

GLENVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
Pioneer Update
YOUR BIWEEKLY UPDATE ON GLENVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
A COMMUNICATION TO ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ABOUT EVENTS AND PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Alumni Spotlight

James "Jim" Hamrick '58 was recently inducted into the Glenville State University Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame as a member of the Class of 2021. He has been working in education throughout West Virginia for 60 years and still serves as a member of the Board of Review for the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission (WVSSAC).

While a student at Glenville State, he was a member of Phi Delta Kappa, Kappa Sigma Kappa, G Club, Varsity Club, Student Council (Treasurer), Junior Class Vice President, and the *Mercury* staff. He was a member of the Pioneer



Glenville State Night at Lambert's Winery

Glenville State University alumni and friends are invited to the sixth annual GSU Night at Lambert's Vintage Wines in Weston, WV on Wednesday, August 24 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Rain or shine, all are welcome to attend the event and reconnect with their friends and classmates to enjoy fun and food.

For more information about the event, contact Conner Ferguson '17 by [clicking here](#) or by calling (304) 462-6116.



football, basketball, and baseball teams. Also, while a student, he was named Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities in 1954. In 1957, he graduated from Glenville State with a Bachelor of Arts degree in mathematics, physical education, health, and driver's education. After graduating from Glenville State, he earned his Master of Arts degree from West Virginia University in 1966.

Jim served as a math teacher and coach at four West Virginia high schools Meadow Bridge, Rainelle, Clendenin, and Herbert Hoover for 16 years, was principal at Clendenin Junior High School for 18 years, served at the Executive Secretary of the WVSSAC for four years, and has substituted for 22 years.

Throughout this career, Jim has been heavily involved in sports championships, education, and service to his alma mater. He served as the Lead Teacher for Marshall University's Student Teachers, served as Chairman of the Glenville State College Board of Advisors and received a Presidential Citation for his leadership in 2000 from former President Thomas Powell, served on the National Federation of State High School Association Track Committee for two terms (he is the only West Virginian to serve on this committee), served as the National Association of

GSU Pre-Nursing students with President Dr. Mark A. Manchin during a New Pioneer Orientation session

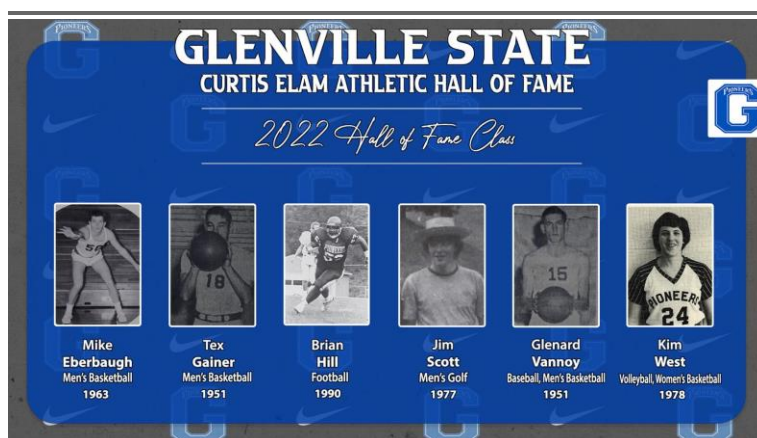
Fall Semester Underway

Glenville State University students marked the first day of fall 2022 semester classes on Monday, August 15.

During the previous week, new students took part in New Pioneer Orientation which was designed to help them create meaningful connections, become familiar with policies and procedures at Glenville State, connect with the caring and dedicated professionals across campus, and become informed of the services the institution provides. They also had the opportunity to finalize course schedules, meet new friends, and take part in several activities.

Returning students used Saturday and Sunday to move into their residence hall rooms in preparation for the first day of classes.

"This is an exciting time in the lives of our Pioneers," said Glenville State University President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin. "With the beginning of a new academic year, we are all excited to welcome everyone to Glenville State University as these students work to complete their degrees. Our faculty and staff are ready for this new semester and we can't wait to see what the future holds for these bright, talented students."



Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) National Track Meet Director for three years, has served as the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) Track Meet Director for six years, served the WVSSAC as both the State Track Meet Director and State Boys Basketball Tournament Director, and served as WVSSAC official for football, basketball, baseball, and track and field.

Originally of Spring Dale, West Virginia and a graduate of Meadow Bridge High School, he currently resides in Glenville, West Virginia. Jim's son Ed previously served as Glenville State's Vice President of College Advancement and Executive Director of the Foundation, and his twin grandsons Jamie and Hunter graduated from Glenville State in 2012.

We are proud to have Jim as one of our 2021 Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame inductees, and proud to feature him in this week's Alumni Spotlight.

**Reminder:
Homecoming is
Oct. 15!**

2022 Athletic Hall of Fame Announced

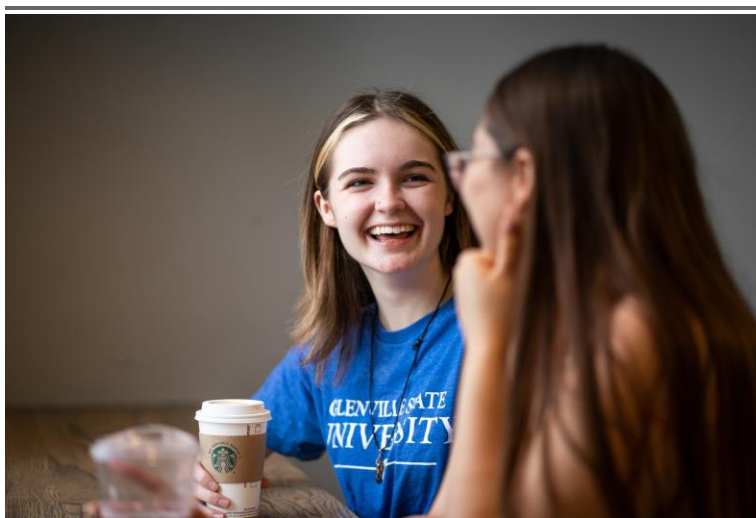
The six newest members of the 2022 Glenville State University Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame class are set to be officially inducted on Saturday, October 1.

The inductees include Mike Eberbaugh '63, Tex Gainer '51, Brian Hill '93, Jim Scott '77, Glenard Vannoy '51, and Kim West '78.

The banquet and induction ceremony will take place in the Mollohan Campus Community Center Ballroom at 6PM. A social reception will precede the event at 5PM. Tickets for the event are \$25.

Glenville State University's Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 2001 through the generosity of the late Curtis Elam '49.

Tickets can be purchased by [clicking here](#) or through the Alumni Affairs Office by calling (304) 462-6116. Please RSVP by Friday, September 23.



Something New is Brewing!

GSU's new "We Proudly Serve" Starbucks coffee shop, located next to the Pioneer Campus Store in Louis Bennett

Hall, is now officially open and serving students, faculty, staff, and the community.



(l-r) Rex Repass, Rick Hurt, and Glenville State University Athletic Director Jesse Skiles '87 hold a few of the items donated to the Glenville State Archives that previously belonged to Coach Frank Vincent '55.

Frank Vincent Memorabilia to be Housed at GSU

Recently, several pieces of memorabilia chronicling Coach Frank Vincent's '55 career were donated to Glenville State University by two of his former Charleston High School players, Rick Hurt and Rex Repass. Hurt has been the holder of Vincent's historic items since his death in 2010.

Jason Gum '05, Glenville State's Library Director and Archivist, accepted the items – which included newspaper clippings, game programs, photographs, trophies, plaques, signed game balls, and more – alongside Athletic Director Jesse Skiles '87.

"I am excited that we have found a home for this material," Hurt said. "Coach was a good man, and did so much for so many of us. It was important to me that this history find a permanent and safe home."

"We are deeply grateful to Ricky and Rex for this very special donation," said Skiles. "As a native of Kanawha County, I remember what big stars Ricky and Rex were on those teams of Coach Vincent. We cannot say 'Thank You' enough to each of them for this donation."

Vincent was a star lineman at Glenville State in the early 1950s and was the All-Conference Center in 1954. He went on to become a record-setting head coach at Charleston High, leading the Mountain Lions to three consecutive Class AAA titles in 1968, 1969, and 1970. He served as head coach at Glenville from 1980-86, and his 1983 team that went 6-2-1 boasted a defense that only allowed 84 points for the entire season.

Vincent was inducted into Glenville State's Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame in 2010, and the memorabilia will now be digitized and housed in Glenville State University's Robert F. Kidd Library.



UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Keep in touch with us so we can keep in touch with you!

Have you moved recently? Married? Gotten a new email address? Received a promotion or taken a new career path? Added a new bundle of joy to your family? Celebrated a milestone anniversary? Been honored with an award or accolade?

We want to know what is happening with our GSU alumni and their families.

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THE GIVING CORNER

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Go-Mart Inc. - \$20,000 for PAC Advertising

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Walter "Walt" Turner '69 - \$10,000 for the Walter Turner Perm Restricted Fund

The Estate of John C. Shaw - \$3,997.90 for the John C. Shaw Scholarship

Rodney Skidmore '79 - \$2,500 for the Pioneer Vantage Club

James "Jim" Hamrick '58 - \$2,000 for the Pioneer Athletic Club and the Pioneer Vantage Club

Gary '59 and Anna Belle (Sheets) '60 Gillespie - \$1,000 for the Glenville Presbyterian Church Choral Scholar Program

Jack's Furniture Center - \$1,000 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

Minigh Family Dentistry of Shinnston - \$750 for the Minigh Family Scholarship

Daniel Smith Insurance - \$500 for the Pioneer Athletic Club

Gordon Short '55 - \$500 for the Eula Bush Short Scholarship

Kenneth '71 and Nancy Fisher - \$320 for the Pioneer Athletic Club

Levi Livingston - \$300 for the Pioneer Athletic Club

Minigh Family Dentistry of Glenville - \$250 for the Pioneer Fund

Debbie Winkler - \$250 for PAC Volleyball

Lyle "Frank" '70 and Becky Kimble - \$200 for the Pioneer Fund

Eloise Boggs '47 - \$150 for the Pioneer Athletic Club

Elk Energy Services, LLC - \$150 for the Pioneer Athletic Club

Kelly Osborn '01 - \$150 for PAC Women's Basketball

Andrew Stadel - \$150 for PAC Volleyball

Jesse F. Skiles '87 - \$131 for the Jesse Skiles Scholarship

James "Jim" and Maureen (Kraus) '82 Gildein - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

Troy and Jewel (Belcher) Hawks - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

John and Linda Hickman - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

Tina McPherson - \$100 for the Tom McPherson Athletic Scholarship

Jim '67 and Karen Scherr - \$100 for PAC Football

Jesse Skiles, Jr. - \$100 for the Jesse Skiles Scholarship

Rosemary "Hammond" Gillespie '58 - \$50 for the Pioneer Fund

John Cobb - \$25 for the Tom McPherson Athletic Scholarship

Anita Klein - \$25 for the Tom McPherson Athletic Scholarship

David '96 and Christy (Hays) Rich - \$25 for the Harry Rich Scholarship and PAC Women's Basketball

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