



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**

Professor Emeritus Dr. H. Gary Gillespie '59 serves as the Alumni Association's Chapter Leader for the West Virginia Greater Teays Valley area which includes Cabell, Wayne, Lincoln, Mason, Putnam, and parts of Kanawha County. He has had two gatherings to date, one in April 2016 and another in April 2017, these events taking place at the FireSide Grille in Teays Valley. All Glenville State College grads are welcome to attend chapter meetings such as this where we celebrate GSC traditions and recall stories about the clock tower on the hill.



## **Inauguration Ceremony Held for Tracy L. Pellett, Ed.D.**

This Pioneer Update is coming to you a little later than usual, but for an important reason. This evening, Glenville State College officially installed Dr. Tracy L. Pellett as its twenty-fourth president. The ceremony was held in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium and was attended by members of the College's Board of Governors, GSC's representatives from federal, state, and local government, the Chancellor of the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, Commissioner of the Mountain East Conference, members of GSC's faculty, staff, and administration, along with former GSC Presidents, emeriti faculty, and local residents.

The photo above shows Glenville State College Board of Governors Chair Greg Smith '76 presenting Dr. Pellett with the Presidential Medallion. The Medallion, struck in 2000, signifies that the President accepts the mission of the College.

Although retired since 2000, Dr. Gillespie remains very involved in helping his alma mater and recruits students for GSC in a five county area surrounding Milton, West Virginia, where he and his wife Anna Belle (Sheets) Gillespie '60 currently reside.

Dr. Gillespie holds an MA in English from WVU, an MA in Art History from WVU, and a Ph.D. in Comparative Arts from Ohio University. He taught English and fine arts at GSC from 1967 until his retirement in 2000. Dr. Gillespie also chaired the GSC Division of Fine Arts from 1978-1996. He was interim chair of the Art Department in the College of Fine Arts at Marshall University during the 2004-05 academic year.

We are pleased to feature Dr. Gillespie in this week's Alumni Spotlight and proud to have him as an alumnus and professor emeritus of Glenville State College.

Share your congratulations with Dr. Pellett on Twitter. You can follow him [@GSCpresident](#). We will also share a video of the ceremony in a future Pioneer Update.



## Celebrating Pioneer Pride

Thanks to everyone who downloaded a #WhyIChose placard and helped us celebrate College Exploration and Application Week with the College Foundation of West Virginia. We held an event yesterday where students, faculty, and staff turned out in their blue and white to show off for [College Colors Day](#) – [check out the images here](#).

Remember, as our alumni and friends you can help advocate for GSC in a unique way. If you know someone who is making a college decision, tell them about your time on campus as a Glenville Pioneer. Help share the word about our quality and affordable education opportunities and connect future students with our [Admissions](#) staff.



## The Giving Corner

The following gifts were received this week:

Alleghany Surveys \$2,000  
– Samuel Robinson  
Scholarship



## Upcoming Events

*Click the links below to learn more.*

**Saturday, November 11 1:00 PM** [Pioneer Football at](#)

Mike Ross \$1,000 –  
Men's  
Basketball (Jakobi's  
Journey Classic)

Greg Smith '76 \$1,000 –  
Men's  
Basketball (Jakobi's  
Journey Classic)

Duane Chapman '93  
\$548 – PAC Boxing

David Bodkin '70 \$500 –  
Annual Fund

Sue B. (Johnson)  
Kotalik '59 \$500 – Annual  
Fund

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and join the Giving  
Corner.*



[Charleston \(join GSC alumni for tailgating before the game\)](#)

**Saturday, November 11 3:00 PM** [Women's Basketball at Bloomsburg \(PA\)](#)

**Saturday, November 11 1:00 PM** [Women's Volleyball vs Shepherd](#)

**Saturday, November 11 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM** [Men's Basketball Jakobi's Journey Classic](#)

**Sunday, November 12 2:00 PM & 4:00 PM** [Men's Basketball Jakobi's Journey Classic](#)

**Sunday, November 12 3:00 PM** [Women's Basketball at West Chester](#)

**Tuesday, November 14 7:00 PM** Alpha Psi Omega  
Theatre Production - *A Christmas Carol*

**Wednesday, November 15 7:00 PM** Alpha Psi Omega  
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**Wednesday, November 15 7:00 PM** [Men's Basketball vs Alderson Broaddus](#)

**Thursday, November 16 7:00 PM** Alpha Psi Omega  
Theatre Production - *A Christmas Carol*

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## Save the Date

### Ten Year Anniversary Bluegrass Concert

Friday, November 17

### First Ever GSC Annual Day of Giving

Tuesday, November 28

### [Mid-Ohio Valley Alumni Chapter Christmas Dinner](#)

Tuesday, December 5



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