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Wolfman Entertains GSC in Ballroom



photo by Gene Breza

This wolf, one of two brought to GSC last week, is shown to the crowd.
See story page 3.

Miss Kanawhachen to be Crowned Monday

by Kanawhachen Staff

One of 10 GSC women, sponsored by a campus organization, will be crowned Miss Kanawhachen Monday evening at halftime of the Pioneers vs. Bluefield State game. Tip off is set for 7:30 p.m.

Voting for Miss Kanawhachen is being held in the Heflin Center lobby all this week during lunch and dinner hours. Voting for any contestant consists of a penny per vote, although not limited to that. This contest is being sponsored by *The Kanawhachen* yearbook staff as an organizational fundraiser.

Your voting contribution will enable members of the yearbook staff to provide you with the best quality yearbook for 1994-1995, as all donations go strictly into yearbook produc-

tion costs.

This year the 10 nominees represent many active campus groups. The nominees and their sponsors are: Debra Blake, Kappa Delta Pi; Patsy Buckles, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Athletic Trainers; Mary Grace Gainer, Delta Zeta sorority; Jolleen Harris, GSC Forestry Club; Alice Lattea, Phi Beta Lambda; Sammie Legg, Student Congress; Tracie Lloyd, Music Educators National Conference; Vickie Schultz, Ambassador's Program; Kacie van Dyne, Delta Zeta sorority; and Holly Wilkewitz, *Mercury*.

Once again, voting will be held this week in the Heflin Center lobby during lunch and dinner hours. Then, Monday night, one of these contestants will be your next Miss Kanawhachen.

The Future of Education is in the Air

by Jim Shock

For many, a college education has been the key to a successful future, now, the successful college must look toward the future for education. GSC is no exception.

A college education has been an elusive dream to many, a river of knowledge that many cannot cross because of, among other things, rural isolation. "Bridging the Gap" is a satellite program that hopes to do just that, connect those who wish to receive an education with those who can provide it.

GSC offered one such course last semester in criminal justice, with the promise of more to come in the future. Dr. Peterson, vice-president of academic affairs, supports the college's efforts to provide an education to anyone who wants one, regardless of their location. "The intent of the program was to deliver general studies courses at remote sites to make college more accessible."

However, GSC was not the pioneer of the project, according to Peterson the project was initiated in the late 1980's by West Virginia Graduate College. Currently, WVU has produced most of the instructional courses for Sat-Net, and "Bridging the Gap" using their instructors. However, criminal justice 399, which was offered last fall at GSC, originated from Marshall University.

There are numerous courses bouncing off of satellites, and each institution is responsible for selecting the courses they feel best fit their particular programs. Peterson explained, "The colleges are given an option, each year, of all of the courses that are going to be put up there by Sat-Net, and we have a decision to make whether we will participate."

The "we" referred to by Peterson are the division chairpersons. Ultimately, they will decide if the courses being offered are suitable to their individual programs. According to Peterson, "They make the decision as to whether or not we participate in this."

As anyone who has tried to transfer credits knows, the course is only as good as the institution from which it originated, in the case of "Bridging the Gap", that's WVU. Peterson assured me that student's wishing to attend GSC would, in fact, receive credit for their "Bridging the Gap" courses, regardless of where they were received. "They are transferable in the same sense that any course is transferable from West Virginia University to here."

Testing, via satellite, is not as difficult as one would imagine, as Dr. Peterson explained, "Each campus site has a facilitator to make sure that the room is available, the TV is turned on, that they're tuned to the right satellite, and administers any examinations that might be present."

An important aspect of a college education is the one-on-one exchange that takes place between students and professors. However impersonal, the satellite courses do provide a limited interpersonal, exchange between the two. "There's a two-way audio connection that's available, it's by telephone, and there will be periods during the course of the class in which there's a question and answer session after the formal broadcast is concluded."

If current trends in satellite education continue, could it mean the end of GSC? Not likely. In fact, Dr. Peterson hopes to transmit GSC courses to extension sites around the area in the future, "We're looking at

ways in which we might have a class with an instructor, and some students from Glenville, with some students in Summersville, and maybe some students from Weston, and have a class connected by way of television with two-way audio and video."

With technology providing one instructor for several courses, and less emphasis placed on classroom instruction, many professors may soon feel their educational roles diminishing. Dr. Peterson recognized this concern, "That's one of the logical conclusions you can come to." However, he quickly noted that wasn't the project's intent, "I think from the standpoint of what we're looking for we're trying to use the technology in areas where it is not feasible to have an instructor." He added, "We've got to arrive at some kind of a compromise whereby we don't take the human element out of education, and yet use the technology that's available to make it as widely accessible as possible." Peterson knows finding that compromise won't be an easy task, "It's going to be a difficult goal to achieve, but I think it's achievable."

Dr. Palm, chairman of the English/Language division, has concerns of his own regarding satellite courses, "We have to be careful not to lapse into a talking head approach." However he did concede the courses would be a suitable alternative in the event that GSC could not utilize internal faculty resources. As an example he noted GSC's lack of a foreign language instructor, in that case, "They're better than nothing." As for using instructors outside of GSC to teach the courses, Palm remarked, "We have people who are perfectly

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Commentary

Dear Editor,

We all know that parking is a problem on this campus, my concern stems from this "the administration is not willing to work with sound resolutions or others with good ideas to help rid this problem" problem. The

other day, I received a parking ticket for parking in a no parking zone. I realize that I deserved this ticket and the fact that I received it is not my problem. My problem stems from the fact that the other three cars, the same ones I parked beside in the morn-

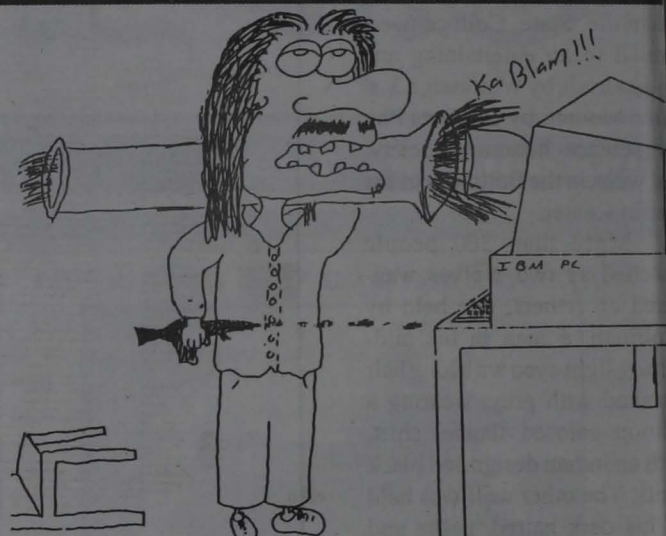
ing, received no tickets. These cars were parked just as illegally as I and yet their windshields remained clean. It seems that my truck was singled out and given a ticket. Now, why would anybody want to single me out? I have pictures for proof and I do believe that my good friends at the ACLU are going to be real interested in these as this is a form of harassment. If anyone else feels that they are being singled out, contact me and we can file a joint lawsuit. And a message for the powers that be, **DON'T RATTLE MY CAGE!** You may not like the animal you awaken.

John Park

Dear Editor and Students,
I am pleased with all of the students who have become interested in running for a Student Congress position. It seems that a lot of people are starting to adhere to the philosophy of enough is enough. I believe that my past actions prove where I stand. If you don't know me, ask around and I am sure that you will gain an ear full. I have been one of the most controversial people on this campus. The controversy in this case was not accepting what was told to me, but investigating for myself and standing up for my, as well as your, rights. My platform is a simple one. To put Student Congress where it belongs, back into the hands of the students. There will be no more resume padding allowed! Student Congress was started in 1970 for one main purpose, to protect students' rights. If you want your rights protected and your voice to be heard, vote for John Park for Vice-President. If you are concerned about next year's Homecoming theme, vote for someone else.

John Park

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Jeremy Dean, while writing *Conversational Green*.

In The Ditch

by Craig Mills

".....it was the winter of our despair, we had everything before us, we had nothing before us....."

--Charles Dickens, *A Tale of Two Cities*

"Don't eat the yellow snow."

--Frank Zappa

These two quotes have nothing to do with this column, except that it's winter and occasionally dreary and a 'slow news week'.....

Whoa! Did I say slow news week? Well, that all changed today, bubba. I was sitting in the snack bar with my friend, Eddie, quietly eating Moon Pies when the doors flew open and an entire pack of wolves entered.

An entire pack of wolves! I think they were on leashes or harnesses or something but, they were still very impressive. Eddie jumped like he'd been shot and immediately ran after them. "Come on," he squalled, "let's go pet the wolves!"

I was right in the middle of a Moon Pie, so I decided to wait a few minutes and maybe let the initial crowd die down. As I waited, I began to consider what a unique and special thing it was: Wolves in the Ballroom Day.

Are there any other colleges that have Wolves in the Ballroom Day? Big time Universities? Ivy League Schools? I sincerely doubt it.

I was feeling more and more proud of my school and the coolness of the whole event when Eddie came screaming into the room bleeding profusely from his hand.

"AAAAIIIIIEEEE! The damn thing bit me! I think it got an artery....Whose idea was it to bring these dangerous wild animals here? I'm gonna diiiiiiieeeee!" His entire body was convulsing wildly and blood was going in all directions.

As I frantically applied snack bar napkins to his wound, I was more angry than embarrassed. I knew that he probably never went near the wolves. He probably sliced his hand with his pocketknife in a twisted effort to sue the school. (He has a book entitled *Financial Independance Through Litigation*).

Nonetheless, I am a tireless friend. I managed to stop the bleeding and get him home before Campus Security came and beat the guts out of him (again).

Once home, he took a variety of drugs for "healing purposes." When I left he was laughing hysterically at his television, which was turned off.

By the time I got back to the ballroom the Wolves were gone. I slunked down to the Mercury office and wept openly. Slow news week! Yeah, right.

NEXT WEEK: Monster Trucks

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!

Conversational Green

by Jeremy Dean

Ahhh! The cool satisfaction of another week in da'ville. So, how are you all doing out there?

I guess I've been better. I went in the bathroom last Thursday and saw the same thing I see when walking in nearly every bathroom on campus. The urinal had not been flushed by the guy who used it last. I have no idea why guys don't flush urinals, they just don't I guess.

Consequently, I've gotten into a habit of flushing it before and after I use it. Well on this particular Thursday, when I did my pre-pee flush of the urinal, a big black cloud of gnats came flying up out of the thing. It was really disgusting.

Now you really don't think about this kind of thing until you find yourself one day looking at a swarm of killer gnats coming at you out of a urinal, but how long do you suppose something like that has to set there before it draws gnats? Hopefully not as long as I imagine.

At any rate, I don't think this is a very sanitary situation. I would like to, on behalf of the urinal flushing, gnat-hating portion of GSC's population, ask everyone who uses one to please flush the urinal when you're finished. Thank You.

As long as we're doing the bathroom report this week, I'd like to know the deal on the powdered soap in the cafeteria bathroom. You only need 12 pounds of it to get a bubble, and it feels really foul. I guess there's no reason to expect better, I mean we get instant mash potatoes on the inside and instant soap on the outside.

My final bathroom gripe is the stall doors in the LBH bathrooms, or the lack thereof. I don't know how it is at Pickens, but there are bathrooms in LBH that have toilets set out in the middle of the floor just like in prison movies. I like to put on a show as well as anyone, but not that kind of show. Don't act at all surprised about it either--you faculty people come through here on your maintenance checks and haven't paid those stall doors any attention for the two and a half years I've been here.

I doubt this article will do any more good than that cheap bulk rate sandpaper they call toilet paper does on a chapped bottom, but hopefully it will. We can always dream, can't we?

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Wolves Caught Nuzzling at GSC

Gene Breza

Students and faculty of Glenville State College were treated to an entertaining and in-depth talk by Wolfman, a.k.a. Mike Mellert, by Chi Beta Phi, the science honorary society, last week in the Ballroom of the Eflin Center.

More than 300 people watched as two wolves wandered on tethers, one held by Wolfman, a man in his mid-30s, light eyed with long hair streaked with grey, wearing a salmon colored flannel shirt, with an Indian design and black pants. The other wolf was held by his dark haired, petite and pretty daughter, while her blonde-haired toddler son wandered among the pair.

Mr. Mellert's mission was to dispel the fears and phobias long ingrained onto people, inherent in the European folk wisdom, (The wolf was once made synonymous with the devil himself.), and to acquaint us with the wolf, its habits and admirable traits. "One of the most misaligned creatures on the continent," Wolfman said.

He then introduced the audience to the two wolves he chose to bring with him because of their friendliness to strangers. The 150 lb. half-breed was the most friendly, poking his nose among the girls and guys in the first row who were anxious to pet him. The narrower built female was 98 percent wolf, she kept close to her human family. She had wilder eyes than the male and occasionally put her paws on the window ledge to look out upon the campus. Other times she would just relax on the floor and stare into space.

One of the myths dispelled by Mellert pertained to taxonomy. At one time, he said, there were 26 sub-species clas-



The Wolfman's daughter and grandson shows a wolf. photo by Gene Breza

sified on the continent. This he said, is erroneous, that essentially there is one wolf genetically, the difference lay in the habitats within which they must adapt. The only difference between a McKenzie Valley wolf and a Tundra wolf is the food supply, climate and terrain, which accounts for differences in appearance and behavior.

He went on to explain that the Tundra wolf is white because the trait is selected by nature. Over time the white becomes pure because the darker offspring are the most vulnerable becoming easy prey in the snow and ice of the far north. The lighter cubs survived so that when they bred they had a greater chance of having white cubs, reinforcing what would be in most habitats a recessive trait.

Many people fear that wolves will deplete the wild game populations. Mellert, a biologist, strives to dispel that notion. He stated that in the wild the prey determines the numbers of predators. When game is plentiful the predators populate, when game is scarce

the predators migrate or die out which is a form of natural control.

In addition he says, when food is scarce when wolves go into the breeding cycle, they have smaller litters. As hunters they are successful a small part of the time, around six percent. Which means 94 animals got away for the six killed. The trouble comes with animals that are bred to be docile such as sheep, goats and cattle who don't flee. He gave an example of high density wolf population, an island off of the coast of Alaska had 10 wolves per square mile. Normally they are one per 100 square miles.

Wolfman then compared dogs to wolves. Dogs which basically have the same genetic material as wolves as well as coyotes and foxes, have lost the ability to survive on their own.

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School Tuition And Fees Increase Again Nationally

High Price of Education Causes Rise In Student Borrowing

by the National Student News Service, Special to The Mercury

A recent study concludes that public college and university fees continued to climb last year, although at a slower rate than in previous years.

Tuitions for the Fall 1994 semester rose an average of 6.1 percent to \$2,590, compared to a 7.6 percent increase in 1993. The study, conducted by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), was based on data from 533 public, four-year institutions of higher education throughout the country.

But according to AASCU President James B. Appleberry, the news is not all good.

"Instead of basing funding priorities on the belief that educating citizens benefits the country as a whole, institutions and governments continue to transfer more of the cost of education to the students, questioning the original premise of public education," he said. "Education has come to be viewed as a 'consumer product' benefiting only the person who buys it."

Alex Weingarten, executive vice president of the Associated Students of the University of California, agreed with Appleberry.

"What concerns me more (than the cost increases) is that education is no longer the priority it once was," he said. "I don't think this is as bad as it's going to get."

California schools showed

the largest tuition increase in the country this year, a 15.3 percent hike from \$2,268 to \$2,614.

The study pointed to trends in student borrowing as evidence that fewer students than ever are able to afford higher education. According to the report, students now borrow four times as much as they receive in grants.

Fifteen years ago, students borrowed only two dollars for every one grant dollar received.

The AASCU study reported that public institutions have undertaken measures such as reducing time to graduation or levying surcharges on students who take more than a specified number of credits to fulfill degree requirements.

Some 34 percent of the institutions polled reported having vacant full-time faculty positions, and nearly 20 percent reported increases in class sizes.

"Universities have trimmed everywhere they can," according to Weingarten.

Any more cuts, he said, would likely affect the academic quality of public education.

Weingarten called on students to participate in the political process and demand more government funds for education.

"One of the benefits of public universities is that they're accessible. The more expensive they become, the less accessible they are to students who desperately deserve a first-class education," he said.

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Sports

Glenville goes 2-1 for the week

by Sean McAndrews

The Pioneers went 2-1 for games 19-21. Glenville won its two home contests and looked miserable on the road at West Virginia Wesleyan. This would be the first stretch of games that Steve Shuff did not lead the team in scoring, even though he did show up in other positive categories of the stat sheet. A player on the move up or stepping up as the season winds down is Fred Wilson. Wilson was named WVIAC Player of the Week for his fine performances at home versus West Virginia State and Salem-Teikyo. Well that's enough of an overview and on to the games.

GSC -WV STATE-- Game 19

Glenville State started off the new month with a win over WV State at home last Wednesday. The game was close throughout the first half, WV State would have a lead as big as six points before a Jeremy Rodda jumper would give the Pioneers the lead for good, 28-27 with 3:30 remaining, and spark a nine to two run for a 37-29 halftime lead.

The only excitement of the second half was watching Phil Wilson trash talk with the WV State players. State would get as close as nine, before the Pioneers would run the lead up to 19 and settle for the 16 point victory 82-66.

The hoopsters were lead by Fred Wilson with 17 points, Shuff with 14 points and Kenny Gross with 13 points. Gross would "snow up" in the rebounding category, leading the Pioneers with nine caroms, followed by Wilson with five rebounds. Shuff would share the wealth, leading the Pioneers with four assists, followed by Gross with three hand outs.

GSC-Salem-Teikyo-- Game 20

The Tigers from Salem-Teikyo came a calling last Saturday on a wintery frigid night not made for Tiger or Pioneer. The game would be a tale of two halves, the first controlled by the Pioneers and the second by Sa-



The Pioneers huddle before the game.

photo by Dave Sagan

lem-Teikyo's Antoine Hatcher.

The Tigers would jump out early, leading 4-0 and 7-6, before a Steve Shuff jumper would tie the game at eight. The half would be no closer, as the Pioneers would go outscore the Tigers 35-16, on six Pioneer long range three pointers and Fred Wilson, Eric Contee and Shuff scoring 34 of that 43 points to lead 43-24 at the break.

In the second half, Glenville State would need that cushion to hold off the two-time defending WVIAC Champs and their emotional leader Antoine Hatcher's 31 second half points, with six of the deepest three point shots in any league, to win this important game.

Salem-Teikyo would slowly get warm, cutting the 19 point GSC lead to 10 points on an ex-LSU star Randy Devall three pointer with 14:50 on the clock, 50-40. GSC's Fred Wilson would go on a barrage of his own, scoring eight of the next

10 points, to push the lead to 60-44 with a little over 10:30 remaining. Salem-Teikyo would go on an 11 to four run, ending with another Devall three pointer, to trail 55-64 with 7:20 showing on the clock. Wilson and Shuff would fire back to push the lead to 11 points, 70-59, at the 6:12 mark. The Pioneers would keep that 10 to 11 point cushion until Hatcher would heat up from long range, hitting four three pointers in the

last 4:19 to pull Salem-Teikyo within three, 85-88, with 16 ticks remaining on the clock. However, Wilson would ice the game a second later, hitting his sixth and seventh free throws of the night for the 90-86 victory.

The Pioneers were lead by Wilson with 30 points, Shuff with 25 points, and Contee with 15 points. Contee lead the rebounding with nine and Shuff and Jawayne Jenkins split 12 assists evenly.

GSC-WV Wesleyan-- Game 21

The Pioneer caravan traveled east on Route 33 Monday to Buckhannon to play the Bobcats of WV Wesleyan. The Bobcats were coming off a 16 point loss to the Falcons of Fairmont and the Pioneers off a four point win over Salem-Teikyo. The question would have to be, which team would show up to play, and the answer would not be Pioneers.

WV Wesleyan would jump out to a 14-4 lead on a pair of Jaime Stewart free throws with 12:14 remaining. Glenville would fight back to within two, 20-18, on a Jeff Brockell rebound and put back with 5:12 remaining. The rest of the half, and game, would be an ugly mess for the Pioneers. Unable to figure out the WV Wesleyan matchup zone or follow the game plan by Coach

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Lori Charnoplosky makes a needed assist.

photo by Dave Sagan

Lady Pioneers Struggle to find Wins Last Week

by Sean Davis

The GSC women's basketball team finished last week with an 0-4 record to drop their overall record to 4-19. The regular season is rapidly coming to a close, so positioning for the WVIAC Tournament becomes very important.

On Monday, January 30, the Lady Pioneers traveled to Elkins to play the Davis & Elkins Lady Senators. The women came up short on a 95-89 score. Pioneer guard Lori Charnoplosky led all scorers with 43 points.

For the game, Charnoplosky hit 29 of 36 foul shots, collected seven rebounds and six steals. Freshman guard Kimbra Hott scored 16 points and Marty Rose added 10 points in the loss.

On Tuesday, the women hosted WV State and the Lady Pioneers were dealt a 76-66 setback. The women placed four scorers in double figures. Rose and Hott led the scoring with 14 points a piece. Charnoplosky added 13 points while Christy Fitzwater scored 10 points, grabbed seven rebounds, and dished out 10 assists.

On Thursday, the women hosted the Concord College Lady Lions. The Pioneers led by seven at halftime, 37-30. But, they could not hold the lead as

they came up short on a 76-69 score. Charnoplosky was the team's leading scorer with 24 points. Tanisha Brown scored 14 points and had 10 rebounds.

On Monday, the Lady Pioneers came up on the losing end with a 69-64 score to the West Liberty Lady Toppers.

Brown led GSC with 19 points and 13 rebounds. Charnoplosky finished the game with 17 points and three steals. Fitzwater also finished with double figure scoring with 10 points and five assists.

The Lady Pioneers have three games left in the regular season schedule. On Saturday, they are on the road at WV Tech; Monday at Alderson Broaddus; and they finish the 1994-95 season at home hosting Bluefield State on February 15 for a 6 p.m. tip-off.

FCA

The regular huddle meeting of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes will be held February 14 at 8 p.m. Bryan Groves will be speaking on scriptures comparing the Christian life to an athletic competition.

Everyone is encouraged to attend. Best wishes to all the athletic teams this week as they train and compete. Phillipians 3:14

Panel is Critical of NCAA Eligibility Policies

by the National Student News Service, special to The Mercury

A panel of scholars has released a report that strongly criticizes the National Collegiate Athletic Association's (NCAA) initial eligibility rule, or Proposition 48, for excluding large numbers of minority, female and low income athletes who would have graduated if they had been allowed to enroll.

"According to the NCAA's own research, Prop. 48 eliminated 45 percent of African American students who would have graduated if they had been allowed to enroll. That compares with six percent of otherwise qualified white students who would have been ruled ineligible," said Dr. Peter Schonemann of Purdue University, who coordinated the report. Similar negative consequences are likely for members of other minority groups, women and low-income students."

The McIntosh Commission for Fair Play in Student-Athlete Admissions is the first outside group to analyze the NCAA's data. Both NCAA and McIntosh researchers agreed that the test score requirement of 700 on the SAT or 17 on the ACT college admissions tests is the primary cause of the negative impacts.

"Simply put, raising the test-score cut-off is not the same as improving academic standards," Schonemann said.

The McIntosh Commission uncovered documents demonstrating that the NCAA knew

of Prop. 48's negative impacts as far back as 1983. The study also showed that even more qualified minorities would be excluded if Proposition 16, which raises the SAT test score cut off to 900 for students with a 2.0 grade point average, goes into effect.

"It is unfair to exclude students who...would graduate simply to make the NCAA look like it is cracking down on the programs which exploit athletes," said Dr. Russell Gough, a professor of ethics at Pepperdine University. "Such a fundamentally-flawed proposal undermines academic integrity-even more so because this sport's bureaucracy is legislating a 'one-size-fits-all' policy for very diverse institutions."

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Nottingham, the Pioneers would trail by as many as 22 before taking the 19 point loss, 71-52.

The Pioneers were lead in scoring by Brockell with 13 points and Contee with 11 points. Brockell would also grab 11 rebounds and Contee with eight.

The Bobcats avenged their previous 19 point loss with a 19 point win. The Pioneer defense allowed the Bobcats to shoot 52 percent from the field and 50 percent from the arc. If the Pioneers don't step up, show up, and defensively stop some teams down the stretch run of the season, the chances of a WVIAC Championship will be slim to none and seeing the floor of the Civic Center just a dream.

AB Festival in April

Alderson-Broaddus College is sponsoring an international banquet and music festival to be held on Saturday, April 1 at 5:30 p.m. Tickets should be purchased in advance. For further information, call Fran LaFon, International Student Advisor at AB College at 457-6312.



Steve Shuff in action.

photo by Dave Sagan

Hot Scoring Shuff

by Debbie Johnson

Senior co-captain Steve Shuff, not only leads the Pioneers in scoring, but is ranked second in the conference in scoring also. Shuff is an emotional floor leader who makes Glenville State one of the tougher teams in the WVIAC this year.

Shuff hails from Ansted, West Virginia where he attended Midland Trail High School. At Midland Trail, Shuff played four years each in football, basketball, and baseball. He was named first team All-State in both football and basketball and honorable mention All-State in baseball. During his senior year of high school, Shuff helped lead his football and basketball teams to the state playoffs.

Shuff is majoring in resort area management and says, "One of the reasons I chose Glenville State was because after sitting out a year after high school, Coach Nottingham stayed in touch and showed a lot of interest." He added, "The small town atmosphere reminded me of home."

After graduation Shuff hopes to stay in the state and get involved with coaching and possibly counseling in the public

school system.

When asked what he learned here at GSC, Shuff replied, "I learned not to give up when things get tough. When you're having a hard time dealing with things, just continue to work hard and things will all work out in the end."

As for his outlook for the Pioneer basketball team, he says, "We started off playing well, but we hit a slump after Christmas break. Now we need to get back on track with everyone playing hard for every second in every game. Fairmont State is the top team right now. They are good, but not as good as Salem-Teikyo was last year, and they are not as dominating. If we all stick together and play hard, we'll do great!"

Shuff and the rest of the Pioneers will be traveling to Davis and Elkins on February 11, and will be home against Bluefield on February 13, the night Miss Kanawhachen will be crowned at halftime. The tournaments will begin February 20.

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Mercury Corrections

To Mercury, January 26, 1995-- In Wellness program article, B.J. Cavender was incorrectly identified as a certified trainer. Cavender is a certified aerobics instructor. Jennifer Nottingham, not Gary Nottingham, as was reported, is a member of the GSC Wellness Committee, as well as GSC representative on the state wellness council.

To Mercury, February 2, 1995-- In the committee/change article, it should have read state-wide requirements for core classes. Jolleen Harris and Vickie Schultz were incorrectly identified in the Kanawhachen caption. The Student Congress article incorrectly ran from page 6 to page 5, not from page 4 to page 5 as indicated in the text.



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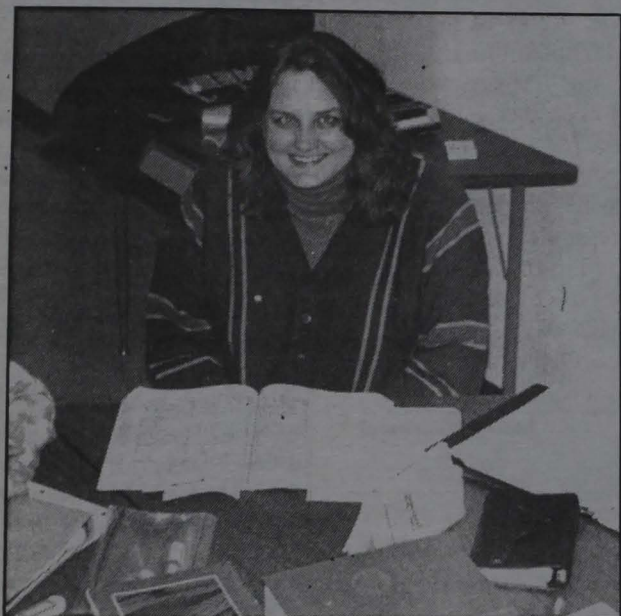
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On Campus



Sheila King

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King Teaches IEP

by Kris O. Phares

In January, Shelia King became the new instructor of the Intensive English Program here at GSC. This program involves teaching non-English speaking international students the English language.

King is a West Virginia native hailing from Birch River in Nicholas County. Her studies of foreign language included French studies at LaValle University in Quebec, Canada.

King holds a bachelor of arts degree in French from West Virginia University. In 1993, she received her masters degree in TESOL, which is Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, from WVU.

Before coming to GSC, King taught Spanish at the New Life Christian Academy in Nicholas County.

"I like working at GSC. It's a different environment than the high school, it's a more

disciplined environment," commented King.

This semester five students are enrolled in the IEP, four Japanese students and one from Ethiopia. "I like my students," said King with enthusiasm.

King teaches the students composition, grammar, speaking and listening skills so that they may pass the TOEFL, an English language certification exam.

King would like the American students to be more receptive to the international students. She said, "They don't know what to expect and they're shy."

"We need to show the best side of Americans, because what the foreign students know at GSC is what they take home," commented King.

King said voluntary "tutors" are needed. All these tutors do is talk with the international students to improve their English conversation skills. If you are interested and want more information contact Shelia King at ext. 211.

what they are for here is your answer.

Recycling has become a must in today's society and Glenville is no exception to this. Jack's Septic Service, Inc. has been "cracking down" on Gilmer

Faculty Spotlight On Debra R. Simon

by Carl G. Sears

Glenville State College is very fortunate indeed to have Debra Simon as a member of its faculty. Simon is an assistant professor of education and is the director of student teacherfield experiences, as well, for the education department at GSC. Simon is very active in many organizations, including AAUW, HEC and WVACTE.

Simon currently lives in Buckhannon with her family. Her husband, Rick, is a member of the Lewis County Board of Education and is the executive director of Tri County Clinic.

Simon has two sons, Bryan and Brad. Bryan is in his second year at West Point, and Brad is a junior at Lewis County High School.

Simon is in her fifth year as a professor at GSC. After graduating from GSC herself in 1975, Simon and her husband moved to many states including Mississippi and North Carolina, but Simon is glad to be back home. Simon said of the move back to WV, "It is the best move we made. I love it here!"

When asked why she is in this field, Simon says she always knew she would be a teacher. When Simon was in second grade, she had a teacher named Ms. Jane Phillips, who was to become Simons' role model. Simon says Phillips was a wonderful lady and that she looked up to her and wanted to model herself after Phillips. From that time on, she knew she would be a teacher.

Simon enjoys working with student teachers and finds this very rewarding. Simon says she strongly feels that being a teacher is the most important



Debra Simon

photo by Dave Sagan

job anyone could ever have.

Simon believes that no matter what other career you are in, the teacher is the most important, because they have to teach about those careers. "You are preparing and molding the future," says Simon.

In her spare time Simon enjoys reading and collecting antiques. Her favorite antique is an old Civil War field officer's desk. This particular desk has been passed down through many generations in her family, and Simon says that it is her family's treasure. Simon also enjoys collecting old toys.

Something that strongly upsets Simon is what she calls a "breakdown in society." Simon said, "It really bothers me that I feel I can't make a change. I guess that I should be happy with small changes, though."

It is very apparent that this problem makes Simon very sad, especially for the children. Simon says that if she could change anything it would be for

society to go back to the old fashioned values, where the family unit is the most vital part of society.

Simon has many goals for the future, the first of which is to complete her doctorate. Simon and her husband would like to possibly teach in a foreign country or on an Indian reservation in the future. Simon says that she just wants to do something different with her life.

Simon is very happy here at GSC, "GSC has the best students possible and is very fortunate to be such a small school."

What she really likes about this college is the connection professors are able to make with students. Each student can be viewed as an individual and not just a number. The only thing Simon could say she dislikes about GSC is the apparent parking problem.

Simon ended with, "I feel that Glenville State is on a very important mission, and I'm glad to be a part of it."

Recycling is a Must on GSC Campus

by Monica Null

If you have walked through the halls of any building on GSC's campus lately you probably noticed the blue trash cans with labels on them placed along the walls. If you are wondering

County residents lately by placing flags on trash that is not acceptable for recycling.

GSC does not have to worry as much about sorting trash as area residents do, as the custodians take care of the dirty

work for everyone. Trash containers have been placed throughout the campus for recyclables. Once the containers have been filled the custodians go to work. They must sort through the trash to remove la-

bels from the plastic containers for recycling.

According to Bob Matz, Custodian Supervisor, "Students need to put their trash in

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Announcements and Notices

Make Your Valentine's Day Special

Order a Valentine's Day cake from GSC Food Service and have it personalized for that special someone. The Food Service is offering heart shaped cakes in two sizes. Small cakes are \$3.50, medium cakes are \$5.50. Call 462-4108 or ext. 108 and place an order today.

Prospective Student Teachers Meeting

There will be a meeting for all Fall 1995 prospective students teachers in the Verona Maple Room Monday, February 20th, 4:30-6 p.m. All students must meet eligibility requirements to student teach. All paperwork will be distributed at the meeting. The deadline for making application for student teaching is March 1st.

Date Set For Faculty Golf Scrambler

The faculty golfscramblersponsored by the "Wellness Program" will be coordinated by Tim Carney and is scheduled to take place April 28th, 2 p.m. For more information, contact Janet James, ext. 281.

At The Pub

Mike Morningstar will play at The Pub this Friday night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Student Financial Aid Available In Many Forms At GSC

by The National Student News Service, special to The Mercury, and The Mercury Editorial Staff

So many financial aid programs are available to students that almost every family is eligible for at least some type of assistance. Deadlines, however, are coming up fast so it is important to turn in your Free Application for Federal Student Aid within the next week to the financial aid office. Do the research about the existing programs so that you can benefit from them.

Experts say just three percent of available financial aid is based on intelligence, athletic prowess, or artistic ability. "That three percent is probably based on the 19.8 percent of institutional aid given out," relayed August Kafer, director of financial aid, "but 71 percent of need-based financial aid is federal and state funded."

U.S. Department of Education officials encourage students to contact the financial aid administrator at each school they are interested in, as well as their state higher education agencies, to learn more.

All higher education agencies use the standard FAFSA, to process requests. This basic form gathers financial data to determine how much of the student's expenses a family can reasonably be expected to pay each year. "There is a lot less money out there than people think," Kafer stated.

"The only people who keep saying that there is so much money out there are the scholarship search companies that want eighty or ninety dollars to work for a student," he added.

Grants are financial aid that does not have to be paid back. Work-study programs let students work and earn money to help pay for school. Loans are borrowed money that must be repaid with interest. Government assistance to students, which make up about 71 percent of funds, can come from the following variety of sources: Federal Pell Grants to students, Federal Stafford Loans to students, federal PLUS loans to parents, Federal Perkins Loans, Federal Direct Student Loans, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG), Federal work-study (FWS), and assorted state, local and corporate funds.

Students with questions may call the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1 - 800-4-FEDAID. "Good Luck trying to get through on that number," Kafer wished.

Delta Zeta News

by Mary Elizabeth James

The Delta Zeta sorority held a formal meeting in the Verona Maple room on February 6, where we discussed formal rush. Formal rush will be the week of the 20th of this month at the Heflin Center. Delta Zeta encourages all women to stop by and check us out.

The sign-up dates are the 15th, 16th and the 17th. The cost of signing-up will be \$1. The formal party is the 19th. The rush parties will be Monday the 20th and Wednesday

the 22nd both at 6:30 p.m. There will be a Valentine party the 14th at 6 p.m. in the Verona Maple Room. Any questions call Angie Meadows at 462-5964 or contact and Delta Zeta sister.

We would like to thank everyone who bought tickets. There is still time to buy yours! The raffle is for \$50 in cash. The tickets are \$1 or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held at the Pioneer basketball game February 18th at halftime.

Good Luck Pioneers!

TKE News

by Tom Anderson

The members of Tau Kappa Epsilon International Fraternity held a meeting on Wednesday among topics discussed were the upcoming Ball Room Blitz which is being held February 22 in the Heflin Center Ball room from 8 until midnight. Featuring two live bands and admission is free. Also discussed was the annual TKE softball tournament being the weekend of April 29th and 30th, so be getting your team ready.

Recently TKE members took a ski trip to Timberline Ski

Resort and would like to announce the following. The Josh Barton ski school was a success. Tim Lynch was leading the best crash category until Jeff "Mad Man" Wagner hit the expect trail at the end of the day. Mike "camouflage" Queen looked like the warmest person on the slopes. Eric Goddard had the spectacular stop award. Tracy Dobbins received the getting off the lift door prize and Rhino won the long walk award.

The President's words of the week: "I can't see, my goggles are fogged-up".

Students In Free Enterprise Forming

Weat the Division of Business at Glenville State College would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the newest student organization on campus and extend to you an invitation to participate. Everyone is welcome—students, instructors and business leaders in the community. The first meeting will be held Tuesday, February 21, 12:30 p.m. in AB 102. This meeting will be informational in nature and a short video will be shown.

Students In Free Enterprise is a not-for-profit organization. The objective of SIFE is to teach other Americans of all ages a better understanding of how the free enterprise system works.

The SIFE goal is achieved through outreach projects which provide students the opportunity to teach others what they

have learned. Through this experience students gain a deeper knowledge of how the free enterprise system works.

This unique experience enables SIFE students to acquire stronger communication, team building, and management skills. Because of these skills many SIFE donors, such as AT&T, Hallmark Cards, Wal-Mart, Rubbermaid and GE actively recruit SIFE students for employment.

Competitions are conducted by SIFE Headquarters to give the student teams a forum to present their outreach programs to a panel of corporate executives and entrepreneurs who evaluate the effectiveness of the teams efforts. Winning teams gain national recognition that enhance the school's image.

Continuing Education Classes Offered

The Glenville State College Office of Continuing Education will offer an Introduction to Word Perfect class on Tuesday evenings, February 21-April 4 from 7-9 p.m. in the computer lab in Clark Hall. The cost is \$39. An Intermediate Word Perfect class will begin on Tuesdays, April 11-May 2 from 7-9 p.m. This class will be a more individualized course dealing with special projects. Jean Simers, a Glenville State graduate with 28 years professional secretary experience will be the instructor.

The cost of the four week intermediate class is \$29. For more information, contact the Office of Continuing Education at 462-4105.

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the correct places. There is a container marked for plastics, one for aluminum cans and another for regular trash."

The containers are located at convenient places throughout the campus, including Pickens Hall and Louis Bennett Hall.

Students may not be aware that GSC turns in these recyclables and keeps the money from them. This money earned from recycling is put into a general fund and is used to benefit the dorms and other projects on campus.

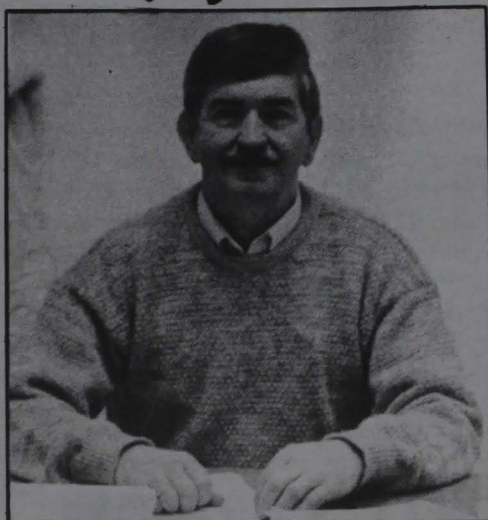
For those students living off campus, recycling can be a pain. There are so many guidelines that must be followed or else trash will not be picked up. Students living in dorms only have to place trash in proper containers that are maintained by the custodians

Recycling has become a must on campus and by following proper guidelines students can successfully do their part.

SIFE is not a student association, and it does not charge membership dues. It does, however, get students involved in economics, management, marketing and education. This organization gives students the chance to compete more effectively in today's world.

For further information, please contact Jenny Dawkins at 462-7361, ext. 344.

Arts & Entertainment



Charles Miller photo by Dave Sagan

Man with Golden Violin New Fine Arts Instructor

by Joni Rittenhouse

All students know that things change from year to year. People come and people go. As the new year opened in August, many of the students noticed an unfamiliar face on campus, and an old friendly face missing.

Mr. Charles Miller came to Glenville State to work in August, just as the new semester was upon the students. When found, he was calmly, diligently, working with some music. I approached him and asked how he felt about the 'ville. "I enjoy teaching here very much, and I look forward to a long association with the college and the music department," he replied.

Miller graduated from Clendenin High School in Kanawha County. He received his bachelor of science degree in music education from Morris Harvey College in Charleston—now known as the University of Charleston. He received his master of arts degree in education from Marshall University.

Jane Hobson and L. John Lambros were two of the influences in his education. Hobson was a very famous lady with a golden voice in her time, and Lambros was the concert master of the Charleston Symphony.

After graduation, he

taught for 12 years in Clendenin, teaching elementary and junior high school music classes. For 15 years Mr. Miller was the chorus director at Calhoun County High School with his wife at his side as his assistant.

He also performed for three years in the Navy band. While in the band, he played the clarinet and the saxophone.

Here, Mr. Miller teaches three classes: piano lab, strings and a music method class. Not only does he teach music majors, but he also molds the minds of elementary education majors.

Miller is busy passing on the knowledge he has gained between now and his first lesson in violin—the first day of his two years in college.

As for the piano, "I have attempted the piano since age six and I am still learning."

The one thing that identifies Miller, in his opinion, is his sense of humor. "It is very keen" he notes, and often jokes that he is "very serious about my sense of humor."

His philosophy of teaching is, "The more fun the learning experience is, the more you learn."

Mr. Miller is married to the former Twila Barnhart. The two reside in Calhoun County. They have two sons, Christopher, a chemical engineer in Tennessee, and David, who works as a buyer for a boating manufacturer in Florida.

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He explained that though the dog has a raised forehead and the wolf has hardly any, the wolf has a 20 percent greater brain mass. They have 1500 to 2000 lb. jaw pressure, far greater than that of even a pit bull.

The wolf, he says, is very good at survival. The tremendous jaw pressure plus very sharp senses enable wolves to defend themselves and catch prey. Their sense of smell is 1000 percent better than man. Their sight is also very keen. Mellert said you can work with a wolf while others in cages watch and when you bring the others out they will know what to do.

Wolfman went into detail, explaining the protective and structured social system of wolves. In a pack there is one dominant male and one dominant female, called alphas, by biologists. He said pack members use ritual bluffing to test one another and as a means of social climbing. It seems wolves are good at reading body language whether within the pack or testing prey for weakness though they are shy around strange wolves.

One wolf will nudge another to check its response. If they make eye contact and have a stare down, the alpha is being challenged for his/her position or a pack member is being admonished by an alpha. For this reason Wolfman warned the students in the audience not to make eye contact with full-blooded wolves. A low growl will set off a fight or send the admonished one scrambling. The alpha's rely on this social pressure to permit only the alpha female to breed to assure only the strongest and smartest genetic material is passed on. After a litter of cubs is born and weaned pack members will return from feeding on twenty to thirty pounds of meat (fresh meat, winter kill, road kill, rancid meat), the cubs will nip at the faces of the adults who regurgitate a portion of their meal. This helps the cubs with digestion by developing healthy

digestion micro-organisms.

Mr. Mellert said wolves will protect humans. He told of a time when a litter was with a toddler present. The boy began to crawl away, the she wolf thought he was hers, and dragged him back to the litter three times. (This reminds us of Remus and Romulus, the founders of Rome who were raised by wolves.) The wolves he said, think the humans they bond with are wolf. The critical time for bonding with wolfcubs is between four and 10 weeks of age.

Then they transfer affection easily, "I had a wolf that had his own cat," Mellert said. The bonding is permanent. "That wolf protected that cat wherever he went."

He related another instance when he was superintendent of Hawksnest State Park. He was having a problem earlier in the day with an intoxicated gentleman. In the evening he walked out to the parking lot with one of his wolf-crosses. To his amazement, the wolf began to growl deep and low sensing trouble more than one hundred feet away. When he approached the drunk's truck the dude came out swinging a baseball bat and the wolf jumped all over him.

The drunk said, "Sick him off

me!!!"

"I don't know how, I didn't sick him on you!" Wolfman replied.

The wolf has different howls for certain purposes. You must learn his language if you own one, or you may have some trouble. There is the location howl, a long howl which tells other wolves, "I'm here, are you there?" The 'call together' is a howl that starts out on a high note that lowers as it trails off. Then there is the growl of admonishment used to discipline. If you come to own a wolf you must become an alpha or a superalpha and use the low growl to keep him/her in line.

Wolves are being reintroduced into this country after being eradicated in the earlier part of this century from the lower 48 states, Red wolves into the Carolinas and Tennessee, and the Grey into Yellowstone Park most recently. It has been news, "one was killed on Monday in Yellowstone," said Mellert, shaking his head. Apparently a rancher thought it was threatening his cattle. The reason for re-introduction is simple . . . money, no spiritual value has yet been assigned to the forest let alone the creatures

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Six Sensational Selections from the Media Center for Valentine's Day

These and other media items are available for check-out from the Media Center located on the ground floor of the Robert F. Kidd Library.

1. VT 706 *Romeo and Juliet*--Shakespeare's renowned tragedy of two star-crossed lovers.
2. VT 947 *Cinderella*--This is Disney's version of classic fairy tale of love.
3. KIT 1400 *Holidays*--This kit explains the history of St. Valentine's Day and other holidays we celebrate.
4. REC 2792 *Sixteen Sonnets of William Shakespeare*--Share love sonnets and others with someone you love.
5. REC 5090 *Valentine Songs that Tickle Your Funny Bone*--This album has strange and unique songs to charm your Valentine.
6. VT 1217 *Taming of the Shrew*--Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton's passion takes over the screen in Shakespeare's comedy about love and marriage.

"Murder in the First" Escapes Audiences

by Jim Shock

When I went to see "Murder in the First," the courtroom drama based on the actual events that led to the closing of Alcatraz, the infamous island prison, the theatre was empty. That's never a good sign, but I assumed the weather had something to do with it. After the movie, I understood why.

The story itself is engaging, more so because it's inspired by truth, but the brutality of it makes it difficult to endure for two hours. Alcatraz, as the confining setting for most of the film, does little to brighten this dark story. No amount of paint or lighting can make it a cheery place, and by the end of the movie I felt so claustrophobic that I longed for the expanse of the parking lot.

Director Marc Rocco did little to help; his dizzying camera movements up, down, around and through the prison bars, made me nauseous.

Although the prison seemed to be the real star of the movie, much praise goes to Kevin Bacon's performance, as the tortured Henri Young. Young was sent to Alcatraz when the government needed bodies in the cells to justify keeping the expensive jail open.

Since there was a shortage of truly dangerous criminals (if

you can even imagine that today), Young, a first-time offender, was transferred from another prison where he had been serving time for stealing \$5 from a post office. Robbing a post office, being a federal offense, was justification for his transfer.

In 1938, when Young is caught during an unsuccessful escape attempt, he is sentenced to solitary confinement for three years. During his isolation he is brutalized beyond human endurance by the assistant warden, played by the always devilish Gary Oldman. These scenes are graphically horrifying. Young emerges from solitary a crazed, and broken man.

When he kills the man who squealed on him with a spoon, yes, a spoon, he is put on trial for murder. Christian Slater plays James Stamphill, the public defender assigned to the case. Stamphill, instead, puts the prison on trial for creating a killer in Young. I, along with Young, was glad to finally get out of Alcatraz, and into the courtroom. Unfortunately, the courtroom scenes lack any suspense, or surprise. Since the case is well-documented, and the prison is no longer open, the whole thing is very anti-climatic.

Those of you who accept

Cricket from "The Young and the Restless" as a capable attorney (after one semester of law school) will probably be convinced by Slater's performance, but there is more to the job than wearing the right suit.

Slater lacked the seriousness to garner my concern. His mischievous look seemed out of place. As I watched him smirk around the courtroom, he reminded me of any number of unconvincing Generation X characters who portray the corporate world as if it were a fashion runway in Paris. "Melrose Place" is a prime example.

Even Bacon loses steam in the courtroom scenes. He rocks back and forth in his seat like a second grader in the principal's office. Oldman is the only one whose ominous presence brings believability to his, both in and out of Alcatraz. Bacon and Slater, though fine actors, are upstaged by Oldman even when he does little more than walk.

As if the preceding misery were not enough, the film's ending, though happy considering the circumstances, is hardly inspirational. I agree that it was a story that needed to be told, but it could have been told a lot better. From the number in attendance when I saw it, I'd say audiences agree.

Third Annual Literature Symposium for Undergraduate Students to be Held

What is a symposium? It's a conference where opinions and essays on a topic are shared. If you are interested in advanced literature study or if you plan to study literature in graduate school, you should experience a literature symposium.

On Saturday, February 18, West Virginia University is

sponsoring a literature symposium in which the presenters are undergraduate students from across West Virginia.

You can attend this conference for a fee of \$5. The conference will include: hearing 12 student essays on authors like Flannery O'Connor and Toni Morrison; a keynote ad-

dress by Dr. Brian McHale, Eberly Distinguished Professor of American Literature from WVU; refreshments; luncheon; and a free ride to and from the WVU campus.

If you want more information, call Mrs. Burkowski or the English/language division at extension 211.

Rally Against Violence to Be Held

A massive rally will be held in Washington, D.C. on April 9, to give unprecedented visibility to the broad-based commitment to ending violence against women.

The rally will give voice to the victims of and survivors of violence in the many forms that effect women. The Rally, combined with a viewing of the Clothesline Project, a very moving tribute to the women who have been killed, or have suffered battery, sexual assault, or childhood abuse, is a length

of clothesline that stretches on and on to hold thousands of shirts, each individually made by a survivor or friend of a survivor, will send a powerful message to public officials everywhere and inspire individuals to take action toward ending the violence.

For more information, you can attend the next meeting of Lewis/Upshur NOW on February 28 at the Main Street Cafe in Buckhannon, or call Liz at 269-5871. Busses will be leaving Morgantown at a cost of \$30 per seat. Scholarships are available.

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Nelson Mandela, the Man Behind the Movement

In Celebration of Black History Month

by Annie McCourt

"The struggle is my life," Nelson Mandela wrote June 26, 1961 while underground. "I will continue fighting for freedom for the rest of my days."

Mandela, born Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, (Rolihlahla meaning to stir up trouble, a very appropriate name) was born to Henry Gadla Mandela, and his fourth wife Nongaphi, to the royal family of Thembu, at Qunu near Umata, the capital city of the Transkei reserve. His early years were spent helping with the farming and dreaming of becoming a famous lawyer like his cousin, the Paramount Chief.

Nelson attended the Methodist Mission School where the other children laughed at him because he had to wear his father's old cast-off trousers, but his hunger for knowledge was so great that he continued on to Fort Hare College where he worked toward a BA degree. During his third year he was suspended for helping to organize a boycott of the Students' Representative Council after it had been deprived of its powers by the authorities. He returned to the Transkei, but when he got there he realized a marriage was being arranged for him and he fled to Johannesburg.

When Mandela travelled to Johannesburg he was not alone. He was one among thousands fleeing to the city in search of their dreams. When he got there he quickly realized that the native blacks were not part of the luxurious suburbs, but were forced into shanty-towns without water, paved roads and electricity. These were the facts of life for black Africans, and this in a sense, sparked Mandela's political awakening.

The first thing on his mind was to find a job, he received one with the Crown Mines, but one of the Transkei Chieftain's aids found him and he had to flee. Mandela found a room in Alexandra where he was introduced to Walter Sisulu, who

later became a remarkable friend, and gave him a job with his small-estate company. Mandela helped to sell the few pieces of land the blacks were still allowed to purchase.

Mandela had his first experience working for and with whites at this time. He soon married Evelyn Ntoko Mase, a nurse at City Deep Mine Hospital. It was hard for Mandela to study and work, and he was urged not to get involved with politics, but he was already beginning to think of himself as an African nationalist and not a Thembu any longer, and soon he was attracted to the African National Congress, the most enduring and consistent of black political organizations.

In 1942 the ANC experienced a period of decline when some of its members left to form the African Democratic Party, but Mandela stayed to push the ideals that would activate congress.

"We were never really young," Oliver Tambo, one of Mandela's peers, said of those days, "There were no dances, hardly a cinema, but meetings, discussions, every night, every weekend."

Mandela became part of the Youth League which would become the backbone of the ANC, making it a fierce, power-station to combat African native oppression. The ANC Youth League issued a manifesto in March of 1944 in which they stated it was time for Africa to "struggle for development, progress, and national liberation so as to occupy their rightful and honorable place among nations of the world." This was their first proclamation of action.

World War II opened up a vast area of trade and industrial expansion for South Africa, but in 1948 the Afrikaner Nationalist government came to power, bringing with it the policy of apartheid, under which drastic laws were passed to separate and subjugate the black population. It was during this time that

Mandela received his political education.

In 1952 Mandela was appointed volunteer-in-chief of the Defiance Campaign, a surge of protest all over the country against unjust laws. Men and women all courted imprisonment. In all, 8,500 people went to jail before the legislation ended the campaign. Mandela was charged and convicted and given a nine-month suspended sentence. This was his first, but definitely not his last brush with the law.

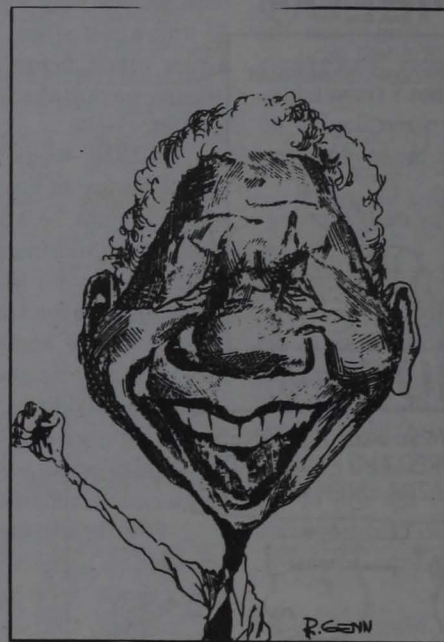
During the same year Mandela was elected president of the ANC; and a ban order was issued prohibiting him from speaking to gatherings. In 1953 the ban was reissued for two years, and added that Mandela had to resign from the ANC. "I was made, by the law, a criminal, not because of what I had done, but because of what I had stood for," Mandela stated.

His first marriage having broken up, Mandela married Nomsamo Winnie Mandela in 1958, the woman he would spend the rest of his life with, the woman who would stand by him, even after he went to jail for treason.

In 1964 Mandela and several of his ANC comrades, including Walter Sisulu, were sentenced to life imprisonment on Robben Island, South Africa's Alcatraz. Mandela never thought that life in prison meant that he would die behind bars, and he never gave up hope for his people. Even in jail Mandela never gave up fighting for freedom, "It is an ideal I hope to live for and achieve, but it is an ideal for which I am prepared to die."

Mandela spent 27 years in prison, and while he was there, he started writing the book "Long Walk to Freedom" on smuggled paper in 1975, a recount of what life meant to political prisoners in South Africa.

When Mandela was released from prison in February of 1990, he was a mature man, ready to lead the country to a



A famous caricature of Nelson Mandela by artist R. Genn, reprinted from U.S. News and World Report (c. 1995).

nonracial democracy. He became South Africa's first democratically elected president, and now resides for six months of the year in a stately house in Cap Town, ten miles from the prison that stole 27 years of his life.

For more information on Nelson Mandela, the Robert F. Kidd Library has the following books to offer: "Nelson Mandela," by Mary Benson; and "The Struggle is My Life," by Nelson Mandela.

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who live in them!! The parks are counting on an increase in tourist numbers to increase revenues—tourists who think they have a chance to get a glimpse of a wolf in the wild.

One of Wolfman's beefs with the Department of Natural Resources is the fact that he cannot get an importation permit for full-blooded wolves. Although, you can get a permit to import elephants, gorillas, or jaguars. He cited Article 20, Chapter 11, of the West Virginia code.

A person in the audience asked Mellert if it was true that the DNR was releasing wolves and coyotes into the state. "Not true," said he, adding, "coyotes are now in the state and moving east at a rate of ten miles a year."

Another fellow asked about a kill in the Coberly area. Wolfman seemed to think it was an Alaskan Malamut, adding that its forehead was too high. When asked whether he thought raising wolves had changed his behavior, "I don't think so, but

my friends seem to think I've changed."

The Wolfman, a.k.a. Mike Mellert, raises wolves and sells cubs that are three-fourths wolf. He uses Alaskan Malamuts to breed his wolves which originally bred by Indians from wolves. He gets \$350 a cub. He keeps five adults in kennels. He works in co-operation with West Virginia State College, which is near his home. He doesn't let them run free for fear of the liability on one hand, and the cost to replace an adult on the other, which he estimates to be \$1200.

The big male half breed proceeded to water the floor, marking Glenville State as his territory. He proved the floor in the Ballroom was level. Walking over to a small blue cooler, Wolfman went on with his mission, pulling out pieces of raw meat. He offered both animals a piece saying, "Raw meat does not make an animal wild, that's a fallacy," as he put his fingers in the male's mouth with some meat to prove it!

The Funnies

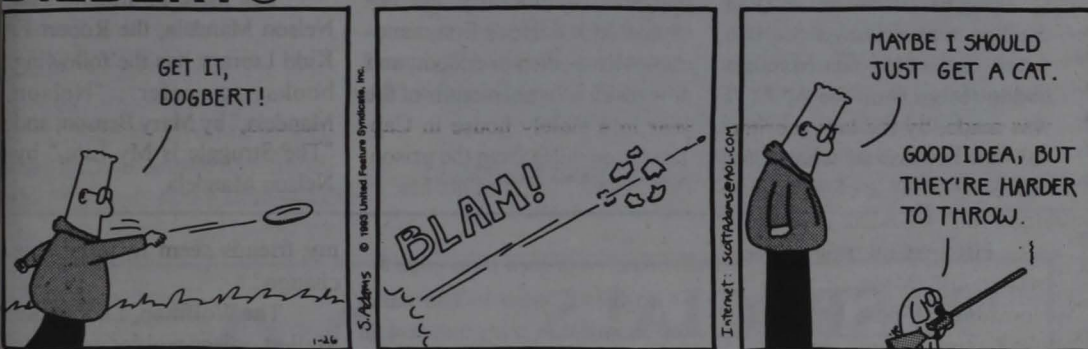
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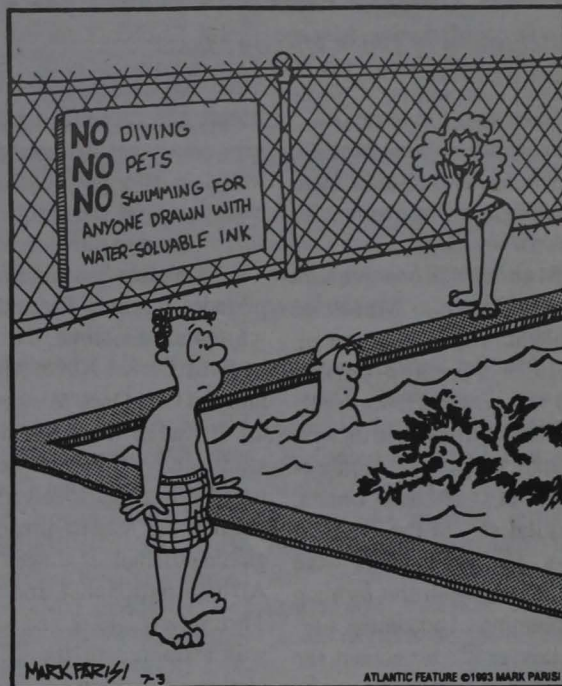


WITCH OF MISERY



off the mark

by Mark Parisi



Cracked Cymbals by Michael A. Slayton



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well qualified here."

Ms. Yvonne King, assistant professor of journalism and English, noted the limitations of satellite technology, "There are so many courses that could not be taught on that bases, like laboratory sciences, you'd have people blowing up there houses." Controversy over technology replacing teachers is nothing new to King, "Way back when I first started teaching they were talking about teacher machines, and I felt the same way then as I do now, the human element is still needed, whether it's to grade or provide experience."

Mr. Wayne DeRossett, associate professor of English, was concerned about the lack of intimacy in the electronic class-

room, "I like the interaction between my students and me, that's one of the reasons I teach." DeRossett, though cautious, acknowledged the potential benefits of the satellite program, "Certainly there are a number of positive things that can happen in the electronic classroom." However, there was one element of his job he clearly felt could not be replaced, "It's the joy of teaching, sharing information immediately with students."

Satellite technology has become more affordable than ever, and with the increasing number of college courses being offered through the airways, a college education is within reach of almost anyone who wants one. GSC, it seems, is committed to providing it, regardless of where they live.

Pioneer Senior Awards Banquet

Sunday, February 12, the Glenville State Pioneer football team will hold its annual Senior Awards Banquet in the Hefflin Center Ballroom at 2 p.m.

The banquet will honor seniors and the entire 1994 Pioneer team for having back-to-back WVIAC Championships and National Playoff appearances.

The banquet is open to the public and its \$10 admission includes dinner and viewing of the 1994 Pioneer football highlight film. Tickets are available through the athletic department by calling 462-7361, ext. 102.

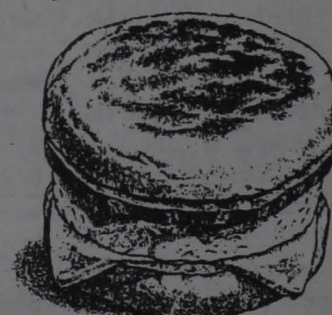
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