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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# EDINBORO SUMMER PROGRAM VISITS EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

It has been two centuries since Scottish settlers established the town of Edinboro, Pennsylvania, naming it after the great capital city of Scotland. Since then, the community and Edinboro University of Pennsylvania have looked back upon their Scottish heritage with a combination of pride and curiosity.

This summer, a group of 21 people made a pilgrimage of discovery by participating in "Edinboro at Edinburgh," the Summer Study Abroad in Scotland program sponsored by Edinboro University. Led by Edinboro music professor Tim Cordell, the group spent two weeks in Scotland, learning through what Cordell calls "on-site distance education." He saw the trip not only as an opportunity to learn about Scotland's history and culture, but to get to know the people on a personal level.

"How do you know how someone lives," asked Cordell, "unless you spend time there? We met the people, we heard them speak in formal and informal settings, we ate at their dinner tables, we rode their buses and trains, and we walked their streets and viewed the sites in their nation. We were welcomed by them into their restaurants, their homes and their classrooms."

The program offered participants a choice of two academic courses: "Music of the British Isles" and "Intercultural Communication," or a program of "continuing education travel" that included lectures and social events.

The Edinboro contingent was a mix of traditional college students and adults from different backgrounds including an attorney, a nurse, an English teacher, a retired couple, a pianist and singer, and a college registrar, as well as students with a variety of majors.

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Also taking part in the trip was Edinboro communications professor Tim Thompson who taught the course on intercultural communication.

Helping Cordell arrange the events in Scotland after visiting Edinboro in May was Bridget Stevens, director of summer programs at the Centre for Continuing Education at the University of Edinburgh. Cordell credited Stevens with making the trip a success. He said her job is to create programs which connect the community to the University.

The Edinboro group visited many of Edinburgh's most famous and historic landmarks including Edinburgh Castle, Linlithgow Palace, Stirling Castle, Glamis Castle, and the Palace of Holyroodhouse. Evenings were spent in such activities as listening to traditional folk music, learning Scottish country dances and attending a Ceilidh.

The trip was timed to coincide with the start of the Edinburgh International Festival – a three-week music and arts festival billed as the largest in the world. The Festival features 500 shows -- art, music, plays, comedy – every day! One highlight of the Festival is the Edinburgh Military Tattoo, a spectacle primarily of pipe and drum bands from all over the world. Another, more informal, perhaps even outrageous, festival is simply known as the Fringe. Performers and participants don't need an invitation to perform, they merely invite themselves.

The success of this year's trip already has Cordell making arrangements for return trips in 1999 and 2000. Next year will be a particularly exciting time to be in Scotland as that nation will elect a parliament for the first time in hundreds of years.

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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# KAHAN SABLO APPOINTED ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT LIFE AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has appointed Kahan Sablo associate vice president for student life. Prior to his appointment, Sablo was director of the Center for Multicultural Affairs at SUNY Fredonia.

A native of New York City, Sablo attended SUNY Oswego where he obtained a bachelor's degree in public justice with a minor in health science and a master's degree in counseling and psychological services.

Sablo has broad experience in student affairs. At Oswego he worked in both the residence life and career services areas serving as a residence hall coordinator, career counselor intern, advisement orientation associate and assistant counselor. At SUNY Canton, he was director of multicultural affairs until 1996, when he assumed a similar title at SUNY Fredonia. His many duties included assuring the academic success of minority students.

While at Canton he served as advisor to seven organizations, chaired the school's affirmative action committee, and founded its gospel choir. He also served as adjunct faculty as a psychology instructor in the social science department and choral music instructor at Canton and at the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam.

In his new position Sablo will supervise the counseling center, health center, student judicial affairs office, wellness office, and student activities office (which includes university programming and Greek affairs, recreation/intramurals, outdoor campus recreation, recreational activities for students with disabilities, and the University Center). Sablo said each area has even greater potential to be a powerful center of student development. He will encourage people to keep their energy levels high, and to think across traditional dividing lines.

As a student at Oswego, Sablo was greatly influenced by the late Vivian Howard and her husband, the Reverend Larry Howard, who was pastor of a congregation in Syracuse. She encouraged Sablo to develop his interest in gospel music. She was minister of music at her husband's church and when she passed away, Sablo took over her duties of directing the church's six choirs. He credits his participation in gospel choirs for getting him through some difficult personal times. It renewed his spirituality and now he sees it as a way to satisfy a student's spiritual wholeness.

In addition to his professional and student activities at Edinboro, Sablo will be active as a volunteer in the Edinboro community and has already been approved to join the Edinboro Fire Department. He is an emergency medical technician (level III) and has served as a CPR/first aid instructor for the American Red Cross.

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September 8, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# LUCILLE TABLER TO HEAD NORTHERN PENNSYLVANIA EDUCATION PROGRAM

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced the appointment of Lucille M. Tabler of Oil City as program coordinator of the Northern Tier Educational Initiative (NTEI). The Initiative is a two-year program to match the resources of five universities in the State System of Higher Education with the needs of northern Pennsylvania through the community education councils located there. The NTEI office is located in Corry.

Dr. Tabler will serve as liaison between Clarion, Edinboro, Lock Haven, Mansfield, and Slippery Rock universities and the Warren/Forest Higher Education Council, the Corry Higher Education Council, the Clarion/Venango Educational Resources Alliance, the Community Education Council of Elk/Cameron Counties, and the Potter County Education Council.

Among her top priorities will be assessing the educational services needed in 16 northern counties from Erie to Tioga. She will also assist the universities in coordinating the delivery of programs to the community education councils and other outreach locations.

"Our goal is to determine the needs of the centers and match those needs with what the universities have to offer," said Tabler.

The universities have already begun offering educational programming to the councils through distance education technologies. This project will coordinate the efforts of all five schools and target programming to address welfare-to-work, economic development, and continuing education programs for professionals.

"Our challenge," said Tabler, "is to bring education and training to northern Pennsylvania through the use of technology in the hopes of stimulating economic development."

Tabler has extensive experience in higher education in the fields of sociology, psychology and gerontology. A graduate of Clarion University, Tabler earned a master's degree in counseling services from Slippery Rock University, and MSW and Ph.D. degrees from the School of Social Work at the University of Pittsburgh. She has taught at the University of Pittsburgh - Titusville, La Roche College, Chatham College, Clarion and Slippery Rock. She holds a gerontology master's certificate from Slippery Rock, a social work license, and advanced professional geriatric care management certification.

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September 9, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### **BRUCE GALLERY ANNOUNCES 1998-99 EXHIBITION SEASON**

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Bruce Gallery will host seven exhibitions during the 1998-99 academic year. The first exhibition, "Life and Lifelessness," now running through September 18, features sculpture/installation by artists Michael Aurbach and Bryan Bennett. Aurbach is a professor at Vanderbilt University with 30 one-person exhibitions in the '90s. Bennett's artwork uses sound, light, vibration and motion. He reuses everyday materials in non-traditional ways.

The second exhibition, "Subversive Acts," September 23-October 17, presents the work of artists Mary T. Giehl, Jeanette May and Sonia Yoon. Giehl will exhibit an installation that deals with subversive acts against children. As an emergency room pediatric nurse, Giehl sees first hand the abuse that afflicts children in our country. Her work forces the viewer to come to terms with this daily occurrence. May's artwork investigates how the sexual revolution of the '60s and '70s was manifested in the lives of working class, small-town married women who already had husbands and children when the war on independence was declared. Yoon is a sculptor and performance artist who will perform in Bruce Gallery at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, opening night for the exhibition.

The third show, October 21-November 14, will be the Edinboro University Art Faculty Exhibition. The faculty show is always a great chance for visitors who want to see a wide range of strong work for all media. It also offers Edinboro University students a chance to see the work being produced by their instructors. High school art teachers are encouraged to schedule a class trip to the gallery for this unique opportunity to talk about ceramics sculpture, painting, design, printmaking, photography, woodworking, metalsmithing and jewelry all in one exhibition.

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The fourth exhibition, November 18-December 16, features paintings by Eric Aho, metalsmithing/sculpture by Hai-Chi Jihn, and sculpture by Kevin Granger. The title, "Common Catalysts," refers to the artists' shared inspiration for their work. Each of these artists seeks to transform the ordinary into the extraordinary by changing the way we see their chosen subject. Although they share a goal, the work of these three artists is quite dissimilar. Each is uniquely successful at creating, as Hai-chi Jihn would say, "an everyday miracle."

A group of artists known as "Fourth World" presents an exhibition in Bruce Gallery, January 27-February 20. "Fourth World" contends that there is a new culture -- a world culture that goes beyond national borders. The work of this group deals with many issues. Much of it is designed to interact with visitors in the gallery. Found objects, sound, and motion will combine to engage the viewer.

Ed Petrosky and Janet Neuwalder present "Parallel Dialogues," March 14-April 10. Each artist investigates natural forms. Each changes the context of these forms by placing them in sequence with other forms. The forms they choose to work with are very similar, while their mediums are less similar: Neuwalder uses clay, one of the oldest mediums for expression, while Petrosky uses computer imaging, one of the newest.

Bruce Gallery hosts the annual Edinboro University Student Art Exhibition,
April 14 -May 8. This exhibition is arguably the most important of the year. It is a juried show with many awards donated by area businesses. The show is always filled with strong artwork in every visual art media. It gives students, faculty and the community a chance to celebrate the work going on in the University's art department.

Opening receptions are the first day of each exhibition with the gallery opening at 7 p.m. on that day. Gallery hours are 2-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday evenings. For more information, call (814) 732-2513 or 2406.



September 9, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### EDINBORO ART STUDENTS IN HOYT INSTITUTE SHOW

Five Edinboro University of Pennsylvania art students are exhibiting at the Hoyt Institute of Fine Arts in New Castle, Pa. The exhibition is part of the "Arts in the Universities" program. The students are Rick Gribenas (Greensburg), installation; Jill Brougher (Scottdale), painting; Brian Geary (Scottdale), painting; Kate McDevitt (Columbia), photography; and Jeff Brunner (Pittsburgh), mixed media. The exhibit is now showing through September 19. Professor Steve Emmett is advisor to the annual show.

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September 10, 1998

#### **MEDIA ADVISORY:**

As a highlight of Edinboro University's Fall 1998 University-wide Convocation, scheduled for Friday, September 11, 8:30-9:30 a.m. in the University Center Multi-purpose Room, a groundbreaking ceremony will be held on the lawn area between Centennial Hall and Crawford Gymnasium at 9:45 a.m. to symbolize the beginning of construction of two multi-million dollar building and renovation projects on the Edinboro campus.

Both projects are part of Pennsylvania's Shared-Cost Funding initiative (formerly known as Operation Jump Start).

Earlier this year, Gov. Tom Ridge released \$6.26 million in state funds for the two projects (\$2.37 million for the Arts and Sciences Center and \$3.89 million for the Crawford Center for Health and Physical Education and Disability Resources). Under the Shared-Cost Funding formula, the Commonwealth provides 75 percent of the construction costs, while the University must raise the remaining 25 percent from private sources.

Edinboro University President Dr. Frank G. Pogue will preside over the ceremonial groundbreaking. Mr. Donald Sheaffer, assistant vice chancellor for facilities management, will bring greetings from the State System of Higher Education. Mr. Harry Thomas, vice chair of Edinboro University's Council of Trustees, will bring greetings from the trustees.

The Arts and Sciences Center will add within its 25,000-plus square feet two large and two small auditoria, four classrooms, and two office complexes with 10 individual offices and four conference/seminar rooms – all equipped with state-of-the-art instructional technology and fully accessible to persons with disabilities.

The Crawford Center for Health and Physical Education and Disability Resources will add more than 27,000 square feet of new construction and renovate 23,000-plus square feet of existing space. The new space will house the main offices of the University's Office for Students

with Disabilities, an adaptive computer lab, a tactile/captioning lab, ten alternate testing labs, and a Living and Learning Center for life skills development.

Fact cards with details about both projects will be available at the groundbreaking ceremony.

Again, the Fall 1998 University-wide Convocation will be held in the University Center, Friday, September 11, 8:30-9:30 a.m., followed by the groundbreaking ceremony from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. on the Centennial/Crawford Lawn.

Media coverage is invited.

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September 14, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# FILM PRODUCER MICHAEL MOORE INAUGURATES EDINBORO'S CONCERT AND LECTURE SERIES

Michael Moore, producer and director of *Roger and Me*, will lead off Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's 1998-99 Concert and Lecture Series on Wednesday, September 23, at 8 p.m. at the University's McComb Fieldhouse. Moore received national and international recognition for his 1989 documentary film named for Roger B. Smith, chairman of General Motors. Moore is also host and executive producer of *TV Nation*, the groundbreaking and Emmy Award-winning series described as "a mesmerizing bit of biting satire, social commentary and just plain fun."

Guitarists Sergio and Odair Assad will perform on Tuesday, October 27, at 8 p.m. in the Newman Center. Described as "the most sensational of duo-guitarists," the Assad brothers are the leading guitar virtuosi of the day.

Performance artist Rinde Eckert will bring his act to Cooper Hall 101-102 on Wednesday, November 18. Eckert, who explores the boundaries between genius and madness, will act, sing and perform on several instruments.

Soprano Kimberly Hawkins will present the lecture-recital "From the Plantation to the Concert Hall: The History of the African-American Spiritual" on Wednesday, February 3, 1999, at 8 p.m. in the McComb Fieldhouse.

Urban Bush Women is one of the most exciting contemporary dance ensembles in the country. Their performance on Wednesday, February 15, at 8 p.m. in McComb Fieldhouse, will show how they use contemporary idioms and interdisciplinary art forms

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to create dance/theatre/music works rooted in the folklore and spiritual traditions of African-Americans.

One of today's premier big bands, Diva, which is composed solely of women musicians, will perform on Tuesday, March 2, at 8:00 p.m. in McComb Fieldhouse. Diva plays contemporary, mainstream big band jazz.

The Ying Quartet - David, Philip, Timothy and Janet Ying - will appear on Wednesday, March 24, at 8:00 p.m. in the Newman Center. This amazing string quartet is one of the most highly regarded young ensembles on the American music scene.

For information on Edinboro's Concert and Lecture Series, contact the cultural affairs office at (814) 732-2518.

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September 15, 1998

**NEWS ADVISORY:** 

#### EDINBORO CELEBRATES LATINO HERITAGE MONTH

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will celebrate Latino Heritage Month – September 15 through October 15 – with a series of cultural events in the University Center.

The opening ceremony will take place today, September 15, at 6 p.m. with a lecture by Allegheny College professor Fernando Valerio on "Post-Colonial Encounters in the Caribbean Diaspora: *Encancaranublado*," by Ana Lydia Vega.

Salsa music and dance lessons with Julio Quezada are scheduled for Thursday, September 24, at 6 p.m.

On Friday, October 2, Edinboro Spanish professor Judy Gramley and student Eva Jerome will make a brown bag presentation at noon featuring a video and slide show on the life and culture of Panama and Venezuela.

Students interested in developing a Latino student organization will meet on Tuesday, October 6, at 7 p.m.

The University's observance of Latino Heritage Month will conclude on Thursday, October 15, at 5 p.m. with a Piñata party.

For more information call the Office of Intercultural Relations at (814) 732-2912, or (814) 732-2768.

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September 16, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### MICHAEL MOORE AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

The opening of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's 1998-99 Concert and Lecture Series will present Michael Moore, producer and director of the landmark documentary film *Roger and Me*, on Wednesday, September 23, at 8 p.m. in McComb Fieldhouse.

Moore was also host and executive producer of *TV Nation*, the groundbreaking, satirical newsmagazine which won an Emmy as best informational series.

He first received national and international recognition in 1989 when he produced and directed *Roger and Me*. This was Moore's political satire about his quest to convince General Motors Chairman, Roger B. Smith, to visit Flint, Michigan and witness the devastation wrought by General Motors plant shutdowns. Moore was born in Flint where his father and most of his relatives worked in General Motors automobile factories. *Roger and Me* is the highest grossing documentary of all time and appeared on more than 100 "10 Best Films of the Year" lists – including those of Vincent Canby, Janet Maslin, Caryn James and Gene Siskel. A number of critics named the 1989 film one of the ten best films of the decade.

Moore is also the author of a book, *Downsize This: Random Threats from an Unarmed American*, which became a national bestseller. And he recently produced another documentary, *The Big One*, in which he visits nearly 50 cities trying to find a corporate CEO who can explain why, in spite of Wall Street's billion-dollar profits, thousands of U. S. workers continue to be laid off.

For more information on Moore's appearance, contact Edinboro's office of cultural affairs at (814) 732-2518.





September 21, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### EDINBORO UNIVERSITY AND ITS PRESIDENT COME TO WARREN

The University as a Neighbor Advisory Group of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania is sponsoring a reception for the community of Warren and surrounding areas to meet Dr. Frank Pogue, Edinboro's 15<sup>th</sup> president, and to introduce the University's 1998-99 priorities.

The event is scheduled for Tuesday, September 29, 4 to 6 p.m., at the Conewango Valley Country Club in Warren.

Four-time Olympic medalist Bruce Baumgartner, Edinboro University's athletic director, will also be on hand.

Hosting the reception are the members of the Warren-Corry Area Coordinating Council of the Edinboro University as a Neighbor Advisory Group: Jim Martin, president, Community Care Foundation, Warren General Hospital; Judy Schadt, managing director, Warren/Forest Higher Education Council; Deborah Roberts, executive director, Warren County Development Association; Edinboro alumnus Scott Campbell, president, Great Lakes Custom Graphics of Warren; Dave Sheneman, director of personnel and administration, Bradford Area School District, representing the Edinboro University Alumni Association; and emeritus professor Dr. Frank Johnson, past administrative director of Edinboro's former Warren Campus.

Meet President Pogue on September 29 and learn about today's and tomorrow's Edinboro University and higher education. For more information, contact Bill Reed, Edinboro's assistant vice president for media and community relations, 814-732-2745.

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September 22, 1988

### **NEWS ADVISORY**

Michael Moore, producer and director of the landmark documentary film *Roger and Me*, will be available to meet the media on Wednesday, September 23, at 7:30 p.m. in McComb Fieldhouse. He will lecture and present video clips from his work at 8:00 p.m.

Moore was also host and executive producer of *TV Nation*, the groundbreaking, satirical news magazine which won an Emmy as best informational series.

Following his lecture, there will be a reception and book signing with Moore at the Kilt in the University Center.

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September 22, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# SUSAN HEGEL APPOINTED AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Susan Hegel, CCC-SLP, joined the department of speech and communication studies at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania this fall as an assistant professor. She received a Ph.D. in speech-language pathology from the University of Oregon, an M.S. from Colorado State, and a B.S. from Kalamazoo College. Prior to her appointment at Edinboro, Dr. Hegel was a speech-language pathologist in the McMinnville, Oregon, schools.

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September 23, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### EDINBORO ANNOUNCES UNIVERSITY CENTER PROGRAMS

The University Center at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced its fall events for students and the public. Comedian John "Bagpipes" Johnston will bring his unique humor to the campus on Saturday, September 26, at 8 p.m. Johnston has been described as a blend of high-energy, stand-up comedy with a bagpipe twist of rock-and-roll.

The Joe DeJarnette Quintet will perform on Friday, October 9, at 8 p.m. in the University's Multipurpose Room, and magician Becky Blaney will display her bag of tricks on Saturday, November 7, at 8 p.m.

For more information on these events, contact Edinboro's University Center at 732-2768.

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September 24, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# EDINBORO PROFESSOR CHARLOTTE MOLRINE EARNS DOCTORATE

Charlotte Molrine, CCC-SLP, of the department of speech and communication studies at Edinboro University, received a Ph.D. in speech-language pathology from Kent State University. Her dissertation examined racial differences on tests of aphasia. She will present her findings at the 1998 convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association in San Antonio in September.

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September 24, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### TYLER SNYDER APPOINTED EDINBORO STUDENT TRUSTEE

Tyler Snyder of Titusville has been appointed by Governor Tom Ridge to serve as student representative to the Council of Trustees at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Snyder is a senior at Edinboro majoring in marketing.

In accepting the appointment, Snyder said he sees his new position as an opportunity to help the University. His interests are addressing student and faculty concerns and improving technology on campus through more computers and better application of software in classrooms. He is also interested in getting a first-hand look at the business of the University.

Snyder is president of Edinboro's business club and serves on the budget committee of the Student Government Association. He is minoring in political science and is a volunteer in the reelection campaign of state Rep. Scott Hutchinson. He is also a member of the University's marketing task force and its Commission on the Status of Women.

Student representatives to the 11-member Councils of Trustees at Pennsylvania's 14 state-owned universities are appointed by the Governor under provisions of Act 188 of 1982, the enabling legislation for the State System of Higher Education. They are appointed for four-year terms or until graduation.

Following graduation in May, Synder hopes to pursue an MBA degree or a career in industrial sales.

He is the son of Christine Snyder of Cooperstown and Gary Snyder of Titusville.

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September 24, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# CENTRAL STUDENTS TAKING CLASSES AT EDINBORO THROUGH PROJECT ECHO

Students from Erie's Central High School are taking a psychology course offered this semester by Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. What's different about this course is how it is presented – via live, interactive video conferencing.

From their classroom in Erie, the 19 Central High students are able to see and hear Edinboro professor Ronald Craig in his class in Butterfield Hall on the Edinboro campus. Both classes are equipped with microphones, cameras and monitors, connected by telephone lines. The result is one large, extended classroom which allows Central students to earn college credits from the convenience of their school, just as if they were in the Edinboro classroom in person.

The innovative program is a result of Project ECHO (Edinboro University Connection of High School Opportunities) between Edinboro and the School District of the City of Erie. ECHO is designed to use technology to bring together the University and the region's school districts. Its primary focus is the "Early Start" program which allows qualified students, such as those at Central, to take college courses for credit while still in high school. The students will have a head start on completing an associate or baccalaureate program at Edinboro or another institution.

For Craig, the class runs just as smoothly as any other class at Edinboro. With the video and audio connections, Craig said there is virtually no difference in teaching this class. "With the feedback we have from the Erie classroom, I can tell if something is not clear even in this format."

Edinboro's associate vice president for technology and communications, Andrew Lawlor, said Project ECHO was designed as a model for any school district to use. To help cover the cost of tuition for the Central students, the University and the school district have created scholarships

just for this pilot program. He said the University is already planning other courses to offer during spring semester. He hopes tuition can be reduced to make the program even more affordable to other school districts.

"The long-range plan is to enable the best students to obtain a significant amount of credits – up to 12 to 24 credits – while they are still in high school," said Lawlor. That will be enough credits to enter Edinboro as second semester freshmen."

Lawlor said Edinboro benefits because the brightest students will have an incentive to enroll at Edinboro having already have earned credits there.

Another part of Project ECHO has been the creation of "Preparing for the College Experience" a series of video tapes introducing students and their families to college life. The videos completed so far cover career opportunities, study skills, and applying to college, and are available to any school district involved in ECHO.

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September 25, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### ERIE'S BAYFRONT HISTORY SUBJECT OF PRESENTATIONS

The transformation of Erie's historic bayfront over the past century is the subject of a series of presentations at the Bayview Commons by faculty from the history department at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Through readings, personal memories and photographs, the presentations bring to life Erie's days as a leading fishing port, the Great Depression and World War II eras, and the more recent decades of economic and environmental change. "A Century of Change on Erie's BayFront" is presented by the Erie Maritime Museum and the Raymond M. Blasco, M.D., Memorial Library.

Professors Jerra Jenrette and Ronald Spiller will discuss "Women's Changing Roles" on Monday, September 28, from 1-3 p.m. Ihor Bemko will examine "Landscape/Environmental Change" on Monday, October 5, from 1-3 p.m. Joe Laythe will discuss "Recreation/Leisure/Tourism" on Monday, October 12, from 1-3 p.m. The final presentation, "Tales from the Water Front," will be made by Edinboro graduate Jeffrey Nelson on Monday, October 19, from 7:30-9 p.m., and will feature a few of Erie's historic maritime characters.

The events are free to the public but require registration. For more information call Chris Magoc at 452-2744.

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September 28, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### KENNETH BORLAND RECEIVES NATIONAL EDUCATOR AWARD

Kenneth Borland, principal of the Walnut Creek Middle School in Erie, has been chosen as a winner of a Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award. Borland is one of four Pennsylvania elementary school educators to receive the honor which includes a \$25,000 award.

Pennsylvania Secretary of Education Eugene W. Hickok notified Borland at his office at Walnut Creek where he has been principal since it opened six years ago.

"The creativity and innovation that these exceptional teachers bring to the classroom benefit their students immeasurably," Hickok said. "These educators richly deserve the recognition of the Milken Foundation for their unique contributions to students and the teaching profession."

Borland taught at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania in the educational services department and holds a master's degree in secondary school administration and a secondary school administration certification from Edinboro. He was principal at J.S. Wilson Middle School prior to taking the position at Walnut Creek.

Borland's award will be presented at the Milken Family Foundation National Education Conference next June in California. Pennsylvania's four winners also will be honored at an awards banquet this November in Harrisburg.

The Milken Educator Awards program began 13 years ago in California and now includes 38 states. Nationally, the Milken Family Foundation has awarded \$33.3 million since the program's inception, including \$550,000 in Pennsylvania.

The award winners were selected based on strict criteria including: distinguished achievement in developing innovative curricula, programs and/or teaching methods; outstanding ability to instill in students character and self-confidence, and the understanding of the direct bearing that education has in their lives; a commitment to professional development; and exemplary and innovative use of education technology in teaching and learning.



September 28, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### ACQUAINTANCE RAPE TOPIC OF EDINBORO THEATRE PROGRAM

In response to concern about acquaintance rape on college campuses, the wellness program at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will present *PlayRights*, an interactive theatre program, on Thursday, October 8, in the University Center. Performances will be at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Acquaintance rape has been a hot topic among college students in recent years due to a number of alarming statistics:

- Acquaintance rape is more common than heart attacks, alcoholism or even lefthandedness.
- Women aged 16-24 are the most likely victims.
- 25 percent of college women have been victims of rape or attempted rape.
- Approximately 90 percent knew their attacker.
- Almost one-third of sexual assault victims suffer from rape trauma syndrome at some point.
- Symptoms may include depression, suicidal thoughts or attempts, and alcohol or other drug abuse.

PlayRights uses educational theater to explore these topics and more. It challenges common misconceptions about rape and provides practical information about legal, medical and community options available to rape victims, how alcohol and other drugs are often used to increase vulnerability, risk-education techniques, and ways for students of both genders to support victims and work to end rape.

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"All of this is very important," said Wellness Coordinator Mary Anne Weiner. "Violence and victimization affect all of us, both personally and as a community. We need to become more aware of ways to deal with it effectively."

Presented in a lively, entertaining format, *PlayRights* follows the lives of four college students, all friends, who react to a night that included alcohol, flirtation and a conflicting story. In the course of the program, audience members will have the opportunity to ask the characters questions in order to understand what they are thinking and feeling and to ascertain what happened during the night in question. Professional actors from the Philadelphia area – all college students – play the roles convincingly and with the understanding of the college experience.

PlayRights was developed by Equalogy, Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to expanding awareness and promoting social change around issues of equality. Members of Equalogy have more than 55 years of experience in the fields of violence and sexual assault, including direct work experience in rape crisis centers.

For more information, contact the wellness program at (814) 732-2839.



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#### ELAYNE MORPHY SERVING HARRISBURG INTERNSHIP

Elayne Morphy of Erie, a senior psychology major at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, is one of 15 students participating in The Harrisburg Internship Semester (THIS) program this fall. She is working for state Rep. Ronald W. Cowell, D-Allegheny, and the House Education Committee as part of the 15-week THIS program sponsored by the State System of Higher Education.

THIS provides students the opportunity to work in all areas of state government while earning a full semester's worth of credits. The semester-long program invites students from each of the 14 State System universities to participate.

Morphy, who is a 1973 graduate of St. Benedict's Academy, and the other students participating in the program will attend several academic seminars during their fall semester internships. Each of the students also will complete an individualized research project as part of the program requirements.

More than 100 students from State System universities have participated in THIS since the program began in 1989, gaining valuable insight into the workings of state government at the policy-making level. Interns have worked with dozens of state agencies, as well as in the offices of the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives and the attorney general.

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