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NESTERN DIVISION P.S.C.A.C. BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS N.A.I.A. DISTRICT 18 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

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HISTORY AND LOCATION

Edinboro State College is located in the Borough of Edinboro, Erie County, Pa. It is the oldest Pennsylvania teacher training school west of the Allegheny Mountains and the second oldest such school in the State. Edinboro Academy was chartered in 1856 and become a State Normal School by the Act of 1857.

Under the original charter the school was privately administered until 1861, when the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania chartered it as a State Normal School. The school was purchased by the Commonwealth in 1914.

In 1926 the State recognized Edinboro as a four-year college and granted it the right to offer undergraduate degrees in elementary, secondary and art education.

In 1957 the College was authorized to begin its graduate program of teacher education which leads to the Master of Education degree in elementary, secondary, guidance and counseling, science and English.

Edinboro State Teachers College became Edinboro State College in 1960.

A Liberal Arts program leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree with concentration in the Natural Sciences, Social Sciences and the Humanities was approved in 1962.

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DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

HANIO MARIOTTI

Hanio Mariotti is experiencing his first year as appointed Director of Athletics of Edinboro State College. Following the resignation of Dr. James Richcreek in 1966, he was appointed Athletic Director, the second appointed Athletic Director since the retirement of A. L. McComb in 1962.

Previously, he served in the capacity of ESC's Acting Athletic Director from 1963-1965, prior to the appointment of Dr. Richcreek.

Mariotti, a McKeesport High School graduate, received his BA degree from West Liberty State College, West Liberty, West Virginia; and his MA degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

Prior to being a resident faculty member of Edinboro State College, Mariotti compiled 15 years of teaching and coaching experience at Springdale High School, Springdale, Pa. At Springdale High, he served as assistant football coach and team trainer for 15 years and head baseball coach for 8 years.

At Edinboro he serves as assistant football coach, team trainer, head tennis coach, and Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education in addition to his position as Athletic Director.

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HEAD OF THE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

FRED CARO

Fred Caro is commencing his first year as head of the Health and Physical Education Department. Caro was named to this capacity following the resignation of Dr. James Richcreek in 1966.

Prior to serving as an Edinboro State College faculty member, he gained his initial teaching and coaching experience at Tyrone Area High School in Tyrone, Pa. For 3 years Caro functioned as assistant coach of the football, wrestling and track teams at Tyrone High. In addition, he was an assistant football and wrestling coach at Williston Academy, East Hampten, Massachusetts for one year while completing academic requirements for his MS degree.

His coaching and teaching experience also includes tenure at Derry Area High School, Derry, Pa.

At Edinboro Caro has served as assistant Highlander football coach and head wrestling coach for 4 years.

Caro received his BS degree in Physical Education from Lock Haven State College in 1958 and his MS degree from Springfield College, Springfield, Massachusetts.

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HIGHLANDER COACHING STAFF



Left-

Jim McDonald, Head Coach

Jim McDonald will be embarking on his fifth year as head Highlander basketball mentor this season. Last season, McDonald was named the NAIA's District 18 Basketball Coach of the Year, Area 8 Basketball Coach of the Year by the coaches of the Eastern Seaboard States, and one of the 9 finalists in the NAIA's Coach of the Year poll.

Right-

Jim Christopher, Assistant Coach

Jim Christopher is commencing his initial season as Assistant Basketball Coach of Edinboro State College. Prior to coming to Edinboro, he served as assistant basketball coach at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin for two years and at Zion-Benton High School for two years.



HEAD HIGHLANDER BASKETBALL COACH

JAMES MCDONALD

Head Coach James McDonald will be embarking on his fifth year as Highlander basketball mentor this season.

Prior to accepting his current position at Edinboro in 1961, McDonald served as assistant basketball coach at Harborcreek High School in Erie, Pa. He is a 1956 graduate of Bridgeport High School in Bridgeport, West Virginia.

As a player, Jim McDonald has been associated with the sport of basketball for many years. Jim attended West Virginia Wesleyan College, where he participated as a varsity "Mountaineer" for 4 seasons. During his collegiate basketball career McDonald was selected as an All-American for 2 years by the UPI and the NAIA as a result of his outstanding athletic abilities which he displayed on the basketball court. Jim reached the climax of his athletic career with the Mountaineers in his senior year 1960, when he was ranked as the second leading scorer in the nation with his outstanding average of slightly over 33 points a game in regular season competition. In that same year, Jim was chosen to try out for the United States Olympic Basketball Team at Denver, Colorado in 1960. In addition, McDonald's excellent performance in the National NAIA Post-Season Basketball Tournament, held annually in Kansas City, Mo., earned him the honor of being named to the NAIA's All-Tournament Team for 2 consecutive years, 1959 and 1960.

In the period of only 4 years that Jim McDonald has functioned as the head basketball coach of Edinboro State College, he has

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accomplished much to improve the Highlander roundballers and their athletic record. Preceding his appointment as head coach in 1962, ESC had registered only a single victorious season, but this extremely poor record has been drastically altered during the "McDonald Management." Currently, McDonald has compiled a victorious season every year since his appointment as the Highlande basketball coach and has registered a tally of 56 victories in 78 inter-collegiate encounters on his personal coaching record. In addition, he coached the Edinboro squad this season, 1965-1966, to its best record in basketball competition in the college's history with a tally of 18 victories as compared to only 3 defeats in regular season competition. This outstanding 18-3 record also earned the Highlanders their 3rd Western Division PSCAC Basketball Championship in the past 4 seasons.

In the statistical department Coach McDonald's squads have been responsible for establishing 7 major basketball achievements in the ESC Athletic Record Book. These recently registered Highlander records by McDonald's teams include Most Rebounds in One Game, Most Points and Field Goals Scored in One Game, Most Field Goals in One Season, Most Total Points for One Season, and Most Individual Total Points and Rebounds. This list of newly established athletic records under the "McDonald Management" is considered by the ESC Athletic Department to be a firm indication of the major role that Jim is performing to convert the Highlander basketball squad into one of the finest teams in the PSCAC and NAIA.

Last season, McDonald was named the NAIA's District 18 Basketball Coach of the Year. Jim's selection by the NAIA was

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prompted as a result of his astonishing conversion of the ESC basketball squad from just a "fair" team to one of the most respected and feared squads in the PSCAC and the NAIA in a period of only 4 years. In addition to this honor, McDonald was also selected by the coaches of the Eastern Seaboard States to be the Area 8 Basketball Coach of the Year and was honored as on of the 9 finalists in the NAIA's Coach of the Year poll for his outstanding accomplishments in the coaching profession.

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ASSISTANT HIGHLANDER BASKETBALL COACH

JAMES CHRISTOPHER

Commencing his first year as Assistant Highlander Basketball Coach and Head Freshmen Coach Mr. James Christopher is optimistic and looking forward to a gratifying season of basketball. In addition to his basketball duties, Christopher serves as Edinboro State College's Head Baseball Coach. Currently Mr. Christopher is Head Resident of Reeder Hall and an Assistant in Admissions.

Christopher graduated from Lake View High School in Chicago, Illinois in 1958. Christopher gained recognition as both star basketball and baseball player. During his junior and senior years at Lake View, Christopher was named to the All-North Section Basketball team and elected to the All-City (Chicago) Roundball team as a senior.

In addition to his basketball honors, Christopher was named to the All-City (Chicago) Baseball team in both his junior and senior years. In his senior year Mr. Christopher was chosen Athlete of the Year in the North Chicago Section.

Christopher proceeded to further his education at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin where he earned varsity letters in both basketball and baseball. In his senior year he was named to the Second Team NAIA District 20 basketball team. He graduated from Carthage College in 1962.

Prior to coming to Edinboro, Christopher was assistant basketball coach at his alma mater of Carthage College for two years. Christopher then coached at Carthage High School as head basketball

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and baseball mentor. From Carthage High, he ventured to Zion-Benton High School as assistant basketball and baseball coach for two years.

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1966-1967 HIGHLANDER BASKETBALL SQUAD

Front row (left to right) --Bruce Singleton, Joe Lecce, Jim Robinson, Ron Weaver, Tim Ziner, and Tom Ritari.

Second row (sitting) --Ron Mead, head basketball manager; Ed Kultti, Dave Miller, Harry Jenkins, Don Klingensmith, Lynn Nelson, Rod Herron, Larry Smith, Frank Smith, and Jack Horton.

Third row (standing) --Jim McDonald, head basketball coach; Nick Kunich, Sumner Bemis, Niel Dietz, Tom Carr, Norm Eaton, Bill Wolbert, Walt Unick, Dennis Jackson, Ray Courtney, Terry Schnorr, Dave Hanna, John Sober, and Jim Christopher, assistant basketball coach.

SEASON OUTLOOK

The 1966-67 edition of Edinboro's Highlander basketball team will undergo a rebuilding program this season.

According to Head Coach Jim McDonald the team's biggest asset will be "desire." In rating the team's offensive abilities Coach McDonald commented, "We have only fair speed, average shooters, below average rebounders, and average ball handlers with desire being our only strong point. If we are going to win this year all of these things, along with our defense, will have to improve considerably before the season commences."

With only one letterman returning from last year's NAIA District 18 Championship basketball team, the Highlanders will concentrate their rebuilding program around 13 sophomores and 2 junior transfer basketball players. Don Klingensmith, a transfer student from Santa Anna College, California, and Tom Ritari, transfer student from Ohio, will be the only juniors on the team. Lynn Nelson, the only returning letterman, will be the lone senior on the 16-man varsity squad.

With the beginning of the second semester, Francis Hurley, 6'6" 195-1b. sophomore center, and Jerry Yoakem 6'2" 190-1b. sophomore forward, will be eligible to play. Both players are transfer students from Gannon College. These two boys should add some strength to the Highlander rebounding, according to McDonald.

The Highlander team is suffering greatly as a result of graduation and especially through academic ineligibility. McDonald's biggest task this season will be to find someone to

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replace Darryl Meachem, who was selected to the Third Team NAIA All-America team last season. Due to below par academic standards Meachem was not permitted to return to College this year. Also, Don Dougan, who was one of the teams top scorers last year, will not be returning because of academic ineligibility. The loss of Dave Shenefelt and Jerry Banazak through graduation will be another problems for the Highlander's backcourt men to overcome.

The Highlanders will face a rugged 22 game schedule including the Baldwin-Wallace Christmas Tournament, Dec. 27. Most teams in the Conference will be tougher than last year with the possible exception of Clarion who lost 4 of their 5 starters. However, Clarion has picked up several transfer students to bolster their scoring attack.

As for the non-conference games, the Highlanders will engage the annually powerful Mansfield Mountaineers and Cleveland State University. According to Coach McDonald, "Cleveland State will be the toughest non-conference game this season."

At the moment the Highlander starting line up is undetermined and will not be determined by McDonald until Nov. 30.

Jim McDonald will begin his fifth year as head mentor of the Edinboro Cagers. Over a 5-year period McDonald's teams have compiled a total of 56 wins against 23 losses, won 3 Western Division PSCAC Titles and tied the other year.

There is a saying in the sports world that if a team can win at home and play .500 ball on the road chances of a good season are high. Last year they lost but 2 games at home and have never lost more than 3 games at home in any of the past four years.

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This season Mr. James Christopher is serving as head freshman basketball coach. Coach Christopher will inherit a fine group of basketball players who have good size, can shoot well and have above-average speed. Although there is not as much depth as in the past, there are 6 or 7 outstanding varsity prospects. Heading the list is Walter Unich, 6'9" center who played his high school ball in New Jersey; Dennis Jackson, 6'4" forward who also hails from New Jersey; and Dave Hanna, 6' guard from New Kensington, Pa. These three boys form a good nucleus for Coach Christopher's freshman squad.

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The frosh cagers will play a total of 18 games this season, including a 14-game conference schedule.

Co-captains for this year's varsity team are senior, letterman Lynn Nelson and junior transfer Don Klingensmith. With the season just three weeks away the team is practicing hard under the watchful eyes of Coach McDonald and Coach Christopher in preparation for their opening game against Mansfield College in Crawford Gymnasium Dec. 1, at 8:15 p.m.

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1966-67 HIGHLANDER BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

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Thurs.	Dec. 1	Mansfield,H
Sat.	Dec. 3	AllianceA
Tues.	Dec. 6	Slippery RockH
Fri.	Dec. 9	Lock HavenH
Tues.	Dec. 13	ClarionA
Sat.	Dec. 17	CaliforniaH
Tues.	Dec. 20	FredoniaH
Tues.	Dec. 27	Baldwin-WallaceA (Christmas Tournament)
Wed.	Jan. 4	WaynesburgA
Fri.	Jan. 6	IndianaH
Sat.	Jan. 21	W. Va. WesleyanA
Fri.	Jan. 27	Lock HavenA
Sat.	Jan. 28	MansfieldA
Tues.	Jan. 31	AllianceH
Thurs.	Feb. 2	Cleveland StateA
Sat.	Feb. 4	Open
Tues.	Feb. 7	Robert WesleyanH
Thurs.	Feb. 9	Slippery RockA
Sat.	Feb. 11	IndianaA
Mon.	Feb. 13	GenevaH
Sat.	Feb. 18	3 CaliforniaA
Tues.	Feb. 21	L ClarionH
Wed		arch 1-2 (PSCAC PLAYOFF)
Tues.	-Wed. Ma	arch 7-8 (NAIA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT)

1966-1967 HIGHLANDER VARSITY BASKETBALL ROSTER

NAME	POSITION	CLASS	HEIGHT WI	EIGHT	HOMETOWN
Herron, Rodney	Center	Soph.	6'4 <u>1</u> "	205	Jackson Center
Horton, Jack	Forward	Jr.	6'	165	Cambridge Springs
Hurley, Butch	Center	Soph.	6'6"	195	Schenedy, N.Y.
L Jenkins, Harry	Guard	Soph.	6'3"	165	Bridgeport, W.Va.
Klingensmith, Don	Forward	Jr.	6'1"	185	Turtle Creek
Kultti, Ed	Forward	Jr.	6'2"	200	Painesville, 0.
Lecce, Joe	Forward	Soph.	5'11"	170	Aliquippa
Maloney, Tim	Guard	Soph.	6'2"	170	Erie
Miller, Dave	Forward	Jr.	6'2"	170	Sharon
Nelson, Lynn	Center	Sr.	6'7"	230	Wesleyville
Ritari, Tom	Guard	Jr.	5'10 ¹ /2"	160	Conneaut, O.
Robinson, Jim	Guard	Soph.	5'9"	160	Vandergrift
Sage, Michael	Guard	Soph.	61	160	Ambridge
Singleton, Bruce	Center	Soph.	5'11"	175	Industry
Smith, Frank	Forward	Soph.	6'1"	200	Bentleyville
Smith, Larry	Forward	Soph.	6'2"	185	Brookville
Weaver, Ronald	Guard	Soph.	5'10"	180	Montour
Yoakam, Jerry	Forward	Soph.	6'2"	190	Steubenville, 0.
Ziner, Tim	Guard		5'10"	155	Bethel Park

1966-1967 FRESHMAN BASKETBALL ROSTER

NAME	POSITION	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HOMETOWN
Bemis, Sumner	Guard	5'10"	140	Oil City
Carr, Tom	Guard	5'11"	160	North Hills
Courtney, Ray	Center	6'3"	180	Conneaut Lake
Eaton, Norman	Forward	6'1"	180	Springdale
Diez, Niel	Forward	61	182	Youngstown N.Y.
Hanna, David	Guard	5'11"	165	New Kensington
Jackson, Dennis	Forward	6'3"	180	Pompton Lakes, N.J.
Kunich, Nicholas	Guard	5'9"	140	Pittsburgh
Schnerr, Terry	Guard	6'1"	170	McKees Rocks
Sober, John	Guard	5'10"	150	Natrona Heights
Unick, Walter	Center	6'8"	230	Wharton, N.J.
Wolbert, William	Forward	6'3"	200	Imperial

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1966-1967 HIGHLANDER CO-CAPTAINS



Right-Lynn Nelson Center

Left-Don Klingensmith Forward

Left - Don Klingensmith, Junior, 6'1'' 185 lbs. Turtle Creek, Pa.

Don, a transfer student from Santa Anna College in California, will be experiencing his first season as a varsity starter on the Highlander basketball squad. During his high school basketball career at Turtle Creek High School, he was named to the Section 7 All-Star Team and All W.P.I.A.L. Basketball Team. Right - Lynn Nelson, Senior, 6'7'', 230 lbs. Wesleyville, Pa.

Lynn, the team's only letterman and senior on the squad, will be competing in his second varsity season as a Highlander roundballer. At Wesleyville High School, he received an All-American Honorable Mention in his senior year as a result of his outstanding athletic ability in the sport of basketball.

1965-66 EDINBORO STATE COLLEGE BASKETBALL RESULTS

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Regular Season Competition

EDINBORO	Carl area and the second second	OPPONENTS
84	Mansfield	83
70	Alliance	68
67	Slippery Rock	56
95	Lock Haven	55
80	Clarion	71
104	Waynesburg	88
68	Indiana	71
83	Fredonia	62
78	California	102
89	Lock Haven	72
86	Mansfield	82
90	Alliance	83
99	Michigan Lutheran	58
79	Slippery Rock	72
95	Indiana	85
70	Geneva	71
93	Cleveland State	72
83	Clarion	79
71	California	58

1965-1966 EDINBORO STATE COLLEGE BASKETBALL RESULTS

Post Season Competition

EDINBORO OPPONENTS N.A.I.A. DISTRICT 18 PLAY-OFFS 60 76 Geneva 62 California 79 NATIONAL N.A.I.A. TOURNAMENT 67 Central Michigan 53 P.S.C.A.C. PLAY-OFFS - WEST 96 76 Cheyney

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGES ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

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Basketball Summary - 1965-1966

* includes cross-divisional games which do not count in conference standings.

Eastern Division

Cheyney	14	0	1265	927	2	27	1	2413	1803
Millersville	9	5	1335	1237	180	19	7	2562	2270
Mansfield	7	7	1273	1176	1.05	11	12	2024	1912
Shippensburg	6	8	1071	1166	1.63	10	11	1630	1671
East Stroudsburg	g 6	8	1112	1180	3	10	12	1750	1840
Bloomsburg	6	8	1107	1167		8	11	1532	1559
Kutztown	4	10	1052	1193		8	12	1459	1544
West Chester	4	10	1106	1275		5	17	1793	2004

1965-1966 BASKETBALL ROSTER

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NAME	CLASS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HOMETOWN
Banazak, Jerry	Sr.	5'11"	175	Pittsburgh
Ballintine, Pat	Fresh.	5'10불"	162	Pittsburgh
Bartolo, Tony	Jr.	5'11"	174	Ambridge
Beckwith, Chuck	Fresh.	5'7"	165	Uniontown
Biggart, Bob	Fresh.	6'4"	193	Pittsburgh
Dougan, Don	Jr.	6'7"	220	Erie
Gerle, Don	Soph.	6'5"	215	New Castle
Herron, Rod	Fresh.	6'4 <u>1</u> "	205	Jackson Center
Horton, Jack	Soph.	6'1"	155	Cambridge Springs
Janosik, Bill	Fresh.	614"	176	West Mifflin
Jenkins, Harry	Fresh.	6'3"	155	Bridgeport, W.Va.
Lander, Tim	Fresh.	5'11불"	172	West Newton
Lecce, Joe	Fresh.	5'11"	170	Aliquippa
Maloney, Tim	Fresh.	6'2"	180	Erie
Meachem, Darryl	Jr.	6'2 <u>1</u> "	186	Aliquippa
Miller, Dave	Soph.	6'2"	165	Sharon
Nelson, Lynn	Jr.	617"	225	Wesleyville
Shenefelt, Dave	Sr.	5'8"	160	Aliquippa
Sheridan, Les	Fresh.	6'1"	180	Towanda
Singleton, Bruce	Fresh.	6'	174	Industry
Smith, Larry	Fresh.	6'1"	180	Brookville
Smith, Frank	Fresh.	6'1 <u>1</u> "	200	Bentleyville
Weaver, Ron	Fresh.	5'11"	180	Montour
Ziner, Tim	Fresh.	5'10"	145	Bethel Park

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1965-1966 EDINBORO STATE COLLEGE'S BASKETBALL STATISTICS

23 Game Totals

PLAYER Dougan, Don Meachem, Darryl Biggart, Bob Nelson, Lynn Shenefelt, Dave Beckwith, Chuck Banaszak, Jerry Smith, Frank Maloney, Tim Miller, Dave Gerle, Don Bartolo, Tony Horton, Jack Ziner, Tim Gettys, Darrel Jenkins, Harry Smith, Larry	GAMES 23 23 16 22 23 9 21 18 19 9 4 4 36 19 9 2	FGA 278 292 39 178 292 36 104 18 125 4 3 10 3 5 7 40 1	FG 130 158 15 84 10 15 12 15 1 15 10 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15	FG% .47 .54 .38 .47 .38 .47 .38 .48 .27 .38 .46 .50 .33 .20 .33 .20 .45 .00	FTA 141 168 19 37 101 7 92 23 26 4 35 56 20 13 0	FT 95 97 10 268 50 117 3334 6 28 0	FT% .67 .58 .52 .54 .67 .71 .76 .48 .66 .75 1.00 .60 .80 1.00 .60 .61 .00	REB 268 393 70 194 101 351 15 32 10 14 6 54 976 3	AVG 11.6 17.09 4.3 8.7 4.4 .0 2.4 .0 1.6 1.1 3.55 1.0 .0 5.1 1.6 1.5	TOTAL PTS 355 413 40 188 348 25 152 41 139 7 5 13 6 8 82 44 0	AVG 15.4 18.5 2.5 15.7 2.2 7.0 2.0 0 13.0 0 13.0 1.5 0 0 0
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EDINBORO STATE COLLEGE BASKETBALL RECORDS

Individual Record

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Dan Petchel	40	Alliance	1963-64
ost Career Points Dan Petchel	1,370		1961-65
iost Foul Shots Made Ken Gerber Dan Petchel	14-14 14-18	Gannon California State	1961-62 1964-65
lost Rebounds Don Dougan	38	Indiana State	1964-65
lost Consecutive Foul Shots Ken Gerber	39		1961-62
Most Field Goals Dan Petchel	17	Alliance	1963-64
Most Points In One Season Dan Petchel	460		1964-65
Best Season Shotting Percent Dan Petchel	.558		1964-65
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1965-1966 BASKETBALL SEASON RESUME

Prior to the start of Edinboro State College's 1965-1966 basketball season, Head Basketball Coach Jim McDonald expressed the view that his 1965-1966 Highlanders were "just average." Considering his pre-season forecast, it would be an understatement to say "the Highlanders developed into one of the finest basketball squads in the PSCAC and NAIA."

Statistically, the 1965-1966 edition of the Highlanders registered 16 victories and only 3 defeats in regular season competition to surpass their 1964-1965 tally of 10 wins and 8 losses.

In Western Division PSCAC competition, the Highlanders compiled 8 wins and only 2 defeats. This record earned Edinboro the 1965-1966 Western Division PSCAC Basketball Championship, its third Western Division title in the past 4 seasons.

Following regular season competition the Highlanders competed in the NAIA District 18 Basketball Play-offs held at Westminster College, Feb. 28 - March 1. In the first game of the play-offs Edinboro defeated Geneva College 76-60 to advance to the finals against California State College. In the finals the Highlanders trounced the California Vulcans, 79-62. This victory officially recognized the Edinboro Highlanders as NAIA District 18 Championship Basketball Squad and earned ESC the right to represent NAIA District 18 in the National NAIA Basketball Play-offs held in Kansas City, Mo., on March 7-12.

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The Highlanders were eliminated in the first round of the National NAIA basketball tournament by Central Michigan University of Detroit, Michigan, 67-53.

In their final game in post season competition, the Highlanders were defeated 96-76 by Cheyney State College at Meadville High School to determine the Pennsylvania State College Athletic Conference Basketball Championship.

Earning individual honors for their outstanding basketball abilities displayed throughout the season were Darryl Meachem, Dave Shenefelt, and Don Dougan.

Meachem, a 6'3" junior forward from Aliquippa, Pa., was unanimously elected by PSCAC coaches to the Western Division's First-Team All-Star Basketball Team. In addition, Meachem was 1965-1966 Third Team All-American Basketball Player by the NAIA All-American Selection Committee.

Both Shenefelt, a 5'7" senior guard from Aliquippa, Pa., and Dougan, a 6'7" junior forward from Erie, Pa., were named to the Western Division's 1965-1966 Second-Team All-Star Team.

VARSITY PLAYER PROFILES

Seniors

Nelson, Lynn Center 6'7" 230 lbs. Wesleyville, Pa.

Lynn has been elected as co-captain of the Highlander basketball squad this season as a result of his outstanding athletic abilities displayed on ESC's basketball court. During last year's basketball campaign Lynn, a transfer student from West Virginia Wesleyan, experienced his first year as a varsity starter on the Highlander squad. In high school he earned 3 varsity letters in basketball. As a result of the outstanding ability he displayed in the sport of basketball, Nelson was named to the All-County squad for 3 years, the All-State basketball team for 2 years and received an All-American Honorable Mention in his senior year.

Juniors

Horton, Jack Forward 6' 165 lbs. Cambridge Springs, Pa

Jack is an asset to the squad in the respect that he is a team "spark plug" and "motivator." He is competing in his third year as a Highlander roundballer. Horton is a graduate of Cambridge Springs Joint High School, where he competed on the basketball squad for 3 years.

Hurley, Francis Forward 6'6" 200 lbs. Scotia, New York

With the beginning of the second semester, Butch will be eligible to compete on the squad in intercollegiate competition. He is a transfer student from Gannon College and is expected by Coach McDonald to strengthen the team's rebounding power. During his basketball career at Scotia-Glenville High School, Hurley received an All-American Honorable Mention in his senior year.

Klingensmith, Don Forward 6'1" 185 lbs. Turtle Creek, Pa.

Don has been elected as co-captain of the Highlander roundball squad this season. Prior to enrolling at ESC, Don attended Santa Anna College in California. He will be competing as one of Edinboro's starting varsity forwards this season, according to Coach McDonald. At Turtle Creek High School Klingensmith was named to the All-WPIAL and Section 7 All-Star teams.

Kultti, Ed Forward 6'2" 195 lbs. Painesville, Ohio

Ed is competing in his first season as a varsity player on ESC's basketball squad. Prior to enrolling at Edinboro, Kultti competed on Riverside High School's basketball team and earned two varsity letters and was named to the league All-Star Team.

Miller, Dave Forward 6'2" 170 lbs. Sharon, Pa.

Dave, a graduate of Sharon High School, is competing in his third season on the Highlander basketball squad. He initially began his basketball career at Edinboro as a guard but was switched to a forward position by the Highlander coaching staff.

Ritari, Tom Guard 5'10" 160 lbs. Conneaut, Ohio

Tom, a graduate of Conneaut High School, is competing as one of the Highlander's starting guards this season. Last season he was ineligible as a result of PSCAC rules concerning transfer students. During his high school basketball career Ritari was named to the All-County and All-Conference All-Star Basketball Squads in his junior and senior years.

Sophomores

Gettys, Darrell Forward 6'6" 190 lbs. Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Darrell proved to be a great asset to the Highlander basketball squad last season with his outstanding shooting and rebounding abilities. He will be competing in his second intercollegiate basketball season at Edinboro this year. Prior to enrolling at ESC Gettys competed as a varsity regular at Wilkinsburg High School for 3 years. As a result of his outstanding basketball abilities, he was named to the WPIAL Section 11 All-Star Team in his senior year at Wilkinsburg.

Herron, Rod Center 6'5" 205 lbs. Jackson Center, Pa.

Prior to enrolling at ESC, Rod attended Lakeview High School, where he competed on the varsity basketball team and earned 4 varsity athletic letters. Last season Herron saw spot action in varsity competition but is expected to develop into a Highlander regular this season.

Jenkins, Harry Guard 6'3" 165 lbs. Bridgeport, W. Va.

Harry competed in most of Edinboro's varsity encounters last season but is striving to earn a starting berth this year. During his basketball career at Bridgeport Senior High School Jenkins was named to the All-County and All-Section All-State Basketball Teams for his outstanding athletic ability. Leece, Joe Forward 5'11" 170 lbs. Aliquippa, Pa.

Joe is competing in his second season as a member of the Highlander basketball squad. Last season he competed primarily as a guard but has been converted by the coaching staff into a forward position. During his basketball career at Aliquippa High School under the tutlege of Coach Frank Janosik, Lecce received an All-Section 3 Honorable Mention for his outstanding basketball abilities. During his senior year he competed as one of the Quips starting forwards in the 1965 WPIAL Basketball Play-offs held in Pittsburgh at the Civic Arena.

Maloney, Tim Guard 6'2" 175 lbs. Erie, Pa.

A graduate of Erie Cathedral Prep High School Tim is c competing in his second season as a varsity Highlander basketball player. Last season as a freshman he competed as one of Edinboro's starting guards. At Cathedral Prep Maloney was named to the All-City Basketball Team during his junior and senior years.

Robinson, Jim Guard 5'9" 160 lbs. Vandergrift, Pa.

Jim is competing in his first season as a varsity player on the Highlander basketball team. During his basketball career at Kiski Area High School, he was named to the All-Kiski Valley and All-County Basketball Teams for his outstanding basketball abilities.

Sage, Mickey Guard 6' 170 lbs. Ambridge, Pa.

Mickey, a transfer student Pennsylvania State University, is a new addition to Edinboro's basketball squad this season. During his basketball career at Ambridge High School Sage was named co-captain of the Bridgers in his senior year and received an All-Section 3 Honorable Mention for his basketball abilities.

Singleton, Bruce Forward 6' 175 lbs. Industry, Pa.

Bruce, a biology major, is competing in his second season as a Highlander and is vying for a varsity position as a forward. During his senior year at Western Beaver High School, he was elected to the All-Section 8 Basketball Team for his outstanding basketball abilities.

	Smith,	Frank	Forward	6'1"	196 lbs.	Bentleyville, Pa.	
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A graduate of Bentleyville-Ellsworth High School Frank is competing in his second season as a varsity Highlander. Last season he greatly supplemented ESC's scoring attack and rebounding maneuvers in every game. During his basketball career in high school Smith received an All-State Honorable Mention as a sophomore named to the Third Team All-State as a junior and Second Team All-State in his senior year.

Smith, Larry Guard 6'1" 175 lbs. Brookville, Pa.

Larry is competing in his second season as a varsity Highlander. Prior to attending Edinboro State College he competed for Brookville Area High School's basketball squad and was named to the All-District Basketball Team.

Weaver, Ron Guard 5'10" 185 lbs. Montour, Pa.

A graduate of Montour Joint High School Ron is experiencing his second season as a Highlander. This season he will be vying to earn a varsity starter position as one of ESC's guards.

Yoakam, Jerry Forward 6'2" 190 lbs. Steubenville, Ohio

Jerry, a transfer student from Gannon College, will be eligible to compete as a varsity Highlander at the beginning of the second semester. According to Coach McDonald, Yoakam is expected to add strength to Edinboro's rebounding during intercollegiate encounters.

Ziner, Tim Guard 5'10" 155 lbs. Bethel Park, Pa.

According to Coach McDonald, Tim will be one of the Highlanders two starting guards this season. Prior to enrolling at Edinboro State College he starred at Bethel Park High School, where he was named to the All-Section 12 Basketball Team for his fine basketball performance.

VARSITY BASKETBALL MANAGER

Mead, Ron

Junior

Conneautville, Pa.

Ron is experiencing his third year as Head Highlander Basketball manager. Prior to enrolling at Edinboro State College he served as basketball and football manager for three years at Conneaut Valley High School.

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