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Local Sports Figure, Rick Simmons, Faces Terminal Illnesses, Seeks Transplant Funds

David H. Corcoran
contributing writer

In August, when Rick Simmons became Gilmer County High School's new athletic director, he thought that his greatest challenge this fall would be to field winning teams.

Now, three months later, he finds himself in a more deadly contest--the fight for his own life.

The popular sports figure and former Ripley journalist plans on winning his match with fate, having been diagnosed with a rare genetic disease and the need for a costly liver transplant.

The new Glenville resident does not qualify for the school system's insurance plan, so approximately \$208,000 must be raised to help finance the operation.

"Mom, I've got to push all pride aside," the critically ill man said to his mother, Mrs. Dot Nichols, from his bed at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown last Wednesday.

Simmons is suffering from Hemocromatosis, a rare genetic disorder that is the result of a recessive gene in his chemistry system, according to medical specialists.

Had the family known of this hereditary disorder, he could have been monitored closely from childhood and treated over the years to prevent the organ damage.

The organ transplant center in Pittsburgh telephoned his 9th floor hospital room, Tuesday, to confirm his medical insurance regarding the proposed operation. By late afternoon, it

became evident that the Glenville man's insurance would not provide coverage for the needed hospitalization and transplant.

More sadly, without such assurance or guaranteed payment up front, Simmons' name would be dropped to a low priority on the transplant list.

A former publisher of his family's newspaper in Ripley until the paper was sold earlier this year, Simmons started a new life and career in Glenville as the golf coach and athletic director at Gilmer County High School.

His golfers amassed a respectable 26-12 record in his first season at the helm.

Also, as a community service, he has written numerous game stories dealing with high school sports which have appeared in *The Glenville Pathfinder* over the past three months.

He and his wife, Lisa, moved to Glenville in August, being aided by his sports friends, namely Coaches Frank Marino of Ripley and Tony Gibson of Glenville.

An alumnus of Glenville State College, he was a member of the championship golf team in the late 1970's.

"I love being back in Glenville," echoed the newly settled in resident.

Friends have set up an account at the United National Bank, Attn, Acct. # 04158-4304, 101 East Main Street, Glenville 26351.

Contribution checks can be made out to the "Rick Simmons Medical Fund."

Dennis Fitzpatrick, a Glenville city councilman, and O. Tim Carney, GSC's former golf coach, will serve as co-chairs of this fund-raising effort.

Fitzpatrick explains: "I played golf with Rick at Glenville State and Tim Carney was our coach."

Continuing, he adds that

they are forming a committee to arrange for several benefit games in either golf or basketball, or both, to raise funds.

Pride aside, the 39-year-old liver disease victim needs the help of the general public immediately.

As a former newspaperman, Rick Simmons is most

used to raising money for other people and causes, namely needy churches, schools, civic groups and individuals through public appeals.

Ironically, he's now in the unusual and uncomfortable position of being the subject of such a plea for help.

Homecoming Crown Given

J. Jeremy Dean
staff writer

It is homecoming time once again here at Glenville State College. This year's homecoming court will be crowned in the amphitheatre at 11 a.m.

Tracie Lynn Lloyd is this year's Homecoming Queen. She is the daughter of Charles D. and Theresa C. Lloyd. Lloyd is a music education (K-12) major. She is also a member of MENC, Kappa Delta Pi, the Pioneer Marching Band, Woodwind Ensemble and the Hamlet United Methodist Church. Lloyd's escort for coronation will be Pioneer Mascot Kenny Wilkens. Her escort to the dance will be David L. Hamrick II. She was sponsored by MENC chapter #537.

This year's Senior Princess is Heather Kathleen Davis. She is the daughter of Philip and Linda Davis. Davis is majoring in music education. She is being escorted by Keith Jean. Davis was also sponsored by MENC.

Rubalina Michele Hanson, the daughter and Gene C. and Patricia A. Hanson, is this year's Junior Princess. She is in the

pre-med program, double majoring in chemistry and biology. Hanson will be escorted by Ronnie Mays. She was sponsored by ACS.

This year there was a tie for Sophomore Princess. The two winners were Shannon Carr and Amie Sparks.

Carr is the daughter of Allen and Vivian Carr. She is majoring in sports management. Her escort is Eric Illikainen. Carr was sponsored by ACS.

Sparks is the daughter of Joe and Dianna Sparks. She is an education major with minors in both math and science. She is a member of Delta Zeta Sorority, Student Congress and the Pioneer Cheerleading Team.

Sparks will be escorted by John Conrad. She was sponsored by the Student Congress.

Hiedi Marie Cowan is this year's Freshman Princess. She is the daughter of Ronald and Mary Cowan. She is majoring in music. Brian Chapman will be her escort. She was sponsored by MENC.

This year, the crown bearer and flower girl are Joseph and Maria Caulfield, the children of Michael and Stephanie Caulfield. Joseph is four-years-old and Maria is six.

Congratulations to everyone on this year's Homecoming Court. May this event remain a fond memory of GSC for many years.



Homecoming Court practices for Coronation

Photo by Gene Breza.



From the Editor's Desk

Sandra Gibson

Each fall, as new students arrive on campus, alcohol and other drug abuse, by other students as well as themselves, can put them at risk. The risk is both an academic one and a physical one.

These new students may not be aware that binge drinkers represent a minority of the student population and that there are things which they themselves, along with the help of the school's administration, can do to support and adopt programs to combat the problem. By pulling together as a group, non-binge drinkers may become a force of their own.

Just how serious is the problem? A look into some related events which have occurred at colleges and universities across the nation this past year may widen our eyes.

*University of Massachusetts, May 95--Five hockey team members were charged with sexual assault after spending the day drinking with a female student.

*University of Texas, Sp/95--An underage pledge at a picnic sponsored by the Texas Cowboys drowned in the Colorado River after a day of drinking activities.

*Carnegie Mellon University, December 94--A student collapsed and died after reportedly drinking a fifth of Southern Comfort and some Jack Daniels at a fraternity party; the coroner's report showed a blood alcohol level of .54.

*University of North Carolina, Sp/95--An 18-year-old freshman celebrated the end of the semester with a night of drinking and fell to her death after attempting to climb a ladder. (Five weeks later, another student followed the pattern and was found unconscious in a ditch with a broken leg.)

It's clear that many students come to college to drink and get drunk. At "party schools," it is estimated that more than one half of students will engage in binge drinking their first week on campus.

Yes, they do want an education, but they also want to have fun. The trouble is finding the balance between fun and the start of trouble. The after effects are easier to detect. These include, hangovers, interrupted sleep and study, property damage, fights, accidents, acquaintance rape and other sexual assault.

Fortunately, these problems do have potential solutions. Research shows that although 44% are partakers of this indulgence, it is still a minority with non-bingers and non-drinkers are still the majority of the student body overall.

These students have the right and should be encouraged to speak out and not allow drinkers of this nature to effect the quality of their campus life. Hey, just look what non-smokers have achieved in the past few years.

Students who are interested in organizing more non-drinking activities and support programs need to seek the help of college advisors, administration and the student congress. Remember, all it takes is a leader.

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in support of Jeremy Dean's column last week. I've heard many outraged comments about this column from various girls on campus, but I have to say that I agree with Jeremy. I, myself, have been involved in relationships in which I wasn't treated as I should have been. As a result, I made a pact with myself that I wouldn't remain involved

with someone who didn't treat me well.

I've seen too many women fall into that trap and live miserable lives. There is no excuse! Get out of those relationships and find one of the "good guys." There are a lot of them out there, you just have to look a little harder and not settle for the one who says he loves you but treats you like crap.

I have fortunately been blessed with the guts to say

Dear Editor,

I can't wait for the next three parts of the National Domestic Violence Awareness Month articles. (Or is it National Domestic Abuse Awareness Month) My tail is tucked between my legs. Are you happy? Is this the awareness you seek? Are we communicating? For whom is this awareness?

I am sorry if this offends you but I am very tired of this disguised feminist shlock stuffed in my face! It appears from Ms. Ellyson's writing that she has bought into several programs of which she may not be aware.

I do not wish to criticize her story nor her subject. But she definitely has a slant that thoroughly irks me. Is this another article written by women for women? I didn't see the warning. If you hit the reveal codes button, you might see something like this [IMPLICATE](men=abusers)[FLUSH TOIL](seat down){Hrt}[POLICY](party line), etc.. Maybe [LASH](tongue).

I assert that this, treat the symptoms approach, does nothing to improve the situation. The implication that only women and children are the victims and only men are perpetrators of abuse and violence is a down right lie, and only serves to aggravate relations and may even cause the actions and words you abhor.

You will have to go a long way to find someone who has not been abused one way or another in the domestic sphere. But this is not what is meant by National Domestic Abuse Awareness, is it?

The welfare department can take away a man's child or children without even informing him of this or why. He never sees

"shove off" if I'm not happy, and by learning how to say this, I believe that I may have found happiness with "one of the nice guys."

So girls, go out there and catch these guys before they become extinct or turn in to "not so nice guys" because we don't recognize them as wonderful men that should be cherished.

Sincerely,
Jenifer Frame

the face or knows the names of the people who perpetrate this crime. Is this abuse? His former woman can be out on a date with a guy found guilty of raping two women in a college dorm while his child is in daycare center. He goes to legal aid where a woman informs him that the judge will not give custody unless he can prove a substantial income while she lives on welfare (the only way she could collect welfare is if the father does not have even partial custody) and goes to college on Pell Grants for seven years. This is not an isolated scenario. Of course, there had to be some good reason, the man deserved it, you think. What she gets from her support group and the welfare department is more than financial. This tells her that a man is not worth much in the domestic sphere. Society does not value fathers. She never marries, can you blame her?

My ultimate point is that degradation knows no sex, race, age or any other division. The problem begins when partners lose respect for each other, if they ever had any to begin with. Your biased slant plainly degrades men. This is abuse. Maybe I ought to head over to the WAIC.

Men suffer wholesale degradation in this country. Fathers have been the brunt of THE joke ever since the sit-com began. This national pastime has sanctified this trend, undercut discipline and left fathers unsure of themselves and no doubt contributes to the burgeoning prison population. Wow, thank you and the economy just keeps on growing!

I just don't see any healing going on here. I see polarization and separation. I don't see joy or enlightenment. Maybe this ideal of a mutual respecting partnership is a farce. If women insist that they are superior or smarter, how can it be otherwise? What happened to equality?

Sincerely,
Gene Breza

Dear Editor:

I am writing to locate the person in charge of Public Relations for Glenville State College.

Recently, I have discovered that many things seem to have been occurring at GSC which could be of interest to our readers here in Braxton County. For instance, you, Mrs. Gibson were named Editor of the college newspaper *The Mercury*. I further hear that someone from Braxton County has won a national award and that a mother and daughter from Braxton were both participants in the Homecoming election recently.

Your college has always been an important part of our region, and we hope that you will send us news releases in the future about what is occurring at GSC that may be of interest to those of us here in Braxton County.

WVU sends out releases at least once a month. They apparently gather information from each department and then put it all together in a packet to send us.

I would hope that GSC has someone hired to send out news releases as this is an important way to promote the college.

Please send us news releases.

Sincerely,
Craig A. Smith
Managing Editor
The Braxton Democrat-Central

Just A Reminder

Comedian
Robbie Printz will be performing tonight October 19, in the Administration Building Auditorium at 8 p.m. Don't forget to join the fun and bring a friend.

When you praise someone you call yourself his equal.

—Goethe

Views of the Old Coot

Allen Carr
contributing writer

I took time to contemplate on the fleeting nature of life the other day, as I scampered frantically to avoid becoming a hood ornament for some crimson-naped mountain william. His homemade Bigfoot was obeying the law of gravity (and disobeying several traffic ordinances.) It was enhanced in its meteoriffic descent by an internal combustion power-plant bent on depleting the petroleum production of several middle-eastern emirates. The ability to accelerate from zero to some velocity just within the upper limits of sub-light speed makes it much easier to rack up those bonus points for vehicular mayhem on Homo Erectus. It is also quite handy for high speed, beer runs and getting the hound to the vet when he comes out on the short end of an encounter with a chipmunk.

This pleasant pastime, playing seek and destroy with semi-cognizant ambulatories, is especially necessary here on campus since the stillbirth of the croquet tournament, which left a void in the stream of activities designed to keep students from having to attend class or actually study. It also is a great way to unwind after a grueling session of trying to stay awake in class. It is really so unfair of some of these thoughtless professors--they actually think that it is necessary to attend their class in order to learn what they are trying to teach. Go figure. Running down a couple of rookie underclass individuals (the Old Coot does not wish to reveal his exact age but I can remember when being politically

correct meant being registered Democratic in southern West Virginia) can provide a moment or two of amusement. It must be particularly satisfying to bag an upperclass individual, whose experience makes for a test of dexterity and neural steadfastness. One must flirt with major metallic customization on the concrete adornments strategically installed and craftily used by the cagey veteran students.

It is so ingenious the way that the street in front of the Student Union is disguised as a sidewalk. It lulls unsuspecting pedestrians into a false sense of security. It is great, also, the way the width of the sidewalk can accommodate delivery trucks so that they don't interfere with tedium. This has the added advantage of funneling the foot traffic right out into the path of these onrushing juggernauts. The downward momentum of these comets without tails is usually sufficient to render a hapless (or hungover) student, diligently wending a weary way to class, roadkill on the highway to knowledge.

It is gratifying that no serious impediments (crosswalks, school zones, authority figures to issue finance-depleting reminders that speeding and running down students are no-no's) have been placed in this bowling alley with human pins. After all, it is every driver's state-granted right to operate a vehicle so fast that any creature venturing onto the macadam is in harm's way. It is significant that I overheard a student, upon successfully reaching the relative safe haven of the amphitheater, muttering to himself, "I told that 'possum that it could be done!"

penings column. Well, I was wrong!

I would like to register my disappointment with your newspaper on not publishing the announcement I sent you last Monday, Oct. 9 about the current exhibition in our gallery, The West Virginia Juried Exhibition '93, Traveling Show.

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Dear Editor:

During a recent return to Glenville State College, (September 27 to be precise), an event occurred that reminded me of why I so desperately longed to escape the rumor infested atmosphere which promotes rampant paranoid insecurities in numerous individuals.

The catalyst, it seems, was a phone call I made to confirm a change of study request which would add an additional minor to my degree. An act which should have been of minimal concern to any other individual attending GSC. In fact, it should have been of no concern to anyone at all. That, however, was not the case.

The phone call, which I foolishly assumed was confidential, was anything but. In fact, my simple inquiry had become a topic of great discussion among those fortunate enough to be present in the English department that day.

I was also informed of a letter which was sent to various departments from this same office encouraging them to, in essence, boycott the campus publication *The Mercury*. This is all well and good, and I assume within authority, but in the haste to implement sweeping reforms someone has neglected to enforce GSC policies regarding confidentiality within their own department.

I'm making this public because I honestly don't give a s*#! who know about my degree, I'd like to think people have better things to do, but for those who don't (Yes, J.B. Parker I'm talking to you) I'd like to fill you in on my current academic progress. I recently completed the requirements for my Masters in Communication Studies, a feat yet to be accomplished by some who are currently instructing in the Speech/Communication field. I hope I offer encouragement to them. My G.P.A. was a respectable 3.6, I know it should have been higher, but I've always been a slacker at heart. My final undergraduate G.P.A. from GSC was a meager 2.3 J.B. should be delighted to know this includes my disputed journalism course work. I would be happy to provide transcripts of both



Conversational Green

Jimmy A.

To Anyone Who Is Still Reading Me

I am the king of all I see. My kingdom for a voice.

-REM from "King of Birds"

I'm really glad to see all the responses that have been given about my last few articles. Only through the uninhibited expression of opinions can any type of learning take place.

It doesn't matter if the issue is the Fine Arts Department's style of advertising, the future of the US, or the battle between the sexes. The fact is that we have all been taking part in a free discussion of the issues that face us each day.

I applaud everyone who has written, no matter how opposed to my opinions you may be. This doesn't necessarily mean I suddenly agree with everything that has been said to or about me, I do not! I am however very glad that you took the initiative to give your view the recognition it deserves.

If it is important enough for you to believe, then it should be important enough to share with someone else. When I have a strong opinion it is difficult for me not to talk or write about it, and when someone refutes something I believe to be true, I want my opinion to be known as well.

This doesn't mean I want the previous view to be stifled. Much to the contrary, I believe that would be as great a crime as my own silence. All opinions are valid to the person who holds them to be true. Only through their expression can the truth be discovered.

If I say the Fine Arts Department doesn't advertise well (which I have) and then I receive letters that tell me how they do in fact advertise (which I did), then both the Fine Arts Department, and myself should have learned something. I hope the Fine Arts people understand that the assessment I gave was not my own alone, but that of others as well.

In a spirit of reconciliation I would like to give my two cents on how to make this better in the future. **Double check everything!** Make sure your signs are still posted, and maybe give *The Mercury* a call to remind us of events. Yes Mr. Simpson, it is my job to get things covered on campus, but that doesn't mean I'm perfect and never need a reminder.

As for the women issue, maybe I went a little overboard, but I did it for a reason. In order to explain let me teach you an English lesson.

The definition of *Sarcasm* in the *Oxford American Dictionary* is "an ironical remark or taunt." Now is it not ironic that I condemn all women for condemning all men. Of course all women are not like this, just as all men are not dogs. When I read Jennifer's letter (that appears somewhere on this page) I knew that at least one person got it. The fact does still remain, however, that nice guys and good girls have a hard time finding each other because of the number one nemesis to humanity, Pride.

One last thing before I go. Todd Longanacre, you're a Rush Limbaugh fan aren't you? I'd like to meet you, we may have more in common than you think we do right now.

degrees to allay any doubts you and all of the others may have.

I, for one, am enjoying *The Mercury*, and encourage all of you (most of which I know and respect) to keep up the good work. After all, you get paid whether people read it or not.

Sincerely,
Jim Shock

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Movie Review

Kenneth Wilheim

"Assassins"

In every contest, to be number one you have to beat number one. But what if the competition has an added twist that makes the contest even harder. That is what assassin Robert Rath faced in the action thriller "Assassins."

Sylvester Stallone ("Rocky") stars as the assassin Rath, who is slowly starting to second guess his line of work. When Rath's next assassin contract is stolen by a second rate assassin named Miquelle, Rath soon finds himself the mark of an assassin contract.

Antonio Banderas ("Desperado") appears as the second rate assassin who wants to be number one. Before long, Banderas gets his chance to be number one in the world as he accepts a contract naming Rath as the target.

The ultimate showdown between the two top rated assassins will leave you in dismay as you sit there wondering who is going to make the next move. With the help of computer hacker thief, code name Electria, Rath faces Miquelle and part of his past in a last effort attempt to walk away.

"Assassins" is a good action thriller that will leave you wondering what the heck is going on, as corruption and greed are twined in the plot of the movie.

The performances of Stallone and Banderas are outstanding, especially Banderas's role as the crazy assassin who doesn't care for anything or anybody. So if you are looking for a good action movie to see this coming weekend, "Assassins" is the movie to see.

Preview of "Prelude to a Kiss"

*Jena Ellyson
staff writer*

"Prelude to a Kiss" by Craig Lucas will be presented by the Glenville State College Theatre in the Fine Arts Auditorium on October 25, 26 and 27, at 8 p.m. each night. Once again, Mrs. Nancy Wemm is directing the production.

The play predates the film by several years," Wemm, with a smile, explained. "So remember, if you've already seen the movie starring Alec Baldwin and Meg Ryan, the film may not follow the play exactly. Not the other way around."

According to Wemm, the play might be considered a simple love story. However, Lucas puts an odd twist in the story that makes the audience think about love, attraction and commitment.

"The play says a lot about relationships," she commented, "especially attraction. 75 percent of attraction is appearance. The rest is what's inside. Basically, 'Prelude to a Kiss' asks, Which keeps you in the relationship? What's most important?"

For the anxious audience, Wemm explained, "In a way, it's kind of like Rock Hudson and Doris Day, providing they

could've survived the 90's. And for those of us "young'ins" who have no clue who those two actors were, Wemm translated the plot to "Prelude to a Kiss" this way "It's an up-dated old-fashioned romantic comedy with a 90's sting to it."

The main actors in "Prelude to a Kiss" are Heath

Hopkins, Stephanie Johnson, Kevin Lake, Chad A. Nichols, David Rich, Mercedes Richmond, Holly Riley, Colleen Vance and Clint Winland.

"Last night was real exciting," Wemm related about Monday night's rehearsal. "Everything started clicking. The characters came to life last night. Finally, I can now say that I have a play."

The GSC Theatre has been rehearsing the past several weeks for "Prelude to a Kiss." They wish to express their high hopes in a large crowd each night...for not only theatre, but for the each individual in the audience as well.

"I want this production to make people think," Wemm said. "Hopefully, the audience will take a second look at their 'significant other' and think, 'Why am I with this person?' Is it simple attraction or something more?"

Tickets are free for GSC students, \$3 for GSC employees and students from other schools and \$5 for the general public.

"You definitely should go see this play," Heath Hershberger emphatically exclaimed. "Get out and experience new things. That's what college is all about."



The cast of "Prelude to a Kiss."

Photo by Gene Breza

Hershberger as Peter Hoskins and Mary Grace Gainer as Rita Doyle. They are portrayed as the two young lovers.

"Heath and Mary Grace play really well together," Wemm stated. "It's a very generous performance. They know when to give up the stage, yet don't have a problem taking it back when it's his or her turn."

Other members of the talented and energetic cast include: Ezekiel Flowers as the old man, Lori L. Crouter as Rita's mother and John Park as her father.

The remaining cast members are Jeremy T. Burks, Chris

GSC Theatre Presents Prelude To A Kiss by Craig Lucas

Glenville State College
Fine Arts Auditorium
October 25, 26, 27 1995
8:00 pm
Ticket Information:
462-7361 ext. 350
Free to GSC
Students!

Warning: This play is intended for adult audiences. Some language and content may be offensive to some viewers. Parental Discretion advised.

Dear Editor continued from page 3

I sent it to you hoping to stir some interest from your office since you had not published anything about the current exhibit in the two previous papers. I appreciated your help in telling the campus of our past years' exhibitions but it seems that lately I have to keep requesting the publication of these events.

I thought since these activities are listed on the Fine Arts Events Calendar your office would be aware of them and will cover them at appropriate times without notice from me or the division office. This seemed to have worked before much like the schedules of football and basketball games which you cover well without I'm sure a weekly invitation.

As stated in Christopher

Simpson's letter in *The Mercury* Oct. 12 issue, "As 'Assignments Editor,' is it not your duty to see that stories get covered? In the real world, I believe most newspapers make sure these things get covered."

I hope this matter can be corrected and your paper can be a conduit for events we do in The Division of Fine Arts.

George Harper

Discussions Held on 547's Implementation

Amy Jo Rowan
staff writer

As the semester progresses, so do the plans for putting Senate Bill 547 into action. Currently, the college's strategic plan is being finalized for the October 27 deadline.

With this comes many seminars and discussions designed to keep everyone informed.

On Tuesday, October 10, President William K. Simmons held such a discussion in the Verona Maple Room of the He-Flin Center.

The seminar was open to all concerned parties. Its purpose was to provide a basic overview of the college's planning and the goals of 547.

As Simmons explains, "The college's goal is to remain a four year liberal arts institution." However, as we all know, this will involve many changes.

To effectively implement 547, the college needs \$2,096,100. If the strategic plan is approved, the legislature will provide a 3.25 percent funding increase. This will total \$1,101,800. However, this still

leaves a \$994,300 deficit.

How will the college meet this deficit? Simmons explains, "...with the use of efficiencies, technology and the deletion of programs with low enrollment and limited career opportunities."

This will include partnerships with the business industry, sister institutions and public schools. The president also explains that he would rather put everyone on an 11 month status, rather than all together eliminating any one position.

Is this enough to satisfy, the legislature and receive the 3.25 percent increase? According to Simmons, we are "right on track." This statement comes after his attendance at Governor Gaston Caperton's seminar on meeting the goals of 547.

The seminar was held on Wednesday, October 11, in Flatwoods. It was attended by college and university presidents, board members and members of the governor's staff.

As one can see, in accordance with the legislative guidelines (detailed below) handed out at the seminar, GSC does seem to be "right on track."

Legislative Guidelines For Implementing 547

Purpose: The purpose of higher education must be to serve as the driving force that propels and sustains individual, community and economic development as well as good citizenship in West Virginia through education, training, research, service and leadership.

Principles: Preparing for life's work. Increasing educational opportunities and standards. Partnerships for quality and efficiency. Measurement by results. Transforming education through technology. Rewarding strategic change. Supporting faculty and staff to drive strategic change. Seeking additional resources through partnerships.

Hardman, Clevenger in National Forestry Competition

Amy Jo Rowan
staff writer

Friday, Oct. 6 at Hocking College in Nelsonville, Ohio, the third annual "Game of Logging" collegiate final was held. This year, two of GSC's most outstanding forestry students were among the contestants. They were seniors Jill Hardman and Richard Clevenger.

The "Game of Logging" competition is the final step in a professional logger training program. This program is conducted by Forest Applications Training Inc. President, Tim Ard and world-renowned logger Soren Ericksson.

It is a four step program which teaches the most progressive and effective logging techniques, safety and conservation. Participants are scored throughout the program. Those with the highest scores go on to compete regionally and nationally.

Hardman and Clevenger were among 24 contestants from 12 different schools throughout the United States. Each of these contestants competed in numerous cutting and boring events, along with a competition called the spring-pole release. They were then awarded points based on their performances in each event. Those with the highest scores advanced to the afternoon

finals.

Clevenger was among the 12 chosen finalists. He finished 9th while Hardman, one of only two females competing, placed 18th.

"Game of Logging" officials report, "The basis for the program is reducing accidents and increasing productivity."

Academic Laboratory Teaching Assistant Tom Snyder, of the forestry department, feels the program is doing just that. "The competition was a good test for us to see if we are teaching the students the correct procedures. Judging by our performances, I would say we are right where we need to be."

Hardman and Clevenger were both very excited about the competition. In honor of their performances they received a commemorative plaque and approximately \$200 worth of equipment and outfitting gear.

Hardman described her feelings on the event, "It was an honor just making it to the national competition. Being one of two females competing proves that it is about technique, not strength."

Clevenger concluded, "The training for this competition teaches you the proper safety techniques and teaches

In Memory of Nicholas Murin

Jenifer Frame
contributing writer

The Glenville State Alumni Association, students, faculty and staff wish to extend their deepest sympathies to Alumnus Nicholas U. Murin's family.

On October 17, just a few days before he and his undefeated 1958 football team were to be honored as special guests of the Alumni Association and the college at the annual Homecoming celebration, Coach Murin passed away. His death was the result of a heart attack sustained on Saturday, October 14.

Murin served as GSC football coach from 1954-1961 and in 1958, led his team to a conference championship and an undefeated season. He was also an assistant men's basketball coach with Head Coach O. Tim Carney, now associate professor of physical education.

In 1962, Murin relinquished his coaching duties and turned his focus to instructing history classes on campus. He served as associate professor of social science until his retirement in 1974, at which time, he and his wife Ruth, also retiring from teaching at Troy Elementary school, moved to Parkersburg.

Murin was a 1947 graduate of GSC. He is survived by his wife Ruth, and four children: William, Julia, Marilyn and Mary Helen.

To honor his memory, a scholarship fund has been established by his family and friends. Contributions would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the GSC Foundation, Inc., at (304) 462-7361 ext. 125 for more information.

If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.

-Henry David Thoreau

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Planning is now under way for the 1995 West Virginia University Nursing Career Day Program. The program will be held Monday, October 23, 1995, at the John I. Jones Conference Center at the Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center of West Virginia University from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Employers who are scheduled to attend are: Albert Gallatin Home Care, American Red Cross, Americare-Salem, Army ROTC, Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Monongalia Health System, United Hospital Center, US Army Nurse Corps, Weirton Medical Center and WVU Hospitals.

To register, or for further information, contact the Career Center. If there is sufficient interest, transportation will be provided.

Campus Happenings

Tutoring

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

Baptist Campus Ministry

BCM meets weekly in the Verona Maple Room on Monday nights at 8:30 p.m.

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!

Student Congress

The next Student Congress meeting will be held on Thursday, October 26th from 12:15 to 1:15.

Withdrawal Date

The last day to withdraw with a "W" is Wednesday, October 25, 1995.

Denise Brown

Denise Brown will speak at Fairmont State College on November 2nd. A van will be taken to this event. For more information, contact J. Nottingham at Student Services or at Ext. 114.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

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

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.

Trillium to Sponsor Contest

J. Jeremy Deam
staff writer

Guess what!? I was talking to Dr. Tedford about how we could drum up some new authors for this years *Trillium*, when suddenly I had a vision from heaven.

I said, "Let's have a contest, an all night writing contest."

Well, she said, "That would be nice, but you will have to stay up with the writers all night because I can't," and I said, "That's fine."

So I requisitioned the Wesley Foundation (Thanks Mike, Thanks Luke) for the evening of November 10, and Dr. Tedford began soliciting prizes. So far so good.

Now comes your part. I need contestants! It wouldn't be very good to get this contest all put together, and then have no one show up now would it?

So I said to myself, "Jeremy, what you need to do is put something in the paper about it. So here it is:

The *First* (and hopefully *Annual*) *Trillium All Night Writing Contest* will begin Friday, November 10 at 7 p.m. until Saturday, November 11 at 7 a.m.

Yearbooks Are In

Distribution will be taking place in the entrance hall of the Heflin Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

If you are unable to make these times, you may inquire about your 1994-95 yearbook in *The Mercury* office.

in the front room of the Wesley Foundation.

Each contestant will write a short story, on any subject. Writing materials will be provided. You need only to bring your body and an idea to the contest.

The *Fabulous* prizes will be announced on the evening of the contest. Also winning stories will be published in a special section of *The Trillium*.

Please sign up in the Language division before November 3 so we will know how many contestants to prepare for.

Good luck to everyone!

A Local Success Story

Lisa Belknap
staff writer

A common dream for those of us at Glenville is to attain a certain status in life; we want to educate ourselves, maybe acquire some wealth to leave for our children and leave behind a reputable name. Well,



these dreams aren't that much different from the dreams of others before us. John Brent Lockwood, an Alumni of GSC, probably had about the same dreams when he walked our campus.

Mr. Lockwood's life is a story of success. He graduated from Buckhannon Upshur High School in 1973. From there he

Meeting Jason Conrad

J. Jeremy Deam
staff writer

Recently, Jason Conrad, a 1994 graduate of Glenville State College, returned to his Alma Mater. This time however, rather than being a student, Conrad is on staff.

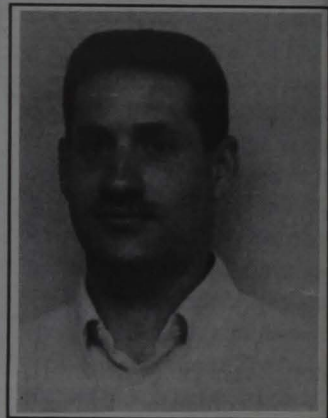
Conrad received a BS in business administration and majored in computer science at GSC. He was also a member of Phi Beta Lambda, served on the Financial Aid Appeals Committee and was the president of the GSC Computer Club. While a student, he worked for the school as a computer center assistant.

Conrad enjoys doing outdoor activities in his spare time, especially hunting and fishing.

These days, Conrad can be found back in the GSC Computer Center where he works as Information Systems Specialist.

Before returning to GSC, Conrad worked at Salem-Teikyo College where he performed the same duties he does here. He also instructed computer science at the United Technical Center in Clarksburg, WV.

Conrad spent six years in



Jason Conrad
Photo by Gene Breza

the West Virginia Army National Guard, where he was an assistant squad leader.

"I'm glad to be back on the friendly campus of GSC," said Conrad. "It is a definite change from Salem." Conrad enjoys working the people here.

and Lockwood Farms, a beef cattle company. This year he will be Parade Marshal for the GSC Homecoming Parade.

John Lockwood's story of success proves that with hard work and determination those little dreams we have may very well come true.

Governor's Honors Academy Seeking Applications

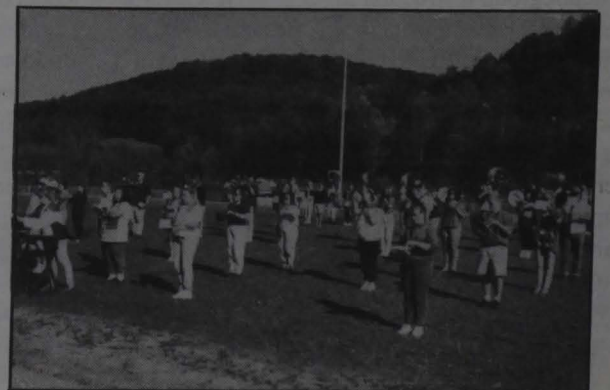
Jena Ellyson
staff writer

The West Virginia Governor's Honors Academy (GHA) is a four-week residential, intensive learning experience for West Virginia high school students during the summer before their senior year.

Students and teachers who are highly motivated and accomplished are encouraged to apply for this program if the requirements set forth in the application process are met.

The Governor's Honors Academy is seeking applications for qualified individuals who have experience working with high school students and who

will have completed 64 credit hours of college study prior to the beginning of the program to fulfill the resident director and resident assistants positions. Former Governor's School participants will be given preference. Interested individuals should contact the Careers Office for more information.



The Pioneer Marching Band practices for the halftime show the week before the homecoming game.
Photo by Gene Breza.

What's Up, Down at the Alumni House

What's New in FCA?

J. Jeremy Dean
staff writer

There is a lot of activity going on down the hill at the Alumni House. They are gearing up for the big Homecoming celebration to be held on October 21, while still trying to maintain the day to day workings the Foundation requires.

Many students are not exactly clear on what the function of the Alumni House, or the Alumni Foundation is.

The Alumni House is a large Victorian style house that has been restored, and redecorated thanks to the contributions of GSC's alumni. There are many pieces of GSC memorabilia accenting the beautiful antique furniture in the rooms of the house.

"It's like a museum of GSC history," says Holly Wilkewitz, the new Coordinator of Alumni activities.

Each room in the house is dedicated to an alumnus who has contributed to the restoration project. Along with those people there are many others who have



The Alumni House

Photo by Gene Breza.

contributed items to make the house complete.

These Alumni together, have made the house, as Wilkewitz puts it, "a place they can be proud to come back to."

The house is opened to all GSC students, as well as anyone else who would like to look around and see a slice of GSC's past.

The Foundation is an organization based in the Alumni House. Their job is to stay in

contact with the Alumni of GSC. They attempt to raise funds to help improve our school, and provide scholarships for the students.

They put out a news letter that is sent to every Alumnus, and also the friends of GSC. So far, two news letters have been sent out and the third is being

readied for mailing.

The Foundation is also in the process of updating all of their files on computer, which is very time consuming. This will however, help them stay in closer contact with the Alumni, because it will be a more efficient system.

Wilkewitz has been very busy planning some of the homecoming events.

The Foundation is honoring the 1958 conference champion football team, a team which went undefeated that year.

It was quite a job to contact each of them, but the effort paid off, because many of the players, as well as the coach of the team will be returning to take part in the homecoming activities.

So as you can see, the Alumni Foundation has been very busy over the last few months and they will continue to be so in the future.

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Interviews conducted Oct. 23rd to Oct. 27th. For additional information, call 304-787-3221.

Governor's School for the Arts
Requesting Job Applications

Jena Ellyson
staff writer

The Governor's School for the Arts is a three-week residential program for exceptional arts students who will be high school juniors during the 1996-97 academic school year. The program provides individual as well as in-depth group instruction in dance, instrumental music, theatre and vision art. Skilled artists/teachers work with students who demonstrate potential in those areas. In addition, the Governor's School for the Arts attempts to broaden the student's understanding of the arts through interdisciplinary courses focusing on common elements in the disciplines.

The GSA is currently seeking applications from qualified educators and professional

artists. Approximately eight art faculty members and one academic counselor-teacher will be appointed to be part of the residential program. Arts faculty from higher education and secondary education as well as professional artists and private arts instructors are encouraged to apply.

The Governor's School for the Arts is also seeking applications from qualified individuals who have experience working with high school students and who will have completed 64 credit hours of college study prior to the beginning of the program.

Collegiate arts majors in dance, music, theatre and visual arts will be given preference.

Any interested individuals should contact the Careers Office for more information.

In Search of Bands...

for a musical benefit to help support the Rick Simmons medical fund (see front page story). Anyone with musical ability and a desire to help a worthy cause welcome! For more information call Jeremy Dean at 462-4917. Leave a message and I'll get back with you.

Interview With an "Ole Cleaning Woman"

Kris O. Phares
staff writer

Have you ever spent a late evening in the Robert F. Kidd Library and wondered who is that "ole cleaning woman" (which she calls herself)? It is Josfine "Trudy" Hardman.

Hardman is originally from Passau, Germany. Even with the interruptions of World War II, she managed to obtain a high school diploma. After high school she worked in a German shoe factory.

In 1956 at the age of 25, Hardman moved to the United States where she lived in Chicago with her sister. She married her husband Ronald while there.

Then in 1957, she and her husband, a Gilmer County native, moved to Glenville. They have three sons all of whom reside in Florida. Prior to work-



Josfine "Trudy" Hardman

Photo by Gene Breza

ing at GSC, Hardman worked at the Pioneer Motel in Glenville as

a cleaning lady for nine years.

Hardman has worked at GSC as one of the library's custodians for 17 years. "Always liked it from the time I came here," she commented with her slight German accent.

When asked what her favorite part of her job was she smiled and jokingly replied, "Throwing out the students at ten o'clock." Then added, "Seriously, the people are pretty good to work with."

In May 1995, her coworkers honored her with the Classified Staff Employee of the Year Award. Anna Sharps, who also works as a custodian in the library, made this comment, "I enjoy working with Trudy, I really do. She is an incredible lady."



The Athletic Supporter

Ernie Shreve

This weekend, I found myself extremely bored. Especially after I seem to have lost my cable at the hands of an off duty rent-a-cop. So after my roommate finally stopped playing his Bon Jovi records, *The Mercury*. Hey, our school newspaper is not bad! I really enjoyed Jeremy Dean's Conversational Green. It doesn't really matter if I agree with Mr. Dean or not, I just want to know one thing. You whining routine about wanting to meet a nice girl, did it work? Because if you spent this weekend healing some broken hearted female's wounds, instead of being a pathetic loser relegated to reading *The Mercury*, then I want every neglected woman to know that there is always room at my place for refuge. I'll even give a free continental breakfast to anyone staying for more than one night. Anyway, good luck Jeremy, even though there just aren't many subjects to choose from, but I hear that there are plenty of women in the Fine Arts Department.

I also enjoyed Russell Tickle's article about his struggles of being a nontraditional student. But fret not my "abnormal" friend, because you just happen to be on the premises of the most out of date campus in America. Don't forget, people here at Glenville are still trying to figure out who shot J.R. Ewing. The women think that it's fashionable to wear parachute pants and the men thick GQ is a new form of contraceptive.

About the school athletic events, the men's cross country team won their first meet of the year. Sterling Beane won the individual honor to pace the team. The volleyball team lost to Shepherd 3-1, beat West Virginia State 3-0 and lost to Concord 3-2.

I really hope that every single person shows up for the homecoming football game. I wish I could say that it will be a good game, but Concord is really struggling this year, so I look for this event to be a massacre. The band, I'm sure will put on a great show, especially since they all have a 4.0 GPA and are the only overworked, under appreciated and underpaid members of our school, unlike us other dumb, lazy, trouble making, too much time on our hands journalists, athletes, actors and coaches.

I'm really excited about basketball practice starting. Now this is a sport that I can get into. The only thing better than watching a slam dunk is listening to Jennifer Nottingham shouting her unique adjectives at the refs.

Finally, I can't figure out why Glenville doesn't bring in some better source of entertainment. It's bad when we are forced to be amused by a Kirk Cameron look alike. I think, all of us students should take it upon ourselves to have a Halloween party. You won't even have to bring beer but a full mouth of teeth should be a requirement. But DO NOT expect me to be the damn bartender! I wonder if the liquor store accepts foodstamps?

Homecoming Schedule

October 19	Picnic in the Ampitheater	4 p.m.
October 20	Pig Roast/Pep Rally at Pioneer Stadium	6 p.m.
October 21	5K Road Race—down town	8 a.m.
	Alumni Reception in the Alumni Center	10 a.m.
	Parade—down town	10 a.m.
	Coronation in the Ampatheater	11 a.m.
	Presidents' Brunch in the Heslin Center	11 a.m.
	Game at the Pioneer Stadium	1:30 p.m.
	Montros and Williams award—Stadium	1/2 time
	Post Game Party—End Zone Room	
	Dance in the Ballroom	9 p.m.

Cross Country Comes to the Season's End

Ernie Shreve
staff writer

The Davis & Elkins Homecoming meet was the last chance for the men and women of the Glenville State Cross Country teams to test their fitness, before the season finally comes to an exhausting end on October 28th at Bluefield State.

If Saturday's race was any indication of the Pioneer's fitness level, then the Glenville Harrier's appear to be in a good position entering the conference championships.

The men finished in first place out of four teams, that included conference schools Alderson Broaddus, Davis & Elkins and Bluefield State. Leading the way was all conference runner Sterling Beane, who won his first race of the year.

Close behind were number one man Daniel Edgell (3rd) and Jimmy Galloway (4th). Newcomers David (7th) and Mike (8th) Bee showed signs of coming into their own by running an impressive race. Junior Chuck Dunbar finished in 18th place to round out the team scoring.

Coach Rick Conklin seemed eager about the upcoming Bluefield meet. "I'm glad the hard part of the season is finally over. I'm anxious to see how we perform at conferences."

The women didn't have the necessary five runners to compete as a team. Nonetheless, the Lady Pioneers were able to represent our school in fine fashion. Kristi Keith finished first on the team and 10th overall. Sophomore Jennifer Pingley ran perhaps her most impressive race of the year and in the pro-

cess, claimed the 17th place overall. Senior Monica Null (22nd) and freshman Bobby Hatcher (24th) also ran well over the muddy course.

"Our goals for the women are somewhat different than that of the men's team," Conklin explained, "but I know that both teams have been waiting for this meet all year, I'm positive that we will be ready for the challenge."

The top ten individuals will make All-Conference for the meet and the top team will be crowned conference champs. Then it's off to New York to compete in the Northern Region NCAA Division II championships where the top two teams will qualify for nationals. Good luck to all of the runners, hopefully all of your hard work will pay off.

GSC

Get into the action...
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Saturday, October 21, 1995

GSC's Pioneer football team to host Concord at 1:30 p.m. in our 1995 Homecoming Game!!

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

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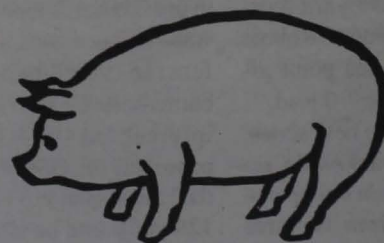
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The Scots once celebrated victories in battle by dancing the sword dance.

Lady Spikers Win on Road, Lose Thriller at Home

Kevin Lake
staff writer

Last week the Glenville State Lady Spikers traveled to compete against the Lady Yellow Jackets of WV State. The Pioneers managed to defeat the Yellow Jackets in three straight matches by scores of 5-8, 15-7 and 15-3.

Key contributors to the success of the Pioneers included Cheryl Stout, Amanda Simmons, and Michelle Smith. Stout had 19 kills, Simmons 11 and Smith had an amazing 43 assists.

On Tuesday of this week the team traveled to Shepherdstown to butt heads with the Rams of Shepherd. On this trip the team was not as successful, being defeated three matches to one (1-15, 7-15, 15-13, 14-16). Once again Stout, Simmons and Smith were the

team standouts with Stout having 16 kills, Simmons 9 and Smith 36 assists.

Wednesday night the team stayed home to host the Mountain Lions of Concord. The Pioneers defeated the Mountain Lions in the first match by a score of 15-9, but fell short in the second match, losing 15-3.

In a very close third match the team rallied to a 15-10 win. Behind by eight at one point in the match, the Mountain Lions surgically closed the gap to three, but a late game rally led by a block from Becky Cheveront and a kill by Melanie Voght was just enough to put the Pioneers over the top. It's a good thing for Glenville that Cheveront is back to playing again after a recent injury, although she confesses she'll miss being "Piggy Backed" everywhere by assistant coach Chup Robinson.

The early going of the fourth match was very close. Possession changed sides after nearly every serve. It was Concord by one, then a tie; Glenville by one, then a tie. However, the Mountain Lions slowly began to pull away, first by one, then two and eventually eight. The Pioneers closed the gap slightly, but not enough, falling by a score of 15-10.

With the match total at two a piece, the fifth match would be the deciding factor. In a match that lasted nearly an hour, the pioneers drew first blood with a kill from Tina Jones, but Concord was quick to answer, scoring three consecutive points to go ahead by two before losing possession. The Pioneers scored only one point off of Melanie Voght's serve then it was back to Con-

cord. The Mountain Lions proceeded to score seven unanswered points in a long series of possession change overs before the Pioneers could respond. After scoring only two points off of this possession, any luck the Pioneers had ran out as the Mountain Lions took total control of the match to win 15-7.

"Defensively we stepped it up," commented assistant coach Robinson. "We managed to stop the team that has the number one and two Ace setters in the conference."

When asked what he felt his team needed to work on he named two things: consistency and confidence. "The girls need to be willing to go to each other under tense situations."

A very upset coach Osborne felt that his team lost aggressiveness early. Feeling

that his young and talented team is capable of performing at a much higher level than the one on which they did Wednesday night, he irritably commented, "I can't believe we were up two to one and lost. I could've seen it going three matches, maybe four, but definitely not five."

Last night's standouts included Jodi Beale with 10 kills, Stout with 12, Simmons with 11, and Smith with 41 assists. Coach Osborne was extremely pleased with Melanie Voght's 21 digs.

The Pioneers will be traveling to the Buckeye state on Monday to play Ohio Valley. "We beat them (Ohio Valley) earlier this year but I'm sure they've improved." The very next day, Tuesday, the team will be back in action against Salem Teikyo.

Pioneers Knock Off Falcons

GSC Sports Information

Glenville State scored three first quarter touchdowns en route to a decisive 28-6 victory over Fairmont State, Saturday in WVIAC action at Rosier Field on the FSC campus. In a game that was played in steady rain and less than ideal conditions, the Pioneer defense held the conference's top scoring offense to 230 total yards and a lone touchdown.

Glenville got the scoring started early when senior quarterback Scott Otis connected with junior wide receiver Anthony Baker on a 35 yard scoring strike. Sophomore Robbie Buffington added the point after to give GSC the 7-0 lead.

On Glenville's next series, junior running back/wide receiver Willie Dodson scampered in for the score from 16 yards out to add to the GSC lead.

After the Pioneer defense forced another Fairmont State punt, the GSC offense put together an impressive 85 yard drive in 11 plays that ended with Otis hitting sophomore Carlos Ferralls with a seven yard touch-

down pass. With Buffington's extra point the game was out of reach at 21-0.

The Pioneers' final score came midway through the fourth period when Dodson turned a routine play into a spectacular 30 yard scoring jaunt that extended the GSC lead to 28-0.

The Falcons' lone score came in the game's final minute on a one yard touchdown plunge on fourth and goal by Mike Joseph. The try for two failed, putting the final score at 28 to six in favor of Glenville State.

Fairmont quarterback Jarrod Furgason, who entered the game as the WVIAC's leader in passing yards and TD passes, was stymied by a Pioneer defensive effort led by junior cornerback Chad Baker. Baker intercepted two Furgason passes, as the GSC defense held the Falcon quarterback to a mere 129 yards and no touchdowns.

The win moved the Pioneers to 4-2 overall in '95 and 3-1 in the WVIAC. FSC fell to 3-3 (3-1 in the WVIAC).

This week GSC returns to Glenville for their homecoming bout with the Concord Mt. Lions.

J. Jeremy Dean
staff writer

On Friday, October 20, starting at 6p.m., the Pioneer Athletic Club will be hosting the fourth annual Pioneer "Pigskin" Roast.

The pig roast, which is opened to the public, will be held at Pioneer Stadium. The cost is \$6 for a single and \$10 for a couple, and children under ten eat for half price. The proceeds will go toward athletic scholarships.

The menu for the evening will include pork barbecue, as well as other picnic favorites like baked beans, potato salad, and

other various covered dishes. Beverages, and desserts will also be enjoyed that evening.

Mike Audia, who used to be the chef at the Derrick before it closed, will be preparing the

pork barbecue for the evening.

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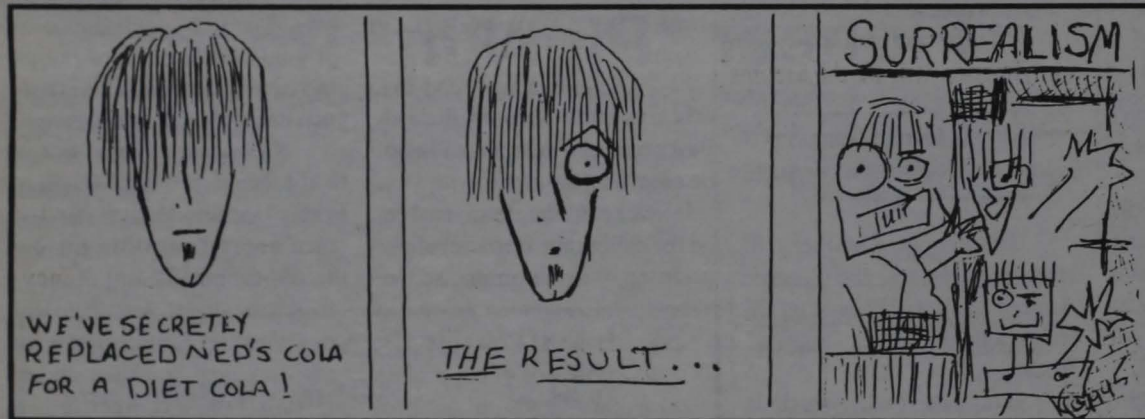
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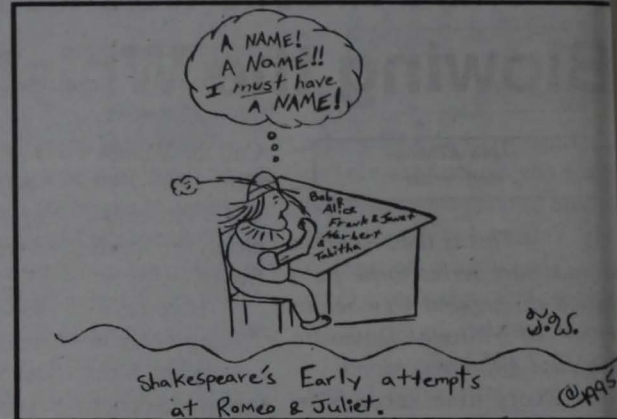
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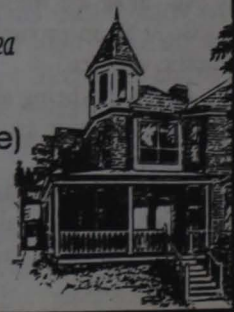
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National Domestic Violence Awareness Month Blowing the Whistle on Abuse

Jena Ellyson
staff writer

—This is the second in a four part series to be published throughout October in honor of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Every nine seconds in America, according to the Nation on Crime and Justice Report, a woman is physically abused by her husband or boyfriend.

42 percent of all murdered women are killed by current or ex-male partners.

Whether physical, sexual or emotional, domestic violence cuts across all social, economic, geographic and religious boundaries. The above statistics are just the tip of a terrifying iceberg.

Approximately 95 percent of the victims of domestic violence are women. More than three million children witness acts of domestic violence every year. This is quite significant because children of abused mothers are six times more likely to attempt suicide, and 50 percent more likely to abuse drugs and alcohol.

The bottom line is domestic violence threatens the women and children of today and the future.

Therefore, it is not just those who have experienced this trauma who must fight it. It is the responsibility of each and every American, from teenager to senior citizen, regardless of sex, race, religion. It is up to us to make our country a true nation of freedom, especially the freedom of violence. Now is the time for each individual to speak out and "blow the whistle," as The Body Shop promotes, on domestic violence.

If you are being abused:
•stop the hurt as soon as possible.

•create a safety plan. Consider what you will take with you, where you will go, and how you will get there.

•talk to someone you trust.

Call the Women's Aid in Crisis Center 765-7738 or 1-800-339-1185. All calls are kept completely confidential and visits are free of charge.

If you are an abuser:

•get help immediately.

•confide in a friend or contact professional assistance.

•remember, possessiveness and jealousy are not love.

If you know a victim:

•believe her/him if she confides in you. You may be the first

approving funding for shelters and hotlines.

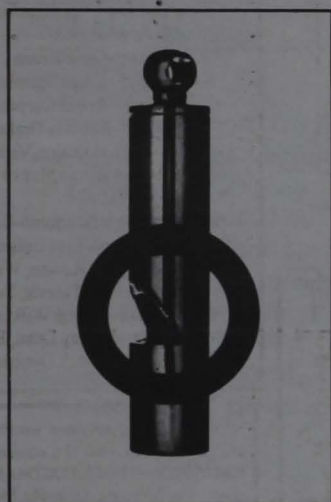
Urge law enforcement officers to enforce the Violence Against Women Act requirements so that each state will recognize valid orders of protection from other states.

Petition your community's council for improved safety lighting and emergency phones.

Write letters to the editor or to your government representatives about particular crimes or court sentences for violent offenders you feel are not adequate.

Post emergency referral numbers and general awareness messages ("There's NO Excuse for Domestic Violence") in public places in your community and workplace.

Three out of four women in America will be the victims of violence in their lifetime. It is time we as human beings take a stand to declare the domestic violence must stop.



person he/she has told.

•be accepting, understanding, supportive and informed.

•go with her to get help.

Domestic violence is one of the most widespread diseases in the US. Toleration is not the cure. Becoming active, however, is. Consistently demand that your local, state and national representatives secure legislation to address the problem at all levels, including enacting the "No Means No" and stalking laws, eliminating marital rape exceptions, easing access to obtaining restraining orders and

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Men and Stress

Theodore A. Webb
staff writer

According to an article in the May 1994 issue of *Men's Health*, negative stress can greatly diminish the quality of human life.

It can cause sickness, disease, depression and general unpleasantness. Coping with stress is extremely important to maintaining good health.

The article, "Get Past Tense," focused upon stress as it applies to men. According to the article, ten major anxieties affect men and cause negative stress. The first major anxiety men face is the fear of losing their jobs. So many workers are laid off every day, it becomes a major cause of negative stress, especially among competitive men.

"American men aged 35 to 54 are 25% more likely in the 90's to suffer permanent lay off or job loss than in the previous decade," the article says.

"Nothing is more important to a man's pride, self-respect, status and manhood than work," contends Columbia University professor of psychology Dr. Willard Gaylin in his book *The Male Ego*.

Some other anxieties that affect men are: fear of being like their parents, difficulties dealing with women on the job, marital problems, fear of venereal diseases and technology overload.

According to the article, a large anxiety factor is overwork. "The average two-week work vacation in the U.S. pales in comparison to the six and eight

week breaks common in northern Europe," the article says. "Because men's coping mechanisms for stress are, on average, much less effective than women's, men need regular, active outlets."

"In 20 years of psychiatry, I can't recall a time when more men said they were tired and didn't have enough time," says Dr. Mark Unterberg, M.D. "Increasingly younger and younger men, guys in their 30's and 40's, talk wistfully about retirement."

The article also mentions fatherhood and fear of death as major causes of stress. After a full day of work and other concerns, men often come home to a house of noisy children. These men want to be involved parents but also want to relax.

The last significant anxiety the article mentions is that men fear impotence. This is particularly true of middle-age men.

"At a certain age, this is the kind of fear that tends to grow," the article says. "And, if men aren't fixated on the big fear-permanent impotency--there's the slightly less acute fear that their sexual stamina is on the wane and that their ability to satisfy their partner is just plain weakening."

Although the article, "Get Past Tense," includes a formidable number of stressors, it also says that there is hope.

Overcoming stress is mainly a product of how people deal with it. Things like regular exercise, proper diet and time alone can be simple, yet effective ways to deal with the problem of too much stress.

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**The Art of it All****West Virginia Juried Exhibition 1993**

Ken McWhorter
staff writer

Arriving at the gallery at about 1 p.m., the first thing to greet me was the picture of a solitary home in the mist of a cold while winter day. I shivered a little as I turned to the next exhibit, a canvas covered with abstract forms and colors. What does it all mean?

These are both works currently on display in the Fine Arts Building as part of the "West Virginia Juried Exhibition 1993."

Curiosity led me slowly from exhibit to exhibit. Diligently I tried to understand the language of color, space and line. These displays in the gallery are created from a broad range of materials such as: prints, acrylic on panel, hand colored works, metals and wood.

The exhibit also displays photographs, as well as, three dimensional works such as a chair and a vase.

Jackie Carter, curator, explained that, "one person can look at a picture and see one thing, another can look at the same picture and see something different. They're all very unique."

The exhibit was originally part of a 79 piece display of 40 West Virginia artists in the Cultural Center in Charleston. Works were selected by a Jury of three, who tried to pick the best of 783 artistic creations. Several of the works were given "Governor's Awards and Awards

of Excellence" and were purchased by the state for a permanent collection.

Fine Arts professor and artist George Harper explained that the exhibition is held biannually and is sponsored by the Arts and Humanities Counsel, the National Endowment for the Arts and various cooperations.

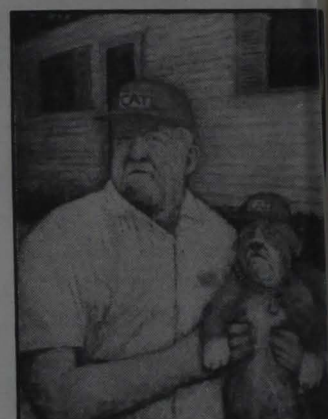
Harper stated that getting the exhibit was a real bargain and he encourages everyone to take advantage of viewing it.

Harper went on to say that he enjoys looking at the displays to study the various artist's techniques including their use of line and color and to some extent the philosophical and political views behind the work.

Works on display include one by Harper. Standing next to his acrylic "Farmhouse Glow," he comments, "My work deals with the buildings where people live, work and play. I am fascinated by the angles and resulting shadows when light strikes these buildings. I find that the shadows enhance the geometric structures by creating an air of mystery."

Other exhibits include "Survivor" by Paula Clendenin, which appeared to Carter and myself as the resurrection of Christ and "Enigma of Saw-Door Dali After his Metamorphosis," seeming to be a parody of the possible fate of the famous painter. Carter pointed out that Children are unusually attracted to "Untitled One" by Esther Forsley, which he believes to

"Every time you come in, you see something different."



"Man & Dog" by Jonathan Heath

Photo by Carl Wilson

evoke different images to different people and "Man & Dog" by Jonathan Heath, which gets a laugh from everyone including the author. "Every time you come in, you see something different," stated Carter.

The display is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on weekdays and an hour before all scheduled evening performances such as "Prelude to a Kiss," on October 25-27. "Those who can not make it during these times may be let in by Fine Arts secretary, Debbie Starcher, at a later time," Professor Harper stated.

Other exhibits to be displayed in the gallery include a display of mixed media works by Jessica Levine. This exhibit will run November 6 through December 7, 1995 and include a gallery talk at 1:30 p.m. on December 7. There will also be a photography exhibit of "Contemporary American Landscapes," on January 10 through February 2.

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