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#### FORTEPIANO CONCERT OPENS EDINBORO'S ICED TEA CONCERTS SERIES

Fortepianist Carol lei Breckenridge will perform in concert at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Memorial Auditorium on Thursday, June 4, at 5:30 p.m. Her appearance is the first of this year's Iced Tea Concerts series. Her program will include works by Bach, Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven. Accompanying her will be Edinboro music faculty members Nancy Schechter and Kristine West Denton.

Breckenridge is a professor of music at Central College in Iowa and is a specialist in classical-era keyboard music. She is currently a visiting fellow at Cornell University where she is researching 18<sup>th</sup> century performance practice and studying fortepiano with Malcom Bilson. She is writing a guide to classical-era keyboard music.

She has bachelor's and master's degrees in piano from the University of North Carolina, and a doctorate in piano from the University of Iowa. Breckenridge has performed recitals for the Midwestern Historical Keyboard Society, the Iowa City Early Keyboard Society, and the International George Enescu Festival, among others. She has also played with the Baroque Orchestra of Iowa and the Susquehanna University Orchestra.

Edinboro University's Iced Tea Concerts are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the office of cultural affairs at (814) 732-2518.

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### LOCAL STUDENT INDUCTED INTO EDINBORO HONOR SOCIETY

Nathan Allen, 4048 Brooks Street, Erie, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Nathan is a junior at Edinboro majoring in secondary education/Spanish with a minor in math. He is the son of E.L. and Linda Allen.

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Sonja Barry, 2123 Parker Avenue, Erie, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Sonja is a junior at Edinboro majoring in secondary education/German and Spanish.

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Erica W. Curry, 296 Longview Lane, Kennett Square, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Erica is a senior at Edinboro majoring in applied media arts with a minor in Spanish. She is the daughter of Thomas and Barbra Curry.

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Lisa M. Czejdo, 204 Hillcrest Drive, Edinboro, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Lisa is majoring in specialized studies/German.

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Melissa Lawrence, 20206 Irish Road, Edinboro, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Melissa is a senior at Edinboro majoring in math with a minor in Spanish.

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Julie L. Marhefka, 201 Homestead Avenue, Scottdale, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Julie is a senior at Edinboro majoring in secondary education/English with a minor in Spanish/psychology. She is the daughter of Michael Marhefka and Terri Daugherty.

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Katherine Suzanne Milligan, Edinboro, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Katherine is a senior at Edinboro majoring in secondary education/Spanish/English. She is the daughter of Neil and Patricia Milligan.

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Alton Hickerson Post, 412 Walnut Street, Erie has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Alton is a junior at Edinboro majoring in German/political science.

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Carrie Skrypzak, 1015 West 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Carrie is a junior at Edinboro majoring in humanities/foreign languages. She is the daughter of Jerome Skrypzak.

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David W. Strong, 5140 Millfair Road, Fairview, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. David is receiving his teacher certification in Spanish.

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Michael Bret Ditzenberger, 1425 Rutledge Road, Transfer, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Michael is a junior at Edinboro majoring in secondary education/Spanish with a minor in elementary education. He is the son of George and Mary Ditzenberger.

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John E. Egers, Jr., 24 Laurel Avenue, Washington, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. John is a senior at Edinboro majoring in criminal justice with a minor in Spanish. He is the son of John and Kathleen Egers.

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Melissa D. King, 24 Smedley Street, North East, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Melissa is a senior at Edinboro majoring in Spanish with a minor in speech communications. She is the daughter of Doug and Helen King.

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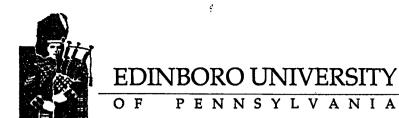
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### LOCAL STUDENT INDUCTED INTO EDINBORO HONOR SOCIETY

Manuel Landa, 330 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Erie, has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Manuel is a senior at Edinboro majoring in secondary education/Spanish. He is the son of Manuel Landa and Margarita Martinez.

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### PROFESSOR INDUCTED INTO EDINBORO HONOR SOCIETY

Dr. Janet C.B. Kinch has been inducted into the Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, the international foreign language honor society at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Kinch is a professor of English & theatre arts.

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#### NEWS RELEASE—PHI SIGMA IOTA INDUCTEES - 1998

Please release the following information to each student's home newspaper.

Each student (and one professor) listed below was inducted into Edinboro University's Beta Pi chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, international foreign language honor society, during the spring ceremony and banquet at the university.

Each person's name is accompanied by the following information, if provided by the inductee:

Elected office Year; major; minor Parent's(') name(s) Home address Home newspaper

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Sonja Barry Junior; Sec Ed/German & Spanish \*\*\* 2123 Parker Ave. Brie, PA 14510 Erie Daily Times

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M. Czejdo - Vice-President Specialized Studies/German

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Michael Bret Ditzenberger Junior; Sec.Ed/Spanish; Elem.Ed. George & Mary Ditzenberger 1425 Rutledge Rd. Transfer, PA 16154 Sharon Herald

John E. Egers, Jr. - Secretary Senior; Criminal Justice; Spanish John & Kathleen Egers 24 Laurel Avenue Washington, PA 15301 Observer-Reporter

Melissa D. King Senior; Spanish; Speech Comm.

Doug and Helen King 24 Smedley Street North East, PA 16428 North East Breeze

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Julie L. Marhefka Senior; Sec.Ed/English; Spanish/Psychology Michael Marhefka & Terri Daugherty 201 Homestead Avenue Scottdale, PA 15683 Independent Observer

Katherine Suzanne Milligan Senior; Sec.Ed/Spanish/English Neil & Patricia Milligan P.O. Box 178 Edinboro, PA 16412 Independent Enterprise

Alton Hickerson Post Junior; German/Political Science \*\*\*

412 Walnut Street Erie, PA 16507 Erie Daily Times

Carrie Skrypzak Junior; Humanities/Foreign Languages Jerome Skrypzak 1015 West 25<sup>th</sup> Street Erie, PA 16502 Erie Daily Times

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### WESTINGHOUSE SCIENCE AND MATH PROGRAM AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

For the fifth year, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will host the Westinghouse Science and Math (SAM) Program for Pittsburgh high school students. Seventeen 11<sup>th</sup> graders will spend the week of June 22-26 on the Edinboro campus learning firsthand about careers in science and mathematics.

The week-long science experience is a unique, four-part partnership among Westinghouse High School, the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Carnegie Mellon University and Edinboro. The program encourages minority youth to pursue professions in science-related fields and provides an opportunity for the participating institutions to address instructional needs for minority youth in the fields of science and technology.

The Westinghouse Electric Corporation provides grant-funded program incentives ranging from scholarship assistance to year-round learning and developmental opportunities for both students and faculty. Edinboro provides a summer enrichment experience through laboratory-centered instruction and monitored research opportunities that emphasize scientific process skills.

This year's program will stress practical experiences in physics and engineering and will include laboratory sessions in the Hendricks Hall computer lab, a "physics lab" and other experiments and activities. An awards luncheon at noon on Friday, June 26, in Van Houten Dining Hall will cap the week of events.

David Hurd, director of the Edinboro University Planetarium, is the University's SAM Program director. For more information, call Hurd at (814) 732-2493.

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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### ICED TEA CONCERT TO FEATURE BASSOON RECITAL

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's second Iced Tea Concert of the summer on Saturday, June 13, at 8 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium, will feature a recital by bassoonist Patricia Holland and clarinetist Andrea Splittberger-Rosen. The performance will feature works by Bach, Doppelbauer, Poulenc, and Carl Maria von Weber. They will be accompanied by Kristine West-Denton on piano.

Just prior to their Edinboro appearance, Holland and Rosen will have performed at the 1998 International Double Reed Society Conference at Arizona State University.

Both are on the faculty of the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point.

Holland is principal bassoon in the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra and also has performed with the LaCrosse, Green Bay and Fox Valley symphony orchestras. She has performed several times on live broadcasts for Wisconsin Public Radio, and has been a featured soloist with orchestras on many occasions, including the recent Wisconsin premier of the Concerto for Bassoon and Orchestra by Ellen Taaffe Zwilich.

She joined the faculty of UWSP in 1994 where she coordinates the music history and literature curriculum in the department of music. She has also taught bassoon at Hillsdale College and Albion College in Michigan while retaining a private studio. She was principal bassoon in the Jackson Symphony Orchestra and was a frequent performer with other Michigan symphonies including the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra under director Catherine Comet.

Holland earned bachelor and doctorate degrees from the University of Michigan and a master's degree at Michigan State University.

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Rosen is the principal clarinetist of the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra, and clarinetist of the Wisconsin Arts Quintet since 1984. She performs regularly on Wisconsin Public Radio and throughout the state as a soloist and chamber musician.

She is a versatile performer who has received international acclaim as clarinetist of the Uwharrie Clarinet-Percussion Duo and as a scholar of this repertoire. She and percussionist Robert Rosen have performed together as the Uwharrie Duo since 1975. The duo has performed recitals by invitation at numerous conferences, and has commissioned and premiered works from around the world. During four years as artists-in-residence in the North Carolina Visiting Program, the Rosens developed a highly successful method of presenting new music to inexperienced audiences of all ages.

She teaches clarinet and music theory and is a graduate of Michigan State University and the Eastman School of Music

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#### EAST HIGH STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN EDINBORO READING PROGRAM

A group of 16 students from Erie's East High School will train to become Reading Partners in a week-long summer program at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, June 15-19. Elementary education professor Kathleen Dailey said the program will introduce the students to educational-related career skills. "They will also have opportunities to apply those skills in readaloud programs for children within their own community throughout the year," said Dailey, "while further developing the literacy skills and attitudes they need to succeed in higher education." Dailey and elementary education professor Nancy Briggs are co-directors of the program.

The East High students will be mentored by seven Edinboro University students who will share their own Reading Partners experiences. The mentors will demonstrate the development and use of creative story-related props and activities, help students choose appropriate children's literature, and provide feedback during practice read-aloud sessions.

The program will be held daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Edinboro's Porreco Center in Erie. Students will visit several sites in Erie and Edinboro including a tour of the Raymond Blasco Memorial Library where they will register for a library card. They will practice reading aloud at local child care programs where the high school students will read all summer. The week will end with a luncheon celebration at the Porreco Center on Friday at 12:30 p.m.

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### EDINBORO HOSTS LATINO LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

A group of Latino high school students from Erie will be taking part in a program this month to encourage them to pursue a college education. The Latino Leadership Development Program, June 15-19, at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Porreco Center will train 20 ninth and tenth grade students in career planning, cross-cultural communication, writing and study skills, and wellness. It will also provide information to participants and their families about higher education in general and Edinboro University in particular.

The week-long event is part of a three-pronged program funded by a grant from the State System of Higher Education. The first year of the program will focus on teaching academic and leadership skills, positive self-image, and professional career awareness. An outcome of the program is to have participants and Edinboro students become community leaders by providing tutoring services to younger children throughout the academic year. The program's second summer will give students the opportunity to take college courses for credit. Edinboro hopes that by allowing the students to take college courses as seniors in high school, they will have the confidence and incentive to pursue higher education after graduation.

Behind the University's plan to develop a program for area Latino students is the recognition that only 46 Hispanic students were enrolled at the school in the fall of 1996, which represents less than one percent of total enrollment. The Hispanic population in Erie County is 6,000.

Among the features of this month's program will be lectures by "Latino Local Heroes," and the use of peer assistants — Latino college students – acting as tutors and counselors. Among those participating in the program will be Wilfredo Velez, president of the Hispanic Leadership Develop Program; former Edinboro professor Jose Gonzalez; and Edinboro student Maricely Reyes-Cruz.

The first four days of the program will be at the Porreco Center from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. On Friday, June 19, students will visit the Edinboro campus where they will receive individual career counseling, participate in graduation ceremonies and attend a reception.

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June 10, 1998

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#### EDINBORO ANNOUNCES ICED TEA CONCERTS SCHEDULE

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Office of Cultural Affairs has announced the 1998 Iced Tea Concerts schedule for the month of June. All events are free and open to the public in Memorial Auditorium.

Following the series opening which was held June 4, Patricia Holland and Andrea Splittberger Rosen will present a concert for bassoon and clarinet on Saturday, June 13, at 8 p.m.

The series continues on Tuesday, June 16, at 7:30 p.m. with a lecture recital, "From the Plantation to the Concert Hall: The History of the African-American Spiritual." Soprano Kimberley Hawkins, accompanied by Kristine West Denton on piano, will present the music of Harry T. Burleigh, Hall Johnson and Margaret Bonds.

On Sunday, June 21, at 8 p.m. the series will present LeAnne Wistrom on flute and piccolo, Eugenia Tsarov on piano, and guest artist Carl Adams on flute. They will perform works of Bach, Schubert, Boehm and Doppler.

One week later on June 28 the series will conclude with a 3 p.m. performance by Edinboro music professors Nancy Schechter on violin and Kristine West Denton on piano, along with Johannes Dietrich on violin.

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### CLAYSVILLE RESIDENT WINS EDINBORO PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Joe Capezzuto, son of Joe and Donna Capezzuto of West Alexander, has received the President Frank G. Pogue Scholarship at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Capezzuto recently completed his freshman year at Edinboro where he is majoring in media arts (animation).

The \$400 scholarship is available to students who qualify for the University's Honors Program and maintain an overall cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or better.

The scholarship was created in recognition of Pogue's inauguration as Edinboro University's 15<sup>th</sup> president on September 12, 1997, and the celebration of the University's 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Capezzuto is a graduate of McGuffey High School where was a member of the French Club, math team and academic team, and participated in Odyssey of the Mind.

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#### EDINBORO GRADUATE'S ANIMATION FEATURED IN LATEST DISNEY FILM

The work of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania graduate Bill Waldman will be a big part of Disney's highly-anticipated animated feature *Mulan*, which opens nationwide Friday, June 19. Waldman is an animator for the lead male character, Shang.

Based on one of China's most popular legends, *Mulan* is the story of a young woman who dresses up as a man to fight in the Imperial Army in the place of her ailing and aging father. The captain of her unit is Shang. Accompanied by her feisty firebreathing "wanna-be" guardian dragon, Mushu, whose voice is that of Eddie Murphy, Mulan and Shang must face the villainous Hun leader, Shan-Yu.

Since joining Disney in 1994, Waldman has worked on such Disney classics as *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, *Pocahontas* and *Hercules*. The 1986 graduate of Edinboro said the animators worked 60 hours a week to finish *Mulan* on time. "It's probably the best Disney film since *Beauty and the Beast*," said Waldman. "It feels good to work on a movie that you are proud of." He was especially pleased with the film's pacing and art direction.

Waldman is currently working on *Kingdom of the Sun*, Disney's release scheduled for the summer of 2000. The plot is similar to *The Prince and the Pauper* set in a magical city in South America with Mayan and Incan themes. He recently completed an addition to *Beauty and the Beast* which added a song that was included in the stage play but not in the original release of the motion picture.

Another Edinboro graduate, Steven Carpenter, recently worked on the special effects for a trailer (preview) and opening titles of *Virus*, a Universal Studios release which is scheduled to open August 14. The thriller stars Jamie Lee Curtis and Donald Sutherland. Carpenter is a supervising animator for Digital Muse, the Santa Monica special effects company created by Steven Spielberg. Carpenter said the company also recently completed work for a *Baywatch* episode and a *Deep Space Nine* episode, "Tears of the Prophets."

Carpenter's next major project is doing some of the special effects for the feature film Beowulf.

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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### EDINBORO UNIVERSITY DEGREES AWARDED TO AREA GRADS

Approximately 630 undergraduate and graduate students received degrees at Edinboro University's recent spring commencement exercises. The students represented nine states which included Maryland, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Virginia, and Pennsylvania.

Among area students to receive diplomas were:

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### **NEWS ADVISORY:**

Tonight's Iced Tea Concert at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania featuring soprano Kimberly Hawkins has been moved to the Diebold Center for the Performing Arts at 7:30. Accompanied by Edinboro professor Kristine West Denton on piano, Hawkins will perform "From the Plantation to the Concert Hall: The History of the African-American Spiritual."

Also, two important programs are taking place all week at the Porreco Center in Erie. The Latino Leadership Development Program will train 20 ninth and tenth grade students in career planning, cross-cultural communication, writing and study skills and wellness, as well as provide information to participants and their families about higher education in general and Edinboro University in particular.

A group of 16 students from Erie's East High School will train to become Reading Partners in a week-long summer program, daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Edinboro's Porreco Center in Erie. Students will visit several sites in Erie and Edinboro including a tour of the Raymond Blasco Memorial Library where they will register for a library card. They will practice reading aloud at local child care programs where the high school students will read all summer. The week will end with a luncheon celebration at the Porreco Center at 12:30 p.m.

For information on any of these events, contact the public relations office at (814) 732-2745.

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### NEWS ADVISORY

The location for the Iced Tea Concert at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania scheduled for Sunday, June 28, has been changed to the Diebold Center for the Performing Arts at 3 p.m. The concert will feature violinists Nancy Schechter from the Edinboro faculty and Johannes Dietrich from Lebanon Valley College. They will be accompanied by Edinboro professor Kristine West Denton on piano. Selections performed will include music by Leclair, Corelli, Vivaldi, Bartok and Milhaud.

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information call (814) 732-2555 or 732-2518.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### EDINBORO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ATTAIN ACADEMIC HONORS

One thousand four hundred thirty-eight students were named to the Dean's List at Edinboro University for the 1998 spring semester. The students represented 12 states, including Connecticut, Florida, Maryland, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania.

In order to attain this highly regarded academic honor, students must maintain a quality point average of 3.4 for the semester, complete a minimum of 12 semester hours of credit, and receive no grade lower than C in any course.

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June 25, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### ROSSELLI NAMED ASSISTANT WRESTLING COACH AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Dr. Frank G. Pogue has announced the appointment of Lou Rosselli to the permanent post of assistant wrestling coach.

A 1993 Edinboro graduate, Rosselli has been a volunteer assistant wrestling coach under former head coach (and now athletic director) Bruce Baumgartner and current head coach Tim Flynn.

"Lou is a champion in his own right and an outstanding role model for our studentathletes," Pogue said. "He was not only a two-time All-American during his wrestling career at Edinboro, but he was also an Academic All-American.

"His stature as a coach and competitor both nationally and internationally complements the image and visibility Edinboro University's wrestling program already enjoys with Bruce Baumgartner and Tim Flynn," said Pogue. "We are proud that Lou has chosen his alma mater as the place he wants to be to contribute his time and talents as our assistant wrestling coach and a member of our Edinboro Family."

A native of Middleport, New York, Rosselli has a two-time New York state champion. In his senior year at Edinboro, he was selected as the outstanding wrestler at both the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Tournament and the Eastern Wrestling League Championships. He is only the second Edinboro wrestler ever to win three PSAC championships, and his 136 career victories still rank second on Edinboro's all-time list.

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### ROSSELLI NAMED ASSISTANT WRESTLING COACH, Continued Page 2

After winning the U.S. National Championships in 1995 and 1996, Rosselli joined the 1996 U.S. Olympic Team. At the Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta, he was in contention for a Bronze Medal before suffering a broken arm during his second victory, which forced him to withdraw from the competition.

"Lou was an outstanding student-athlete at Edinboro University, and as a volunteer assistant coach, he was an integral part of the program and instrumental in building some of the better past teams," said Athletic Director Bruce Baumgartner. "We're looking for an even greater positive impact from Lou in the future, and I think he's ready to become a truly great college coach."

Baumgartner said that Rosselli still competes on the mat and has a dream to compete in the year 2000 Olympic Games.

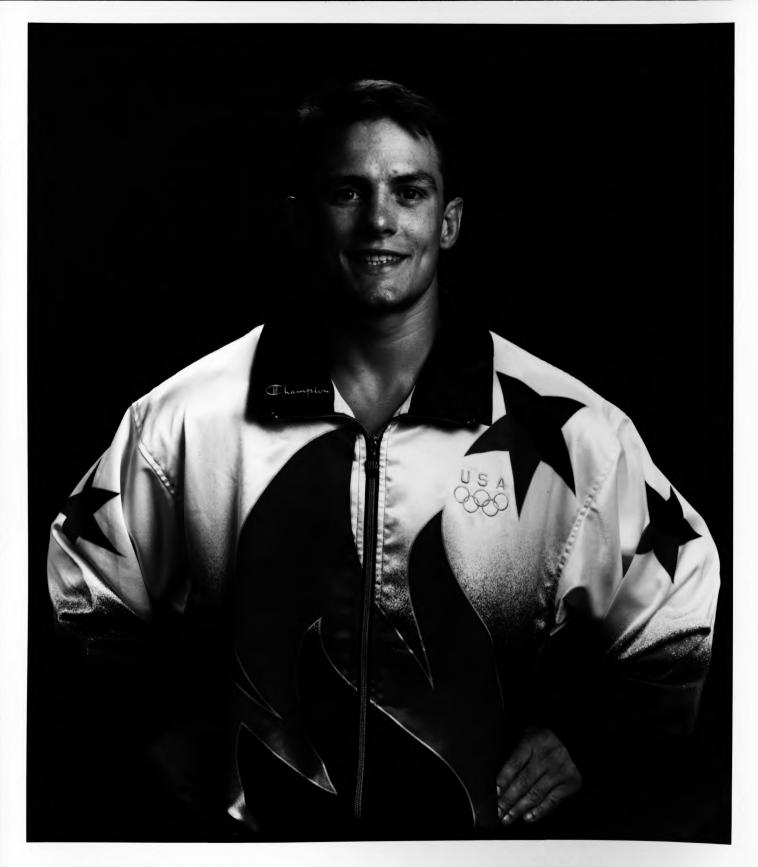
"We're excited about Lou's transition to full-time coaching," said head wrestling coach Tim Flynn. "Lou brings the outstanding credentials of wrestling All-American and Academic All-American to our staff, making him an excellent role model for our student athletes."

Rosselli and his wife, the former Amy Lesjak, live in Edinboro.

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# Lou Rosselli

1996 Olympian



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### EDINBORO HONORS STUDENTS SPEND SPRING BREAK IN LONDON

A group of honors students from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania spent their spring break in London experiencing first hand the world of William Shakespeare. Among the students were Tressa Addi of Sandy Lake and David Synder of Clarks Mills.

Led by English professor and Honors Program director Ted Atkinson, the group visited the recently reconstructed Globe Theatre where many of Shakespeare's works were originally performed. They saw performances of "Much Ado About Nothing" and "Hamlet" by the Royal Shakespeare Company. A distant cousin of Atkinson is the set designer for the company.

Other excursions included a bus trip to Stratford-upon-Avon, Shakespeare's home. They also visited Hampton Court, the palatial home of Henry VIII; Oxford University; the National Gallery and the National Portrait Gallery in London.

The Edinboro students said they were impressed by the cleanliness of London and by the feeling of safety. Because London has no skyscrapers, everything was on a more human scale. Atkinson reported the spring weather was sunny and unseasonably warm for their eight-day visit.

The trip was part of an honors English course on British writers.

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### Also included in HONORS STUDENTS SPEND SPRING BREAK IN LONDON:

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Joshua Balik	Darlin
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Blake Ferchalk	Somer
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### DENNIS HENDERSON TO REPRESENT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY ON URBAN LEAGUE OF PITTSBURGH TRIP TO GHANA

Erie resident Dennis Henderson, Jr., is representing Edinboro University of Pennsylvania on a week-long trip to the western African nation of Ghana sponsored by the Urban League of Pittsburgh. Henderson, a graduate of Central High School, is a senior sociology major.

Henderson joins students from Carnegie Mellon University, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Sewickley Academy and the University of Pittsburgh on the trip which left June 27 and returns July 3.

The Urban League of Pittsburgh planned the pilgrimage to Ghana in celebration of its 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a social service agency. The group will visit the Ghanaian cities of Accra, Elmina/Cape Coast, and Kumasi.

Henderson said he was looking forward to the trip as a learning experience, and he hopes to absorb everything he can about the culture and country of Ghana. "My only expectations are to meet people and make friends," said Henderson.

In preparation for the trip – which will also be his first airplane flight – Henderson talked to Edinboro students from Ghana and was in communication with their friends in Ghana through electronic mail.

Earlier this year, Henderson received Edinboro University's Provost's Award for International Education.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### EDINBORO COMPUTER SPECIALIST RECOVERING FROM DISABILITY

Jim Whiteman is moving a little slower these days. His right hand hangs limply at his side, one vocal cord is paralyzed, and he walks with the help of a cane. But Whiteman is happy just to be back on the job as a computer specialist at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

For a while it looked like Whiteman might not be any place at all. He had been having headaches for several months and suffered from double vision for years before that. In September of 1996 he went in for a check up. What the doctors found surprised even them. A non-malignant tumor the size of a goose egg – the largest of its type the doctors had ever seen – was growing on Whiteman's brain stem.

"When they told me I had a tumor I knew it had to come out," said Whiteman. "They didn't know what kind of tumor it was, but they said it was a large tumor in a bad location. They said the operation probably wasn't life threatening, but I knew there could be complications."

The doctors gave him a choice of just letting the tumor go and treating it with steroids. The treatments did, in fact, shrink the tumor, relieving the headaches within two hours. But the side effect was an inability to sleep.

"The doctors told me if I didn't have the operation I would probably not survive until Christmas. So I think I only had one choice," Whiteman said with a smile. "I looked at it positively. I just accepted it."

The delicate operation at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh began on a Friday and lasted 22 hours. When he awoke from the induced coma, his wife Betsy asked him what day it was. "Saturday," he replied correctly. But it was Saturday a week later. He had been in a coma for seven days.

Surgeons had to temporarily remove his left ear and carefully reposition his brain to get at the tumor. Sometime during the operation Whiteman suffered a stroke, which caused the paralysis to his vocal cords and right hand. He was unable to walk for a month.

Ironically, Whiteman found himself in the position shared by many of the people he worked with at the University. Since 1982 he had been with Edinboro's Office for Students with

#### **COMPUTER SPECIALIST RECOVERING, Continued**

Disabilities (OSD), the department on campus that provides services to students with a variety of disabilities, including the speech and motor impairments now facing Whiteman.

The Edinboro University graduate started in OSD as a van driver and became its computer analyst. He was instrumental in setting up OSD's highly-innovative adaptive computer lab. For more than 10 years, Whiteman's career had focused on helping people who couldn't use computers in a standard fashion. "I looked for ways to get them on a computer. My job was making sure the technology was up to date and training the students on how to use it."

Now Whiteman is the one looking to the OSD students for inspiration.

"When I was coming out of anesthesia, I had a lot of friends from my experiences at OSD who were in the same shape I was in. I thought, if they could make it, I can make it. At that time I had no idea that I would gain back as much as I have. I was happy when things started coming back and am looking forward to things getting better."

There have been a few bad days for Whiteman since the surgery. The low point probably came when the doctors told him that the nerves that hadn't recovered would not get any better. Still in a wheelchair at that time, Whiteman thought that meant he had made all the progress he was going to make. Then he realized that most of his problems were not from nerve damage, but from the stroke. His road to recovery, which will still take three to five years, has been much smoother since.

His absence from work at the University lasted exactly one year – from September 17, 1996, to September 17, 1997. To accommodate his reduced mobility, his supervisor, D. J. Bradley, allowed him to swap some of his assignments with a co-worker. His duties include spending two days a week as an analyst for the help desk at the Technology and Communications Center, maintaining the Center's web site, consulting with the Assistive Technology Center, keeping the OSD lab running and helping students with the adaptive equipment.

He receives therapy one day a week at Great Lakes Rehabilitation Center – working primarily on his right arm – and he is driving again. But the thing he misses most is doing carpentry work. In his own home before the operation he had done all the trim, the wiring and even built the windows. All of that must be put on hold until he recovers the use of his arm.

Has his outlook on life changed?

"I think I'm more into focus now," he said thoughtfully. "My commitment to work is stronger. I can see a real reason for what I was doing before. I have a more personal reason now. I can see that a very small amount of help goes a long way."



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NEWS ADVISORY

### EDINBORO UNIVERSITY HOSTS ON-TRACK PROGRAM

More than 50 students from rural high schools in northwestern Pennsylvania are taking part in Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's On-Track program. The annual event began yesterday and runs through this Thursday, July 2.

The program is designed to prepare and motivate rural students for a college education. Funded with a grant from the State System of Higher Education's Office of Social Equity, the program will help students – especially women – become aware of their academic and career potentials, opportunities and resources.

Since On-Track began in 1992, every student who has participated in the program has graduated from high school and 90 percent have gone on for post-secondary education.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### EDINBORO SCHOLARSHIP HONORS LATE PROFESSOR JAMES S. MILLER

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced the creation of the Dr. Jim Award for Neural and Behavioral Sciences. The scholarship was created in memory of James S. Miller, a former member of the University's psychology department, by his wife and colleague in the psychology department, Joyce Jagielo.

The scholarship will be awarded to an Edinboro student who is involved in doing supervised research with psychology department faculty. Preference will be given to students focusing on behavioral psychology and neural sciences who have already taken at least five courses in the neural and behavioral sciences.

Psychology professor Charles Edwards, who was a long-time friend of Miller, said the award is intended to encourage undergraduate students in the field of experimental psychology. Edwards said neural science is basically the study of the physiology and function of the brain. Miller was especially interested in studying the relationship between the brain and behavior.

Miller died unexpectedly of natural causes at the age of 38 in August of 1996. He and Jagielo have two young children, Gregory and Julia. Edwards said Miller was a devoted family man with a great sense of humor and a love of Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

Miller graduated with a bachelor's degree in psychology from Benedictine College in Kansas and earned his master's and doctoral degrees in experimental psychology from the University of Kentucky. He was a research associate in the Center for Developmental Psychobiology at State University of New York-Binghamton for three years before joining the Edinboro faculty in 1990. A prolific scholar, his publications and presentations numbered in the dozens – many of which were done in collaboration with his wife.

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### EDINBORO UNIVERSITY HOSTS AUGMENTATIVE COMMUNICATION CAMP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will host the third annual Augmentative/Alternative Communication Camp (AAC), July 7-9, for children and adults who rely on low- and high-tech devices for communication. This year's AAC -- "Can We Talk?" -- will give participants encouragement, enrichment and training in using their devices in everyday activities.

Much of the camp's focus will be on instruction in vocabulary and conversation and training in using the latest technology, but a lot of time will also be spent on social activities. A field trip to a local restaurant is planned, and the final day will include a closing ceremony at 1 p.m. and an ice cream social at 2 p.m.

Camp director John Boylan expects ten or more adolescent and adult campers from Erie, Crawford and Warren counties to attend the event, which will be held in the University's Assistive Technology Center in 102 Compton Hall. The AAC will feature individual, small group, and large group activities with graduate and undergraduate speech and hearing majors and community volunteers.

The camp is sponsored by the University's department of speech and communication studies.

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President Frank G. Pogue shared the lectern with Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge and other notables during the recent dedication ceremonies for the Lighthouse Exhibit at Presque Isle State Park in Erie. Pogue announced the start of the Presque Isle Partnership's Endowment Campaign, the two-year, \$500,000 corporate fund drive to establish a private endowment that will supplement state dollars used for Park improvements. Pogue, who is the voluntary chair of the Leadership Gifts Division, said that Presque Isle attracts four million visitors a year (". . .a million more than Yellowstone") and that it is "one of the single most important factors in the quality of life we enjoy in Erie."