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## Crush Crew Captures Crown

by Steve Keenan

They did it!!

After a frustrating season a year ago, the members of the GSC cross country team dedicated themselves to the goal of winning that elusive West Virginia Conference team title this season.

Win they did, and in convincing fashion. The Pioneers trampled all competition Saturday at the Glenville Golf Club to complete a dream season in which they were 31-4 against all schools and 20-0 against conference squads.

GSC tallied a low score of 33 points to wear the team crown for the fourth time in six years. West Liberty was runner-up with 58 points, followed by Davis and Elkins (75), Fairmont (79), West Virginia State (118), and West Virginia Wesleyan (150).

West Liberty won the women's division with 20 points, West Virginia State, the only other team entrant, scored 52 points.

Individual winners on the warm, cloudy day were Davis

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photo by Scott Kitchen

## Fair Successful Trip Funds Available

by Lesa Hendershot

An estimated 300 people participated in the Solar Eclipse Fair on the GSC campus on October 3. The fair was a project of Mr. Ralph Bame's physical science and astronomy classes.

The solar eclipse was first observed at 1:58 p.m. Students made astronomical observations and collected meteorological data that

documented the progress of the eclipse. The results of the projects were analyzed and used by the students to write scientific reports as conclusions to their experiences of the day.

Mr. Bame would like to thank those who participated in the fair and those who stopped by to observe the eclipse.

Dr. Duke Talbott, Director of Community Services and Continuing Education has released the requirements for scholarships for the International business course.

Two need-based scholarships of \$300 will be awarded to participants of the International Business Field Experience course to be taught in Europe March 12-25, 1987.

To be eligible to apply one must: Be a full-time student at Glenville State College, at least a sophomore or higher,

have a minimum 2.2 average at the end of the Spring 1985-86 semester, submit an application to the Office of Community Services and Continuing Education by December 1, 1986, and submit a completed Federal Student Aid Form with application.

The award will be based on need as determined from the Family Contributions amount in the Federal Student Aid application. In the event of a tie the award will be granted to the

applicant with the highest GPA.

To receive the award one must register in the International Business course (Business 350, Economics 350 or Geography 399) in the Spring semester. The full fee for the course is \$1,099 for students under age 26 and \$1,285 for students age 26 and over.

Applications can be picked up in the Office of Community Services and Continuing Education (Room 106, Wagner Wing, Pickens Hall).

## Arts Complex On Schedule

by Jack Hill

Plans for Glenville State College's new Fine Arts complex are proceeding as scheduled, according to Dr. William K. Simmons.

In an interview with the Mercury, Dr. Simmons stated that the final drawings and specifications for the building have been completed. Those plans will be submitted to the Board of Regents in January. If the specifications are approved, they will be sent to various contractors for the bids. The lowest bidder will be hired between the middle of

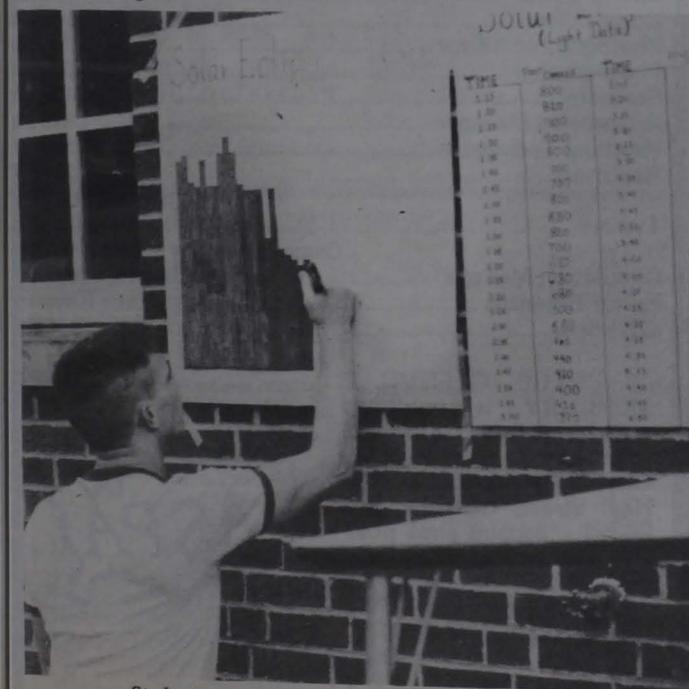
February and March 1. Construction is planned to begin around March or April of 1987. However, the homes on the site will be torn down this fall.

Several revisions have been made in the building since the idea was born. It started out as a \$6.5 million building which would house the art, music and business departments. However, due to a lack of money and space, revisions were made and now the building will be simply an arts complex.

When asked how the

revisions have affected the space for certain programs, specifically the art department, Dr. Simmons said that there was a limited amount of space, and that certain amounts of compromises were made by all the groups. "However," he said, "it's still going to be a very fine facility."

Dr. Simmons has called the new building the most exciting development in his presidency, and his enthusiasm shows. "I think it's really going to do a lot to bring cultural events to central West Virginia," he said.



Students recorded data at last month's Solar Eclipse Fair.

# OPINION

Guest Editorial:

## Coach Comes Under Fire

by Steve Keenan

College coaches are like public officials. They're paid (or elected, as the case may be) to perform a service.

In April of 1980, Frank Vincent was hired to rescue the Glenville State College football program. His background as a coach at Charleston High School included three consecutive state Class AAA championships from 1968-70, and he had an overall record of 101-74-4 in 17 seasons. It looked as if he was the man for the job.

Vincent's seven-year tenure at GSC has been marked by controversy, negative feelings among players and fans alike, massive player defections, and most of all,

losing. Last weekend's 20-17 loss to West Virginia Tech put the Pioneers at 2-7 for the season and 21-41-3 during Vincent's stay.

Of those 21 wins, 12 came in a two-year span behind the exploits of All-Americans Byron Brooks (1983) and Mike Payne (1984). Talent has abounded over the years here, but has much been done with it?

Many football games involving GSC teams fall into the same pattern. The Pioneers come out of the locker room fired up, play well and even grab a lead here and there, only to find themselves sitting on the lead in the second half and watching in despair as the opponent catches up and notches yet another victory. You could call it "snatching defeat from the jaws of victory."

The entire situation has been made messier recently by JoAnn Vincent's allegations of assault and battery against Randy Hunt, chairman of the GSC health and physical education department, following the Oct. 18 game with Fairmont. A hearing was scheduled earlier today in Gilmer County magistrate court concerning the charges, although

many witnesses to the incident say there is no merit to the charges.

That incident, along with one Saturday which involved Mrs. Vincent taking photographs of Coach Vincent's detractors (The Yank Frank Crew), smacks of desperation. Instead of helping matters, it's only making them worse.

Just like a politician as election time rolls around, I feel that it's time for a change. Mr. Vincent may have been right for Charleston High, but he's just not kosher for college coaching at GSC.

And seven years has been more than enough time to prove himself.

Letters to the Editor should be signed and delivered to the Mercury Office in a sealed envelope to insure confidentiality. All letters will be printed exactly as received. Spelling, punctuation, and grammatical errors will not be corrected. Please proofread your letter to avoid embarrassment.



## Letters

Dear Editor,

This letter is addressed to all the people who supported the Cross Country team this year. Without your help and encouragement we could not have won the WVIAC Cross Country Championship this past Saturday at the Glenville Golf Course. Commissioner Reed commented that he had attended Cross Country Championships before but he was extremely pleased to see the good turnout of spectators, well-wishers and workers, who helped organize and conduct an outstanding meet. The Cross Country team will be headed to the nationals in Wisconsin in two weeks. I would again like to thank everyone who was involved with us this season. I also hope that this enthusiasm will carry over into track and the new year.

Coach Lou Geary

Dear Editor,

Reserved Parking by the Physical Education Building! Supposedly there is no such thing on campus, but recently as you drive through campus you see yellow barricades which are left by faculty to reserve parking places while they run an errand or go home for lunch. Both students and faculty equally pay \$5.00 to park on campus, not a reserved place. With the limited parking

space, if the "barricaders" wish to leave, then why don't they take the chance of loosing their parking space like everyone else?

If they feel the need to have a reserved parking space, let me remind them that there is reserved faculty parking behind the administration Building.

Becky Langford

Congratulations to the football team for an exciting game Saturday. There was only one thing that bothered me about Saturdays game and that was the Pioneer. Since when is GSC's mascot a "big green gumby"? And when did "Stick it to 'em" and "have the big 'O'" become acceptable cheers to yell at the crowd? I thought the Pioneer was supposed to represent the school in an acceptable and positive way, not yell shady and irrelevant cheers at the crowd. Mr. Parsons, our colors are blue and white, not green and our mascot is the Pioneer, not a gumby. If you can't keep it straight, turn in your musket.

Cheryl L. Curry

Dear Editor,

This is the final letter in the series I started a few weeks ago to the student body of GSC concerning the apparent apathy here on campus. Now I'm willing to bet that a few of you are

probably thinking that "Here I go again, getting on the student body for their lack of attendance at ballgames here at GSC." Well you're wrong. This time I'm pointing my comments to the portion of the student body that complains that there is nothing to do as to other entertainment and amusement here in Glenville.

As a returning graduate of GSC who spent four and a half years here in the early to mid seventies, I can honestly say from my past and present experience that there is ample amusement and entertainment possibilities in Glenville if you look for them. That is the key. You have to look for it, put out some effort, get off your dead rear ends in order to find amusement in whatever free time you have here, either through the week or if you stay here in Glenville on weekends.

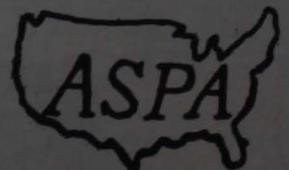
I come from a small town, Sutton W.Va., which is similar, though slightly smaller than Glenville. I know that many of you also come from small towns and I realize that some of you are

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# SPORTS

## Harriers Capture Fourth Title in Last Six Years

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and Elkins' Jeff Trump and West Liberty's Sherry LeMasters. Trump captured his third consecutive individual title with a 26:26 performance on the 5-mile men's course. LeMasters won her second straight crown by completing the women's 3.1-mile course in 21:17.

"We ran well from top to bottom," said Coach Lou Geary, who was named Coach of the Year along with Will Shaw of Davis and Elkins. "The main reason we won was that the guys were disappointed with last year and knew they had better talent than fifth place. They had a desire to win this year to prove something."

"Plus, they had assistant coach Steve Keenan pushing them all season long. I don't hesitate to thank him for the job he's done."

Junior Jay Dawkins ran an excellent race for second place as the "Crush Crew" had three runners in the top five and all seven in the top 16 runners, of the 40-man field.

Dawkins' time was 26:48. Junior teammate Tom Clark was only one place back (third) and just six seconds behind Dawkins (26:54). Sophomore Andy Jarrell finished fifth in 27:34. All three Pioneer runners earned all-conference honors.

The good performances

didn't stop there, though. Sophomore Chris Shockey crossed the line in 28:41 for 11th place, freshman Jeff Trippett was 12th in 28:46, and freshman Jim Kelley was 15th in 28:59. Last but certainly not least was the team's lone senior, Jesse Skiles, who finished in the 16th position with a time of 29:45. To underscore Glenville's complete domination, Skiles beat every other team's fourth man.

"Jesse's worked hard and really improved. In fact, he's our most improved runner by far," Geary noted. "I really respect him."

Perhaps a little overshadowed by the success of the GSC men were two fine showings by the two female Pioneers, both freshmen.

In a field of 14, Lori Barker placed fourth and Andrea Davisson seventh. Barker's time was 22:18, and Davisson's was 23:45. Barker just missed all-conference honors but, more importantly, she was one of five individual qualifiers for the nationals.

Along with the title of West Virginia Conference champions for Glenville comes the District 28 berth in the NAIA national cross country championship meet. The title race will be contested Nov. 15 at the University of Wisconsin. More details about that race will be published in next week's paper.



Pioneers Jeff Trippett and Jim Kelly (in Background) both eventually passed D & E's Rich Hoffman.

photo by Scott Kitchen

### ODE TO A RUNNER

The strength, the grace, the endurance, and the sheer intensity of a cross-country run impressed me. I was in attendance at the WVIAC cross-country race held this past Saturday at the Glenville golf course. It was a rare day. The golf course lawn was green, the hills were splashed with multi-colors, the air was fresh and just cool enough to wear a light jacket. The colors of the uniforms were intermingled and added a touch of confusion to the well laid scheme.

The body-machine, well oiled and ready, was waiting to perform a difficult task. The whole idea intrigued me. A group of fine-tuned athletes pushing their bodies to complete exhaustion. Like bloodhounds, the runners could smell the finish line and pushed relentlessly toward their goal. It made me think of a time when runners would carry messages for kings signaling the beginning or end of a war. The runner would sacrifice life and limb to get their message through.

The crowd waited anxiously at the finish line. You could almost sense a sigh of relief as the first runner finished. Glenville took home the first place team

trophy, coach Lou Geary was awarded "Coach-of-the-Year," and Jay Dawkins showered his teammates as he uncorked a bottle of champagne. The day made me glad that I was in beautiful West Virginia and glad that I am a Pioneer.

Submitted by Danny Ray

MEN'S TEAM SCORES	
1. Glenville	33
2. West Liberty	58
3. Davis & Elkins	75
4. Fairmont	79
5. WV State	118
6. WV Wesleyan	150

### MEN'S TOP 20 FINISHERS (40 STARTED)

PLACE	RUNNERS	SCHOOL	TIME
1.	Jeff Trump	DE	26:26
2.	Jay Dawkins	GS	26:48
3.	Tom Clark	GS	26:54
4.	Gene Saunders	WL	27:15
5.	Andy Jarrell	GS	27:34
6.	Ken Sokolowski	WL	27:50
7.	John Reynolds	FS	28:08
8.	Dave Brannon	WL	28:17
9.	Dave Deeley	FS	28:26
10.	Glen Tacy	FS	28:27
11.	Chris Shockey	GS	28:41
12.	Jeff Trippett	GS	28:46
13.	Bill Lipps	DE	28:51
14.	Chris Coholich	DE	28:53
15.	Jim Kelly	GS	28:59
16.	Jesse Skiles	GS	29:45
17.	Jacob Wright	WVS	29:45
18.	Chuck Gaston	WL	29:53
19.	Billy Chandler	WVS	29:54
20.	Charles Oakes	WVS	29:57



Andrea Davisson (86), and Lori Barker (85) await the starter's gun. Barker finished fourth to qualify for national while Davisson finished a strong seventh.

photo by Scott Kitchen

# Pioneer 2nd Half Rally Falls Short, 20-17

by Jesse Skiles

Glenville's football squad turned in a valiant effort against West Virginia Tech Saturday, but came up short 20-17. The Pioneers very nearly pulled off their second consecutive upset but the 6-3 Golden Bears prevailed.

Tech pushed to a 14-0 halftime lead, but the Pioneers mounted a serious second half charge. It all began at 12:37 of the third quarter when Chuck Wharton found William West for a 10-yard touchdown pass. This cut the Tech lead to 14-7.

After a Tech field goal made it 17-7, nationally ranked kick returner Eric Mitchell entered center stage. Mitchell took the Tech kickoff and returned it 46 yards to put the Pioneers into Golden Bear territory. Six plays later, Mark Szklennik drilled home a 37-yard field goal to make the margin 17-10.

Another Tech field goal made it 20-10 at 9:18 of the fourth quarter. Again, Eric Mitchell came through in the clutch for the Pioneers. He grabbed the ensuing kick on his own six and rambled 76 yards to the Tech 22. This set

up another Wharton-to-West touchdown connection, this time from seven yards out. Szklennik's conversion made it 20-17. Unfortunately, the Pioneers were unable to mount another threat.

Statistically, the Pioneers received some fine individual performances. Gordon Stevens was once again the leading ballcarrier collecting 49 yards on 12 carries. Chuck Wharton was six out of twenty through the air for 71 yards and two touchdowns. William West had three receptions for 28 yards and was on the receiving end of both Wharton TD tosses. Randy Rhoades had an excellent day punting, putting the ball into the Glenville sky to the tune of 40.6 yards a boot.

Defensively, it was the Layhew brothers who led the way in tackles. Todd and Donn both had 15. Bill Dunn, Bubba Hill, Luther Toney, and Eric Mitchell all reached double figures. Bill Boyles intercepted two passes, and the amazing Eric Mitchell had three kickoff returns for 122 yards.

Glenville will be idle this week, and will finish the season on November 15 at Waynesburg (PA).



Pioneer Eric Mitchell electrified the crowd with this 76 - yard kickoff return. photo by Scott Kitchen

## Toney Enjoying Solid Year

by Jesse Skiles

For Pioneer linebacker Luther Toney, 1985 was a rude awakening into college football. At Midland Trail High School, Luther was a class AA All-State Defensive End. When he entered GSC though, he was moved to linebacker and he admits that it was a tough adjustment.

"When I began at linebacker it was like starting from scratch...the reads are totally different," Toney said.

As a result, he says that he "really took a beating" in a few games. Toney says that Coach Paul Barnes really made a difference in his season. "Coach Barnes really kept on my case last year. He saw to it that I kept my head up and kept working," the sophomore added.

This season has been a totally different experience for Toney. He says that he is



Luther Toney

now accustomed to the position and is playing with confidence. Toney is also very pleased with the way that the Pioneer defensive unit has developed this season. He cites "good penetration from the defensive line as the key to the

Glenville defensive success." Their (defensive line) penetration frees Todd and I up for a lot of tackles. It also does a lot to help our pass coverage," Toney said. His 4.9 speed is also a plus when it comes to pass coverage.

Toney foresees another strong unit next season. Luther stated, "Donn Layhew and John Lipscomb will be some tough shoes to fill, but we will have all of our other starters back. As far as the linebacking corps goes, it seems that Todd and I keep working better together. Scott Demaline has also developed very well. He is definitely a lot better now than I was last year."

Luther has made it a long way though, and perhaps he is just beginning to unleash his potential. With another year of experience almost behind him, next year could be awesome for the young man from Ansted. Luther and Todd Layhew may very well be forming a "Captain Death" linebacking duo, killing any scoring threat that comes their way.

### Nine-Game Grid Stats

RUSHING LEADERS	ATT.	YDS.	AVG.
Gordon Stevens	129	352	2.7
Andy Pfefferkorn	69	219	3.2
Gary Holmes	56	168	3.0

PASSING LEADERS	COMP-ATT	%	YDS.	TD	INT
Chuck Wharton	47-124	38%	510	2	16
Mitch Pantak	24-66	36%	278	1	7

RECEIVING LEADERS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD
William West	11	124	11.3	2
Jason Campbell	10	152	15.2	0
Jeff Evans	10	101	10.1	1
Lonnie Hosby	8	123	15.4	0
Andy Pfefferkorn	8	58	7.2	0

INTERCEPTION LEADERS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Bill Dunn	4	55	13.7
Bill Boyles	4	40	10.0
Eric Mitchell	2	8	4.0

PUNTING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Randy Rhoades	22	786	35.7
Bill Dunn	40	1305	32.6

KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Eric Mitchell	17	509	29.9
Tracy Haught	5	83	16.6
Gary Holmes	7	86	12.3

PUNT RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Eric Mitchell	13	136	10.4
Tracy Haught	4	39	9.7
Todd Sabin	8	66	8.3

SCORING	
Andy Pfefferkorn	18
Mark Szklennik	15
William West	12

TACKLE LEADERS	T	A	TOT
Todd Layhew	53	63	116
Bill Dunn	50	48	98
Donn Layhew	39	49	88
John Lipscomb	43	39	82
Luther Toney	39	40	79
Eric Mitchell	44	20	64
Laurence Colley	42	21	63
Bill Boyles	34	26	60
Bubba Hill	36	21	57
Aaron Woodhouse	32	14	46

THE TONEY TAB			
Luther Toney			
Sophomore, Ansted, WV			
Midland Trail H.S.			
HT - 6'0 WT - 215			
TACKLES			
	T	A	TOT
1985	26	32	58
1986	39	40	79
TOT	65	72	137

# Jesse's Place

This is the toughest column I have ever had to write. Yes I "have" to write it, because I simply can't let myself go through life as a puppet, to be stepped on by those who choose to do so. I'm sick of getting crapped on, so just like the Ancient Mariner, I must tell my tale.

To begin with, I feel very sorry for the Vincent family right now. It is sad when you consider that Coach Vincent is still a husband as well as a father, and his loved ones are also made to suffer from the many slings and arrows that are being thrown.

This is not a story about football, but a story about friendship. For four years I can honestly say that I have been a loyal friend to Mr. Vincent. As Sports Information Director we had a fine relationship; in my two years as SID, the football team gave me a lot to publicize. They were 12-5-1, and Coach Vincent thanked me for helping him out. I even went on a scouting trip for him once. In those two years we had one run in...he showed me up pretty bad yelling at me in front of a few people at a GSC basketball game. It was over getting some information for some recruits, but he apologized to me the next day when he learned that it was not my fault. Even though I was hurt at getting shown up, I accepted his apology because after all, he is my friend.

Before the 1984 season, Coach Vincent suffered a heart attack. I have been sympathetic to Coach and his condition ever since. This one really hits home since my future father-in-law suffered three heart attacks to go along with his four AAA state wrestling championships. This condition, plus the pressure of coaching forced him to retire in 1985. I am aware that Coach Vincent is putting in long hard hours, and all of this extra-curricular stress has caused me to seriously worry about him.

As Sports Editor, I have worked hard to get more football coverage. Before this season my Editor Mahala Strauss said, "Jesse you are the sports man. Anytime you want three pages...take them." With this vote of confidence, I decided to give

last year here. I have done a feature on a different Pioneer each week, and I always include photos and statistics. Weekly stats and weekly features have not been done before in the *Mercury* in the Frank Vincent era.

Even though the Pioneer gridders are 4-14 since I assumed duties as Sports Editor, I have continued to give them five column headlines and most always a near full-page of coverage. Why? Because Frank Vincent is my friend and I want to help the program. I also love GSC, and care about the devoted football players who work so hard.

As the community has voiced negative feelings with the program, I have never touched upon this. You see, Coach Vincent is my friend and I care about him. I really have seen no need to mention his record or succumb to the requests (sometimes begs) of people wanting me to trash him in my column. He has been fair to me, so I have been fair to him.

Then came Saturday. It was one of the biggest days in my life as my team captured the title and thoughts of Wisconsin danced in my head. After the game a potent bomb was dropped on my happiness. As I dropped the game stats off to Coach Vincent, I told him that I was proud of the team's effort and expressed to him disappointment over the fact that the *Gazette* gave his victory over Concord so little coverage. His reply to this was "It was a helluva lot more than the *Glenville Mercury* gives us!"

I gave Coach Whittaker a quick glance of disbelief. I didn't want him to see how much Coach Vincent had hurt me. Coach Vincent then proceeded to lecture me about members of the Track team trashing him from the stands. I was in the press box during the game. The statement about the *Mercury* though, was one of the hardest hits below the belt I have ever taken.

I left the Coach visibly shaken. I related the incident to my waiting fiancée who was crushed by the news. She helps me a great deal putting together my pages

and is always upset that my entire Sundays and Mondays (which usually includes a Sunday all-nighter) are devoted to publicizing football and not spent with her. Coach Vincent's words hurt her as well.

The Lord says we should forgive, and I am trying. I can still say that I feel sorry for the Vincent family and I wish them the best. Whenever I have dropped materials off at the Vincent house or just called, Mrs. Vincent has been very warm and cordial. Whenever I see his daughter Jenny Vincent, she always speaks and is warm and friendly. She is truly a fine young lady.

As for Frank Vincent...he is still my friend. Unfortunately though, he is a friend who is stabbing me in the back...with a sharpened dagger and twisting it with each deadly thrust. As I look over my back, I have one request for my stabbing friend. That is for him to toss aside the dagger, from which the muscle tissue from my back hangs and my blood drips for just one moment... and look me in the eye and say that I haven't been a loyal friend.

I still care about you Coach. Drop the knife... Please.

Your Friend  
Jesse F. Skiles  
Sports Editor

## Cage Scrimmage

by Steve Keenan

This Saturday, Nov. 8, the GSC men's basketball team will participate in its second full-scale scrimmage in preparation for the upcoming cage campaign. Gary Nottingham's Pioneers will host St. Vincent College (PA) at 2:30 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Last Friday, the Pioneers hosted Point Park (PA) in a scrimmage with four 20-minute halves. Coach Nottingham was particularly pleased that his guys played together well as a unit.

Senior co-captains Matt Bullett and Rudy Watts are the top returners for Nottingham's squad, which went 17-14 last season. Look for a full preview of the 1986-87 squad in next week's

# Conley Closes Career

by Jesse Skiles

This weekend the Glenville volleyball team will be participating in the West Virginia Conference Tournament. It will mark the end of a fine athletic career for Pioneer senior Myrtle Conley.

Myrtle has been one of the top performers for Kay Chico's squad ever since coming to Glenville. That was back in 1983 when she arrived as a Lady Pioneer basketball recruit. She says that she chose Glenville because of "the excellent Physical Education and Teachers Education programs offered." She is studying to be a PE teacher.



Myrtle Conley

That fall she went out for volleyball even though she had never played in high school (Chapmanville did not have a program). Myrtle says that she went out because she simply wanted to try the sport and had enjoyed intramural volleyball in high school. Coach Chico has benefitted greatly from her decision to play as Myrtle has been a consistent performer over the years.

As her career winds down, Myrtle is hoping to go out with a strong performance. She says that her goal for this weekend is for the team to hustle and make a good appearance at the tournament.

Even though she will not be a part of the program next season, Myrtle says that things are looking up for the team. "This team has much more talent than our record shows, we are just so young and inexperienced" Conley said. She noted that this season of experience will be valuable for the 1987 team.

Next year's squad probably will be an improved bunch. Still, Coach Chico is faced with the tough task of replacing Myrtle Conley, a key performer and a hard worker.

## Volleyball Team Prepares For Conference Tournament

by Jesse Skiles

Coach Kay Chico's Glenville State Volleyball team will wind up their 1986 season this weekend at the WVIAC volleyball tournament. This season has marked the return of volleyball to the GSC campus.

Last week, the team dropped two in a tri-match at Salem. They opened play against the host Salem team by bowing 15-7, 15-5. This

was followed by a two-game defeat at the hands of Alderson-Broadus, 15-1, 15-8.

This week the team will engage in a tri-match on Wednesday and it should serve as a warm-up for the conference tournament. This will be against West Virginia Wesleyan and Alderson-Broadus. Conference tournament action will open Friday for Glenville.

## Hoffman Sets Records

by Jesse Skiles

Last weekend, GSC freshman Amy Hoffman entered her first powerlifting meet and came away with two state records. The meet was the Mountaineer Open held in Mineral Wells.

Amy set records in the squat and dead lift even

execute the lifts two weeks ago. She used her strong 134 pound frame to squat 303 pounds and dead lift 347.

Hoffman who is a member of the Pioneer volleyball and track teams will compete in the national powerlifting championships in San

# Creasey at PCC

by Steve Keenan

Steve Creasey was hired as a visiting assistant professor at the Parkersburg Center of Glenville State College in August.

This fall the 38-year-old Creasey is teaching education 311 and 312, while in the spring term he will teach math methods. The bulk of Creasey's job entails supervising student teachers, though. He works with the counties in the PCC area, particularly Wood County, in terms of placement for the student teachers.

Creasey, who lives in Parkersburg with his wife, Stephanie, and two children, Jason, 10, and Leah, 6, received his bachelor's degree in elementary education from GSC in 1976. He did most of his undergraduate work at Indiana University. From GSC, he attended WVU, where he obtained his master's in educational psychology in 1984. Creasey's currently doing research in educational problems and should obtain his doctorate this spring.

While at graduate school, Creasey taught some and supervised student teachers.



Also, he has taught in Nicholas and Monongalia County schools.

"I like this job so far," said Creasey. "The student teachers are high quality people, and the school systems have been real cooperative."

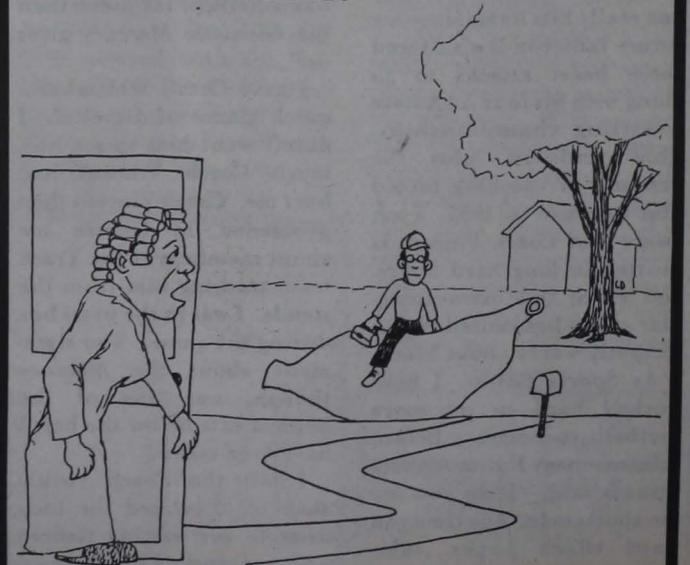
"There is a projected teacher shortage in the 1990's, but we're seeing an increase in the number of students," he added. "Plus, salaries are improving, as is the education system in general."

"It's a good time for students to come into education."

Next summer may seem distant at this time of the year, but students who will be seeking summer employment need to begin planning now. The summer jobs notebook in the Office of Career Planning and Placement is beginning to fill, and some applications

must be filed by January. Additional information will be arriving throughout the semester and students are encouraged to stop by the Placement Office in the Pioneer Center and take advantage of these opportunities.

## OFF-CENTER



COME BACK HONEY! YOU CAN'T GO TO WORK ON AN EMPTY STOMACH!



A portion of the "Thieves' Carnival" cast is shown in full character. Pictured are: (standing L to R) John Curran, Kelly Haynes, Lisa McHenry, Kevin Evans, (sitting L to R) Linda Schick, and Tinya Harl.

photo by Scott Kitchen

# Theatre Production in Progress

by Lisa McHenry

All aspects of production are well underway for GSC's *Thieves' Carnival*. Rehearsals are scheduled through until opening night, and technicians are working six hours a day on set. Anyone

who would like to offer their services is welcome to come to the auditorium or see Dennis Wemm in the Language Division.

Anyone who can paint, hammer, saw, staple, etc. is urged to come and work.

After a certain amount of man-hours, one can receive an hour of credit.

The show will open Wednesday, November 12 at 8:00 p.m. and run each night thru Friday, November 14.

# \$500 in Fire Damage

by Jack Hill

A fire occurred late Thursday night in the girls' section of Pickens Hall, resulting in the evacuation of all residents.

The fire broke out about 10:45 p.m. in 405 Scott when a candle placed in a jack-o'-lantern burned through the stem, catching the rooms' curtains on fire. Since the resident had left her room and locked the door, the male staff of Pickens Hall had to break into the room through the window to put out the flames.

According to Jim Shaver and Laura Nauman, House Directors, approximately three-fourths of the Pickens staff and Glenn Johnson from Louis Bennett showed up to fight the fire, which resulted in \$500 worth of damage to the room and a relocation for the young lady living in it.



photo by Scott Kitchen

# Organizations

## Pioneer Center Programming Board

The PCPB met at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, 1986 in the Verona Maple Room. The board meets at this time each week to discuss and plan campus activities and trips.

Some of the forthcoming activities we have planned are as follows:

Wed., Nov. 5 6 p.m. Spades Tournament in Pioneer Center Student Union.

Thurs., Nov. 13 8 p.m. Twister contest in Pickens Hall Main Lounge. Entry fee 50¢. Sign ups start Mon., Nov. 10 in Pioneer Center Directors Office, or see Melissa James or Leanne Oldham.

Join us on Sunday nights to plan some FUN. New members welcome.

## Lambda Chi Alpha

The Lambda Chi Alpha Beta-Beta Chapter held their weekly meeting on Sunday in the Wesley Foundation.

Kappa meetings will be held at 6 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. Wednesday in the Ad Building. All members need to be present.

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Commode Bowl is on Thursday at 7 p.m. For those of you who don't know, the Commode Bowl pits Lambda Chi Alpha against the TKE in a football contest. Everybody is invited to watch the game.

Awards for this week; KCUF-Mike Nicholas, AH-Bubby "scrambled eggs" Dent, POW-Robb Massie, WINO- Charlie Brown and Jay Dawkins.

## Ohnimgohow Players

The players will be having a meeting Wednesday Nov. 5 at 5:30 in the Underground. Have your material ready. See you then, Ohnimgohows.

## Tau Kappa Epsilon

The Iota Omega chapter of TKE held a formal meeting on October 20th to initiate the newest member of the Order of Diana, Shelly Buchanon. Congratulations Shelly better late than never. We would also like to welcome our newest pledge Mike Bowen.

Thanks to evryone who purchased chances on the gun that was given away at the game Saturday, which was won by Brian Hipp.

All students are reminded that the final TKE dance of the semester will be November 20th. The airband championships will take place at this dance. All airbands are urged to participate, so start practicing!

A big hand of applause goes out to the cross-country team for another well-fought

battle which wrestled GSC another WVIAC championship trophy. Way to go Crush Crew! Also, congratulations to the Glenville football team who put up a great effort Saturday. Better luck in two weeks at Waynesburg, PA. We support you.

We would like to thank the OD's for a great dinner and dance last Thursday. We had a great time, (even if Pledge Harry did dance us all under the table!).

To our pledges, remember what is just around the corner.

And finally, the Commode Bowl will be this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at Pioneer Stadium. LET'S GO TKE'S!!

## Chi Bet Phi

The Alpha Iota Chapter of Chi Bet Phi met in special session on Wednesday, October 29, 1986 to plan membership drive. The Fraternity wishes that anyone in the science related fields who wishes to become a member to attend a meeting at 7:15 p.m. on October 12, 1986 in room 301 Science Hall. See you there!!

## Student Congress

Another new face is on Congress; Shirley Maynard is a dorm representative from Pickens Hall.

The following is a proposed amendment to Article 6 Section 11 Part A. "In the event that no seniors run for the position of Pioneer, Juniors would then be permitted to run. Seniors would be given one week to sign-up, if no seniors sign-up the Juniors would have a week to sign-up."

A lot of ideas have been tossed about on the subject of

Parking. Since we (the college) haven't the funds to build a parking garage Congress has come up with some suggestions that might lessen the pain of parking in the immediate future. These suggestions will go to the Building and Grounds Committee. Any additions or other suggestions would be appreciated. The suggestions are as follows:

1) Cutting the \$10 and \$5 fines in half, possibly between hours of 10 a.m. through 1 or 2 p.m. due to the extreme rush during those hours.

2) \$10 and \$5 fines, if paid within 24 hours, be cut in half.

3) Do away with parking permits except for faculty and all lots be open.

4) Do away with zoning but keep the fines.

5) As funds become available purchase lots adjacent to the fine arts complex and use for parking places.

Please keep in mind that these are only suggestions that are being made and not guarantees.

A new committee has been set up to investigate the possibility of having a radio station on campus. Anyone with ideas or suggestions please stop by our next Congress meeting.

The Lunch Bunch committee has said the food service is planning to try extending the breakfast hours from 7-8:15 to 7-9 after Thanksgiving break. If you want to keep these new hours you will have to utilize them.

Congress discussed the idea of having a day off near mid-semester. This was a

result of having no break from the start of school to Thanksgiving, a day off a mid-semester would make the long haul a little more bearable. The idea is still being discussed.

## Delta Zeta

The Theta Xi Chapter of the Delta Zeta Sorority held an informal meeting on November 2nd, at the Delta Zeta House.

The week of October 20th to 24th was big sis week. On Thursday evening at the big sis ceremony the following pledges received a big sis: Deidra Burrows-Marilyn Sutton, Avan Ratliff-Lori Jimison, Anita Hess-Allison Miller, Kim Gould-Dotti Stalnaker, Lisa Walker Melody Melrose, Ambe Moats-Jennifer Vincent, Teresa Knowlson-Sherry Burke.

On Wednesday, October 29th, the Secret Spook ceremony topped off an exciting week of leaving spooky, scary, and unusual clues. Also, on Wednesday evening several DZ's handed out candy to trick-or-treaters.

A very special thanks to the pledges for the great Halloween party on Thursday night. It was lots of fun!! A special thanks to Avan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff. Everyone had a super great time!!

Heart Sis week is scheduled for this week. Pledges keep an eye out for your heart sis!!!

WE LOVE YOU PLEDGES!!!

## Rainbow Volunteers

The weekly meeting of the Rainbow Volunteers was held Tuesday, October 28 in the Wesley Foundation. They will now be held at 6:00 on Tuesdays instead of Wednesdays.

New Members include the following: Will Adkins, Lisa Crutchfield, Sonja Beamer, Linda Malcomb, Sandy Sanders, Violet Smith—Music chairman, Gary Welch—Wing Captain,

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# Reverently Speaking

Much of human communication is based on questions. Among the dozens you hear are: "What time do we eat?" "Where do you want to go Friday?" "When is the next home game?" and "Do you need a lift?"

Some of the Bible's most notable passages are questions. The first recorded question occurred when the serpent in the Garden of Eden raised a doubt in Eve's mind by asking "Did God really say, you must not eat from any tree in the garden?" Other key questions include: "Will a man rob God?" "Who do people say the son of man is?" "What good thing must I do to get eternal life?"

But one of the Bible's most memorable questions came

from the lips of Pontius Pilate, an up-and-coming politician who was sent by authorities in Rome to be governor of Palestine. He was in his chambers one day when a crowd of Jews stormed in and demanded the execution of Jesus. Pilate had heard about Christ—the miracles and the bizarre claims of being God's only son. So he spent a few minutes questioning Jesus about some of these things and quickly determined that he had committed no capital offense. He did not know what to do, so he asked the mass of people, "What shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" Their predetermined response: "Crucify him!"

After some 2000 years,

Pilate is remembered as the man who washed his hands of Christ by abandoning him to mob fury. That action, in itself, was a choice. Over the centuries, Pilate's question has also not been forgotten. It still rings today. You, too, must decide what you will do with Christ. As Christians, we face that choice every day in how we respond to other people, circumstances, and temptation. You know Christ can't be ignored. But will you abandon Him? Follow Him? Recrucify Him? You've got Christ on your hands. What will you do with Him?

BCM welcomes you to our Bible study Thursday evenings at 8:00. We meet in the Annex of the First Baptist Church of Glenville.

# Tedford Gives Paper

Dr. Barbara Tedford, professor of English, delivered a paper entitled "Solving Crimes and Teaching English: Kate Fansler" at the Fall Conference of West Virginia Association of College English Teachers on Nov. 1.

The two-day semi-annual

meet took place at Jackson's Mill at the Lodge. Jack Harris of West Liberty State College serves as president of the organization.

Attending from Glenville State were: Mr. Wayne DeRossett, Mrs. Yvonne King and Dr. Tedford.

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**Cathy Smith—Birthday Chairman.**

We urge others to join and celebrate spreading happiness to lonely senior citizens.

If any questions please contact Priscilla Rose—President or Rev. Karen Frank.

**Sigma Sigma Sigma**

The Delta Alpha chapter of the Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority held their regular meeting Thurs., Oct. 30 on

Sigma floor. Tracy would like to thank all those who participated in the trick-or-treat candy sale. She would also like to give special thanks to all the sisters who helped out. Those who have reports due, please get them in on time.

Our awards this week are: Cultured Pearl-Vickie and Laura. Sigma Sweetheart-Mike Bohan, Darrell Forren, Lisa Miller, Connie Adams, Tammy Maynor. Sis of the Week-Laura, Debbie Tice, Lurene Ellyson, and G.C. Happy Birthday, Mary Beth! We would like to wish the Football Team and the Cross Country Team good luck next weekend! We're behind you all the way, guys!

# Letters

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from larger towns and cities. Those of you who are from small towns will have an easier time of adjusting to life in a small college town, but those of you who are from larger populated areas may also find my ideas helpful in making your stay here at Glenville as pleasant as my original stay here was to me.

My suggestions are: 1) Look at the bulletin boards that are located throughout the campus. Many events that may interest you, either movies in the auditorium, productions put on by the Drama Department, concerts, either here or at WVU or Charleston (though sometimes you may have to provide your own transportation), dances in the ballroom and other events are usually posted on the boards.

2) Read the Mercury every week. Many of the same type of events listed previously and others are also listed in our campus newspaper.

3) Take the time to go downtown and walk around greater downtown Glenville and mingle with the people of the general populace of this town. Chances are you may make some new and lasting friendships. If nothing else, you will get much needed exercise from

walking up and down the hill.

Try these ideas I've just given you. Your years here will be greatly enhanced for the better. Remember this, and I say this from my past here: You only get out of your college experience what you put into it. If you put a lot into it, you'll get a lot back. Believe me, I know.

Wishing all of you the best years of your lives,  
Daniel Williams

Dear Editor,

Over the past few weeks there have been letters referring to the fact there is not a great deal to do here in Glenville, particularly on weekends. This is somewhat distressing when one considers what all has been offered this semester by the Pioneer Center Programming Board.

Our group, with the fine leadership of our advisor Bill

Stackman, has offered several activities this semester on weekends and at very affordable prices. We have offered several trips to concerts; among these have been the Moody Blues, the Fixx, Chicago, Peter Gabriel, and in the next few weeks Journey, and the Monkees.

We have also offered a variety of other activities such as a fishing tournament, long-distance mall trips, and a pep rally. We also conducted a cystic fibrosis

walk-a-thon and a twister contest is coming up.

Most of these have not been a success, but we are going to keep on trying. Just remember that there are a few things to do around here.

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