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### **Court Denies Samples' Reinstatement Injunction**

Former dean of admissions Mack Samples was denied an injunction Monday which would have reinstated him.

Gilmer County Circuit Court Judge A.L. Sommerville, Jr. heard four and a half hours of testimony in a Webster Springs courtroom, only to refuse to grant Michael Farber's (Samples' attorney) injunction request.

Apparently Farber contends Samples was not a nonclassified employee, since he would have had to answer to the president directly or formulate institutional policy. Farber says Samples did neither, and, therefore, should not be subject to the dismissal of the president.

However, the college argues Samples had worked under the same contract for 21 years and was fired under the terms set by that contract. Samples apparently did not have enough evidence for the judge to rein-

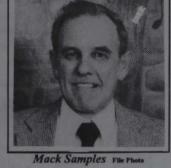
But, it's not over yet. "As the case stands, there is still a level four hearing scheduled before the Greivance Board," cocouncil for the college Tim



Butcher explained. Brentz Thompson, assistant attorney to the State College Systems, served as lead council.

"The case is still pending in circuit court until the attornevs decide to bring it back," Butcher continued. If not, the case will go no further in circuit

However, the faculty voted 55-10 no-confidence in the leadership of President Simmons the same day of the hearing, with nine abstentions and two novotes. President Simmons is under criticism over Samples dismissal, as well as other issues... Most recently added to the list was the halt of the state payroll procedure for Ed Hamric. See story same page.



On the morning of Friday, September 16th, Governor Gaston Caperton's office notified the Regency Board of Directors, which oversees the state college system, that approval of the employment of Edward Hamrick was refused.

by Kris O. Phares

Chancellor of the Board of Directors, Jim Rowley stated that President William Simmons had recommended the hiring of Hamrick as foundation/institutional development director.

This recommendation was forwarded to the governor's office and to the Education and Arts Secretary Barbara Harmon-Shamberger.

Rowley was then informed by the governor's office in Charleston that the WV-11 form, which stops payroll paperwork from being completed, had not been approved.

Although refusal of an appointment that has gone through proper channels is infrequent, Rowley commented with conviction, "I still believe strongly in the recommendation, review and approval/disapproval process."

President Simmons said that he would follow the decisions of the governor's office. He also stated, "The position will be advertised within days and Hamrick will have the opportunity to apply."

Is Hamrick Here or Not?

Dr. Simmons explained that Hamrick's position is a twofold job, one function as foundation director for the college and the other as institutional development director.

He stated that the institutional development director is a state-funded position, for which the paperwork on Hamrick was refused. Dr. Simmons said that Bill Diehl, director of personnel at the college, has been delegated the duties of this job.

President Simmons continued by explaining that the second function of Hamrick's position, foundation director, is funded by the college's foundation. Hamrick is still fulfilling the function of foundation direc-

According to Dr. Simmons, "Hamrick's position is a much needed one and can not be left vacant."

He stated this position is necessary for the foundation to properly serve the students, and that someone is needed to preside over the "in excess of one million dollars in assets" of the

President Simmons commented that Hamrick had been appointed to the position based on his qualifications, which included fund raising for the Wildlife Federation.

He stated that this appointment was made only after conferring with the GSC foundation president, Jack Stalnaker, and GSC alumni president, Shelly Morris-deMarino.

"The position itself was approved, the WV-11 form was not," stated Jill Wilson, Governor Caperton's press secretary.

She said, "With the existing hiring freeze all appointments except those being instructional are reviewed by the governor's office."

"All standard procedures were followed by the governor's office," Wilson declared.

When asked if the position of foundation/institutional development director is advertised and Mr. Hamrick or any other person would be selected and hired by the college would that person be employed by the state. Wilson stated in a slightly irritated voice, "That is a hypothetical question...and I am not going to predict the future."



This lot, at Pickens Hall, gets cleared last week to give students more parking. Additional spots will be added this weekend.

photo by Dave Sagan

### Lot to be Reorganized to Compensate for Lost Parking

by Rick Conklin

Saturday, September 24, the maintenance department will be reorganizing the parking spaces in the Pickens lot.

The reorganization will create 10 to 15 new spaces and reverse the one way traffic lanes. Bruce Hathaway, director of the physical plant, stated, "We realize it will create an inconvenience but the faculty lot can be utilized until the reorganization is complete."

Hathaway requests that all vehicles be moved by Saturday morning so this work can be implemented effectively.

The new spaces will be 15 feet spaces and will be specially designated as to limit parking to compact cars and small trucks.

The new lot created behind Pickens Hall last week and the 10 to 15 new spaces to be created in this reorganization, brings an estimated total of 27 new spaces. Hathaway feels these new spaces will compensate for the spaces lost due to the reconversion of the Clark Hall lot from gravel back to grass.

# Commentary

### **Conversational Green**

by Jeremy Dean

So how are you all doing out there? Yeah, well I'm not doing much better, but thanks for asking.

I just got finished reading the other week's *Mercury* and I must say I was very impressed with J.B. Parker's letter. Since my first day here, teachers have been preaching "critical thinking" to me, but as far as I can tell not many people have been doing this since the start of the semester. I am, however, very impressed with Mr. Parker's views. He has said some things that this college has been needing to hear, so if you missed it in the issue, find one and check it out.

How many of you had a good laugh two weeks ago when you read the line "The enrollment is excellent (which has created a parking problem, however)," from President Simmons letter? With all due respect sir, there has been a parking problem here for the past two years I have been here, and who knows how long before that. While I would be a fool to say the increased enrollment had nothing to do with enhancing the problem, I don't think I could, in good conscience, say that, and not the parking lot, martyred to some as of yet unknown cause is the reason for upsurge in parking problem complaints.

Now for my piece of critical thinking for the week. I believe we should have Alpha-Bits cereal in the cafeteria. One of the goals of this institution is to turn out well rounded individuals. To do this, each student is forced to take classes like Interdisciplinary Algebra, and Earth Science (where I was taught astronomy), and yet the cafeteria is left completely unutilized by the educators here at GSC.

Why should we be denied the educational benefits of a nice bowl of Alpha-Bits cereal every morning? Besides that, they taste great. Would it not be great to see a movement start up in the English, Education, even the Math departments (you all have those little X's and Y's) to get Alpha-Bits cereal put on the academic menu. The Social Sciences department could get in the act if they would put the original kind without the marshmallows in it, because the history professors could show this being the way they were in the past. The sociology and psychology classes could examine the Alpha-Bits movement here at GSC, on both a social and personal level. Dr. Sirk could even teach his geography classes where Alpha-Bits were first eaten and in what geographic locations they are manufactured. Health teachers could teach of their nutritional values, and physical education instructors could run off the calories of the students who ate them. Science classes could examine their chemical make up, and also conduct scientific study why they taste good. Even fine arts people can study their aesthetic value. Isn't it hard to believe an institute of higher learning is not utilizing this educational wonder of the cereal industry? Lets get

Well, I'll talk with you all again next week, but until then here is something to talk about: If seven doorknob monkeys rode into town on a purple antelope, wouldn't you try to put out the fire too? God Bless.

### **Tutoring Now Available**

Tutoring in all subjects is available to all Glenville State College Students contingent on availability of suitable tutors and availability of funds. Contact Brenda Wilson in Clark Hall (ext. 304/307) if you want to be tutored. Contact Evie McPherson in the Community College part of Louis Bennett Hall (ext. 101) if you want to tutor for minimum wage as a part of the Glenville State College Tutoring Program.

Letters to the Editors

Dear Editor,

I am disappointed that the DNR Commission did not recommend the need for the felony law proposed at the meeting in Canaan Valley. I presented the Commission with a felony law from Georgia.

I also presented Mr. Felton with a felony law from Georgia and Maine. These are states that only allow shot guns for turkey season and proves that they had to go to the felony law to bring their woundings and killings down.

Maine has had a felony law for seven years and has not had a fatality for three years. Georgia has had a felony law for two years. In the 92-93 season they had 15 fatalities. From January 1994 to June 1994 they had only one fatality.

Until West Virginia sends the message to all hunters that you will be held accountable for your actions, people will continue to be wounded and die in West Virginia.

In Harrison County, my buddy Gary Glass was the first fatality of the 1994 spring gobbler season. He was killed by a 18 year old, with a Rem. 22 rifle, with a scope. This boy was 203 feet and five inches away. This is the third fatality in Harrison County in the last six years. The other two people who killed under the law walked away scot free. One received a fine and license suspension for five years. The other received six months probation and license suspension.

This is not acceptable. West Virginia has to make people realize that when you purchase a license and pick up a firearm you have a responsibility not only to yourself, but to everybody around you.

Hunting is a privilege not a right. Some of these people are out there for one reason, that is to kill something. If you get in the way, you, too, will become a victim.

I have been assured this

law will be purposed in January by a Senator and a House Member. Everybody needs to call their Senator and House Member, and tell them West Virginia needs a felony law on this matter.

October will be the first season I will not be hunting in 31 years. I will never die a hunter, but you don't have to be a hunter to fall victim to a careless hunter with a fire arm. It can happen in your own back yard or driving down the highway.

I am taking names for a petition. Anyone willing to help can call me at 584-4436.

Just remember you are going to be out there and when that shot rings out and somebody is hit, you will remember what I am fighting for.

> Danny Stonebreaker Lumberport, WV

Dear Editor:

I would like to voice a little realization I had the other day. I am a senior here at GSC, and while sitting in one of the exciting marketing class counting the holes in the ceiling, I had a most interesting brain cramp. The thought was this:

In a recent letter sent to The Democrat and The Mercury, President Simmons stated, "I am not legally or professionally in any position to make public statements." I, for one, would love to hear a public statement, because, if I am correct in my thinking, does President Simmons get some, maybe all of his salary from the West Virginia tax payer? Last time I looked, Glenville was still a state college, and I always thought that meant the college got money from the state.

If that is true, me and many others that work and go to school are paying the state in taxes, so the state can have money to help support state colleges. If none of what I have stated so far is false, I think I have been paying

President Simmons to run the college at his "will and pleasure," without informing his employers of his reasons for his actions. Boy, in the real world an employee wouldn't keep a job very long with an attitude like that

I would just like to say, all of this was just a ponder. If anyone would like to correct me on anything I have said please do so. Hey, the reason I'm here in college is to be educated. This was just one dazed senior's point of view.

Most Likely Out Classed, Tim Schimmel

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in hope you will run it in your campus newspaper. You have probably received this kind of request before, and I hope you will honor mine

I am 27 years old, I have been incarcerated for two years, and received a life sentence. I have no family and very few friends who do not write at all. I am not interested in any particular kind of correspondent, just some kind of contact with the outside world. Prison is the worst place on earth, and the loneliest, but there is nobody to blame but myself. I will be happy to answer any questions about my court experiences and what brought me to my current situation. If anybody cares to write, please write to:

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# News

### Shop Talk with Brenda Peyser

#### TOP FIVE WAYS TO NOT GET A JOB

- 1. Don't start looking until the very last minute.
- 2. Submit a handwritten resume.
- 3. Wear wrinkled shorts and a tee-shirt to the interview; don't shower or wash your hair.
- 4. Respond to an interviewer's question by saying: "I answered that on my resume."
- 5. Demand a starting salary of at least \$35,000.

Oh yeah, right, you say. No one does this. Guess again. People do all these things and more. Since these are the five most common mistakes people make, let's look at them one by one.

1. Recent employment surveys show that it's taking college graduates at least six months to find a job. If you want a job at graduation, count backwards—you need to start looking in November or December which means you need to prepare your resume in October and November.

If you really want a job, you need to take initiative. Contact companies you're interested in. Call people you know to find out if there are any openings where they work. Network. Research and write to companies or organizations in your field. Be up front about the fact that you want a job. You're not begging, you're looking.

2. Resumes are important.

They don't get you a job, they get you an interview. They need to look professional, be easy to understand, and present your qualifications in a clear and comprehensive way. A resume is not your life history, it is a factual description of your professional qualifications. A resume that has typo's, grammatical errors, or is just plain sloppy almost always ends up in the

3. Professional looking clothes are a must for an interview. Dress like the people in the organization with which you're interviewing. If they wear



Brenda Peyser

photo by Heather Messenger

suits, so do you. If they wear blazers and slacks, so do you. In general, it's better to dress up than be too casual. Clothes must be cleaned and ironed. The Careers Office has a wardrobe of interview clothes you can borrow--if you've got an interview and nothing to wear, come to us.

4. Interviewers say things like, "I see you were a student worker in the Careers Office" not because they want you to know that they can read, but because they want you to elaborate on the information on your resume. Describe your job duties and the scope of the job: "I worked with about 15 students a day, I wrote two Mercury articles each week." Explain why you liked the job (it's usually a good idea to say positive rather than negative things). Prepare for the interview ahead of time. Think about what you've done and be ready to interview questions on your past experiences.

5. Be realistic about what people in your profession make and remember that entry level employees make less money than experienced professionals. Research salary levels for your field (look in trade publications, periodicals, newspapers, and published salary surveys). If an

employer asks your salary requirements, you'll be in a better position to give a realistic answer. What to do if an employer asks "How much do you need to make?" Quoting a low salary could doom you to less money than the employer would have offered, quoting a high salary could take you out of the running. The best answer? "I'm aware of marketplace pay levels for this job and I would accept a salary within this range. What salary is your company offering?"

One word of advice--don't bring up the salary issue at the first interview. It makes you look like you're only interested in money, and employers like to believe that salary is the least important item to potential employees.

The Careers Office has information on how to find a job, lists of employers, weekly listings of job openings and a ton of other information. We provide workshops on resume writing and interviewing. We'll meet with you to discuss your goals and will even help you figure out what to do with your life. Come see us--we're in the Heflin Center.

# **Environmental Program** to Begin Next Semester

by Susan Hutchinson

A new sssociate in science program will be added to the list of degrees available beginning this spring. The environmental technology degree is a new "career pathway" available to both post-graduates and undergraduates, according to program cofounder Dr. Nolan Browning.

The program is categorized under TPAD (Technical Preparation Associate Degree) which are four plus two programs. The tech-prep programs were started in West Virginia approximately three years ago. At present, GSC has one TPAD program, the Management Information Systems under the direction of Linda Foster. It is in cooperation with Lewis County schools.

Basically tech-prep programs begin with potential students when they are freshman in high school and continues along a "career pathway" through their senior year. The secondary course requirements for the environmental tech program are currently being offered at the Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center. After completing the courses in the secondary level, students enroll in the environmental technology program at GSC. However, post-high school graduates also have the opportunity to enroll in the class. This is accomplished by passing basic competency testing in specific fields and "plugging" in a few additional classes.

The program has been one and a half years in the planning stages. Initially the program was started when a request grant was acquired through the Joint Commission for Vocational-Technology-Occupational-Educational State Organization often referred to as the "Joint Commission." The Joint Commission helps coordinate between secondary high schools and community colleges.

After funding, a steering committee was established. The committee was comprised of

businessmen, community leaders, secondary and post-secondary members whose purpose was to effectively design a curriculum that would adequately prepare students for the techprep program and beyond. This group effort is unique in itself, as it supplies input from both levels of education as well as the community.

To further insure that the specific skills necessary to perform the duties of an environmental technician were being offered, a modified DACUM analysis was performed at Cedar Lakes. This committee of business and industrial leaders, along with educators, analyzed the duties and responsibilities that an environmental technician must perform. From this data, a curriculum was extracted that would more than adequately prepare a student for job opportunities.

According to Dr. Nolan Browing, a founder of the program, the environmental technology program is the result of close collaboration. "Brenda Peyser, director of the career office, was very instrumental in helping to write the original request for the grant."

Vocational Director of the Gilmer-Calhoun Career Center, Jane Palmer is very willing to offer assistance and has worked diligently with Dr. Browning to get all phases of the program complete.

Dr. Browning is very optimistic concerning both the program and the employment opportunities it has to offer. GSC is one of only two institutions within the state to offer the environmental technology program. "The program has already gained state wide recognition. I feel the program is on the 'cutting edge.' Environmental issues effect all of us. There has already been a great interest shown in the program. I expect the program to grow quickly and perhaps gain national recogni-

# Sports

Pioneers Dominate Home Opener, Beat Shipbuilders 47-16

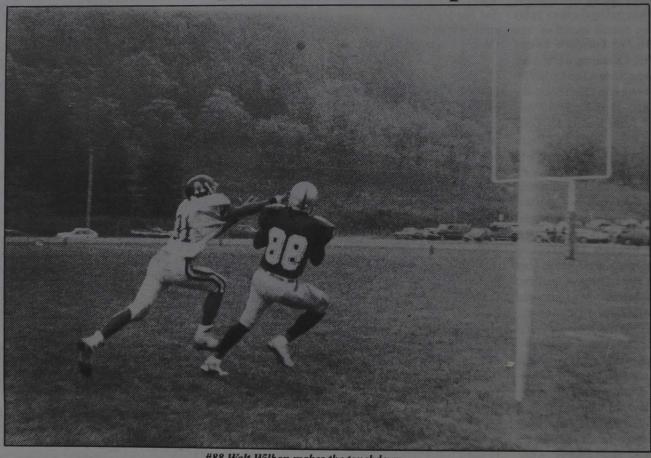
The Pioneers dominated all phases of the first home game Saturday to win 47-16 over Newport News Apprentice of Virgnia at Pioneer Stadium.

The offense was able to move the ball on the ground which opened up the passing game. The game was played in a steady rain and saw many players step up and play big. Quarterback Scott Otis was on target as he connected on 20 of 29 passes for 265 yards, six touchdowns and no interceptions.

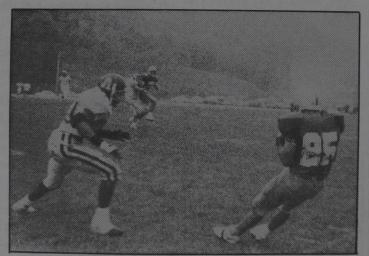
Receiver Walter Wilbon made the most of his four receptions for 83 yards. He had three touchdown catches and caught an extra point conversion pass. Wilbon caught touchdown passes of 12, 21, and 47 yards. Receiver Chris George continued to add to his receiving totals as he caught 10 passes for 100 yards and caught a touchdown pass from eight yards out. George ignited the crowd in the third quarter as he returned a kickoff 87 yards for a touchdown.

The Pioneers opened up a 21-0 lead and Newport News was never able to recover. The Pioneers now are 2-0 overall. They will open WVIAC play this Saturday as they host the Shepherd Rams at 1 p.m.

The Pioneer defense held the Newport News offense in check all day. They came up with key stops in big situations. The defense was led by defensive back Tom Reid who recorded ten tackles and three pass breakups.



#88 Walt Wilbon makes the touchdown



#25 Chris George falls out of bounds as he makes the reception.



An injured player gets assistance from a student trainer.

**Pioneer Statistics** 

Score by Quarter

Team	1	2	3	4	Final
Newport News	0	7	3	6	16
GSC	14	7	14	12	47

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Team
GSC--Walter Wilbon 12 yard pass from Scott Otis (Robbie Buffington

GSC-Brad Bradley nine yard pass from Otis (Buffington kick)

GSC--Wilbon 21 yard pass from Otis (Buffington kick)

NN--Ross 29 yard pass from Graham (Johnson kick) GSC--Chris George eight yard pass from Otis (kick failed)

NN--Field goal by Johnson for 31 yards GSC--George 87 yard kickoff return (Otis conversion pass to Wibon)

GSC--Wilbon 47 yard pass from Otis (kick failed)
NN--Coston one yard run (kick failed)

GSC-Derrick Bellamy 31 yard pass from Otis (conversion pass failed)

photos by Dave Sagan

### **Nate Rohrbough Dinner**

Friday, September 30 Heflin Center Reception: 5:30 p.m. Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$20.00--includes dinner and ticket to Saturday home game vs. WV State

Reservations Needed by Monday September 26 For more information please call the GSC Athletic Department at 462-4102 Tickets available at GSC vs. Shepherd home game

### Lady Spikers Win First Pool Ever at Bluefield Tourney

by Debra Johnson

The Glenville State volleyball team played five matches last week, ending the week's play with an overall record of 3-6. Wednesday, Glenville hosted their first home match against Fairmont State. The Lady Pioneers dropped a tough one to the Falcons 5-15, 3-15, 15-12, and 2-15. Team leaders for GSC were: Kills, Shelley Coffman 12, Tracey Fluharty 11 and Melanie Headly eight; Serving aces, Patsy Buckles two and Becky Cheuvront two; Blocks, Shelley Coffman seven and Tracey Fluharty seven; Digs, Patsy Buckles 11, Melanie Headley seven and Melanie Vogt seven; Points, Becky Cheuvront seven, Melanie Vogt six, and Patsy Buckles five; Assists, Patsy Buckles 38 and Crystal Brooks 15.

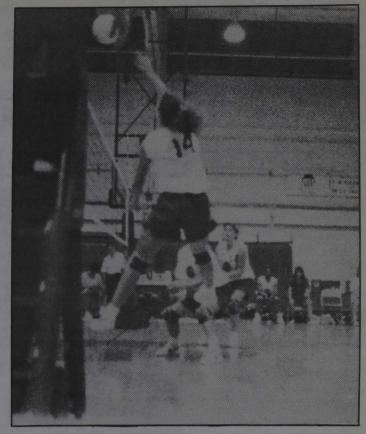
Glenville participated in the Lady Rams tournament in Bluefield, Virginia Friday and Saturday. In their first match Glenville defeated Cumberland, KY in three games 15-2, 10-15 and 15-8. Team leaders: Kills, Tracey Fluharty nine, Shelley Coffman nine, Melanie Headley eight, and Melanie Vogt seven; Serving aces, Melanie Vogt two, Shelley Coffman two, Tracey Fluharty one and Melanie Headley one; Blocks, Shelley Coffman six and Tracey

Fluharty two; Digs, Tracey Fluharty five; points, Melanie Vogt 12, Tracey Fluharty seven, and Shelley Coffman six; Assists, Patsy Buckles 25 and Crystal Brooks 14.

The next opponent for GSC was the host team. Bluefield. The Lady Rams jumped out to an 8-0 lead in the first game before the serving of Crystal Brooks and Patsy Buckles brought Glenville to within one 7-8. Bluefield went on to win the first game 15-7. The Lady Pioneers won the second game 16-14 before dropping the final set in a hard fought contest 15-9. Team leaders: Kills, Melanie Headley 15, and Tracey Fluharty 10; Serving aces, Tracey Fluharty four, Patsy Buckles, Crystal Brooks and Melanie Headley each had one; Blocks, Tracey Fluharty five, and Melanie Headley three; Digs, Patsy Buckles 11 and Tracey Fluharty four; Points, Melanie Vogt seven, Tracey Fluharty seven and Patsy Buckles five; Assists, Patsy Buckles 39 and Crystal Brooks six.

Glenville defeated Salem, North Carolina Saturday 15-1 and 15-3 to give the Lady Pioneers the number one seed out of their pool. Team leaders were: Kills, Shelley Coffman six, Tracey Fluharty four, and Becky Cheuvront four; Serving Aces, Tracey Fluharty five, Patsy Buckles four, and crystal Brooks three; Blocks, Tracey Fluharty three; Digs, Patsy Buckles and Crystal each had two; Points, Tracey Fluharty eight, and Patsy Buckles seven; Assists, Patsy Buckles 15, and Crystal Brooks seven. Glenville met Union College out of Kentucky in the semifinal match and came up short 5-15 and 13-15. Team leaders: Kills, Shelley Coffman eight, and Tracey Fluharty four; Serving Aces, Shelley Coffman and Crystal Brooks each had one; Blocks, Tracey Fluharty four, and Shelley Coffman three; Digs, Patsy Buckles eight; Points, Shelley Coffman eight, and Melanie Vogt five; Assists, Patsy Buckles 20.

Coach Kenny Osborne said, "We played with a lot of heart and things seem to be falling into place for us. I was really happy when we won our pool, it is the first time we've won a pool." Glenville's record is now 3-6 overall and 0-5 in the conference. The Lady Pioneers will host two home games next week: Tuesday Alderson-Broaddus comes to town, game time is 7 p.m. and Thursday Salem-Teikyo and the College of West Virginia will travel to Glenville, game time is set for 6



Lady Spiker Melanie Headley goes up against Shepherd.

photo by Rick Conklin

# Cross Country Teams Compete At IUP

by Monica Ann Null

The GSC cross country team competed Saturday at an invitational meet at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Coach Randy Maxwell was pleased with the men's tenth place finish overall out of 21 teams.

Sterling Beane was the first GSC male finisher with a time of 28:41. This put him in 25th place. Jimmy Galloway ran a 28:48 and captured 28th place.

The women's team had an incomplete score with only three of five women finishing. Allergy problems before and during the race seemed to hinder the women's performances.

Jennifer Pingley led the lady harriers with a time of 25:01 with Clarissa Scott finishing behind her.

According to Maxwell, "The men's and women's times improved from the first meet and I feel they are going to continue to drop as the season progresses."

This was a large meet with over 150 competitors in each the men's and women's race. Maxwell stated earlier that he felt his team would be able to "hold their own" against the bigger schools, and he was thrilled to see it was true.

The team will travel to Elkins this Saturday to compete in the Davis and Elkins Forest Festival Run.

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### **Pre-Game Tailgate Party**

Saturday, September 24 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. (kickoff) Pioneer Stadium

Admission: PAC Members--FREE (including reserved seat season ticket holders)

Non-PAC Members: \$5.00

Menu: Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, A Fine Assortment of Beverage Proceeds Benefit GSC Athletic Scholarships

WVRC 104.7 LIVE at the Tailgate Party

### A New Member on GSC's **Political Science Ticket**

by Janice LeRose

Dr. Michael Smith, the newest faculty member in the social science department, spoke of this recent move to Glenville from Marietta, Ohio.

Born, raised and educated in Manhattan, Kansas, Dr. Smith received his bachelor's degree and then obtained his doctorate in political science from Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois.

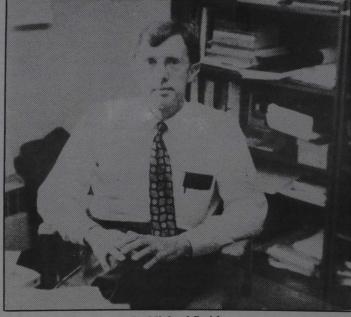
Having spent the last six years teaching at Marietta College, he felt GSC offered him good opportunities.

Dr. Smith's wife, Jackie, also teaches political science classes at Marietta College, where she and their two daughter still live. Dr. Smith stated, "Commuting every weekend is not easy, but I enjoy spending what time there is with my fam-

Along with daughters Michelle, a seventh grader, and Meghan, a junior and the drum major at her high school, Dr. Smith's family also includes a mutt they obtained from the pound, Smooch.

Dr. Smith's American national government course is made up of two sections, state and local government and American presidency.

When questioned about what he likes best about teaching, he responded, "I like getting students talking and giving



Dr. Michael Smith

photo by Dave Sagan

Rockies.

Some of Dr. Smith's goals

are to continue teaching, read-

ing and writing papers for pre-

sentations at conferences. His

busy schedule doesn't leave

much spare time, but when he

can he likes to play golf, read

mysteries and political news,

and travel through the moun-

tains, particularly the Colorado

of Glenville State College, he

said, "I like it!" He continued,

"There is little change from

Marietta College other than a

different feel, but nothing I can

put a finger on." With a grin he

revealed there isn't anything he

would change about Glenville--

When asked his opinion

their ideas." His classes constitute lecturing and student discussion. He expressed concern that traditional, younger students perhaps don't want to hear student discussion, but would prefer lectures.

Nevertheless, Smith believes students learn well by verbalizing. He added that his students speak up in class, and he really likes that.

Besides teaching, Dr. Smith also serves as a student advisor. "At Marietta College, which is a private school, advisors are more responsible for students, such as finding out why they miss class." He said he is learning what is expected of him as an instructor.

Opportunities for service this week include "meet you at the pole" which is a nationwide day of prayer at 7 a.m. to pray for our nation, our campus, and other prayer concerns. Also members will be traveling to Charleston September 22 to hear Carmen in concert. Our annual FCA picnic/football playoff was held Wednesday September 21 at 6 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Holley Faulkner of

Glenville First Baptist Church was guest speaker afterwards.

Mark Frye of Fairmont, WV will be the guest speaker September 28. Strength training tip: Satan uses an occasion or a person to tempt us to fail--God uses the same to try us and make us stronger. Be strong and courageous this week. Matthew 4:1

Best wishes to the cross country teams, volleyball and football teams this week-



Homecoming Court Nominees: Becky Frashure, Holly Wilkewitz, Heather M Caldwell. Not pictured: Heather Davis, Mary Gainer, Crissy Kelble, Alice 1 Marsha Humphrey, Tonya Sponaugle, Tina Kirby, Dawn Nolen, Kerri Vanho Debbie Blake, and Angie Dorsey. Voting will take place Monday and Tuese

### Banquet Honors Fresh

Few would argue that one of the most traumatic experiences facing college students, aside from the prospect of finding a job after graduation, is arriving on campus for the first time as a freshman. Leaving behind the comfort and support of parents and friends, you arrive, and are thrust into a world of strangers. You leave one set of rules only to encounter another, and the world in which you have arrived is filled with others who are just as confused as you are.

You would give anything to see a friendly face, someone who could answer your questions and understood what you were going through, and just as you're ready to give up, and throw your duffle bag back into the trunk of your parents' car, they appear--freshman counselors. It is their job to insure that your arrival here is as painless as possible, and a banquet was held last week, September 14, to honor their efforts.

Jennifer Nottingham, director of student support services, assembled this year's group of volunteers, a total of 30 in all, and she couldn't have been more pleased with their performance. What would motivate students to give up part of their summer break to return five days early for training as freshman counselors? Nottingham, herself, was amazed at the interest and enthusiasm shown by this years

courselors, she joked, "Th nothing out of it but a meal

She did, however, offer ter explanation, "They are simply people who like to people," and help they do. selors are trained in all of the pus policies and procedures, as any new rules that may p to them. They also receive ing in dealing with homesic and provide the muscle nee lug televisions, stereos overstuffed suitcases up six of stairs.

Nottingham, who freshman counselor while a ing Fairmont State, knows hand the satisfaction being a selor can bring, but she never tired of hearing from others have benefited from the pro "The response has been nothing positive from everyone inve the freshman, their parents a counselors." The banquet way for the college, who spon it, to say "Thank you".

All of those who partici in the program attended the quet, where they honored Barnette with a certificate or voted freshman counselor week. Barnette will be invited tend the W.V. Association of sonnel Administration confe

Nottingham is already ning for next year's counse Part of this preparation is ge

### FCAnator--Amy O'Dell.

The weekly meeting of the Glenville State College huddle of Fellowship of Christian Athletes was held September 14 at 8 p.m. in room 207 of the Physical Education Building. The following members were elected to lead FCA for the upcoming year: President--Jeremy Dean; Vice President--Holly Riley; Secretary--Paige Blankenship; Treasurer--Bobby

Burnside; and Program Coordi-

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Shamblin, Sammi Legg, and Annette ael, Monica Null, Delilah Hoffman, Anne Smith Minor, Laura Starcher, Center. photo by Heather Messenger

### Counselors

dback from the freshman, as il as the counselors, to find out at changes they would like to see plemented in the program.

To do this she provided evaluons, which she will carefully dy to adopt the program to the eds of the incoming students.

As an example Mrs. ttingham noted, "Last year the shman thought the orientation is too long, so we cut it to two is this year."

The banquet was to honor a well done, and according to well done, and according to stringham they have every right feel proud, "They were trements to work with." In today's rid praise is not an easy thing to me by, but 30 dedicated volunts who made the transition from the school to college a little easier this year's freshmen deserve try bit they get.

### Delta Zeta News

by Angela Shamblin

The sisters of Delta Zeta sorority held a formal meeting on Sunday, September 11, plans for formal rush were discussed. Delta Zeta held a picnic at Cedar Creek Park Tuesday, September 13 and would like to thank those girls who attended. Delta Zeta sorority is in the process of formal rush this week and would like to thank all the girls who decided to participate. We wish for you a fun week, we hope that you meet a lot of new friends and made a lot of great memories. For those of you who are not participating in formal rush, you still have a chance to be a Delta Zeta. Open rush will start Tuesday, September 20. The sisters of Delta Zeta hope you like GSC and have made

We would like to congratulate Angie Meadows on receiving sister of the week for the week of September 11 through

Also, for all of you parents out there the Delta Zeta sorority in cooperation with Gilmer County Public Library, will be holding a reading hour every Wednesday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. to promote literacy. We hope to show the children how to use a library and how fun reading can be. Please bring your little one and join us, this program will start September 28

### au Kappa Epsilon News

Tom Anderson

The Iota Omega chapter of the Kappa Epsilon completed QB interviews this past Frigor. The board extended invisions to eight perspective members to officially join us in rush divities. Activities began on onday and will continue for the weeks. Good luck to all sociate members.

The TKE annually Adopt
- Highway program begins

this afternoon. The meeting place will be at the north entrance of the college. From the north entrance we will be following College Street to Main Street and then continue up High Street back to the north entrance. The route will be marked and everyone will be wearing orange vests.

President's words of the week: "How did you get that 4-wheeler up there on the roof?"

### It is finally going to happen!

### Dorms Pioneer into the Future with Cable

by Jim Shock

According to Dr. Al Billips, dean of student services, plans are currently underway to "pioneer" the dorms into the 21st Century by providing students who live there access to cable television in their rooms.

The events that led up to this decision involved many people, but none more than the students themselves. Dr. Billips, through his office, sent a questionnaire to the students living in the dorms to determine the feasibility of such an ambitious project.

If there was not enough student interest to warrant the enormous expense of wiring both dorms, the plan would've been scraped, but that was not the case.

The overwhelming majority of students who responded felt a slight increase in dorm fees, in order to receive cable, to be a worthy investment. From the 467 students living in the dorms, 343 voted for cable, and 17 voted against. The rest did not respond.

Dr. Billips stated that many of the "no" votes were from graduating seniors who would not be here to enjoy the service, and he had never seen "such strong support for any proposal form a student survey."

The next hurdle that had to be jumped was financing. The estimated \$38,000 cost of rewiring the dorms nearly crippled the plan, until Bob Hardman, business manager at GSC, came up with two funding alternatives.

He determined that if the college place \$20,000 in escrow they could accumulate the needed funds by the fall of 1996, but then he later decided to place \$40,000 into the college account from residence hall resources in order to get the project started sooner.

With funding no longer a problem, Dr. Billips placed the project into the hands of GSC's

purchasing agent, Scott Montgomery, a GSC alumnus, and former Student Congress president.

Montgomery was to draw up bids for the cable wiring per state standards, and announce the bid in various state publications, as well as insure the legality of the business process. Montgomery announced that three companies have shown interest: Na Com of Cincinnati. Ohio; M & D Cable from Portsmouth, Ohio and Basco Electronics of Weston. Other interested companies must make a bit for the project by Sept. 29. The company making the lowest bid will receive the contract, and the work can begin.

As far as disrupting student routines, Dr. Billips felt students should be, "no more inconvenienced than they were when telephone lines were installed."

Dr. Billips was hesitant about providing a specific dollar amount on the housing fee, until the bids have been opened, but he speculated a cost of \$4.36 more a month for the cable charge. He stated that the fee was going to be raised regardless, "But this way students would benefit directly by having cable in their rooms, rather than a new roof or landscaping."

So, couch potatoes rejoice, soon you won't have to fight the lounge lizard for control of the TV, and you'll never again miss those simulating cat fights, or bed-hopping vixens on your favorite soap. Who knows, maybe more than a handful of students will start spending a weekend or two on campus—if GSC can put cable in the dorms, hey, anything is possible.

### Sigma Sigma News

By Angela Michaels

We would like to thank all the ladies who signed up for Panhellenic Rush. We hope you really enjoy the rush activities. We would like to thank Tracy Milam for her help last week. Angie Michaels and Tracy worked very hard to get the article ready for print last week.

We would like for every GSC student to please keep our United States service men and women in mind this week. Several GSC students have loved ones in the armed forces.

Sigma Sigma Sigma held a formal meeting on Sunday, September 11th. We are currently discussing several future campus activities that would benefit the student body. So, keep a look out for more information to follow. Also, on the top of our list are fundraisers. We are also planning several activities involving all Greek organizations. As a sorority we raise money for several worthy causes, including the Children's Hospitals in Dallas, TX and in Chapel Hill, NC.

When you see a sign that says "Help Robbie Page" it means "Help us to help the children." Remember " 'Tis better to give than to receive!"

Congratulations to Chris George for such a great accomplishment at last Saturday's game. We are really PROUD OF YOU! Good Luck Saturday against Shepherd. Go Pioneers!!

Vicki, hang in there, everything will be okay! Stacy our thoughts are with you. Your Sigma sisters are never more than a phone call away!

Remember Sigma says: Have a wonderful and relaxing weekend wherever you may spend it.

If you have any questions concerning Sigma Sigma Sigma Contact Angie Michaels at 402 Scott, GO GREEK!!

# Arts and Entertainment

### **Senior Recitals Upcoming**

by David Graham

Ann Smith Minor and Joseph McMillion will share the stage in a duo senior recital to be performed Saturday, September 25, at 4 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building.

Ann Smith Minor will be performing several compositions for the alto saxophone, as well as "Piece en forme de Habenera" written for the soprano saxophone. After intermission, Minor will abandon her woodwind instruments and display the natural talents of her voice. The vocal selections will be comprised of "Gretchen am Spinnrade" by Schubert and "Let the Bright Seraphim" by Handel with John Mark Walkup (piano), Keith Jean (trumpet), and Matt Schoonmaker (marimba).

When asked, Minor said that the Subert piece was her favorite although the Pierre-Petit composition challenged her woodwind playing and the Handel piece "Let the Bright Seraphim" challenged her voice.

Joseph McMillion will add the brass to the concert with his collection of Tuba pieces. With a program that ranges in style from "Baroque to very modern," McMillion will demonstrate the range of the tuba. One piece in particular that McMillion pointed out was "The Bass in the Ballroom" by Newsome. McMillion went on to describe the piece as "hilarious" and commented on its unique tango style.

Other compositions McMillion will perform on the tuba are: The largo and allegro movements from "Sonato No. 3 in a Minor " by Vivaldi, "Toga Virilis" by Smedvig, and the "Suite for Tuba" by Haddad.

John Mark Walkup and Lori Garvin will accompany the performers on the piano. Everyone is encouraged to attend and see how these two musicians have grown in talent while in the GSC music department.

# Jennifer Nottingham's Top 10 Baby Names



Jennifer Nottingham

- 10. Lucas
- 9. Neal
- 8. Alex
- 7. Will
- 6. Jacob
- 5. Lauren
- 4. Anna
- 3. Emily
- 2. Hannah
- 1. Mary Catherine

Jennifer Nottingham is the Director of Student Life and Student Support services, and she serves as an advisor to Student Congress. Nottingham has been with GSC for five years in Student Services. Her hobbies include sports, reading, shopping and cooking.

She and her husband, Coach Gary Nottingham of the Pioneer basketball team, are expecting their first child in January. The Mercury wanted to know the scoop--if she had any names picked out--so, thus, she gave us her "Top 10". Congratulations Jennifer and Gary.

hoto by Dave Sagan

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### Music Fest Next Week

by David Graham

For one night and one night only, the Glenville State College music department is pulling together all of its musical talent under one roof. Once again it is time for Music Fest, which will be held Thursday, September 29, at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Music Fest is a concert that incorporates all aspects of the talent within the department. The eclectic concert will be comprised of music from: Concert Choir, Chamber Singers, Woodwind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, and Brass Ensemble.

Selections will include: the first movement of "The London Symphony" by Haydn, "Londonderry Air" arranged by John Iveson with solo by Ben Price, "Suite for Brass" by Paul Holmes, "Precious Lord" by Dorsey and "Songs mein Grossmama Sang" by Lloyd Pfausch. Band and percussion selections will be announced the night of performance.

The music extravaganza will be co-sponsored with the

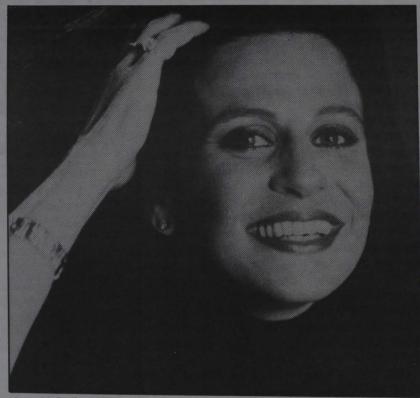
Glenville State College Alumni Association. The music department is in need of scholarship funds, while the Alumni Association is in needs of funds to repair and maintain the Alumni House. Together the two departments will split the funds raised from the concert.

Anyone interested in donating to the worthy causes may do so even if you can not attend the event. Simply buy a ticket and the Alumni Association will see to it that an area youth will see the show in your place who may not have had the opportunity otherwise. In one generous donation you can help two groups of people.

Although for those of you who can't resist an evening packed with music and entertainment, you'll want to hold on to your ticket and show up to GSC's Music Fest!

For more information on the show and reservations contact the Fine Arts Department at 462-7361, ext. 350 or the GSC Alumni Department at 462-7361, ext. 122. Tickets are \$10 per person.

### The Wheeling Symphony!



An evening with Rachael Worby, director of the Wheeling Symphony.

photo by Bonnie West

The Glenville State College Cultural Affairs Committee presents, once again, the magnificence of The Wheeling Symphony, under the direction of First Lady and Conductor Rachael Worby. The special guest of the performance will be Demareus Cooper, a native of Huntington. The symphony will perform in the Fine Arts Auditorium Tuesday, October 4, at 7 p.m.

For ticket reservations, call the Fine Arts Department at 462-7361, ext. 350 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. Don't delay-tickets are going fast! A Wheeling Symphony preview of selections and guest artists will appear in next week's issue of The Mercury.

### GAME ROOM TO HAVE NEW HOURS

The game room located in the basement of the Heflin Center is open for the new fall semester with new hours. The game room will now be open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday 5 p.m. till 10 p.m. A new selection of games are to be in sometime in the next week. Also, if popularity of the game room increases the concession stand will be reopened. Remember--if you would like to have a private party contact Jennifer Nottingham in the Student Services Office to reserve the game room.





### New Books for New Computer Lab | Career's Office Has

by Kris O. Phares

If you're a freshmen or one of those upper classmen that waited around to take the course computer science 101, you found yourself waiting outside room 100 of the Administration Building--a room that had no computers in it and buying a new book--a book that cost you \$46.50 (disks not included).

According to Marty Armentrout, division chair of the department of business, all the software used in the course was upgraded for the new computers in the computer lab. The division stayed with the same publishing company, but had to adopt a new textbook with corresponding instruction for the updated software. In the past the division tried to teach WordPerfect 5.1 with a text geared to WordPerfect 5.0 and had difficulties, so it was deemed necessary for the change in the text.

This new book, however had no data disks included as the previous text did. Armentrout stated that the new computer lab would have a computer network and file server. The lab will have one computer containing all the upgraded software, and students will be able to access any of the new software, DOS 6.0, WordPerfect 6.0, Lotus 1-2-3, dBase IV, from that computer. Therefore, no disks needed to be included with the text.

The new computer lab was to be completed for fall classes, but was delayed by paper work in Charleston, according to Armentrout. She commented that students should be in the lab "no later than the end of September." She quickly added "that's not carved in stone, anywhere."

Armentrout said that all

the members of the division were looking forward to having the new lab. She added that this lab was not only for the computer science 101 course, but would benefit the students in the fouryear programs.

The more advanced hardware in the new lab will have the capabilities to run more advanced software and integrate more technology for higher computer classes.

Sidney Jack, computer center director, stated the college now has "state-of-the-art computer technology." He added that the Nicholas County Center will receive 20 new personal computers to instruct computer science at that facility. Jack said that the college is in the process of purchasing a pentium server, which is upgradable to the top of the line alpha machine.

According to GSC business manager Robert Hardman, this new computer lab on the main campus has costed approximately \$73,079. This figure does not include the cost of any remodeling of two basement rooms of the Administration Building into one computer lab. Maintenance has painted and carpeted the lab, which is now awaiting the arrival of the computers.

Hardman said the delay has been in the processing of paperwork. He stated that a purchase of this magnitude had to be approved by the State Attorney General's Office in

Charleston. The first financial agreement prepared by Digital Financial Services was not approved by the attorney general, but after the agreement was revised, it was approved.

Delivery of the computers is expected to be within the next couple of weeks. Faculty and students are anxiously

anticipating the arrival of the new computers and access to the new computer lab.

### Accepting **Applications**

The FBI Honors Internship Program is accepting applications until November 1st. The program is similar to summer internships and cooperative education programs used by private industry and other Government agencies. The purpose of the Honors Internship Program is to expose outstanding students to the FBI and promote their future interest in positions as Special Agents or as technically trained support em-

To be eligible, you must have completed three years of college, have a 3.0 academic GPA and meet other requirements for FBI employment, including U.S. citizenship.

To apply: submit an application form and Applicant Background Survey, a copy of your transcript, a recent color photograph (2x2), a personal resume, a written recommendation from the dean or department chair, and a 500-word essay discussing your aspirations for participation in the Honor Internship Program. The Careers Office has application forms.

For additional information, contact the GSC Careers Office or call Deborah A. Simcho, Staffing Assistant, at the FBI office in Pittsburgh (412) 456-9279.

# **Materials For You**

by Brenda Peyser

Last spring almost 2,000 soon-to-be college graduates nationwide answered the question. "What are the biggest difficulties you face in the job search?" Many of them said similar things including:

"Knowing what to do and how to get started."

"Not knowing how to do a job search; where to look for or find job openings."

"Finding contacts to begin my search."

"Help in interviewing, writing a cover letter, writing a resume."

As the academic year begins, savvy students who want to overcome these difficulties and graduate with a job in hand will seek help in the Careers Office at 204-N Heflin Student Center. A recent survey of liberal arts majors shows that students who use the help of professionals in their job search are more likely to find the job they want, and jobs found through the career center typically pay more than those obtained through other sources.

Currently, the Careers Office is offering copies of the nation's premier, custom designed job-search publication, the Job Choices series of books published by the College Placement Council. More than 1.1 million copies of the books are used each year by students and alumni looking for jobs.

The first book in a series,

Planning Job Choices: 1995, is the "how-to" guide to employment. Articles explain every step of the job-search process, from choosing and planning a career to finding a graduate school. You'll read how to research companies to find the best fit with your interest; how to translate your work experience into skills employers value; and you'll get tips for making a winning impression at interviews. You'll learn how to choose your first job with your future in mind, successful strategies for your first year in your job, and hope to take your talents and skills to an international job market.

The other three books, Job Choices in Business, Job Choices in Science and Engineering, and Job Choices in Healthcare offer articles on career preparation key to the student's major. What is more, each book contains detailed descriptions of specific employers seeking college graduates. Descriptions include a variety of information such as the types of job opportunities available within a company, the company's various locations, typical benefits offered, and a name, address, or phone number for first contact with each

Copies of the Job Choices books are available from the Careers Office in the Student Heflin Center from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.



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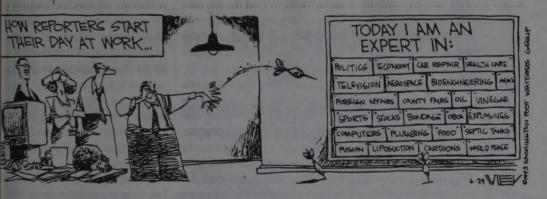
by Mark Parisi





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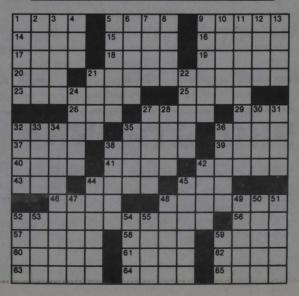
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### ROSSWORD PUZZLE



# **Fellowship Money for Future Graduate Study**

Students considering the continuation of their educational careers should look to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for a helpful hand.

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All programs require the submission of a fellowship application and completion of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). Students must have received their undergraduate de-

grees in a science or engineering discipline by August 1995. Selection is based on academic performance, recommendations, and a statement of career goals by the applicant.

Fellowship applications are being taken through January 31, and awards will be announced in April.

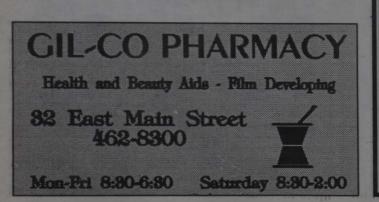
For applications or additional information, contact: Sandra Johnson or Marcia DeMarcus, ORISE Fellowship Programs, Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, Science/Engineering Education Division, P.O. Box 117, Oak Ridge, Tenn., 37831-0117, or call 1-800-569-7749.

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#### Attention Departments, Organizations, Readers

Deadlines for all copy, announcements and letters are one week before scheduled publication. This means that all copy, announcements, etc. for next week's issue are due in today. For the week after, the Thursday before that. If something comes up and you need inclusion, please call extension 290 and we may be able to work something out. Join the Mercury in making this a great year for GSC students!

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### Wesley Foundation Offers Fall Events

by Anne McCourt

I stopped by the Wesley Foundation today to ask the ever important question, "What are you guys doing this year?" Donna May looked up, smiled, and answered, "What aren't we doing?"

Donna, a 19 year old sophomore from Roane County, is the secretary, janitor, and all around fix-it person for the foundation.

If there is a question Donna can't answer, nobody can. Donna was busy planning the Blood Drive to take place the following day. So, I decided to ask my questions, get my answers, and get out of her hair.

The foundation has several things planned to take place all semester long. Every Tuesday

they have a free lunch from noon until 12:45 p.m., followed by chapel until 1:15 p.m.

On Thursdays they alternate Movies n' Munchies night with Board Games night. "It's a lot of fun, and a chance to get together," exclaimed Donna.

Today the foundation has a trip planned to go see "Carmen". If interested contact Donna. They are also making plans for a nationally known comedian to visit the campus next semester.

The foundation is located across from Pickens Hall. The game room in the basement of the Wesley Foundation is open every week day from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. and weekends when Donna is there. If you are ever in need of change, Donna is on

duty from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m

As of now the gamerous consists of ping-pong tables, VCR, and several boxes of boardgames. The foundation in the process of getting a contractor for video games.

Anyone with suggestion about what types of video game should contact Donna as soon a possible. According to Donna "We are trying to get Morta Kombat."

The front doors to the Wesley Foundation are always open and everyone is welcominside. Groups from the Scout to the Red Cross have been known to visit the foundation and everyone else is urged to do so as well. If you can not stop by, you can call at 462-7569 just ask for Donna.



