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secure meaningful employment. To date, over 1,900 Jobs & Hope participants who entered the program without work now have a job, and 300 West Virginians have graduated from the program and achieved career employment.

While a student at Glenville State, she was a member of the cheerleading team, and in 1995 she earned her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree. After her graduation from GSU, she obtained her

of success. Everyone cares for each other and wants to see success from individuals and the school."

We are pleased to feature Spotlight and proud to call her an alumna of Glenville State University.

and we see this venture as an important part of that campus/community exchange," said Glenville State University President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin.

Sarver added that he will be reaching out to the Glenville State campus community and the community at large for input on life-long learning and enrichment opportunities that they would like to see offered. He hopes to see a variety of offerings in the future, from courses leading to certificates to short workshops and instructional lectures.

For more information, visit workforce.glenville.edu or contact Sarver at Mark.Sarver@glenville.edu or call (304) 462-6257.

Glenville State University's Dean of Student Success and Retention Trae Sprague '12

Sprague Among 2022 Generation Next Honorees

"I feel very fortunate but also humbled to be recognized with this award, as I realize how lucky I have been to have great colleagues and mentors surrounding me along the way. I would not be here without the team," Sprague said.

"We are extremely proud of Trae for this recognition. He is in a key role for us because student retention is an important element, and we want only the best for the students who choose Glenville State as their home. As a former student and Glenville graduate, he understands our students better and it provides tremendous insight in developing programs and working with students to make Glenville State the best it can be for our family of students," said Glenville State University President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin.

As the Dean of Student Success and Retention, Sprague says a surprisingly favorite part of his duties has been analyzing the data of retention. "I enjoy the data analytics. Taking national and regional trends and comparing it to what we are finding here at GSU. By doing this, I am gaining a new perspective on the next generation of students and increasing my understanding of their barriers and needs," he said.

Originally from Parkersburg, West Virginia, Sprague graduated from Glenville State with a Bachelor of Arts in Education degree in Physical Education in 2012. In August of that year, he joined the Office of Admissions as an Admissions Counselor. Sprague then became the Supervisor of Student Life and Intramural Sports within the Office of Student Life in 2016 before shifting to the Director of Residence Life in August 2019. He received his Master of Science in Education from Fort Hays State University in 2019 and was selected as the 2020 Glenville State University Staff Employee of the Year.

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Construction crews continue renovation work at Glenville State University in the Mollohan Campus Community Center snack bar area.

"From the cafeteria and snack bar to the new Starbucks, these renovations will provide a better dining experience for everyone. We are pleased to see this investment in our campus coming together and I look forward to seeing the new spaces completed. We appreciate our Aramark partners for their work in making this happen," said Glenville State University President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin.

"Our goal is to continue driving student retention and the overall student experience at the institution. In addition, we want to see our students excel inside and outside the classroom and we feel that food is a big component in that success. Furthermore, we would like to continue to drive and support the Glenville State University mission, vision, and strategic plan. We look forward in continuing to strengthen our relationship at Glenville State and continuing to help drive the success of the institution. Our future is very bright and we look forward in celebrating the success of the college over the next 15 years," said Aramark Collegiate Hospitality District Manager, Brett Ridgway.

keep these renovations on track so things will be ready for our students. We have a talented, dedicated workforce and I really appreciate them," said Glenville State University Vice President of Administration, Rita Hedrick-Helmick.

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Tom & Jerry, Inc. dba Zaferatos Real Estate & Appraisal - \$5,000 for PAC Women's Basketball

Minigh Family Dentistry of Glenville - \$2,750 for PAC Women's Basketball and Pioneer Fund

Jackson Kelly PLLC -

Billy and Sandra Gumm - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Thomas "Tom" and Donna Humphreys - \$100 for the Bob "Hooks" and Peggy Hardman Scholarship

David "Dave" and Jessica "Jessie" (Moss) '09 Hutchison - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

Gregory '85 and Karen (Scott) '85 Knopp - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Sharon Lake - \$100 for the Harry Rich Scholarship

Manuel and Paula Llana - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

Miriam (McQuain) Looker - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Charles and Ruth Martyn - \$100 for the Harry Rich Scholarship

Hester (Reed) McDonald '59 - \$100 for the Pioneer Fund

Dr. Gary and Athena '17 Morris - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Kathleen "Kathy" and Michael Nelson - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

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Michael and Judith Sofka - \$100 for the Virginia "Gigi" Manchin Memorial Scholarship

James "Bob" '57 and Wyene (Bush) '57 Turner -

