
Clarksburg, WV
November 30, 2015

Dr. Wendell G. Hardway
(Former Education Department Chair
and Director of Student Teaching)
Fairmont, WV
June 17, 2016

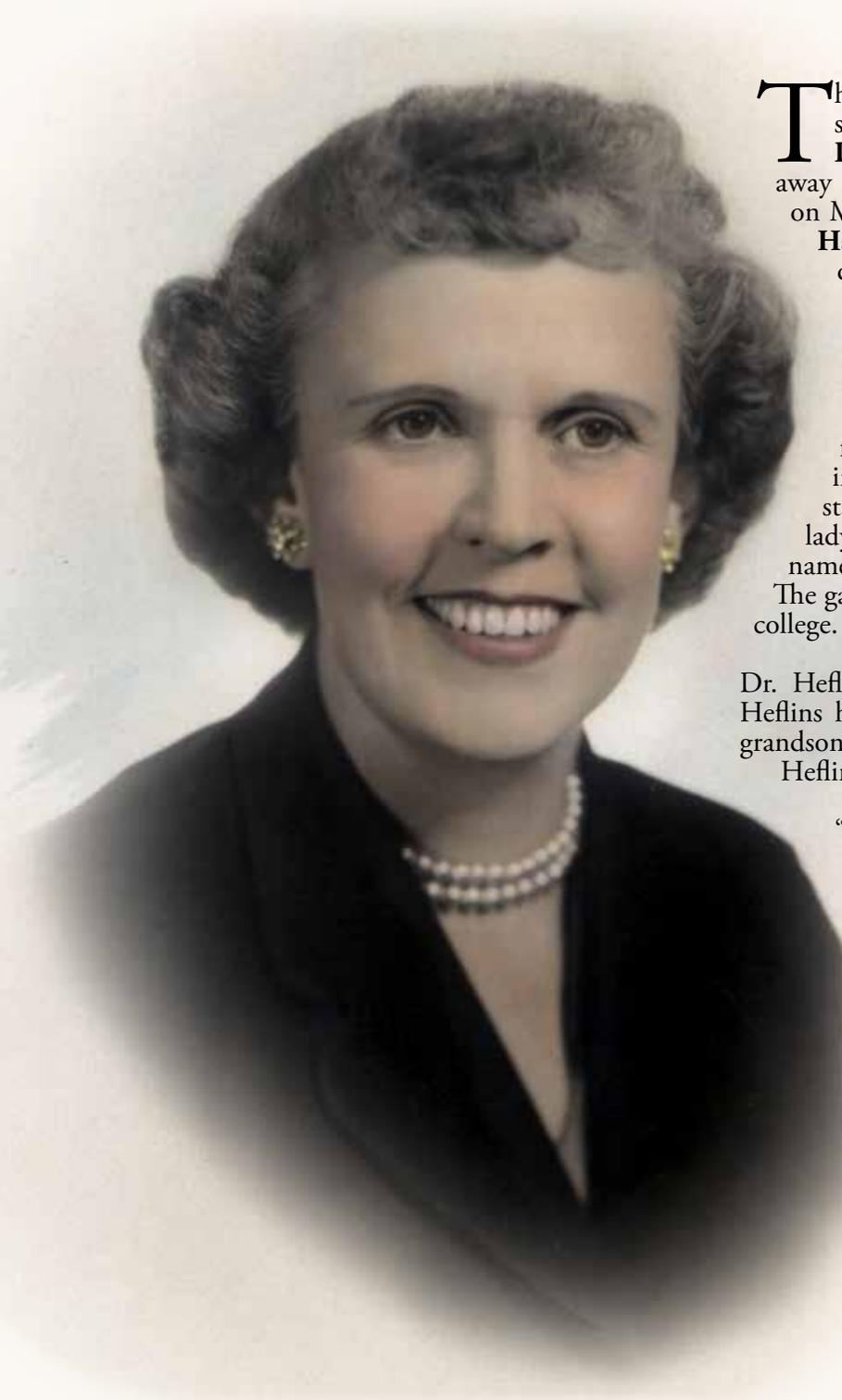
Bunny Jones
(Wife of Professor Emeritus
Dr. Raymond Jones)
Stafford, TX
March 28, 2016

Kermit L. Kinder
(Former Guidance Counselor)
Charleston, WV
July 28, 2016

Dr. John R. Mullens
(Faculty Member and Former Dean of
Instructional Services at GSC's Nicholas
County Center in Summersville and
later at New River CTC)
Summersville, WV
June 24, 2016

Dora Heflin

Iconic GSC First Lady Passes at 103



The Glenville State College family was saddened to learn that former First Lady **Dora Morgan Heflin '34 and '53** passed away at her Morgantown, West Virginia home on Monday, May 30. She and her husband **Dr. Harry B. Heflin '37** served the college with distinction as first lady and president from 1947 to 1964. She was 103.

Mrs. Heflin received her Standard Normal from Glenville State Teachers College in 1934 and her Bachelor of Arts degree from Glenville State in 1953. She was held in high regard by the students, faculty, and staff that knew her during her tenure as first lady. On campus, the Dora Heflin Garden was named in her honor at a ceremony held in 2002. The garden memorializes former first ladies of the college.

Dr. Heflin preceded her in death in 2006. The Heflins have one son, Dr. B. Morgan Heflin, two grandsons, Dr. Michael B. Heflin and Dr. Gregory S. Heflin, and several great-grandchildren.

“The Glenville State College community is saddened by the loss of Mrs. Heflin. She and her husband were icons at GSC for many years and our state is indeed poorer for having lost them. The Heflins were truly such humble and gracious people who will certainly be missed. Betsy and I, as well as others on campus and in the community who knew Mrs. Heflin, extend our sympathies to the family,” said Glenville State College President Dr. Peter Barr.

Donations in Mrs. Heflin’s memory may be made to the Glenville State College Foundation, Heflin Family Scholarship Fund, 200 High Street, Glenville, WV 26351. ■

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