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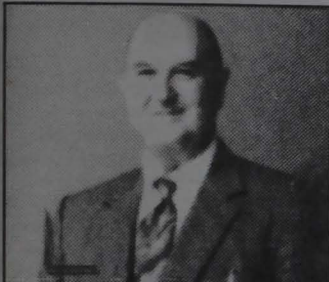
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## President Simmons Shares Plans for the Future

by Lisa Hayes



In preparation for the upcoming school year, pieces of President Simmons' Master Plan have gone into effect. The Master Plan is the result of a year-long process involving Glenville State's design team, architects, and planners from Burgess & Niple Limited. Dr. Simmons is fond of the plan, because it "encompasses the whole campus," and provides "short term and long term objectives." As economic conditions allow, parts of the plan will begin to go into effect, starting with the areas that presented the need for the plan in

the first place. The way the Master Plan has been set up gives GSC an opportunity to use a smaller budget to make improvements that are a part of the plan.

Dr. Simmons stated that the objective of the Master Plan is "to make our campus as attractive as we can, and as user friendly as possible."

Work began this summer in front of Clark Hall to remove the temporary parking lot created when the Fine Arts Building was being built and restore it to student use. Although this will remove over 20 greatly needed parking spaces, the Master Plan does call for additional parking in the future.

Additional parking, actually, is one of the major goals of the Master Plan. Not only does the plan call for new parking lots to increase parking spaces, but it also plans to improve the layout of the existing parking lots so parking will be more convenient as well as aesthetically pleasing. The removal



of the temporary lot is actually part of another goal of the plan; to provide landscape improvements including more open space in the center of campus and vegetative screening of undesirable views on campus.

Other goals of the plan include improvements of traffic and pedestrian circulation systems, reducing conflicts in front of the Heflin Center and allowing more convenient pedestrian travel, and increases in campus identity by improving entrances, creating consistent signs, better lighting, and

purchasing lands located at or near the campus boundary. The plan also intends to make our campus more accessible for the physically disabled.

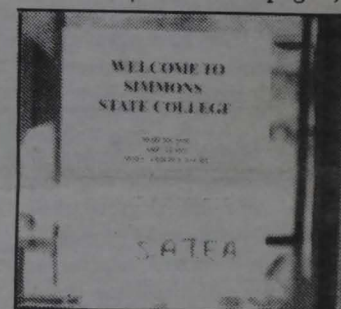
Possible future projects include the relocation of Lynn Street behind the Heflin Center, an elevator in the Physical Education Building to cater to its public use, and a ramp into LBH business office area.

Dr. Simmons is optimistic about the future of Glenville State College, and he believes "there will be a lot of development along the I-79 Corridor."

Currently, other events around campus have many students, faculty and alumni worried. The resignation of Dr. Don Herrlein has upset and disappointed many of his students. However, his position has already been filled by Dr. Dawn R. Rager. "We have employed a very fine person in psychology," stated Dr. Simmons. "I think the students will be pleased."

In response to questions about requiring a master's degree for the position of House Director, not yet filled, Simmons replied, "We are making efforts to employ the most qualified people we can get. I think we have previously underestimated the responsibility of this position. A House Director is faced with many decisions. We want a person who can handle the responsibilities of counselling, emergencies, and health situations." He also stated that he felt confident the position will be filled by the opening of the school year.

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## Dr. Herrlein Leaving Glenville State College

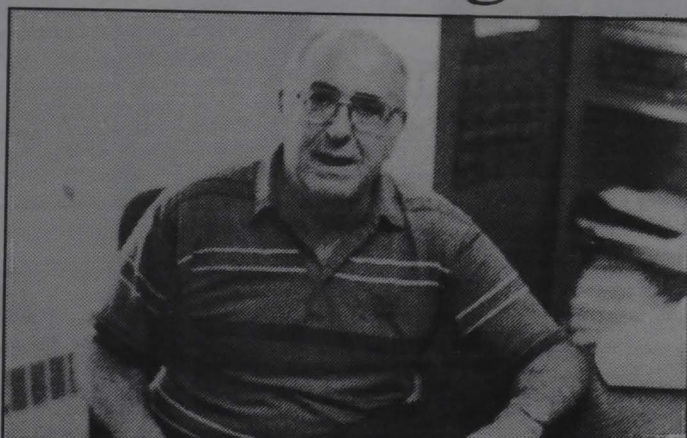
by Terry Collins

Dr. Don Herrlein, associate professor of psychology, announced in May that he would not be returning to teach for the Fall '94 semester. Herrlein, highly regarded by many students as the finest instructor anywhere, has been a part of GSC faculty since August, 1989.

Herrlein hails from Martins Ferry, Ohio. He received his B.S. in Social Science at the University of St. Vincent and obtained an M.S. from Florida State. Herrlein completed his doctorate at the University of Tulsa.

Dr. Herrlein retired after teaching 22 years at Northeastern State University in Oklahoma where he was named "Faculty Member of the Year" twice in a ten year period and was runner-up to this prestigious award a third time losing by only one vote.

Enhancing these achievements, Herrlein also took part in writing and revising a text book in Human Sexuality compiled by Wadsworth Publishing in 1984. Many GSC students have read this work in Herrlein's Psych 360 course



Dr. Herrlein sits at his desk before his last day at Glenville State arrives.

photo by Dave Sagan

in recent years.

Several rumors have developed concerning Herrlein's resignation; a fallacy common to Glenville State College. Some have heard that it was to relocate, personal reasons, job dissatisfaction, and recent rumors suggest that the administration would not renew his contract for some unknown reason.

Determined to dispel any rumors and reveal the truth, Dr. Herrlein was interviewed person-

ally. When asked if the hearsay was accurate, Herrlein responded, "No, I did not resign for personal reasons or decide to relocate. I have a legitimate grievance against the administration."

Herrlein explained his grievance as, "The faculty handbook clearly states that an instructor will receive a tenure raise of ten percent of their total salary when they are promoted from assistant to associate professor. I received the promotion but the administration

would not authorize both raises." Dr. Herrlein explained that the administration would not authorize the raise in tenure due to the HEAT raise (Higher Education Advocacy Team) that provided a \$3,000 raise over a period of three years and by law he was not entitled to receive both raises.

Investigation into this supposition however, revealed that other instructors around the state were granted both the promotion and the raise. In the July 19, issue of the *Charleston Gazette*, Fanny Seiler produced a list of professors and other state employees who received both raises. It would seem odd that policy on such matters holds true to Glenville State but not to Southern West Virginia Community College, and the 32 other state employees given pay raises as well as promotions.

Dr. Herrlein commented, "What it all boiled down to was \$20 a week. I felt that it was a personal affront to me that I was not worth \$20 a week considering my past productivity."

Research into Herrlein's productivity during his time at GSC

revealed a 100 percent increase in students and advisees over the past five years as his total number of students jumped from 114 in 1989 to 293 in 1994 while his total number of advisees grew over 700 percent.

Also, Herrlein has been the main advocate for the Behavioral Science Program for four years. Realizing the dramatic growth in this field and the five to 21 percent growth in the federal budget, Herrlein developed a plan for the program and presented it to the Curriculum Policy Committee in 1990 explaining the programs benefits to the college and the community. Realizing its value, the committee approved the program unanimously and the program will receive accreditation in August of this year.

Herrlein commented on the value of this program saying, "I guarantee with proper advertisement the program would have 500 majors in one year because Glenville State is the only institution in West Virginia that will

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# Commentary

## Letters to the Editor

July 7, 1994

Dear Mr. Simmons,

As a Glenville State College Alumnus, and former GSC Admissions Counselor, I am alarmed at the recent termination of employment of Admissions and Records Director Mack K. Samples.

Although I am not privy to any confidential information, I can not understand the dismissal of such an employee. Mr. Samples' work is not only respected by those on the GSC campus, but as a former recruiter who daily dealt with Admissions Officers and School Counselors across West Virginia, I can assure you of his record with them as well. He is a man held in the highest regard, who was the most honorable advertisement for Glenville State College life.

Even more appalling to me than his dismissal, is the fact that the school that I have always held in such high regard, has done something such as this. The essence of

Glenville State College has always been full of hope and pride. Mack K. Samples was this essence. This essence has now been injured.

I hope that you, your strategic planning committee, along with the Board of Trustees for the College System, will take a look at this situation and the way it has been handled.

Examination must be done on what message we are sending to those at GSC who do their job above and beyond their basic job descriptions, yet are still able to be dismissed at the "will and pleasure" of the administration. Along the way, we must also examine the message we are sending into the public as to the way our employees are treated, and to what effect these decisions have on the students, and employees left behind.

My hope is that serious discussion can be done on this topic.

Respectfully,  
Beth Wright Bragg  
Class of 1986

Dear Dr. Simmons, July 8, 1994

On Wednesday evening, July 6, 1994, an informal group of 80 individuals comprised of alumni, students and citizens, met for the sole purpose of discussing recent developments on the campus of Glenville State College. This meeting was convened due to major concerns for the future of Glenville State College and the community that it serves.

We are not addressing this issue to discuss administrative style, or as a personal vendetta directed at any particular person, but to discuss the actions that have recently been taken. Your termination of the employment of Mack K. Samples is very disturbing and is an issue that a great number of people are determined to discuss further. This group, in unison, agreed that Mr. Samples has proven to be a successful, loyal and effective Director of Admissions for the past 21 years. Therefore, questions were raised as to the validity of his termination.

While convening to discuss the announcement made by yourself, in association with the Strategic Planning Committee, several remarks were made concerning Mr. Samples. The following quotes are just a few of the statements made during this lengthy meeting:

"It will take at least two people to successfully do Mack's job"

"Although I am not an alum-

nus, my son attends GSC, and whenever there is a problem, no matter what the problem, Mack Samples is the person I call and I get results."

"Mack Samples is the spirit of Glenville State College."

"Mack Samples is the combination of all attributes of GSC."

"Mack Samples' attitude toward GSC is unquestionable."

The problems addressed in the termination letter appear to us to be vague and dubious. This concerned group of individuals found no valid reason as to why Mr. Samples was not retained in his present position, nor given any reason as to why he was not retained for the newly titled position of Director, Office of Records and Enrollment Management.

Mr. Samples is not only well respected by his fellow colleagues, but by current and former students,

parents, community members and admissions staffs from across West Virginia. The GSC community will sorely miss Mr. Samples.

We request a written response to this letter to justify the termination of Mr. Samples and why you felt this action was necessary. Please respond to:

Stephanie Hunt Treasurer, GSC Alumni Association, 215 North Court Street, Glenville, WV 26351, or to Dr. David Gillespie, Former President, GSC Alumni Association, 11 West Main Street, Apartment 15, Frostburg, MD

Dear Editor;

In a previous CIA sponsored operation over one half million Indonesians were slaughtered when Sukarno was overthrown and General Suharto was brought to power. Suharto then invaded East Timor with United States support because of the supposed threat of a leftist government there.

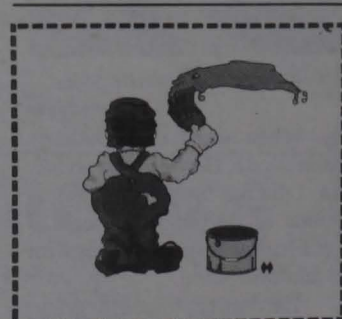
When these two genocides are combined with what occurred in Guatemala, Angola, Mozambique, the Congo, Chile, the generals' war against leftist students in Argentina, etc., the crime is every bit as atrocious as what the Nazis did in World War II. The only difference is that the CIA contracts the work out to butchers in foreign countries. And Hollywood doesn't make a film called "The Corporate Killing Fields" to educate the American people. The real crime in America is occurring in the corporate board rooms-- not on the streets of ghettos.

These happy, smiling faces appear on the news every morning to talk about Tonya Harding or Nancy Kerrigan or Michael Jackson and avoid talking about the actual reasons the world is going down the tubes. Evidently, their six figure salaries compensate for diverting the public's attention and not telling the American people the truth. Of course, if one talks like this, one is immediately labeled as a radical, paranoid, doom and gloom kook, and one's opinions are cast aside.

If people learn anything from "Schindler's List," it should be that fascism is still at work in this country and the world and that evil triumphs when good people do nothing and keep silent.

This country will never make any real progress when genocide is swept under the rug. Good cannot be built on a foundation of evil.

Sincerely,  
Gary Sudborough



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The overwhelming response generated by your action reflects the seriousness of these issues.

Sincerely,  
Concerned Alumni and Friends

## Scratching the Surface

by Lisa Hayes

*Before we get down to the business at hand, (i.e. my last column for The Mercury) I must first make a few things understood. I am the only one who can be held responsible for what is said in this article. In no way do my views reflect those of the college, or of my staff. Frankly, if you want to know the real truth of the matter, I have changed this article at the last minute, and no one else has seen it.*

*Also, I do not know Mack Samples personally, nor do I know anything about his job performance or know any concrete details about his dismissal. I want to apologize now-- before we even begin-- to Mack and Dr. Simmons for anything I say because I do not want him to take anything personally. I hope that he, as an author, can understand that when a writer sits down to write, he/she is bound by the creative process to write for his/her own satisfaction. This is my column and so I shall write.*

Mack Samples, Mack Samples, Mack Samples. Lord am I tired of hearing that name. It ranks right up there with other in the news names that I have gotten sick of hearing, like O.J. Simpson, Nancy Kerrigan, Tonya Harding. We all know that there are two sides to every story, and this one is no exception, but it seems that only one side is being presented. I think that all I can do is break every rule of journalism, and tell merely what I've heard. I will tell you what I have been told, but keep in mind it may or may not be how it happened.

Now, for those of you who are reading this just to see what I have to say about the "Where's Mack" situation, you will just have to wait until the end. I have waited a long time for my final opportunity to speak for things I believe in, and I am going to do so now. Frankly, I am a little resentful that all this ruckus has taken up so much space in the paper as it is. So get out your glasses and read on.

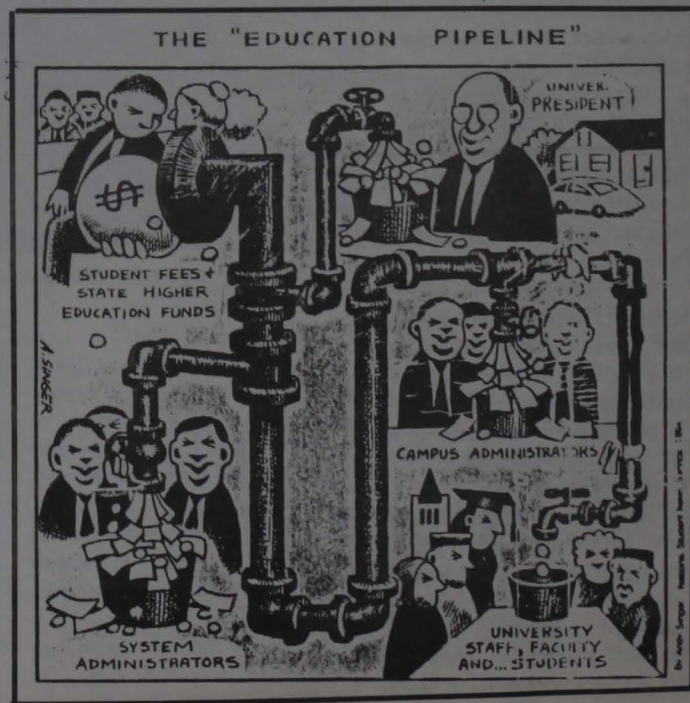
I worry about our country and our collective national attitude. I worry about the oppression and manipulation that we as Americans face every single day. I worry about the rape of the planet and the spread of lies that attempt to justify it.

If there is one thing I have learned from studying journalism and mass media, it is the fact that it is all just a glossy division of sales. All media forms are trying to sell you something-- a product, an idea, a political agenda, a point of view. For years, the media has advertised tobacco and cigarettes, claiming that no, nicotine is not addictive, and now, they seem surprised to find that it is.

Give me a break. Anyone who has smoked has known for years that it is addictive and anyone who didn't know this is lying or is an idiot. Also, for years, we have been told the dangers of hemp, (yes, marijuana) and how it is the devil's drug, the bridge drug to other drugs, when we have known all along that tobacco and alcohol are the bridge drugs. What few people know is that hemp could nearly save our economy and our planet. Hemp fiber is one of the strongest natural fibers in existence. It could be used to make paper and save our trees, it can fuel cars and save our ozone, it puts more oxygen into the air than almost any other plant. Why fight a war in Kuwait for oil when we have a more effective, environment friendly, alternative source for fuel? Why continue to rape our planet of its trees when a larger amount of paper can be created from a lesser amount of hemp? Why set out to deliberately cause a plant to become extinct when it was at one time a crop that was a large part of this nation's early economy? (Yes, early Americans grew hemp in addition to cotton and tobacco, it's in our American History books, we just didn't discuss that fact. Nor does anyone mention that the original draft of our constitution was printed on hemp paper.) People, you have been misled. For years, people in power have known the potential for hemp and have kept it suppressed because it would put a crimp in their petrochemical incomes. Stop living and condoning the lie. Get a copy of *The Emperor Wears No Clothes* by Jack Herer today. Hemp users are not always criminals.

Next, for those of you who still think we live in a democratic nation, I'd like to share with you a definition taken from *Webster's New World Dictionary* (Second college edition, copyright 1980 by Simon and Schuster). **Facism**--a system of government characterized by rigid one-party dictatorship, forcible suppression of opposition, private economic enter-

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# Dave's Corner

By Dave Sagan

After hearing a local newsperson refer to reptiles as "slimey," I decided to ask a question that would give some insight into people's knowledge of snakes. I did bring my five and a half foot boa, Zyth, along as an attention getter.

## Are you afraid of snakes? Why?

"My mother always taught me to stay away from snakes. There is what is poisonous, (venomous) and there is what is not."

Gay Spur of Sand Fork, WV  
Nursing

"It's because I did not know what kind of snake it was." (referring to Zyth, the boa) "I am not afraid of snakes around here. I use caution when I'm in the woods and around rock and areas where I think copperheads might be."

Betty Davis of between Weston and Glenville, WV  
B-science

"I'll touch him--I'm not that afraid. I'm just afraid to 'hold him' hold him. I'm afraid he might strangle me."

Jennifer Hall of Sutton, WV  
B-science

"I think [people being afraid] has to do with the evil connotation related to snakes. Like in the Bible, being a serpent and an evil type animal."

John Putnam of Shock, WV  
Chemistry

"I don't really know..." (keeping her distance) "They're creepy."

Lori Copeland of Glenville, WV  
B-science

"By the way-- there are no poisonous snakes in West Virginia. You can eat every one of them."

Jim Meads 3/94

## Simmons (continued from page 1)

Another source of recent bad publicity for President Simmons and Glenville State College is the recent dismissal of former Director of Records and Admissions, Mack Samples. Since the President dismissed Samples, various letters have been sent to the local paper, signs saying "Where's Mack?" and "Simmons State College" have appeared across campus, and some Samples supporters have even gone so far as to vandalize Lynn Street in front of the President's House with spray paint. Although Dr. Simmons was not inclined to discuss the details of Samples' dismissal and the conse-

quences of that action, he did say, "Personnel decisions are not made by the public, and no decision of this sort is easy. However, this is a decision I have made."

While the sandblasters remove the graffiti from Lynn Street, Dr. Simmons is still optimistic and excited about many other things coming to Glenville State College such as the new Environmental Technology Program, and the new Behavioral Science Program. He is not dwelling on past decisions, but is instead, as always, looking to the future. As stated in the mission of the Master Plan, "The primary focus of Glenville State

College will continue to be as it has throughout the College's history, to provide a quality education for the citizens of Central West Virginia at an affordable cost. This focus entails expanding the opportunities for education to a larger proportion of the State's population and addressing the problems associated with an under-educated and under-prepared work force as we approach the Twenty-First Century." Although Glenville State College has been and will continue to be facing many changes, this goal will not change. We will continue to pioneer into the Twenty-First Century.



## Scratching the Surface (continued from page 2)

prise under centralized governmental control, belligerent nationalism, racism, and militarism. Now, let's compare that to: Democracy- government in which the people hold the ruling power either directly or through elected representatives; majority rule; the principle of equality of rights, opportunity and treatment. Do we hold the ruling power through our representatives? Hmmm. Do those of us who do not conform get equal rights, opportunity and treatment? Hmmm. Is there a forcible suppression of those opposed to laws and practices we do not believe in? Hmmm. I think you get my point.

Now, back to Mack. As I said before, I can only go from what I have been told. I cannot say that I know if any of this is true or not, I can only say "This is what I was told." I have talked to Dr. Simmons, to Mark Loudin, to Tracey Samples and others (unofficially and off the record). I was advised not to speak with Mack, and I broke down and finally called him. I am sticking my neck out, and in the back of my mind I am in fear of litigation, harassment, etc. So before we proceed-- This may or may not be the truth. Please don't sue me.

As the story has been told to me, two years ago in some meeting, Dr. Simmons and Mack had a heated tiff of some sort. At that time, Mack gave the impression that he would find another job within a year, however, that meeting ended on a friendly note, with a handshake and ideas of working things out. Sometime after Labor Day of last year, Mack and Bill (no disrespect intended) had another spat, and Mack said he would not resign because he felt he had nothing wrong. Again, a reconciliation was implied. A few months following, Mack was dismissed. Now, that's both sides of the story as best as I can tell. Really, I don't think it's any of my business, or anyone else's for that matter. The support Mack is getting however, is great. May I suggest though, that in the future, when a staff or faculty member does something nice or commendable, that you write your letters to the editor then! Don't wait until it's too late next time.

Yes, we are all upset that Mack has been dismissed. It is one of the classic conflicts; man vs. the greater powers in his society and environment. I think it's great that people are supporting Mack, although vandalizing Lynn Street was a little too much. (Incidentally, SATFA, Students Against The Fat A--, does not claim responsibility for the graffiti, however, they did hang the signs around campus.) It is natural to identify with the underdog. However, it upsets me to know that people in this community face the same situation (man against those in control) every day in this town, on Main Street, in the court house, with every job "opportunity", in every gossip circle, and no one says a thing about that. This stuff happens every day in our country-- every day, every minute, someone is getting stepped on by someone above them. Do people really think that a couple of letters and signs will stop the nationwide judgement and oppression that we have allowed to be common practice in our society for decades? Mack Samples must make his stand, yes. But West Virginians rarely take a stand about the corrupt control and oppression that exist in their state and hometowns.

I hope the people who are supporting Mack are supporting what he stands for as well-- the family man, the college graduate, the American Dream. Mack's situation proves that the American dream and American work ethic simply do not apply in this judgemental society that has no tolerance for non-conformists. I hope his supporters take a look at the big picture. I hope they take their anger and resentment and use it for the good of the future and for all of us who have ever been oppressed because we go against the grain. I hope they will attempt to change the practices of our society from within with every one, every day. I hope all of you become active against all oppression in this "free country." There are little people in your community whom many of you judge, oppress and condemn. Why don't you speak up for them too?

Thank you Lord for giving me this opportunity to speak my mind freely--the chance to do so comes rarely.

One can never tell how far a frog will jump by watching a toad.

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## Children Act Out What They See on Television

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by Father Val Peter

(NU) - A recent Gallop Poll showed that 80 percent of Americans surveyed believe there is too much violence on television.

Sixty-one percent believe that warning "labels" alerting parents of upcoming violent programs don't go far enough. And 75 percent that TV violence contributes to the crime rate.

You know something? The American people are right.

Over and over again here at Boys Town we see boys and girls act out what they have seen on

television and the movies.

In fact, we have a rule of thumb: The more violence children watch on television, the more chance they have to become violent in their own behavior.

That doesn't mean that all children become violent because they watch it on television. What it does mean is that kids that come from troubled families; or even from situations where big troubles are hitting there families right now, are much more likely to act out the violence they see on television.

Recently a boy who had just

arrived at Boy's Town bullied a much younger boy by pushing him shoving him, calling him foul names, and humiliating him.

When I asked where he learned the behavior, he said he saw it on television.

A family called me not too long ago. Their eleven-year old son had sexually abused the neighbor's four- and six-year old daughters. He had seen it in a pornographic movie.

He was a very troubled boy before this, and the movie gave him the opportunity to act out in an

even more troubled way.

It only stands to reason that if you fill your life with violent thoughts, you may be tempted to act them out, especially when you are feeling down and when troubles come into your life.

There are two things we can do about television violence. First, monitor the programs our children watch. The easiest way to do that is to have a family meeting and agree on which programs will be watched and which programs will not be watched in the house.

The second is to let our

elected officials in Washington that the federal government should do more to regulate television violence. The government needs to pressure the television industry to reduce violence.

I know they will call it a veiled attempt at censorship. Phooey, phooey, phooey. They need to take some responsibility and they need to take it now.

*Progress might have been all right once, but it has gone on too long.*

Ogden Nash

## Pioneer Sports

### First Annual GSC Children's Football Camp Held

by Sean Davis

The first ever Glenville State College Pioneer Football Camp was recently held on the Pioneer campus. The camp was held from July 5-8 and was a great success.

According to Pioneer defensive head coach Herb Hand, who was the camp coordinator, 115 in-

dividuals participated in this year's camp. The camp schedule offered offensive sessions in the morning, while holding defensive sessions in the afternoon. The evening sessions consisted a game called "Rod Ball" which is a cross between football and rugby and was enjoyed immensely by the players.

#### Volleyball Camp Held Last Week

by Sean Davis

The first ever volleyball camp was held at GSC on the week July 18 - 22. The camp, which was organized and operated by GSC Volleyball Head Coach Kenny Osbourne, was set up on a day camp basis.

From Monday through Thursday, camp began at 9 a.m. and concluded at 4 p.m. Friday was a shortened day as the wrapped up a week of work. Osbourne commented on the first volleyball camp, "It was a good turnout. We viewed the camp as a success in its initial year. We look to build it up over the years to come."

In all, 10 girls attended the camp. Assisting Osbourne was Ritchie County Head Coach Karen Terry, and GSC volleyball players Melanie Vogt and Patsy Buckles. The camp emphasized skills and fundamentals and worked up from that. Other aspects covered included preparation and information on attending college, as well as drug awareness. The girls came from Gilmer, Ritchie, Braxton, and Lewis Counties. Osbourne added that he hopes next year's camp will be an overnight camp.

The camp was open to children from junior high schools and high schools around the area.

Camp counsellors also talked with junior and senior high school athletes about being eligible to play football at the college level.

According to Hand, over \$7,000 was raised for the Pioneer

Athletic Club. Hand commented, "Everything went very well. Our goal is to have over 500 players in four or five years."

Players came from all across the state of West Virginia. They came from Charleston, Morgantown, Bluefield, Fairmont, and Parkersburg, as well as other

areas all across West Virginia. The week concluded with an awards ceremony which awarded campers certificates for various outstanding achievements. This year's football camp marks the beginning of a great program that will hopefully continue and grow for years to come.

### GSC Ranked 3rd in Sport Magazine

by Sean Davis

In one of the first rankings of the year, the Glenville State College football team was recently ranked third in College Sport magazine. The official rankings of NAIA schools is not due for two more weeks. The football program coming off their national championship runner-up season in 1993 is looking to continue to excel in the 1994 campaign.

In other news relating to the GSC football program, two more recruits have been signed to fill holes in needed positions on the squad.

Offensive line Mike Harmon has transferred to Glenville State from Marshall University. Harmon is 6'2" 270 lbs. with two years of eligibility. Also, kicker Robbie Buffington from Bridgeport High School recently signed with the Pioneers.



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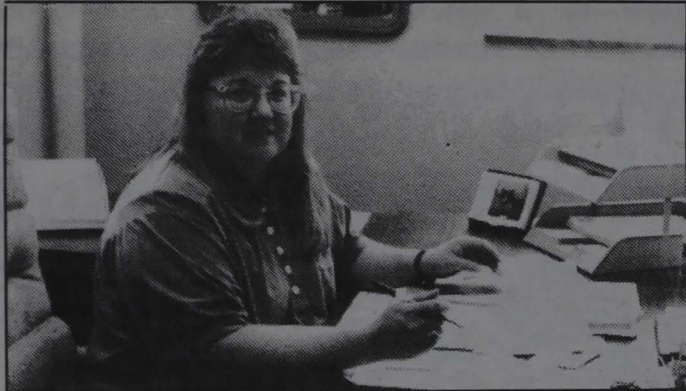
# Faculty Spotlight Robin Stalnaker

By Lisa Hayes

As Director of Institutional Reporting, Robin Stalnaker spends much of her time with numbers, surveys, and statistics. But she, nor her life are as black and white as that. Stalnaker has been in her current position since February of 1993, but in all, she has been working at Glenville State College for nearly 19 years. She began, in July of 1975 as the secretary for Social Science Division. In February of 1979, she moved to Administrative Services and Personnel.

In her current position however, she is responsible for gathering information about this school and reports it for the Higher Education Report Card, an annual report submitted to the West Virginia Legislature. She also is responsible for the monthly staff bulletin, supervises the mailroom and telephone operations, and oversees small scale facility rentals by off campus groups.

Stalnaker is a 1974 graduate of Gilmer County High School, where she skipped her senior year and started her education at Glenville State College. Since then she has received two Associate Degrees, in Secretarial Science, and in Administrative Science.



Robin Stalnaker at her new position of Director of Institutional Reporting.  
photo by Dave Sagan

She and her husband have been married for 17 years, and reside with their animals in Kanawha Community.

The two of them raise cattle, and Pat works locally at Equitrans Inc. At one point in time, they had 14 cats, but now they are down to two, one Himalayan, and one farm cat. They also have a 24 year old horse.

A Christmas tree ornament collector, Stalnaker has been invited to an early viewing for this year's Hallmark ornaments. She is a member of Hallmark's Keepsake Ornament Collector's Club; nearly half of her collection is Hallmark

ornaments. She began her collection in 1985, and now her ornaments number close to 1000.

She is also a big fan of Nascar Winston Cup Racing, and even a bigger fan of Dale Jarrett. She met Jarrett and his team owner Joe Gibbs last year and has both of their autographs.

Stalnaker says she feels fortunate to have been working at Glenville State for so long. "I just enjoy working here," she said. "Glenville State College is an asset to the community, and the people here are great." It is apparent that her co-workers feel the same way about her.

## Herrlein from page 1 offer this degree."

As if this alone was not worth \$20 a week to the administration, Herrlein also attended a seminar at Canaan Valley where he researched information concerning a degree in Case Management, a rapidly growing field in West Virginia. According to Herrlein all of the courses necessary for this degree are already being taught at GSC in three different divisions. A culmination of these courses would produce another viable field of study at Glenville State however,

Herrlein stated, "I submitted the program outline to the division chair. At this time no one has acted on it."

So, it appears to Herrlein that his work and time is worth \$20 a week although it apparently is not to the administration. According to a letter mailed by Dr. James Hilgenberg, chairman of the Social Science Division, "Dr. Herrlein has done a fine job for us and for his students--he has been a good and highly popular classroom teacher, a good advisor and a valued colleague."

"Let's talk about this word good," Herrlein quips. "According to my student evaluations over the past five years, 65 percent rated me an excellent instructor, 30 percent said very good, while only five percent considered me to be good. This is not the ratings of a 'good' instructor."

So, Dr. Herrlein will leave GSC as the result of an unresolved financial conflict with the administration. Dr. Herrlein confided, "I will miss the students, they are a real part of my life. I enjoy being able to visit with them."

When asked of his feelings about leaving GSC, Herrlein stated, "I would have liked to have stayed on and brought along the new programs but the only thing I regret about leaving is that I can't understand why one can't be treated professionally."

Dr. Herrlein stated that he had no immediate plans for the future but there were many options available. "I'm overwhelmed with job opportunities. I have been contacted for several positions that I have not even applied for," Herrlein said.

So, we bid farewell to a fine instructor and wish him success in all his endeavors. I think I can speak for all who have attended "Doc's" classes in saying, we will miss your charm, good humor and interesting analogies about the classroom. Good Luck Doc!



"Annie," a Red-Tailed Hawk from the WV Raptor Rehabilitation Center, visits the Children's College.

## Children Attend Glenville State by Dave Sagan

Did you see them? They were all over the campus in screeching little packs. No? Well, then you missed the Children's College's latest group of enrollees that joined our summer college atmosphere. The Children's College was sponsored by the Department of Continuing Education and ran from the 20th to the 30th of June. The children ranged in age from pre-school to sixth grade and were involved in a variety of programs that were geared to their ages and abilities. Some of the course offerings included computers, swimming, introduction to dance, art, brain games, animals, and nature, just to name a few.

College instructors took time out of their summer schedules to take on the task of teaching these children. The Children's College was developed about ten years ago, and since then has undergone changes to better meet the needs of the children and their instructors. There are plans of expanding it beyond the current ten day session. Some parents have expressed an interest in a college for children that spans the entire summer. This would not be an easy task, but is not out of the question for the future of Glenville State's Children's College.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## German Band Fury in the Slaughterhouse Tours America with Meatloaf

### Fury IN THE SLAUGHTERHOUSE

by David Graham

A few weeks ago I had an interesting phone call. A woman that introduced herself as Diana offered me a chance to do an interview with the rock band Fury in the Slaughterhouse when they came to Charleston as the opening act for Meatloaf. To be honest I had never heard of the group but was more than willing to interview the band.

A couple of press packs later I had all the background information on the band and I was ready to go. The night of Meatloaf's concert came and I, along with Chuck Satterfield my faithful photographer, traveled to the state's capitol.

Fury, an import to the United States, hails from Hannover, Germany and in Europe they have achieved immense popularity. Fury is a fairly young band but already they have achieved many of their goals. Several gold records and playing to constant sell out crowds have helped the band gain notice and now they are here to play for American crowds.

When I arrived to do the interview I was led through a twisting labyrinth underneath the Charleston Civic Center to a plain room with a couple of fold out chairs. The tour manager asked Chuck and I if we needed anything



to drink, we declined. After a few moments Thorsten Wingenfeller entered the room. Wingenfeller, the lead guitarist, is totally opposite any of the stereotypes that I had preconceived of the typical rocker. Wingenfeller sat down across from me and the interview began. He was personable and very easy to talk to. He was intelligent and extremely articulate, even through his broken English. I first probed into the creation of the band. Wingenfeller described the genesis as an accident. His older brother, Kai Wingenfeller who is the lead singer of the band, needed people to play for him in a studio.

The musicians were there along with the music, so they thought "Why not start a band?" The naming of the band was just as casual. When pressed for a name for the band, Kai blurted out Fury In The Slaughterhouse. His reasoning was that any name would do for now and if the band so decides they can always change the name later. However, to their surprise, the band met with such instant popularity that their name was etched in the minds of the fans as Fury In The Slaughterhouse. They had passed the point of no return.

Wingenfeller went on to discuss the musical training of the

band and much to my surprise many of the band members had little or no structured musical training. Wingenfeller went on to explain that "the band members are naturally talented; the keyboarder is proficient in over a dozen instruments." When asked about his musical influences he said, "My influences vary greatly from U2, The Beatles, and even into the jazz scene with Miles Davis."

I asked him to compare American audiences to German ones. "People are the same no matter where you go. People come to hear our music and have a good time and enjoy good music. The

only difference is the volume of the crowd. In Hannover a large crowd would be 2,000 people whereas 20,000 in America is common. Musicians in Germany look to America as a myth." He then quoted from an old Sinatra standard. "If you can make it there then you can make it anywhere."

The band's first album, Mono, has songs that provide a frank reflection on the world today. One song in particular, "Every Generation Got Its Own Disease," is a harsh commentary on the world today. Wingenfeller went on to explain that while the song does deal with the topic of AIDS it is not restricted to just that. "There are many awful things going on in the world right now. We wrote this song in Germany and at the time no matter which way you turned, to the North, South, East, or West, you saw sorrow. This song is asking you not to ignore, or be blind to sorrow in the rest of the world."

This band is just emerging into the American Rock scene but I have no doubt they will be a band that will be heard. The members have the talent and most certainly the drive. It will be interesting to see the work they produce in the future.



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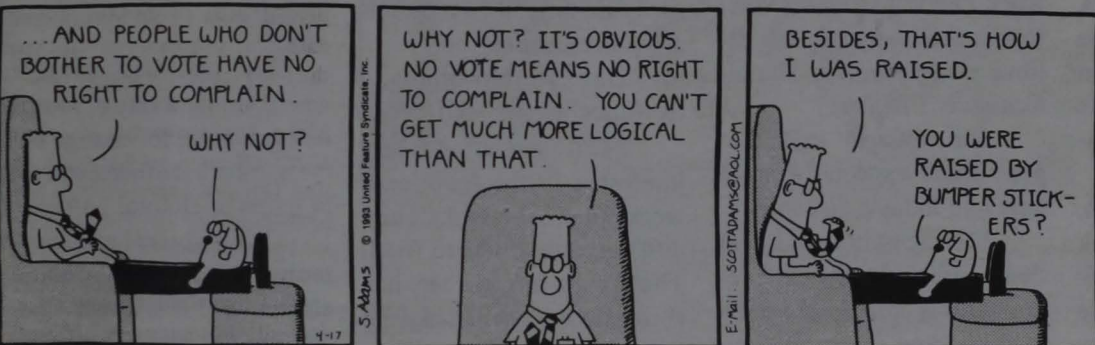


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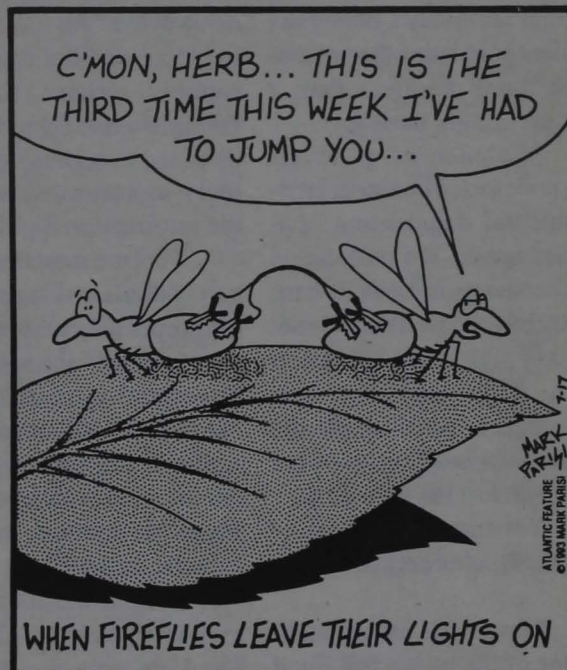


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by Mark Parisi



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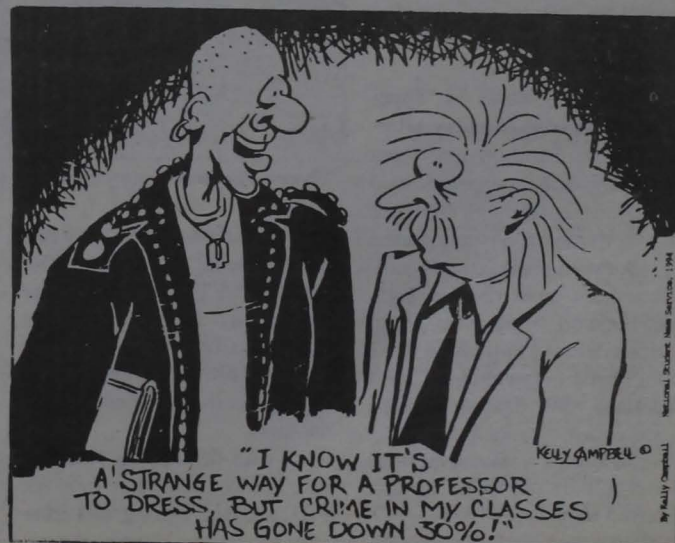
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# Questioning the Identity of America's Upcoming Youth

by David Adams  
NSNS Contributing Writer

"Having no expectations means never being disappointed" would seem a fitting epithet for today's university student population that is faced with more problems than it can seemingly handle.

Violence is at levels never before witnessed; environmental degradation continues apace; the outlook on the economy is bleak at best. Many have argued that it is not a good sign when the musician who arguably best articulates (and sells) the youth's dysfunction bows out at the end of his own gun.

Yet many observers of the youth culture remain hopeful.

Margie Alt, associate director of the non-profit Fund for Public Interest Research, has been organizing students around various political issues for more than 12 years. She said she feels positive about the situation on campus.

"Young people are capable of phenomenal things," Alt said, adding that today's

technology allows youths to organize and communicate issues like no generation before them. She said that students in the '90s have access to global satellite communications systems, they are faxing letters to Congress, and they are becoming increasingly sophisticated in using the information highway.

"Yet the most important part of this is making sure it is the proper information being disseminated" she said. "We (the public) own the airwaves, but we do not control the media. The market forces that do not want a change in the status quo continue to dominate the media."

Nicholas Butterworth, executive director of Rock The Vote, echoes Alt's optimism about youths. Rock The Vote works to involve thousands of young people in the democratic system primarily through voter registration but also by educating students about national health care debate. Exploiting popular alternative media such as MTV,

Rock The Vote has begun to tap into the huge and potentially powerful 18- to 25-year-old demographic category.

"These are smart, cynical people waiting for something better to come by. If they seem less than involved, it's because they're too smart for the system as it's currently practiced," Butterworth said. "The university-aged group is interested and knowledgeable in the political process. Rock The Vote stresses voter registration because we believe in democracy. The alternative is facism."

Butterworth said that pop culture, especially music taps into today's discontent.

"Music is more political than politics. It sets up freedom and is completely open to individual interpretation. Music allows communication within this generation that is not happening among this and other generations. Alternative media outlets like MTV provide somewhat of a refuge for this group of youth who

eschew labels that others try to attach. Phrases like 'Slackers, Generation X, and the Baby Busters' refuse to stick."

In Butterworth's opinion, those who are trying to categorize and market young people are not talking with or listening to young people.

"Youths are portrayed as helpless victims when they opt out of normal jobs," he said. "However, it seems they have chosen to do what fulfills them rather than necessarily do time in an emotionally-unrewarding job."

Hannah Nordhaus, a freelance writer and recent

"This generation is less interested in the traditional work ethic," she said. "They don't give their life to IBM. The focus on career has shifted to 'what will make me the happiest?'"

In spite of Rock The Vote's efforts, only 20 percent of 18-25-year-olds voted in the 1990 election. What will it take to mobilize more young people to action? Alt suggests that the change could

entail "a higher consciousness revolution."

"There is a better awareness of consumer excess and the limited national resources that fuel it," Alt said. "Today's student-aged people are more likely to question whether a disposable society is worth mountains of solid waste and water in many cities that is approaching an undrinkable state. Other issues begging to be addressed are health care, campaign finance reform and the reform of Social Security."

No one can predict when, or if, today's youths will galvanize for change but the numbers are there, at least in terms of electoral politics.

"New voters have enormous leverage to decide elections," Butterworth said. "If we tap into all eligible young voters, we can determine the outcome on 80 percent of elections nationwide. Legislators have gotten used to low voter turnouts. We have to change that."

## Glenville State Hosts Baptist "Super Summer"

by Chuck Satterfield

During the week of July 17-22, Glenville State College played host to the West Virginia Southern Baptist "Super Summer" youth camp. Over 200 teens from all over West Virginia converged on the GSC campus for a week of learning and fellowship. While on campus, the young campers stayed at Pickens Hall, ate at the cafeteria, held up traffic as they walked through the streets, and attended workshops and concerts at the Fine Arts Building.

The participants of "Super Summer" arrived Monday afternoon for registration and were greeted by their counselors who would lead them through this week full of activities. Every day started the same with breakfast at 7 a.m. followed by quiet time at 8:45. Then the work began with group sessions devoted to training these young teens to become the ideal Christians while dealing with the pressures of the secular world. After these 30 minute sessions, the large group split into smaller groups, referred to as "Family Groups," to discuss their goals or problems



"Super Summer" campers enjoy the fellowship of their "Family Group."

photo by Dave Sagan

and to conduct a bible study in a more personal environment. The sessions and "Family Groups" met twice a day. Among other daily events, a Christian band named "Joy Explosion" performed nightly for the enjoyment of the campers.

The demanding schedule also allowed some free time for the campers. During this time they could swim at the pool, play

in the gym or game room, or participate in a volleyball game in front of Pickens Hall with the handful of GSC students on campus.

Each day ended with the campers getting back to their dorm rooms by 11:15 and turning lights out by 11:30.

Overall the week was as enjoyable as it was exhausting for the teens and counselors who at-

tended "Super Summer" and as they departed one got the feeling that a few bonds were formed at this camp that will withstand the months until they all gather again next summer.

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