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Nursing Program Coming to Glenville State College

BSN Program to be Facilitated through Partnership with Marshall University

Glenville State College and Marshall University have reached an agreement that will help the future of nurses in the state.

The partnership establishes a nursing program co-op between the two institutions. A memorandum of agreement brings the two schools together for an association aimed at providing access to a bachelor's degree in nursing (BSN) at Glenville State College through Marshall's nursing program.

Both presidents signed the agreement in July 2021 at Marshall's South Charleston campus. The agreement will see prospective students enroll at Glenville and complete general education courses there during their first year. Then, once the students are admitted to the BSN program, they will receive instruction from Marshall faculty members on Glenville's campus.

Outgoing Marshall University President Dr. Jerome A. Gilbert says

Marshall is excited to enter into the agreement.

"We're excited about this unique opportunity to work with our partners at Glenville State College," Gilbert said. "Any time we can help expand the availability of a college degree is a great day, and to be able to provide more of our state's students with a path to an education in nursing and work in health care in West Virginia is exciting."

Glenville State College President Dr. Mark A. Manchin said it is nice to see this idea come to fruition.

"I have been an advocate for this program, the members of our Board of Governors have been supportive of it, and of course our friends and colleagues at Marshall University have been instrumental in making this happen," Manchin said. "This type of four-year nursing program has never existed in this part of the Mountain State, and we are looking forward to expanding the Glenville State footprint, especially considering the

growing need for qualified nurses." "We are keeping those students in Glenville. They can stay and have the opportunity to go home to their smaller and rural healthcare providers, maybe a small hospital or clinic. And work there where they can give back to their own communities," Manchin added.

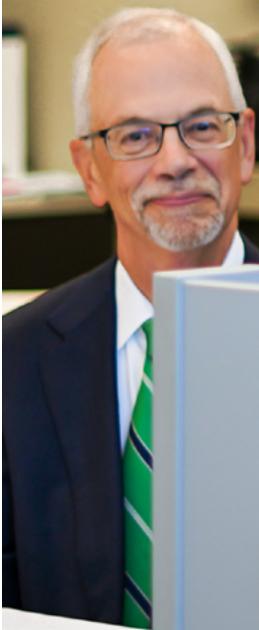
The BSN program at Glenville is expected to start in fall 2023. Glenville will begin enrolling students in the program in fall 2022. The Marshall University School of Nursing is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

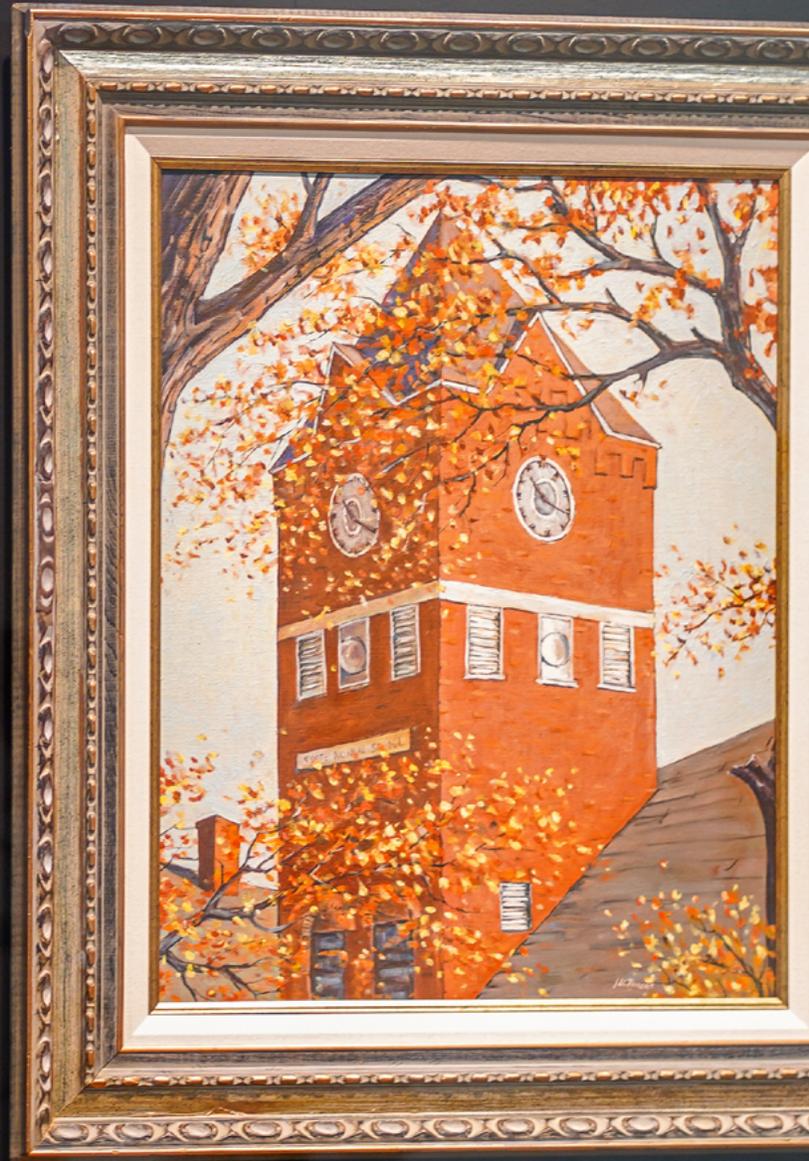
Glenville State College and Marshall University already have other academic program partnerships in place, including a Master of Science in Accountancy, a Doctor of Pharmacy fast-track program, and a Professional Master of Science in Athletic Training.



LEFT: Marshall University Dean of Health Professions Dr. Michael Prewitt, Marshall University Interim Provost Dr. Avinandan "Avi" Mukherjee, Marshall University President Dr. Jerome Gilbert, Glenville State College President Dr. Mark Manchin, Marshall University Professor and Chair for the School of Nursing Dr. Denise Landry, Glenville State College Provost Dr. Gary Morris, Glenville State College Chief Financial Officer **Bert Jedamski '93**, and Glenville State College Department of Science and Mathematics Chair **Dr. Kevin Evans '87**

Welcome to
Woodhall University
Smart Challenge Campaign
Lecture





JAMES "JIM" ROGERS
RETROSPECTIVE

Remembering a legacy.

Glennville State College Professor Emeritus **James W. "Jim" Rogers '63** was honored with a retrospective art exhibit in the Department of Fine Arts' Spears Gallery, as well as the Robert F. Kidd Library in October 2021.

Rogers passed away in November 2020 at age 78.

Over 70 pieces of Rogers' original art were included in the exhibit, showcasing a diverse selection of work from throughout his career. Other special items that Rogers contributed to Glennville State, including sketches of the GSC Pioneer Mascot, Faculty Wives/Friendship Quilt, and other items, were also included as part of the show.

Rogers held degrees from Glennville State College, West Virginia University, and Wichita State University. He taught at Parkersburg High School from 1964-1966 and then at Glennville State College from 1966-1970 before a stint at Alderson-Broaddus College from 1972-1976. He returned to Glennville State in 1976 and remained until his retirement in 1999. He and his wife **Dr. Marilyn "Susie" Strickling Rogers '68** were married for 52 years; they have three children.

Scan here for a virtual viewbook of the exhibition:



STATE EXHIBITION



Glenville State College student Keelin Howes

Student Wins Scholarship as part of WV Vaccination Sweepstakes

Senior Glenville State College history and political science major Keelin Howes has won a college scholarship as part of West Virginia's "Do it for Babydog: Save a life, Change your life" Vaccination Sweepstakes.

The Buckhannon, West Virginia native said that she was in disbelief when she learned the news.

"When I heard that I had won, I thought maybe someone else had my name," Howes said. "I never win things like this so I felt like there was no way it was real. It has taken me a while to comprehend how big this is for my future and I'm just so excited that I don't have to worry about how I'm going to keep going to school."

Howes explained that she has made adjustments to ensure that her degree is as affordable as possible, but still underscored the impact of the scholarship. "Receiving this scholarship has made my future more possible and I am so grateful that this opportunity has been given to me," she added.

At Glenville State, Howes has been a member of the marching band, pep band, and is a student assistant in the College's Robert F. Kidd Library.

After graduating, she plans to teach social studies at the secondary education level and proceed to graduate school to study history and world religion with intentions of working as a professor for a college or university.

The first part of the vaccination sweepstakes took place throughout the summer and Howes was among the other week six winners. Established by West Virginia's Governor, the sweepstakes is named after Babydog, Governor Jim and First Lady Cathy Justice's English Bulldog. The Governor named Babydog the official mascot of his vaccination sweepstakes.



Dr. Amanda Chapman

Professor is new WV Humanities Council member

Glenville State College Assistant Professor of Language and Literature Dr. Amanda Chapman is one of four new citizen members elected to the West Virginia Humanities Council program committee. The Humanities Council, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, serves West Virginia through grants and direct programs in the humanities.

Chapman, who has been a faculty member in Glenville State College's Department of Language and Literature since 2017, will serve a three-year term from June 1, 2021 to June 1, 2024 with the other new members.

"As a scholar and teacher of the humanities within academia, I'm looking forward to making a contribution to public humanities work as well," Chapman said.

The Humanities Council budgets more than \$800,000 for grants and programs each year. The program committee recommends funding decisions to the Humanities Council board of directors.

Alumni Center gets roof repairs, new shingles

The roof of the Alumni Center was recently repaired and reshingled with some help from a local business owned by a GSC alumnus.

Wes Hanson '16, owner of North Central Building Solutions, brought his general contractor expertise back to Glenville State to replace the roof of the Alumni Center.

The weather vane that adorns the turret of the house was also refurbished by Glenville State College Trades Specialist Jim Tatman.

Pictured: Workers from North Central Building Solutions prepare the Alumni Center roof for new shingles



GSC Jazz travels to Myrtle Beach for two performances

The GSC Jazz Combo performed their Blues Brothers themed set to a crowd at the Myrtle Beach House of Blues on May 15. The following morning, the GSC Big Band performed on the main stage of the Little River Blue Crab Festival.

During their time in Myrtle Beach, the students got to tour backstage at the House of Blues and learn about its history in live music, the unique artwork there, and how the sound and lighting rigs are used in performances. The students also toured the campus of Coastal Carolina University where they learned about a master's program in Music Technology.



Members of the GSC Jazz Big Band performing at the Blue Crab Festival in Little River, SC

GSC eSports earns #2 seed in Madden Xbox Championship



Romnn Shell

In spring 2021, Pioneer eSports player **Romnn Shell '21** was ranked number two among the top 15 teams participating in the National Association of Collegiate eSports Madden Xbox National Championships.

GSC would fall in the final game, but eSports coach **Logan Harrison '17** calls it a major accomplishment either way. "For this to be a first-year team and to have someone ranked in the top two nationally, that is an awesome feeling. Romnn is a terrific player and we're very proud of him. I look forward to seeing what he will be doing after graduation, because I'm sure his gaming career isn't over," Harrison said.

Glenville State College's eSports team completed its first year of official play in 2021 and is among a number of colleges and universities around the United States who have introduced eSports into their roster of varsity sports. ESports offers multiplayer online video game competitions, which can be viewed both in-person and through livestreams.

Glenville State ranked most affordable WV college

Glenville State College was recently recognized as the Most Affordable College in West Virginia by Academic Influence.

Academic Influence also ranked Glenville State College among the top five across four other categories: second in WV Best Small Colleges, second in WV Liberal Arts Colleges, fourth in WV Best Public Colleges, and fourth in WV Best Colleges.

Larger-than-life bookshelf mural added behind RFK Library

A mural showcasing some famous literary titles has been added to the wall behind the Robert F. Kidd Library. Students, faculty, alumni, and staff have come together over the past year and a half to paint the spines of popular books on sections of the wall, leaving a colorful array of titles and images.

"The quality of the artwork is outstanding, and a wide range of style and book genre representation has created a unique piece of art for the campus to enjoy for years to come. Through the generosity of several friends of the library, initiatives such as this and many other operational improvements are made possible. For this specific project, professional mural paints and supplies were provided. We want to thank **Terry '69** and Nasia Butcher, **Sue Ann (Stalnaker) Charles '71**, and Larry M. Lemasters for their continued support of the Robert F. Kidd Library at Glenville State College," said RFK Library Director **Jason Gum '05**.

The bookshelf mural is among the campus beautification projects developed in part by First Lady, Gigi Manchin.



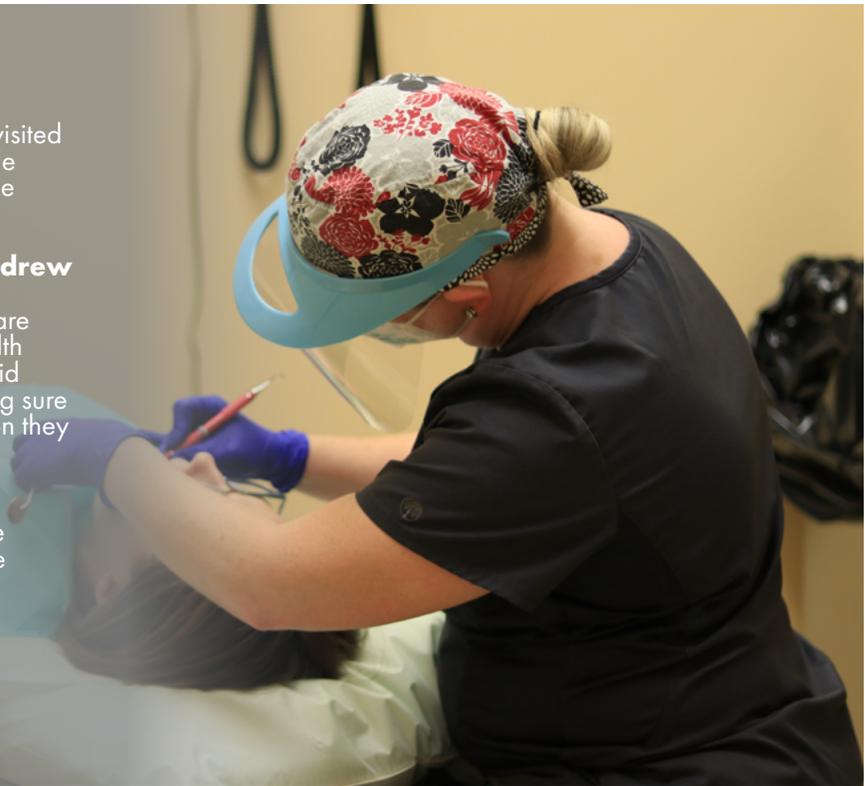
(above) The retaining wall behind the Robert F. Kidd Library on campus has been transformed into a large bookshelf mural thanks to the artistic efforts of several members of the campus community

The dentist is in!

Minigh Family Dentistry of Glenville visited campus in December 2020 to provide teeth cleaning services to the Glenville State College students and staff.

The service, spearheaded by **Dr. Andrew Minigh '09**, was available to GSC students, faculty, and staff. "Dental care is just as important to our overall health as well-visits with your physician," said Minigh. "We are dedicated to making sure students receive the care and attention they deserve."

Minigh Dentistry has also offered this service several times at their Glenville clinic. For those without insurance, the service is offered at no cost.



Student Government elects new leaders

Members of the Glenville State student body held elections for their new Student Government Association officers last semester. For the 2021-2022 term, Nic McVaney (left) is serving as president and Marcus Spinks (right) is vice president.

McVaney is a music education major and Spinks is a music major; both are seniors. McVaney's parents, **Chad '96** and **Michelle (Hildebrand) '97**, and his grandmother, **Betty (Yoak) McVaney '61** are all GSC graduates.

College Forest spruced up



Ethan Carr '21 attaches a new College Forest entrance sign

Throughout the spring semester, students in the GSC Forestry, Surveying, and Environmental Science Clubs, worked to spruce up the College Forest, a 300+ acre area on Sycamore Run used as an outdoor lab space for the Department of Land Resources.

The improvements involved a number of areas on the property. In addition to mowing, trimming brush, and hauling away trash, an old sign marking the entrance to the College Forest was razed and framing installed for a new one. A new sign was erected alongside a newly installed gate just prior to the end of the spring semester.

Students also planted several tree seedlings and installed protective cages around each to prevent deer browse.



THE
Inauguration

OF DR. MARK ANTHONY MANCHIN
Twenty-Fourth President of Glenville State College

a photographic look



ABOVE: Dr. Manchin is officially installed as president by Board of Governors Chair **Mike Rust '73** (left) and Chancellor of the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission Dr. Sarah Armstrong Tucker (right).

LEFT: West Virginia Senator Joe Manchin speaks to the crowd.



ABOVE: Members of the inaugural platform enter the Waco Center led by Chief Faculty Marshal, **Dr. Kevin Evans '87**.

ABOVE: Several delegates and representatives from other institutions were on hand for the inaugural celebration. Pictured are (l-r) former GSC President Dr. Thomas H. Powell, former GSC President Dr. Peter B. Barr, Marshall University President Dr. Jerome Gilbert, former Marshall University Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Jaime Taylor, and Concord University President Dr. Kendra Boggess.



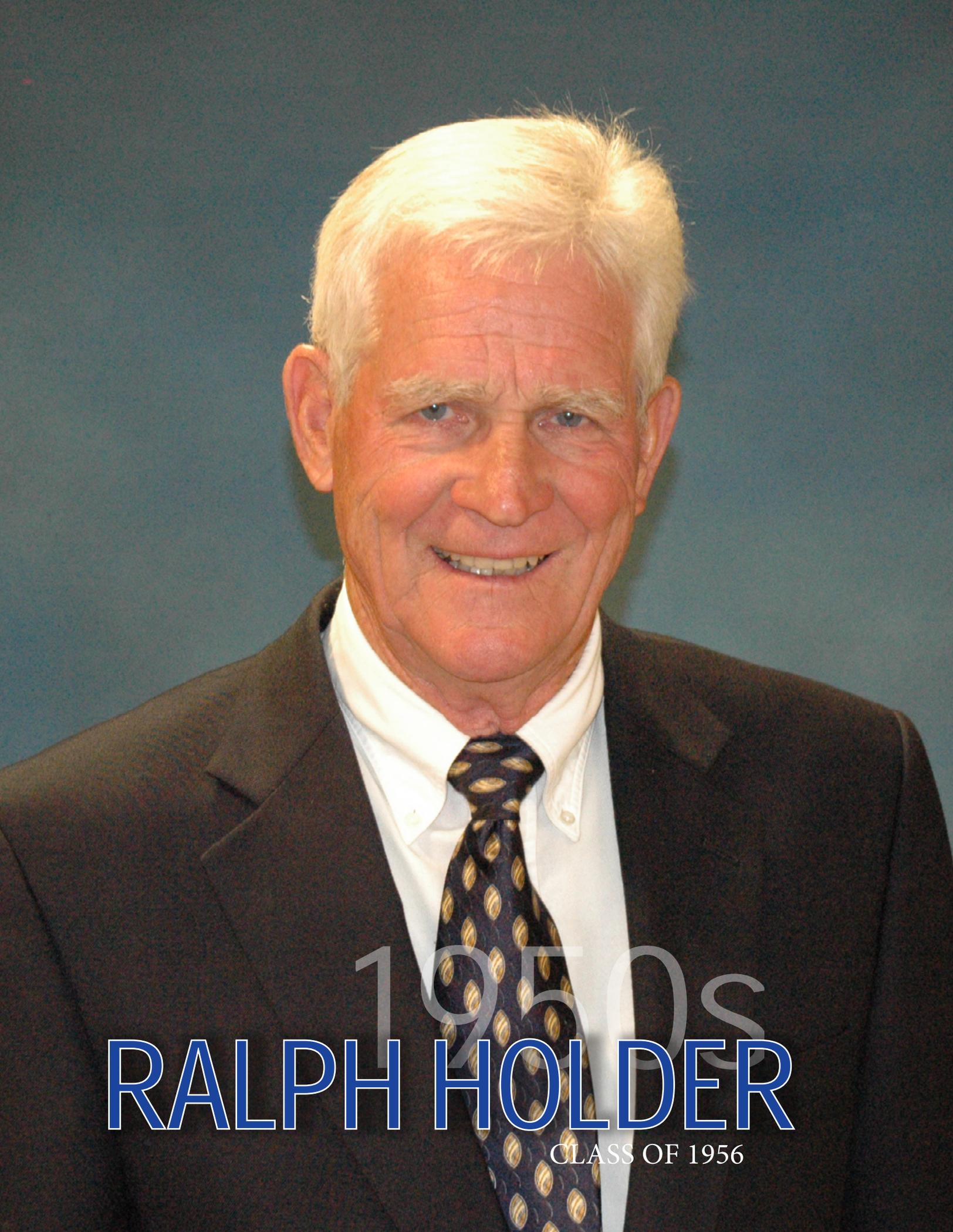
RIGHT: President Manchin and members of his family pose for a photo at the Inaugural Gala; (l-r) Tara Manchin, Dr. Mark Manchin, Gigi Manchin, Kathleen Manchin, and Antonio Manchin.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHTS

Featuring **Glenville State** alumni
throughout the decades

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1950s
RALPH HOLDER

CLASS OF 1956

In what ways has Glenville State changed? How has it stayed the same?

Over the past 60+ years since I was a student at GSC, the development and use of technology has been the biggest change that I have witnessed. As for campus itself, many of the buildings serve different functions than they originally did and Glenville is now privileged to have the Waco Center and other athletic facilities. In terms of staying the same, I am happy to say that I can still find my way around campus using familiar landmarks, including Louis Bennett Hall where I lived as a student.

What is a favorite memory from your time as a student?

My favorite memories come from competing as an athlete. I have continued to keep in touch with other Glenville athletes as well. Participating in sports creates shared experiences and lifelong comradery.

What is a valuable lesson you learned during your time at GSC?

The most valuable lesson I learned is to stay in touch with other alumni. I have enjoyed and benefited from a network of Glenville State alumni. My teaching and coaching positions in Knox County, Ohio and Belpre,

Ohio were under superintendents who had graduated from GSC. Many times over the years, I was coaching against other Glenville grads. Of course there were bragging rights, but also the highest level of sportsmanship.

Tell about some influential people you met at GSC.

As a student those would include



Pictured: Holder holding a pig during the "greasy pig" contest held on Sadie Hawkins Day.

Former President D. Banks Wilburn, Dean Robert Higgins, Coach Dr. Leland Byrd, **Nick Murin '47**, **Carlos Ratliff '34**, and Teacher/ Representative **Bessie Boyd Bell Scott SN '08**. As an alumnus I've had the pleasure of meeting and knowing Senator Joe Manchin and his wife Gayle, Gov. Jim Justice, Ike and **Sue (Bartlett) Morris '66**, and

WV Speaker of the House, Roger Hanshaw.

What piece of advice would you give to current students?

I think being well-rounded is crucial for success at college and later in life. Enjoy your time as a student. The manner in which you approach your studies is the foundation for life and will determine your achievements. To round it all out, participate in clubs and develop a social life.

Parting thoughts?

I received an excellent education at Glenville State College. It enabled me to go on to be a successful teacher and coach. I was also fortunate in gaining background knowledge to be an entrepreneur in owning and running a property management company. Both of these have been very rewarding over the years.

As a graduate, I have been able to serve on the Alumni Council,

the Foundation Board, and the College's Board of Governors. All of these allowed me to give back to GSC. I was afforded the opportunity of an education as an undergraduate student and I have been able to give back through service to these various groups as an alumnus.



1960s
BILL CASTO
CLASS OF 1967

What does Glenville State College mean to you?

At 76 years old I clearly understand what Glenville State College means to me. All my professional life, everything I am, any recognition I may have received, I can say without reservation, I owe it to Glenville State College.

The coaches, instructors, teammates, and friends who I spent a brief part of my life with, had a profound effect on the rest of my life. The people at Glenville gave me, and hundreds of others, an "opportunity to be successful."

I am not telling you that I understood, or appreciated it then, and I am reluctant to list names for fear of leaving people out, but to list a few, Bill Douglas, Dr. Leland Byrd, **Jess Lilly '48**, **Bill Hanlin '53**, Whitey Adolfsen, **Colonel Loren McCartney '40**, and **Dr. Harry Heflin '37**. Through their words, expectations, and by example, taught us professionalism, personal discipline, and that hard work brings success. It may have been many different words, but we heard over and over "no matter the situation or outcome, handle it with dignity, integrity, and class."

You have become quite well-known for your wood carving – how did you get started with that art form?

I have always been fascinated with old weathered wood. In my 20's while hiking or hunting I often found interesting weathered wood and would mount them to bases. I still have a few of those. While traveling

in Austria, I saw carvings made from found wood which inspired me to try it. My wife Sue use to say, "It was in me trying to get out."

In the beginning I bought two books "Carving Found Wood" and "Carving Weathered Wood" which taught me the basics. After a few years I was encouraged to enter competition as a novice and won a few ribbons, but more importantly I saw what the professionals competing at the "World" level were producing. There, I met Chris White a five-time world champion and loved his sculptures. Friends said, "I was like a groupie after a rock star." Chris invited me to his workshop in Loveland, Colorado



Pictured: Wind Riders

to work and study with him for a week. My skills grew by leaps and bounds.

My favorite piece definitely is "Wind Riders" which ,in 2015, won the "Ward World Wildfowl World Championship" Interpretive Division. My most challenging sculpture is one I just finished titled "Wave Rider" and haven't shown yet. I had to graft on an 11-inch wing to match the other wing natural to the wood in grain and color. Remember this is Red Oak driftwood that is probably 100 years old.

Finding the hard wood that has character, movement, beautiful grain, and color is the most difficult in the

sculpture process. The remaining steps are conceptualizing, design, roughout, detail carving, sanding, and finishing.

You helped get a reunion group going several years ago. How have you enjoyed meeting back up with the "Old Friends of the 60's"?

It all started in 2008 when a small group who had stayed in contact over the years got together for a weekend and then took a week-long road trip the following year. It was like the forty years had never passed. We kept thinking of others we had lost contact with and would love to see and have share the experience with us. We

made it our quest to find and reunite with as many as we could.

Some have traveled from as far away as Nevada, Florida, South Carolina, California, and Arizona to attend the reunions.

In 2021, we celebrated the twelfth year of our reunion. There were

23 of us in attendance at Pipestem Resort State Park.

For me personally, outside of my family, these reunions have been the highlight of my older adult life. The friendships I made at Glenville State College were bonded over 55 years ago and have lasted a lifetime. It's been wonderful to reconnect with many I hadn't seen in for half a century. We seem to pick up right where we left off all those years ago.

1970s
JANET BAILEY
CLASS OF 1979



Tell us a little about your time at Glenville State and how it impacted you.

First, I would be remiss to fail to recognize that the faculty and staff create a learning environment and are the basis of our educational experience. However, the events and relationships formed between 18 and 22 year olds create a diverse outlook and a comparison of lifestyles and philosophies. I value each contact and lesson learned throughout my GSC experience.

Specifically, as a Library Science major at Glenville State College, I had the unique experience of being a student library assistant as my work study job. I worked the reference desk and often relieved Mrs.

Garnett Taylor '80 so she could have lunch. One day, I was late and was so remorseful. Mrs. Taylor did the one thing that taught me the biggest lesson. She was kind to me and said she understood, which in turn made me feel worse. To this day I really do try to be early and prepared to the best of my ability.

For 27 years I was embedded in Glenville State College. In 1988, **Dr. Randy Hunt '75**, then Department Chair of the Athletic Department, offered me a job as the only Athletic Trainer and Head Women's Track Coach for one year and teaching 12 hours a semester. Ten years later I was still at GSC with some added responsibilities. Eventually, athletic administration became part of my job, but budgets and personnel paled in comparison to interaction with student athletes and being involved with intercollegiate competition.

What was something you enjoyed most during your time as a faculty member?

One of my favorite responsibilities as a faculty member was to supervise student teachers and have an opportunity

to observe our young teacher candidates grow and become caring, knowledgeable teachers.

It was enlightening to be a faculty marshal and to serve on Faculty Senate, but the most significant contribution we can make is to mentor to our students and encourage and often share candidly as they prepare for the classroom. I think it is important to support students in all subject matter. I enjoyed the performances of our musicians and art students and tried to attend as many recitals as possible when I was Athletic Director. The relationship between athletics and the arts is imperative and offers a greater



Pictured: Bailey (standing, second from left) with other members of the 1976-77 GSC women's track team.

vision and appreciation for all of our students.

Also, working with Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) through the years are some of my special memories. Many couples that met at FCA married and they are throughout the state, many in education and coaching. They were a very active group sharing and studying the Bible weekly and even brought back the Theta Xi Basketball dribble to Charleston's WVIAC tournament. I still have the VHS film as documentation.

What are some other things you have been involved in, outside of higher education?

After volunteering at the 1996 Atlanta Summer Games and at the Olympic

Training Center in Colorado Springs as an Athletic Trainer, I began drug testing for the United States Olympic Committee Doping Control. In 2020, the United States Anti-doping Agency (USADA) took over the drug testing program for Olympic Sports.

I worked with the USADA for 20 years as it evolved and expanded to include the UFC contract and other sport-specific events. I traveled nationally and internationally, testing various Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, Goodwill Games, Pan American Games, and so on.

For many years I was the lead doping control officer for U.S. events such as the New York Marathon, Boston Marathon, Pittsburgh Marathon, and the World Equestrian Games. In retrospect, I never imagined an attack on our innocent runners or to drug test the King of Dubai as a silver medalist equestrian as part of ethics in sport.

Students have asked me how I got involved in testing Olympic athletes and getting to work various events, and I share that I started by volunteering and making connections.

What is keeping you busy these days?

Living in West Virginia's capital city, I am active in the Woman's Club of Charleston, the Skyview Garden Club, two Bible Studies, and two golf leagues. I also served as an Administrative Assistant at the WV Legislative Session this past year, which was a learning experience. I reconnected with many GSC graduates and people with a Gilmer County background.

Now the only coaches in the family are my husband Tom Bailey and my stepdaughter **Krystle (Bailey) Cunningham '12**. I still look when someone says – "Hey Coach" – but I am certain many GSC graduates share that same tendency. It is one of the prefixes that I cherish most.



1980s
TED VALENTINE

CLASS OF 1980

What brought you to Glenville State?

I'm from Moundsville, West Virginia and I was attending John Marshall High School. I was an average student who wanted to play college baseball. I wanted to go somewhere closer, but my mom wanted me to try somewhere a little further from home. I talked to Coach Bob Belcastro but never toured campus. My mother dropped me and my six boxes of belongings off in the fall of 1976.

Who were some impactful people during your time as a Glenville State student?

The one person who influenced my life was Mrs. Kay Chico. She was my advisor. Another was Athletic Director Bob Dollgener. He used to call me Mr. Christmas and I still don't know why. I remember that I was doing janitorial work and he loaned me \$300. And then **Tim Carney '62**, he and his wife **Linda '61** were very influential...to be honest they were more like family to me. Another was **Jesse Lilly '48** –

he was always a good and positive individual. Jerry Milliken too. These were the people who put me on the map in Glenville – they cared about you. There are a lot of caring people in that small town who definitely went beyond the call of duty.

What initially sparked your interest in becoming a basketball official?

Bob Belcastro had a one credit hour class and that started the whole thing. Then I took a pair of white Chucks and an old whistle and every Thursday I'd go to Sand Fork, Tanner, Burnsville, or some other school and I'd work a double header and make \$8 a game. That's how I got started.

As you reflect on your years officiating, what comes to mind?

This is year number forty for me. I always wanted to be a coach, but there's something about basketball (I was a manager for Coach Lilly). I watched the coaches, so I decided to be a referee. It has taken me to a lot of

places and I've seen a lot of things because of it. I got in the Southern Conference in 1983 and at age 26 I was in the Big 10. By age 31, I had worked my first Final Four.

As a referee I know that people don't always like the things I do. You have to accept it and as long as you know you're doing the right thing, you keep going.

Sometimes I look back and say, "Oh wow, I did that." But even after you get there, you still have to work at it. Like I said this is my fortieth season, but I don't see an end in sight because I still work at it, I don't put it in automatic. I'm in a training and agility type class at 7:30 a.m. at age 63, getting after it. And Glenville taught me that...we've got that blue-collar atmosphere with a white-collar mentality when it comes to the education.

What has been the most memorable game you've officiated?

I've worked so many but I'd have to say the Duke vs. UNLV game I worked when I was 31. It was my first Final Four. I was excited but nervous. There were 80,000 fans at that game. That game stands out a lot...that first one, when I was just a baby-faced kid and nobody knew me.

Parting thoughts?

To a college student or someone just starting out, I'd say that you just have to believe in a higher being and you can get anywhere. And at a place like Glenville...there's good people who just touch your life. With a small campus, you get to see and interact with so many people like I did and many others have.

Glenville made this shy kid grow up. I needed nurturing by the right people and I got that and I'm grateful to them. I carry them with me because they put me on the map. Glenville was good for me – it was one of the best things I've ever experienced.

(left) Valentine rides down Main Street in Downtown Glenville when was the Glenville State College Homecoming Parade Marshal in 1996.



1990s TONY GIBSON

CLASS OF 1997



How did your time at Glenville influence you professionally?

When I arrived at GSC in 1991, not only did we have a great Football staff with Coach Rich Rodriguez, we had a great athletic staff. So many of the coaches there went on to have great careers – **Gary Nottingham '79, Steve Harold '87, Tim Carney '62, Russ Shepherd '62, and Kenny Osborne '85** – just to mention a few. I got to see first hand how to treat people and how to have success. Watching these coaches coach and also how they cared about their athletes, I knew at that time I wanted to be a coach. The whole athletic staff and faculty at GSC has had an influence on who I am today.

Who were some impactful people you met during your time as a Glenville State student?

Rich Rodriguez and Dean Hood.

Tell us about your proudest football moment.

Proudest moment as a player is beating Central State to go to the National Championship Game in 1993. As a coach, it has to be beating Clarksburg Notre Dame when I was Head Coach at Gilmer County (my first career win). Beating Georgia at the 2006 Sugar Bowl is probably a close second.

What are some traits or habits you try to instill in your players?

To be disciplined, tough, accountable, and – most importantly – together. And to build that bond and trust with your teammates.

What is one of the biggest shifts you've seen in football during your years as a coach?

Probably conference realignment, the transfer portal, and the influence and prevalence of social media in the recruiting process.

Tell us a little about your wife Kerry and your family.

Kerry and I met on the Glenville State

College campus at the Administration Building when we were scheduling classes and we just celebrated our 28th anniversary in November. And we became proud grandparents back in April.

Our son Cody Gibson and his wife Erin (McClafferty) Gibson welcomed Mac Anthony Gibson on April 13. Cody is on our coaching staff at NC State. Our daughter Ashton Gibson lives in Raleigh and works at United Bank.

Parting thoughts?

Glenville State was the best decision that I made in the first 18 years of my life. I would not be where I am today without my experiences from my time there. There were so many people who helped along the way, not only at GSC but people in Gilmer County as well. I made lifelong friends at Glenville and Kerry and I will forever be grateful to GSC and Gilmer County.



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2000s

JENNIFER MCPHERSON

CLASS OF 2005



Tell us a little about what your job entails?

Being Policy Analyst for the West Virginia House of Delegates Minority Office is a little different every day, which keeps it interesting. When I first started at the Capitol, Democrats were in the majority, so my role was much different. I helped manage the floor process for the House of Delegates. I coordinated with the House Clerk's Office to make sure the Majority Leader had the information he needed for floor sessions and kept him on track. Now, in the Minority Office, I work directly for the Minority Leader and do my best to make sure all the Democrats know what to expect in terms of legislation, amendments, and action by the House of Delegates each day.

When we aren't in legislative session, I share information with our caucus, work on policy research for members, and contribute and coordinate on other projects. This year, we created a Democratic workgroup to prioritize our caucus's recommendations on American Rescue Plan spending by the state. I coordinate that group, and I am also staffing a bipartisan workgroup dedicated to helping coal communities tap into millions of dollars in federal money and look at ways the state can help those communities rebuild. Our office also responds to constituent services and other legislative requests for our members.

How did your time at Glenville State influence you professionally?

My time at Glenville led me to this job! I applied for and was selected for the West Virginia Legislature's Judith A. Herndon Fellowship internship program when I was a junior at Glenville State. My connections through that program led me to a job on U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd's campaign and later his Senate office. When he passed away, I reached out to Delegate **Brent Boggs '76** and moved to the State Capitol to work for the House of Delegates. Now, nearly 20 years after that internship, my office hosts a Herndon intern every session.

I was a shy, quiet kid growing up – and I promise you wouldn't know that



now meeting me. I have grown in this job to be comfortable and confident around leaders because I'm comfortable and confident in what I do. Part of that confidence stems from how easy it was to build relationships with professors and other leaders at Glenville. I worked for two First Ladies to establish the Archives Office. Both Mrs. [Irene] Powell and Mrs. [Sandy] Freeman were so warm and welcoming – it helped show me that even as a student or employee, you can connect with people in a meaningful way.

Who are some of your favorite GSC professors?

[Professor Emeritus] Dr. Jim Hilgenberg was my favorite professor. He taught several of my history classes. He reminded me of a Baptist preacher with the cadence of his voice and his delivery. His classes were always interesting and challenging.

I had [Professor Emeritus] Dr. Michael Smith for my political science classes. He shared information on legislative internships with our class, which is why I applied for the Judith A. Herndon Fellowship through the West Virginia Legislature.

I feel like I had [Professor Emeritus] Duke Talbott for half of my classes at Glenville. He had a way of teaching history that made it feel relevant and interesting. He also talked about fishing and beer, which always made us laugh.

What would you say are the biggest misconceptions people have about politics?

That politics are a joke or not worth

your time. It matters – the people you elect can make a huge difference for you and your community. And those people are usually easy to get to know. Policy change happens in this building – and is made by the 134 legislators that we elect. Building meaningful relationships with your elected officials makes all the difference. If you want your opinions and your voice to be heard about policy, you have to know who makes those laws.

Also, people believe that Democrats and Republicans are constantly fighting. That's not true. Sure, we argue some. The truth is that people don't agree on everything – even within a caucus. I have found that if you get to know people and find what they are passionate about, it is easy to like and respect them even if you strongly disagree on some issues – and even if they are in another party. You can almost always find one thing that you can hold onto to build a relationship with that person. The best and most effective legislators do this. They build relationships with their peers, within their caucus and across the aisle. The best policy often comes when the two parties work together and compromise.

Parting thoughts?

My sister **Karla '04** and brother **Daniel '10** also graduated from Glenville State! My sister earned an education degree, and my brother earned a degree in land surveying.

And I definitely want to encourage current students to look for internship programs in their field. It is such a great way to make contacts and get their foot in the door.

2010s

TONI DOMAN

CLASS OF 2016



Tell us about your Mountain Song and Story show on WBCM – Radio Bristol.

Currently, I work as the Grants Coordinator at Birthplace of Country Music, Inc. (BCM) located in Bristol Tennessee and Virginia (yes Bristol is two cities in two states!). BCM is a non-profit organization made up of three branches, including the Smithsonian-affiliated Birthplace of Country Music Museum; the annual music festival Bristol Rhythm and Roots Reunion; and WBCM-LP Radio Bristol, a public radio station that broadcasts from the museum. The mission of BCM is to perpetuate, promote, and celebrate Bristol’s rich musical heritage; to educate and engage audiences worldwide regarding the history, impact and legacy of the 1927 Bristol Sessions; and to create recognition, opportunities, and economic benefit for local and regional communities. What’s now referred to as “The 1927 Bristol Sessions” was an event that took place in Bristol, Tennessee in the late summer of 1927. Victor Talking Machine Company record producer Ralph Peer came to Bristol and promoted an open call for musicians to come and record. It was during this time that notable artists including the Carter Family, Jimmie Rodgers, the Stoneman Family and many others made a series of recordings that sparked the commercialization of country music into the mainstream. These recordings remain some of the most influential recordings in American music history and are known as the “big bang” of Country music.

Bluegrass music has been a large part of your life. Where did that passion begin?

Okay well I guess you could say it goes all the way back to those 3rd grade piano lessons that I didn’t stick with (but totally wish that I did...). I started going to local community square dances when I was in high school, it was a really fun way to be introduced to the local country music scene in my area and hear things that were on the radio. That’s really how I got introduced and involved with traditional Appalachian music styles. While Bluegrass music has



Pictured: Doman (right) with Virginia West partner, KT Vandyke.

been an inspiration to me for sure, I love to promote all music! I’m particularly interested in Country, Folk, and Americana, but I don’t limit myself to a certain genre.

Your band, Virginia West, has quite a following. Give us a little backstory on how the band formed.

Virginia West is an acoustic duo my partner, KT Vandyke, and I started. We started performing in late 2017 shortly after I relocated to the Bristol area and specialize in performing what we enjoy musically, including Country

Western, Folk, Swing, and Americana music styles. Together we also really value performing and reimagining old classic country western songs like that of Kitty Wells, Hank Williams, and too many more influential artists to list. The pandemic had caused us, and all musicians nearly, to stop performing in 2020 through 2021; we’ve only just recently been able to begin playing on stage together again. We plan to release an EP with original songs within the year, so look out!

What is your favorite memory from your time at Glenville State College?

My favorite memory is the overall experience at GSC. During my time as a student I was able to get involved in the local community and really became a part of it. I always tell people my time in college was so unique because of this, in so many ways I feel that Glenville is my second hometown because of the friends and people I see as family that still live there. Once a pioneer

always a pioneer so they say, right?

My least favorite memory is walking up that hill....(you know the one).

You are always on the go – what is the next adventure that you have your sights set on?

My personal and career focus is to work toward promoting and preserving the arts and culture of the region so that this incredible place is around and thriving in the future. Appalachia is a really unique region that I’m proud to call my home.

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GSC Athletic Trainer Scholarship



The GSC Athletic Trainer Scholarship has been established by the senior members of the 1970 Football Team. Its purpose is to support West Virginia students majoring in athletic training at Glenville State College. The establishing members of the fund, **Gary Ray '71, Ron Duncan '71, Stewart "Mike" Roscoe '71, Steve Ash '71, and Virgil "Pee Wee" Lacey '71**, acknowledge the success they have had due to their experiences received while attending GSC and playing football. The annual \$1,000 scholarship also honors the essential role athletic trainers play in athletics.

Rev. Don Fox Scholarship Fund

The family of the late Rev. Don Fox has established a scholarship fund at Glenville State College to support non-traditional students.

"My siblings and I have established the fund to honor our father's love of learning, love other others, and love of our home state. The scholarship is the culmination of more than a decade of saving and fundraising and will be given out for the first time this fall," said Amy Fox-Sir Louis.



McGee Scholars Program

Glenville State College has established the McGee Scholars Program that will directly benefit students through needs-based scholarships. The generous \$100,000 grant comes courtesy of the McGee Foundation, a nonprofit organization established by John and Ruth McGee.

The McGee grants are designed to enable college study for qualified West Virginia residents who otherwise might not be able to do so.



Mary J. Griffith Scholarship

In 2019, the late **Mary J. Griffith '42** created a scholarship at Glenville State College. Recently, with an additional gift received from her estate, the fund has grown to nearly \$2 million. The Mary J. Griffith Scholarship was established to aid young men and women in financing their college education.

Gilmer County Education Fund

With a recent \$1 million gift, W. "Jack" Hardman has established the Gilmer County Education Fund at Glenville State College.

The Gilmer County Education Fund is designed to support students from Gilmer County High School who are attending Glenville State College. Hardman created this scholarship to assist local students and provide an opportunity for them to attend college, recognizing the importance of higher education and the opportunities it provided to him.



Cassie Johnson Memorial Scholarship

The first Cassie Johnson Memorial Scholarship has been awarded to Glenville State College Criminal Justice student Kristen Lopez.

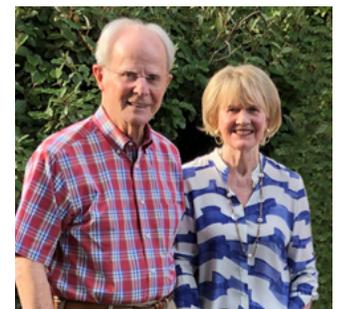
The Glenville State College Department of Criminal Justice began fundraising for the Cassie Johnson Memorial Scholarship – in memory of Charleston Police Officer Cassie Johnson – as part of the College's Day of Giving campaign in February of this year. Patrolman Johnson was killed in the line of duty in December 2020.



Dr. John P. Shock Jr. and William "Bill" Talbott Scholarship & Dr. John P. Shock Jr. and Nancy Hall Shock Scholarship

The Dr. John P. Shock Jr. and William "Bill" Talbott Scholarship was established to support students from Webster County or Gilmer County High School who are attending Glenville State College.

The Dr. John P. Shock Jr. and Nancy Hall Shock Scholarship is designed to support students from Logan County or Gilmer County High School who are attending Glenville State College. Dr. Shock created the scholarship to honor his wife Nancy, and to recognize their combined love for Glenville State College and the opportunities it helped provide them.



Making history:

2021 DAY OF GIVING

Thanks to the generous support of the Pioneer community, Glenville State College raised over \$250,000 from nearly 450 donors during the 2021 Day of Giving celebration on Founders Day, Friday, February 19, making it the largest giving day in the history of the College.

Donations supported 38 projects across campus, including departmental and athletic projects, scholarships, alumni and student projects, the Pioneer Fund, and the President's Circle. Specific projects included Praxis grants for the Department of Education, art supplies and marching band uniforms for the Department of Fine Arts, a fleet vehicle for the Department of Land Resources, travel and equipment support for athletic teams, funding for GSC's Study Abroad Program, and many more.

"Our Day of Giving celebration on Founders Day showed exactly what makes Glenville State College so special. Our alumni and friends, faculty, staff, and students all came together to celebrate our great college while greatly surpassing our

fundraising goals for much-needed resources. We are so grateful for everyone who helped make this day possible and appreciate each and every gift," said Vice President for College Advancement and Governmental Affairs, David Hutchison.

During this year's Day of Giving, students, faculty, and staff came together for a celebration in the Mollohan Campus Community Center for an opportunity to sign the Day of Giving banner, a thank you card writing station, and refreshments.

Plans are already underway for the 2022 Day of Giving, which will be part of our sesquicentennial celebrations in mid February.

Save the date! Join us in celebrating our 2022 Day of Giving February 14 - 20.



Over \$3.5 Million Awarded to Glennville State Through Various Grants

Glennville State College has received funding for assorted projects and campus improvements from the United States Department of Education and the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC).

Strengthening Institutions Program

Glennville State received a \$2.11 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education for the Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP). The funding is designed to strengthen the institution and meet goals set in the College's strategic plan. The project will run from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2026.

The SIP-funded projects at Glennville State will create a virtual one-stop shop for student services, increase coordination among offices, increase mental health services, increase resources for wrap-around support, advance platforms designed to enhance student connections, engagement, tutoring, advising, and scheduling, enhancing technology systems, and complete infrastructure renovations and preservation of student spaces.

"We're excited to be receiving this funding and we look forward to implementing several of the projects over the next few years," said Glennville State College President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin. "We already do good work, and this SIP grant funding will allow us to expand existing programs and create new initiatives – all aimed at student success and making Glennville State even better."

The Strengthening Institutions Program provides grants to eligible institutions of higher education to help them become self-sufficient and expand their capacity to serve low-income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen the academic quality, management, and fiscal stability of the institution.

Appalachian Regional Commission Grant

The \$1.42 million award from the ARC is designed to develop a Cybersecurity and Safety Workforce

Development Initiative serving the coal-impacted communities of Barbour, Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Harrison, Gilmer, Lewis, Nicholas, Ritchie, Roane, Tyler, Upshur, Webster, and Wirt Counties in West Virginia. The funding was part of the ARC's Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce Economic Revitalization (POWER) Initiative. Additional support for the initiative is provided by the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation.

The Cybersecurity and Safety Workforce Development Initiative is designed to cultivate economic diversity, enhance job training and reemployment opportunities, fill jobs in the high-demand field of cybersecurity, and attract new sources of investment to address safety and security in communities across the state. According to CyberSeek.org, there are over 1,000 open cybersecurity jobs in West Virginia, with a total employed cybersecurity workforce in excess of 4,000 individuals. Cybersecurity is a high pay and high demand field with multiple career pathways for advancement. It is anticipated that this initiative will train approximately 300 individuals in cybersecurity.

"We are very pleased to be part of this workforce development investment that is designed to impact our local communities," said Manchin. "Careers in cybersecurity are growing and will only continue to grow in our ever-expanding digital world. We are grateful to the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Benedum Foundation for this support, and I look forward to seeing the successes from this initiative."

Since the ARC launched the POWER Initiative in 2015, more than \$287.8 million has been invested into 362 projects across 353 coal-impacted counties. The amount Glennville State received was among nearly \$46.4 million awarded this spring. Estimates show the projects should create/retain over 9,187 jobs, attract nearly \$519.5 million in leveraged private investments, and be matched by \$59.2 million in additional public and private funds across the Region.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS

2020 Recipients

The Glenville State College Alumni Association annual Awards Ceremony and Banquet was postponed in 2020 due to COVID-19. The event was eventually rescheduled in December and took place as a modified event. There, alumni and friends gathered in person and virtually to recognize several deserving Pioneers. We honor their dedication to their families, their communities, and to Glenville State.



GEORGE Y. KERR '63 | Alumnus of the Year

Kerr worked as a music teacher for both the Wetzel and Kanawha County Boards of Education and as a sales representative for Gorby's Music. He and his wife **Elaine (McHenry) '68** also operated Kerr's Music World, Inc., a musical instrument retailer. All told, he has devoted nearly 57 years to the education and retail business fields. While a student at GSC, Kerr was a member of the marching band, concert band, jazz big band, concert choir, and the chamber choir. He received his bachelor's degree in Education from GSC in December 1962.

"When I opened the envelope from Glenville State College I was shocked to read that I had been selected to receive the Alumnus of the Year award. From 1958 to 2020 and spanning parts of eight decades, to be the person selected is very surprising. I would like to thank the Glenville State College Alumni Council for this selection and those who nominated me. I am truly honored and realize that this award was mostly achieved because of the opportunities and teachers I had at Glenville State College, the numerous GSC graduates and other music teachers who allowed Kerr's Music World to serve their musical needs, the present superior music faculty at Glenville State College, and my family who were shoulder-to-shoulder working with me over the years at Kerr's Music World," Kerr said.



JUDITH (DAVISSON) LEGGETT '78 | Community Achievement Award

Leggett is currently serving as the general music, band, and chorus instructor at Gilmer County Elementary School. She has had a career in education spanning over 40 years. She has served a stint as the itinerant music teacher for Roane and Gilmer Counties, Homebound Instructor, a GEAR UP Grant Liaison, Math Interventionist, and as a Substitute Teacher in Doddridge County Schools. While a student at GSC, Leggett was a majorette and a member of the concert, marching, and pep bands and the concert choir. She also participated in the cultural affairs committee, Kappa Delta Pi, Music Educator's National Conference (MENC), and served as the secretary of the WV Collegiate MENC. In 1978, she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education (K-12) from GSC and later went on to earn her Master of Arts degree in Communication Studies from West Virginia University in 1988.

"GSC has always, always given to the community and to the children and worked to build up the children in the community. And that's simply what I hope to do through my teaching. I tell my students, even if you don't go on to become professional musicians, I want you to be responsible people and to learn to be yourself and support the others around," Leggett said.



ANTONIO "TONY" FRANKLIN '76 | Alumni Chapter Award

Franklin is currently serving as the Associate Director of the University of Illinois Extension. In that role, he is a member of the core administrative team that provides leadership and vision to the Illinois Extension. He oversees logistical operations, including supervising the field-based leadership team as well as providing leadership for the organizational development of Illinois Extension units. He serves as the Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Officer for the Extension. While a student at GSC, Franklin was a member of the 1973 NAIA Division II National Runner-up football team, played intramural sports, was a Student Lobbyist with the Student Government Association, chaired the Social Work Club, was a member of the Blacks United Together group, played in the marching band, wrote for the school newspaper, and participated in campus plays. In addition to his degree from GSC in 1976, he holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and a Master of Science degree in Physical Education from the University of New Mexico.

"I want to acknowledge a friend of mine, Tim Cunningham. He spearheaded the idea for an African American alumni group and we started our first black history program at Glenville a couple years ago," Franklin said. He added, "Some of the friendships that I forged at GSC still exist today. We still get together on a monthly basis just to chitchat and check up on each other."



KAYLA (BOGGS) WHITE '11 | Outstanding Teacher Award

White is currently teaching English, journalism, and yearbook at Elkins High School in Randolph County, West Virginia. She has been at the school for the last six years. Before accepting her current position, she had stints teaching at Belington Middle School, Buckhannon-Upshur High School, and Tygarts Valley Middle/High School. While a student at GSC, White was a cheerleader, member of the Alpha Theta Xi sorority, member of the Student Education Association, a Resident Assistant, a member of the campus newspaper staff, Trillium editorial staff, and was the 2008 Homecoming Queen. In 2009, she earned her Bachelor of Arts in Education degree in Secondary English Education (K-12). She and her husband **Adam '10** reside in Elkins, West Virginia and have two children, Amos and Farryn.

"I am truly honored and humbled to receive this award. I have a great sense of pride as an educator, especially a public educator. I learned that pride from Glenville State College. I will always be proud to be a teacher and to have received my teaching degree from Glenville State College," White said.



DENNIS CARPENTER '74 | Alumni Service Award

Carpenter recently completed his two-year tenure as President of the Glenville State College Alumni Association. During his time as President, the Association expanded its reach and activities, formed several new alumni chapters, created ways to bring graduates and future Pioneers together, and more. Carpenter spent his career in education, having served as a teacher, coach, and administrator in Roane County Schools. He also served as the Director of the Roane-Jackson Technical Center until his retirement. While a student at GSC he was very active in the Theta Xi fraternity. He graduated from GSC in December 1973, with his bachelor's degree in social studies education (7-12). He later went on to earn his master's degree in educational leadership from the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies.

"My time on the Alumni Council has been incredibly positive and very rewarding. Glenville State College continues to give to me, many friends. It also gives me the opportunity to reacquaint with many of my old friends. I am blessed to have been given the opportunity to serve with such distinguished and honorable alumni," Carpenter said.



KYLE WARNER '14 | Outstanding Young Alumnus

Warner is currently serving as the Controller for Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital in Weston, West Virginia. In this position, he supervises the accounting staff and manages the financial statements, cash flow, and financial reporting. Before joining the staff at Stonewall, he worked for Ernst & Young (EY), LLC in their Charleston, West Virginia office. During his five years with EY, he navigated through a successful Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) inspection by presenting complex areas and addressing questions to PCAOB while being the Senior Level 3 Auditor of a \$6 billion bank. While with the firm, he was recognized with numerous performance awards for his high quality audits and exceptional client service. At GSC, Warner was a member of the Pioneer Football Team where he served as a Captain and 3-year starter, was President of the Professional Business Leaders of America, served as a tutor, and was a Resident Assistant at Pioneer Village. He received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree in 2014 in Accounting and Management.

"Glenville means everything to me and I wouldn't be where I am today without Glenville State. I learned responsibility, I learned about maturity, and how to be a man. The supporting cast I had while I was here was second to none, including Cheryl McKinney who was really the catalyst to my success and my coaches who taught me along the way, Sherry (Woofler) Jones '76, Gary Arbogast, and Becky Swisher...they all helped me get to where I am now," he said.



ALEXANDRIA (LAY) KING '08 | Outstanding Young Alumna

King is currently serving as an Attorney in the Energy and Natural Resources Department at the law firm of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC in Charleston, West Virginia. She works in the areas of oil and gas, coal, and renewable transactions. While a student at GSC, she was a member of the Student Government Association where she held the positions of secretary and commuter representative. As a member of the Student Government Association, she was able to serve on the College's retention and curriculum committees. In the summer of 2007, King participated in the study abroad program and traveled to Madrid, Spain. In 2008, she graduated Summa Cum Laude from GSC with her Bachelor of Arts degree in History. After graduating from GSC, she attended the Washington & Lee University School of Law where she earned her Juris Doctor degree. She was named among the 2019 Forty Under 40 in the Oil and Gas Industry by Hart Energy and has participated in several speaking engagements.

In her remarks, King recalled several instances during her time as a GSC student when her professors went the extra mile to make sure she could sign up for a certain class, participate in a study abroad experience, and more. "That is the type of personalized experience and opportunity for growth that a small school like Glenville State can offer its students," she said. King added, "I've come to really appreciate all of the people, past and present, who provided me with positive and constructive feedback and encouragement and who've really gone out of their way to help me in my career journey."

Alumni Association In Memoriam Recognitions



**ROBERT "BOB"
GAINER '61**

Bob came to Glenville State College as a student in 1955. He briefly left his pursuit for higher education in 1956 to serve in the U.S. Air Force. When he returned in 1959, he completed his education at GSC where he obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Social Studies and Speech. While attending GSC, he met the love of his life, **Janet (Hall) '62**.

Bob returned to Glenville in 1967, where he and Janet raised their twin daughters, **Sheri** and **Sandi '85**, and son, **Rob**. Bob accepted a position at GSC and served the college for 21 years in a variety of positions. In 1988, he retired and moved to South Carolina where he and Janet lived for more than 30 years.

After Janet passed away in 2018, Bob created a GSC scholarship in her name showing their dedication to higher education and giving back to a college that gave them so much.



**COACH BILL
HANLIN '53**

Bill served in both the U.S. Army and the U.S. Army Reserves. While a student at GSC, he was a four-year member of the Pioneer Football Team where he played halfback.

He had various coaching stints until, in 1957, he accepted the head football, track, and athletic director's position at St. Marys High School in St. Marys, West Virginia. In 1966, he became the head football coach at Glenville State where he spent nine seasons as head coach. He led the Pioneers to an undefeated regular season in 1973 and that team later advanced to the NAIA Division II championship game.

Throughout his career, he received various prestigious awards and the new stadium at St. Marys High School was named in his honor. He received the Hero of the Year Award from the Pleasants County Boys and Girls Club in 2013.



**PENNY
(SIZEMORE)
MOSSOR '78**

Penny graduated from Ripley High School in 1974. She went on to further her education at Glenville State College where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Education.

While a student at GSC, she was a member of the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority and met her husband **David '77**.

Penny was an educator and spent 37 years teaching in Jackson County, West Virginia. She taught kindergarten at Evans Elementary School for 31 years and then spent six years teaching sixth grade at Ripley Middle School.

She was a member of the Cottageville United Methodist Church, member of the Delta Kappa Gamma sorority, and participated with the Jackson County Adopt-A-Family.

Penny and David were married for 40 years and together had one son, **Nicholas**.



**JOANN
(MCNEMAR)
RICHARDS '52**

JoAnn, after graduating from Weston High School in 1949, attended Glenville State College where she earned her bachelor's degree in Education. She later went on to West Virginia University where she earned a master's in reading in 1965 and a master's in learning disabilities in 1970.

She was a lifelong educator, holding teaching positions in many counties and districts throughout West Virginia and Maryland. She served 33 years as the Director of Early Childhood Education for RESA VIII in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia that included Head Start and Birth-Three programs.

She was heavily involved in her community and was a member of several organizations including Phi Delta Kappa, United Methodist Women, the GSC Alumni Association, the WV Silver-Haired Legislature, and others.



**DEAN
STRICKLAND '65**

Dean earned his bachelor's degree in Biology from Glenville State. He served in the Army National Guard, the U.S. Navy, and attended the U.S. Naval Officer Candidate School. While in the Navy, he achieved the rank of Lieutenant Junior Grade and served aboard the USS Canberra in Vietnam.

Dean had a lifelong passion for learning. He was a member of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity and the Boy Scouts of America where he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

He and his "bride," **Mary Bland (Whiting) '70**, made many trips to the West and Yellowstone National Park.

His greatest love and passion was for the amazing grace of his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Glenville where he served on many boards and committees and helped in any way that he could.



**GARY
WAGGONER '64**

Gary began teaching biology at Parkersburg High School in Parkersburg, West Virginia in 1966. While teaching at Parkersburg High School, he served as the boys' and girls' tennis coach where his teams won multiple West Virginia State High School Championships.

In 1972, he began teaching biology at Parkersburg Community College where he became the Chairman of the Natural Sciences and Mathematics Division. He also served on the Advisory Council to the WV Higher Education System Board of Trustees until his retirement in 2011. Gary also taught biology and was the tennis coach at Saint Joseph's Preparatory Seminary from 1974 until its closure.

Gary was a member of the GSC Alumni Council until his passing and was a member of the Stout Memorial United Methodist Church.

class notes

1967

Suzanne “Sue” (Morton) Cunningham was recognized with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Sutton, West Virginia Town Council. She was recognized for her ongoing efforts to pick up litter during walks around the town.

1972

Susan (Barnhart) Maslowski continues to operate her Mud River Pottery, as she has since 1975, and is a food columnist for the *Charleston Gazette* (WV) newspaper.

1973

Richard “Rick” Pingley serves as a Resource Manager for Burnsville Lake and Recreation Center. He was been with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for nearly 43 years. In this position, Rick has had the opportunity to work with many Glenville State students and help them launch their careers in the field.

Martha Taylor (and ‘79) celebrated her 90th birthday in August 2021. An open house celebration took place at the Flatwoods (WV) Community Building in her honor.

Dr. William “Bill” Webb is a Psychotherapist and Professional Development Specialist. He recently sold his psychotherapy and addiction private practice that he operated for 25 years. He has recently embarked upon a new business, William B. Webb, Ph.D., Consulting, LLC. This consulting practice is fully automated, utilizing services like Zoom, text, phone, and email formats. Dr. Webb has created an eight-week program to help successful, overworked, and stressed business executives overcome their self-limiting patterns and problematic work habits to create a better work-life balance and avoid burnout. Dr. Webb and his wife Sharon live in Huntington, West Virginia.

1974

George Brumfield and his son Tracy

are among the winningest father-son coaching duo in West Virginia history. George spent 27 years as the head baseball coach at Wayne High School (WV) where he picked up 516 wins and was inducted into the National High School Baseball Hall of Fame. Now serving as an assistant coach to his son Tracy at Cabell Midland High School (WV), the duo have 875 combined victories as head coaches.

David Bush retired from Lewis County (West Virginia) Schools after serving as the history and psychology teacher at Lewis County high School for 40 years. Even his retirement, he still has a passion for education and service. He serves as a member of the Lewis County Board of Education, West Virginia Glass Museum Board, Louis Bennett Library Board, and the Weston Planning Committee.



Terry Williams was named the 2021 Mayor of the Year by the West Virginia Municipal League. In June 2021, he was sworn in for his 15th term as the Mayor of Spencer, West Virginia in Roane County.



1975

Eric Makle retired as the Civil Engineering Construction Inspector for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission in 2011, a role he had held for 25 years. Since his retirement, he has been a volunteer basketball coach for the Maryland-National Capital Park Planning Commission.



Leah Janice (Moore) and her husband **Scottie “Chip” Westfall ‘78** were honored as the 2021 Calhoun County (WV) Wood Festival Parade Marshals in

June 2021. The couple are both life-long residents of Calhoun County and retired educators.

1976

Dr. Mary Katherine “Kathy” (Poling) Butler has been named to the Glenville State College Board of Governors. She also provided the keynote address during the May 2021 Glenville State Commencement Ceremony.



1977

Ronald Chadwell retired from Roane County (WV) Schools in 2013 after 34 years of teaching.

Pastor Kenny Fisher celebrated the one year anniversary of the Horizons Gilmer (WV) Campus in August 2021 where he serves as the Satellite Pastor for the Horizons Church System.



David “Bugs” Stover was elected to the West Virginia State Senate where he represents the 9th District during the 2020 general election.

1978

Karen Frazier retired from Jane Lew Elementary School in Lewis County (WV) in the spring of 2021 after spending 43 years in the classroom. Karen spent her entire career at Jane Lew Elementary and spent 34 years teaching kindergarten.

1979

Dale Stover retired after over 40 years with the UMWA Health and Retirement Funds, where he served as the Director of Finance and General Services, in July 2020. Dale and his wife **Tamira (Wiegel) '81** - who, also in July 2020, retired after over 23 years of teaching - reside in Cool Ridge, West Virginia.

1980

Gary Bonnett retired from the Federal Government in December 2011 after 40 years of service. He retired as the IRS Supervisor of Internal Revenue Agents for the State of West Virginia. He now owns and operates Gary's Wood Working Shop in Hurricane, West Virginia where he specializes in hand carved and hand turned items that he sells at major craft shows throughout the Kanawha Valley.

1981

Mary (Hughes) Maskell is working as a Human Resource Specialist with K.F. Maskell and Associates in Herndon, Virginia and recently married Kevin Maskell.

1982



Virgil Davis retired as a Correctional Lieutenant from the California Department of Corrections after 30 years of service.

Beverly "Bea" (Wilson) Isner was appointed to the Jackson County (WV) Board of Education in May of 2021 to fill a vacant seat. She has spent her teaching career in Jackson County spending the majority of her time at Ripley High School, but also had stints at Ravenswood Middle and Ripley Middle Schools.

Rebecca "Sue" (Kimble) Weekley retired from Tyler County Schools after 36 years of as a reading specialist and classroom teacher.

1983

Scott Ludwig opened a new restaurant - Roadhouse 2081 - in June 2021. This new family-friendly steakhouse has an

emphasis on "food, spirits, and friends" and is located in Ripley, West Virginia.



Doug Patterson was elected as the President of the Glenville State College Alumni Association in May 2021. Doug and his wife Teri live in Wheeling, West Virginia.

1984

David Cochran is serving as the Vice President of Sales and Marketing at Miller Transfer, an over-dimensional/heavy haul trucking company where he has been for the last eight years. While in this position, he was responsible for many advancements in technology, processes, and strategy. He also built a proprietary CRM for the company that has driven consistent growth and improvement for organization. David and his wife **Jamie (Kincaid) '87** live in Canal Fulton, Ohio.



Daniel "Dan" Durbin was promoted to Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration/CFO at the University of Louisville. He was also selected as a 2021 honoree for Best in Finance by Louisville Business First. This award is given to financial professionals in the Greater Louisville area for outstanding performance in their roles as corporate financial stewards.

Elizabeth "Beth" (White) Nichols recently retired from Lewis County (WV) High School where she served as the health and physical education teacher. During her education career, she was a decorated cheerleading coach at Lewis County High School. Throughout her tenure, she took six cheer squads to the West Virginia State Cheerleading Tournament, claimed four Regional cheer titles, two runner-up Regional titles, and six Big 10 Conference (WV) Runner-Up Championships. She has been the Big 10 Conference Cheerleading Coach of the Year, was appointed to the West Virginia State Board of Cheerleading, and was the 2017 Lewis County Teacher of the Year.

Since retiring, Beth's daughter Catie has assumed the head cheerleading coach role. Beth resides in Weston, West Virginia with her husband Wayne; they have two children, Catie and **Joe '19**.

1985

Lessa Holder is serving as the Office Manager for Holder and Harbour, LLC and is a new member of GSC's Alumni Council.

1987

Dr. Kevin Evans will serve as the Chair of the Department of Science and Mathematics at Glenville State College beginning in the fall of 2021. Evans is also the faculty representative on the College's Board of Governors.

1990

Carla (Overfield) Cosner is currently serving as a Preschool Special Needs Teacher with Lewis County (WV) Schools. In this role, she works with



3-5 year olds that have been diagnosed with developmental delays and autism to help transition them into PreK, Head Start, and the Kindergarten classrooms. She also provides guidance to parents and classroom teachers for meeting the students' needs. She currently resides in Glenville with her husband Chris who serves as an Associate Professor of Art at GSC. Together they have two daughters, **Kristen '17**, who is GSC's Creative Director, and Kylie who is a student at GSC majoring in art and design.

1992



Edward "Ed" Toman has been named the Superintendent for Mercer County (WV) Schools and began his appointment in July 2021. He takes over the leadership in Mercer County with over 30 years

of public school experience. He and his wife Michelle have three children Jordan, Tristin, and Campbell.

1993



Mawahna Gifford (and '08) retired from Glenville State College's Business and Finance Office as an Accountant in June 2021 after 25 years of service to the institution.

1994

Traci (Starcher) Evans (and '04) was named the Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center Teacher of the Year for the 2020-21 school year. She is beginning her 18th year in the classroom in 2021. She and her husband **Kevin '87** live in Glenville, West Virginia and have two daughters **Tara '18** and **Ashley**.

Katherine (Oiler) Hess earned her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in December 1993, and then returned to GSC where she received her Associate of Science degree in Criminal Justice in 2015. She has been the Deputy Superintendent at Salem Correctional Center since 2016. She currently resides in Bridgeport, West Virginia with her husband of 26 years and her 19 year old son. She has been a civil servant for over 23 years.

1995

John Putnam was named the Principal of Gilmer County (WV) High School and recently accepted the Pastor position at the Glenville First Baptist Church.

1996

David Rich was recently selected as Associate Warden at the Federal Correctional Institution in Beckley, West Virginia.

1997



Denise Ellyson retired from Glenville State College in August 2021 after working at GSC for over 40 years. She most recently served as the Certification Analyst in the Registrar's Office.

2002

Joe Frashure is serving as the Child Nutrition, Maintenance, and Transportation Director for Gilmer County (WV) Schools. He also is the Athletic Director for Gilmer County High School. Joe is married to **Amber (Skinner) '04** who is a teacher at Gilmer County Elementary School. They have two daughters, **Bayley** and **Kendall**.



Allery "Bean" Lockridge is serving as a Parole Officer with West Virginia Parole Services. He is also a basketball official and baseball and softball umpire with the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission (WVSSAC). You can also find him writing song lyrics on YouTube at @BernardAllery.

Dr. Colleen (McBrien) Richardson was appointed and sworn in by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Dennis McDonough, as the Executive Director of the Caregiver Support Program, Office of Care Management and Social Work, VA health Administration, Washington, DC in February 2021. She is a veteran of the United States Navy, previously serving in Fallujah, Iraq. She holds the rank of Lt. Commander and was the Chief of Psychology at the VA in Dallas, Texas. Colleen and her husband Ryan reside in Midlothian, Texas.

2004

Blair Fisher and **Kelsey Jett '18** are engaged to be married. Blair is the art teacher at Gilmer County (WV) High School and Kelsey is a mathematics teacher at Calhoun County (WV) Middle/High School.

2005

Gregory Groves was promoted to Supervisor for the Criminal Investigation Division with the West Virginia Department of Revenue and West Virginia State Tax Department.

2006

Sarah (Roach) Golden and her husband **Christopher** are currently residing in Christiana, Tennessee where she is serving as a music and STEM education teacher.

Justin Griffith and his wife **Rebecca** are living in Draper, Virginia and, in November 2020, he was elected to be the Commonwealth's Attorney for Pulaski County, Virginia.

Briana (Lilly) Hinkle has been promoted the Manager of Curriculum Maintenance at Lincoln Learning Solutions in Rochester, Pennsylvania.

Jiketta Underwood is serving as a Sergeant with the United States Army Reserves and a preschool teacher at North Jefferson Elementary School in Jefferson County, West Virginia. She has one son, **Malachi**.



2007

Dr. Freddie Persinger is a general orthopedic surgeon for the Thomas Health Physician Partners Orthoclinic in South Charleston, West Virginia. He performs knee/hip/shoulder

replacements, hand surgery, arthroscopic rotator cuff repair and ACL reconstruction, as well as fracture surgery for the upper and lower extremities. Dr. Persinger is a member of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics, and WV Orthopedic Society.

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Autumn (Carter) Norman was selected as the 2021 Staff Member of the Year at Mississippi College. She holds many roles at the College, including the Administrative Assistant in the Department of English and Psychology, Executive Assistant to the Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, the Jennings Hall and Jennings Annex Building Manager, and teaches English composition to freshmen students. Autumn and her husband Cornnel live in Bolton, Mississippi and have four children Miles, Ezra, Leo, and Ari.

Jeremiah Smallridge helped secure a \$29,000 matching grant from the West Virginia Departments of Arts, Culture and History to upgrade the light and sound system in the Buckhannon-Upshur High School auditorium. Jeremiah continues his work with choir and theatre students at BUHS, plays piano at the First Presbyterian Church in Weston, serves as music co-director for the Glenville Presbyterian Church, and also performs with Maestri Vocale, a choral group he helped found that is made up of artists from throughout West Virginia.

2008

Alex (Lay) King has been named to the Glenville State College Board of Governors.

Marcal Lazenby has been promoted to the Associate Athletic Director of Internal Operations at Saint Leo University. Marcel was named the 2018-19 Saint Leo Athletics Employee of the Year and in August of 2019, he was presented with the core value award for “Community” at Saint Leo’s Community Day. Most recently, he was named the Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee for the university prior to the 2020-21 season. He has been with Saint Leo since August 2017.

Ashley Pierson marked 15 years of service for with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in February 2021. Throughout her career, she has worked on many projects for the Corps. In her role, she serves as the administrative liaison between the field site and the area office. In 2010, she was the Field Office Woman of the Year, and in 2020, she received a commander’s coin and a Commander’s Award for Civilian Service in recognition of her outstanding work during deployments.

2009



Matthew Lamb serves as a Correctional Officer at Federal Correctional Institution Gilmer and is a Staff Sergeant with the C. Co. 2/104th West Virginia National Guard Aviation Unit. Matt is married to **Amanda (Roberts) ‘10** who works in Glenville State’s Financial Aid Office. They have two children, Ava and Owen.

Rachel (Burkett) Moravec and her wife Bethany welcomed their first child, a daughter, named Tegan Alexis Moravec on September 11, 2020. They currently reside in El Paso, Texas.

2011

Kim Stephens was recognized by the *West Virginia State Journal* as a 2021 Generation Next: 40 under 40 honoree for her success as the Glenville State Lady Pioneer’s Head Basketball Coach.



2013

Cody Baber has taken a new position as an English Language Arts Teacher at Roaring Fork High School in Carbondale, Colorado.

Stephany Harper-Amos received the 2021 GSC Staff Employee of the Year Award. She serves as the Financial Aid Director at Glenville State.



Dr. Timothy “Tim” Swiger is serving as a Staff Psychologist at the Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center in Clarksburg, West Virginia. Tim is a United States Marine

Corps veteran where he completed two decorated tours to Afghanistan and received the Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal for application within a combat zone. In 2020, he completed his Doctoral Degree in Counseling Psychology from West Virginia University. Tim and his wife **Jacqlyn “Jackie” (Moss) ‘09** reside in Glenville, West Virginia with their son Colton.

Matthew Thompson is the Special Projects Director for the West Virginia Food and Farm Coalition. Launched in 2010, the Food and Farm Coalition provides leadership to the local food and farm sector across the state of West Virginia by building a strong network equipped to grow food and farm business, promote access to local foods, share resources, as well as to map and connect the local food sector, change agricultural policy, and tell West Virginia’s food and farm story statewide.

2014

Katherine “Kate” Williams is the GSC Roane County (WV) Alumni Chapter Leader. Under her guidance, the group has been able to create a scholarship for a Roane County student to attend Glenville State. In August 2021, she began her eighth year teaching at Spencer Elementary School. Kate and her fiancé Craig reside in Spencer, West Virginia.

2015

Hillary (Tinney) Bostic was married in 2017 and has three children Tucker, Ford, and Emberley. She is currently running a successful online business that she founded in 2016 called DRE, LLC.



Kaydee (Mansheim) and Ricardo Figueroa were married on May 2, 2021.

Courtney (Cutlip) and **Matt Lane '15** were recently married. Courtney is currently working as a land surveyor.

Seth Stemple will be serving as the band director at Buckhannon-Upshur Middle School. He will also assist the Buckhannon-Upshur High School choir department after school, all while continuing his private studio.

2016

Brendan Rumney is currently serving as a West Virginia Natural Resources Police Officer and is assigned to Harrison County.

2017

Kelsey (Palmer) Baugher took first place at the International Bowhunting Organization's 2021 World Championship in the Female Bowhunter Release class. Kelsey and her husband **Randy '17** live in Lost Creek, West Virginia.



Brianna Caison earned her Master of Science degree in Pharmacogenomics and Personalized Medicine from Shenandoah University in the summer of 2021. She was the first student from

Shenandoah University to graduate with this cutting-edge degree that applies knowledge of the human genome to clinical practice and prepares students to address some of today's most challenging healthcare issues. She is now enrolled in the West Virginia University School of Medicine.

Kennedy (Cochran) Moore has been named the 2021 Fayette County (WV) Teacher of the Year and was a finalist for the West Virginia Teacher of the Year. Kennedy is an 8th grader science and STEM teacher at Midland Trail High School.

Reverend Brett Rinehart has accepted the position of Senior Pastor at the First

Baptist Church of Elkins in Randolph County, West Virginia.



Paige (Tuttle) Taylor married Woodrow Dale Taylor on July 25, 2021. Paige works as a teacher in Marion County (WV).

2018

Julie Bishop has been named as the new Center Executive Director at the Genesis Hidden Valley Center in Beckley, West Virginia.

Dylan Kesner is working with the federal government in Western Maryland as a Natural Resources Conservation Service Forester. Dylan and his wife Bethany were married on October 20, 2018.

Jessica (Fiber) Knox, her husband Tyler, and their first child, Adalynn, welcomed baby Asher to the family on August 4, 2021. Jessica teaches second grade at Arthur I. Boreman Elementary School in Tyler County, West Virginia.

Jessica Layne received her autism education certificate and is teaching at the Pioneer Center/Ross County Board of Developmental Disabilities in Chillicothe, Ohio.

Logen Lemasters and **Eric Ansley, Jr. '19** will be welcoming their first child in February 2022.

Cody Moore has been elected to the Glenville State College Board of Governors as the Staff Representative.



Raven (Turner) married John Siciliano on August 21, 2021. She is serving as a 5th grade teacher at Waterman Elementary School in

Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Colby Weist and his wife Katie are currently living in Pomona, California where he is working as a teacher and coaching football and wrestling.

2019

Breanna Bennett completed a Master of Arts degree in Reading with an emphasis in elementary education from Grand Canyon University in June 2021. She continues to teach in the Raleigh County (WV) School System.

J. Austin Broussard earned a Master of Arts degree in Educational Psychology from Ball State University in July 2021. He continues to serve as the band director at Gilmer County (WV) High School.

Brittany (White) Conley, a teacher at Braxton County (WV) Middle School, has implemented an instructional module for her 6th grade students in order to teach them about fishing. She obtained donations to purchase supplies for the lessons and asked guests for the WVU Extension Service and West Virginia Division of Natural Resources to share their knowledge about conservation, native aquatic wildlife, and more with students. The students also had the opportunity to practice casting.

Morgan (Dolly) and Ethan Hacker were married on June 26, 2021. Morgan continues to serve as the Band Director at Clay County (WV) High School.

Dravin Gibson is the new Pioneer Media General Manager at Glenville State College. Pioneer Media serves to ensure live streaming coverage of Glenville State athletic events, in addition to other duties.

Garrett Hacker has been hired as an Elementary Music Teacher for Braxton County (WV) Schools for the 2021 year. He will serve at Davis, Little Birch, and Frametown Elementary Schools. He earned a Master's Degree in Music Performance from Ohio University in April 2021.



Elizabeth (Messer) and Wil Mayes '20 were married on August 28, 2021. Several GSC alumni joined the couple on their wedding day.

Joshua Runyon released a nine-track rock album entitled, "Danger" in the summer of 2021. It can be found on YouTube, Spotify, Band Camp, and Apple Music.

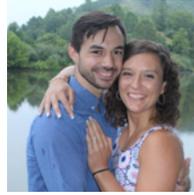


2020

Daisy Dean and Thomas Peterson are engaged to be married. Daisy serves as the Assistant Manager at GSC's Pioneer Campus Store, which is operated through Barnes and Noble College.

Scarlett Farley is living in Chicago, Illinois where she is working as a National Park Ranger at the Pullman National Monument.

Zachary Lively is working in the insurance industry in Fairmont, West Virginia. He has been with State Farm for nearly a year.



Jessy Moore and Michaela Gumm '18 were married on November 6, 2021. Jessy serves as the Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at Gilmer County (WV) High School and Michaela is a Pre-School Teacher at Gilmer County (WV) Elementary School.

Daniel Reid is serving as a Police Officer with the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Police Department.



2021

J. Brian Carson is working as a Natural Resource Specialist-Park Ranger for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Burnsville Lake. As a Park Ranger, he is tasked with visitor assistance, promoting water safety, making sure everyone is safe while they are recreating, and helping to make sure things at the project are in working order. Brian says his favorite part of the job is seeing everyone outside and making memories. As a friendly reminder he adds, if you are in or around water, please wear your life jacket.

Chandler Ferguson is working in human resources, safety, and operations at Flying W Plastics in their Glenville, West Virginia office.

Dalton Law has joined the Suttle & Stalnaker Accounting Firm as a Staff Accountant at their Parkersburg, West Virginia office.

MacKenzie Petry earned second place in the 2021 West Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants Outstanding Student Awards. She was featured in the June 2021 issue of the Society's magazine.

Seth Stover and Leslee (Coffman) '21 were married on June 5, 2021. Seth works at Inside Out Creative, a design firm in Charleston, West Virginia, and Leslee works as Marketing Coordinator for the South Charleston (WV) Public Library. She is also obtaining her Master's Degree in Information Science from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Kristie (Taylor) and Alexander Keiffer were married on June 12, 2021.

2022

Shelden Mullens joined the staff at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine as an Admissions Counselor.

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Coolville, OH
May 22, 2021

Stanley J. Anderson '55
Cleveland, WV
February 5, 2021

Donald K. Arbogast '53
Bishop, GA
January 26, 2021

Johnnie Gail Armentrout '67
Belington, WV
December 30, 2020

Constance Aline (Marley) Bariteau '57
Gainesville, VA
May 1, 2021

Linda J. Bean '77
Cowen, WV
March 31, 2021

Rondal Beeson '56
Woodsfield, OH
June 21, 2021

Joann Ellen (Metz) Boram '53
Latrobe, PA
May 9, 2021

Amanda Gayle (Milan Beaver) Bragg '13
Craigsville, WV
April 23, 2021

Jack D. Cawthon '57
Morgantown, WV
December 2, 2020

Betty Ann (Brown) Cleveland '63
Walnut Grove, AL
December 27, 2020

Samuel Clay Cogar '63
Burnsville, WV
November 19, 2020

Lori A. (Snyder) Couch '88
Vienna, WV
May 15, 2021

Charles Robert Craig '59
Morgantown, WV
April 6, 2021

Caroline R. (Riddle) Cusick '51
Glenville, WV
December 7, 2020

Mary Charlene Davis '84
Wilmington, DE
February 25, 2021

Carl D. Dodrill '69
Sutton, WV
February 4, 2021

Kent D. Duffield '56
Hickory, NC
January 5, 2021

Joseph M. Duvall '84
Williamstown, WV
January 21, 2021

Connie Sue (Coffindaffer) Ferrell '63
Jane Lew, WV
June 27, 2021

John Mark Fleming '87
Cowen, WV
March 26, 2021

Stephen Brian Frye '95
Big Springs, WV
May 29, 2021

Virginia Mae (Prince) Gardner '76
Smithville, WV
June 17, 2021

Blanche L. Grueser '82
Parkersburg, WV
January 12, 2021

Danny Jarrell Hall '59
Coolville, OH
February 10, 2021

Ronald Bruce Hill '77
Pomeroy, OH
June 9, 2021

Robert L. (Dotson) Hinger '95
Richwood, WV
January 17, 2021

Janet Sue Hinkle '93
Cowen, WV
December 6, 2020

Paul Payson Hunt '54
Atlanta, GA
November 25, 2020

Thomas J. Hyer '56
Manassas, VA
February 12, 2021

Robert L. Jack '50
Morgantown, WV
November 24, 2020

Jack Kaufman '57
Bluefield, WV
March 12, 2021

Joyce Carole (Brannon) Kimble '59
Henrico, VA
November 21, 2020

Evelyn K. (Frame) King '95
Lorain, OH
February 7, 2021

Dwaine Lee Lipps '78
Buckhannon, WV
March 19, 2021

Robert Franklin Lipscomb '73
Shenandoah Junction, WV
March 6, 2021

David Lee Lunter '64
Woodbridge, VA
May 21, 2021

Susan Elizabeth Martin '77
Princeton, WV
May 24, 2021

Juan Marichal McCabe '15
Gallipolis, OH
February 28, 2021

Patrick L. McCartney '69
Oak Harbor, WA
December 2020

Judith P. (Pickens) McWhorter '65
Jane Lew, WV
March 28, 2021

Elda Fay (Utterback) Montgomery '57
Livermore, CA
November 10, 2020

Randall C. Morgan '79
Moundsville, WV
March 25, 2021

Betty Kathryn Nelson '83
Cairo, WV
May 17, 2021

Sandra Sue (McCartney) Parks '69
Beckley, WV
November 23, 2020

Elizabeth Grace (Russell) Phillips '61
Richmond, VA
February 19, 2021

Marybeth P. (Pileggi) Pyles '76
Gallipolis Ferry, WV
June 12, 2021

Gerald Wayne Ramsburg '70
Bridgeport, WV
May 24, 2021

Marita (Spicer) Reed '57
Chester, MD
December 27, 2020

David L. Rice '85
Parkersburg, WV
May 3, 2021

Jonathan Edward Riffle '99
Coalton, WV
February 27, 2021

Professor Emeritus James Weldon "Jim"
Rogers '63
Summersville, WV
November 7, 2020

Jerry C. Rogish '69
Bedford, PA
May 22, 2021

Theresa Elizabeth (Copenhaver) Schaub '94
Mount Lookout, WV
June 16, 2021

Brenda L. (Cayton) Shriver '01
Weston, WV
November 24, 2020

Sonya Elaine (Blackhurst) Simpson '99
Mount Hope, WV
January 3, 2021

Richard L. Singleton '84
Bridgeport, WV
January 10, 2021

Judith Lynn (Counts) Sink '69
Stockbridge, GA
June 4, 2021

Kenneth Smith '81
Glenville, WV
June 21, 2021

Jacqueline R. (Rastle) Smith '56
Weston, WV
May 5, 2021

Brenda L. (Casto) Snider '78
Parkersburg, WV
February 12, 2021

Frank Stanevich '53
Seven Hills, OH
December 4, 2020

Shawn Samuel Steele '84
Cincinnati, OH
November 5, 2020

Marvin Stewart '55
Redding, CA
December 25, 2020

Cynthia Diane (Burnside) Sumpter '75
Jane Lew, WV
January 18, 2021

Kelly R. (Richards) Ubbens '00
Mineral Wells, WV
December 6, 2020

Audrey L. (Riggs) Voigt '94
Wichita Falls, TX
December 22, 2020

C. Vance Weekly '68
Pennsboro, WV
February 11, 2021

Arnold F. Weese '50
Belington, WV
December 16, 2020

Elizabeth A. Wilcox '91
Parkersburg, WV
November 6, 2020

Kenneth Lee Wright '59
Parkersburg, WV
March 30, 2021

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Coach Scott Stephens
Mineral Wells, WV
November 21, 2020

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Those in attendance during the weekend included: **Dr. Jack Albert, Jr. '70, Stephen Barnett '70, Carolyn (Rastle) Bass '70, Robert Born '71, Karen Brown '71, Ron Duncan '71, Gail (Jackson) Fitzgerald '71, Donna (Cummings) Gault '71, Wilma Lake '70, Tilden "Skip" Hackworth '70, Lois (Gill-Robinson) Kincaid '71, Julia (Murin) Lee '71, Marlyn "Marty" (Nichols) Linn '71, Velden "Benny" Linn II '71, John Lough '70, Daniel McPherson '71, Joan (Hartley) Murphy '70, Sharon (Dobbins) Phares '70, Karen (Fennell) Pickens '70, Thomas Pickens '71, Gary Ray '71, Jackie Joe Robinson '70, Marion Roby '71, Linda (Felton) Roscoe '71, Stewart "Michael" Roscoe '71, Donald Sheets '71, Lois (Hathaway-Marks) Stewart '71, Mary Bland (Whiting) Strickland '70, Sue (Fulmer) Waggoner '71, Lloyd Wells '71, and Michael Wentzel '71.**



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