

**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***

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## **Alumni Spotlight**

Dr. Tonya (Gray) Propst '91 received GSC's Outstanding Teacher Award at our Alumni Banquet on April 28. Propst, a native of Kanawha County, West Virginia, received this award as someone who has distinguished herself during her teaching career.

Dr. Propst is an Associate Professor of Music Education and Horn at Coastal Carolina University in Conway, South Carolina. Prior to joining the faculty at Coastal, Tonya led successful middle and high school band programs in West Virginia and South Carolina. She has been a guest conductor for several



*Representatives from GSC and New River CTC during the signing of the guaranteed admission agreement*

## **Glenville State College and New River CTC Sign Guaranteed Admission Agreement**

Glenville State College and New River Community and Technical College signed an agreement on Thursday, May 17 making it easier for students who earn an associate degree to earn their bachelor's degree.

Under the new agreement, New River CTC students who maintain at least a 2.0 GPA are guaranteed admission to Glenville State. Students transferring must meet the same prerequisites, GPA, and other admission criteria when applying to programs at GSC. The two institutions will work

honor bands in North and South Carolina as well as an adjudicator and clinician.

Dr. Propst has presented at conventions of the College Music Society, NAFME Music Education National Conference, Northwest Music Educators National Conference and the Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, South Carolina, Arizona, Kansas, and Georgia State Music Educator Conventions.

She has extensive horn performance experience throughout West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, and the coastal North and South Carolina region and currently is a member of the Long Bay Symphony Orchestra in Myrtle Beach. Dr. Propst also serves as the South Carolina horn representative for the International Horn Society.

Tonya was accompanied to the banquet by husband Joel, their two children Luke and Joelle, and by her mother Barbara Gray. Professor Emeritus Harry Rich, her former advisor and professor at GSC, made the presentation.

We are proud to feature Tonya in this week's Alumni Spotlight and proud to have her as an alumna of Glenville State College.

collaboratively to admit students and facilitate the admissions process.

The agreement became effective immediately.

"This agreement symbolizes a shared and renewed attitude of cooperation and collaboration that will benefit all of West Virginia. We see this agreement as only a beginning of future partnering opportunity," said Glenville State President Dr. Tracy Pellett.

"New River CTC is committed to providing accessible, affordable, quality education to our region. This agreement makes the process of continuing education easier for our students and supports our mission by giving students another opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree close to where they live and work," New River CTC President Dr. L. Marshall Washington said.

The two schools have a history of cooperation in southern West Virginia by serving students in Nicholas County.

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***award or accolade?***

We want to know what is happening with our GSC alumni and their families!

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## Women's Basketball Holds Annual Pioneer Derby

The Glenville State College Lady Pioneer Basketball Team recently held their fifth annual Pioneer Derby.

This event was inspired by the Kentucky Derby and participants were encouraged to wear their best derby outfits and enjoy a night at the races. Attendees enjoyed dinner, had an opportunity to purchase race

horses, bet on races, participate in the best derby hat and bowtie competition, and more.

Special thanks to the Pioneer Derby Planning Committee: Sandy (Moyers) Pettit '85, Shelly (Morris) DeMarino '85, Kim (Wagner) Morris '96, Diana (Smith) Butcher '83, and Tina (Burkhamer) Cunningham '87.

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