

Merry Christmas!

The Glenville Mercury

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Carnival To Be Held Sunday

The president's Christmas Carnival will be held Sunday, December 18 in the Ballroom.

Various college organizations will be helping with the activities. The following groups will be participating: MENC - strolling singers; Alpha Psi Omega - strolling animals; TKE - wagon ride; Sigma Sigma Sigma - lollipop shop; Kappa Delta Pi - pin knock down; Delta Zeta - coin toss; Lambda Chi Alpha - balloon squash; Phi Beta Lambda - ring toss; Wagner RA's - ball throw; Louis Bennett Hall RA's - snowball pond; Theta Xi - guessing weight; cheerleaders - kissing booth; SNEA - reading stories.

Santa Claus will be there and available for photographs. Prizes, in the form of candy and fruits will be awarded for the games.

Student Literature Wanted

Marshall Robinson, editor of the TRILLIUM, would like to announce that submissions are still being taken for the 1984 edition of Glenville State College's literary magazine. The publication, under the supervision of Martha Keating, features short stories, poems, artwork, and photographs which are the work of Glenville State College students.

After being submitted, the works are reviewed and

SC Elections Approaching

The GSC Student Congress announces that elections for 1984-85 Student Congress offices will be conducted on Wednesday, February 15 and Thursday, February 16.

Nominations must be submitted to the Office of Student Services by Friday, January 27, 1984 at 4 p.m.



Members of the Mercury staff perform a skit for Mrs. King at their Christmas party



Shelly Morris, a Glenville resident, has been selected for the 16-week Legislative Fellows Program in the spring semester of 1984.



Debbie Judy and Mike Hatton won one-week internships.

Students Chosen For 1984 Internship

Dr. Joe Darnall has announced that three GSC students have been chosen for legislative internships in the 1984 West Virginia Legislature. Chosen for the 16-week Legislative Fellows Program is Shelly Morris of Glenville. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I.L. Morris. Chosen for the one-week Frasure-Singleton Legislative Program are Debbie Judy of Williamsburg, WV, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Judy, and Mike Hatton, of Troy, WV. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Hatton.

The Legislative Fellows Program is a competitive program with only 10 students being chosen from West Virginia's public and private colleges. Ms. Morris' selection is GSC's third student in only four

years of the program. The program provides an opportunity for Ms. Morris to participate in a 16-week assignment with the Legislature, beginning in January. She will receive 12 hours of college credit as well as a \$150 weekly stipend. She will be assigned either directly to a legislator or a legislative agency, performing research and various staff functions. Among other things, she will be introduced to, and develop an understanding of, the politics of legislation, legislative research, and executive-legislative liaison.

The Frasure-Singleton Legislative Program will provide Ms. Judy and Mr. Hatton the opportunity to observe for one week, the West Virginia Legislature in

regular session. The students will work on a one-to-one basis with legislators. In addition, they will observe committee meetings, floor sessions, and hearings. Legislators are available to answer questions, explain strategy, and discuss procedures. The scheduled activities include discussion sessions with members of the executive and legislative branches of state government, as well as with lobbyists and the press.

All three students expressed excitement and gratitude for this opportunity to participate in government and prepare for the leadership abilities which this generation will soon need to continue the operation of the democracy.

GSC Bids Farewell

Our campus will have an opportunity to wish holiday best to Ms. Virginia West on Monday, December 19, from 1 - 3 p.m. in the ballroom of the Pioneer Center.

All faculty, students, and administration are invited to stop for refreshments and a few minutes of farewell to Ms. West who is retiring on Dec. 20 after 27 years as a faculty member at GSC.

Following is the final exam schedule for the fall semester:	
All classes meeting at:	Will have exams on:
8:00 MWF	Thursday at 8:00-10:00 a.m.
8:00 TTh	Tuesday at 10:10-12:10 a.m.
9:00 MWF	Friday at 10:10-12:10 a.m.
9:30 TTh	Friday at 1:00-3:00 p.m.
10:00 MWF	Monday at 10:10-12:10 a.m.
11:00 MWF	Tuesday at 8:00-10:00 a.m.
11:00 TTh	Thursday at 10:10-12:10 a.m.
12:00 MWF	Friday at 3:10-5:10 p.m.
1:00 MWF	Monday at 1:00-3:00 p.m.
1:30 TTh	Thursday at 3:10-5:10 p.m.
2:00 MWF	Thursday at 1:00-3:00 p.m.
3:00 TTh	Monday at 3:10-5:10 p.m.
3:00 MWF	Friday at 8:00-10:00 a.m.

Organizational News

Pi Gamma Mu

A reminder goes out to all members, and persons interested in becoming members, that the Pi Gamma Mu Christmas party will be held this Friday evening starting at 7:30 p.m. at Professor Delores Mysliwiec's home. Munchies will be provided, but if you would like to bring munchies of your own, they will be appreciated. BYOB. Also, "The Socialization of Santa Claus" will be discussed for fun and facts. If you would like to obtain a copy, come by the Social Science Office. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 11 to discuss plans for the Initiation Banquet.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

The Iota Omega Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon would like to congratulate their new TKE members from the fall associate members class. They are Greg Lambert, Jeff Campbell, Mark Aldridge, Pete Ware, Scott Demers, Charley Moss, James Harris, Bill Welch, Bill Cameron, and Jim Weathersbee. All of you have done a great job and we are proud to have all of you.

The Red Carnation Ball will be this Friday, December 16. We will meet in the Pioneer Center for dinner at 7:30 and following that we will go to the Wagon Wheel for the dance. Anyone who has not purchased a ticket should contact Bill Welch, Bill Cameron, or Jim Hume before Thursday.

Congratulations also goes out to frater Byron Brooks for making All-American in football and also frater Greg Lambert (fullback) for his participation in helping Brooks get All-American.

Finally, the Iota Omega Chapter of

Tau Kappa Epsilon would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

The ceremonial meeting of the Tri Sigma Sorority was held Monday, December 12. New initiates were welcomed. They are Cyndi Crowder, Jennifer Gaynor, Kassie Harsh, Allison Johnson, Tammy Maynor, Jackie Mullens, and Camella Tenney. Congratulations, girls!

The business meeting was opened. There was a blood drive sponsored by Panhellenic on Tuesday. Thanks to all who supported us. We had a Christmas party Monday evening and everyone discovered her "secret sister." We enjoyed the Reverse Rush party that was held Tuesday evening by the pledges.

Sisters of the week were: Kim McCoy, Melissa Simpson, Beth White, Lisa Huffman, and the new initiates. Cultured pearl award goes to the new initiates. Sweethearts were: Mike, Clark, Joe, Dave, and Joe.

Installation of officers was held: Taking positions next semester are:

Pres.	Anita Stephenson
Vice-Pres.	Susan Smith
Sec.	Louella Thomas
Treas.	Kelli Jameson
Ed. Director	Leanne Butler
Mem. Rush	Pam McVey

All two and four year seniors graduating in May must order a cap and gown by February 15, 1984. Place your orders in the Alumni Office, Pioneer Center.

Delta Zeta

The Theta Xi Chapter of the Delta Zeta Sorority held an informal meeting on Monday at the house. The big brother dinner was held on Tuesday and everyone had a lot of fun.

Awards this week are: Clean room - Doretta and Teresa; Pig pen - Tina and Brenda.

Congratulations to the basketball team for their win over Salem. The sisters of Delta Zeta want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and have a nice break.

IFC

The December 12 meeting of the IFC brought mainly a discussion of best semester's joint rush to be held on Jan. 19. Plans were made for three members from each fraternity to go into the dorms to bring men interested in the fraternity system to the party. Activities for the party will include a history and description of each fraternity.

The next IFC meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 16. Topics for discussions will include finalizing plans for joint rush and new incoming IFC officers.

Ladies of the White Rose

The Ladies would like to thank everyone who helped at the bake sale.

The Ladies elected officers for next semester. They are as follows: President--Sandy Bleigh, Vice President--Debbie Tice, Secretary--Shelley Hull, Treasurer--Doretta Pugh, Scrapbook--Mitzi Whited, Song Leader--Vicki Butcher, and Public Relations--Lisa Barnett.

The Ladies are having two fund raisers. One is a 50/50 raffle. Chances are only \$1. Winner gets half the pot. The drawing will be December 14.

The Student Social Services Organization is sponsoring a Toy Drive in conjunction with the Gilmer Co. Dept. of Human Services. Please help to make a needy child's Christmas joyful by contributing to the drive. Toys should be delivered to Scott Wing Office on or before Friday morning. Thank-you for your support and have a Merry Christmas!

For Sale: 1980 Ford Fiesta, one owner, good shape, \$2,700. See Michael Barrick.



Christmas Is A Joyous Time

Christmas, the non-commercial aspect of it at least, is the most joyous occasion of the year for most of us. Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ and also allows us a happy time with family and friends.

It could be better. People go overboard with early promotions, a few too many Santa Clauses running around, and other means of commercialism. Things would improve if we would stick to the basic premises - a nice meal, some gift-giving, quiet celebration, and ...snow - rather than all the hoopla.

Remember in this holiday season to keep a smile on your face and a warm thought in your mind. Try to forget all of the pressures of school (that's another blessing of the three-week break) and spread a little joy.

The Mercury staff wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Steve Keenan
Editor

Removal Of Troops Requested

The Reagan Administration says that U.S. troops will remain in Lebanon to "protect the peace and insecure stability." They have done neither. This sort of statement is frighteningly similar to the political doublespeak used by the Johnson and Nixon Administrations to justify the combat deaths of 50,000 young Americans (in other words, WAR IS PEACE).

Many students and staff will be praying for peace in their respective churches this holiday. I appeal to them to act upon their hopes and force the government to stop distorting the truth and remove American troops from an illegal and immoral position.

Michael Barrick

From The Wesley Foundation

The Wesley Foundation will be open for late study on Wednesday and Thursday evening of this week until 1 a.m.

Again, the plant tree will be available for keeping your plants until you return in January. They will be cared for, and watered, and spoken to gently. Please feel free to drop them off anytime. Just be sure that your name and room number are attached to the plant.

Finally, I want to say a heartfelt and genuine "thank you" on behalf of myself and the Wesley Foundation Board of Directors. The semester has been a good one. . . a great many of you have been involved in volunteering, visitation, staffing the Outer Limits, discussions, special events like the Homecoming parade and tree festival; and, most of all, encouragement and nurturing of each other. We are all more of a community for your efforts.

I hope that the holiday season is filled with peace and joy for you. . . and I look forward to you being back in January.

Julian Sulgit
Campus Minister

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VIRGINIA WEST CLOSES CAREER

Upon the completion of the 1983 fall semester, Glenville State College will lose one of its finest and most valued professors. Miss Virginia West, professor of English and chairman of the Language Division, will end her long, successful, and fulfilling 42-year teaching career by retiring from the faculty of GSC. West joined the faculty as an English and journalism instructor in 1955.

Miss West began her teaching career in 1941 when she taught at Colonial High School in Blue Ridge, Virginia. A native West Virginian, she returned to the state to teach at Troy High School where she remained until coming to GSC.

While teaching at GSC, Miss West has been active in numerous campus and professional organizations including the WV Assoc. of College Eng. Teachers,

the Nat'l Council of Teachers of English, Kappa Delta Pi, American Association of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, Amer. Assoc. of Univ. Profs., the Modern Language Assoc. of America, the alumni chapter of the Delta Zeta Sorority, FAO Committes, and advisor to THE MERCURY. Despite these numerous requests for her time (not to mention her innumerable duties as chairman of the Language Division), the most important aspect of her career at GSC was the welfare of the students. Miss West has enjoyed helping students better themselves, watching them grow, and seeing them succeed. She never becomes too involved in the rules and procedures of the school to ignore where sports teams are playing, where the band is performing, when the theatre performances are, and how the forensic team is succeeding. Students are



her main concern and she has acted upon her concern in more ways than anyone will probably ever know. Her efforts were rewarded, through, when students and faculty showed their appreciation for her with a special celebration. On November 19, 1983, Miss West was honored with a surprise retirement dinner in the ballroom of the Pioneer Center. The theme of the Fete was "The Impossible

Dream" or "The West Quest." Organized by Linda McKown and Denise Ellyson, the celebration honoring Miss West featured a sumptuous dinner, a review of her years at GSC, songs honoring her sung by her colleagues, and poetry written and read by Carl Kerr (the poem appears in its entirety in this issue). At the dinner it was announced that a special scholarship fund in Miss West's name had been established. A committee was appointed to plan the initial funding for the scholarship and those on the committee were Janet Gainer, Linda McKown, David Gillespie, Jesse Lilly, Denise Ellyson, Nasia Butcher, C. Jack Luzader, Wayne de Rosset, Barbara Nicholson, and Gary Gillespie.

Approximately \$2000 has been collected so far, but not all the donations have come in yet. Under present conditions, only the interest

raised from this amount will be used for the scholarship. Contributions ranging from \$5 to \$100 were donated by a great variety of interested people. The fund is always open for further contributions.

The criteria for the recipients has not yet been established but it will be awarded to a student of English either as a scholarship for incoming students or an award to an outstanding senior. Miss West herself, along with C. Jack Luzader, will determine the criteria for awarding the scholarship. It is hoped that the scholarship will be awarded as early as next fall.

"Response to the requests for contributions to the scholarship and attendance at the retirement dinner was very good," says Luzader. It turned out to be a great success.

After retirement, Miss West plans to "do things her way," without the pressures of grading freshman compositions and faculty meetings she is looking forward to reading what she wants to read and going where she wants to go. She will be sorely missed at the college not only as a teacher, advisor and a colleague but as a friend as well. We wish Miss West the best of happiness and well-being as she enters this new chapter of her life.

by Lisa Walker and Cheryl Keenan

LINES DEDICATED TO VIRGINIA WEST, A TEACHER, WHO SURVIVED WITH NO HELP FROM UNEXPECTED SOURCES AS USUAL

by CARL A. KERR

Forgetting ancient history,
Byzantium's fall, Etruscan mystery,
Let us at this time recall
How our Ms. West breached the Trojan wall
And came forth, heeding Glenville's cry
"The comma fault at G.S.C. must die!"

In nineteen hundred and fifty-five,
Ignoring the advantage of being alive,
She came with sharpened pencil red
Only to learn it was she who bled,
For commas, and colons—and such—little mattered
When sentences lay in fragments tattered
Across the sweat-stained pages spotted
With weird and smeared mis-spellings blotted.
"For this," mourned she, "did I quit Troy?
Helen was dumb, but English One-O-One, oh, boy!"

But she was not the kind who quits
Because some under-classmen twits
Spurn true cultural advancement
Through subtle sentence-structure enhancement;
And when with vigor she admonished "Enhance!"
The run-on sentence hadn't a chance.
And when she laughed her chilling laugh
At the bloodless, gutless paragraph,
Shake did they all in their scruffy weejuns,
For they knew that her F's multiplied by legions!

And when on Mondays black and blue,
When struggling with English One-O-Two,
She enters the classroom with a lurch,
Remembering the paper y-clept Research,
Groans she, "I should have stood in bed!"
With visions of footnotes askew in her head.

And how can she fight that rampant schism
Of those who subscribe to plagiarism?
And how convince them that oft too often
Old bones must be planted in brand "New" coffins?

When later she pushes THE SCARLET LETTER,
Will she lead them to think there is no book
(At least about the sin societal better,
Of monkeying around in the woods, extra-marital)?
But our Ms. West, as is expectable,
Rendered it eminently respectable.

(Yet, free-swinging soph'mores today without doubt
May wonder what that fuss was all about.)
And when it came to MOBY DICK
Could she convince them that Ahab is sick
And that the logorrhea of Seaman Ishmael
Has given the world a whale of a tale?

And, so, through the years with goodness of heart
She stiffened her lip (upper) and honored her part
In practicing what true teachers should preach:
Education for all who for true learning reach.
Unlike the glum linguist intentionally clinical,
She never gave way to the fashionably cynical,
But fought the good fight with wisdom and wit,
Taught hatred of "hopefully," and the infinitive split;
Taught logical placement of comma and period,
The beauty of language, the uses myriad
Of discipline, humor, of irony, too—
All lost on the sloven, but prized by the few.

And now that she quits G.S.C.'s hallowed halls
To retire to the shelter of Troy's friendly walls,
She'll find that of joy in retirement there's plenty.
Ere long she may wish she had done it at twenty.

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GSC Pioneers Pop Nationally-Ranked Tigers 79-69

Christmas came early for Coach Gary Nottingham and his Glenville State College Pioneers as Santa Claus made a visit to the Pioneer gymnasium ringing his bells as GSC was upsetting the nationally-ranked Salem Tigers 79-69.

When commenting on the victory Nottingham felt, "It was a good win for both the team and the college. It should be a confidence builder but we still have twenty games left to play."

Salem jumped ahead early 5-0 and it was 2:07 into the game before Rich Moore hit a basket for the Pioneers' first points. Their early lead did not bother Nottingham, "We always seemed to start slowly so I wasn't too worried."

That lead lasted for five minutes until Clay Young connected to put Glenville up 12-11. GSC ran off six

more points in the next three minutes to hold an 18-11 advantage.

This spread was maintained throughout the half until the Pioneers hit a dry spell in the last 1:50 which gave Salem the opportunity to even the score 32-32 by halftime.

"At halftime I was not too concerned. I told my men to follow the game plan and with all of the defensive maneuvers we pulled, we should beat them," said Nottingham.

Salem took an early 40-37 lead in the final half and Nottingham was a little concerned. Fifty-five seconds later Steve Linville hit on two free throws putting GSC on top 41-40. One big plus had to be Linville's shooting at the charity line. Versus Wheeling three nights before, Linville made only one of six

freebies but this night he made nine of eleven. "Steve shot extra free throws individually since Wednesday, he worked hard and played a good solid game," claimed the happy coach.

Glenville ran a string of points and with 8:18 remaining sophomore Kenny Taylor went up and over the top of Salem's All-American candidate 7'0" Ron Moore to slam home a tip in for a 52-44 advantage.

In the next seven minutes Glenville hit 18 straight free throws and the huge Moore fouled out of the game and GSC just about had it iced at 70-57.

"I really thought that we could beat them. I saw a few weaknesses when I scouted them. As long as we were not to be intimidated by their height, had 15 or fewer turnovers, and

hung within six rebounds of them, I figured we would do okay," thought the first year coach.

One truly pleasant surprise for Nottingham was the play of sophomore Trent King. "When Clay got in foul trouble, Trent

played a smart, tough game for eleven minutes," stated Nottingham.

Glenville not only outscored Salem 79-69, they outrebounded them 40-29 and outshot them on both the free throw line and from the field.



Sophomore Steve Linville looks for the open man versus Salem Saturday evening.

Athlete's Addition

What a week it was last week for GSC sports. The Lady Pioneers won two of their contests, the men took two of three, and a number of the Pioneer football squad members earned much needed notice in the all-conference selections.

The highlights of the week had to be Byron Brooks' receiving Kodak All-American status and the male hoopsters' stunning victory over Salem.

I was truly disappointed in the fan turnout for the Ladies' games. Their games are exciting also, and they are a very well coached and victorious team as well.

One sight for sore eyes after watching these cage contests is the traditional good sportsmanship handshake. This is one phase of the game which reflects upon the school's athletic program.

Unfortunately this was rarely seen during the fall grid games. My only question is, why?

The head coach has instructed his players to leave the field immediately following the game. This often portrays a poor sportsman and lack of class image about our school and the players, not only by the opposition but by a number of the fans as well.

Now I'm not telling Pioneer head coach Frank Vincent how to coach his team but I am wondering whether he has the overall school's heart in mind when doing this. I hope he does.

Jim Weidemoyer



Kim Maynard (left) and Janice Hensley apply tight defensive tactics on this Shepherd player.

THE MERCURY is taking applications for the positions of Sports Editor and cartoonist. Interested persons need to write a letter of application and turn it in to Mrs. Yvonne King at THE MERCURY office by Dec. 20.

GSC students who receive financial aid next semester may pick up their invoices for the spring 1984 semester this week by contacting the Financial Aid Office.

Brooks Earns Kodak Honors

"It was my major goal for this year. I was really surprised, I thought maybe but..., exclaimed Byron Brooks on his receiving nomination to the Kodak All-American team.

The star halfback for Glenville State College rushed for 944 yards, received ten passes, and scored five touchdowns. Brooks averaged almost 105 yards in each of his nine games this season as he helped pace the Pioneers to their best record, 6-2-1, since 1973 when they were national runners-up.

Although he gained almost 500 more yards last

season, this year is more satisfying to him. "Last year I was happy individually but the team won only three games," the halfback was quoted as saying. "My goal when I came to college was to achieve all-American status and to reach the national playoffs," reported Brooks.

The Jeanette, Pa. native, a junior, finished the season as the second leading rusher in the WVIAC. His three year total of 2635 places him atop the list of all-time Pioneer ball carriers and tenth in career rushing total in the WVIAC.

ladies take two more

Two conference victories and a loss to Marshall University told the tale of Tim Carney's female cagers' action last week as they moved their record to 5-2, 3-0 in conference competition.

Led by Kim Maynard's 27 points, the Lady Pioneers held off and then nipped the hosting West Virginia Tech team in double overtime, 75-73. The Lady Golden Bears had opportunities to win in the closing seconds at the end of both regulation and the first overtime period, but squandered them.

Following Maynard in

scoring were Sonja Bailey, with 17 points, and Jewell Rankin, collecting 10, in double figures. The ladies outrebounded Tech, 59-53, paced by Bunny Taylor's 12 and Maynard's 11 carries.

At the huge Henderson Center in Huntington, Glenville State hung close to Marshall University's women for the first 20 minutes. Trailing by only seven points at the half, the Lady Pioneers went 8:30 without registering a point. During this stint, the Green Gals opened up a 43-27 advantage and never really looked back, winning 65-53.

Tina Burkhamer paced the ladies with 12 points, followed by Maynard with 11 and Maria Lothes with nine.

Finishing out the week at home, Glenville ran away from Shepherd, 84-69, last Saturday. The women jumped ahead early, 38-24, with six minutes left in the opening half. The visiting Lady Rams drew near in the next 4:30 at 40-34, only to have Glenville run off six straight points in the final half minute. In the final stanza, GSC held off Shepherd to win by 15 markers.

3 on 3 Champs Crowned

A vengeful victory by the Contenders in the ladies' division and a perfect 5-0 record by Hook, Line and Sinker polished off the male competition as both squads captured their respective titles in 3-on-3 intramural action last week.

To gain their berth into the title game, the Contenders defeated both the Misfits and the Snickers. In the first championship match, the underdog Jockettes, once-beaten, edged the eventual champs, 10-8. The rematch of the two clubs, however, saw the Contenders gain revenge by eight points, 20-12, led by Mindy Parks' 14 markers.

Assisting Parks for the intramural crown were teammates Terry Shockey and Shelley Tharp.

Meanwhile, across the court, Hook, Line and Sinker tallied victories over

the Columnists, Loads, and GQ. The Final Edition at this time was defeating the Jacksons, Fantastic 3, and the Mini Magicians, squeezing in a loss to Mazzella's, 20-15. All of this action occurred in the first night of play.

Two days later, the undefeated Sinkers turned back the previously unbeaten Coaches, 21-12, and sat on the sidelines watching and waiting for the championship match. While they were spectating, the Edition crushed GQ, 20-5, and edged the Third Floor and the Coaches. In the title game, the Sinkers set back the Edition for the crown, 20-9.

The roster of the champion Sinkers contained Wayne Huffman, Rodney Somerville, and Jeff Wilcox.

The curriculum lab still has one box of free education text books to be distributed to anyone interested. Also, anyone who still has reference books out of the curriculum lab should return them so that other students may utilize them.

Contrary to last week's story on the Elderhostel program, faculty do not donate their time. Dr. Irvin Talbott has stressed, "Our faculty is the highest-paid staff for Elderhostel in the state and among the highest in the nation."

Rosters for intramural basketball may be turned in to the Physical Education Office.

All seniors are reminded that announcements must be ordered and paid for in full by January 20. There will be no extra announcements printed other than what is ordered. Seniors should contact Debbie Nagy in the Bookstore to order announcements.

Gridmen Named to WVC Team

Three members of the Glenville State College Pioneer football team which finished second in the conference were placed on the All-WVIAC offensive team for their outstanding play last fall.

Glenville's talented half-back Byron Brooks received first team honors. Brooks gained 944 yards on the ground, collected ten pass receptions, and scored five touchdowns. With this season's total Brooks became the all-time leading rusher in Pioneer history while only a junior.

Also achieving first team honors was junior center Larry Loughner. At 6'3", 245 pounds Loughner helped anchor down the middle of the offensive line with his massive strength to enable Brooks to gain all of his yardage.

Receiving second team honors was senior quarterback Jeff Metheny. The Pioneer signal caller hit on 50 percent of his passes for 750 yards and four touchdowns. He also rushed for 128 yards and six touchdowns on the ground.

Results Of Statistics Survey Listed

Under the supervision of Dr. Mildred Disko and in conjunction with Dr. David Gillespie, mayor of Glenville, the Statistics 361 class conducted a survey among the students and residents of Glenville concerning the city of Glenville's businesses and services provided to the community.

Out of 300 people surveyed, 49% of them responded. The surveys were distributed as follows: 100 to the businesses in town; 100 to adults who are residents of Glenville; 75 to students of the college; and

25 to faculty and staff members. The total response indicated that there was a general consensus that more clothing and shoe stores were needed, as well as a place for auto repairs and professional services. Also, more furnished apartments, more parking space, and a theater were needed.

The survey revealed that while 53% of the students say they shop downtown at least once a week, the majority (72%) feel that the merchants make no effort to attract students. This feeling seems to be correct,

as 55% of the merchants themselves affirm this attitude. Yet, every one of the merchants polled said that the students do help their businesses. Most of the students do feel, though, that the merchants appreciate the business they provide and 90% of the merchants revealed that they felt the students were very friendly. Why then do the merchants do little to attract the students? Maybe this survey will be instrumental in helping to find the answer.

Men Win Two Of Three Games

Gary Nottingham's male cagers opened the week of action with a loss, but followed that game with two important wins at home, including a stunning 10-point victory over nationally-ranked Salem.

West Virginia Tech shot 71% from the floor, led by Antoine Scott's 9-11, including three of three from beyond the three-point range for 21 scores en route to an 85-65 victory at home.

Senior captain Clay Young paced the Pioneers in scoring with 20 points, with Kenny Taylor's 11 and Rich Moore netting 10 being the only other GSC hoopsters to reach double figures.

In the middle of the week, Glenville State hosted Wheeling College and, despite 27 turnovers and a late Wheeling comeback, held off the visitors to cling to a victory in overtime, 77-71.

Wheeling held a 36-34 advantage at the intermission and maintained that lead until the final five minutes. The Pioneers evened the score at 55-55 and pulled ahead in the next minute by four points. The visitors hung tough and with the help of two key turnovers in the final minute, tied the game, 64-64, with five seconds remaining to send the match into an extra period.

In the overtime quarter, Glenville State outscored the visitors, 13-7, to capture the victory. The Pioneers connected on 69% of the shots and outrebounded Wheeling, 31-23.

The workhorse inside for Glenville was Young as he led in both scoring and rebounds, 26 and 11 respectively. Following Young were Taylor with 19 points and Moore, scoring 18.

To finish off the week in style, GSC handed the nationally-ranked Salem Ti-

gers their second defeat in the week. By outrebounding the much taller Tigers 40-29 and connecting on 83% of their free throws, the Pioneers upset and routed the Tigers, 79-69.

GSC held a strong four-point advantage in the opening half until a cold spell hit in the last 1:50 which allowed Salem to even the score at 32-32 for halftime. Salem took the early lead, but with 14:23 remaining, Steve Linville hit two free throws putting GSC ahead, 41-40. In the next six minutes, Glenville built a 52-44 advantage and never looked back.

Moore netted 19, Linville 17, Young 16, Taylor 12, and Steve Morris 10 in a game which saw all five starters reach double figures. Salem fouled the Pioneers a total of 34 times as the Pioneers hit on 33-40 free throw attempts.



Sophomore, Kenny Taylor, leaps high into the air in order to shoot this base-line jumper versus Wheeling College.



"Easy Street"

'Easy Street' To Perform At Jan. 12 Dance

The band "Easy Street," from Clarksburg, will perform for a back-to-school dance in the ballroom of the Pioneer Center on Thursday, January 12, 1984. The time for the dance, sponsored by Student Congress, is 9-12 p.m., not 8-11 p.m. as originally planned.

"Easy Street" is a five-member band. Members are as follows: Guy Kemp-bass, Frank Tate-lead guitar and vocalist, Shelly Vilar-lead vocalist, Chip Thompson-keyboards, and John Ellis-drums.

Admission for the dance is \$1. Refreshments will be served.

Anyone interested in auditioning for the GSC spring production of **YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU** may stop by Mrs. McKown's office and check out a script to read over break.

The Residence Halls will be closed on Tuesday, December 20, 1983 at 5 p.m. and will re-open on Sunday, January 8, 1984 at 12 noon. Lunch (noon meal) will be the last meal served on Tuesday, December 20, 1983. Dinner (evening meal) will be the first meal served on Sunday, January 8, 1984.

Please Note: Registration will be on Tuesday, January 10 with the first day of classes beginning Wednesday, January 11.

The check-out procedure is as follows: before you leave the residence hall for break, you must unplug everything in your room, turn out all lights, close windows and curtains, and lock door and windows. GSC will not be responsible for anything stolen from your room.

The GSC Cheerleaders will be holding male cheerleader try-outs the week of January 9-15. All interested are urged to contact a member of the cheerleading squad for practice times.

Exhibit Announced

Mr. Harper's watercolor painting classes, Art 308 and 407, would like to invite everyone to come by the show cases on second floor of the Administration Building (next to the Art Department) and view some of the paintings they have completed during this semester. The paintings reflect various techniques and styles that are only found in the medium of watercolor. Many show that there is life after grade school watercolor and that painting in this medium is not "kid's stuff." So, come on by and see what older "kids" can do. The exhibit will be through this week.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

In last week's edition of the Glenville Mercury, I read a very disturbing letter that talked about the review of a few of the plays which were presented a few weeks ago. The letter was written by Eddie Mazzella. The title of the article was "Play Review Questioned."

Mr. Mazzella talked about Mr. Moore's review. This letter I am writing is not to deal with what happened in this review, but to discuss the way in which people talk about others. Mr. Mazzella said that Mr. Moore said that some people were good in their parts, but he downgraded him for criticizing others such as Kris Bush and Mike Dotson. Also, "Mr. Mazzella," Mitchell knows that Miss GSC is Pam McVey. When I read the article, I thought you let a simple joke go over your head.

It seems that we always want to criticize others for something they are doing, especially when someone does something for the information of others, such as Mitchell Moore. Mitchell Moore wrote a review because it was his assignment and what does he get--stabbed in the back (not literally)!

This was Mitch's second review, and after reading Mr. Mazzella's letter, it will probably be his last. He probably feels that there is no use in trying anymore.

Most of the people I talked to said they liked the review, but we still have others who criticize others' actions.

"I hope that in the future people will think before they write something that may damage someone else. My parents always told me if you can't say something nice about someone, don't say it at all. We have a great school here, believe it or not, and I hope it continues to get better, but it won't if we keep downgrading everything that someone does. Be proud of GSC, and make things work by helping each other. If someone does not like what someone does, or if they disagree, tell them, not the whole school. In closing, all I would like to say is help someone, and they may help you some day. I don't know what that has to do with anything, but it sounded nice in this letter. Don't criticize others, help them. If we all do these simple things we will be a lot better off.

Thank you,
A GSC Student

GSC Receives 'Thank You'

Dear Editor,

Well, here it is the end of my first semester at college. My heart is still lub-dubbing, my vital signs are normal, and my grades. . . ? In August, I had the same worries and fears that every freshman has, but I felt as if I would be all alone in left field. My family and friends assured me everything would turn out just fine. Boy, did I have my doubts; but, look world--I survived the essay papers, 100 question tests, and a thousand chapters of reading. I suppose parents do know best: I am just fine.

Many upperclassmen laugh about Glenville State College being so small, but it seems gigantic to a freshman who graduated from a class with only 41 other students. Everything here was a monster, ready to engulf its victim. The hills kept getting higher and longer; the steps began to multiply while climbing to class; and I had to make a home from a tiny room with a total stranger. I knew that I was a hard person to live with (I like the "lived-in" look), and I imagined myself being thrown from room to room. After four months of college, the monster is tame. The hills are nice exercise and I actually enjoy them; the steps now seem shorter, especially on test days; and my roommate and I are like sisters. She has even gotten used to the "lived-in" look.

God has definitely placed his hand on every tree and mountain in this beautiful area. I dearly love it here; Glenville State College has been the most wonderful and rewarding experience in my life. I have grown tremendously as a person and as a student, but due to personal reasons, I will be commuting to Marshall in January. Before leaving here, I wanted to praise this school to the best of my ability. Never have I felt such a bond of love and friendship between students. The teachers and staff have gone out of their way to make me feel at home. I want to especially thank Mr. Samples, Mr. Simon, Mr. Kinder, Mrs. Keating (my advisor), and the teachers that I had during this fall semester: you made me feel like a person and not a number.

You, the students of Glenville State College, should hold your heads high to have the opportunity to attend such a magnificent school. The next time you laugh at the size, look around because a new face may be frightened and need help. When you are frustrated and ready to quit, notice the smiling faces from students and teachers. I hope that Marshall is half as understanding, caring, and above all, friendly, as Glenville State College has been to me. I may be headed for Thundering Herd territory, but I will always be a Pioneer at heart!

Sincerely,
Helen Patricia Farris (Tricia)

Television Schedule

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

4:00 p.m. Ch. 20 Movie: IT HAPPENED ONE CHRISTMAS
6:00 p.m. Ch. 20 Movie: ABSENCE OF MALICE
8:00 p.m. Ch. 4 Movie: MY FAIR LADY
11:00 p.m. Ch. 10 Movie: THE TOY
1:15 a.m. Ch. 20 Movie: DOUBLE DEAL

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

4:00 p.m. Ch. 12 Movie: A BOY NAMED CHARLIE BROWN
6:00 p.m. Ch. 4 Movie: TABLE FOR FIVE
8:00 p.m. Ch. 6 Movie: THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S
10:30 p.m. Ch. 8 BLONDIE
11:00 p.m. Ch. 13 Movie: SHARKY'S MACHINE
12:45 a.m. Ch. 12 Movie: HUMANOIDS FROM THE DEEP

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

4:00 p.m. Ch. 5 Movie: ENDANGERED SPECIES
6:00 p.m. Ch. 5 Movie: SMASH PALACE
8:00 p.m. Ch. 16 Movie: AUTHOR AUTHOR
10:00 p.m. Ch. 12 Movie: FAST TIMES AT RIDGEMONT HIGH
12:00 p.m. Ch. 4 Movie: MAD MAX
1:30 a.m. Ch. 4 Movie: PORKY'S

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

4:00 p.m. Ch. 20 Movie: CRISIS AT CENTRAL HIGH
6:00 p.m. Ch. 5 Movie: WHOSE LIFE IS IT ANYWAY
8:00 p.m. Ch. 20 Movie: THE MIRROR CRACKED
10:00 p.m. Ch. 5 Movie: THE CHALLENGE
12:00 mid. Ch. 4 Movie: NIGHT GAMES

CHRISTMAS WISHES EXPRESSED

The Journalism 321 class got into the Christmas spirit and asked a group of students what, above all, they would like to get for Christmas; the answers were colorful and interesting and if everyone gets their wish fulfilled it may turn out to be a very different but exciting holiday season. Here are their responses.

Karen Backus - a cruise vacation in Hawaii with my boy friend.

Damita Nutter - A fully furnished house with all the bills paid for a year.

Sandy Young - A 35mm camera.

David Nowell - Money to get married on.

Mark Neff - A jet black 911 Porsche.

Cheryl Keenan - May 13th

Jesse Skiles - A Pac-Man video game.

Mary Anne Shuman - Nothing.

Beth Krantz - the Calvin Klein jeans model.

Denise Elkins - Tom Selleck

J. D. Benson - a trip to Switzerland for two.

Joe Stephens - any kind of car that won't run over a hill.

Mike Dotson - Mercedes 380-SL.

Diana Sutherland - Chris Graham, "the golden gram."

Jenny Lewis - I want Chris, too, and a new set of dimples.

Tammy Knopp - a job when I graduate with a good-looking boss.

Beckie Rose - a new car.

Shelley Hull - a pair of electric socks.

Sandy Bleigh - a chance to say good-bye.

George Stansberry - Steve's collection of Benatar posters.

Mark Aldridge - a 1984



Corvette.

Chris Harnett - an early present of all A's on my finals.

Letha Butcher - a new fine arts building and an A in

biology.

Lisa Walker - my very own bug collection.

Mitch Moore - a lifetime subscription to "Theatre Review Journal"

Tim Mace - a hand in my stocking.

Mitzi Whited - one male Caucasian for a major and a minor.

Bill Anderson - a life-time subscription to THE NATIONAL ENQUIRER.

Betty Wagner - a vacation in the Bahamas.

Lisa Stuchell - for Mitch to do his D. R. act and a box of shredded wheat.

Cara Keenan - John Oats, Daryl Hall in a relationship (menage a trois type)

Penny Clutter - Rest and a new car.

Tim Pitman - a girlfriend.

Rich Nichols - Complete Executions novel series.

Cecil Chapman - the most

beautiful woman in the world in the most beautiful negligee who says: "Merry Christmas, Cecil!"

Gary Ross - Bette Midler under my bed and to borrow Mitch's book when he is finished.

June Casto - snow and new windshield wipers.

Susan Persinger - a microwave, and Ferrari, and Magnum P. I.

Seth Jones - long johns

Walt Marria - a yacht

Pam Tisa - a trip to the Keys and all my love letters back from Michael.

Tammi Igo - a professional choreographer

Kim Miller - a duffle bag, a car, and a pair of Etonic running shoes.

Janet Batten - Sylvester Stallone.

Charlie Moss - an arrow straightener.

Dr. Ward Helps Compile Index

Dr. Max Ward, a 1940 Glenville State College graduate and former Science Department chairman has undergone the task of producing an index of the Glenville Democrat, the local weekly newspaper from 1935 to 1983. Ward, who served on the faculty of the college from 1948 to 1969, joined the staff of the National Science Foundation in Washington, D. C. in 1969 where he has worked for the past 15 years. Ward returned to Glenville this year to retire. Not being the type to just sit around, he decided to

channel his energies into this beneficial project. With the assistance of Dr. David Gillespie, library director, the project was formulated and is now well underway. The first six years are now being entered into a computer for the initial editing, and the index will include names, places, events, and history of Gilmer County. Dr. Ward works three mornings a week reading every line in every Glenville Democrat since 1935. Special photographs will also be included in the index.



Pictured above is one of the many doors decorated by students in Pickens Hall. This particular door belongs to Jannette Stoneking and Karen Henshey.

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The Night Before Finals

It came upon a midnight here,
'Twas time for the finals of the year.
Groups in the rooms were no longer jamming.
Because of tests, they were cramming.
When out of nowhere to my surprise
Appeared a message before my eyes.
"Please don't worry about your exam.
You will pass it if you don't cram."
As this happened, I slammed my book
And my roommate gave me a funny look.
I stood up and walked out the door,
Saying, "I'm not studying anymore!"
All my friends, they thought I was weird,
When I told them the message had appeared.
They sent me to the lounge to take a rest.
Everyone there was studying for a test.
I looked around and thought of my mission,
Walked over and switched on the television.
I knew the others had been studying hard,
And when I looked, they were playing cards.
All the studying was hard on the brain.
We were all beginning to feel the strain.
When my friends to the lounge returned,
No one was studying, was what they learned.
What little studying we did wasn't enough.
The finals the next day, they were tough.
Let me tell you, the hardest part of it all
Was that night, Mom and Dad gave me a call.
I had to save it for another day--
About the night I put my books away.
The grades, they did come in the mail
And that final I did not fail.
When I looked at the paper, what did I see,
All A's but that one and it was a D.
The time has come again; the finals are here.
I don't care what I see, I'm cramming this year.

By Crystal Loudin

Alcohol Addiction - The Number One Illness

The Surgeon General of the United States confirms that alcohol addiction is now our nation's number one illness/health problem, directly and indirectly.

Thirty to fifty percent of all general hospital beds are being occupied by alcoholics. Well over 50% of all highway fatalities are directly linked to chemicals. In West Virginia alone, 69% of drownings, 80% of pedestrians killed, and 56%-73% of all burn victims were under the influence. Some studies indicate one of every four vehicles after 8 p.m. are driven by a person under the influence. According to an article in THE ATLANTA JOURNAL, alcohol is the most used and abused drug, including speed, Quaaludes, and marijuana. A 1975-1982 National Institute on Drug Abuse study shows that, even though the number of high schoolers who use marijuana daily has decreased since 1978, daily alcohol use has remained steadily high.

Alcoholism. What is it? The American Medical Association defines an alcoholic as "someone who experiences a loss of control over consumption, which causes significant problems medically, psychologically and socially." The first thing the public needs to be aware of is that alcoholism is a disease, just as cancer and leukemia are diseases. Another important fact: alcoholism can not be cured--it can be arrested (through abstinence) but never cured. "It is very much like diabetes in that way. If alcohol were

invented today, it would be given by prescription only," says Matt Felix, executive director of the Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Central Agency in Juneau, Alaska.

A common excuse that alcoholics use is that alcoholism is hereditary. An article, published in THE ARCHIVES OF GENERAL PSYCHIATRY, states "findings show that children of heavy drinkers have a 'biological marker' in their central nervous system that indicates a higher risk of their becoming alcoholics." It doesn't just happen to 'other people'. One out of every 10 people you meet every day is suffering from alcohol addiction. At least 10% of the total work force is alcoholic and another 10% or more may be abusers. Ninety-five percent to ninety-seven percent of all alcoholics are family-cen-

tered. About three percent to five percent are "skid-row." Alcoholism is a disorder in people of all ages, economic levels, all races, all sexes, and with all types of psychological or emotional problems. Fifty percent are male and fifty percent female.

In a study conducted in 1981 by Research Triangle Institute, it was found that alcohol, drug use and mental illness cost the national economy \$106 billion in 1977 in lost productivity and associated costs. Most companies would fire an employee who is found to be drunk or high, but growing numbers of companies are setting up programs to help workers get treatment and counseling before they commit a serious offense and must be fired. More and more centers to help alcoholics are popping up across the nation.

On Wednesday, December 14, at 6 p.m. in the band room (214 AB), Mr. Edward McKown will meet with everyone who is interested in performing in the Glenville State College Association Show Choir. The purpose of this initial meeting is to learn of interest and participation possibilities. Auditions will be held after the beginning of the new semester.

Congress Activities

At last week's meeting, the Student Congress appointed Scott Demers as the new Parliamentarian after the resignation of Shelley Morris. Scott, a sophomore science major, was previously the Senator-at-large and starts his new duties beginning next semester.

The Congress is busy making plans for activities after the beginning of next semester. Scheduled so far is a second Student Forum and a Back-to-School dance. The dance will be on Thursday, Jan. 12 and a live band will perform.

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