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With autumn upon us, Glenville State College is buzzing with activity. The first play of the semester, "Communicating Doors", will be performed from October 27-29. The play is a thriller/comedy set in Britain."

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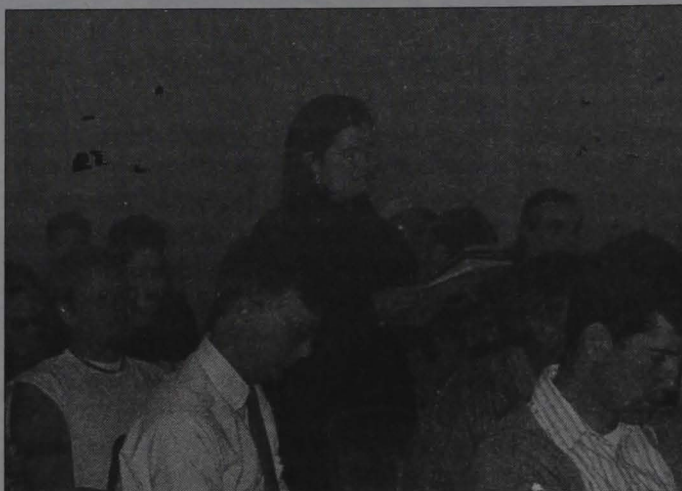
# Faculty, students question administrative change

By Sherry Newsome  
Staff Reporter

On Thursday, Sept. 23, Dr. Thomas Powell, President of Glenville State College, conducted an open forum in the Verona Mapel Room. Faculty, staff, and students gathered to voice concerns and gain information about Powell's proposed administrative reorganization and shared governance changes. The session was the first of its kind since Powell stepped in as President at the college.

Powell began by reading a passage by Ernest Boyer. After saying that he "didn't have an agenda", the President opened the floor for comments. Dr. Ed Palm, Chair of the Language Division, voiced concerns about Powell's plan to transfer the Mercury from the Language Division to Student Life.

Palm emphasized the



Sherrie Hardman, Mercury

## Mercury Editor-in-Chief, Amy Smith, raises her concerns to President Powell at the Open forum held last Thursday

importance of bringing journalism and the Mercury back together, saying "The paper is a lab for journalism courses." He also asked, "Dean McKinney...how would she oversee all aspects of the Mercury with all the other activities she's involved in? She would need advisors." Currently, Dr. Chris Orr, Professor of English,

oversees all aspects of the Mercury's production.

As several members of the newspaper staff looked on, Amy Smith, Chief Editor of the Mercury, read a letter to the President stressing the importance of letting the publication remain where it is, with the Language Division. After Smith read her letter, Powell voiced his admira-

tion for the Mercury, saying it "is one of the best college papers I've seen."

Another topic of controversy was the proposed change in the makeup of the Curriculum Committee. According to the reorganization plan, the committee would consist of four faculty members appointed by Faculty Senate and two students. Dr. Palm emphasized that it was imperative that each division have a representative on this committee.

Dr. John Taylor raised a number of important issues that are of concern to the Division of Education. Taylor questioned the proposal to change the status of the Head of the Education Division from Dean to Chair.

Another issue raised was why Land Resources is being placed under the Vice President of Academic Affairs rather than the Provost of the

Community because that division offers two year degrees.

Dr. Chris Orr expressed concern that the reorganization of the Professional Development Committee regarding the faculty professional development activities now be approved by the Faculty Senate instead of the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Dr. Caulfield questioned why the Director would be moving to the Professional Development Division. Powell pointed out that because the college is on NCAA probation, it is imperative that the director answer directly to him.

The purpose of the forum was to convey about the reorganization plan and Powell said he would incorporate those ideas into his revised plan.

# Nuclear powers collide in southern Asia clash at United Nations General Assembly

By Ranjan Roy  
Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS - South Asian nuclear rivals India and Pakistan carried their hostilities to the U.N. General Assembly on Wednesday, accusing each other of pushing the fragile region toward a bloody conflict.

Warning of nuclear "doomsday" in South Asia, Pakistan urged world leaders and the United Nations to stop India from developing a massive arsenal of atomic weapons.

Last year, India became a nuclear power, and Pakistan matched India's first nuclear

test within days.

Pakistani Foreign Minister Sartaj Aziz said the world should not believe India's promise not to be the first of the two to use atomic weapons.

"Pakistan believes that it is now essential to convene a conference, with the participation of all permanent members of the Security Council ... to promote the goals of strategic restraint and stability in South Asia," Aziz told the General Assembly.

But Indian Foreign Minister Jaswant Singh blamed Pakistan for the rising tensions. He said Pakistan had spurned India's olive branch and attacked the northern

Himalayan region of Kashmir. Both countries claim the region.

Many observers had hoped that Singh and Aziz would meet in New York on the sidelines of the General Assembly in an effort to reduce tensions. But Indian diplomats said Pakistan had not requested a meeting. They did not say why India never requested a meeting.

The world's newest nuclear nations nearly went to war earlier this year. Hundreds of soldiers from both sides were killed in fighting in Kashmir.

The conflict has raised the danger of a full-scale nuclear war among the two nations.

They have fought three wars since gaining independence from Britain in 1947.

On Wednesday, Pakistan's Aziz proposed a six-point program to get India to reduce its nuclear weapons, starting with India dropping its ambitious plan for an atomic arsenal and developing long-range ballistic weapons.

Otherwise, "Pakistan will be compelled to enhance its nuclear and missile capabilities and operational readiness to preserve deterrence," he said.

Aziz urged the United Nations to intervene in the Kashmir imbroglio. He said people in Kashmir - the only Muslim-majority state in pre-

dominantly Hindu India should have a chance against staying under rule.

But India's Singh said at the General Assembly that Kashmir was an integral part of India and its future negotiable. He also said India's nuclear weapons had been obtained by borrowing Pakistan and China's technology.

The United States, European Union, Japan and most other countries urged India and Pakistan to back their nuclear programs. The two countries have agreed to open negotiations.



# An anatomy of serial murder

Christine Hanley  
Associated Press

YOSEMITE NATIONAL  
Calif. - Cary Stayner  
figured out an excuse to  
knocking on the door of  
509 at 11 p.m.

ing he had to fix a  
the hotel handyman  
his way into the room  
a mother and two  
the girls were watching  
on the last night of their  
on. He was hiding a  
and a .22-caliber pistol.

On this Monday after  
ine's Day, most of the  
and guests had already  
the lodge near the western  
to Yosemite National

Every other room in the  
nd-floor wing was  
at.

Stayner, a clean-cut man  
a friendly demeanor,  
out of the bathroom  
ing the gun, saying it was  
bery. He ordered Carole  
her daughter Juli and  
Argentine friend Silvina  
o to lie face-down on  
ts.

After binding their hands  
duct tape and gagging  
he ordered the two girls  
the bathroom and turned  
attention to Mrs. Sund.

I went smoothly, he  
ained later to the FBI.  
did everything he told  
to do.

"As a victim, we choose  
believe we're going to live  
cooperate," said Clinton  
Zandt, a former FBI  
narrator and serial killer  
et. The thinking is, "if  
o what he says, he will let  
g, and that's all I have to  
on to right now."

In the scenario Stayner  
scribed to the FBI is true,  
ok a lot of risks, left a lot  
ues and was lucky to  
capture for months  
his fantasies about  
ing women drove him to

strike again.

Only after he was picked  
up for the July 21 murder of  
Joie Armstrong, a woman  
who led children on nature  
hikes through the park, did he  
admit killing all four women.  
The confession shocked the  
FBI, which was trying to  
build a case on circumstantial  
evidence that pointed to a  
group of ex-convicts in  
Modesto.

Stayner said in a jailhouse  
interview with a television  
reporter that he would plead  
guilty to all four murders. He  
has since pleaded innocent to  
Ms. Armstrong's killing, say-  
ing he wants to live.

On Wednesday, he was  
arraigned on additional  
charges of kidnapping and  
trying to sexually assault Ms.  
Armstrong. He already faces  
a death sentence in her case.

No charges have been  
filed in the sightseers' mur-  
ders. Law enforcement  
sources say that's because  
they want to rule out any pos-  
sibility Stayner didn't act  
alone last February.

A transcript of the confes-  
sion has not been made pub-  
lic. But physical evidence col-  
lected in the weeks since  
Stayner began talking has  
given agents a clearer picture  
of how he could have single-  
handedly overpowered the  
women and remained on the  
loose for so long, according to  
law enforcement sources with  
direct knowledge of the case.

Stayner said he strangled  
Mrs. Sund with the rope while  
the girls were in the bathroom,  
and put her body in the trunk  
of the rental car parked out-  
side. Then he returned to the  
girls, and ordered them to per-  
form sex acts. Silvina resisted.  
Pulling the rope so tightly that  
his fingertips grew numb, he  
said he strangled her in the  
bathroom, out of Juli's view.

Silvina took her last

breaths in the bathtub. At the  
time, Stayner was assaulting  
Juli.

It was hours later and  
early morning when he took  
Juli to an adjacent room and  
began to hide the evidence. He  
put Silvina's body in the trunk,  
and arranged the room so it  
appeared that the women had  
simply checked out and left.  
He even wet the towels to  
make it seem that they took  
showers in the morning.

About 4 a.m., Stayner  
said, he wrapped Juli, naked,  
in a motel blanket and fled  
with her loosely bound in the  
passenger seat of the rental  
car. Choosing lonely high-  
ways that are white-knuckle  
drives under the best condi-  
tions, he swerved around the  
plunging canyons and steep  
cliffs on Yosemite's western  
ridge.

With dawn approaching,  
Stayner turned off at Lake  
Don Pedro and carried Juli up  
a worn dirt path to a small  
clearing overlooking the  
water.

He cut her throat more  
than once. She begged for  
death, he said, pointing her  
forefinger and thumb at her  
temple like a gun and  
"pulling" the trigger.

He couldn't shoot her, he  
told her. There were no bullets  
in his gun.

Finally, he hid her body in  
a thicket, leaving her wrapped  
in the blanket with her arms  
crossed over her chest.

Stayner said he considered  
ditching the car in the reser-  
voir, but decided against it  
when he saw a fisherman. He  
drove until he found a snow-  
covered hill, and drove the car  
as far as he could into the for-  
est. Then he caught a cab back  
to Yosemite Valley, paying the  
fare with \$150 he'd stolen  
from Mrs. Sund's purse.

Two days later he returned  
to the car to burn it, then drove

two hours west and dumped  
Mrs. Sund's billfold insert on  
a Modesto street corner to fool  
police.

Then - nothing. A huge  
team of state, local and feder-  
al agents searched every-  
where, with no solid leads.

Investigators didn't sus-  
pect Stayner, not when they  
first questioned him right after  
the vacationers' disappear-  
ance and not months later  
when they came back to show  
pictures of the Modesto sus-  
pects and collect blankets as  
potential evidence. It was  
Stayner the handyman who  
opened the motel doors for  
them.

"He didn't set off any  
bells. He wasn't overly eager  
and he wasn't uncoopera-  
tive," a task force source said,  
recalling the day he helped  
the agents.

Stayner had already given  
the FBI a big clue: on March  
15, he sent them a taunting  
letter with a map pointing to  
Juli's body. By the time they  
opened it a week later, a  
hunter had already found the  
burned car with the other two  
bodies inside.

But the FBI was far off  
Stayner's trail, plunging into  
Modesto's methamphetamine  
subculture. A federal grand  
jury began hearing evidence  
against a group of men with  
histories of violence and sex-  
ual assaults.

By June, with Yosemite's  
summer season in full swing,  
the FBI - without naming  
names - assured the public  
that the key suspects were in  
custody on unrelated charges.

Meanwhile, Stayner said,  
he found his next victim only  
a few miles from where the  
sightseers disappeared. Driv-  
ing into a remote corner  
of the park, he encountered  
Ms. Armstrong alone at her  
cabin - and felt the urge to kill  
again.

She fought back, and even  
escaped from his truck  
despite the duct tape that  
bound her. He chased her  
down and sliced off her head  
with "a clean and forceful  
cut," authorities said. It was  
found the next day, sub-  
merged in a creek about 40  
feet from the body.

Tire tracks and other evi-  
dence pointed to Stayner, who  
was questioned twice the day  
her body was found, and  
twice denied any involve-  
ment. Only after he failed to  
show up at work - his first  
absence in months - was he  
tracked down at a nudist  
colony and brought in to FBI  
headquarters. Then he began  
to talk - and talk.

It was as if he was  
describing drinking a bottle of  
water, one task force member  
said, recalling how matter-of-  
fact and unemotional Stayner  
sounded.

Stayner reenacted on  
videotape how he killed Ms.  
Armstrong and Juli, and led  
investigators to the knives he  
said he used. They still carried  
bloodstains and his finger-  
prints, authorities say. Agents  
also recovered pieces of duct  
tape, and the clothes he wore  
the night of the tourist  
killings.

Stayner's willingness to  
talk about the killings disgusts  
the families of the victims and  
others who think he's just try-  
ing to get publicity. From jail,  
he has called television shows  
to talk about the murders. He  
told one reporter he hoped  
there would be a "movie of  
the week" made about the  
case.

"My feeling is he's not  
worth talking about much,"  
said Mrs. Sund's mother,  
Carole Carrington. "I really  
don't want to hear about this  
guy anymore. I think he's out  
for notoriety, and I don't want  
to give it to him."



*'Tradition, Innovation, Leadership, Community'*

# New logo gives GSC a theme, identity

By Allison Tant  
Staff Reporter

As one may have observed, there have been many changes since Dr. Powell's presidency began at Glenville State College.

One such change is the creation of a new logo, which is to give the school a more professional look. The new logo will be shown on a variety of items including letterheads, business cards, brochures, invitations, and bulletins.

The logo has the school's name in standard type. With

this format, the letters "GSC", are rounded and stand out. Printed below the school name are the words "Tradition", "Innovation", "Leadership", and "Community", separated by diamonds.

To the left of the logo is a picture of the clock tower positioned so that two sides of the clock are visible. At the bottom of the tower, in a block, is the year the college was founded, 1872. The tower is surrounded by a thin lined double diamond.

Public Relations Director, Jack Barr,

explains, "We are a proverbial diamond in the rough, discovered recently, and we are now in the process of becoming a jewel. During the commencement exercise [this past spring] the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the whole state college system, Joseph Peters, very eloquently called Glenville State College 'a jewel in the state college system of West Virginia', and that seemed like a good theme to go on, too."

Barr states, "The idea was to create a unifying

graphic element for the college. During the summer, there was a series of meetings with faculty, staff, representatives, students, and a whole bunch of different other constituencies to help come up with a design. We are one college. We will have one logo."

In the past there have been as many as seventeen different logos for the college, ranging from a simple "GSC", to the clock tower, to cartoon pioneers, and the state seal.

The new logo unifies the look of the college and gives

it an institutional identity.

What about the old logos? The old stock business cards and such used before new ones were sent out. It will take three to four months before we see a complete transition to the new logo.

The football team will continue to use the "G" on their helmets.

The logo isn't the only thing that has changed. The tag line of "Pioneering the 21st Century" has been replaced by, "A Community of Learning in the Hills of West Virginia."

## Oliver receives grants to study crime

By Jason Collins  
Staff Reporter

Criminal Justice Coordinator Willard Oliver has been selected as a recipient of three travel grants, including one from the Gerald R. Ford, another from the Herbert Hoover Library Association, and one from the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute. He will be doing research in order to compose a dissertation about the U.S. Presidents and their ability to influence public opinion on crime.

The grants cover everything ranging from the cost of air travel down to what is eaten for breakfast. Professor Oliver is very excited by all this, explaining that "once I complete the research, write it, and defend it, I will be presented with a Ph.D."

Oliver also received funding from Glenville State College to conduct research at the Ronald Reagan Library and is seeking a grant from West Virginia University to engage in research at the Lyndon B. Johnson Library.

Oliver has also received permission to continue a grant on stress intervention in rural law enforcement. He hopes to prove that education is the key to stress intervention.

He has also participated in bringing another one half million dollars into the state to continue the West Virginia Regional Community Police Institute (RCPI). This grant trains law enforcement officers, government agencies, and even citizens on community policing.

## Suggestions needed for ceremonial wooden mace

By Pat McCord  
Staff Reporter

Glenville State College has commissioned a sculpted wooden mace (a ceremonial staff symbolizing the college) that will be displayed during graduation exercises and other academic occasions.

Surrounding a wooden cylinder on the mace are three square panels, each four and one-half inches by four and one-half inches where relief designs will be carved. Students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the college are invited to submit ideas or designs appropriate for the three panels.

Ideas might reflect, for example, the past traditions, accomplishments, future goals of the College or whatever would visualize the valuable contributions which GSC has made to our state and nation in over a century of service. All ideas are welcome, and the committee will consider all suggestions in its recommendations.

Please submit ideas to the mace committee members: Jack Barr, Bill Diehl, Joe Evans, Dennis Fitzpatrick, Gillespie, McKinney, Montgomery, Delaney, Nagy, or Rick Sybold. The deadline is September 30, 1999.

## Intramural Volleyball Meeting

Monday, September 27th  
7:00 p.m.

P.E. Building  
Room 206

**ALL TEAM CAPTAINS MUST ATTEND!**

### Attention Artists:

Anyone wishing to enter the 1999 Forest Festival in Elkins should have art work and paper work turned into Duane Chapman no later than October 1, 1999.



# A tale of two residence halls

## LBH NOTES

Lets start off with the ongoing Wednesday movie night. R.A. Brian andolph will be showing the movie "The Mummy" at 9 p.m. in the main lounge of Louis Bennett Hall. Remember that everyone is invited to come and watch. If you haven't seen this movie yet, then take my word for it, it will be well worth the walk up the hill.

The football team is geared-up to play West Virginia Wesleyan this Saturday. The game is here at the home field at 1 p.m. The football team, especially all the players that live in LBH, would appreciate everyone coming out and cheering them on.

We are in the process of fixing up our computer lab in the main lounge. We still need to have the computers checked out and the printer problems fixed so it may be a week or so down the road. It will be open to all students to use and I will let you know when it is up and ready for operation.

Patrick Hall  
LBH House Director

The 1999 yearbooks have arrived and will be distributed Tuesday through Thursday, September 28 to October 1. You can pick up your yearbook between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the yearbook office, located on the second floor of the Language Division. Please enter through the door below the clock tower in the Administration Building. Bring college ID's. You must be an upperclassman to receive a 1999 yearbook.

## PICKENS HALL NEWS

By now, most of you are knee deep in papers and exams, so we just wanted to start off by wishing you luck - although luck shouldn't have anything to do with it, since we're *sure* all of you are studying hard. Just remember to get plenty of rest, and don't forget to breathe....

Pickens Hall Governing Board has been rather busy these past weeks. Many residents have taken a strong interest in Governing Board this year, and we thank you for lending a voice and pledging your support. Keep an eye out in the next few weeks, as we are looking into updating our sports equipment, including a new volleyball net. Other purchase considerations are board games and possibly new VCR's.

Please continue to support and encourage our sports teams during their respective seasons. The higher the morale of the team, the better they will play. Let's help them out - attend the games, wear the school colors, or wish the athletes good luck as you see them. You may not realize it, but a little cheering and a little recognition can go a long way.

Finally, just a couple of individuals to put in the spotlight....Michael Brooks has been named Field Commander of the GSC Marching Band - congratulate him when you see him. In totally unrelated news, Brandi Sandy has passed her Hunter Safety course, so wear something bright and be very careful when heading near the woods. (Sorry Brandi, had to say it.)

That's it for now. Until next time....

*Quote of the Week: The game of life is not so much as holding a good hand as playing a poor hand well. - H.T. Leslie*

Jeanne Finn and Eric Poirier,  
Residence Hall Directors

## THE NEWSDAY CROSSWORD

Edited by Stanley Newman  
JOINT VENTURE: Solving in pairs is strictly optional  
by Shirley Soloway

### ACROSS

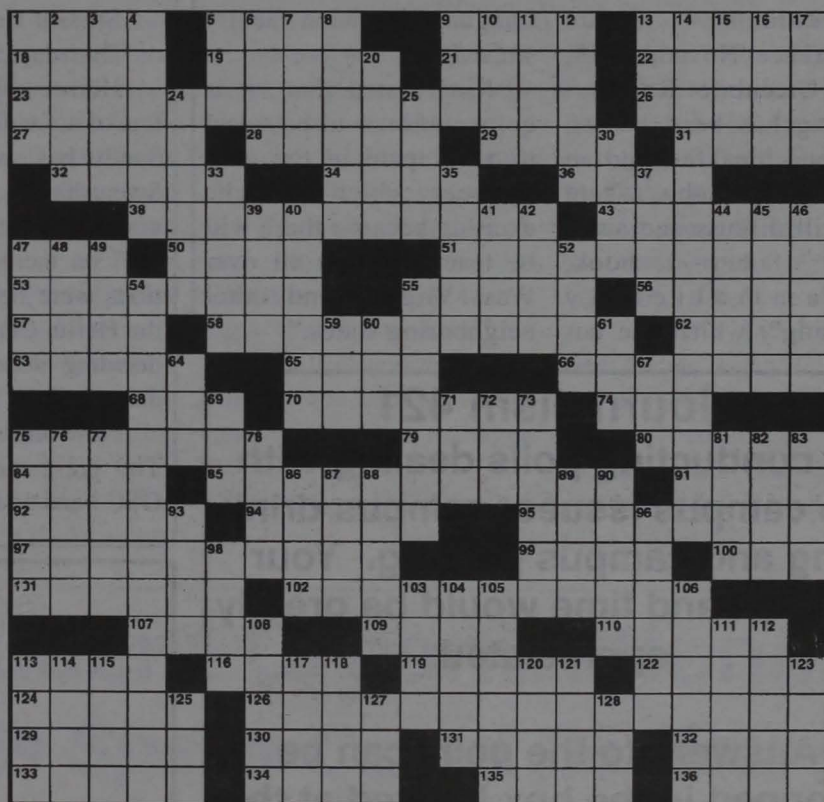
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## Oliver published in new anthology

By Jason Collins  
Staff Reporter

selecting only 21 out of all the essays published on this topic.

After permission was granted to publish, all the articles had to be reformat- ted and that process was extremely time consuming. Oliver wishes to thank work study students Amie Starcher and Crystal Affolter for doing all the typing.

He is now working on a second edition of his first book, "Community Oriented Policing". The book is nearly finished and should be out next summer.

Glenville State College Professor Willard Oliver's second book, "Community Policing : Classical Readings," was just published by Prentice Hall. It is a compilation of 21 articles of community policing from the 1980's.

Oliver says that "it took a lot of time to find the articles which were most cited and the writings that are as popular today as when they were written." Oliver added that it was even more difficult

## King invited to signing

By Sherrie Hardman  
Staff Reporter

authored with Olga Pashkevich. The book was published in 1998.

King is an Associate Professor of English and Journalism at GSC and has been a member of the Language Division faculty since 1966.

King stated that "it is quite an honor to be asked to participate in the conference, which will be exciting because there will be teachers from all over West Virginia and other neighboring states."

Glenville State College Professor Yvonne King will be attending the West Virginia Reading Association's State Conference, November 19, at the Greenbrier Resort.

King has been invited to attend breakfast and an authors' roundtable, where she will discuss and autograph her book, "Grammatically Speaking", which she co-

**Journalism 421**  
is conducting polls dealing with two campus issues: campus drinking and campus parking. Your support and time would be greatly appreciated.

Answers to the polls can be dropped in the box located at the Robert F. Kidd Library by October 1, 1999.

Thank You!

# And Da Winners Are...

## Your Homecoming Court is set for crowning

By Pat McCord  
Staff Reporter

What were all the gorgeous ladies' pictures doing hanging all around the campus? Well, they were the regal nominees for Homecoming Queen and Princesses. The nominees for Homecoming Queen were Shella Ables, Adina Asleson, Carrie Beam, JoAnn Butcher, Lekita Chambers, Katharine Cogar,

Lora Demark, Amy Koon, Nancy Jo Mullens, Amy Nichols, Jennifer Stinnett, Carol Tenney, Margarita "Moe" Tzoneva, and the Mercury's very own Amy Smith.

The nominees for Freshman Princesses were LaVie Bass, Sherree Bass, Kelli Felton, Amanda Green, Tara Martin, Sarah Roach, Jeanine Walker, and Stephanie Williams; for Sophomore Princesses, Brandi Adkins, Melissa Barker, Christy Crow, Shauntae Ford, Miranda Hathaway, Kristy Howard, Emily Jones, Tiffany Linville, Maima Mahaney, Megan Miller, Robyn Rankin, Shelly Sheets,

Misty Tomblin, and Bre White; for Junior Princesses, Tosha Coe, Josalynn Hall, L. Hudkins, Lewesla McC, Jessica Morrison, Me Nay, Jodi-Marie Ochel, Sherrie Petrey, and Mir Reid; for Senior Princesses, Genia Bailey, Bonnie Della Cassell, Christa Flesher, Sara Har, Amanda Nicholas, L Rader, and Roberta Rog. The winner Homecoming Queen Adina Asleson. The winners for Homecoming Princesses are Seniors Sara Harper, Roberta Rogers; Junior Libby Hudkins; Sophomore Brandi Adkins, Freshman Tara Martin.

## Student Congress News

By Ernest Kingdon  
Student Congress

Student Congress held its last meeting on Thursday, Sept. 16.

Homecoming '99 is coming soon and lots of activities are being planned. Brandi Sandy has sent out banner applications. Sweatshirts have been ordered—they are gray and black with "GSC Homecoming '99" on them. Homecoming Queen elections were held Mon.-Wed. this week in the Heflin Center. The dance committee is deciding door prizes; the attire for the dance will be 70's/Disco.

Now on to game day and its activities. The pre-game show will consist of the GSC band and cheerleaders. The half time

show will be the band and Queen winner. I'm sad to announce that seat cushions weren't ordered in time, so our alternative may be cow bells or touch down towels. The pep rally will be on Thursday.

On to new business..we had a discussion on old committees on campus that are no longer active. These committees are going to be done away with. Mr. McKinney will be getting a list of these.

The President plans to speak to us on November 4. Sorry for the wait, he's a very busy man.

Our meeting ended with Joshua Martin being sworn in as the Wagner Wire Representative by Megan Miller.

Meetings are Thursdays at 12:30pm. All students are welcome.

## Student Accounting Society Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 3:00  
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*"The strangest thing about America is the way everyone speaks their mind."*

# Exchange student joins GSC from Ethiopia

By Mary Wildfire  
Staff Reporter

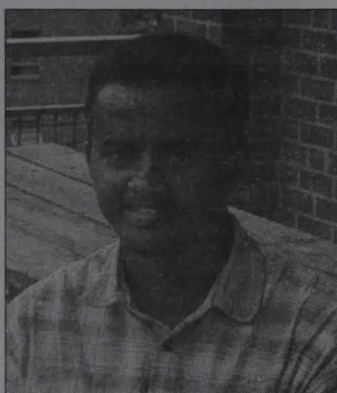
Samuel Berhe is a shman from Ethiopia. Ethiopia is in eastern Africa, bordering Sudan, Somalia, and Kenya. Samuel is from Addis Ababa, the capitol, which has a population of two million people.

Sammy says Ethiopia is the only country in Africa that has never been colonized, although it was controlled during World War II by Italy. Britain helped

liberate it."

Having studied English since elementary school, Samuel is quite fluent. His first language is Amharic, the official language of Ethiopia; it isn't spoken anywhere else. He also speaks Tigrinia, a language common in another part of Ethiopia.

Samuel has two older brothers. His father is a pharmacist and his mother is an accountant. His father went to Purdue University in Indiana. While there, he met a man affiliated with Glenville State College.



Sherrie Hardman, Mercury

## Samuel Berhe

This man picked Samuel up at the airport in Washington D.C. and drove him to Glenville.

Samuel is focusing on

Business Administration and Computer Science. He thinks he may start his own business when he goes home.

"The strangest thing about America is the way everyone speaks their mind," comments Sammy.

At home, he speaks freely with his friends and peers, but not with others until he knows them. Ethiopian society is much more formal than ours.

Asked what he likes most about America, he gave two answers. First, Sammy mentioned the

friendly people. Then he added "the accessibility to anything you want here."

Apparently in Ethiopia, you can't necessarily buy something you want, even if you have the money to pay for it. As to what he liked least, it's that no one here seems to know where Ethiopia is.

Sammy's message to GSC's students, translated from his native Amharic to English, "Have fun, be happy, and do your work."

Welcome to the United States, West Virginia, and Glenville, Samuel Berhe!

# Palm elected to Board of Advisors

By Josalynn Hall  
Staff Reporter

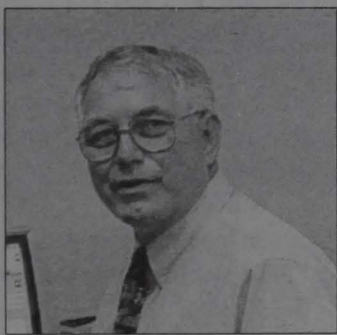
Dr. Edward Palm, Chair of Glenville State College's Language Division, recently received a position on the Board of Advisors.

Nominated by Dr. Engenberg, Palm ran unopposed for the position.

Palm stated he "gladly accepted the nomination", and is happy to do what he can for the Board.

The Board of Advisors is responsible for reviewing all proposals, providing advice and assistance to the President to establish closer ties with higher education and business, labor, government, community, and economic development.

Furthermore, the Board encourages communication



## Dr. Edward Palm

between the current work force and work force development. An additional duty Board members have is to assess the performance of GSC's graduates and to assist in job placement.

Finally, the Board is responsible for replacing the President if there is a vacancy in that position.

The first official meeting of the Board of Advisors takes place Thursday, September 23.

# Students to benefit from new scholarships

By Pat McCord  
Staff Reporter

Glenville State College President Thomas H. Powell has established three separate scholarship funds with the GSC Foundation, in an intense personal declaration of support for Glenville State College's efforts to support faculty and staff with professional development, and to entice diligent students to GSC.

The Presidential Faculty Scholars Fund will provide two one-thousand-dollar awards annually with recipients being selected by the GSC Faculty Senate. The Presidential Staff Scholars

Fund will provide two five-hundred-dollar awards and two one-thousand-dollar scholarships annually, to student recipients who will be chosen by the GSC Scholarship Committee. Faculty and staff award winners will be recognized on commemorative plaques to be displayed in the President's office. Dr. Powell commented, "I believe everyone should support the college through our Foundation, and it is my hope that by making this gift I will encourage other donors to add to these funds and others managed by the Foundation."

Thomas McPherson,  
GSC Foundation

President, stated, "These scholarship funds will benefit GSC faculty, staff and students and we are very appreciative of Dr. Powell's leadership, gift and personal commitment to the Foundation."

GSC Foundation Vice President Ed Hamrick added "We are very appreciative of Dr. Powell's scholarship initiative and his support of the GSC Foundation. These dollars are much needed and will be put to good use in support of the faculty and staff."

If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Mr. Hamrick at (304)462-4125.

# Student Organizations: This Space Could Be Yours

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## He's Your Boogie Man

Cheers to the guy dancing in the amphitheatre last Thursday; you go!!

I was very surprised at the turnout of last weeks open campus forum. I can't ever remember anything like that happening on this campus before and I was glad to see so many people there.

There were many important issues discussed at the forum. I, for one, am glad that GSC has a President that truly cares about the opinions of students, faculty and staff. This is the way it should be, because together, we all make up this campus and college community. Remember, *The Mercury* is a good way to make your opinion known. Keep those letters coming in! If you are serious about having them published in the paper, remember to sign them. I will not run a letter to the editor, typed or written, that is not signed.

Congratulations to our new homecoming court. I love homecoming, it is a good time. I will miss being able to watch the parade from my old apartment window on Main Street.

I just want to know one thing. Why am I the only one who seems to be getting parking tickets for parking in the loading zone across from The Helfin Center? I only park there after dark, when I will be working late in *The Mercury* office. As a young woman who used to live in Washington, D.C., I do not feel comfortable walking very far late at night to my car. During dinner time I see several cars parked there, and they never get ticketed. These cars presumably, belong to students, too lazy to walk to dinner from the dorms.

We have now hit the stage during the semester of panic. This is the time when those of us who have not been the best of students start to worry about keeping up in classes. The next stage is even worse, the burnout phase. I hope everyone did Okay on that first series of tests and papers that just ended. Is it time for a break yet? I don't know about the rest of you, but I could sure use one.

Okay, I lied. I have two questions! Do any of our readers out there, have any suggestions and/or ideas about what you would like to see in *The Mercury*? After all this is your newspaper, I mean you're the readers.

We'll call it a wrap for this week. Until next time and so on.....

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## The Official Mercury Thumbs Up For making us smile

## Letters to the Editor

**Dear Editor:**

This letter is a plea to the student body of GSC. On Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, it was brought to my attention that there was a large dent in the roof of my Ford Escort. It was located above the window of the rear passenger side, so obviously I couldn't have bumped into anything to create this dent. Apparently, something had been thrown from up above - namely a resident's window or from a bathroom window - and it landed on my car. Needless to say, I am very upset. If anyone has any information regarding this incident, I am asking that you come and see me immediately so this matter can be resolved. To the person who committed this offense: if you are reading this, I am asking you to admit you're

wrongdoing and face the consequences of your actions/

Please, be responsible and do the right thing. This is all I am asking. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jeanne M. Finn  
Residence Director,  
Pickens Hall

**Dear Editor,**

Last week, I wrote a letter in which I stated that the college was receiving money from the ROTC program. I was wrong; the school is receiving no funds what so ever. The reason I made the comment was because I had talked to several faculty members that had worked at other schools and those schools were receiving money. That is why I asked the question about money.

Since the school is not receiving money from ROTC being here, then why was the ROTC asked to come here? The answer this time came from a military recruiter himself, help attract more students to campus. I fully support students who wish to join the ROTC program and any other program that might help attract more students to GSC. I am, though, why bring in more programs when the programs we have could be fixed up and strengthened. Years ago, we had the number one forestry program in the nation. The program is still one of the best in the nation, but why can we not make it number one again? Why can we not raise the level of all our programs to first in the state, then the nation? I feel it is time for GSC to invest in GSC.

Jeremy Burks

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

**The Mercury 200 High Street - Box 207 Glenville, WV 26351**  
All articles submitted for publication in *The Mercury* must be typed and double-spaced. Stories and announcements should be addressed c/o Amy Lynn Smith. The deadline for stories and announcements is Wednesday at 4 p.m. for publication in the next week's paper. All photographs should be submitted to Sherrie Hardman, photo editor.



# KO Controversy: The Debate Rages

Dear Editor,

I was reading in your September 20<sup>th</sup> edition of Mercury, and I noticed one of the illustrations featured on page 8. The title "Why Would Someone Put Up a Church?" depicting first the fraternity symbol for Zeta Kappa Omega, I decided to take a closer look at the drawing, and to my amazement, it made out to look like I describe a friend and eternal brother of mine... You can voice your opinions in the Mercury of course, but trying to degrade a person, and ruin the reputation of them and/or an organization recognized by Glenville State College

should not be tolerated. Using the Mercury as a medium to voice and express personal grudges should not be tolerated. If the person has a problem with another, they should voice it in person and settle it in a civilized manner. The staff of the Mercury should be smart enough to make judgement calls on whether or not certain articles like this should be printed... Next time, make the right decision instead of a stupid decision.

Sincerely  
Nathan Calvert  
Public Relations  
Zeta Kappa Omega

Dear Members of Zeta

Kappa Omega,

Thank You so much for informing me of the gross misuse of your Greek letters in an editorial cartoon appearing in the September 20, 1999 Issue of The Mercury. While it is true as Chief Editor of The Mercury I am responsible for all content published and it is also true that I approved the cartoon for publication; it is absolutely not true that I was aware of the fact that the cartoon in question singled out a GSC organization in a derogatory way. I have never been a member of a Greek organization, and have had no experience with Greek letters except in Mathematics.

I apologize for any grief

that my ignorance has bestowed upon your organization. If I had been aware of the fact that Zeta Kappa Omega's letters were on the shirt of the gunman, I would have not allowed the cartoon to run. As a person, and as Chief Editor, I do not believe in attacking individuals or organizations, for any reason.

Under my direction, I have tried to make The Mercury the student voice. This semester, more so than any semester I can remember, The Mercury has been receptive to all student organizations. Submissions have been accepted from various campus groups, including a few from your

own fraternity. We are not perfect, and our publication of this cartoon clearly demonstrates this fact. However, I would like to point out our effort to include organizations, not exclude them.

I hope that this issue may come to rest; I can assure you that it will not happen again. I look forward to receiving the next Zeta Kappa Omega newsletter, as I hope that you will continue to use The Mercury as your voice as a student organization on this campus.

Sincerely,  
Amy Lynn Smith  
Chief Editor of  
The Mercury

## Letters to the Editor Submission Guidelines:

Letters to the editor are due to the Mercury office by 4 p.m. on the Wednesday before the release date. The Editor reserves the right to edit letters for clarity, language, length, and content. The Editor also reserves the right to refuse to print any letter we find to be possibly libelous. Have a happy day.

# Voting—duty or exercise of power?

By Mary Wildfire  
Staff Reporter

Are you registered to vote? If you were eligible, did you vote in the last election? If not, you're pretty lazy, and shirking your civic duty! This is the context in which the low turnout of voters is usually presented—say there's something missing from this picture. Voting was intended to be a duty, a ritual; it's supposed to be the means by which the people actually govern the country.

Consider the fact that Susan Anthony spent several decades traveling from town to town, always vilified by the men, always fighting for women's rights—of which the most important was the right to vote. Why do you suppose she died? Or consider Martin

Luther King, Jr., and the many courageous young people working with him for the rights of black people in the Fifties and Sixties, including the right to vote. Some of these people were killed. Why do you suppose they thought it worth the risk? Surely it was not to obtain the rights to perform a mere empty ritual, to join in some vague duty! No—these people saw voting as connected to actual power. They thought that if they could vote, they could change the conditions of their lives. As these were not stupid people, we can only conclude that voting once involved genuine choices...not picking Tweedledee or Tweedledum, the Republican or the Demican, the lesser of two evils.

It's true enough that young people don't vote. Statistics for the '94 election, for example, show a neat stair-step pattern to

voter turnout—from the over-65 cohort, who voted at rates of over 60%, to the under-21 group, less than 17% of whom bothered. Maybe this indicates that a tendency to vote is a reflection of maturity, but I doubt it. Voting rates for the whole populace have been going down for a long time. I think it suggests that the older you are, the more likely you are to remember a time when you could vote for someone who roughly represented you.

What happened? I think that the corruption of the campaign finance system and mass media influence are the main culprits, but I don't have space to go into this now. So let's cut straight to the chase. What does this situation mean for you, come next election, that you might as well forget politics and concentrate 100% of your energies on your

own life? That on election day you might as well put your feet up, pop a tab and watch videos? Sorry. The bad news is, the situation requires more input and effort from citizens, not less. If the people are too busy drinking beer and watching tv to hold the reins of power, special interests will be only too happy to substitute.

Yes, you still need to vote. Statistics show that the states with the highest voter participation are the ones with the greatest economic and social equity, according to a study by Democracy South. So voting does still make a difference. Look at the statistics on who is over-represented in the voting booth: older people, white people and rich people. All groups doing well, wouldn't you say? Maybe if younger people, dark people and poor people were

such dedicated voters, things would be a little more equal.

Of course, the act of voting is not enough—first you must educate yourself about the choices. You might ask the opinion of individuals whose ideas you respect, take advantage of any forums, debates, or newspaper profiles, or check the information compiled by such groups as Project Vote Smart ([www.vote-smart.org](http://www.vote-smart.org)). You might want to consider getting involved in campaign finance reform—try ([www.publiccampaign.org](http://www.publiccampaign.org)) or check out WV-PERC (for information, e-mail [jfout@ezwv.com](mailto:jfout@ezwv.com)). Or you might join another organization working on issues you care about.

We can restore democracy in America if only the people will stand up and fight for it. If you still aren't clear on who "the people" are, go look in a mirror.



# Trickett's vacation ended in coaching again

By John Raby  
Associated Press

**GLENVILLE** - Rick Trickett returned to his native West Virginia intent on getting away from football following a tumultuous year at Auburn.

It didn't take him long to jump back in.

Trickett left Auburn after five years as offensive line coach following the midseason resignation of coach Terry Bowden. At the invitation of longtime friend and oil company owner Ike Morris, Trickett came to Glenville for the start of a six-month vacation.

"I came to ride horses. My main motivation, I was going to kick my feet back," Trickett said.

At about the same time, Glenville State was looking for a new coach. Warren Ruggiero left after a part-time student

participated in spring practice in violation of NCAA rules.

Trickett remembers being told about the job.

"I didn't want anything to do with it at first. Everybody said how bad it was and how bad it was going to be," he said. "One day I woke up. My wife said, 'Uh oh.' I said, 'Yeah, I think I'm going to try it.'"

He knew he had a big task ahead. Glenville has fallen on hard times since earning the league's first-ever bid to the NCAA Division II playoffs in 1997.

The school that had won or shared five straight West Virginia Conference titles from 1993 to 1997 was placed on two years probation by the league last year and banned from postseason play this season for various rules violations.

Trickett's first task was to boost team morale. He and Athletic Director Steve Harold spearheaded efforts to refurbish the school's football complex and weight room with new carpeting and 287 gallons of paint.

"We felt like the kids were going to roll back in there Aug. 5 and they knew nothing about Rick Trickett and the staff, so we wanted to have a little bit of a shock effect on them, because before it did not look very good," Trickett said.

Then came discipline. Trickett brought the reputation as a taskmaster. Following the first day in pads, 19 players left the team, including two offensive linemen who were starters last season.

"They didn't want any of that," Trickett said. "It was bad because we didn't intend it to be that way. We decided to go

on with the ones we got, and they've really done a heck of a job for us.

"I think we've come a long way in a short time. You have to keep in mind we didn't have these kids in spring practice. They never saw us before a day in their life until August."

Quarterback Jaycee Goree welcomes Trickett's approach.

"He's a mental coach. He makes you think," Goree said. "As long as you do what he teaches you, you will be all right in the game."

Goree says playing with a new coach and with sanctions has not been difficult, just different.

"You're on probation knowing you can't win a conference championship," Goree said. "But that won't determine whether I will play 110 percent."

Jesse Wisniewski, a fresh-

man linebacker from N said he came to Glen because he wanted to play Trickett.

"I knew he coached Auburn and Division I sch for the past 20-some year Wisniewski said. "He k discipline on the team and knows what he's doing. comes in here and he wan win. What I see in his eyes winning attitude."

Trickett believes he restore Glenville to glory.

"I just think when you five conference chan onships in a row, people going to look for anything slow the juggernaut down he said. "Right now, w kind of in that mode. W going to get it back to whe was."

Glenville (1-2) is at h Saturday against St. Josep Ind.

## East Stroudsburg upsets Pioneers

### Winning touch-down comes with one second left

By Josalynn Hall  
Staff Reporter

Glenville State College (1-2) faced East Stroudsburg (2-1) on Stroudsburg's home field, Saturday, Sept. 18.

In the first quarter, Glenville ran 14 plays for 86 yards, culminating in a Thad Hampton one yard touchdown run.

At the top of the second quarter, Paul Burdette capped off a Pioneer drive with a three yard touchdown run. Toward the end of the half, ESU's Jason Zinn ran back an interception for a 22 yard score,

bringing the score to 13 to 7 GSC.

When the third quarter began, ESU ran 11 plays for 54 yards, leading to a 35 yard field goal by J. D. Stern. Still in the third, GSC's Lance Linden pulled down an eight yard pass from Jayce Goree, to put the Pioneers back up by 3. At the bottom of the third, ESU ran four plays for a total of 30 yards leading to Stewart Ford's 19 yard touchdown.

Ford carried the ball for two more touchdowns to start the fourth quarter. At the middle of the fourth, GSC's Eric Tate and Jayce Goree successfully scored two more times, to put GSC up by 3 for what looked to be the final score.

With time winding down, ESU mounted a four play, 71 yard drive that led to Stewart Ford's game-winning 22 yard touchdown run.

The final score of Saturday's game was Glenville 34, ESU 38.

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# SC alum Rader takes helm of North Carolina high school team

By Dwight Davis  
Thomasville Newspaper

Coach Rader wore out a pair of shoes in each of his three seasons he coached Thomasville Middle School's boys basketball teams. We're talking about the high-end brand of footwear. Too. Wing-tips with leather soles.

He never sat down at basketball games in three years at the middle school," said the enthusiastic 27-year old.

Rader will be pacing the sidelines again this season, but this year he will be as head coach of the Thomasville High varsity girl's basketball team. He replaces Ruby Smith who has taken a position at Lexington High School. A native of Webster County, WV, Rader landed his first teaching job at Thomasville four years ago after graduating Glenville State College in West Virginia. Bulldog fans hope that the success he's had at TMS will carry over to the high school girl's program. Coach Rader guided the Bullpup to a pair of state championships, including a perfect 14-0 season last year.

"We're looking forward to having a good season," says Coach Rader. "We have a lot of talent coming back and a lot of hard-working people. We're looking toward accomplishing a lot of goals."

Coach Rader has already begun with some preliminary work. This summer he hosted a girls basketball camp, which was headed up by community volunteer Stanford Ray. "We had a lot of good, positive feedback and I think we're headed in the right direction at Thomasville. There's a lot of interest and a lot of enthusiasm about girls basketball here."

Coach Smith had the program on the upswing when she left. After the Bulldogs garnered just one victory two years ago, last year she led the team to the playoffs.

Coach Rader says he plans to employ pressure defense and "run the ball and down the floor." "We want to have a lot of fun out there. If we play

hard and work hard, hopefully things will bounce our way."

Addressing his coaching style, Coach Rader explains, "I think when you sit down you become a spectator. And when you do that, you've lost your team. I really get into the game and I'm more concerned about how my team is playing than how the other team is playing. I don't consider myself a bench coach. I'm constantly talking to my players and getting feedback from them."

"I tell my players "when you're sitting on the bench, you have the worst seat in the house."

In addition to his wing-tip shoes, Coach Rader compliments his attire with a suit and tie.

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# Theatre to unveil "Communicating Doors" for first performance of the fall semester

By Allison Tant  
Staff Reporter

With autumn upon us, Glenville State College is abuzz with activity. The first play of the semester, "Communicating Doors", will be performed from October 27-29. The play is a thriller/comedy set in Britain.

The cast consists of six characters. Poopay, a.k.a. Pheobe, played by Joelle Harris, is a dominatrix who finds herself in a compromising position when she is asked to witness the signing of a deathbed confession of Reece, an aging businessman.



Amy Smith, Mercury

**Back Row (L to R): Josh King, Chris Vannoy, Chad Nichols**

**Front Row: Christina Brown, Joelle Harris, Josalynn Hall**

Unfortunately, Julian, his business partner, doesn't wish to make the same confession. Reece is dying and loses nothing by making this confession; however, Julian has no remorse for the pair's actions, and stands to lose a

lot if the confession gets out.

The character of Julian is played by Chad Nichols. Reece is portrayed by Chris Vannoy.

As the play repeatedly skips from the past to the future, Reece gets married twice. The first wife, Jessica, played by Josalynn Hall, is a sort of dumb "trophy" wife. The second wife is named Ruella, played by Christina Brown. She is a strong willed woman.

The play is tied together by a confused doorman, Harold, who works in the hotel where all the action takes place. Joshua King plays the part of Harold.

Director Nancy Wemm

chose this play because he thought it was very dimensional, not on a time frame, but in terms of character reactions to other, character influences and how such things have happened to us in the past to create the future. Imagine if you could go back in time twenty years and change something. Would you change? Would you stop? This is how great it would be if it could go back and into the moment. Saad Hussein was conceived.

The casting of old combined with new, and the plot of this play should be worth coming out to

## Jerry Lewis' stalker apologizes publicly in Nevada

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS - The man who went to prison for stalking Jerry Lewis says he didn't realize he had such a strong impact on the comedian.

"I didn't think I did anything," Gary Benson said in a phone call to Inside Edition Wednesday.

Benson said he called Lewis

about 12 times and went to his house a couple of times.

"I apologize and it'll never happen again," he said.

Justice of the Peace Jennifer Togliatti on Tuesday granted Lewis' request to extend a 1992 protection order against Benson until Sept. 21, 2000. Lewis has said he and his family lived in fear of Benson.

Benson, a 56-year-old diagnosed chronic schizophrenic, was convicted in 1995 of aggravated stalking. He will be released from prison on Oct. 5. With work credits and good behavior time, Benson served 4.3 years of his six-year sentence, prison officials said.

According to an affidavit, Lewis alleges Benson called him

as recently as May and "Jerry, I'll be out in 65 days."

Benson's attorney told Togliatti his client has made plans to move to another state upon his release.

The Lewis stalking case played a key role in the passage of a law this year before the Nevada Legislature that upped the maximum aggravated stalking penalty from six years to 15 years.

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# Diana Ross describes altercation at airport

By **Melanie Carroll**  
**Associated Press**

NEW YORK - A weary-looking Diana Ross said she was "treated like a criminal" by airport officials in London after they detained her for more than four hours following an altercation with a security guard.

The entertainer arrived at Kennedy International

Airport on Wednesday night, hours after leaving Heathrow Airport. She will not face charges for the incident, which happened after she was frisked by a female security guard.

"I travel a lot. The security checks usually use metal detectors," said Ms. Ross, 55. "This woman went all around my body and up and down

my legs. I felt very uncomfortable. I wanted to complain, but no one listened to me."

The problems started shortly before Ms. Ross was to board the morning flight to New York. She passed through the metal detector and something she was wearing apparently activated it. She was then given a body search by the guard.

Ms. Ross tried to protest to security staff at Heathrow Airport immediately after the search, but was given a leaflet about complaints procedures, said Phil Symes, her publicist.

Outraged, "she then went back and approached the girl again and said, 'How would you feel in this situation?' and actually touched the girl," Symes said.

The guard complained to police, accusing Ms. Ross of assault.

"I reacted because I was upset," Ms. Ross said.

She boarded the Concorde, but was led off in tears. She was detained for hours, then released after being cautioned by

police. She was escorted through waiting reporters and photographers into a limousine, flanked by five London police officers.

She told reporters she felt like a prisoner. "I sat in the police station like a criminal for five hours. I was frightened. I was scared."

She returned to Heathrow in time for a 7 p.m. flight to New York — eight hours after she was scheduled to leave.

"I have been through all the airports of the world and never been subjected to such an intrusive search," Ross said earlier in the day. "I am a huggy person, I don't mind being touched, but not in this way — it was far too personal."

## Fifteen performers nominated for Rock and Roll Hall of Fame for 2000

**Associated Press**

CLEVELAND - Will there be an Aerosmith induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, or will the hard rock veterans have to dream on? Will Queen make it into the hall, or will they be another one that bites the dust?

Those two bands, plus Eric Clapton head up the list of 15 nominees for induction next year into the rock hall.

Blues-rock guitarist Clapton, who has previously been inducted twice as a member of the Yardbirds and Cream, released his first solo album in 1970.

Musicians are eligible for nomination to the rock hall 25 years after the release of their first recording.

Ballots have been sent to more than 1,000 artists, producers, journalists and music industry executives by the New York-based Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Foundation. Most voters received their ballots Tuesday.

The artists who win induction, as many as seven of the nominees, will be announced in November.

Aerosmith, the Massachusetts-based band which released its self-titled debut album in 1973, is still producing hits with its blues-laced hard rock. The group first attracted attention with the singles "Dream On" and "Walk This Way."

The British band Queen gained fame in the '70s and '80s with a theatrical style of rock, including hits "We Will Rock You," "We Are the Champions" and "Another One Bites the Dust." Flamboyant lead singer Freddie Mercury died in 1991.

Also nominated for induction are: rhythm and blues group the O'Jays; soul performer Solomon Burke; the 1970s funk and disco band Earth, Wind & Fire; doo-wop groups the Flamingos and the Moonglows; 1960s rockers the Lovin' Spoonful; jazz-rock group Steely Dan; rock 'n' roll pioneer Ritchie Valens; heavy-metal act Black Sabbath; singer-guitarist Bonnie Raitt; singer-songwriter Lou Reed and folk-influenced songwriter James Taylor.

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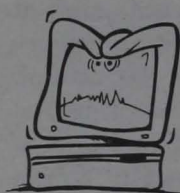


# THE VIRTUAL LIBRARIAN: Y2K madness

By Ben Bruton  
Guest Columnist

By now, just about everyone and their dog knows about the Y2K computer glitch and how it has triggered a wave of reactionary survivalist groups who are predicting that on January 1, 2000, we can expect everything from worldwide famine to massive power blackouts and yes, even the Second Coming of Christ.

There's just nothing like a good ole Armageddon to bring folks together. I see families buying gas-powered home generators, 1,000-gallon propane and water tanks, fervently stocking up on canned food and dehydrated goods, looking ahead to January 1,



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2000 with an almost morbid enthusiasm.

Here in the library, somebody recently left behind a self-published booklet on what to do when Y2K hits. The booklet played up Y2K like it was going to be the next Hiroshima, and provided lots of recipes and canning tips.

It's nice to know that if western civilization completely falls apart next January 1, I'll still be able to make a great deep-dish casserole.

I've come across

Internet web sites that offer similar homemaking tips for the coming apocalypse. There's the "Y2K Kitchen," a site dedicated to old-fashioned recipes that can be prepared on hot-plates or grills using canned ingredients such as Spam. I don't know what scares me more, the thought of total human extinction or Spam for dinner.

There's also "Y2K for Women," offering Y2K safety tips just for the ladies. The author of this site, Karen Anderson, is

like a Martha Stewart for survivalist who believes that "just because you're making preparations to keep your family safe in the event of an upheaval doesn't mean your house has to look like an army bunker." You go, Karen!

It's almost as if these people really want all of the doomsday prophecies to come true. Then they can sit smugly in their homes with their five-year supply of Spam and turkey-jerky and say "I told you so" to the rest of us.

I don't particularly want to discredit these survivalist, because they seem to be enjoying themselves. Planning for the end of the world has become their hobby, and everyone needs a hobby.

But come on, people let's not blame the end of the world on a stupid computer error. Y2K has been blown way, way out of proportion, to the point where some religious fanatics are likening it to the return of Jesus Christ, quoting the Book of Revelations and predicting all sorts of biblical mayhem.

Yes, I'm sure there will be some problems resulting from the Y2K bug, but no famines or earthquakes or angels appearing. No, the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse are not going to ride down the street on Harley Davidsons.

The only thing I feel safe in predicting for January 1, 2000, is that I will definitely have a hangover that morning.

## The Particle Lady: Encephalitis Attacks!

By BJ Woods  
Staff Columnist

Throughout the past month, New York has been plagued by numerous cases of encephalitis. There are many questions and concerns about this disease, many of which involve its origin and symptoms.

Encephalitis can have many causes, including infection by either a bacterial or viral pathogen.

Viral cases of encephalitis are transmitted by mosquitoes and ticks.

The symptoms of encephalitis include

headache, neck pain, fever, nausea, vomiting, weakness, seizures, paralysis and coma. It is difficult to guess which of the symptoms that one may get. Usually, persons with weak or decreased immune systems, such as young children and the elderly, are most susceptible.

If infected with encephalitis, there is an 80% survival rate

Prevention is the best medicine for this disease and comes mainly in the form of over-the-counter insect repellants available for purchase in most stores.

There is no treatment

available for this virus, with the exception of supportive care—which means controlling fever, convulsions, and the replacement of fluids. Hospitalization is required if a person becomes infected with encephalitis.

There is an old saying that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" and with encephalitis, it is true.

Enjoy your fall, and next summer, think of insect repellent.

For comments, questions, or article ideas please, feel free to contact the Particle Lady at gsc01293@mail.wvnet.edu

## The science behind the Taiwan earthquake intrigues

By Joseph B. Verrengia  
AP Science Writer

Taiwan is a seismically jittery place, and researchers said the earthquake that rocked the island early Tuesday is not related to the recent ones in Greece and Turkey.

Taiwan, which sits on the edge of two plates on the Earth's crust, the Eurasian and the Philippine plates, gets shaken by dozens of quakes each year.

Most are centered in the Pacific Ocean east of the island and rarely cause damage. The magnitude 7.6 quake that hit Taiwan early Tuesday was very unusual because it occurred beneath the island's central mountains.

The quake killed more than 1,700 people. It was Taiwan's worst since a 7.4 magnitude temblor hit the

island in 1935, killing 3,276 people. In 1986, a magnitude 7.8 quake off Taiwan's east coast killed 15.

This quake was centered about 120 miles south of the capital, Taipei, in the Changyung Mountains. The mountains are riddled with faults, but not much is known about their instability because the area is not as seismically active as nearby fault zones.

Several geologists and engineers from the United States were preparing to fly to Taiwan for a closer look at the physical changes that may have occurred to the island, as well as the damage to buildings and roadways.

"This earthquake is the only major one to occur in 40 years within this mountain range," said seismologist Jeff Barker of the State University of New York at Binghamton.



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### Horoscope by the AP

**ARIES:** (Mar 21-Apr 20)  
Resist any temptations to gloss over details. This week they need your careful scrutiny. You will get alot done early, but later your mind may wander and energy level will slow down. Exercise initiative and watch doors open for you. The chance you've been waiting for is here.

**TAURUS:** (Apr 21 - May 21) Weekend getaways and recreational pastimes are highlighted this week. Watch your spending. Patience will be needed because you will tend to rush into certain things. Enjoy times with friends. If little things start going wrong, take a break and reflect.

**GEMINI:** (May 22 - June 21) There's an accent on family life and domestic matters this week. One family member may need encouragement from you. You are now ready to investigate new career opportunities. Explore your options. Both travel and recreational pastimes are happily highlighted.

**CANCER:** (June 22 - July 23) A burdensome responsibility is lifted from your shoulders this week. Try not to be overly critical of a child. You may change your perspective towards a financial matter. Take care to go easy on your use of credit. Guard against romantic tiffs.

**LEO:** (July 24- Aug 23) Getting your house in tip top shape will be a priority during the week. Avoid any arguments about money. Luck will be with you especially concerning partnership matters, legal affairs and travel. Some will make marriage plans. Opportunity is found everywhere.

**VIRGO:** (Aug 24 - Sept 23) You will have a good head for fact and figures now. Attend to bookkeeping and meet with financial advisors. Unexpected business developments are to your advantage. You will achieve the most success by accepting offered suggestions and cooperating with others.

**LIBRA:** (Sept 24 - Oct 23)  
This week it may be best to

avoid causing emotional scenes with any partners. Romance will have a dreamy aspect for you. You and a lover will be very much on the same wavelength. There will be a social connection that will prove helpful in business.

**SCORPIO:** (Oct 24 - Nov 22) You may meet with extra incidental expenditures right now. However, the impulsive buy may not be the correct choice. Be sensible in regards to spending. Mix-ups in communication are possible now, or some information you receive will be in error. Avoid commitments without advice.

**SAGITTARIUS:** (Nov 23 - Dec 21) A small disappointment may arise in regards to a friendship this week. But you will be pleased with the positive business and financial developments that occur now. Either you or your partner may spend extravagantly. It's not a good time to loan money. Protect your resources.

**CAPRICORN:** (Dec 22 - Jan 20) This week you may make up with someone from whom you've been estranged. An old friend gives you good advice this week. A home matter may require attention. You may be making travel plans on the spur of the moment. Money developments are on a positive note. Avoid neglecting duties.

**AQUARIUS:** (Jan 21 - Feb 19) Your cleverness and efficiency will bring you notable success at work this week. But be careful in financial dealings. You will be a welcome addition at any gathering, for you're the life of the party. Avoid any flippant remarks. Things may be a bit hectic on the homefront. Be patient with family members.

**PISCES:** (Feb 20 - Mar 20) Utilize your time wisely this week. Don't spread yourself too thin. Make a schedule. You may not get around to a task that really needs to be done. You will achieve the greatest success by helping others to solve problems. Guard against overindulgence, and don't overspend.



