

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



Alumni Spotlight

Charles "Charlie" Burd '83 is currently serving as the Executive Director of the Independent Oil and Gas Association of West Virginia (IOGA WV) and has been in the position since 2002. As the Executive Director, he manages day-to-day operations of the nearly 600-member trade association of oil and natural gas operators and those businesses that serve them in addition to overseeing IOGA WV's legislative efforts.

Prior to joining IOGA WV, Burd enjoyed a 29 year career at Hope Gas, Inc., where he held a variety of



Winter Homecoming - March 2

Glenville State College Winter Homecoming will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at the Waco Center. The day will begin with the annual GSC Alumni Basketball Game which will tip-off at 10:00 a.m. All former Pioneer and Lady Pioneer basketball players and their fans are invited to return to campus for this event and then to spend the day with us. This is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with teammates, meet our current coaches and their team members, and enjoy rekindling your Glenville State College friendships with fun, food, and lots of Pioneer Pride. Check-in for the alumni game will begin at 9:00 a.m. with warm-ups for the game being at 9:30 a.m.

Starting at 12:30 p.m. the GSC Alumni and Foundation Offices will open 'The Deck' – which is the ultimate fan section where alumni and friends of the College can come together inside the Waco Center for food, beverages, and a great time.

Both GSC Pioneer basketball teams will host West Virginia Wesleyan College that afternoon; ladies game at 2:00 p.m. and men's game at 4:00 p.m. Returning Pioneer and Lady

operations, sales, and management positions.

Burd holds an associate degree in accounting from Mountain State College, a Regents Bachelor of Arts Degree from Glenville State College, and is a 1995 graduate of the University of Oklahoma's Economic Development Institute. Charlie has also earned the national distinction as a Certified Economic Developer and is a 2001 graduate of Leadership West Virginia.

He serves on the Industry Advisory Committees for West Virginia University's College of Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering, Energy and Land Management Program, and Manufacturing Extension Partnership.

Charlie is active with the Independent Petroleum Association of America, the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and the West Virginia Manufacturers Association. He serves as Vice Chairman and is the official West Virginia state representative to the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission of behalf of Governor Jim Justice.

Burd was most recently honored as the "2017 West Virginia Oil and Gas Man of the Year" by the West

Pioneer basketball players will be recognized during halftime of the Lady Pioneer game.

For planning purposes, returning players are encouraged to [click here](#) or call GSC's Alumni Office at (304) 462-6116 to RSVP. If you don't decide to participate until the last minute, come anyway!



Judge Ewing Takes Oath of Office

Thomas Ewing '01 has been selected by West Virginia Governor Jim Justice to fill a vacant seat on the 12th Judicial Circuit in Fayette County, West Virginia.

Ewing graduated from GSC in 2001 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in social studies and history education and was a member of the Pioneer Men's basketball team.

Since 2015, he has served as the managing member of the Fayetteville branch of the Kay, Casto & Chaney, PLLC law firm. He will fill the unexpired term until the 2020 primary election.

[Click here](#) to read the complete article from *The Fayette Tribune*.

From The President Dr. Tracy L. Pellett, President

Virginia Oil & Gas Festival
Board of Directors.

Charlie and his wife Leone live in Vienna, West Virginia with their son Nathan, who is a sophomore at West Virginia University where he is double majoring in computer engineering and computer science. Their older son, Charlie, is the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of American Masala Enterprises in upstate New York.

We are pleased to feature Charlie in this week's Alumni Spotlight and are proud to have him and an alumnus of Glenville State College.

Greetings Pioneers:

Please accept my sincere thanks to each of you - the members of our Glenville State College family - who have been a part of an eventful 2018. As we shift our focus toward the upcoming months of 2019, I firmly believe that we have much to look forward to.

I urge you to visit campus, encourage a high school senior to enroll at GSC, attend a cultural or athletic event, become a mentor to a current student, and join our Facebook group for alumni and friends to stay up-to-date.

Your involvement in our events, recruitment efforts, advocacy, and more are vitally important and I wish you a prosperous new year.

My best,

Tracy



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