

GLENVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

Pioneer Update

Glennville State University Newsletter for Alumni & Friends | September 2024

Alumni SPOTLIGHT



Donald "Trey" Corwell III is currently working for Rail Explorers USA as the Division

Make Plans to Attend Homecoming 2024

Glennville State University alumni and friends are encouraged to join us for Homecoming on Saturday, October 12.

Homecoming festivities on Saturday include the Homecoming Parade in Downtown Glennville at 10:00 AM, tailgating, and football game where the Pioneers will face off against Frostburg State at 1:30 PM at Morris Stadium. Other homecoming events for current students will also take place throughout the week leading up to the weekend.

This year's Homecoming honorees are female student athletes as we celebrate 50 years since the passage of Title IX legislation that paved the way for women's sports as we know them. The returning alumni athletes will be recognized during the parade and at halftime of the football game.

Our Greek groups will again be holding reunion tailgates before and during the football game. All TKE, Theta Xi, Lambda Chi, Tri Sigma, Alpha Sigma Alpha, and Delta Zeta members are welcome

Manager of the Elk River Division. Rail Explorers is the nation's leading railbike operator that just opened its newest location in Clay, West Virginia in June 2024. It offers a unique 12-mile roundtrip journey along the historic Buffalo Creek and Gauley Railroad.

After graduating from Glenville State with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in marketing in 2006, Trey went on to Marshall University where he earned a master's degree in adult and continuing education and a leadership certificate.

During his time on campus, Trey was a member of the Glenville State football team, the Student Government Association, and SIFE.

After leaving GSC, he worked for J.P. Morgan Chase Bank as a Licensed Banker, was a Realtor with United Country Real Estate, and taught business, digital imaging, web design, and broadcasting classes in Clay County.

Trey and his wife Sabrina (Mullins) Corwell '06 are Glenville State sweethearts – in fact they were even elected GSC's Homecoming Queen and King in 2005. The couple has three children, Kenzie, Summer, and Silas.

Outside of work, Trey is a member of the AF&AM Clendenin Lodge #126, attends the Pleasant Dale Baptist Church, and is a Clay County High School Assistant Football Coach. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his family, coaching sports, hunting, fishing, and riding side-by-sides.

When asked what Glenville State means to him, Trey said, "Glenville State is at the heart of my journey. It is the first place I

to participate. Look for your Greek letters on the tailgate tent at Morris Stadium!

Former members of the Pioneer Marching Band are again invited to participate in this year's Alumni Band. Returning members can register at the Fine Arts Center at 8:00 AM on Saturday morning, will march through the parade playing the GSU fight song, will be special guests at the alumni tailgate at Morris Stadium, and will be recognized and play the fight song during the homecoming pregame show. [Click here](#) to sign up; contact Jason.Barr@glenville.edu or Lloyd.Bone@glenville.edu for additional information.

[Click here](#) to view a list of area lodging and accommodations.

For more information about Homecoming, contact alumni@glenville.edu or call (304) 462-6116.

Campus Community Mourns Loss of Professor Wood

The Glenville State University family is grieving the loss of Professor of History Dr. Ed Wood, who passed away from a sudden illness on Friday, August 23.

He graduated from the University of Iowa in 1985, studying abroad at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland his junior year. He participated in ROTC at Iowa then served in the Army attaining the rank of Lieutenant. After his service with the Army, he opted to enlist in the Marines, fulfilling another lifelong dream. He served in Desert Storm with the Wolf Pack, operating scout LAV vehicles, preceding the tanks in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Iraq. He later served in the Somalian conflict.

Upon leaving the Marines he continued his education at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln, earning his Ph.D. in History with an emphasis on Military History. His dissertation covered the impact of soil and terrain on war and was published as a book titled *Mud: A Military History*.

Dr. Wood came to Glenville State in 2004, where he taught in the Department of Social Sciences up until the time of his passing. He received Glenville State's Faculty Award of Excellence in 2008. Dr. Wood also served a stint as Chair of the Department of Social Science and earned the prestigious Curtis Elam Professor Award in 2015. He accompanied students on education abroad trips, was a longtime Student Government Association advisor, helped facilitate a fencing club on campus, and served as a Faculty Marshal.

Family members, former students, his Department of Social Science colleagues, friends, and other members of the campus community came together for a Celebration of Life in memory of Dr.



called 'home' outside of my home, it is the place that set me on a path for my career, and the place where I met the love of my life. It is a place that I hold near and dear to my heart."

We are pleased to feature Trey in this month's Alumni Spotlight and are proud to call him an alumnus.

Wood on Tuesday, August 27 on Clark Hall Lawn. The large turnout was a fitting tribute to a wonderful professor and friend.

If you were unable to attend the Celebration of Life, view a partial recording of the event [here](#).



Students spotted through the door of a classroom in the Heflin Administration Building on the first day of fall 2024 semester classes.

Glenville State University Kicks Off Fall 2024 Semester

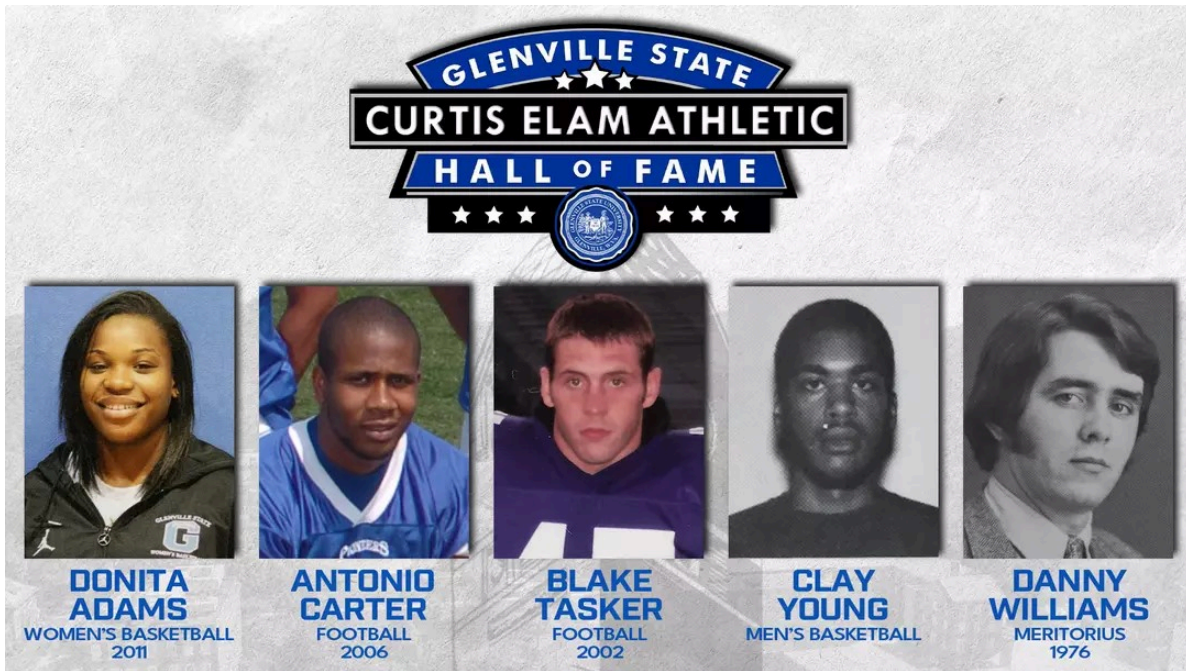
Glenville State University students marked the first day of fall 2024 semester classes on Monday, August 19.

During the previous week, new students took part in New Pioneer Welcome Week which was designed to help them create meaningful connections, become familiar with policies and procedures at Glenville State, connect with the caring and dedicated professionals across campus, and become informed of the services the institution provides. They also had the opportunity to meet new friends and take part in several activities such as a networking dinner, meet and greet with President Manchin, a community fair, a carnival in Downtown Glenville, and much more.

Returning students used Saturday and Sunday to move into their residence hall rooms in preparation for the first day of classes.

"This is an exciting time in the lives of our Pioneers," said Glenville State University President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin. "The beginning of each new academic year brings an excitement unlike any other. I know

that the faculty and staff of Glenville State University are ready to help our Pioneers complete their degrees.”



Glenville State University Athletic Hall of Fame 2024 Class Announced

The Glenville State University Department of Athletics has announced the 2024 Induction Class of the Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame. Inductees include Donita Adams '11, Antonio Carter '06, Blake Tasker '02, Clay Young, and Danny Williams '76.

A banquet and induction ceremony to honor the 2024 inductees will take place in the Mollohan Campus Community Center Ballroom at 6:00 PM on Saturday, September 28. A social reception will precede the event at 5:00 PM. Tickets for the event are \$25. To purchase tickets, [click here](#) or call (304) 462-6116. Please RSVP by Friday, September 20.

Glenville State University's Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 2001 through the generosity of the late Curtis Elam.

Read more about the inductees [here](#).

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Career Resources Available to Glenville State Alumni

Are you a recent graduate who is seeking first-time employment? Have you been working a while but are now looking to change careers? Simply searching for resources?

Click [here](#) to explore Alumni Career Services available to you.

Nominate a Glenville State Grad for an Alumni Award

Alumni Council is accepting nominations for alumni awards to be presented in April 2025. Nominations received by December 31, 2024 will be considered for the upcoming year's awards. Those received after that date will be saved for the following year's consideration.

Award categories include Alumnus/Alumna of the Year Award, Alumnus/Alumna Achievement Award, Community Achievement Award, Outstanding Teacher Award (Public Schools), Alumni Chapter Award,

Posthumous Award, and Outstanding Young Alumnus/Alumna Award.

Read more about the award categories, consideration criteria for each, and download a nomination form by [clicking here](#).

Alumni Council will review the nominees and decide the award recipients by majority vote. Awardees will be announced next spring.

GSU Night at Lambert's Winery Held

GSU Night at Lambert's Winery took place last month and saw around 85 Glenville State alumni and friends in attendance.

The evening was filled with friends, memories, good food, and music - a truly enjoyable time for everyone who gathered.



GSU Department of Business Hall of Fame Accepting Nominations for 2024 Class

Glenville State University's Department of Business is currently accepting nominations for individuals to be considered for induction into its Business Hall of Fame.

The Business Hall of Fame at Glenville State University honors outstanding leaders and visionaries who have made significant contributions to the business world. Additionally, it aims to recognize individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, innovation, and business acumen. This initiative celebrates the successes and achievements of business leaders whose work has positively impacted industries, economies, and societies.

Nominees should be Glenville State alumni who graduated at least 10 years ago and who have distinguished themselves in the business world. Nongraduates who have a proven record of service to Glenville State University and the Department of Business may be considered for the Meritorious Service category. Glenville State University's Department of Business welcomes nominations from all sectors, including technology, finance, healthcare, retail, and more.

[Click here to nominate someone for the Business Hall of Fame.](#)

A selection committee comprised of former inductees, community members, and campus members, and Department of Business faculty will review and evaluate the nominations. Eligible candidates will be assessed based on their leadership qualities, long-term impact, innovation, and overall contribution to the business world.

The third class of inductees into the Glenville State University Business Hall of Fame will be honored during a banquet on Saturday, October 26, 2024, in the Mollohan Campus Community Center Ballroom.

PIONEER ATHLETICS

Check out these fall game schedules and come out to support the Pioneers!



Interested in Joining the Pioneer Athletic Club?

As a member, you directly support Pioneer student-athletes through scholarship. Annual Pioneer Athletic Club membership gives you exclusive access to premium areas at Morris Stadium and the Waco Center, where you will have a bird's eye view of the football field and McPherson Court.

[Click here](#) or call (304) 462-6382 to learn more about membership benefits and how to enroll.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, September 14 - [Roane County One-Club Golf Challenge Tournament](#)

9:00 AM - Roane County Golf Club

\$50 per golfer (includes cart & lunch); proceeds benefit Roane Co. Alumni Chapter & GSU Wrestling

Thursday, September 26 - Little Kanawha Reading Series: Patsy Kisner

4:00 PM - RFK Library

Friday, September 27 - 10th Annual Pioneer Derby

6:00 PM - Waco Center

Tickets \$25; Call (304) 871-3648 for more information

Saturday, September 28 - [Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet](#)

5:00 PM - Mollohan Campus Community Center Ballroom

Tickets \$25

Saturday, October 12 - [Homecoming](#)

10:00 AM Parade - Downtown Glenville

11:00 AM Tailgating - Morris Stadium

1:30 PM Football Game vs Frostburg - Morris Stadium

Save the Date!

HOME COMING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2024



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