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Great Semester!

The Mercury

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with Parking!

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Campus Happenings

Graduates

The last day to apply for December graduation is Friday, September 15, 1995. Stop by the Records Office to get your application for graduation.

Tutoring

Need a tutor or want a tutor? Contact Brenda Wilson in Clark Hall or at ext. 304. Any student eligible for any subject.

Computer Lab

The Computer Lab in Clark Hall will be opened during the following hours: Mon. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 1:30-4 p.m.; Tue. 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Wed. 9 a.m.-11 a.m., 1-3 p.m.; Thurs. 1-3 p.m.; Fri. 1-3 p.m.

Baptist Campus Ministry

BCM, an interdenominational organization, has regular weekly meetings in the Verona Maple Room on Monday nights at 8:30 p.m. For more information, contact Glenville First Baptist at 462-7015 or Sand Fork Baptist at 462-5393.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA meets weekly on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in the P.E. Building, room 207.

Wesley Foundation

The Wesley Foundation serves lunch on Tuesdays at 12 p.m., followed by Chapel Services at 12:40 p.m. Bible Study is held on Thursdays at 8 p.m. followed by a movie at 9 p.m.

GSC Game Room

The Game Room is open daily during the following hours: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, 5 p.m.-10 p.m. Come and check out the fun!

Former GCS Student Crowned Mrs. WV

For one national beauty pageant contestant, Glenville State College has a very special meaning. It was here that the newly crowned Mrs. West Virginia, Lelia Laughlin Gregory completed her first two years in nursing training.

Even though a practical nursing career and the more glamorous beauty pageants don't seem to mix, Gregory doesn't see it that way. "In both, you must be physically and mentally fit," she explains.

The 20-year-old Mountain State queen became interested in nursing over two years ago during her only sister's pregnancy. Being close to her sister Laura Schreckengost, Gregory coached her in the natural childbirth method and helped to deliver the newborn baby girl, Tasha, at the Roane County Hospital.

At that time, she knew that nursing was for her, so she enrolled at Glenville State after graduating from Calhoun



Lelia Laughlin Gregory

County High School in 1993. Gregory compliments GSC proudly, "It's a small college with a better teacher-student relationship than at the larger schools."

As to her interest in beauty contests, the zestful young lady recalls: "It's always been a dream of mine to compete in a national pageant. Since I no longer qualify for the Miss America pageant, I was encouraged to enter the Mrs. America contest."

Why would she have this ambition?

"It raises your self-esteem because you not only have to be well informed news-wise but you also need to be in control of your physical makeup," she states, noting that the judging will be on her handling of costume, evening gown, swimsuit, an interview, her personality, photographic ease and fitness.

The daughter of Larry and Bonnie Laughlin, both natives of Calhoun County, Gregory grew up in a singing family. "The Bluegrass Travelers" is their stage name.

Then, while attending Calhoun County High School, another person came into her life. James M. Gregory, a lifelong resident of Calhoun County, became her sweetheart.

Gregory comments, "He loves the idea, is looking forward to going to California and will stay out on the beach and get dark while I'm in the pageant," she smiles.

In addition to him, she's also thankful for her parents' encouragement. "They're always asking me if I'm going to help this benefit or that one and they keep me up with the news," she adds.

Her new title gives her the opportunity to travel and to be a role model for many young girls throughout the state. In fact, her evening gown is a snow scene to publicize the many nice slopes the state has to offer. "I love to snow ski and West Virginia needs all the publicity it can get that way," she asserts.

This summer, Gregory has visited and participated in ten festivals, including the State Fair and the Black Walnut Festival in Spencer. Now, with all of Hollywood's bright lights shining in her face, will she be tempted to give up her nursing career ideal?

Gregory frankly admits that one of her long-term goals

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Dr. Edward Palm Presents Photos at 60's Generation Conference

by: J. Jeremy Dean, staff writer

Dr. Ed Palm, the chairman of the language division, will be presenting a slide presentation this October to the annual Sixties Generation Conference in Danbury, Connecticut. The presentation will be photos Palm took while serving as a member of the Combined Action Program (CAP) during the Vietnam War.

He will be part of a three person panel who will be discussing the role of the CAP in the war.

One panel member will discuss the concept and history behind the CAP and another will discuss how photo journalism and oral histories have shaped our perception of how we remember the war.

The CAP was an idealized plan to win over the people of Vietnam to our side. The idea

was to send in American Marines to live among the Vietnamese people, in their villages and work along side of them, in hopes of making them see we were decent people and make them want to support us. The government also wanted to set up an internalized defense for the villages, a sort of a national guard, so each village could defend themselves.

In reality the cultural gap between the Americans and the

Vietnamese was just too broad.

The American soldiers could not even speak Vietnamese and neither group ever really came to understand the other.

"They could have had a sign outside of a hut that said 'VC Headquarters,'" said Palm, "and we would have walked right by it every day because we couldn't read Vietnamese."

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Why Would They Do This To Us?

by Annie McCourt, staff writer

"Go-Mart is closed! Go-Mart is closed," I can almost see the faded eyed soothsayer as he makes his message clear to the huddled masses surrounding the dirt and gravel lot where they took down one building, to erect another, so they could tear down yet another perfectly useful building. This doesn't make sense.

What also doesn't make sense is to close down the first Go-Mart before the second

one is operable. Couldn't the convenience store have remained open while the other was being finished and the gas stuff was being moved?

But no, Karl and the other Go-Mart big-shots decide it would be nice to torture the slurpy-less, potato-log craving residents of Glenville for two months. TWO MONTHS!

What makes even less sense is to schedule the store's closing to coincide with the beginning of the new fall semester.

I can't remember a night last year when Go-Mart's doors weren't happily swinging back and forth with the purchases of fried chicken and pepper-poppers by all the half-crazed college students who considered that bright-lighted store the main staple of their diet.

It's the first step They are taking in Their big plan of aligning against Us. Well, maybe not, But it just doesn't make a whole hell of a lot of sense, does it?

Wish You Were Here

by J. Jeremy Dean, staff writer

When I went home last summer I had big plans to do nothing. I thought about running wild through the forest near my house, naked and free. I thought I would drink a lot of Diet Coke and eat Little Debbie snack cakes until I thought I would puke. I was going to play my drums and not care what those nosey neighbors said.

Well, all that came to an end the day my dad called and said, "Guess what son, I've got a job for you." So, today I strapped on the old hard hat and headed off to work, a building scaffold in a local power house. Whee hoo!

A guy I worked with once told me something that I have never forgotten. He said, "Jeremy, scaffolding is the hairy armpit of the construction business," and he was right.

Picture this: A bunch of smelly, drunken, biker burnouts crawling around fifty thousand feet in the air, farting, telling dirty jokes and cussing each other's wives. Oh yeah, occasionally they add a couple of metal tubes or a board to the scaffold they are supposed to be building.

Then I am expected to trust these guy's work enough to

walk around on it, like I said, I'm not too close to the ground. And for what? Money.

The only thing worse than working a scaffolding job is not working one and trying to collect unemployment compensation. When the time comes to get laid off, I'll have to try to do this and I don't look forward to it.

When you enter the unemployment office the first thing you do is go grab this handful of papers they give you to fill out. They ask you to answer things like, why are you an unemployed vagrant; when was the last time you ate out of a trash can; and when do you think you'll go back to work?

You see, if you've only been eating from trash cans for three years, you're not eligible because at least you're still eating. If you think you'll go back to work sometime before you die, they figure you're ambitious and you really don't need their money (Money you've been paying them while you work).

So really the only people that can collect have been dead for five years, but according to the unemployment people, the paperwork just came through. This is all easy for them to say because they have jobs.

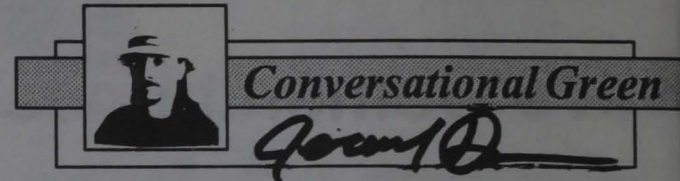
Another thing that re-

ally burns my butt is the fact that even though I've been paying for my college education since day one, even though I haven't lived with my parents for two years and even though I didn't make enough money last year to be considered above the poverty level, I can't get any kind of financial aid except unsubsidized loans. Why? Good question.

I think money is the biggest rip-off this world has ever known. How can anyone put a price on education? And yet we have to or our teachers will starve. How can we put a price on a loaf of bread? Yet we have to or our farmers can't afford to grow grain. How can we put a price on anything? Does anything really belong to you anyway? You can't take anything with you, so why bother?

Why do we let this red, white and blue-blooded old man named "big business" continue to rape us everyday? He controls the world, he controls the governments, he controls this school and he controls you. So what are you gonna' do?

To the credit of GSC Financial Aid office I was, this year finally able to get a subsidized loan, after mountains of paperwork and a few quarts of blood.



Well, I'm kicked back here listening to the newest Primus CD, the one with "Wynona's Big Brown Beaver" on it and I'm thinking...

Why do I have to be so cynical? I mean, I'm like everybody else. I want to have a good time, be a little crazy sometimes. I said last week that I couldn't write a column and not put something negative in it and I was right, I can't. I wonder why that is?

Do ya'll think I'm some kind of ego freak? Do I really take on all these responsibilities because I'm concerned?

Maybe I just do everything so I can hide from the ghosts that haunt me. Maybe ya'll don't even care. Maybe I don't do anything at all.

Is love real or just a senseless fetish for bored minds and who really has the time? Can you live with it? Without it? Is it a gift or a curse or a rhymeless

verse? Why is the Devil red?

Why do I dream I can breath underwater, but I never dream I can fly away? Why do I never recognize you in my dreams? Why are you always my friend? Where will you be in a few years and where will I be? Have I done you any good or have I done me any good?

Am I making any sense here? Does anyone else feel this way or is it just me? I feel so disjointed right now, I don't see which way is up. Am I alone or are there others who just can't seem to get a handle on this semester?

I didn't mean to dive so deep and I hope I didn't depress anyone. There's no sense of being depressed, I'm not. I'm just curious. I want to know how you feel about me feeling about the feelings I felt you felt about the felt I feelings.

Are you confused? Welcome to Glenville.

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Have women honestly progressed in our society?

by Jena Ellyson, staff writer

It is a true disgrace that in just a couple years we will be entering the 21st century and women throughout the world are still subject to onerous and discriminatory restrictions of such fundamental freedoms as voting, marriage, travel, testifying in court, inheriting and owning property, and obtaining custody of children. Even in the year of the United States' 75th anniversary of women's rights, all too often young girls and women find their access to education, employment and health care is limited because of their gender.

In Bangladesh, a 14-year-old girl and her mother were sentenced to one hundred lashes each. Men have died from far fewer strokes (and there was a world outcry when Michael Fay, an American youth, was sentenced to receive four lashes for vandalism in Singapore). The mother and daughter's crime: The teenager had been raped by a village el-

der, but since there were not four "good Muslim" male witnesses to the assault, as required under Islamic law, he went free for lack of proof. The teenager, however, because of her resulting pregnancy, was found guilty of *zina* -- sex outside of marriage.

There are parts of the world where discrimination and violence against women begins even before birth. In three Asian countries alone, 77 million baby girls should exist, but do not because of the government enforced abortions (under which women seven months pregnant can be forced to abort).

Rape has been used as a weapon of war, of course, for as long as men have been fighting. Recently, thousands of Muslim women in Bosnia have been raped by Serbian soldiers, many of whom had previously been their neighbors. Historically, such crimes have gone unpunished.

Arranged marriages are

still common in many lands, including China, the host of the upcoming fourth United Nations World Conference on Women. Hauwa Abubaker, was nine years old when her parents married her to a man old enough to be her grandfather. Three times, the little Nigerian girl ran away from him and each time, her parents sent her back because the bride price had already been paid. Finally, to put an end to her repeated flights, Shehy Kiruwa cut off his child bride's legs. Hauwa died from her injuries. Her husband, however, was not prosecuted because, under customary law, his nine-year-old wife was his property and "he could do with her as he pleased."

Obviously, American women are drastically "better off" than those in most other countries. After all, no other country would allow a female cadet, Shannon Faulkner, into such a highly respected, previously male academy as the Cita-

del. Still, the question remains. It's been 75 years since American women actually received their rights, but have we truly progressed?

Spousal violence continues to be under-investigated and under-prosecuted. The media has made quite an example of a domestic violence case wrongly investigated in the *People of California v. O.J. Simpson* case. Even in the United States, wife murder is not rare. According to the Center for Mental Health Services, ten women are killed by their husbands every day. In fact, 42 percent of all women murdered are victims of their own partners. Have we truly progressed?

Just as shocking: Every fifteen seconds, a woman in this country is beaten and every six minutes, a woman is raped. According to a government report, 98 percent of rapists will not be apprehended, convicted or incarcerated.

Politically, we are also

underrepresented. Women make up merely eight percent of the Senate and only ten percent of the House -- a paltry ratio compared to Sweden, where 41 percent of the Parliament is female. Have we truly progressed?

Based on the apparent facts, the infringement of women's rights knows no geographical boundaries. While women in some countries undoubtedly experience greater discrimination and marginalization than in others, this is not a problem confined only to a few nations.

Violence and discrimination against women doesn't just victimize individuals. According to Secretary Christopher, "they hold back whole societies by confining the human potential of half the population." Guaranteeing human rights is a moral imperative with respect to both women and men. It is also an investment in making whole nations stronger, fairer and quite simply just "better off."

Charge Against Hunger

contributed by North American Precip Syndicate

Hunger hits home for eight million American children and 12 million adults every day.

Thousands of people in need are receiving help, thanks to grass roots relief efforts, including the largest public-private hunger relief effort of its kind--*Charge Against Hunger*--funded by American Express. From now until December 31, American Express will donate three cents for each card purchase and hopes to raise five million dollars for its nonprofit partner, Share Our Strength (SOS). Now in its second year, the campaign funds will be distributed by SOS to benefit millions nationwide.

American Express and SOS suggest several ways to combat hunger:

- 1) Learn more about hunger.
- 2) Volunteer at a soup kitchen.
- 3) Become a hunger relief advocate.
- 4) Have a party and collect cans of food as the admission price.
- 5) Offer professional skills to hunger relief groups--design flyers.
- 6) Encourage local restaurants to donate excess food and kitchen equipment to hunger-relief groups.

So join in the fight against hunger. You can save lives!

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From the Editor's Desk

Once again Labor Day has passed. For most of us, this marks the end of summer and represents a day of rest and relaxation. (However, I'm sure this could be a point of debate for those who were on the preparation end of all those family reunion and picnics, we so easily associate Labor Day with.)

History buffs are reminded of Peter J. McGuire, founder of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters, who first organized a campaign calling for a day to be set aside for a national holiday to honor the country's working people. Oregon led by enacting this proposal in 1887 and in 1894, Grover Cleveland signed a bill making it a legal holiday.

McGuire was undeniably a man who could see a little deeper than most. He knew just where the true heartbeat of our country lay. He

knew it wasn't just the men in white shirts and top coats who gave our country its strength and vibrant flavor, but it was also the men and women who plowed the fields, who sewed the cloth and kneaded the bread. They provided us yesterday and today with the services vital for the existence of our country as we know it.

Monetary value is hard to place on blood, sweat and tears; the things which true values are derived from. So, perhaps when you pass a mother tugging a child, a man at the gas pump, or a flagman by the road, you'll gain a better sense of the true tribute of the next Labor Day.

Now an unpleasant note:

On occasions, I find myself prone to fits of disgust and rage. It was upon returning to school Tuesday that I first felt the pangs of anxiety caused by litter rodents. (Bugs is just too cute of a name for these individu-

als.) Paper was scattered all about the amphitheater.

Hopefully, when each of you stepped upon this campus, you wanted to identify yourselves with a higher thinking mode of individuals; people who know the effects of breathing toxins, people who know that hazardous waste must be properly disposed of and people who realize that sanitation is vital for maintaining a low mortality rate.

Why should we want our college campus to resemble underprivileged streets?

Let's get with it. The custodians here at GSC work very hard to maintain an image of high standards and practices here at our campus. We owe it to ourselves as well as them to chip in. Please be respectful and place your trash in one of the many bins set aside for this purpose.

The Journey To Clean Water

by Gene Breza, staff writer

The Water Environment Federation is a global organization dedicated to preserving and enhancing the waters. A highly technical specialized conference was presented at the Westin Hotel in Cincinnati on August 13-16.

I was invited by Dr. John Williams and as it turned out, we were the only West Virginians to attend. I was able to grasp the specialized talks of EPA regulators, laboratory managers and equipment vendors, who have the perspective focus on their specialties.

Is the picture of water quality in the world pretty? Is the career of lab technician the blooming field it is touted to be? Could you make a difference?

Dr. Williams and I split 59 presentations, each lasting 35 minutes over a period of three days. My first session was a study prompted by foul odor complaints at the Knoxville, TN compost facility from fecal coliform bacteria in yard waste (sticks, leaves, grass clippings, ect.).

There is a great deal of bacteria in yard waste. Bacteria are indicators of other microbes including pathogenic strains of virus and protozoa which "could" be present according to the EPA National Risk Management Research Lab.

The term fecal derives from the fact that these coliform were first identified in feces. Actu-

ally, coliform bacteria occur everywhere throughout nature breaking down organic material just as they do in our intestines. The term fecal coliform, therefore, is a misnomer!

Without fecal coliform bacteria there would be no compost. All dead things would pile up and there would be no life. The real stink in my mind came from the ruptured sewer line found under the compost heap. Were pathogens from the sewage line now inoculated in the city compost?

They did not research that topic, stating in effect, here are fecal coliforms, there are fecal coliforms. Therefore, fecal coliforms are dangerous.

New techniques cutting the water testing edge are capillary electrophoresis, CIA and immunoassay. Both of these achieve one of today's primary government and business goals of lower costs.

CIA is replacing Gas Chromatography. It uses a silica capillary tube which costs \$60 compared to GC column setup which runs around \$700 per test.

The silica tube is charged so that cations from the sample pass through it to an ultraviolet detection unit which performs the analysis. The charge is reversed for anions.

Reasons to use CIA technology: A small lab after laying out the initial \$50,000 could run an affordable and profitable op-

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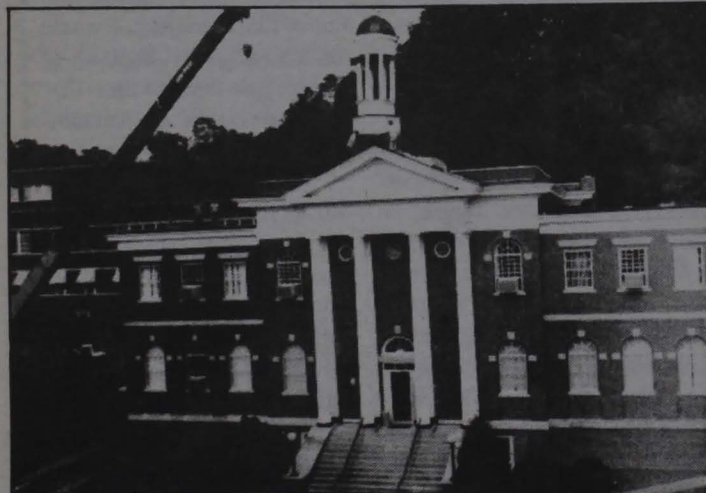


Photo by Gene Breza

The 80 foot crane in action during renovations.

DOE Research Offers Cutting-Edge

If you are a sophomore, junior or senior studying computer science, engineering, physics, environmental and life sciences, mathematics or physical science, the Science and Engineering Research Semester (SERS) offers you the unique opportunity to do hands-on research with some of the nation's top scientists at one of seven national research laboratories during the academic year.

The US Department of Energy (DOE) is sponsoring the program to encourage undergraduate students to continue their studies in science and engineering.

More than 400 students annually receive SERS appointments at one of the participating laboratories. These laboratories include Argonne located outside Chicago; Brookhaven on Long Island, NY; Lawrence Berkeley near San Francisco; Lawrence Livermore at Livermore, CA; Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico; Oak Ridge National Laboratory located in Tennessee; and Pacific Northwest in Washington state.

Participants become members of research teams engaged in long-range, intensive investigations at these outstanding facilities. Fields of study include, but are not limited to, artificial intelligence, biomedicine, basic and applied chemistry, earth and space sciences, environmental

and life sciences, mathematics and computer science, high energy and nuclear physics, reactor physics, engineering, geophysics, waste technology, nuclear medicine and automatic inspection/measurement systems. A more detailed listing of research areas at all participating laboratories is available in the application brochure.

The SERS program offers an attractive financial package in addition to the valuable laboratory contacts and experience. The monthly stipend of \$900 and free housing (utilities included) provide a monthly benefit of up to \$1,600 depending upon the location. Travel expenses are reimbursed for one round trip to the research facility.

In addition to research participation, most laboratories offer courses on site or at nearby universities to help students fulfill graduation requirements while participating in the program. The tuition for these courses is paid by the program adding to the value of the appointment. The majority of participants have also received credit from their home university for the research experience. Participating laboratories are happy to work with schools to assist in making this arrangement.

To be eligible for participation in SERS, students must

have completed the sophomore year at an accredited US community college or four-year college or university. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent resident aliens interested in pursuing a degree in computer science, engineering, environmental or life sciences, mathematics or physical science. A limited number of appointments are also available within six months after graduation for students not enrolled in graduate schools. Guidelines suggest an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher, based on A=4.0.

For more information on the SERS program, contact: Science and Engineering Research Semester, PO Box 23575, Washington, DC 20026-3575 or call (202) 488-2426. SERS application information is now available over the Internet. It can be found on the World Wide Web at <http://www.orau.gov/seed/sers/sersgi.htm>. You can download the application from this site and then print it out. An on-line application form is planned for the near future that will allow a student to fill out the application over the Internet. Interested students may also request information via E-Mail at SERS@orau.gov.

The application deadline for the 1996 spring semester is October 20. The 1996 fall term deadline is March 15, 1996.

Clark Hall Renovations Complete

by Wade Samples, staff writer

Thursday, Aug. 31, some of the more observant students may have noticed an eighty foot crane in the parking lot in front of Clark Hall. This same crane, as any summer session student can attest, was also sighted in mid June. Why, you may ask, was an eighty foot crane lurking about campus? In order to remove, and then replace, the cupola adorning the roof of 66 year old Clark Hall.

Built in 1929, Clark Hall was originally the campus library. With the completion of

the William F. Kidd library, however, the building was converted for use as an instructional hall. According to Nelson Wells, a native Gilmer County historian, "When the new library (William F. Kidd) was finished, all of the students took part in a book walk, each carrying ten or fifteen volumes down the hill to assist in the transfer." It's a good thing they were just carrying the books downhill.

Why, you may ask, was the cupola refurbished? Glenn Reynolds, Director of the Physical Plant here at GSC, explains: "We've been doing repairs on the

cupola while it was mounted on the roof for years, but we decided that it needed some major work done that required removal. Of course, if we had known how bad of shape it was internally, we probably wouldn't have risked taking it down." Basically, if they hadn't taken it down to repair it, the cupola may very well have tumbled down off the roof all by itself.

So, next time your huffing it up the hill, take a look at the roof of Clark Hall and admire the freshly erected, good as new cupola. After all, our fees are paying for the thing.



The Athletic Supporter

Ernie Shreve

The other day I had the privilege of meeting Mr. De Vivo. For those of you who may not know him, he is the replacement for the all mighty Dr. Sirk. De Vivo claims to be an ex-Marine from Connecticut. At first I didn't believe him, but the more I got to know him the more I realized how much he resembled Gomer Pile. I was impressed with his intelligence except that he kept forgetting my name instead referring to me as "candy-ass".

His new adjective for my name challenged my manhood, so I was motivated to go lift weights. The first thing I did was try and borrow a muscle magazine from a football play. With great anticipation, I tried to leaf through the pages with little success. The pages were stuck together! I decided that I would

stick to running. Speaking of football, don't forget about the game against California Pa this Saturday. California had trouble with Conference foe, Fairmont last week. So look for the Pioneers to have a good game.

There is one problem for me though, there will be no cheerleaders. This disappoints me. Surely someone could coach them. Tommy Lasorda sounds like a good candidate.

As freshman lady spiker, Julie Minnick asked me not to mention that she not only plays volleyball, but she also plays a mean "Good ol' Mountain Dew" on the piano, so I won't.

So go the game and the volleyball match Saturday. And remember geography lives in Glenville USA. Home of the Pioneers!

Volleyball Team Opens Season at Fairmont

by: Chup Robinson and Debbi Johnson, contributors

The Glenville State Lady Pioneers volleyball team opened the 1995 season last weekend at Fairmont State College. Playing among eleven strong NCAA II teams, the Lady Pioneers came out of the weekend with a 1-3 record.

Glenville opened play with three games on their first day. Glenville lost their opening game to Alderson-Broddus College 9-15, 12-15, and 4-15.

Next, the Pioneers faced a tough Concord squad. The Pioneers fell a little short again 15-3, 10-15, 11-15 and 4-15. In

their final match of the day, Glenville got their first taste of victory, beating the College of WV in four sets.

Sunday, the Pioneers lost a heartbreaking game to Clarion University. The lady spikers went five games, losing in rally scoring in their final game.

Coach Osborne was very pleased with the play of his young team. "We played as well as any team in the tournament," Osborne claimed. "The lack of getting breaks hurt us, but every game was exciting to watch."

Glenville Lady Pioneers host College of WV and WV State this Saturday at 11 a.m..

Volleyball Team Prepares For Upcoming Competition

by Ernie Shreve, staff writer

The 1995 version of Glenville State's women's volleyball season is officially underway. Unfortunately, for fifth year Kenny Osborne, this team is coming off with a disappointing 10-22 record from last season and was depleted of its top four players.

With a young squad and a tough conference schedule, the lady pioneers appear to have little to be optimistic about. However, the frequently short-tempered Osborne seems to be approaching this season with an unfamiliar calmness and a confident attitude.

The return of Tracy Wilson, Malanie Vogt, Crystal Brooks, and a much improved Becky Cheuront, Tina Jones and Carrie Kirkpartrick have contributed to Osborne's confidence in his team.

A talented recruiting class and returning talent, Osborne is facing his future opponents, with great anticipation.

"We are young, but this is the best team I have coached," Osborne claims. "The sooner we get together as a team, the better off we'll be."

Osborne admits that he

will need one of his veterans to step up and be a leader. Amid the newcomers with unlimited potential is heavy hitters, Jodi Beall, Manda Simmons, Cheryl Stout and soft setter Michelle Smith. All four will be counted on to play a major role in turning the team around. Osborne admits that traditionally he is over-demanding in order to achieve team perfection. Yet, this year he seems to be using a more relaxed attitude.

"I usually blow-up every practice, but I haven't had to with this group. They have a great attitude."

With the combination of skilled athletes and a new winning attitude, look for these women to transform the program into a contender for the conference championship. Standing in their way will once again be WV Wesleyan, a team that has never lost to a conference foe.

If you prefer to stay indoors or just enjoy watching a talented team execute themselves to near perfection, then come and watch the lady spiker perform their version of "show time" Saturday at 11 a.m. against WV State and Ohio Valley.

PIONEER FOOTBALL 1995 Schedule

September		
9	California (PA)	H 7:00 P.M.
16	Indiana State (IN)	A 6:00 P.M.
23	WV State	A 1:00 P.M.
30	West Liberty	H 1:00 P.M.
October		
7	WV Wesleyan	H 1:00 P.M.
14	Fairmont	A 1:00 P.M.
21	Concord Homecoming	1:30 P.M.
28	WV Tech	A 1:00 P.M.
November		
4	Shepherd	A 1:00 P.M.
11	Livingstone (NC)	H 1:00 P.M.

Head Coach: Rich Rodriguez

Ms. National College Photo Model

Entries are being sought for college women to participate in the 1996 Ms. College Photo Model contest. Entrants must currently be enrolled and attending college on a full or part-time basis at the undergraduate or graduate level.

Entrants must be between the ages of 18-35 and may be single, married or divorced. No modeling or pageant experience is necessary to enter the contest. Entrants must be willing to provide a positive image for the contest.

For application and contest information, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: S. Peterson, National College Director

5400 W. Cheyenne #1098
Las Vegas, NV 89108

LADY PIONEER BASKETBALL 1995-96 Schedule

Nov. 17-18	Pizza Hut Classic	H 6:00
	<i>Ohio Valley, Bluefield College, Fairmont State, Glenville State</i>	8:00
21	Davis & Elkins	H 5:00
29	Kentucky State Univ.	A 6:00
Dec. 2	Geneva	H 4:00
5	WV Wesleyan	A 7:00
9	Univ. of Charleston	A 6:00
11	Shepherd	A 5:15
Jan. 8	Columbia Union	H 7:00
10	Fairmont	H 5:15
15	West Liberty	H 5:15
17	Salem-Telkyo	H 6:00
20	Alderson-Broaddus	A 6:00
22	PIII-Johnstown	H 6:00
24	Davis & Elkins	A 5:15
27	Bluefield State	H 1:00
29	Concord	A 5:15
31	WV Tech	H 5:15
Feb. 5	Wheeling Jesuit	H 6:00
7	WV State	A 5:00
10	Salem-Telkyo	A 6:00
12	Ohio Valley	A 6:00
14	WV Wesleyan	H 6:00
19	Bluefield State	A 5:15
22	Concord	H 6:00
24	WV Tech	A 2:00
26	WVIAC Tournament (Round 1)	

Head Coach: Steve Harold

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Nov. 17-18	Westminister Toum (PA)	A 6:00
21	St. Vincent	H 7:30
25	Ashland	H 7:30
Dec. 2	PIII-Johnstown Univ.	H 7:30
4	WV Wesleyan	A 8:00
9	Univ. of Charleston	A 8:00
16	Bluefield	H 7:30
Jan. 8	Ohio Valley	A 7:30
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Head Coach: Gary Nottingham

1995 CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 9	CALIFORNIA UNIV OF PA
16	MUSKINGHAM
23	DAVIS AND ELKINS
30	BLUEFIELD
OCTOBER 7	DICKINSON
14	GETTYSBURG
21	CONCORD
27-28	WVIAC CONFERENCE AT BLUEFIELD
NOV 4	REGIONAL

What is Phi Beta Lambda?

PBL is a nonprofit educational association for students preparing for careers in business, entrepreneurial or business-related fields. The association prepares students for employment by promoting competent, aggressive business leadership, establishing career goals, promoting efficient money management and developing character and self-confidence.

An extensive skills competitions program is offered to challenge members in their academic pursuits. Membership in PBL is unified on the local, state and national levels. This

year's national competition is being held in Washington, D. C.

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Starting this semester, you can even get class credit for being a member. It has been quoted by advisors as an "Easy A".

Anyone interested in joining Phi Beta Lambda should stop in and see Ms. Dawkins, talk to a member or simply show up at the next meeting. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month.

Nominations for Homecoming Queen and Court are Open

Nominations taken in Student Services Office from September 5-15, 1995 at 4 p.m. (See Pages 29-30 of GSC Student Handbook.) Positions Open Are: Queen, Senior Princess, Junior Princess, Sophomore Princess, and Freshman Princess.

Nominate yourself or be nominated by a friend or campus organization. Nominations must be full-time students with 12 hours.

Nominees will be posted and may campaign from September 18-24, 1995.

Elections will be held: September 25th, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (Heflin Center Lobby), 8 p.m.-10 p.m. (Residence Halls); and September 26th, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (Heflin Center Lobby).

The GSC Collegiate 4-H Club will hold its fall organizational meeting on Tuesday, September 12 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 216 (Theory Room) of the Fine Arts Building. All interested 4-Hers are encouraged to attend, as we plan to "Make the Best Better" for the 1995-1996 year! Contact Mrs. McKinney at extension 239 for further information.

Students who would like to submit their original cartoons for publication in *The Mercury* may do so. We will try to use as many as possible.

Thank-you,
Managing Editor

Delta Zeta News

by Amie Sparks, contributor

The sorority had a rush birthday party on August 31. Happy birthday goes out to Angie Meadows, Chrissy Kelble, Gwen Reddecliff and Mary Grace Gainer. We would also like to thank the ladies that attended.

We are having a campus-wide pool party on September 7th from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Panhellenic Party on September 10th begins at 8 p.m. in the Heflin Center. A Pirate party, Detective party and Rose Preference party are planned for the remainder of the week. To attend Formal Rush functions, you must sign up or contact Amie Sparks (313 Williams Wing.) Come and join the fun!

NATIONAL COLLEGE POETRY CONTEST

Open to college and university students desiring to have their poetry anthologized. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top five poems. Deadline: October 31. For contest rules send a stamped envelope to:

International Publications
PO Box 44044-L
Los Angeles, CA 90044.

Does your roommate occasionally brush his or her teeth with Preparation H before going to class? If so, we want to hear about it or any other quirky news. Drop us a note.

Managing Editor

New Computer Lab Opened

by Annie McCourt, staff writer

Last Thursday, August 31, the shiny, brand-new, technologically prepared computer lab was opened in Room 100 of the administration building.

The lab was dedicated to Ernest H. Smith, a former professor of business, for his lifetime of loyalty and support to Glenville State College.

The lab's construction has taken two years in the making, but it is now ready to offer color screens, laser printing, Windows, DOS and it can handle any kind of software from accounting and marketing programs to software for term papers. The lab has networking and plans for the Internet are in the works.

The lab is free to all GSC students and as GSC President William K. Simmons stated, "It's on the cutting edge."

Delta Zeta Fall 1995 Formal Rush Schedule

by Delta Zeta Sorority

Hey ladies, time to sign up for formal rush! The cost will be \$1 to sign up. You can sign up in the Heflin Center Lobby between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., September 6-8.

The sign up is not an obligation to join or rush. It is just an interest in rushing. However, you must sign up in order to go through formal rush.

The first party will be the formal rush party held September 10 in the Verona Maple Room at 8 p.m. Formal attire, church attire, is required at this party. You will be able to get to

know the sisters of Delta Zeta as well as others interested in rushing.

The second party, held on September 11, will be a Pirate Party. All games and activities will be pirate related. The party will be at 5 p.m. in the Verona Maple Room, in Heflin Student Center. Dress appropriately.

September 12 will be the Detective Party at 5 p.m. Come see what fun this will be. It will also be held in the Verona Maple Room.

Come join the fun and see what Greek Life is all about! It's something that only experiencing it can describe.

Parking Problems?

by J. Jeremy Dean, staff writer

Starting in mid-September there will be some disruptions in the campus parking areas due to re-paving.

According to Glenn Reynolds, physical plant director, work will be scheduled on weekends and during times when few classes are in session, at least to the greatest extent possible.

There will, however, be some problems, so plan ahead. The affected parking areas are as follows:

1 Gravel lot near the north entrance on Linn St. will be paved and striped.

2 The gravel portion of the lot behind the Fine Arts Center will be paved and striped; the remainder will be patched and sealed.

3 The angled parking lot along Linn St. beside the Science building will be sealed and striped.



Photo by Gene Breza

Division Chair, Marty Armentrout cuts the ribbon for the installed computer lab.

Faculty Spotlight: Michael De Vivo

by Jena Ellyson, staff writer

Over the past few years, particularly the previous summer, several familiar faces seem to have disappeared. As our old professors move on, promising new instructors full of high expectation, incredulous enthusiasm and fresh ideas continue to emerge. Michael De Vivo, professor of geography, is one such new instructor.

"I am very pleased to be here at Glenville State College," De Vivo explains. "I am delighted to see the congeniality in the social science division and on campus as a whole. It's a very pleasant atmosphere. I look forward to teaching here."

De Vivo began his education at the Southern Connecticut State University where he earned his B.A. in geography. His M.S. was received at the University of Tennessee and recently, De Vivo was advanced to candidacy for his Ph.D. at the University of Wales.

In 1992, in the midst of obtaining his education, he worked as a smoke jumper engaging in parachute operations

concentrating on wildfire suppression activities in the western United States.

In earlier years, he was completely dedicated to the U.S. Marine Corps. Initially, he served as a reconnaissance Ma-

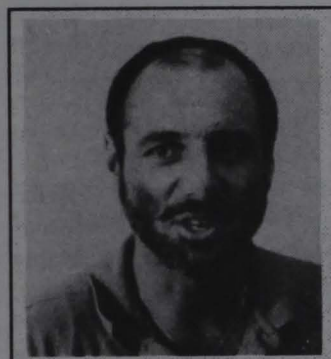


Photo by Gene Breza

rine and then, a diver for the U.S. Naval Reserve. After just four years, De Vivo became a captain aboard supply vessels for the mineral and oil industry in the Gulf of Mexico.

"As a professor, my top priority is to serve the GSC community as best as I can," De Vivo comments. "I hope to inspire students to learn about geography and what is even more important, to succeed in life in general," he concludes.

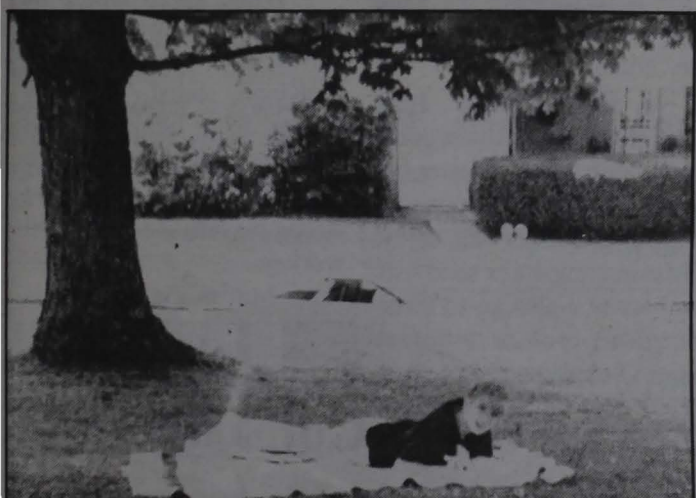


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A student enjoys one of the last warm days of summer.

Free Things To Send For

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Company at (800) ONLYPUR or (800) 665-9787.

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Mansfield Becomes New Director of Career Planning and Placement

by Wade Samples, staff writer

With all of the faculty hiring and firing of late here at GSC, it's nice to see some familiar faces on campus. One of these faces belongs to none other than the brand new Director of Career Planning and Placement, Michele Mansfield.

As any dorm resident will know, Mansfield was hired as the female housing director last year and with the departure of student favorite Sean McAndrews this summer, she inherited the role as sole supervisor of Pickens Hall.

Officially, Mansfield's last

day as dorm director was Friday, September 1, but she is temporarily holding down both positions until a replacement for McAndrews is selected. She will then move all of her earthly belongings out of the dorm and assume full-time responsibility for the Career Planning and Placement office.

"I really enjoyed working with the students here in the dorm," said Mansfield, "but I'm really looking forward to helping students prepare for life after GSC."

When asked what part of the dorm living she was glad to be getting away from, she replied,

"I'm not going to miss people knocking on my door at four o'clock in the morning and I'm definitely not going to miss fire alarms."

Mansfield, who holds a Masters Degree in Education with a specialization in student personnel services in higher education, will be setting up shop in the Heflin Student Center Career Planning office. Any student who needs assistance with developing a resume, finding a job in their field, or just choosing a major, is encouraged to stop by and see Mansfield. Just don't go knocking on her office door at four o'clock in the morning.

The Views of the Old Coot

by Allen Carr, contributor

Well, should I launch right into the old traditional "welcome back, students?" Na'aw, too conventional. Instead, let me campaign for a sporting event near and dear to my heart, the Greater Glenville/Ziggy Pro-Am International Open Croquet and Crumpet Drinking Tournament. It's time that we allowed Glenville State College to take it's rightful place as a trend setter with the international elite.

We have a marvelous facility that is currently (and habitually) available: Simmon's Folly (formally a student's gravel parking lot). We could recruit some world class croquet talent from Great Britain. Employment would be provided for local youth in keeping errant croquet balls from bombarding the diligent (and unsuspecting) students in the amphitheater.

theater.

Croquet rules and etiquette, at least in British form, are supposed to be practically indecipherable. This should provide opportunities for the Faculty Senate and upper echelon staff members to sit as arbiters of misunderstandings of the rules and breaches of etiquette.

This may not be a sound idea, since there might be a possibility of disrupting the harmonious relationship that has recently been enjoyed.

Parenthetically, the conversion of the little used parking lot to grass has probably contributed significantly more to our breathable air than has the crushed sandstone.

The federally funded studies detailing the extent of sandstone's contribution to breathable air has not yet been made available under the freedom of information act, so we

must assume from observation that grass is better.

I mean, no disrespect to sandstone. So don't become offended and write me nasty letters (dirty ones would be okay though). I am not trying to provide fodder for a protest group bent on raising awareness about sandstone's contribution to mankind's overall well-being. I am basically neutral on sandstone. (Although I once harbored momentary harsh feelings for a sandstone missile and its launcher that bounced off my head.)

I refrain, please support the tournament. Write your congressperson. Light candles, sign petitions, vote independent, practice your British accent. Let's put GSC at the forefront of the Intergalactic croquet movement. We need more activities to provide excuses for not studying. Well, at least walk on the grass.

met feast.

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For the free informative brochure, Solving Payment Problems, write to the American Collectors Association, Public Relations, P.O. Box 39106, Minneapolis, MN 55439-0106.

For free copies of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics brochure, "Help Your Child Learn Math," "Fam-

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Movie Review: "Mortal Kombat"

by *Kenny Wilkins, staff writer*

Who would have ever thought of going to the movie theater and watching Liu Kang bicycle kick Reptile, Sub-Zero deep freeze an opponent, or Scorpion trying to incinerate Johnny Cage, after watching "Street Fighter" and "Double Dragon" make their debut from the arcade game to the big screen? But thanks to New Line Cinema and Threshold Entertainment, "Mortal Kombat" the movie is here.

Producer Lawrence Kasanoff, whose credits include "Terminator 2: Judgement Day" and "True Lies", whole ambition behind "Mortal Kombat" was to create an action-adventure film that would draw audiences back in the movie theater again to see the movie.

By combining some of the best choreographed martial art fight scenes with mind blowing special effects, "Mortal Kombat" proves itself as a blockbuster hit that will draw audiences back again and again.

With a cast made up of martial art champions and top ranked martial artists playing a major portion of the lead and supporting roles, the audience is left in dismay as they watch some of the best choreographed fight scenes performed on the big screen. According to Kasanoff, each actor had to audition for the role twice: once for the speaking part of the role and once for the martial arts parts of the role.

Hong Kong martial art champ Robin Shou makes his American debut in "Mortal Kombat" as the notorious Liu Kang, who has entered into the ancient Shaolin tournament to find his brother's killer: Shang Tsung (Cory-Hiroyuki Tagawa-"Rising Sun"). Bridgette Wilson ("Last Action Hero") and Linden Ashby ("Wyatt Earp") soon join Shou in the fight for humanity as the high strung federal agent Sonya Blade and movie actor Johnny Cage.

Christopher Lambert ("Highlander") makes a guest role appearance as the mighty

Lord Rayden, who helps the three fighters through the ancient Shoalin tournament that includes the supernatural beings of Scorpion, Sub-Zero, and Reptile (all played by international martial art champs).

The ultimate showdown of good against evil in the tournament will bring out the best of the visual effects as several of the characters signature moves are brought to life on the big screen. Visual effects also played a major role in bringing the four armed Goro to life.

"Mortal Kombat" is a must see movie by my standards. By the time the movie is finished, you will be sitting on the edge of your seat and ready to see it again.

Around the Bend...Music to Travel by.

by *Eric Ware, contributing writer*

So you got an hour or so on your long trek to Glenville. A.C. pumping, foot to the gas, the radio seems boring and broken up with monotonous static. Panic stricken, you search through a mountain of tapes...only one problem.

Which one?

"Which one!" you scream, "Which one!"

For Rock fans check out the chart-topping LIVE, or the jams and pop reflections of Blues Traveler and Hootie & the Blowfish. What would you say if you combine a violin, a banjo, throw in some guitars with drums? You'd say that new breakthrough, root-based Dave Matthews Band's LP "Under the Table and Dreaming" or modern jazz hit Be'la Fleck &

Operation Native Talent to Come to WVU Coliseum

Are you graduating this year? Are you looking for a job? If so, then you will want to attend Operation Native Talent (ONT) on September 22nd at the West Virginia University Coliseum in Morgantown. ONT is the largest job fair in West Virginia and over 60 employers will be present to meet and interview students from West Virginia col-

leges. Employers at ONT represent virtually every industry, except education. Last spring, financial services firms, government, hospitals, banks, retail companies, not-for-profit employers, manufacturing and service firms were all represented.

ONT provides the only opportunity you will have to meet so many employers in one

day. Interviewing with these recruiters will help you establish contacts with prospective employers. The program is jointly sponsored by the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, West Virginia Roundtable, Inc., West Virginia Development Office, West Virginia College Placement Association and AT&T.

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Jerry, born Jerome John Garcia, in 1942, experienced music throughout his beautiful life. His father, a musician as well, would lull Jerry to sleep with his songs. Then later, after his father passed, Jerry lived with his mother in the tavern she operated. Here he heard many a blues legend

perform and picked up his first guitar at the age of 15. Later on in the late sixties as the summer of love and psychedelia came and went, Jerry and his music stayed.

He became the needle of hope that threaded thirty years of life into one multi-colored quilt that is big enough to wrap the whole world in it's warmth. Now, he is up there, somewhere, making sure the seams don't unravel.

For Alternative minds, check out Matthew Sweet's new LP of pop melodies and bittersweet lyrics of "100% Fun" (a total contrast to the record), Soul Asylum's new LP "let your dim light shine" ("Misery" being my favorite), and a college favorite, Weezer with their self-titled album.

For something heavier check out Cleveland's alter-industrial, self-produced Filter, or new chart bands like Sponge, Helmet, and Silverchair. Or R&B chart favorite TLC.

On the local front check out the ripping sound of Temper's new EP "Severed", and the lay back, mind-moving sound of Mother Insane's "Judge a Book by it's Cover".

So you have an hour? Make some noise! Make it loud!

Jerry Garcia Thirty Years, Thousands of Fans and a Whole Lot of Shinin'

by *Annie McCourt, staff writer*

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GSC Band Marches On

by *Ken McWhorter, staff writer*

The Glenville State College Marching Band is preparing for another exciting season. For Saturday night's football game, against California PA, they will perform a half time show full of songs from one of Hollywood's hottest movie sequels. The question is, how does the band play and march so well at every home game?

Band director, John McKinney starts the process long before the semester begins by picking out music he thinks audiences will enjoy. "Music companies send lists and tapes. I also go to Pittsburgh to look at different music," explained McKinney.

After picking out the music McKinney begins writing the "field show," a drawing of the movement of each member in the band during halftime and pregame.

"The process of writing a field show involves trying to make the movement of the band reflect the feeling in the music," explained McKinney.

When asked where he received his energy to take on rehearsal every day, McKinney stated, "I get my energy from being around students and music. I think this year's band is full of strong players and motivated workers."

Marching band in-

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The Careers Office will

provide assistance in resume writing and interviewing skills to help you prepare for ONT. You need to stop by the Careers Office and let us know if you want to attend. If enough students are interested, we will provide transportation to Morgantown. Call the Careers Office at ext.118 to register for ONT.

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eration, small amounts of sample and reagents were needed and the tests were fast (as little as six minutes).

Immunoassay (using biologically generated immunoglobulin proteins) is now being used to run the gamut at possible water tests, from pesticides in ground water to the effluent from waste water plants. As with the CIA procedure, the tests are quick, inexpensive, profitable and provide a good screening program for potential enviro-contaminants.

Now that you are glued , here are some other points of interest. Many of the trace metal contaminants previously thought to be from the environs were actually generated from within the lab.

Zinc, lead and copper from water lines and hoods and mercury from stainless steel! Ouch! When labs switched from stainless to teflon equipment mercury levels dropped by two-thirds. The emphasis has now become "clean" lab procedures.

The environs out of the lab are not as bad as we thought, a zero reading on lead is not acceptable according to Albert A. Liabastre of the US Army Center for Health.

We have been throwing lead around for some time! Few people at the conference had much experience in the "real world". Work samplings were provided by lab suppliers. One woman was thrilled to have two totally contaminated sights to gather genuine samples. Amazing!

My last thrill in Cincinnati was a tour of a sewage treatment plant. Standing two feet away from a huge bin of dredged up socks, tampons, diapers and bras flushed down Cincinnati toilets left a stench in my nose that lasted several days.

The florescent green "treated" water headed for the Ohio River would comply with the visibility component of clean water regulations. The outlet pipe was 20 feet below the water!

Although they knew exactly which company dumped the green dye into the system, the EPA was

not stepping on that company for some reason.

The lab tour that followed told of the future of lab work. In the huge spacious labs a series of the latest machines sat while they performed hundreds of automated tests.

What struck me was how few technicians there were. There were about seven technicians in ten labs. I witnessed the continuous mining machines at the laboratory world!

Dear Editor:

I would greatly appreciate it if you would place this ad in the appropriate section of the Mercury. I am interested in your school and would like to correspond with someone presently attending. Furthermore, a copy or two of the Mercury would be appreciated.

Thank You
Mr. James P. Renick

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cludes both music majors who are required to be in the band and non majors, who simply enjoy playing. All that is required is to show up at the right time, with the right equipment and the right attitude.

Dawn Nolan, a sophomore music minor who plays trumpet, explained that she enjoys marching band because of the chance to learn new field shows. "I liked being in band in High School," stated Nolan. "I've been marching since I was in seventh grade."

Mary Gainer, a junior percussionist, likes band because of the informal atmosphere and because of the inspiration band members can give to each other. "You draw on other peoples energy," explained Gainer. "If someone else plays well you want to play better yourself." When

asked how she makes it through the long hot practices (which all band members must attend four days a week), Gainer explained that the performance makes it all worth it.

"Everyone is dependent on each other. I couldn't do my job if it wasn't for the band," stated senior, Allen Bearfield, a drum major. Bearfield went on to comment on the hard, hot, band practices by stating, "If it wasn't hard, it wouldn't be worth it." Bearfield enjoys this year's band music, especially the song "Live and Let Die."

McKinney's goal for the band is to play a good performance. He explained that music often serves as a vehicle of expression for the members of the band. The result of which is that "it turns out enjoyable for the public."

Other than playing at football games, the GSC Marching Band is also involved in many civic functions. Later this semester, they will play at the dedication of the new World War II memorial on campus.

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ily Math Awareness Activities," or "Using Calculators To Improve Your Child's Math Skills," send a self-addressed, stamped, business-sized envelop to NCTM, 1906 Association Drive, Dept. MSPR-NAPS, Reston, VA 22091-1593.

An informative brochure on how you can help to break the cycle of child abuse is available free to those who call IOF Forsters at 1-800-922-4-IOF.

For free recipes, send a self-addressed, business-sized envelop to: Underwood Recipes-

Mercury Corrections

To August 31 Mercury-- In the Chairs File Suit Against Simmons article, the last sentence of the article should have read: "The letter claimed Simmons also failed to include faculty members in the selection process of the new chairs, which is a violation of college policy."

Just A Note:

There will be an EVC music video dance party in the library parking lot on September 21, 1995.

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Get into the action... and support the Pioneers!!

Saturday, September 9, 1995

Lady Pioneers host WV State and OVC at 11:00 a.m. in the gymnasium

GSC vs. California, PA at 7 p.m. at Pioneer Stadium

One of Bravery's Many Faces

by Sandra Gibson, managing editor

When 20-year-old Ryan Morter stepped onto a plane in late August, he didn't know for certain what would be waiting at the other end. He wondered about many things. Were these people really hillbillies? Would the weather difference be an obstacle? Would there be others of his race there and if not, would he have to fight racial battles alone?

So, along with his personal belongings, he also carried with him, anticipation, uncertainty and fear. However, there was one thing that he was certain about: his desire for a better life.

Morter is from South Central Los Angeles. He grew up with a landscape of concrete, crowded housing and busy streets. He had heard of West Virginia, but he had never physically experienced eastern climates and life-styles.

For Morter, violence was just a part of everyday life. Having the word "Nigger" shouted from across the street was no more unusual than to feel the fluttering of the wind. To see blood and death were just as much a part of reality as breathing and living were.

Morter first heard of Glenville when a football recruiter called and left a message with his mother. At the time, he was attending Santa Monica College and playing football

there. He knew that without a combination of good academic and sports skill, his future aspirations would be cut short. Like many, Ryan had his share of subjects, such as math and English which appeared like craggy mountains to him. But unlike many, he had an even greater obstacle to face.

A tragedy occurring in his youth had left him virtually deaf in both ears. Left undetected until Morter entered elementary school, he learned to get along by reading lips. This meant; however, that unless he was able to see the speaker's lips move, he would miss most of what was being said.

With the loss of his father at an early age, Morter never had the luxury of having a father's presence in the home. His mother worked long hours to make ends meet to support him, an older sister and an older brother. She watched the harsh environment chip away at her children and witnessed it take away her first son when he was no older than Morter now is. Constantly she sought to replace the coldness of the surroundings with the warmth of love.

Much of what Morter's eyes have witnessed, he does not wish to recall. The pain is still too fresh. Leaving behind the small circle of support from his mother, sister, a baby son and his son's mother wasn't easy.

"There are many gim-

micks," his sister warned. She feared that the medical insurance and the scholarship which he was offered might not come through.

His mother also feared. She knew that football could be a dangerous sport and she worried that people so far away would not truly care about her son.

"Crazy," some taunted. Two of Morter's acquaintances were also given the opportunity to come to GSC. However, one opted not to do something so foolish as going far away to a place where he knew little about life, while the other friend came, arriving one week ahead of Morter and decided to leave just

a few hours after Morter arrived.

"He just couldn't take the change. I'm willing to take a chance. I want to make it."

Morter knows that as the only man of his family, he must have an education if he is to make a better life for himself and his family. He hopes to pursue an education in Behavior Science and return to Los Angeles, where he can work with troubled youths, steering them from the arms of violent gangs.

He doesn't mind lending his mammoth body to the game of football in order to achieve this. He considers football his number one hobby.

"I want to drop to 325 pounds, get into shape and re-

ally help the team. I really like the team and the coaches are good. Coach Rod is really funny."

With all of his classes beginning at 8 a.m. and football practice each day at 3 p.m., with occasional 6 a.m. runs, he knows that it won't come easy, but he has a purpose.

"I love my family. I know I'll miss them lots, but I want to be somebody and make them proud."

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The Global Campus United Nations World Conference on Women

by Jena Ellyson, staff writer

Organizers of the largest United Nations World Conference on Women granted China 24 hours to stop harassing delegates, and suggested they might cancel the conference if China reneges on a promise to do so. The threat reflected growing tensions between organizers of the meeting and their host country.

The friction dates back to March, when China abruptly moved the conference from Beijing to the small town of Huairou, into a restricting gymnasium. Chinese officials claimed this was absolutely necessary because they feared the women "infect" Beijing residents with the "spirit of democracy."

Since the private conference began, delegates have complained of widespread harassment and surveillance by Chi-

nese authorities. Last Saturday, the organizers demanded that it end. "This will be the biggest, and I dare say most important United Nations conference in history," said Gertrude Mongella, a Tanzanian diplomat and secretary-general of the conference. "This is a conference for action."

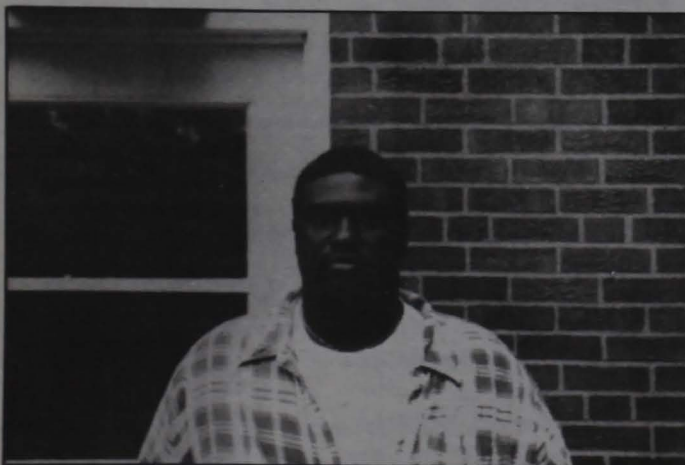
The U.N. Conference will adopt a document calling on member government to abolish discrimination against women in education and work, end violence against them, develop programs to alleviate female poverty, and to take other specific steps. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is also expected to speak to human rights, arguing on women's behalf for adequate health care, political rights, and economic opportunity.

Saturday afternoon, women from five different nations testified before a packed auditorium about violence and injustice

they or their friends have suffered. Nomsa Neube related the story of a little girl repeatedly raped by her father, explaining that sexual abuse of children is widespread in her native Zimbabwe because "many believe that having sex with a child is a cure for AIDS." Throughout the various panels, both speakers and listeners at times were moved to tears. At other times, the audience jumped up clapping and cheering.

"I know now that none of what happened to me was my fault," Mary McGoldrick of Ireland, who was maliciously beaten by her husband for years, said. "I am no longer a victim. I am a survivor."

More than 19,000 delegates attended the women's Non-Governmental Forum, while about 6,000 are expected for the fourth U.N. Conference on Women, which run Sept. 4-15.



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Bill Pitzer Bringing It Back Home: Years at Glenville State College

by Gene Breza, staff writer

Bill Pitzer spent three years at Glenville State College from the fall of '78 to the spring of '81. He was a resident assistant on the first, then on the second floor until he became the dormitory director of Louis Bennett Hall.

He recalls amusing and harrowing times in the dorms. He remembers the professors and classes which broadened his mind to set him on the road to a career in infographics.

He worked on *The Mercury* doing editorial cartoons and even had his own comic strip. He graduated with the triple honors of Cum Laude, The Whiting Art Award and along with Shirley Williams, the Outstanding Student Award.

It was here that Pitzer met his future wife, Jackie, introduced by August "Gook" Kafer of financial aid fame. He had what he called typical college courtship. According to her, "he wasn't here to kill time."

He claims he never crammed for finals. He wrote all of his notes on 3"x5" index cards with multicolored pens, which he studied in his spare time. When it became time for finals, he went to bed after a good meal. He always did well.

He says the fundamental art program is the best you can get. Under the watchful eye of

Mr. Charles Scott, the basic art instruction was taught by Mr. James Rogers and Mr. George Harper. He said, "Mr. Rogers' contemporary art class did more for me than any other class...for the mind broadening aspect."

A fire in Louis Bennett Hall one Saturday night led to Pitzer's becoming dorm director. Yanking the fire extinguisher off the wall, Pitzer opened the door while Gook emptied the contents into the room. Nothing happened except for them being covered in sulfur, so they called the fire department.

They managed to put the fire out though, Pitzer tells, three fourths of them (the firemen) were called away from the local dance hall, the Fireplace. The investigation by the fire marshal led to an allegation against the dorm director who pleaded no contest.

This left the position of dorm director open. Dr. Billips, in Pitzer's words, "took a chance on me." The large apartment allowed Pitzer to marry in October of '79.

Just before Pitzer's first Christmas as a newlywed he asked a forestry student to find a tree for the dorm. The tree was magnificent, as if someone had raised it from a pup. It was so pretty when decorated that people kept coming by to look. Jeff Lilly, the basketball coach, saw it while walking through the

breezeway.

Pitzer assumed the woodchuck had cut it from a forestry plot somewhere. Lilly knew...a truck load of kids had driven out on the golf course, in view of his house and all that was left was a stump.

In the summer, the Island Creek Coal sports camp was held free at GSC. Down at Pickens Hall, it was hot and all the kids had their windows open. "It was late at night and they were waiting for Hot Rod Huntley, celebrity volunteer. He didn't show up...He didn't show up." It was past midnight, around 12 or 1 am and "I'm outside talking to one of the security guards and finally...we hear a car coming through town, squealing tires, and music playing real loud."

This car pulls up and the noise from the stereo was just echoing over the "U" at Pickens. The kids were all hanging out of their windows to see, when, "the back seat opens up and out folds Hot Rod Huntley, fairly well inebriated, whooping and hollering." Pitzer says, "I went out there and really chewed his butt out."

Pitzer is tickled every time he is introduced as a GSC graduate. "From where?" It's never hurt him though. He works side by side and arm in arm with graduates from Columbia, Oxford, Yale, Cambridge and Northwestern and has never felt inadequate. He has always been considered as a peer. He says, "Ninety percent of college is what you make of it."

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Palm also said, "In the seven months I spent in the CAP, I never really knew a PF soldier." He states the reason for this as being the language barrier and the cultural gap.

Palm hopes his presentation will provoke interest and discussion on the topic of the CAP. This is a hot topic for scholars of the sixties generation and there are differing views on its effectiveness and the concept in general.

This is not the first time members can discuss sixties related topics.

Palm has been a presenter at this conference. Last year he presented a paper discussing the influence of the book *The Ugly American* on the attitudes shaping the war in Vietnam.

The group who holds this annual Conference is Vietnam Generation Incorporated, a group headed by Kaly Tal, a Yale PhD who is very active in sixties study.

Dr. Palm comments of the group, "It's great for me as a professional student of the sixties." The group, that is based in New Haven, Connecticut, has a scholarly journal and also sponsors a computer bulletin board where



"Dr. Palm as a corporal on CAP duty July, 1967 at the Quang Tri Providence."

Dr. Palm's exhibition is entitled "The People of Papa Three: A Photographic Record of the Combined Action Program." For further information, contact Dr. Ed Palm at extension 211.

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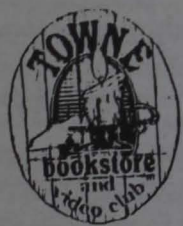
is to get into modeling. Nevertheless, for this Calhoun County native -- Gilmer County educated lady, her chief objective now is to earn the bachelor's degree. "I've spent too much time and money on my education to give it all up now," she remarks.

"I want to help people by specializing in obstetrics-gynecology," she further adds.

Although many area residents will be wondering about how she fares in the national pageant this month, it will not be televised live, but be taped for replay at a later date.

Regardless of the outcome, Gregory doesn't anticipate leaving her home state soon. She's very proud of her roots.

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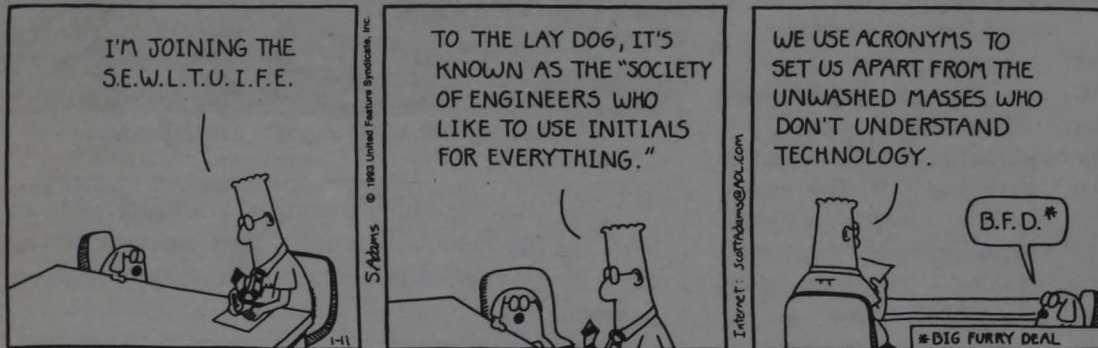
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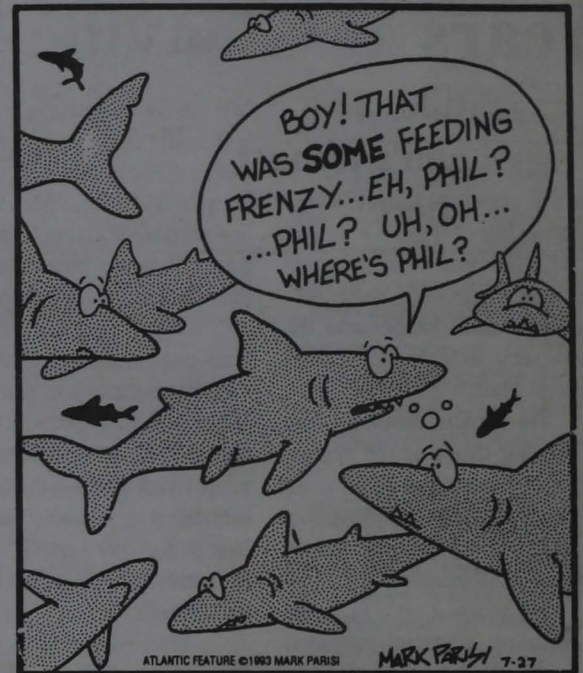


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