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Glenville State College

Pioneering into the 21st Century -One page at a time!

## Legislature Designates Changes to West Virginia State Colleges

by Jeremy Dean

President Simmons held meetings with both faculty and classified staff Tuesday to announce legislative changes in the status and function of the state funded colleges in West Virginia. Two resolutions have reached the state house floor. and one resolution is on the floor of the state senate. Dr. Simmons also discussed the Governor Caperton's higher education bill.

House Joint Resolution 11 will make it possible for college employees to run for state legislature. This bill has been presented in the past, but has so far gotten nowhere. Also before the house is Resolution 2440 which, if passed will give librarians with MA degrees eligibility for tenure.

Senate Resolution 368 would allow unused sick leave and annual leave to be used toward retirement eligibility, or insurance premiums. This will give teachers on the college level the same benefit public school teachers have had for years.

The real meat of the talk was about the governor's higher education bill, which Dr. Simmons has been involved with, in the planning stages.

The bill emphasizes change in four areas for state colleges: Quality, Access, Flexibility, and Relocation of Resources. Glenville State College has already completed a plan for many of these changes.

his confidence in the quality of tion. The higher education bill says that students must be prepared to compete in a global this area is that, due to a lack of

economy."

To comply with this, GSC in the near future will be raising entrance requirements and admission standards. There will also be more testing of students before graduation, as well as follow up on graduate employment to see the quality of student GSC is producing.

Faculty will also have higher credentials in the future. More teachers with doctorates will be hired to ensure a quality for the students. Also, for programs requiring accreditation, the highest national accreditation will be sought.

The bill will enhance the accessibility of a college education to all those who need it. To do this GSC administration will be going to local employers to assess their needs so GSC graduates will be prepared to meet

There is also a plan underway on the state level that will, by the year 1997, make it possible for any student to receive up to 32 credit hours of general studies courses in their own communities. By the year 2000, the same students will be able to receive an associate in arts degree. This will be done through telecommunications and correspondence classes. In addition, all credit hours will be fully transferrable to any institution in the state. By 2001, there should be two BA degrees offered by telecommunication.

Flexibility is a major prob-Dr. Simmons expressed lem because, due to paper work, colleges can not respond fast a GSC education, but said, "we enough to meet the changing can not rely on a past reputa- needs of the communities they

One of the components of

technical education, students will be possibly required to own or lease a computer as soon as the fall semester of 1996. All institutions would be implementing this, because in a global economy no one can afford to be computer illiterate.

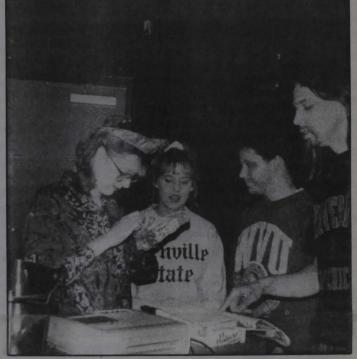
Citizenship classes will be added to the general studies curriculum also. These classes consist of classroom sources, as well as community service

One of the more complex aspects of flexibility is the separation of community colleges from the state college and university system. They will become their own economic entities, each one with its own dean. This will make it difficult to combine state and community colleges, but the community colleges will have a much clearer identity.

Glenville State College has been dealt a \$700,000 relocation of resources to meet the State mandated staff/faculty pay raises and programming changes. This will have to be accomplished by dropping programs from the curriculum, and relocation of classified and faculty employee's resources. In other words cutbacks. There will be fewer faculty and staff members at GSC, but Dr. Simmons say they will be quality, needed people. For those faculty members who retain their jobs the pay will increase, but they will be working harder with more class loads.

Program cuts will also be made. The programs that will be cut out are ones with very few people in them, and with a history of low attendance. Also

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Backstage, members of "The Three Musketeers make final preparations

#### Children's Theater Scores with 'Musketeers' Show

by David Graham

Glenville State College's theater organization, Alpha Psi Omega, entertained a house full of local elementary schools in their new children's theater production. The play, "The Three Musketeers" has sword fights, leaps and action to satisfy any young theater lover.

"The Three Musketeers," adapted by Brian Way, was directed by Keith Miller and Darek Igo who also has supporting roles in the production. The play, which starts in the present time and magically transforms into the day of swords, honor, and duels (France, 1637).

I found the play clever and very suitable for the target age group. The play had enough action to hold the interest of all in attendance and occasionally slipped an important message to the students.

Apparently Jamie Atkins (D'Artagnan) has a reservoir of inexhaustible energy and this time his antics were on the mark providing energetic action with the occasional buffoonery that charmed the young audience.

His friends: Athos (Patrick Graham), Porthos (Heath Hershberger), Aramis (Chris Kenna) were all satisfying, especially the elastic Heath Hershberger who played his role with style.

The ensemble was consistent and helped polish the show. All of the technical aspects of the show were more than satisfactory

I feel that in whole the show was good for the age group who attended and in comparison to children's theater in the past the show was an improvement. I know the show will be a success on the road.

## Commentary

## In The Ditch

by Craig Mills

This week I'm cracking open the old In The Ditch mailbag. It's chock full of questions, suggestions, and some downright creepy letters some of which I will share with you:

Is Crazy Eddie a real dude?

This was a pretty popular question. Yes, Eddie is real. He lives in Sand Fork. He's pretty reclusive and weird. I'd tell you more about him, but he doesn't like being mentioned in the column because... well, it's hard to explain. I called him up and read him this question. He replied "Dude? Dude? What kinda surfer-hippie crap is that? Quit writin' about me and don't call me 'dude'."

The more I think about it, this question bothers me, too. I am a Professional Journalist; everything I write is True and Accurate.

Why does Go-Mart sell sandwiches that are over ten hours old? Why do people buy them?

I'm not, personally, familiar with Go-Mart's sandwich policy or their high-tech refrigerator/suspended animation machine. But, I am a regular customer and I cannot truly express the security I feel knowing that anytime, day or night, (with me it's usually 3 or 4 a.m.) I can walk down the street and buy (pick one: an Enquire, Spam, Chapstick, motor oil, White-Out, Yoo-hoo, Ritz bits, duct tape, lottery tickets, or Alcohol.) And to answer the second question: Their sandwiches are damn good at any age.

I received another letter concerning Go-Mart. It said,

"More Go-Mart!! Tour Go-Mart!!" I'm no handwriting expert, but it was obviously the work of a contorted mind.

What are your ten rules of Life?

This is a weird question, but I'll do my best. 1) Make sure the Emergency brake is released.

2) Don't ever let the tip of the chainsaw bar hit anything while you're sawing (It could cause kickback.) 3) Never believe any of the following phrases: "Got five (ten, twenty) dollars? I'll pay ya back next time I see ya."; "I went to high school with this guy, he could run a 4.2 forty, he could bench 450 and..."; "I'm not drunk, man, I'm just buzzin"

4) Don't start large writing assignments until the night before (the pressure will help you with ideas and focus your work.)
5) Never allow your roommate to spraypaint things in the house.
6) If you must steal road signs, please take non-vital signs (such as 'Welcome to Glenville') and leave the vital (Stop, Dangerous Curve) ones.

7) For style and security, those wallet chains can't be beat.
8) Watching all six *Planet of the Apes* movies counts for three hours of Sociology electives. 9) If you write a newspaper column, make sure it has *substance* and attacks the *vital issues*. 10) It never hurts to use a little profanity.

How did Crazy Eddie get his name?

The one incident that stands out in my mind was when, in front of several witnesses, he strained rubbing alcohol through a loaf of bread and drank it.

Next Week: Monster Trucks!

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Dear Editors,

Before anyone begins to toss sour grapes, I am writing this prior to the outcome of the election. I would like to know when *The Mercury* began supporting candidates for Student Congress President. As I looked through the February 16 issue of *The Mercury*, I noticed a new feature in our "student" newspaper--the "Candidate Profile."

At first glance, I though this was a great idea. Immediately after that thought, my mind began to grasp the seriousness of the situation. I realized that this issue would be the last one before the election. Not only that, but instead of all three candidates for Student Congress President being profiled, only one was. Amazingly enough, the candidate that was profiled also happens to work for *The Mercury*.

The Mercury has an obligation to present equal coverage to all candidates in the race. Thanks to your SLOPPY journalism, the playing field in this race is no longer level. In future election coverage, I hope you employ some code of ethics. All candidates deserve a profile (before the election), even O.J. is going to get a chance to give his side of the story.

If The Mercury is going to support a certain candidate for Student Congress, at least have the ethics to express their endorsement in an editorial rather than a feature story. I say this only because the students' money helps to support the newspaper. That being the case, we, the student body, should have a say in how our "campaign contributions" are being used.

David Rich Editor's Response:

Dear Mr. Rich:

Our goal is to be like a professional publication; we try to run this staff as best as we can. Granted, this is not always achieved, but we do strive for this.

With that in mind, it is not uncommon for newspapers across the country to adopt a political platform, or support a candidate. This is an ethical

#### **Conversational Green**

by Jeremy Dean

Hey out there! How are you? Wasn't that a terrible picture of me in the last *Mercury*? Sorry, I'm not very photogenic. I guess you all will have to love me for my writing and not my good looks.

I was glad to see the word puzzle in the paper last week. I've always thought a paper without a word puzzle was kind of naked I never actually work them though, I guess I just like the to know I could if I wanted to.

I go into the cafeteria last week, and head straight for the cereal section, like I do almost every day at dinner. When I reach the counter I find to my great dissatisfaction, none of the really fabulous granola cereal I've grown so fond of.

At first I was really aggravated with one of you people out there, but then I realized that you probably just didn't know the cafeteria rule like I, a seasoned upper-classperson. So no one else violates this rule, I'm going to print it here in the paper for everyone to see.

If you like something they serve in the cafeteria, don't tell anyone. Don't smile while you're eating it. In fact, if you can, and a food service employee is nearby, complain about how much you hate it loud and boisterously. Let me make this simple, the more you like something the less they serve it.

I knew I was in trouble when, way back when I was a freshman, I say this big truck pull up in front of the cafeteria that had written on the side, in big, bold, proud letters, Brown Food. I don't know if that is still the folks that GSC cafeteria buys their food from, and at this point it doesn't matter anyway.

They sent out those surveys last semester asking us what we wanted to eat. On my survey I put blueberry pancakes and Alpha-Bit's cereal. That is all I want in the world. They served blueberry pancakes one time, to my knowledge last semester, and I've never seen Alpha-Bit's cereal in there ever, and now the one joy of my day, my beloved granola cereal is gone.

Please, bring back my cereal. I'll starve to death without it.

practice of such local papers as The Charleston Daily Mail and national papers as The Washington Post and The Washington Times.

So, we do not know where you received your second-hand journalistic information from, but we assure you in no way did we participate in sloppy journalism.

True, we have an obligation to the student body, and that obligation is to print accurate news. Nowhere in our obligation does it require us to track down political candidates and ask them to put contributions in the newspaper.

For example, Joshua Bonnett's campaign approached us with his advertisement, which we gave him at a reduced rate. Mrs. Gibson, on her own iniative, submitted the contribution of Jeremy Dean's profile. It is not our fault that your campaign chose to ignore us.

We believed, honestly,

from your platform, "I haven't put any posters up supporting my campaign, I do not feel that posters alone do the student body justice" that you had minimal interest in public advertisements supporting your campaign, and thus we wouldn't be receiving contributions from your campaign. We did fulfill our obligation, as outlined in the student handbook, of printing every platform we received. From that point on, it is up to the campaign to be an initiator. We would have openly welcomed any contributions supporting your campaign if approached.

So, there has not been a breach of the "code of ethics" as you suggest. Rather, we feel we were fair to each candidate. And, in further campaigns, we hope you would consider us for advertisements or stories, as we would welcome you and any other student of GSC to do so.

David Graham

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#### President Clinton Announces Plan For Students

The National Students News ervice, Special to The Mercury

White House officials last reek unveiled President linton's plan to protect higher ducation under his proposed hiddle Class Bill of Rights.

In a conference call Janury 25, Dr. Joseph Duffey, disctor of the U.S. Information agency and past president of he American University in Vashington, D.C., emphasized everal goals outlined by the resident in his State of the Jnion address, including deficit eductions, tax breaks to families with children in college, and protection of student loans.

The Republican Contract with America calls for elimination of in-school interest subsilies on student loans, and many student leaders have opposed the dea.

"I think that loans as a part of paying for college are an institution that is here to stay in America, " Duffey said. "You're nvesting in your future with a

Clinton has proposed that all tuition for college, community college, graduate school, professional school, vocational education or worker retraining after high school be fully tax deductible up to \$10,000 a year for families making up to \$120,000 annually.

"I see more people being encouraged to go to college under this plan," Duffey said. "There is more training, more students are coming out of college, more are going to grad school, or many are going back to school."

The Republican Congress has targeted cuts to such federal student-aid programs as Pell Grants, Work-Study programs and need-based loans in order to trim the national deficit.

Rep. John Kasich (R-Ohio), an author of the Republican Contract with America, has released budget proposals that clearly terminate all campus-based student aid programs, saving the government an estimated \$2.87-billion.

"The President's commitment has been not to let that happen," Duffey said. "We are trying to encourage investment and training, to protect those in the under-class. We won't be playing one income level against another."

In December, Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen said that public college costs made up 11 percent of family incomes in 1980, and private college costs were 26 percent. By 1992, those numbers had jumped to 15 percent for public schools, and 40 percent for private schools.

"They just can't hump that, middle-income folks," Bentsen said. "And that's what we're providing for in assisting in this educational proposal, that you get a \$10,000 deduction for expenses, as much as that, in going to college."

Duffey asserted that too much corporate support for education is sometimes used as a way "to deny the responsibility of the government to make that investment."

"I do not think that any great society has ever privatized education, or made it into a charity. There is a solid role for government, and I think support of education is a major role," Duffey said. "The President sees it as a security issue. He compares it to an investment in defense."

Duffey said that Clinton will work to protect and enlarge the Americorps youth service initiative, which also has come under attack recently by Republican leaders.

"I think the clear intention is to expand (Americorps)," Duffey said. "Not just its practical aspect, but also the symbolism of each of us accepting some responsibility for our society."

## GSC Forensics Team Places Third in Asbury College, Kentucky Tournament Competition



Members of the GSC forensics team display their awar ds from the Asbury College Sweetheart Tournament.

"UPPER?" "LOWER."

The U.S. Senate is often referred to as the "upper house" of the Congress; the House of Representatives is called the "lower house."

by Carl G. Sears

All of those practices for the Glenville State forensic team have paid off for them. On Saturday, February 11, the team traveled just south of Lexington, Kentucky to a little town called Wilmore, Kentucky to compete in the first annual Asbury College Sweetheart Tournament.

After a successful fall semester for the team, they went into the tournament with high hopes for their team. The high hopespaid offin a big way. The team consists of 10 debating members, six of which attended this competition at Asbury College. Ms. Nancy Wemm, advisor to the team, also attended the competition. Wemm was happy to relate the following results of the competition:

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#### Students say GOP Contract will "Devastate" Higher Education

by The National Student News Service, Special to The Mercury

Student rights advocates this week declared that the new Congressional "Contract With America" will "devastate" American higher education.

Currently, students are not charged interest on federal loans while they are in school.

A Republican proposal would eliminate the interest-free period in order to save \$9.6-billion.

According to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the new policy would cause an average 20-percent increase in student indebtedness, and a 30-percent increase in the cost of graduate and professional degrees due to longer-term interest payments.

Other proposed cuts include nearly \$3-billion in campus-based aid programs, such as Perkins Loans and Federal Work-Study programs, according to Ivan Frischberg, director of the higher education program for the U.S. Public Interest Research Group (U.S. PIRG).

"These cuts to student aid will devastate our educational system," Frischberg said. "American students can lead the world into the next century, but not if we can't afford a decent education.

There won't be any third wave of technology, advances of democracy or participation in the global economy without an educated population."

petition participation, team member Angela Shamblin took fourth place in Novice Persuasion. And as if that wasn't enough assistance to her team, she also took third place in Open Mush Interpretation category of the competition.

Also there to aid in keeping the GSC team looking hot on top if things was Jeremy T. Burks who took sixth place in the NoviceMush Interpretation. The duo of Wanda Roff and Mary Mullens took one out in Novice Dramatic Duo Interpretation. Overall, the Glenville State team took third place in the Small School category with the six members of the team participat-

Jenny Ritter, president of College Democrats, said, "If we had a red alert, we'd be about there"

George Fondren, executive director of College Republicans, defended many of the proposed changes.

"Everyone is going through this belt-tightening phase," he said. "College students will do their part as well."

Fondren suggested that private business could play a much larger role in financing higher education.

"Federal financial aid is the only system we have known. We need to get the private sector involved," he said. "The more we look to government, the less freedom we're going to have."

Fondren also defended a proposal to make deep cuts in the Department of Education budget or to eliminate it altogether.

Ritter sharply disagreed with the proposal. "A cut in education is a cut in the future and is <u>not</u> something we can afford," she said.

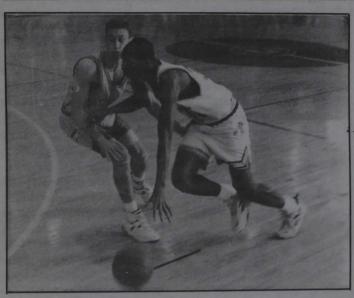
Frischberg added that students should convince their Congressional representatives to support student loan subsidies, campus-based aid programs and national service initiatives.

Other GOP proposals include overhauling the Pell Grant program and eliminating federal educational aid for non-U.S. citizens.

ing. The members were: Jeremy T. Burks, Darek Igo, Keith Miller, Mary Mullens, Wanda Roffand Angela Shamblin, all of which are novice (first year) competitors. Members of the team that did not attend were Ron Frye, Lori Crouter and Donna May. Ms. Gayle Burkowski, advisor for the team, was not present as well.

The team is looking forward to its next competition which will be the West Virginia State Tournament at Marshall University in Huntington, WV on February 25. Congratulations to the team, and thanks for making GSC a school that the community and state can be proud of.

## Sports



A Glenville hoopster dribbles past a defender.
photo by Dave Sagan

#### WVIAC Men's Tourney Starts Action This Week

by Sean McAndrews

The WVIAC Tournament was held in Glenville last Tuesday night as the Shepherd Rams came to town. This is the first year the first round games would be held on the site of the higher seed. The winner advances to Charleston Civic Center to play the West Liberty Hilltoppers at 1p.m. on Thursday. This would be a mid-season rematch of the thrilling 82-78 win for the Pioneers.

The Pioneers would fall behind early 5-0, before Steve Shuff and the rest of the guys would catch fire and take the lead as high as 17, 27-10 with ten minutes remaining. The key play, Shepherd's Kenny Gardener receiving two trash talking technicals resulting in the Pioneers scoring seven points. The Pioneers would lead at half-time, 41-33.

The Rams would get as close as five in the second half, before the Pioneers would hit their free throws to seal the 72-65 victory. Steve Shuff had 27 points to lead in scoring, while Troy Sexton and Eric Contee would split 20 points evenly.

Now, the Pioneers travel to Charleston to play West Liberty at 1 p.m. on Thursday afternoon.

#### **Pioneers End**

#### Regular Season

by Sean McAndrews

The Golden Bears from West Virginia Tech came to town last Saturday looking to avenge an earlier season loss to the Pioneers. The Pioneers were looking to sweep the Golden Bears, secure sixth place in the WVIAC playoffs.

The Poineers took the lead early and stretched to as high as 13 points on a Fred Wilson jumpshot 22-9 with ten minutes remaining. WV Tech would pull to within 10 points on a David Thompson 3-pointer 35-25, with a little over four minutes remaining. The Poineers would go on a 9 to 2 run to end the half with a 44-27 lead.

WV Tech would get as close as four twice in the second half before the Poineers would hit the free throws to win. Glenville was lead by Steve Shuff with 26 points, Eric Contee with 21 and Fred Wilson with 16. Fred Wilson would lead on the boards with caroms.



"Futeball and golfe" were banned by the parliament of King James II of Scotland in 1457 because their popularity threatened the practice of archery for national defense.

# Marty Rose takes a shot. photo by Dave Sagan

#### Lady Pioneers Knocked Out of WVIAC Playoffs

by Sean Davis

The GSC women's basketball team opened the 1994-95 WVIAC Tournament on the road at higher-seed Alderson-Broaddus College. The new format for this year's tournament has the lower-seeded teams travel to the campuses of the higher-seeded teams.

Following the first round of the playoffs, the remaining portion of the tournament is held in Charleston at the Civic Center.

The Lady Pioneers played well but came up short of a 79-63 score. The leaders in scoring for the women were Lori Charnoplosky with 15 points, five assists and three steals. In her final game as a Lady Pioneer, senior Christy Fitzwater had 13 points, four assists and three steals. Tanisha Brown

scored nine points and 10 rebounds, but the overall high scorer for the Lady Pioneers was Marty Rose with 16 points and eight rebounds.

The Lady Pioneers ended the season with a 4-24 record on the year.

In other news surrounding GSC Lady Pioneer basketball, Steve Harold has been appointed the new head women's basketball coach this week, following the resignation of Coach Russell Shepherd after this harrowing season.

Dr. Shepherd, who appointed Harold to the position, will remain as athletic director and chairperson of the athletic department.

Dr. Shepherd would now like to concentrate his time further fulfilling his responsibilities in those areas.

#### **Concord Edges Over Glenville**

by Sean McAndrews

The Pioneers hit the road on Wednesday night traveling down I-79, to Route-19, to South 77 and following Route 20 into Athens and the home of the Concord College Mountain Lions. In league standings, this would be a battle of the number four Pioneers and the number six Mountain Lions, only separated by 2/10 of a point on the power rating.

The stakes, remaining in fourth place and possibly mov-

ing up depending on the outcome of number one Fairmont and three West Liberty on Saturday and big time momentum going into the WVIAC playoffs nest week.

The Pioneers took an early lead, jumping out to 12-2 on the outside shooting of Jeremy Rodda, with a little over 12 minutes remaining. Concord would battle back to tie the score at 19 all on a Carl Booker jump shot with 4:10 remaining in the half. GSC would outscore Con-

cord 11 to 4 the remainder of the half to lead 30-23. Jawayne Jenkins' lay up at the 12:45 mark would give GSC a 10 point lead, 44-34. Concord would start their comeback out scoring Glenville 26-15 the rest of the way with the final three coming on a Thaddeus Breckenridge three pointer as the buzzer sounded to win 60-59.

The Pioneers were lead in scoring by Fred Wilson with 14, Jeremy Rodda with 12, and Steve Shuff with 11.

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This year's contest will be hosted on Friday, March 10. If you plan to enter students in this year's contest, please contact Jenny L. Dawkins, at Glenville State College. There will be an entry fee of \$5 per student. The registration deadline is March 1. If you need additional information about the contest please contact Jenny at (304) 462-7361,

#### **Kidd Scholarship Fund Established**

by the GSC Fondation

On December 20, 1994, Conrad Kidd.

Mrs. Kidd was born in Gilmer County, September 24, 1921, and attended public school in Gilmer County. After attending Glenville State College for three years, the honoree graduated summa cum laude in the class of 1942, with teaching degrees in English, mathematics and French. She went on to teach in the Braxton County high schools of Burnsville, Gassaway and Sutton. She is married to the donor, Mr. William M. Kidd, a Burnsville native, who also attended Glenville State College. They have one child, Madelyn Sue Shipe and

The donor is a United States District Judge who has served in both the Northern and Southern Districts of West Virginia. Judge Kidd was also judge of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit of West Virginia, comprised of Braxton, Clay and Webster counties.

"We established this scholarship fund to express our appreciation to Glenville State College for the many opportunities it has afforded us throughout the years," said Judge Kidd. The purpose of the fund is to support scholarships to students of Glenville State College who show academic promise in English and math and are residents of West Virginia. President William K. Simmons praised the Kidds for their generosity, "Judge Kidd and his family have been strong supporters of GSC for many years. We are extremely grateful to them for their generosity."

the Madelyn Conrad Kidd Scholarship Fund was established at Glenville State College with an initial gift of \$30,000. The scholarship fund was established in honor of Madelyn

three grandchildren.

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"Motor Voter"

On January 1, 1995, West Virginia began providing voter registration opportunities through public assistance, public safety and rehabilitation programs, marriage license offices and armed forces recruitment offices. Within the first 19 working days with this new program and combined with the division of motor vehicles and the department of public safety, 3,845 West Virginians have applied for voter registration. This figure is to be added to the already 1,400,000 registered West Vir-

in Action

This new type of voter registration opportunity is a result of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 and the 1994 West Virginia accompanying legislation which strives to make registration easier and more conTo All Gilmer County Residents (including resident's halls), no matter your phone exchange:

Gilmer County is in the process of initiating and Enhanced 911 telephone system for all of Gilmer County. This is being done with Lewis County which already has an operational system. When the system is in place, a 911 call placed from any phone in Gilmer County will ring into the Lewis County Center and a computer screen will show the number, name, and location which the phone company has listed for that phone.

However, most locations do not have street addresses in Gilmer Co. and box numbers tell us little, so it is important that we have some extra information to be sure that a dispatcher will be certain about where the call originated in the least possible time.

We are creating computer files to provide quick and easy access for this information, but computers are only as complete and accurate as the information entered into them.

You, as a resident or business owner of Gilmer County can help us by taking the time to complete the following form for each phone you have in Gilmer County. If you have more than one phone number, please make sure that we have the information for all numbers. The information will be kept in confidence and only used to assist you in an emergency. Please help us get ready to help you!

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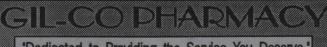
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## Campus



Mrs. Vickie Schultz

photo by Heather Messenger

#### Meet Miss Kanawhachen, Mrs. Vickie Lynn Schultz

by Kim Sees

A 20 year old junior, Schultz is majoring in special education, a member of WVSEA, a Sigma Sigma Sigma alumni, and an Army reservist. She is the daughter of Charles Dean and Betty Tatterson of Reedy and is a 1992 Spencer High graduate. She was sponsored by GSC Ambassador's Program.

She is married to Mike Schultz, who is in active duty at Duty Navy and is serving on the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower. Vickie is in the 261st Ordanance Company out of Crosslanes. She is an ammunitions specialist and will be going to Mieseau, Germany this summer for three weeks of annual training.

As Miss Kanawhachen, Schultz will provide the opening statement in the yearbookand work on the yearbook staff doing typing and layout. She will talk about her role as an ambas- military.

sador and have a two page color spread. She is only the second Miss Kanawhachen to be a Mrs.

When asked what thoughts were going through her head as they were announcing 1st and 2nd runners up Schultz replied, "I was very nervous, but I honestly had kept up with the voting poles and suspected I was one of the top three."

Schultz's goal is to teach primary grades and get a job in West Virginia near a big city, and close to Virginia Beach. She is under the Underwood Simth Scholarship program, which means she has to teach in West Virginia.

When asked what Schultz likes about GSC she replied, "It's a beautiful campus, and the education system is very good

In her spare time she likes to do aerobics and read. She hopes to one day retire from the

## **Student Congress Election Results**

The Student Congress Election was a successful turnout, thanks to all of you that took the time to get out and

The two day voting held on Monday, February 20, and Tuesday, February 21, brought out 329 students who proved that their votes counted because the race was very close between several oppositions.

The new 1995-96 Student Congress Officers are as fol-

President--Jeremy Dean Vice President--Chad McVaney Treasurer--Kenneth Wilkins Parliamentarian--Clarissa Scott Senior Rep--Heath Hershberger Junior Rep--Ray Moore Sophomore Rep--Sammie Legg Commuter Rep--Grayson

Samples Senators-At-Large-Jackie Carter, Jill Hardman, J.D. James, Blake McNally, Sara Riffle and Amie

Again, thanks to all of you concerned people out there who took the time to get out and make your vote count!

Installation of the new officers will be held in March.

Congratulations to Jeremy Dean, Chad **McVaney** and the other Student Congress winners!

From the Kanawhachen Staff

## **News From the Office of Records** and Enrollment Management

Alderson-Broaddus College is sponsoring an international banquet and music festival to be held on Saturday, April 1, at 5:30 p.m. The college invites everyone to attend. Tickets should be purchased in advance: \$6 for adults, \$3 for students and children. For further information, call Fran LaFon, international student advisor at AB College, 457-6312.

- 1. When applying for graduation, please note on the form that you will graduate with honors (if you feel that you are eligible).
- 2. If you decide to withdraw from Glenville State, you must make an appointment with Dr. McClure, interim register and director of enrollment management, to begin the process.
  - 3. Look for the new "Com-

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Gold necklace with pendant. Pendant has a small gold puffed heart hanging in the center of a circle. Top of circle has two half heart tops. Has sentimental value. If found, please contact visitor's center in the Heflin Student Center.

muter Newsletter" to be published within the next month!

4. Coming next month-the Visitors' Center will be moved to the suite of offices in the Office of Records and Enrollment Management. It will be renamed the "GSC Visitors' and Information Center" and will be operated by Admissions Counselors, Jill Harman and Ewanna Hayhurst. Construction is tentatively scheduled for Spring Break week.

5. Remember to request your senior evaluation!

### **Attention All Campus Organizations**

Wanted: Candid photos of events and members from 1994 - 1995 for the 1994-95 edition of The Kanawachen. Field trips, parties, gatherings, almost anything.

Send your photos to The Mercury care of "yearbook editor" as soon as possible. Please include the address, or department, where you would like your photos returned. Also, include the names of any persons appearing in the photo, either written on the back, or on an enclosed letter, as well as a brief description of the event.

We can not guarantee that all photos will appear in The Kanawachen, but all will be considered. The yearbook staff works very hard but, unfortunately, they can not be everywhere, that's why they need your help. So, don't be left out. The 1994-95 Kanawachen is already under way.

#### 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!

## Four GSC Graduates Pass the CPA Exam

by Jeremy Dean

Four GSC graduates have recently passed the CPA (certified public accountant) exam. These four graduates are: Niki Randolph, Paul Deulley, Deb Miller, and Inez Hardbarger.

The certification of CPA is the most widely recognized and respected certification an accountant can receive. The exam to receive this certification is a rigorous, two day long test administered twice each year by the AICPA. There are four sections to the exam, which are accounting and reporting, financial accounting and reporting, auditing, and business law and professional responsibilities. Candidates are allowed to pass individual sections of the exam, so it is not necessary to pass all sections on the first try.

The exam is graded on a national level, and only has a 15 percent passage rate. It can easily be seen that it takes a very talented individual to pass this exam.

Niki Randolph is a 1989 graduate of GSC. Randolph currently works for Eastern American Energy Corporation. Randolph has just completed her final section of the exam.

Paul Deulley is a 1990 graduate of GSC. Deulley currently works for the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources.

Deb Miller is a 1991 graduate of GSC. Miller is currently working for Health Management, Inc. in Charleston. Miller has just completed her final section of the exam.

Inez Hardbarger is a 1993 graduate of GSC. Hardbarger currently works for Earnest and Young, CPA firm. Hardbarger was able to pass all four parts of the exam on the first time which is very rare. Hardbarger also finished the exam with the second highest score in the state.

Congratulations to each of you on your accomplishment, and best of luck in the future.

News from the Legislature

## **Bill Would Provide Seniors** with Tuition-Free College

by The State College System of West Virginia

A bill in the Senate Education Committee would let senior citizens attend public colleges without having to pay any tuition.

The bill, introduced by State Senator Joe Manchin, D-Marion, and several others, would still require students age 62 or older to pay other fees at the colleges where they enroll.

If the 111 senior citizens now enrolled in college classes across the state took advantage of the law, it would cost the schools over \$67,000, noted Jim Sutherland, finance director of higher education.

The bill states that any senior citizen who has lived in the state for two or more years may attend a class tuition-free at any of the state's public colleges or universities.

The classes likely to be open to state senors are not likely to be high-demand classes necessary for a degree.

Public colleges are allowed by state law to give waivers for tuition to students determined needy, as long as they don't give waivers to more than five percent of the full-time students.

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# TKE Food Drive a Great Success

by Daniel Davis

This past week we decided to get back out in the community and help out. So we asked Jo Ann Stewart of Glenville Community Resources what we could do.

We were told "At this time we need food more than anything." So we began organizing a food drive. If you live off campus, you probably found a bag with a note inside explaining the problem and our solution.

To those of you who filled the bags with food and left them on your porches, a heartfelt thanks!

The food drive produced over 600 items. The food will be available to those who need it. In light of the success of this activity, it will be done again in the future.

In other Chapter news, four of our fraters (Dave Rine, Eric Goddard, Jeremy Griffith, and Jeremy Rodriguez) attended the annual TKE Regional Leadership Conference. While there, they complete officer training courses and were also awarded an award of chapter excellence.

Rush! Rush! Rush!— We will be holding a rush seminar on Thursday, February 23 at 8 p.m. in the Heflin Center. Any that are interested in Rush should attend!

President's words of the week: "A special thanks to the Glenville Post Office for all their support and cooperation."

#### **Delta Zeta News**

by Mary Elizabeth James

The Delta Zeta Sorority held a formal meeting February 19. We are not having any rush parties this week. The Raffle was on February 18. We thank everyone who bought tickets.

## **Special Education Scholarship Offer**

The Arc of Wood County, Inc. and United Commercial Travelers will be offering scholarships to people who meet the following guidelines:

1. Are a graduate of a Wood County High School or are currently employed in the field of mental retardation in Wood County.

2. Are now attending an accredited college or university and working toward a degree in a field on mental retardation.

The fields on mental retardation include, but are not limited to: speech education, speech therapy, physical therapy, social work and nursing.

Each applicant must complete a scholarship application and provide references. Notification of recipients will be made by June of this year. Scholarship awards may vary from \$50-\$250 for part-time students, and \$250-\$500 for full-time students.

Students wishing to apply may stop by the Education Office for an application.

#### **Ladies Retreat--March 4**

American Baptist Women's Ministries of the First Baptist Church of Glenville is sponsoring a Ladies Retreat on Saturday, March 4, 1995. Our theme for the day is "Jesus Wants Me For a Sunbeam." Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with coffee, tea, and breakfast breads. Our day's activities begin at 9 a.m. with workshops (including a craft workshop) and fun activities to help us grow as Christian women in today's world. Lunch will consist of soups and sandwiches, at no

Baptist cost to you. The day will conthe First clude at approximately 3 p.m.

Mark your calendar for March 4, 1995 and plan to share in a wonderful day with other Christian women in are community. Feel free to bring friends with you. High school and college ladies are also invited to attend. There will not be any child care provided; however, mothers with their newborns are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact the First Baptist Church of Glenville at 462-7015.

### Moyers Fund To Provide \$16,000 In Scholarships

In the 1995-96 school year the Moyers Academic Scholarship Fund will provide 16, \$1,000 scholarships to Glenville State College students. The \$100,000 Moyers Academic Scholarship Fund was established by Dr. Layman Dewitt and Virginia Singleton Moyers, both graduates of Glenville State College.

"The Moyers have been strong supporters of GSC over the past fifty years and with the establishment of the Moyers Academic Scholarship Fund many deserving students will receive financial assistance. We are thankful that Dr. Moyers and his wife have never forgotten their Glenville heritage,"

said President, Dr. William K. Simmons of Glenville State Col-

The \$16,000 from the Moyers fund is part of the total \$45,000 that will be made available to students for scholarships in the 1995-96 academic year through the Glenville State College Foundation, Inc. "This year the Foundation has increased three-fold the average amount of scholarship moneys it will provide to assist GSC students," said Jack V. Stalnaker, president, GSC Foundation, Inc. "We are proud of this significant increase in funds that will be available to help students further their education at GSC," continued Stalnaker.

# Arts & Entertainment



Visiting school children enjoy a day on campus, while in to see "The photo by Jim Shock

#### Review-

#### 'Mouth of Madness' a Hit

by Jeremy Dean

"In the Mouth of Madness," the latest film by director John Carpenter, written by Michael Deluca, is a bleak, darkly humorous, and at some points even frightening look at violence in the horror genre. I must say that I really dig Carpenter's work, and I found this flick to be no exception.

The film opens up with a series of disjointed scenes, which revolved around a man locked away in a mental hospital. The man is later revealed to be John Trent (Sam Neill), an insurance investigator, and main character of the film that reveals the story of how he got there.

Trent is a man very attached to reality, that is until he is sent on an assignment to track down the recently disappeared Horror writer, Sutter Cane (who's work bears a striking resemblance to one Stephen King), by Cane's publisher, Jackson Harglow (Charlton Heston). We find out that at the same time of the Cane's disappearance a global spree of violence has broken out. It would seem that many people believe that Cain's books are to blame.

Trent, and Cane's editor, Linda Styles (Julie Carmen), head out to look for Cane, and after a string of inexplicable events find the town of Hobbs End which, mysteriously enough, is identical to the town

in the Cane book of the same name. What happens next is up to you to find out.

The F/X were great!!! There were some that really reached out and grabbed you. They were not bloody, gore F/X though. A lot of the blood and gore was kept in the shadows. which made the film kind of classy, and I do not think it took away from the ax scenes at all. I tend to enjoy the shadows, and crazy camera angles anyway. It's not because I'm queasy, it's because I hate it when someone has just gotten axed, and then that one pimple faced, prepubescent, loser in the back of the theatre yells out, "That didn't look real." Like he's ever taken an ax to his grandma, and became an authority on what a murder looks like.

Horror films often get written off as genre fluff, and many times they are, but this particular film, I believe, has some lasting merit. It raises a question hot on many people's lips, "Does media violence really promote real violence?" and it gives a frighteningly funny look at what some people would have

I would have to guess Carpenter would think that view is ridiculous, unless, of course, he's trying to turn the world into a violent mess himself.

"In the Mouth of Madness," check it out!

## And the Band Plays On

by Annie McCourt

Because of lack of space, time, money and any of the other usual, or unusual, gripes one might have, it was hard for me to contact all of the talented, musically inclined individuals that I wished to include in this collection. What follows is a spotlight on some of the many faceted musicians and bands in our area. Read and Enjoy.

First, we have a very familiar face on campus, guitarist, Mr. Grayson Lawrence Samples from Linn, WV. Samples' father, Mack, was recently chosen as "Eer of the Year," by Graffiti magazine, and apparently the talent runs in the family. I've had the pleasure of listening to Samples pick on more than one autumn night. and it is obvious that his music has only improved since he started at age 14. He writes his own songs and also enjoys covering tunes, because he says, "Music gets me away from everything else, and at the same time, somebody else might be enjoying themselves." We certainly do when given the rare chance to hear this man play. Look to see Samples at this year's talent show.

McClung, Belington, WV, has been easin' on down that musical road since age 15, "for the sheer fun and entertainment of it." McClung is a many faceted musician: singing as well as playing the guitar and the mandolin, he attributes his talent to being, "raised amongst it." He hopes to, "keep on right like I am now," and anyone who has ever heard him play will say the same

Anyone strolling past the Wesley Foundation after dark these past chilly nights has probably heard the powerful sounds of musicians Danny Hornbeck (guitar), Jeremy Dean (drums),

"Nell"

"Blue Sky"

"The Client"

"Bullets Over

"Forrest Gump"

"Pulp Fiction"

"Quiz Show"

"Red"

Broadway"

"Tom and Viv"

"Little Women"

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#### Nominees Announced for 67th Academy Awards

Arthur Hiller, president of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences, along with last year's best actress nominee Angela Bassett, announced this year's Academy Award nominees.

The nominees were presented live, last week, February 14th at 8:30 a.m. from Beverly Hills, California. A crowd of 647 journalists gathered to hear the announcement.

The following is a list of those nominated in the major categories:

"Bullets Over

of King George"

"Nobody's Fool"

"Pulp Fiction"

Broadway"

#### BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR Samuel L. Jackson "Pulp Fiction"

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BEST PICTURE "Forrest Gump"

"Four Weddings and a Funeral"

"Pulp Fiction" "Quiz Show"

"The Shawshank Redemption"

The winners will be announced during the live telecast March 27th, at 9 p.m. David Letterman will be the host for this year's awards.

#### **Bad Habits Auditions**

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#### Band, continued from page 8

Jason Wibel (vocals, guitar & bass) and Jason Gordon (guitar & bass) filtering up through the Foundation's foundation. These four young men have been involved with music most of their lives thus far, and will probably continue on their melodious

journey until death. As Hornbeck puts it, "My future goals are to go to my room. brush my teeth, and work until I write the ultimate Christmas Carol." They have all been involved with various bands throughout their music careers. but their current wailing group is called "God Speed."



Keith Haan, GSC Choir Director

photo by Dave Sagan

#### St. Olaf Choir Entertains Students, Parents, Teachers

by J. Rittenhouse

On Tuesday, February 7, 30 students, one mom and one choir director traveled to Parkersburgs' Smoot Theatre to hear the St. Olaf Choir. Traveling be car, and by bus, the music lovers set off to hear a concert that they won't soon forget.

The 75 member choir, under the direction of Anton Armstrong, delighted its audience with 17 musical numbers which ranged from serious to up beat.

The sounds of Bach, Christiansen and Haydn echoed throughout the theatre as children, parents, students and even teachers watched in awe.

According to the choirs' program for their '95 tour, the choir has "performed for capacity audiences in the major concert halls of New York City, Washington D.C., Chicago, Ann Arbor, Denver, Phoenix, San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland and Minneapolis."

Nearly 25,000 concertgoers attended concerts during the 1990 East Cost tour, with a similar number turning out for its 1994 tour of the West Coast. The choir founded circa 1920, set new standards for choral other trip like this one.

Still yet, the choir is "acclaimed internationally, as a result of 11 tours to Europe and

The director, Anton Armstrong, is a native of West Hampstead, N.Y., and a 1978 graduate of St. Olaf College. He is a frequent guest conductor, lecturer, and clinician; throughout North America, Europe and the Caribbean. He earned his master of music degree in Choral Music at the University of Illinois, and his doctor of musical arts degree from Michigan State University.

"Besides the fact that it was a wonderful concert, the students were impressed, some of the music was serious, but some of it was up to tempo," says GSC Choir Director Keith Haan. "It was a real stretch for the students, because they haven't had much experience with that type of ensemble."

"All in all," Haan said, "the evening was enjoyable even though we had snow covered, slippery roads coming back."

Although it was a great experience for the students, there are no future plans to take an-

Any dorm resident, or Pickens Hall frequenter probably knows all about the grooving licks, riffs, and beats that pour forth from Wagner Wing on most evenings, but I bet that you don't know the reason. "Quirk" made up of Seth Lilly, Neal Young, I.T. Woods, Dale Bowyer and Michael Lipscomb like to play their own songs, but are willing to do cover tunes if it will get them a gig. Lilly, the band's front man, feels the band, "expresses what music is all about." Lilly adds, "If you can't express yourself through your music, than it is just notes and noise." This young band is well on their way along the melody lacquered road to musical perfection. Keep an ear open in their direction.

Charleston is home to "Rough House" members Kevin Sparks, and Sean Whitten. Sparks and Whitten are looking for bodies to make up the empty spots left by the band's former members, but I have the esteemed pleasure of listening to their cassette tape at this very moment and these two kindred souls are in no way lacking with

but I can attest to the quality of Buckhannon/Weston area, but

I'm sure we all know someone out there with a bad temper, but in no way should the words "bad" and "temper" be spoken in the same gasp of air when talking about this band comprised of guitarist, Tony Rohrbough; drummer, Johnny Lamb: vocalist, Bill Hale; and bassist, Phil Colett. I've had the joy of listening to Temper on their first demo tape "The Emancipation of Dissonance" all day, after one of the band members was kind enough to slip it into my mailbox (Thanks guys!). A few times I had to catch myself before I jumped up and started an impromptu mosh pit with my fellow pedestrians. This is definitely not sit-still music. Look for their new demo to be coming out in April, and see for yourself what these gentlemen are capable of.

"Mother Insane," those are definitely two words college students can identify with, but this band is not suffering from a crisis of the identity type. Brothers, Billy and Sam Hurst, along with Cam Tinney, Pat Sparks' vocals and Whitten's Thorn, and Brian Gainer make pounding guitar. The two were up this harmonious visage. This both playing in separate bands, band is centered in the

have played in areas all over the state. As the older Hurst brother, Billy, stated, "Music is a way to escape reality, to reach the flowstage." Their first demotape will be available for purchase at the Towne Bookstore late this month. So, for those die-hard fans out there, and those of you curious enough to hear this amazing band, stop by, pick up, and tune in.

If you're in a band, or you're a bandless musician and you want your talent featured in The Mercury, contact me, Annie McCourt, through the newspaper office, or drop a letter in Box 76, Scott Wing, Pickens Hall, GSC, Glenville, WV 26351. Thanks and keep play-

There is a van going to the WVIAC Tournament everyday as long as the Pioneers are playing. Sign up in Wagner Office daily. Cost is \$2, plus ticket cost. Thursday, game 1 p.m., leave 10:30 a.m. Friday, game 9 p.m., leave TBA. Saturday, game 8:30 p.m., leave TBA. For information, please call Daryl Taafe at ext. 113.



## Feature

## A Thread Of Love -- In Celebration of Black History Month

by Sandra Gibson

"Love withers away under constraint: its very essence is liberty: it is comparable nether with obedience, jealousy, or fear: it is perfect, and unlimited where its votaries live in confidence, equality, and unreserve."

Percy Bysshe Shelley, Fragment

Throughout history, generations have recognized love's power. Burton notes, "No cord or cable can draw so forcibly or bind so fast as love can do with only a single thread." Country music artists, The Judds sing, "Love can build a bridge..."

The history of West Virginia State College began with a single thread of love and its story can bear witness to its ability to build bridges capable of transcending time and change. The enduring love between a white plantation owner, Samuel I. Cabell, and his slave, Mary Barnes Cabell, nurtured a lifelong partnership and produced 13 children. Their love of knowledge, their commitment to education, and the land where this love blossomed, is now part of a college which has served and touched every part of the

Samuel Cabell purchased Mary Barnes along with several other slaves in Virginia. She was apparently a woman of beauty and charm. She played the piano and served tea every afternoon, and traveled by boat to do her shopping in Charles-

The land where Mary and Sam Cabell lived was at one time a large plantation with east. border boundaries at present day Dunbar and west boundaries aligning present day Sattes. While the grounds produced wheat and corn, it was also here that love grew between the

Several deeds and codicils, now yellow with age, on file in the Kanawha County Courthouse bear witness to the devotion of Samuel Cabell to Mary and their children. One deed dated April 6. 1863, is of particular interest, for it indicates that Cabell may have had reason to believe his life was in

He wrote: "In the event of sudden demise, this instrument of writing is intended to show or be made known that Mary Barnes and all of her children...are and always have been free...." The deeds declare that all of Cabell's estate and money (after debts were paid) be left to Barnes and their children. He wanted them to be educated. Prior to his death, several of their children had been sent to a private school in Ohio.

On July 18, 1865, Cabell was shot and killed at his home. Seven white men were arrested and after pleading self-defense were acquitted. Many believed that prejudice incited the murder; others believed he was killed for his land because no one outside his family knew about his wills while he was

Following his death, the land was divided between Barnes and their children. Later, Barnes was successful in petitioning the court to change her name and the name of the children to Cabell.

Mary Cabell died in 1900 at 85 years old. Alice Fort, a great-granddaughter, noted that she lived a life of financial independence.

A daughter, Marina, and her husband, Elijah Hurt were the first to sell land to the state for the purpose of building a school where African-Americans could be educated.

The Morrill Act of 1863 paved the way for land-grant colleges. In compliance with the law these colleges had to offer courses in agriculture and mechanic arts. Training in "Military Tactics" was also authorized. WV established the Agriculture College in Morgantown. This was proceeded by the second Morrill Act of 1890 which

land-grant colleges would be given to states unless they provided education for 'colored youth,' either in the same or separate institutions...." Since the Constitution of WV forbade the education of "colored youth in the same schools as whites," Governor A.B. Fleming signed a bill legally establishing the land-grant school which would be known as WV Colored Insti-

The governor and several other elected officials traveled by boat down the Kanawha River in search of an appropriate site on which a school could be built. While many communities did not welcome their proposal, they were received warmly at the Cabell land.

Initially, WVCI, in Kanawha, started as a high school, but in 1893, a normal school was added to train teachers for the segregated African-American primary and secondary school system. In 1908, graduates from WVCI were placed on an equal basis with graduates from white normal schools. In 1915, the school was authorized to grant college degrees and rename their school WV Collegiate Institute.

In 1919, John W. Davis was appointed to the college presidency, a position he held until 1953. Under him, programs were rapidly upgraded with the conscious purpose of gaining full accrediations as a sound undergraduate college by recognized standards. President Davis often asserted: "If it isn't good enough for whites, then it isn't good enough for Negroes."

Beginning in 1920, professionally qualified instructors with graduate experience from such institutes as Harvard University, Ohio State, Michigan State, and the University of Pennsylvania were recruited. The prestigious, Carter Woodson agreed to serve as dean for limited two year term in order to strengthen the department. He left to devote his life

stated that "no funds to support to the study of American Black History in 1922. Another prominent figure, Harrison H. Ferrell, who majored in germanics and was the first black to earn a Ph.D. at Northwestern University, helped in shaping the college also.

> Progressive policies led to the college becoming capable of offering a full range of undergraduate courses basic to a small land-grant college including liberal arts, sciences, agriculture, business administration, home economics, music, mechanical arts, teacher education and military science.

With rising standards, African-American families in the area began to accept the Institute as an alternative to northern colleges for their children. Since only land-grant colleges were allowed to recruit outside the state, WVCI soon resulted in having a student body drawn from 29 different states. This was vital as only five percent of the population of WV was African-American. Overseas student recruiting soon followed.

In 1927, North Central Association of Colleges fully accredited WVCI, placing it the longest accredited public college in the state and nationally, first of the 17 Negro land-grant colleges. It was also the first to have an African-American as president, and an all black faculty. It would be three more years before any other African-American school acquired "Class A" accreditation.

The school's name was changed to WV State College in 1929, the result of the state's acknowledgment of the school's impressive development. This lead to the college being able to serve African-American communities across the state with extension courses, in 4-H, and in segregated schools.

Since controversy was something that Cabell's lands and its people never feared, it is not surprising that reverse integration began here even prior to "Brown vs. the BOE (Topeka,

Kansas)." During and prior to WW II, programs involving reverse integration at WVSC were implemented with several white students entering the vocational and defense programs. Occasionally, white students enrolled in summer courses and transferred credits to colleges where they were currently matricu-

Faculty also began integration. Dr. Frederick Lehner, a distinguished Jewish refugee became professor of French and German. Prior to 1954, other Caucasians joined. When informally challenged concerning a white teacher, then acting president, William Wallace replied that faculty members were hired with continuing basis contracts and he would "not dismiss an individual on anything other than competency."

Charleston, a highly segregated community stimulated WVSC's growth as well. Segregation was more tradition than law mandated. Few movie theaters were open to blacks. The music concerts at the Municipal Auditorium banned blacks. Howerver, events at WVSC were open to all.

With the influx of more white students, a consequence which occurred was white student awareness of professors they held in high esteem, suffering from blatant discrimination. They were not permitted to enter restaurants and other establishments where their white students were welcome. College students engaged in sit-ins during the 60's to bring an end to this treatment. At this time, 60 percent of the students were

The school's cost and location also contributed to its success. Indeed, "segregation cut two ways, without segregation, whites were being deprived of one of the best educations they could get in WV," noted the psychology department. No other state college was as con-

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## The Funnies

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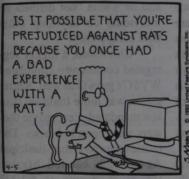


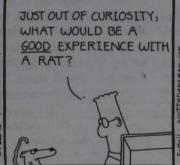


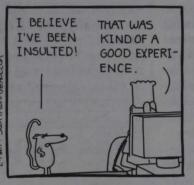




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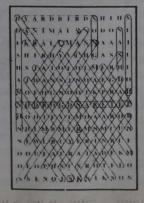
Because the school was so innovative by its acceptance of integration, it received national and world recognition. The faculty felt that integration was only moral and educationally correct. Their goal was to provide "better education to all." In

fact, many agreed that with the changing of time, integration had saved the institute.

Many of the Cabell descendants still live in the area. Ruth Holt Cabell, one of the three surviving grandchildren, lives on land that borders the WVSC campus.

Sam and Mary Cabell have left a significant contribution through not only their land, but through numerous graduates and

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by Mark Parisi



#### **Collegiate Wordfind**

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#### Enviro-Tech's Lab First Year Under Way

by Gene Breza

technicians, the Environmental Technology Laboratory at the the instructor, is in the process of having the lab certified by the Department of Environmental Protection. With the certified lab, he will be able to offer individual certification in the enviro field. This will be a boon to the broad locality since the closest training center, now, is outside of Ripley.

It started long ago as a twinkle is industry's eye. Actually, Calhoun High science instructor, Marvin Stemple, presented the idea five years ago. They applied for a grant. On March 25, 1991, they received \$332,584 to build a 40x100 foot building. The finned cement block building was built over two years, 1993-93.

This year is the first year the lab is in full operation, with a modest schedule of classes. Equipment is still being ordered. The range of equipment they have now is impressive. For those whose care is air, the high volume air sampler, particle collector and various pollution detection kits should keep them flapping. The earthworm will find sieves, scales, incubators, a PH meter, and soil thermometer to turn a clod. And fish know the photospectrometer detects mercury or barium and a whole range of water pollutants. In the GSC 152-21 air, water, and soil lab students are asked to name equipment they would need to complete work.

The other GSC course which is also taught by the young and spunky Dr. John Williams is ENVR 250, solid waste. Some students feel, (I for one) the hour and a half they have at the lab to complete assignments these demanding courses require is not enough. We'd like to have access to the building on weekends if possible.

Most courses taught at the lab are high school, post-high school courses, taught by Mayford Witt. He teaches plant resources, animal resources, resource conservation, and a three hour chemistry course on Tuesday nights. He takes them on quite a few field trips, to Cran-

berry Glades, Ritchie Recycling, It's been a long time and French Creek Game farm. comin', created in response to Locally they've been to an overwhelming demand for Grantsville water plant, beaver dams and nearby streams. Mr. Witt just received a grant for a Gilmer-Calhoun Career Center three day trip to Oak Ridge Tenis up and running. Mayford Witt, nessee. He will be taking advantage to the school's location on the rivers to add a river monitor station. He will also be connecting nationwide, a weather station which will go on the

Guest speakers come to the lab nearly every week. Randy Foster of Coastal Lumber have a preview of technical positions with his company, the 15th. On the 22nd, Don Gaspen, a state fish biologist who has done acid rain studies on the Cranberry River will be speaking.

When I walked in on Monday, the 13th, 17 students and faculty from the health occupation's class at the center were taking a tour. Mr. Witt related on of his work experiences with FMC in Charleston. The particulate air sampler looks like a yellow stove pipe on legs with a black rain cap. He told the students of placing it on the roof of the Sears building. "We'd set this on the roof and leave it there. We'd come back a week later, and they would weigh the 'junk' and divide by the number of days to get particles per day."

Witt named about half the companies and departments on the steering committee, Union Carbide, DEP, IOGA, Health Department and REIC labs. Right now, most labs are manned by overqualified people, with doctorates and master degrees. The companies would like to replace these people with technicians right out of high school. Witt expects enrollment to rise due to demand. From his experience in industry, he expects the high school grad technician to be on an equal par with college associate and bachelor degree graduates in the next five years. After that the college educated person should begin to be promoted to sub-supervisor and supervisor positions.

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numerous descendants. At present, 40 to 50 family members are graduates and many have returned to serve as faculty and staff.

Thanks to the insight of Marina and her husband and her parent's dedication to education. on the same land where love blossomed for Sam and Mary Cabell, WVSC now stands. West Virginia State College may well represent love's strong thread, its ability to be a bridge,

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programs that are not in demand in the central West Virginia area will be cut out. Any new programs added will be those that will benefit those who live in the central West Virginia

Dr. Simmons also noted that there would be early retirement incentives, and also rewards for merit. The final decision will be the responsibility of the college presidents.

President Simmons concluded with a request for input from the faculty and staff for suggestions on ways to implement these cutbacks. He said another meeting would be held

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