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## Dean's Office Releases Revised Grad List

The Dean's Office has released a revised list of December graduates. They are as follows:

Linda Mae Allen, Weston, Sec.-Soc. Stud. Comp. 7-12; Brian Edward Angus, Cowen, Sec.-Bus. Ed. Comp. 7-12; John Kenneth Carson, Sutton, H., P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12; Brenda Lynn Casto, Vienna, Elem. 1-8, Men. Re. 1-12, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Kimberly Dee Casto, Ripley, Elem./Early Ch. Endors. 1-8, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Jean Lynn McCrady Cochran, Parkersburg, Elem. 1-6; Richard Allen Conaway, St. Marys, H., P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12; Gerald Azziz Cooke, Marletta OH, H., P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12; Freddie Copley, Wayne, H., P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12; Don Joel Crump, White Sulphur Springs, Sec.-Soc. Stud. Comp. 7-12; Sandra Kaye Painter Delay, Summersville, Elem. Early Ch. Endors. 1-8, Soc. Stud.

1-9; Robert Russell Eaton, Moundsville, H., P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12; Cheri Lou Foster, Vienna, Elem./Early Ch. Endors. N-K-6; Mary Beth Full, Parkersburg, Elem. 1-6, Gen. Sci. 4-8.

Christine Vanderlin George, Parkersburg, Elem./Early Ed. Endors. N-K-6; Michael Eugene Gherke, Grantsville, Sec.-Soc. Stud. Comp. 7-12; Karen Sue Hickman, Parkersburg, Elem. Early Ed. Endors. N-K-6; Emily Jean Hodges, Gassaway, Elem. 1-8, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Dana Delbert Jones, West Union, Elem. 1-8, Gen. Sci. 1-9, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Amanda Lea Lemley, Vienna, Elem. 1-8, Men. Re. 1-12, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Nancy Suzette Lowe, Spencer, School Lib. 1-12, Soc. Stud. Comp. 7-12; Karen Jane McKee, Millstone, Art Comp. 1-12; Thomas G. Mathias, Moorefield, Elem. 1-8, Math. 1-9, Soc. Stud.

1-9; Rondel Curtis Miller, Lockney, Soc. Stud. Comp. 7-12; Mary Frances Morton, Cairo, P.E. 1-12; Speech 7-12; Shirley Ann Murphy, Kincaid, H., P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12; Kimberlee Dawn McKown Poling, Glenville, Biological & Gen. Sci. Comp. 7-12; Janet Lynn Rawlings, Ripley, Elem./Early Ed. Endors. 1-8, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Charles Michael Roth, Roanoke, H. P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12.

Linda Ann Sparks, Richwood, Elem. 1-8, Men. Re. 1-12, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Donald Kirby Stout, Harrisville, H., P.E. & Saf. Comp. 1-12; Carl Stephen Westfall, Gassaway, H., P.E. and Saf. Comp. 1-12; Phyllis Ann Lasko Westfall, Ravenswood, Elem./Early Ch. Endors. 1-8, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Dana Edward Woods, Elkins, Elem. 1-8, Men. Re. 1-12, Soc. Stud. 1-9; Carol Ann Wilson Wotring, Belpre, OH, Elem. 1-6; Bessie Lou Yoak, Five Forks, School Lib.-Media K-12, Eng. 7-12.

Those receiving Bachelor of Arts in business administration degrees are:

Nancy Jane Baker, Mannington, Accounting; Nanette Faye Carpenter, Vienna, Computer Science; Darrell Edward Cronin, Parkersburg, Management; Laurence Dyer, Parkersburg, Management; Mark Alan Elder, Vincent, OH, Marketing & Retailing; James Lee Garretson, Grantsville, Marketing & Retailing; Randy Joe Garrett, Linn, Economics, Finance, Management Marketing & Retailing; Judith Lynn Greene, Craigsville, Accounting, Marketing & Retailing; Nancy J. Boggs Hapney, Burnsville, (cont. on p. 6)

## NY Tour Set in January

Here's a suggestion for something to do during that January break; take a trip to New York City with a group of your comrades from GSC.

This trip is being planned as a Theater Music Tour under the auspices of the Field Study Center of NYC. The Tour includes two performances (a musical and an opera at the Met), two backstage seminars at the Metropolitan Opera and at a Broadway Theater, along with a guided tour of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts. Also, included in the plans is an orientation to the City.

The group will spend three days and two nights in New York, leaving early on January 17 (Tues.) and starting home late on January 19 (Thur.).

The cost for two nights lodging, for the tickets, and the seminars and tour is \$85.00 — a most reasonable figure. Plans also include transportation from Glenville by the college bus.

Further, one hour of credit in Drama, Theater, or Music 399 is available if you desire.

If you are interested or want further information, please contact Dr. Jones (Music Dept.) before you leave for the holidays.



Ms. Daysi Melo is GSC's 1977-78 entry to *Glamour's* contest.

## Ms. Melo to Represent GSC

Miss Daysi Melo, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Egidio Melo of Leisure City, Florida, has been chosen as GSC's contestant in *Glamour's* 1978 Top Ten College Women Contest. Miss Melo has been active in GSC drama productions and she is a DZ.

Miss Melo was born in Cuba in 1954. She has lived in America since she was seven. She is a math major. She will graduate in May 1980.

Miss Melo was the co-head of lights in '6 Rms Riv Vu.' She is a member of the Ohningohows. She was co-head of lights in 'The Miracle Worker' and 'Jack in the Beanstalk.' She was head of lights in 'UTBU'.

Miss Melo is an active DZ. She is the DZ Corresponding Secretary and the assistant House Manager. She is a member of the Panhellenic Council. She is also a member of the Order of Diana.

Miss Melo was 1st runner-up in the

Miss GSC '77 contest, and she was also voted Miss Congeniality.

Miss Melo was Junior Princess. She is also a member of Alpha Psi Omega.

Miss Melo plans to attend graduate school to become an engineer.

## Cocoa & Carols Planned

Cocoa and Carols is planned for everyone on campus next Tuesday evening, Dec. 20. There will be cocoa to drink and cookies to munch, and a lot of singing of Christmas songs and carols.

This celebration of COCOA AND CAROLS will be held in the Ballroom at 7:00 next Tuesday when the GSC Choir will be in charge of the festivities. This celebration is planned to be a time of jolly singing and merry conviviality.

Plan to come and join the party—everyone is welcome, and what a way to celebrate your successful completion of those final exams.

## Meisburg, Walters to Appear at GSC

A concert will be performed by the folk music duo of Meisburg and Walters in the GSC auditorium on February 2, 1978, at 7:30 p.m. Meisburg and Walters have played many concerts all over the United States.

Steve Meisburg and John Walters have been involved in music nearly all their lives. They performed separately in high school and college. They met in 1974 and decided to combine their musical talents.

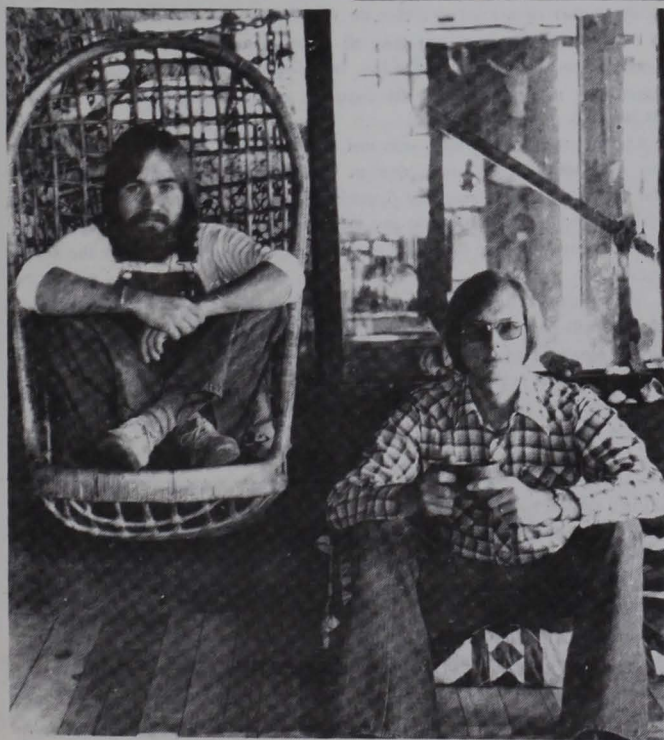
They released their first album, "See the Morning Breaking," in 1975. They also had two singles before that.

Meisburg is a native of Jackson, Mississippi. Before meeting Walters, Meisburg wrote and played his own music.

Walters was born in Atlanta, but lived much of his early life in Los Angeles.

There will be a meeting on Monday, December 19, 1977, at 3:30 p.m., in 102 Clark Hall, for all students who plan to complete their student teaching experience during the second semester 1977-78.

Attendance at this meeting is mandatory. Registration packets for the National Teachers Examination will be distributed.



Meisburg and Walters will appear in concert on Thursday, February 2, 1978.



The Renaissance Consort held a concert in the library Monday evening Dec. 12. (L. to R.) Twyla Wallace, Mary Ashby, Jim Anderson, Bruce Wendelken, Abby McHenry, Jeff Davis and Sidney Tedford.





ON MY OWN...



BY VALDEZ

## Merry Christmas From President

We have nearly come to the close of another semester at Glenville State College. The winding down from the semester's work, all the papers, exams, long hours of study will soon be behind you. Christmas and the new year lie ahead.

Mrs. Simmons, Ann, and I wish you a safe and happy holiday season.

Going home for the holidays is special. It is a time of love, happiness and sharing. When all is said and done, it is not money, power or position that are important; what is valuable in life has to do with our unique experiences, our interrelationships with those who mean a great deal to us.

Best wishes to all of you and we shall look forward to seeing you in 1978.

President Simmons and Family

## Comment on Xmas

By John Holland

And so Christmas is near again. Still the spirit is not to be seen. Oh, there is a type of materialism that imitates the Yuletide at this time of year. Christmas is for children, isn't it? Or at least the young in thought and action. You know, Scrooge wasn't such an evil character when one considers it. Look at it his way; do any answers come without question? Scrooge didn't accept everybody going around 'Merry Christmasing' each other to death. He posed the question "Why?" and received the true meaning of the season, because he wasn't going to accept it the way it was presented.

So-what else is it? Well, it seems I couldn't come up with any thing substantial enough to suit my likes. Off to the library to find a dozen books on the subject. Curiously, I noted the last due dates; some hadn't been borrowed since 1965. Now the due dates are 1977. So who cares about the origins of Christmas anyhow, except that if it means anything, the answer lies in history. This is where Scrooges' journey into the past takes him to his childhood.

But that's only part of the 'spirit.' Children shouldn't have a monopoly on the season. That is a relatively new idea. Look at Santa Claus. Historically, he is a merging of two figures; Woden (from whom we get our weekday-Wednesday or Woden's Day) and a archbishop out of the 2nd

## Letters To The Editor

After, finally, sitting down and reading the Glenville Mercury, I found several disturbing statements and a few things lacking.

First, Tim's Tales, although wishing to correct "touchy" feelings, only, it pointed out the typical stereotyping of the female gender, that is, women standing around sinks in aprons and bragging about their dish soap. As for doing dishes, someone has to do them and society has stuck women with the job. This does not mean that doing dishes is unmanly, which by the way, is an extremist view.

Second, also from Tim's Tales, there is a need for minority quotas. Without these quotas many prejudice employers would not think twice about hiring a Black, Puerto Rican, Indian, or any other minority. The majority White male sector of the American population is jumping to conclusions. The unemployment rate for Blacks is still much higher than the unemployment rate for Whites.

True, it should be the best person for the job, but in a society such as ours, (which is improving because of minorities fighting for their equal rights) there would be more subjectivity than objectivity in job hiring.

Finally, while looking through some of the "up coming" sports I found that there is a men's tennis team ready to form for the Spring but no women's team forming. As a matter of fact, there are not very many women's sports taking place in the college's extra-curricular activities.

I do wish that people would look with open minds at the minority groups and the women who are trying to get a foothold in our society.

Perhaps Glenville State College can start by promoting more women participation sports.

Joy Westbrook  
Junior, GSC

Editor Mercury:

I applaud Ms. McCartney's editorial concerning the January closings and I think it is probably an opinion that is shared by the majority of the students. Idleness does breed discontent and discontent breeds revolution. If I were a student, I too, would be unhappy.

However, I think it should be pointed out that the January closings are the result of a joint decision on the part of the eight state colleges. No one wanted to close, but they all agreed that it was the thing to do. It might have been a bad decision, but you will have to admit that it looked like a good decision last January, and it might look even better this January.

At any rate, the decision was not made by that "little band of willful men who represent no one's opinion but their own" whom the students refer to as the administration. Speaking for at least one member of that ruthless bunch, I would like to say that I don't look forward to working in bleak January away from the excitement that is generated by the students.

Also, it should be pointed out that veterans who are here this semester, and who will be here next semester, will be paid for the month of January and will receive uninterrupted checks.

On a grander scale, I think we should all accept the fact that America is approaching a time of trouble and we should all make the sacrifices that will help us to muddle through.

Mack K. Samples

## What Is Christmas?

Yes, Santa Claus, there is a Virginia and don't pass us by on your way there. It is once again (as it shall ever be) that time of year when children get excited and adults feel morose.

Christmas is an individual holiday of which everyone has a different concept. On every side one hears what Christmas is and then goes down the list and checks what he prefers to believe. Christmas is a pagan holiday; a Christian holiday; a capitalistic mockery; and/or a partridge in a pear tree.

Is it really so important to define the 25th of December? No matter what we think of Christmas, there is always a feeling underneath the materialism and spiritualism that ties people together. This is where the definitions stop and the mystery takes over. It is the underlying theme of every Christmas movie or show on television and the kind of thing that dreams are made of. It makes everybody happy and takes the "bah humbug" out of the worst of the scrooges.

What is Christmas? It is a time of year at which one can believe what he wants, and be a child again.

Peggy Bauman  
Editor

## Campus Gossip Condemned

The Mercury received a letter-to-the-editor late last week that expresses a concern felt by many GSC students. Unfortunately the letter was not signed and therefore cannot be printed but we hope this article will get the point across.

Many new students every semester are amazed and even disappointed at the atmosphere on this campus. The attitudes of people at GSC are very similar to those of junior high students. This is true especially with the gossiping and tale-bearing that has been occurring recently. It is true that Glenville is a small town and everybody knows everybody else's business but the story-tellers should get a few facts straight before spreading the latest "tid-bits" of gossip. The problem isn't a localized one; it occurs throughout the nation but it's getting a little out of hand in our college community (not only with students, but with faculty and staff members as well). This point will not be elaborated here as it would only cause rise for more gossip. We are a community of educated adults who should show enough self pride and respect for another to keep our mouths shut on issues that don't concern us. It's human nature to want to mention the unmentionable and it seems that the smaller the community the greater this need becomes. Glenville is no exception! There have been some stories circulating on this campus that have bordered on ridiculousness and hilarity. Others have endangered the welfare, respectability or reputations of professors, staff-workers and students to name a few.

This may seem like a slap on the hand, but for the pettiness and childishness of the subject at hand, the analogy seems appropriate.

So there isn't a lot to do in Glenville, but must we resort to tale-telling? The "adults" here should start growing up and finding better things to do. If you felt guilty or angry over this, perhaps you should read it again.

Peggy Bauman,  
Editor

century named Nicholas, and dubbed a Saint, by those who loved him, no doubt. The Germanic mythological God, Woden, toured the world on a white horse, Sleipner, who had eight legs for greater speed. Odin, the Scandinavian name of Woden, goes on his wintry journey accompanied by his brother Rupert, who switches bad children (and doesn't our society have plenty of them? Also with Odin is the Christ child, St. Peter

and an angel. The standard by which is decided whether the children get a gift from Odin's pack is one of their lessons, chores, saying their prayers, etc.

St. Nick is best known in modern times as the protector of seamen, land travellers, humble and small folk, and the especial guardian of unmarried girls. These two figures represent what Americans have come (cont. on p. 4)



# Greek Highlights

## TAU KAPPA EPSILON

The fraters of Tau Kappa Epsilon of Iota Omega chapter held its weekly meeting Tuesday night. This meeting was the first to be held under newly elected officers. We the brothers would like to commend each new officer. The new officers are as follows: President-Doug Bowe, Vice-President-Bob Miller, Treasurer-Tom Casey, Secretary-Jerry Ware, Historian-Gene White, Chaplain-L. Stal-naker, Sergeant at arms-Pat Beebe, and Pledge Educator-Pat McKittrick.

During the meeting plans were discussed for a budget, and new ideas brought forth for money making projects for the fraternity. Also the new officers have decided to return to GSC early pre-semester for a retreat to finalize plans for next semester.

We the fraters of TKE would also like to announce two wedding engagements set. On Dec. 27, 1977 Chris Lattimer will marry Sue Stringer and on Jan. 20, 1978 Lynn Stal-naker will marry Shelly Adolfsen. Congratulations men and good luck!

This semester we hate to acknowledge the fact we are losing four great men of our brotherhood through graduation. Since they entered our bonds, they have given friendship and guidance to those who have graduated or entered behind them. We give praise and honor to the brothers: Rich Conaway, Gerald Cooke, Chris Lattimer, and Rick Reidl. Good luck men what ever road you decide to travel!

We would also like to give cheer to our three basketball teams. Our teams, TKE II, Street Rats, and the mighty TKE Tanks are hoop'in it up and having a good time! Don't forget to shoot some over the break!

The fraters would also like to extend an invitation to all alumni TKEs and Order of Diana to our annual Christmas party. The party will be held Fri. 16 at the TKE house. Come on up and enjoy the Christmas spirit.

Final Note:

TKE is friendship.

## THETA XI

The Kappa Eta chapter of Theta Xi Fraternity held its four hundred and sixty seventh meeting on December 12, 1977. Election of officers were held and are as follows: President-Don Post, Vice-President-Tim Snead, Treasurer-Mike Swann, Secretary-Jim Dotson, Pledgemaster-Ed Hendricks, Assistant Pledgemaster-Joe Kniceley, Scholastic Chairman-Mark Dorsey, Public Relations Director-Steve Fisher. Five members were formally initiated into the bonds of brotherhood.

We would like to express our deep appreciation and warm thanks to the Theta Girls for the Christmas party held at the Theta Xi House on December 9. Also we would like to wish the very best of luck to brother Joe Kniceley and the rest of the Pioneer basketball team over break and during the coming semester. Finally we would like to close by wishing all students good luck on

finals and to have a happy and safe Christmas break.

P.S. A hearty congratulations is extended to Tim "Pooh Bear" Snead for snaring SLOTH of the year award.

## LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

The Brothers of Beta Beta Zeta held a meeting Monday night. The meeting was run by the newly elected officers.

Plans are already being made for the next semester and the Brothers are hoping that it will be a great one as far as frat involvement and party-ing.

The Brothers would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a good needed break.

The awards this week were: WINO-Lyle Spencer; KCUF-Rex Mitchell; A-H-Bill Rubin; PORK-Don Chapman and Scott Barkwill.

The Brothers would like to congratulate the new brothers into the the chapter. They are Doug Bailly 193, Jeff Hudkins 194, Bert Napalano 195, Dale Sparks 196, Lyle Spencer 197, Dave Tebay 198, Bruce Wendelken 199.

## DELTA ZETA

The Theta Xi Chapter of Delta Zeta sorority held an informal meeting on Monday, Dec. 12. Plans were finalized for Lamplighting week and initiation. A Christmas party will be held for the Welfare Children on Saturday December 17. The girls are looking forward to next semester and joint rush. Congratulations to the basketball team on their recent victories. The sisters would like to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing all in February. Have a nice vacation.

## SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA

The Delta Alpha Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma held their ceremonial meeting on December 12, 1977 in the ballroom.

Laura Byrd, Tri-Sigma national field secretary, left on Wednesday, December 14, to leave for her home in North Carolina. On Tuesday night, Delta Alpha Chapter presented Laura with a purple Sigma blanket and a lavender rug which was bought from the country store. Laura wishes to thank the administration, faculty, and manager of the Country Store for the lovely time that she had in Glenville. Special recognition to superpledge is wished to someone in particular.

The Winter Formal, "Holly Folly," will be held Saturday, December 17. Sincere appreciation is sent to the following companies who contributed to the Winter Formal:

Coca-Cola Company, Long John Silvers, Merry-Go-Round, Cinema I & II Grand Central Mall, Standard Sports Wear, Hickory Farms, Fenton Art Glass, Pizza Inn, Princeton Bank & Trust Company, Full House of Cards.

Best Wishes are sent to the campus, and especially the Mercury staff for their consideration of the chapter news and have a Happy Holiday.



Ms. Laura Byrd,  
Tri-Sigma National Rep.

# Club Selects New Officers

The GSC Social Work Club has elected its new officers: President-Debbie Vance, Vice-President-Connie Emerson, Secretary-Treasurer-Vicky Goff, Student Congress Representative-Marilyn Miller and alternate-Régina Stamper. They are looking forward to a successful and eventful year. They will also be holding an officers' meeting in the latter part of this week. The club as a whole will probably meet sometime soon after the beginning of the new semester.

Each week in our club news will be included the news of the Social Work Department. This week Mr. Bequette, a GSC Social Work instructor and president of the W.Va. chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, was invited by the Secretary of the Health, Education, and Welfare Department to participate in the Region 3 Conference for Implementing the Rights of Handicapped Persons which was held in Philadelphia, Pa. Good luck Mr. Bequette.

# Astronomers Meet

The Astronomy Club had its monthly meeting Dec. 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Science Building. Randy Frye, a member of the Astronomy Club gave a presentation on the constellation Orion. The location, main stars, nebulas and other phenomenon of the constellation was presented. The mythological origin of the constellation was also discussed. Plans for the next meeting were discussed and Kitty Galford will give a presentation on the constellation, Cancer. Everyone is welcome. The next meeting will be at 6:30, the first Monday of February, in room 308 of the Science Building. Come on out.

# Tim's Tales Relived

In keeping with the fine tradition of literary excellence of this paper, established long ago by the forefathers and foremothers, (that was for you, Joy) The Mercury proudly announces another first in the annals of newspaper history. We are the first paper ever to have the opportunity to interview the original Santa Claus. The following excerpt is taken from the forthcoming book entitled, Who was the guy in the back who yelled "Boogie" or more commonly known as, "The life and Times of Moms Mabley." It will also appear in the December issue of Reader's Indigestion, following "You and Your Gall Bladder."

Q. (The Q. stands for question) Mr. Claus, (Please call me Santa) O.K. Now Santa, Why is it that you have relented and submitted to an interview after all these years of isolation?

A. (You guessed, it A. stands for answer) Well little boy, I call everybody little boy, or little girl, I became tired of all these bad rumors flying around about me so, I decided to come down here to the South and set the record straight.

Q. What rumors are you talking about?

A. Take the one about Rudolph for instance. Now that story about him and his red nose is totally false. Rudolph never had a red nose except for that one night back in 1932. And the only reason he had it was because he had a little too much to drink the night of the reindeer pre-Christmas party. He got bombed on whale blubber and ripple. We call it blipple. He's on the wagon now though; so you don't have to worry about him messing up your front yard or anything.

Q. I'm sure everyone would like to know what makes you so happy and jolly and why you go "Ho, ho, ho" all the time.

A. You see, that's what I mean about people getting the wrong idea about things. The truth is I'm not as happy as everybody would like to think. How would you like it if you had millions of elves running around under your feet all the time? They

are always playing tricks on you, like putting itching powder in my Johnson's Baby Powder. I put it in my beard, you know. And another thing, they are always bringing strange girls home for me to meet. One idiot brought a Chinese snow monkey home and asked me to be the best man at their wedding. You can believe I said no to that. And you want to know why I go ho, ho all the time. Let me ask you. If you had to spend 364 days out of every year at the north pole with no company other than your wife and a bunch of oversexed elves, and then you got to go out one day and night and see all the pretty mommies that wait up to get a picture of Santa Claus, wouldn't you go ho, ho, ho too?

Q. You mentioned your wife. Don't you and her get along very well?

A. It all depends on the way you look at it. She's a great cook and I love her brownies. She sews all my clothes, I prefer basic red, you know. She takes care of all the reindeer and elves and that can get a little messy at times, the elves I mean. But when it comes to things that I enjoy doing, like playing poker with the boys: Ebenezer Scrooge, The Grinch, and Henry Kissinger, she sets her foot down. And when she sets her foot down you had better watch out. She used to be a belly dancer at the Eskimo Yu GO-GO Inn. She was so fat that once she painted a picture of the ocean and a few boats on her belly and when she started her dance it looked like the Battle of Midway.

Q. I still find it amazing that you are able to deliver presents all over the world in just one night. How do you do that?

A. Simple, I take the Freeway.

Q. I'm sure everyone would like to know how your reindeer fly.

A. My reindeer first started flying right after we received a shipment of Acapulco Gold Reindeer Feed from Chico's Pot Place in Tijuana. Ever since then whenever we are preparing to take off, I just

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Gary Nottingham pumps in two over Morris Harvey's tight zone.

## Fairmont Outlasts Pioneers In Thriller

After a crucial energy sapping win over Harvey High Thursday night the G-Men had to face the task of playing conference power Fairmont away Saturday night. A large enthusiastic crowd of Pioneer partisans accompanied the team to the Marion County Armory to witness one of the better GSC-FSC games in recent years.

It looked like it was going to be a rout at first as Fairmont started quickly and opened a 21-12 lead with a little less than half of the first stanza remaining. But the Pioneers warmed to the task and reeled off 12 straight points to take a 24-21 lead. Charles Warner led this surge with six points. After Fairmont scored on a Vance Carr hook to cut the lead to one the

Pioneers answered with six more straight points to open a 7 point margin, 30-23. Fairmont cut the halftime deficit to 30-27 with two straight field goals.

The second half opened as the first, with Fairmont doing all the damage. They outscored us 19 to 4 in the first 5 minutes of the second half to take a 46-34 lead. They were aided by three 3-point plays. They led by 12 at 50-38 before the Pioneers started their second comeback of the game. We cut the lead to 50-48 and tied the game at 52 on Ralph Ledbetter's layup. Ledbetter hit 8 of the 14 points that put us back in the game. But when Paul Brownee followed up a missed foul shot to give Fairmont a 3 point lead the Pioneers were in

trouble: The Falcons added 2 more buckets to take a 59-52 lead and Glenville could never catch up. We trailed again by 7 at the 3:32 mark at 65-58 but never got any closer. The 77-64 13 point final margin was the largest of the game.

The Pioneers didn't play a bad game leading at one time by 7 points. But slow starts at the beginning of each half seemed to be their downfall. Ledbetter led all scorers with 22 and proved to everybody that he's the best in this conference. He also pulled in 9 rebounds. Charles Warner and Doug Watts had 12 markers each and Ernie Gilliard added 10. Vance Carr led Fairmont with 21, mostly on close range hooks and little Kevin Claudio bombed in 20.

## Eight Game Roundball Statistics

Player	Games	Field Goal%	Free Throw%	Rebounds per game	Assists	Turnovers	Scoring Avg.
Ralph Ledbetter	8	.462	.675	10.4	19	27	20.1
Charles Warner	8	.494	.826	7.1	10	16	12.9
Wayne Washington	8	.564	.455	2.3	14	21	8.4
Doug Watts	8	.333	.611	5.0	1	6	7.1
Ernie Gilliard	8	.477	.625	2.6	16	24	5.9
Gary Nottingham	8	.500	.667	.9	3	18	4.0
Andre White	7	.357	.944	4.9	15	13	11.0
Joe Knicely	6	.267	.000	3.0	13	8	1.3
P.T. Thomas	5	.500	.667	1.8	1	3	1.2
Calvin Page	2	1.000	1.000	0	0	3	3.0
Clayton Smith	1	.500	.333	3	1	2	3.0
Paul Wills	1	1.000	.000	1.0	0	0	2.0

## Dr. Now Revisited

I went back to revisit our new Athletic Director Dr. Joseph Now after a semester in office to see what his views were after three and a half months on the job. If you remember back to the first of the semester, Dr. Now was full of confidence and named a few priorities on the top of his list. After a semester he is still optimistic and feels his priorities are being carried out as much as possible.

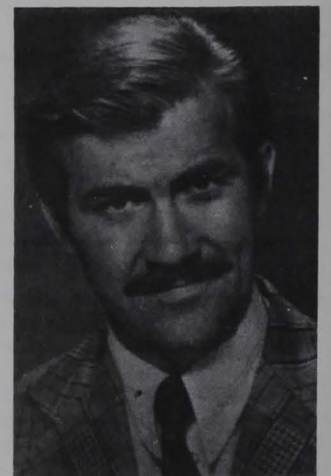
One of his priorities was to add more intercollegiate sports to Glenville's agenda. This has already been done somewhat by adding cross country and tennis. Track will also be returned to Glenville this spring and there is talk about a women's softball team being formed. He would like to see wrestling and swimming added, but doesn't see how it could happen since there is no one able to take the coaching reins nor is there enough other schools in the conference that field teams in this area.

Dr. Now points out that co-operation from his staff and administration has been superb. He also adds that budget wise the athletic department is in sound shape. The rise in enrollment has been a major help here.

The hardest thing the Now family has had to get used to are the living conditions. Things were more

convenient in their hometown of Kent, Ohio. There seemed to be more things to do and security existed in realizing things were there if you needed them or wanted something to do. His biggest disappointment as far as his job goes is the six week layoff between semesters. This is going to be hard on the basketball team who will feel like they are starting the season all over again.

All in all, Dr. Now is happy he made the change and came to Glenville. And the consensus here is that we're glad to have him.



Dr. Joe Now

## The Origin of Christmas

to regard as Christmas. Behind all the commercialism and hocus pocus lies the central theme of love: man's compassion for man. This is where comes the birth of Jesus, and the non-material point of Christmas. The Nativity of the early Christians was celebrated in the Epiphany, Jan. 6.



Ralph Ledbetter gets a snow-bird against Salem Tuesday night.

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So, to all you scrooges who continue to question the feast of American Christmas, you have a right to do so. When ivy, bay, holly, yew, larch, juniper, pine, spruce, mistletoe and fir start to appear more frequently, and the Yule log is cut and dried for the twelve days of Christmas, and the pagans carve the boarshead and beef, and love flows freely from lip to lip, and the lights that dispel evil and demons are placed in windows, and gifts begin to pile up under the tinsel tree, and imitation Santas with calloused knees are 'ho, ho, hoing', and tradition surfaces in hitherto unknown forms, and wassailing conjures up joy and sharing, and the nativity scenes are displayed as a reminder that there are more than a few reasons for hope, then, Mr. Scrooge, decide on all the evidence whether Christmas is only for children. I wonder if Scrooge didn't have a deeper understanding of the reason for commemoration, after all his humbugging. Modern Christmas to me, seems to be the joining of the sacredness of the mystery of life, with the realness of material life. Maybe another 4000 years will show us the way to present Christmas. Since I won't be around then, I'll just say "I hope you have one."

## Placement Office Has Info

The Placement Office has received information concerning Graduate Education Programs in Basic Medical Sciences currently being developed at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences. Also, the West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority is presently seeking a person to fill the position of Executive Secretary.

The Twelfth Annual "Opportunity Hometown" programming is being staged by our Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, Dec. 12, 1977 at the Wheeling Civic Center. The Placement Office has more information.

The West Virginia Civil Service System will add the classification of Building Equipment Mechanic to the list of those examinations continuously announced effective Monday, Nov. 21, 1977. This written examination will be offered daily by appointment in Charleston and weekly (on Wednesdays) by appointment in Morgantown. To schedule an examination appointment for Morgantown, applicants may phone (toll free within West Virginia) 1-800-642-9207. Those wishing to take the test in Charleston may phone 348-7830 for an appointment.



# Halftime Talk

BY DOUG MARTIN

The Pioneer basketball season is over for this semester ending with a 5 - 4 record. Some would call this a little disappointing but it's far from it. They won 3 out of their last 4 games and show signs of beginning to gel. The only loss in the streak was to Fairmont, and they were in that game for 37 minutes. It also included an overtime victory over rival Morris Harvey.

The Pioneers must now lay off for 6 weeks before seeing any more action. This is caused by the much too long Christmas Break. The players cannot come back and practice until a week before they play and then they have to be moved off campus. We had games scheduled for earlier in January but they had to be changed when our school calendar was changed last winter.

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Congratulations to Coach Lilly who won his 200th career game at Glenville. Other coaches in this conference who have accomplished this miraculous feat are: Joe Retton, Rich McFessell and Don Christie. Win 200 more coach!!

## SPOONING THE BOWLS

I promised you last week that I would put my intellectual mind to work and find time to tell you Who's to win the Bowls. Well, here it is: Liberty Bowl - Nebraska over North Carolina, Hall of Fame Classic - Minnesota over Maryland, Tangerine Bowl - Texas Tech over Florida State, Fiesta Bowl - Penn State over Arizona, Gator Bowl - Pitt over Clemson, Peach Bowl - Iowa State over North Carolina State, Sun Bowl - Stanford over LSU, Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl - Texas A&M over USC, Sugar Bowl - Alabama over Ohio State, Orange Bowl - Oklahoma over Arkansas, Rose Bowl - Michigan over Washington, Cotton Bowl - Notre Dame over Texas (Upset Special!)

Oh, by the way, Dallas will win the Super Bowl.

## GOODBYE!!

They have finally found a way to take the pen out of this radical writers' hand. They're giving me my sheepskin. After 4 and a half years here I have finally reached the end of the path. That means I must surrender my position of Sports Editor of The Glenville Mercury. But as I go I go as most of my predecessors went, sadly. I have been Sports Editor for 3 semesters and they have been three of the most enjoyable semesters of my schooling.

I could not begin to mention all of the people that helped to make this job an enjoyable one or helped me out when I needed it. But I must mention a few special people. Ms. King, my advisor and boss, was most kind and obliging throughout the " ordeal." She has influenced me greatly, and I will always remember her. The Mercury staff will be missed greatly. They never complained of my humorless wit, or "doctor's" handwriting. All of the coaches were extremely cooperative but two stand out in my mind especially clear. Coach Riffle with endless stream of energy and one-liners always seemed to have any information I needed and Coach Lilly, who win or lose, always tells it like it is, and whom I respect more than any coach I have ever been associated with.

There have been some bad experiences. But they have been very, very, few and far between. Following all rules of journalism etiquette I will not use my last edition to lash out at this minute minority which seemed to enjoy watching me struggle.

I go into the real world now which I have been warned about since my youth by caring adults. But when I go part of me will stay in this office and on this campus for quite some time. Good luck to everyone here and don't forget to "run herslow!" And remember, "If it don't swish it don't count!... Much later.

# G-Men Win Two Home Games; Lilly Gets 200th

The Pioneers won two home games in the last week. We beat archrival Morris Harvey 66-63 in overtime last Thursday and Salem 82-61 Tuesday night. This raised our first semester record to 5-4.

## GSC - 66, MH - 63

In an overtime thriller Thursday, December 8, the Pioneers defeated arch-rival Morris Harvey by a score of 66-63. Glenville was sparked by Ernie Gilliard, who came off the bench to score 13 points, including 8 of the 9 markers the Pioneers got in the overtime.

Morris Harvey played a slow-down offense throughout the evening and pressured the Pioneers with a full-court man-to-man press during most of the game. Still, the Pioneers were able to capitalize on Morris Harvey mistakes and led at the half by a score of 36-28. The biggest margin the Pioneers enjoyed during the first half came with 53 seconds remaining in the period when Gary Nottingham hit a beautiful breakaway layup.

Morris Harvey began to battle back in the second half. With 11:41 they pulled to within three points, 46-43, when Dennis Harris sank a shot on the rebound. At the 10:39 mark, Emil Boatright sank a set shot to pull the Golden Eagles to within one at 46-45. The margin remained between one and three points for GSC until Boatright hit another set shot with 6:21 on the clock to put the Golden Eagles on top, 51-50.

The Pioneers rebounded with seven unanswered points and led the Golden Eagles 57-51 with 2:16 remaining. Then Bob Wetesnik sank a jump shot and was fouled by Charles Warner. His free throw good to make the score 57-54.

The Pioneers went into a slow-down offense, but lost the ball out of bounds. Boatright hit another jumper and was fouled by Warner with 30 seconds remaining in regulation time. When he converted the free throw, the score was tied at 57. Time ran out shortly before Boatright hit on a jumper from the right side. Morris Harvey protested that the shot was good, but it was ruled not good by the officials.

Gilliard and the Pioneers were in total control in the overtime and sent the large GSC crowd home with a stunning victory.

## GSC - 82, Salem - 61

The Pioneers returned home Tuesday night to face up and down Salem who has beat powerhouse Wesleyan but lost to Concord. We responded by giving Jesse Lilly his 200th career basketball victory since being named head coach of GSC, defeating the Tigers 82 - 61.

We scored the first 6 points of the game and never trailed in grabbing our 3rd conference win and raising our overall mark to 5 - 4. Wayne Washington and Ralph Ledbetter led the Pioneer surge. Ledbetter had game 12 points before going out at the 8:00 mark with 3 fouls. The Pioneers didn't seem to be hurt without him though as they held with 13 points lead at half-time with a 42-49 lead.

The new sports editor for the Glenville Mercury is Ron Gregory our honorable mayor. He will take

over his duties next semester. He is presently the editor of the Glenville Democrat.



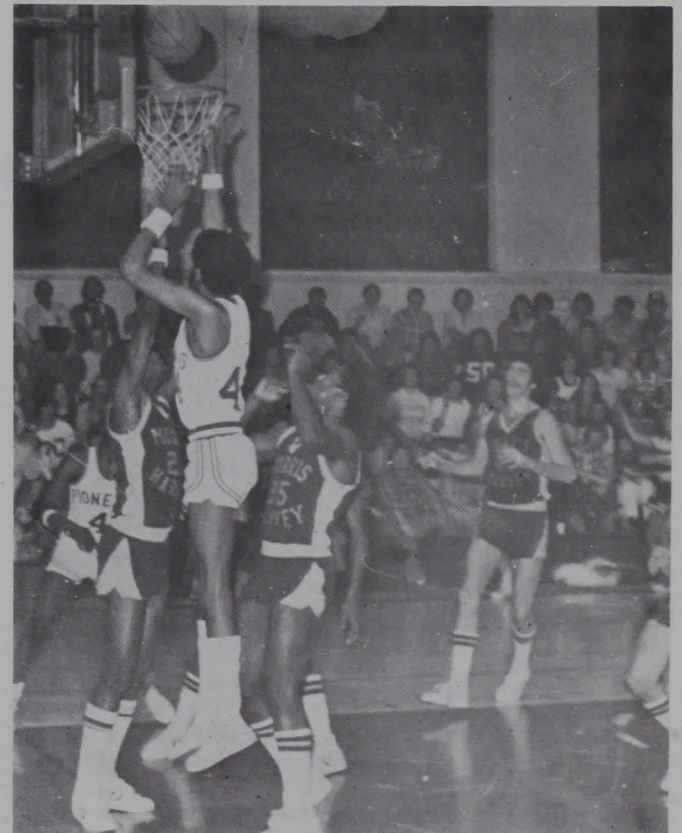
Coach Jesse Lilly  
200th Win

# Flash Gordon To Be Shown

Flash Gordon!? Yes, and played by Buster Crabbe, is coming to GSC, via the Cultural Affairs Committee. Flash Gordon Conquers the Universe is a movie serial in 12 chapters, and will be shown in two parts in the auditorium Saturday, Dec. 17. The first six chapters will be shown at 2-4 p.m. and chapters 7-12 shown later the same evening at 8 - 10 p.m.

With the appearance of "Star Wars" in the '70s, the platinum blonde Crabbe, and his episodic adventures takes on new meaning. At two million dollars, it was the costliest serial ever produced, and represents one of Hollywood's happiest epochs. It almost seems incongruous how a good many of the episodes are stylized and energetic, slickly filmed and beautifully scored from classical music and Universal's stock music library.

Directed by Ford Beebe and produced in 1940, it hosts a cast of Crabbe, Carol Hughes, Annie Gwynn, Frank Shannon and Charles Middleton. It is an apparent forerunner of "Star Wars," or at least an extravaganza in the production of fantasy films. A genuine must for film students.



Charles Warner hits one from the corner in last Thursday's thriller against Morris Harvey.



Wayne Washington shoots with one arm and Salem's Mike Carey holds the other one.





Gifted students from Ritchie County are shown in the Robert F. Kidd Library where they were visitors Tuesday.

### TIM'S TALES—

(cont.)

slip them a bit of food and they take off like there ain't a tomorrow. Of course, to show them that I'm right in there with them, I eat the same food. Sometimes we don't come down till Easter.

Q. That's interesting. Do you

have a sample of the food with you?

A. No. For some reason, the borderguards at the Mexican border got real excited when they saw what I was feeding my reindeer and confiscated all of it. The last I saw of them, was at about 40,000 feet.

The following students have been cast in 'Rainmaker' according to Ms. Janet Rubin, Drama Director: Gene White, John Holland, Billy Hutchinson, Robey Godfrey, Jeff Davis, Lynn Gough, and Abigail McHenry.

Ohningohows have received new orange and brown T-shirts, designed by Debbie Cottrell.

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## Graduates—

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Those receiving Bachelor of Arts degrees are:

Martha Gail McCartney, Petersburg, English-Major, Library Science-Minor; Richard Lynn Westfall, Grantsville, English-Major, Psychology, Soc. Sci. and Sociology-Minor; Kelta Lee Clevenger, Washington, Sociology-Minor; Susan Flesher; Weston, Socio-Minor; Charlotte Lynne McClung, Gray, Summersville, Socio-Minor; Carol Lea Reed Wolfe, Glenville, Socio-Minor.

Receiving a Bachelor of Science degree is Gary Wayne Norman, Letter Gap, Biology-Major, Business-Minor.

Those receiving Regents Bachelor of Arts degrees are: Phyllis Jean Copenhaver, Summersville; Joseph Patrick Fulmer, Elizabeth; Roy Densel Hays, Cincinnati, OH; Thomas Michael Holmes, Mineral Wells, Billie Jean Withrow, Glenville, Clarence Junior Ord, Franklin; Charles Blair Piercy, Weston; and Edwyn

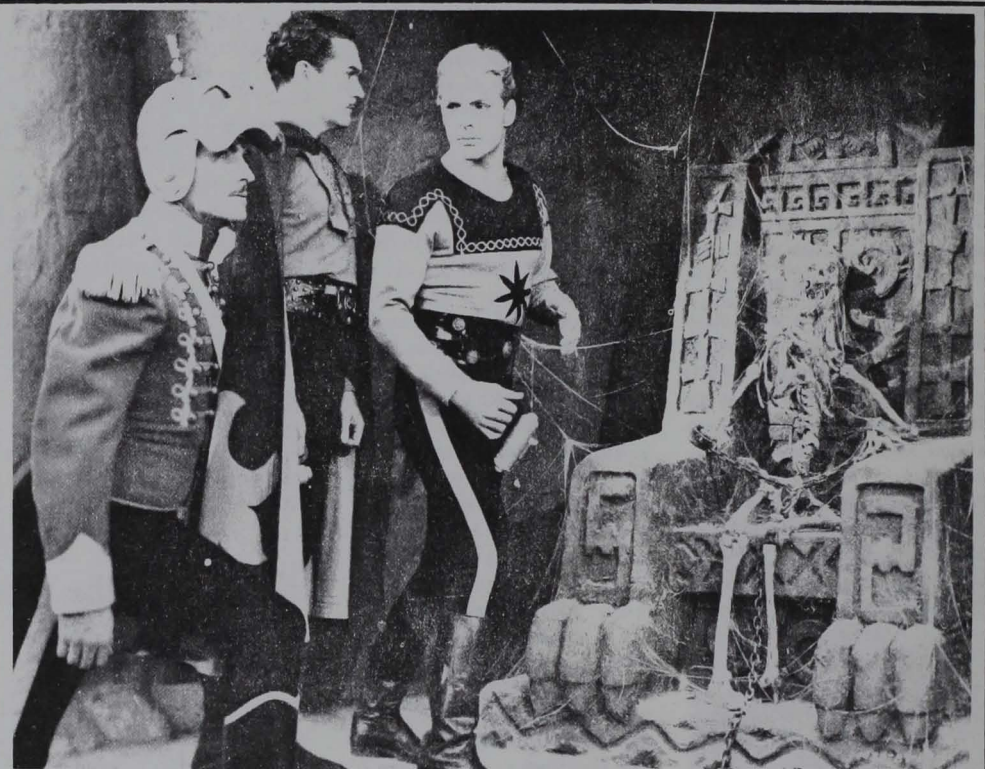
Fibert Wolff, Vienna.

Those receiving Associate in Arts degrees are:

Debra Kay Alkire, Walkersville, Administrative Science; Terri Elaine Armentrout, Ripley, Administrative Science; Susan Lea Reale Chapman, Glenville, administrative science; Carole Louise Humphrey, Vienna, Administrative Science.

Those receiving Associate in Science degrees are:

Larry Mark Alt, Keyser, Forest Tech.; Donna Carolene Beckman, Altamonte Springs, FL., Food Ser. Man. Tech.; James Dewey Carroll, Glenville, Orn. Hort.; Linda Belle Geary, Sutton, Soc. Ser. Tech.; Earl Bradford Hudkins, Parkersburg, Land Surveying; Steven Dale Lafferre, Paden City, Forest Tech.; Charles Kirkwood Sager, Harpers Ferry, Land Surveying; Anita Ardelle Toth, Glenville; Land Surveying; Donald Dale Williams, Jr., Birch River, Forest Tech.



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