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### G.S.C. Gains 14-7 Victory To Carve Way For Finals

Defense!!! The Glenville State Pioneers used their opportunistic defense and the big play passing com-bination of Chris Anderson and Steve Buffington to carve out a 14-7 victory Carthage (Wis.) last Saturday in the mud, slime, and muck (no pun intended) at Ripley's High School The victory enabled Glenville to meet Northwestern, Iowa for the NAIA Division II championship at Fairfield Stadium in Huntington at 1:30 Saturday, Dec. I on the astroturf.

The game started off following much the same script as the Fairmont game the week before when on the second series of plays a Chris Anderson pass was intercepted and returned to the Glenville 8 yd. line. However, the Pioneer defense sparked by the tackling of Scotty Hamilton, Bob Hardman, Mark Reger, and Bernie Buttrey, rose up to stop the Redmen on a 4 and 2 situation at the Glenville I yd. line.

The rest of the first half was highlighted by the trading of punts. With 2:40 to play in the quarter, Carthage started their first drive two first downs moved the ball to the Glenville 17 vd. line, the Pioneers appeared to be in for trouble Bernie Buttrey broke through the Redmen line to recover a Carthage fumble on the Glenville 20 yd. line. The quarter ended with this play.

In the second quarter, the Glenville offense burned the Carthage On a 3 and 16 situation, Anderson dropped back to his eleven and hit Buffington on a post pattern. Buffington took the ball on his own 45 and scampered 55 yards for a TD. Jay Chambers added the extra point and the Pioneers led 7-0 with in the second quarter.

The Redmen tried to go to the air lanes on the Glenville defense bu\*

Jerome Fruit intercepted a pass on the Pioneer 41 yd. line. Carthage again started a drive after they ceived a punt on their 29 but the Pioneer defense stopped Carthage on a 4 and 3 situation on the G-men's 42 yard line. Another Carthage drive was thwarted when a 4 and 7 pass fell incomplete. The half ended with Glenville ahead 7-0.

Glenville kicked off and on the first play from scrimmage Bob Hard-man picked off a Redmen pass on Carthage 48 yd. line. Glenville could go nowhere and once again were forced to punt. Carthage then proceeded to drive the ball down the field but the Glenville defense again came up with the big play when Mark Reger fell on a Carthage fum ble on the Glenville 14 yd. line. Later in the quarter Glenville found itself in good field position when Hamilton partially blocked a Red men punt and the ball was downed on the Carthage 41 yd. line. Two plays later Anderson hit Buffington on the Carthage 10 yd. line and after Buffington eluded several tacklers and John Pratt made a fine block Buffington dove into the end zone Chambers again was there on the extra point and Glenville led 14-0.

the fourth period Glenville re peatedly stopped Carthage offensive thrusts with outstanding plays. Hamilton intercepted a Carthage pass to stop one drive, and Buttrey recovered a fumble after the Redmen had driven to the Pioneer 10 yd. line.

After two long passes had moved the ball to the Glenville 4 yd. line, Carthage finally scored to make the game a 14-7 affair.

The Redmen had the ball one last time but as a 2 and 10 situation on the Glenville 10 yd. line, Roger Bonnett intercepted a Carthage pass and the Pioneers had a berth in the NAIA Division II championship

## First For Glenville

This is the first time in the athletic history of Glenville State College tha a football team will compete in a national championship. We want all who are associated with Glenville State College to be an active part of this experience for players, students, alumni, and friends of GSC

This football team is not just a group of athletes. All members of the team are our acquaintances, friends, and students of GSC. Likewise, this is so true students at GSC. When they participate as artists in the Fine Artswhether it be the band, chorus, drama, or share with us their special talents They are our students and deserve our personal support and pride in their in their endeavors. Therefore, at this time let us support fully this group of young men and their coaches, the Glenville State College Pioneer football team on Saturday, December 1, 1973, with our presence at Fairfield Stadium

> D. Banks Wilburn President Glenville State College

#### Loyal Fans Urged To Continue Support

This Saturday afternoon will mark the first time in Glenville State College athletic history that we have competed in the finals of a National Championship. Needless to say, the significance of this event is beyond compare eyes of the entire state and nation will be focusing on this historic moment for our school. We are so very close to something so very big. Its nature is of a magnitude we have never recognized before

For these reasons I call on the Student Body to make every effort possible to attend Saturday's game, with the enthusiasm and loyalty so great that only Glenville fans know. At this crucial and climactic point of our football season it is ever so important that, we as fans, follow our team

Sincerely, Philip A. Reale



Miss Gay "Skip" Kincaid is shown with the three trophies she won in the Mid-East Individual Events Tournament at Parkersburg.

#### **Appreciate Glory** While It Endures

As tension slowly builds over the campus, the thought of being National champions is in the minds of every Glenville football enthusiast. Pioneers have never been so close to a championship of this degree before, initiation into country wide recognition and respect has be-

However, remember that glory is short-lived and the decline of such will begin immediately after the final seconds come and go. There will be banquets and ceremonies, but, except for a few individual awards, will be nothing compared to the wild ecstasy when the final horn is sounded.

The moments to remember will be during those first touchdowns and the final seconds, but you have to live them first. The players are already involved to their fullest capacity, but the spectator is often bogwhat post-game traffic will be like, and yelling for a box of popcorn. The viewer must direct his concentration at the game, so he can be a part of the glory that follows.

So, when a receiver takes in a winning touchdown pass, and as the time grows too short for any opponent to rally back, use the time wisely and with joy, because those vanishing seconds are valuable.

Donnie Cuppett

#### Little Ol' Student Beefs About A Closed Library

Editor, Fellow Students. Faculty,

Several students (I being one of them) having found the Robert F. Kidd Library closed Sunday, Nov 25th have doubts to the premise of education at GSC. Assignments must go incomplete and we are to reason why.

Perhaps the expense of hosting

the weekend play-offs limits the operation of "the school."

Perhaps in time the building will be permanently closed and serve as a memorial to those who once sought knowledge!

To those of you whose anger is spurned; why?

Little ol' student less.

# **Gay Kincaid Places Fifth** In Speech Pentathalon

On Nov. 17 & 18, a group of Glenville State College students com peted in the Mid East Individual Events tournament held in Parkersburg. These students, Art Wilt, Brenda Maylee, Gay "Skip" Kincaid, Kathy Fluharty, Dave Brown, Barbara Stem ple and Bob Dye were coached by Ms. Kathryn Leisering, head of the Speech department. In the contest Glenville competed against 29 other colleges and universities in a field of approximately 200 contestants. Each contestant performed in three rounds of competition and their scores were combined to determine placement and winning. Because the field was so large semi-finals hadto be initiated. The field of semi-finalists was divided into two sections and the top three of ach section advanced to finals. Art Wilt competed for the first time in this contest and advanced to the semi-finals in Impromptu Speaking Gay Kincaid brought home a truck load of hardware, winning first place in Persuasive Speaking, out of a field of 45, third place in Prose Interpretation, competing against 91 contestants and placed fifth out of 31 in Pentathalon.

Ms. Kincaid, a sophomore speech major is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kincaid of Mt. Hope. Her achievements in this contest have qualified her for national competition at New York State College in April. In the following interview she explains some interesting facts of forensics and her recently acquired honors. The very talented Ms. Kincaid is both intelligent and experienced in the field of Speech. Her dedication and determination become more apparent with each word. Hopefully, new interest in an exciting yet sadly passed over competition.

1. Would you please explain the nature of the events you competed

"The Pentathalon is a name a. entering five or more events. I was entered in Prose Interpretation which is basically interpreting a piece of Literature. I did a cutting from W. Somerset Maugham's Of Human Bondage. Also, I competed in Poetry Interpretation. The selection I did was Bertolt Brecht's "Concerning the Infanticide of Marie Farrar." did a humorous speech on the Johnny Carson Show, and a dramatic duo with Kathy Fluharty. The duo was a cutting from Our Hearts Were Young and Gay by Cornelia Otis Skinner My Persuasive Speech was on the pet population explosion. I feel that won because I was the only one that provided a means for carrying our my solution. I provided the audience with literature on spaying and neutering clinics, plus a copy of a bill for the legislature and a sample letter to send to the individual's congressman, supporting legislation on this problem. As a Pentathalon entry I was not only judged in each these categories but was also judged separately based on the number of first, second and third place showings in every round of every

A quick count by this interview brought forth these figures. "Skip preformed primarily in five events in these rounds, then in five events of a semi-final round and finally in five rounds of finals. This means twenty-five performances more

experience in the drama field

'I was in a few typical high school plays. I also worked with the Hatfields and McCoys production in Beckley four years. I was working as secretary to the producer and gone about as far as I could go without a degree. Also, I became interested in teaching. So, I quit and came to Glenville.

3. How have you benefitted as a future teacher, from forensic comp-

"I feel that I've learned more from competing in contests than I could possibly learn from any class. First, the experience with selecting, re-hearsing, and polishing a piece of literature or writing a speech was valuable. Also, I was able to put so much more time (approx. 150 hours) into this than actual class because of night rehearsals. Speech as well as theatre is very demanding because of the practical application involved.

4. Competition, especially concerning sports is widely attended and given much publicity and support. As a competitor, also representing Glen ville, you haven't had quite that recog-

nition, even on a comparable scale. What are your feelings on this?
"I don't feel that there is favor-

atism towards sports on the part of the Student Body only that students are not aware of the activities of the Speech department and comparative the Speech department is small With this last contest we've made an effort to publicize our activities by presenting our selections to classes.

5. Do you plan to compete in further events? If so, where, when, and will you use the same material?

"We are going to be taking my Persuasion Speech and Prose Interpretation to the National competition because they have already qualified. Not all tournaments are qualifying tournaments so we have decided to only compete in those. Two coming up are at Ohio University in January and one at Marshall in April. Basically we're going to try and qualify in other events such as poetry humorous and dramatic duo. also going to area high schools and performing in an effort to publicize Glenville State.

Have you any additional com-

"First, I want to thank and express my gratitude to Ms. Leisering who worked twice as many hours as any contestant. She's gained the respect of all of us. Maybe I didn't have the cheering section with shakers, but I did have a lot of support from faculty members and students which was very much appreciated. Even the other contestants supported me when was discouraged. An unfortunate thing about these contests is that superior entries don't always win, other contestants worked long, hard hours and deserve to be recog-

Ms. Kincaid's achievements are notable to say the least. She represented Glenville, along with her fellow competitors, well. It's nice to know that GSC excels in many dif-ferent aspects. Hopefully, she will continue competing and winning.

Students must see their advisors this week or next week in order to plan schedules for the second sem-

WRESTLING SEASON

Coach Adolfson has announced that the Glenville wrestling team will

not participate in the wrestling tour-

nament scheduled for Dec. 1 at Con-

cord. The tournament will be held

with just three teams participating.

The reason the wrestling squad is

not participating is that the Glenville

football team is playing in the NAIA finals in Huntington on Dec. 1. The

regular wrestling season will begin

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12:00

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Fairmont

Frostburg

Concord

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on Jan. 12.

Jan. 12

Jan. 16

Jan 22

Jan. 26

Jan. 30

Feb.16

Feb. 20

BEGINS JAN. 12

#### **NAIA** Finals Represent Lifetime Dream

football and dream of being in a National playoff and becoming They struggle through each game and look on to the next with awe, but now Glenville has one more game to obtain this honor and here is what some of the players think: Les Facemyer-"Carthage was good

best personnel, everything. It'll be a great challenge to us all."

Irvin Braniff-"This game will test both our offense and defense as Northwestern is a very fine team as their record relates. A total team effort is needed.'

Bob Maynard-"It's just great to be playing in a game like this and it will be a great challenge to our whole team. We will have to have a good team effort."

Ed Williams-"It is a tremendous honor to be playing for national champion. It will take a supreme effort by the whole team, the pass defense will be tested greatly, as Northwestern has had 31 touchdown

Ken Morrison-"Just glad to be in a national championship. I think it will be a tough contest for both Northwestern and Glenville but I feel we have a great bunch of athletes will come out on top!

Jay Chambers-"When I was a kid, I always dreamed of playing in a big bowl game or a national championship. Of course this isn't the Rose

How does a person feel when they Bowl but it is just as important to Who would've ever thought me. that Jay Chambers would play in National Championship game

> Jim Carter-"I am really glad to be a part of this great Glenville team. This Bowl game is a really big thing in my college life. This is a once in a lifetime thing. All I can say is I love it.

Larry Chapman-"Carthage was not our strongest opponent but it was decent.'

Brian Taylor-"It's been a great vear so far. I believe the one we lost made us all appreciate winning just a bit more. Carthage college had to be the best all-around oppon-Carthage college ent we faced all year. It was a real pleasure playing a football game without having to worry about cheap shots or verbal harassment from your opponents. Carthage players were true-sportsmen in every sense of the word. The only way to end a great on is with a great win and the NAIA championship.'

Mark Reger-"Formidable opponent-as Coach Riffle would say, 'It was a sticky situation.'

Tom Harvey-"It is great to be in a playoff for No. l. We will have to have our best game. We will give it our best and become No. 1."

Mike Robison-"We are now rated second in the nation and on Dec. 1, we will be No. 1!!!!!



Hey Babe, you wanna boogie? It appears it would be alot easier than playing football in the mud. No. 84 is Ken Morrison.

### **Jeane Kennedy Attends** Pioneer First & Her Own

Saturday's NAIA semi-final game with Carthage was a first for Glenville But it was also a first for Mrs. Jeane Kennedy, secretary at the Health and Physical Education Building. Perhaps a new fan was born as Mrs. Kennedy attended her first football game of any sort. It's not that Mrs. Kennedy dislikes football or anything. She ex plains that the high school attended didn't have a football program, thus, she didn't have a background of what football was like and had no opportunity to develop an interest in She finds it more convenient to attend basketball games which are at night.

THE GLENVILLE MERCURY

Mrs. Kennedy was placed in a situation of keeping a play-by-play account of Saturday's game due to her exceptional speed at typing. Assisting Mrs. Kennedy was Mr. Terry Murdock from the NAIA and her own office helper, Jeff Jackson. Some might say that typing isn't that hard but as everyone knows, when are involved in a game such as football, where all sorts of things can

happen, you must be on your toes.

By this being Mrs. Kennedy's first game, she didn't have the faintest idea of what 1-10-20 meant, only with able assistants was she able to understand any of these statistics required by NAIA.

When asked if she understood the game any more after the first half, Mrs. Kennedy replied, "I think so. She also stated that she wouldn't have been able to do all that without help from Jeff and Mr. Murdock. After arriving at work Monday,

Mrs. Kennedy was once again asked how she enjoyed the game and her reply was, "It was real fun." She also stated that "I am very anxious for the upcoming game on Saturday and I hope we do as well as we did against

Students should have their I.D.'s ready to show to obtain admittance to the W.Va. State basketball game.

#### Back of the Week

Steve Buffington, a 5' 8", 158 lb. junior from Ravenswood was selected the back of the week in the game against Carthage. Steve caught two passes for touchdowns which won the game. In the 2nd quarter, Buffington caught a pass from Chris Anderson for 84 yds. and his first touchdown. This broke the school record in longest touchdown pass. Steve's second touchdown came in the 3rd quarter, a 33 yd. touchdown pass from Anderson

Buffington holds several school records. Last year he caught 31 passes for 622 yds. and 4 TDs. This year he has 29 passes for 563 yds. and 8 TDs. He lacks only three passes to break the school's record for passes caught per year. needs 2 catches and 59 yds. to better last year's mark. He has tied the number of TD passes in a game, 2. Steve averaged 20 yds. per catch last year and 18 yds. per catch this year.

When asked about the game, Steve said, "We have to get all aspects of our offense moving, and be able to stop Northwestern's passing attack."

#### GSC WINS, LOSES; SCHEDULE GIVEN

West Liberty 1:00

A-B 7:00 WVIAC Tournament

On November 19-20 the GSC Pioneer basketball team participated in the annual Shrine Tournament held in Weston.

The Pioneers defeated a much improved Alderson Broaddus team in the first game, 61-55. The Pioneers were led by Dave Merchant who had 17 points and 6 rebounds with additional help from Earl Hawkins and Randy Datcher, who ended up with 13 points and 10 rebounds and 13 points and 3 rebounds respectively John Hudson came off the bench along with Eric Makle to give the Pioneers a big lift when help was

On the following night, the Pioneers played a very strong Salem team and lost, 74-75. At one point in the game the Pioneers were down as much as 14 points surging back to take the lead at 74-73 with less than 40 seconds left. Coming off the bench again to give needed help was Eric Makle and John Hudson. These two came off the bench to score 8 and 10 points respectively in the rally. Pioneers ahead 74-73, the Salem Tigers came down the floor and scored to take the lead 75-74. At this point only 9 seconds remained and the Pioneers tried desperately to get the ball to our big man, Earl mediately and Glenville was not yet on the 1-1. With 3 seconds left Dave Merchant took a long jump shot from the corner which hit the back of the rim and bounded away.

Once again the Pioneers were led Merchant, who points and 11 rebounds. Also playing an exceptional game was freshman Wil Stewart who ended up with 18 points and 9 rebounds.

Here is the remaining schedule for the Glenville Pioneers:

Nov. 29	W. Va. State	11
Dec. 5	West Liberty	H
Dec. 8	Fairmont	H
Dec. 11	Salem	H
Dec. 15	Beckley	A
Jan 2-3	Marietta Tournament	A
Jan. 8	Shepherd	H
Jan. 9	Fairmont	A
Jan. 12	Davis & Elkins	H
Jan. 15	W. Va. Tech	H
Jan. 21	W. Va. Wesleyan	A
Jan. 26	Morris Harvey	A
Jan. 28	Alderson Broaddus	H
Jan. 29	Salem	A
Jan. 31	Beckley	H
Feb. 1	West Liberty	A
Feb. 2	Wheeling	A
Feb. 6	Morris Harvey	H
Feb. 9	W.Va. Tech	A
Feb. 12	W.Va. Wesleyan	H
Feb. 16	W.Va. State	A
Feb. 22	Concord	A
Feb. 23	Bluefield	A

All games will begin at 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for the football game are on sale in the Physical Education Building at the front office ticket window

#### Muckraking

"Hello Huntington, good-bye Ripley." I imagine if the people in the music business could put that to music that it would be a best seller, at least in Glenville. I'm sure the Pioneers are happy to know they won't have to participate in the mud again this Saturday. Instead, the G-men will be getting their first taste of astroturf Game time at Fairfield Stadium is 1:30 p.m. The Pioneers' opponent is Northwestern of Iowa. The Red a very strong aerial attack and they have already had over 30 touchdowns through the air waves. The Glenville defense will again be tested, but I guess that I say that every week so it shouldn't be new to anyone.

Last weekend the defense helped carry the offense until quarterback Chris Anderson limbered up his passing arm and hit most valuable fensive player Steve Buffington on

On Saturday, Dec. 8, following Glenville State-Fairmont State basketball game there will be a dance in the GSC ballroom featuring the "Soul Sensations" from White Sul-

phur Springs, WV.

The dance is scheduled to last from 10:00 to 1:00. Admission to this dance will be \$1.00 per person.

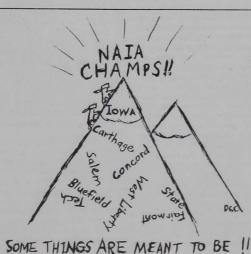
#### by Dave Bunton

two long scoring strikes. The Pioneer defenders came up with seven Carthage turnovers. Most valuable Bernie Buttrey recovered lineman two fumbles and Mark Reger scooped up one. In the air waves Jerome Fruit, Scotty Hamilton, Bob Hardman, and Roger Bonnette all picked Carthage passes. Hamilton also blocked a punt.

Coach Lilly's basketball team ran into some fierce competition against Salem and dropped a 75-74 heartbreaker in the Weston Shrine tourna men. I'll tell you one thing, the Lillymen are going to surprise a few people this year. Dave Merchant, Earl Hawkins, Will Stewart, John Hudson and Eric Makle all looked extremely good. Hudson and Makle came off the bench and scored 10 and 8 points respectively. Salem had four starters back and should be a conference contender this year

Due to the playoffs, Coach Adolfson's wrestling team won't open up their season until Jan. 12 with a match

Every student at Glenville should more than proud of his school and its great football team. I hope everyone of you can come to Huntington-remember it's a once lifetime thing. See ya at Fairfield. Yeah, you, too, Rookie!?!?!?



**Outstanding Plays Earn** B. Buttrey Top Award

Bernie Buttrey received the outstanding lineman award in Saturday's game and has been outstanding all

year long on the defensive unit. Bernie is 6' 2", 210 junior from St. Marys. Bernie transferred to Glenville from Marshall University and their loss was a big gain for Glenville.

From his defensive end position, Bernie had four unassisted tackles and four assists, most of which were in the backfield. Bernie broke up Carthage's option offense several times and recovered a critical fumble deep in Glenville's territory. Bernie was also nominated for Player of the Week in the game against Fairmont

When asked about the Carthage game, Buttrey said, "The quarterback from Carthage ran the option play better than any team we have We are looking forward to Northwestern.