

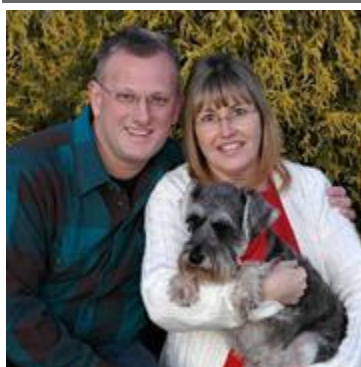


**YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE ON GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE**  
**A COMMUNICATION TO ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ABOUT EVENTS AND PEOPLE IN THE NEWS**

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## **Alumni Spotlight**

Jody '88 and Nicole (Ritchie) Hopkins '88 have relocated to Williamstown, West Virginia as he has been promoted to General Manager of the Grand Central Mall in Vienna. He previously served as GM at the Newtowne Mall in New Philadelphia, Ohio for five years where he began his career with Washington



## **Welcoming New Students**

- This week's update is arriving in your inbox a few days later than usual for a good reason...we wanted to show you some photos from New Student Orientation Weekend and Move In Day! [Click here to view](#)

[pictures](#) of some of this year's 300+ incoming freshmen arriving at GSC for the beginning of the fall semester and taking part in welcome activities. We hope seeing the images brings back fond memories of your time spent in Glenville.

- We held another Meet and Greet event on Tuesday evening, this time in Lewis County at Lambert's Winery. Special thanks to Maureen (Kraus) Gildein '82 for helping organize the successful and fun Pioneer gathering. [You can see photos from the event here.](#)

- Our campus Unity House sponsored an ecumenical Blessing of the College ceremony on Thursday. Six area clergy members gathered to lead the blessing, which was followed by a reception at the Unity House.

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Prime Group, owners of both properties.

Jody's previous background with the JC Penny Company, working in various states, provided valuable experience and propelled him to his GM positions with Washington Prime Group.

We recognized Jody with our Alumni Achievement Award in 2011 and are proud of both him and Nicole, who has worked as an optician on and off for the nearly 29 years that they have been married; changing jobs each time Jody has been transferred.

Welcome home Jody and Nicole. We are happy to have you back in West Virginia.



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## The Giving Corner

The following gifts were received during the week:



## An Open Letter to WV

As our Friday e-mail stated, readers of the Charleston Gazette, Beckley Register Herald, Clarksburg Exponent-Telegram, and Parkersburg News & Sentinel may have already

seen the open letter published in their Sunday, August 13 editions. Click the image above to read the message from Dr. Pellett as he continues his pledge to keep a quality college education at Glenville State College affordable.



## Upcoming Events

*Click the links below to learn more.*

**Monday, August 14 8:00 AM**  
First day of Fall Semester Classes

**Friday, August 18 5:00 PM** [GSC Band Bash at Glenville Presbyterian Church](#)

**Saturday, August 26 8:30 AM** [Women's Basketball Golf Outing at Mingo Bottom Golf Course](#)

**Thursday, August 31 7:00 PM** [Pioneer Football vs UVA-Wise at Morris Stadium](#)

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Mr. Gene Edwards -  
\$1,000 in support of  
Pioneer Golf

Mr. Oliver Hunt '55 -  
\$6,500 for his Math  
and Science Scholarship



## Ready for the Solar Eclipse

Glennville State College recently provided 'eclipse glasses' to the students at Gilmer County High School and Gilmer County Elementary School, courtesy of a generous donation from Mary Lee McPherson '17.

The special glasses allow users to safely observe the solar eclipse, which is coming up on Monday, August 21. GSC's Department of Science and Math is also planning an on campus Solar Eclipse Party for current students, faculty, and staff.



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