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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS
CO-AUTHORED ARTICLE FOR *PALEOBIOLOGY***

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania professors co-authored an article published in the February, 1998 issue of the international journal *Paleobiology*. "Morphologic Change in the Clawed Lobster Hoploparia (Nephropidae) from the Cretaceous of Antarctica," was co-authored by Edinboro University professors Dale Tshudy, geosciences department, and Ulf Sorhannus, biology, and Tomasz Baumiller, museum of paleontology at University of Michigan.

Their article reports on an unusually complete fossil record of 65-75 million-year-old lobsters from Antarctica. This fossil record has enabled the authors to examine, in detail, evolutionary change in these ancient crustaceans.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

JOHN P. BECKLEY TO LECTURE AT EDINBORO

Black inventor and metalsmith John P. Beckley will conduct a bronze pour and lecture at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania on Wednesday, March 11, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. in Loveland Hall Annex.

After three decades as a pharmacist, Beckley gave up the practice in 1993 to pursue his interest in sculpture. He invented a portable electric furnace which allows him to cast up to 10 pounds of bronze at home using a normal 120 volt/20 amp electrical outlet. Beckley has conducted workshops across the United States on his casting methods and on his "Afro-Centric" art works.

Beckley will also give a slide talk on bronze casting at 8:45 p.m. in Doucette Hall 119. Both events are free and open to the public. For further information call (814) 732-2406.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO PROFESSOR PUBLISHES POEM

Dr. Timothy N. Thompson, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania speech and communication studies professor and director of the Edinboro Highland Games, has authored a poem published in *The Family Tree*, an international genealogical publication of Scottish heritage.

Thompson's poem, titled "Tree of Being," has become a signature poem for this national magazine. Beth Gay, editor of *The Family Tree*, writes "Dr. Thompson has written a poem that is perfect for us. It will be in every issue of this publication."

The Family Tree is published by the Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library in Moultrie, Georgia and distributes 70,500 copies bimonthly.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

AUTHOR, COLUMNIST LISA JONES TO SPEAK AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Best-selling author and award-winning *Village Voice* columnist Lisa Jones will appear at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Memorial Auditorium on Tuesday, March 10 at 8 p.m. Jones is the author of *Bulletproof Diva: Tales of Race, Sex and Hair*, and co-authored three books with film director Spike Lee including *Do the Right Thing*.

Jones has been a staff writer at the *Village Voice* since 1990. Her column "Skin Trade" on race and the politics of style, appears monthly. She also contributes to the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, *Mirabella*, *Vibe* and *Essence*.

The graduate of Yale University was born on New York's lower east side to a Black nationalist father and a Jewish intellectual mother. She has never been one to accept the passive role of "tragic mulatto." She has, instead, chosen to wear her mixed heritage with bold and unabashed flair. The opening essay of *Bulletproof Diva*, for instance, is entitled: "How I Invented Multiculturalism" – an achievement Jones considers her true claim to fame. In another column she imagines a calling card for herself that would read something like this: "My mother is white. And I, as you may or may not have figured out, am black. This is how I choose to define myself and this is how America chooses to define me. I have no regrets about my racial classification other than to lament, off and on, that classifications exist period."

Hip, fresh and uproarious, Jones offers audiences a raw, razor-sharp look at what it means to be Black and female at the end of the twentieth century. Her presentation at Edinboro will be based on *Bulletproof Diva*, a collection of 37 short pieces and six long essays from her column.

Her appearance is part of Edinboro's Concert and Lecture Series. For more information, contact the Cultural Affairs office at (814) 732-2518.

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March 5, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

JODY GALLAGHER APPOINTED ASSISTANT DEAN OF EDUCATION

Jody B. Gallagher of Edinboro has been named assistant dean of education at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Prior to her appointment she was assistant to the dean of education at Edinboro.

In her new position Gallagher will help students seeking teacher certification, assist non-traditional graduates plan their courses of study, and supervise testing for the national teacher exam. She will also work with faculty and departments on academic advising issues.

Her doctoral dissertation for the doctorate in adult education from the Pennsylvania State University focused on the learning styles of traditional and non-traditional students. Her study revealed that age alone did not account for significant differences in learning styles. However, age and other factors such as gender and ethnicity within and between the age groups did make a difference.

Gallagher earned a bachelor of arts degree in speech communications from Edinboro in 1982 and a master's degree in student personnel services from Edinboro in 1983.

Her career began as a rehabilitation counselor for Vocational Rehabilitation Services in Erie, before she joined the Lake Erie Institute of Rehabilitation where she served in a number of positions including director of program management. She was appointed assistant to Edinboro's dean of education in 1988.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY DRAMATIC ACTIVITIES
PRESENTS *WHOSE LIFE IS IT ANYWAY?***

Dramatic Activities of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will present the British play, *Whose Life Is it Anyway?* by Brian Clark. Focusing on the battle between life and death, the play portrays a conflict between a hospital and a patient with the wish to die. The play opens with the central character in a hospital recovering from a near fatal car accident which leaves him paralyzed from the neck down. He is kept alive with medical technology.

The show begins at 8:15 p.m. in the Diebold Center for the Performing Arts. Opening night is Monday, March 9. The show runs nightly, March 10-14. Tickets are \$1.00 or free with an Edinboro University ID. Call the Edinboro University department of English and theatre arts at 814-732-2736 for more information or reservations.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY TO HOST DISABILITY HOUSING FORUM

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will host a public forum on disability-related housing issues, Thursday, April 2, 3-6 p.m. at the University Center. The forum will be conducted by Governor Tom Ridge's Disability Policy Team's Housing Work Group.

The group is interested in learning about barriers faced by persons with disabilities such as discrimination, access to affordable capital to purchase and/or modify homes, and information on successful local programs that can be recreated in other parts of the state. The group is especially interested in hearing from people with disabilities, their families, service providers, and other human service and housing industry representatives.

From the comments of those attending the forum, the Housing Work Group will be able to recommend administrative, regulatory and legislative changes to state policy makers. The group is looking to learn which housing needs are being met and what can be done to make improvements.

The Edinboro site is one of only five in the state – and the only one in northwestern Pennsylvania – where the forums will be held. The other locations are Scranton, Harrisburg, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. Edinboro President Dr. Frank G. Pogue made the school's University Center available to the Housing Work Group for the forum. The University is also providing interpreters for the hearing impaired.

Forum participants will be asked to speak for up to 10 minutes about policies, programs and solutions that are relevant to persons with disabilities. To register, call (717) 789-3874 by March 20. The TTY number is (717) 780-1869.

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March 6, 1998

MEDIA ADVISORY:

Lisa Jones, columnist for the Village Voice and best-selling author, will be available to meet with the media backstage at Memorial Auditorium prior to her appearance at Edinboro University which will begin at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10. If you would like to conduct a phone interview with Jones at another time, please contact the public relations office at 732-2745 to make arrangements.

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Vickie Babcock and Chi Flynn, of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's social work club, present a check to Carol Vanchieri, a child advocate for Horizon House in Union City. The \$125 check was presented in memory of Flynn's former roommate, Sherri Moshier of Roulette, Pa., who died November 18, 1997, following a traffic accident. Babcock, president of the club, said the money was raised through a collection. Flynn said Horizon House was chosen because Moshier would have wanted the money to go to an organization that helped women and children. Horizon House is a domestic abuse shelter.



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March 9, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO STUDENTS WIN ANIMATION AWARD

Four students majoring in animation at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania were part of an award-winning team at the World Animation Celebration held February 16-21 in Pasadena, California. Competing against some 2000 other animators in the all-day Animation Marathon, the Edinboro students received the award for best story for their 40-second film *Melting Pot Luck*. Only four other awards were handed out for the competition.

Representing Edinboro were Steven Anne from Rochester, NY; Christy Brunner from Herminie, Pa.; Kim Burkholder from McKees Rocks, Pa.; and Tricia Kingston from Buffalo, NY. All are seniors.

The second annual World Animation Celebration attracted 35,000 animation enthusiasts from around the world to a week-long series of screenings, symposiums, seminars and competitions.

The Animation Marathon was held on Monday, February 16. The Edinboro group was teamed with five other animation students from British Columbia, California and Virginia. The teams were assigned to create a 30-second segment about cultural diversity. The Edinboro group's idea was that everyone brings something to the table of life.

"We all did a little bit of everything, said Brunner. "Coloring, character animation and cel animation." The result was a 40-second work of more than 250 frames. The group had to wait until the awards ceremony on Saturday to learn how their creation did. When their winning film was announced their reaction was one of surprise. "We just sat there for a couple of seconds," said Anne, and we looked at each other and Christy said, 'We won.' Then we all went up on stage to receive our award."

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The other categories were best overall sequence, best use of color, best character design, and best animation. This was the second year for the Marathon and also the second time an Edinboro student was part of a winning team. Last year, Jennifer Reinhardt of Gettysburg received an award for best all-around film.

Anne is a graduate of Greece Olympia High School, Brunner graduated from Yough High School, Burkholder attended Sto-Rox High School, and Kingston is a graduate of Williamsville South High School.

Another incentive to attend the Celebration was the job fair where dozens of animation studios were represented. All of the Edinboro students will graduate this year and are looking for jobs in the animation field. Among the studios represented at the Celebration were DreamWorks, Warner Bros., Jim Henson, Pixar, Disney, Universal, HBO, and Film Roman.

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Standing left to right: Tricia Kingston, Kim Burkholder, Steven Anne.
Seated: Christy Brunner.



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March 10, 1998

NEWS ADVISORY

Democratic candidates for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Arlen Specter will square off in a public debate at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania this Saturday, March 14, at 8 p.m. in Cooper Hall 101. The candidates who have committed to participate in the debate are Dr. Richard Cusick and state representative Bill Lloyd. A third candidate, Richard Orloski, has not yet committed.

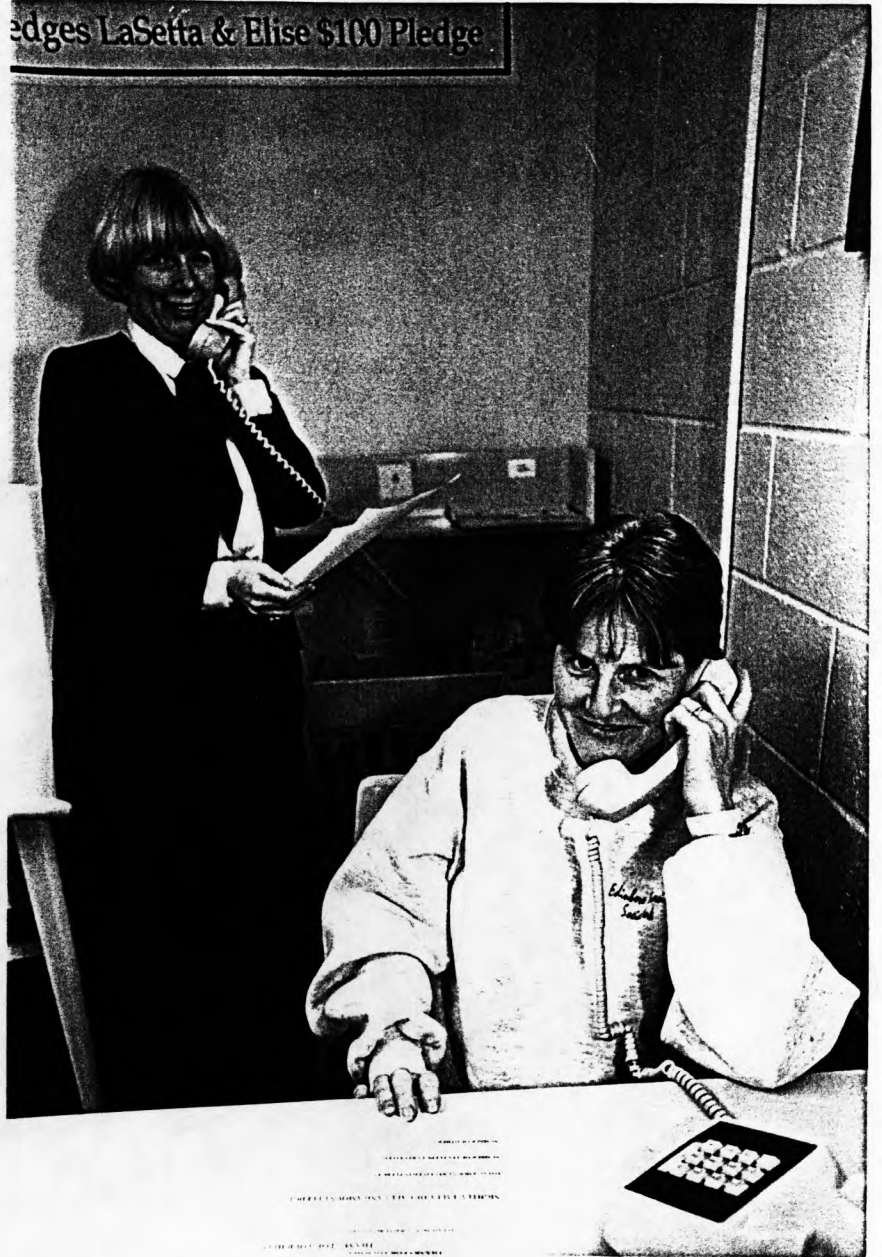
Moderating the debate will be Dr. Ron Spiller from Edinboro's history department. The candidates will be questioned by a panel of journalists. The debate is sponsored by the University's Young Liberals club.

For more information, contact Dr. Joseph Laythe at (814) 732-2572.

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Shirley Johnson, left, and Darlene Lang prepare for the Campaign for Independence Phonathon sponsored by the Edinboro University of Pennsylvania Social Work Club. The phonathon, which runs April 13-22, will raise money for the Gertrude Barber Center – Girard Campus. Johnson is the Center's coordinator of rehabilitation and Lang is a member of the Social work Club and a senior at Edinboro.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO TO HOST AIDS LECTURE

Joel Goldman and T.J. Sullivan, former fraternity brothers at Indiana University, will bring their program, "Friendship in the Age of AIDS," to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Memorial Auditorium on Monday, April 6, at 8 p.m.

Goldman, now 34, has the HIV virus which causes AIDS. Their presentation centers around his experiences as a fraternity member and the risks he took mixing unprotected sex and alcohol. Sullivan, 29, teaches students about alcohol's effect on decision-making, the workings of the HIV virus, and ways students can reduce risk and prevent infection.

In addition to challenging stereotypes about AIDS, Goldman and Sullivan are teaching students how to reduce their own risk of HIV infection and the risk of their friends. They travel full time with their program to more than 100 campuses each academic year. In so doing, "Friendship in the Age of AIDS" has become one of the most popular programs on the nation's college circuit. Since the pair began traveling in 1993, more than 350,000 students have seen the program which blends humor and real-life college scenarios to drive the prevention message home to the college audience.

"This is our generation's Viet Nam," Sullivan said. "We are going to be losing our friends if we don't get busy and start protesting. We have to make sure our campuses, and our friends, are dealing realistically with this issue."

Although this is not the first AIDS awareness presentation for most of the students in the audience, Sullivan believes it's the one that will stick with them. The program often resembles a comedy concert, using blunt language and adult themes to capture the audience's attention.

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“These students really don’t expect to laugh this hard at an AIDS program,” Sullivan said. “It doesn’t take students long to realize that we’re not your typical AIDS educators. And, I think that’s why students listen and learn something from us.”

“Friendship in the Age of AIDS” is the first event in the University’s observance of AIDS Awareness Week which runs April 14-17. It is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, the Erie County Department of Health, Edinboro University’s Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils, and Edinboro’s wellness program.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

JAMES PROPERTIES MAKES EDINBORO SCHOLARSHIP DONATION

Mike Redlawsk, president of James Properties, Inc., has announced the addition of a \$10,000 contribution to the James Properties Scholarship at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Redlawsk established the scholarship in 1991. Since then, approximately \$50,000 has been contributed to the fund.

The scholarship is awarded through the University to sophomores, juniors or seniors who have a minimum QPA of 3.3. Priority is given to a resident of a building managed by James Properties. Applications are available at the James Properties Office located at Darrow Place Apartments.

Redlawsk, a native of Mechanicsburg, Pa., came to Edinboro University in 1979 and started in business less than three years later. His first property was a two-unit house. His first big purchase was 48 units behind College Park Apartments.

"I benefited from living in Edinboro and attending the University," Redlawsk said. "It makes sense to continue to support the University. The scholarship is a direct way of supporting students."

Redlawsk said the goal of James Properties, Inc., is to continue to increase the scholarship every year by \$10,000. James Properties, Inc., also contributed \$10,000 to the University's recent Clock Tower project.

Redlawsk began James Properties, Inc., in 1982, which has since grown to become one of the area's largest managers of apartment properties, housing more than 1,200 students a year in 450 units. He credited the business' success to its emphasis on providing safe, quality housing for Edinboro students.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY BRINGS AREA COLLEGES TOGETHER
FOR TELECONFERENCE ON STUDENT ALCOHOL USE**

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will host the national teleconference *Solutions For Reducing High-Risk Alcohol Use in the College Community*, on Monday, March 30, at 2:00 p.m. at the Porreco Center in Erie. Healthy Lifestyles, an inter-university committee composed of representatives from Edinboro University, Gannon University, Mercyhurst College, and Penn State Behrend, has been formed to address alcohol use in the college community.

Currently ranked the number one problem on campus by college presidents across the country, student alcohol abuse is responsible for over 40 percent of academic difficulties and numerous acts of campus crime and violence – even deaths.

The Healthy Lifestyles committee, which includes representatives from student affairs, public relations and health and wellness, is in the process of developing a concrete action plan, including a full-scale public relations campaign supported by innovative college/university-wide programming on each of the respective campuses. Their goal is to provide opportunities for students to participate in activities, events and programs that positively impact their lives and encourage the selection of healthy alternatives when it comes to extra and co-curricular activity.

Ten representatives from each college will participate in this teleconference which will explore the characteristics and implications of high-risk drinking, examine which types of practices and policies help reduce or change high-risk behaviors; and relate what steps are required to develop an effective program at each institution.

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March 16, 1998

NEWS ADVISORY

Students from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will continue their commitment to community service and learning through the third annual Alternative Spring Break Project. During the week of March 23-28, more than a dozen students will take part in a series of community service projects:

- On Monday, March 23, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Edinboro students will assist teachers in the classrooms of the Gertrude Barber Center.
- On Tuesday, March 24, they will work in the food pantry of the Emmaus Soup Kitchen from 8 to 11 a.m. and prepare and serve dinner from 2 to 5:30 p.m.
- On Wednesday, March 25, they will work at Community Shelter Services from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- On Thursday, March 26, they will be at the Hospitality House from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- On Friday, March 27, the students will work all day on projects in the Edinboro community.

Supervising the spring break project is Dr. Denise Finazzo. The University's spring break begins Thursday, March 19, and ends Monday, March 30. For further information, contact the Edinboro University Public Relations Office.

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March 17, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SURVEY REVEALS HIGH STUDENT SATISFACTION AT EDINBORO

A recent survey of more than 800 first-year students at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania shows the students believe the University is committed to academic excellence, with a majority rating the instruction in their major as "excellent."

The student satisfaction inventory asked students their opinion about Edinboro's performance in five broad areas: academic environment, living environment, social climate, recruitment and financial aid, and concern for the individual. Throughout the survey, Edinboro student expectations were greater than student expectations at the national level.

Nine out of ten students feel Edinboro is committed to academic excellence and rate the quality of instruction as very good, with more than half ranking instruction as excellent. Ninety-five percent said faculty are approachable and found their instructors to be knowledgeable about requirements in their major.

In addition, students reported feeling welcome on campus. Sixty percent of them indicated Edinboro was their top college choice, and 71 percent said they would attend Edinboro again if they were to start over. They also feel Edinboro provides a safe and secure campus and their overall campus experience is enjoyable.

"Edinboro University is interested in listening to students to determine what aspects of the University are important to them as well as how satisfied they are with them" said Dr. Jerry Kiel, Edinboro's associate vice president for enrollment, management and retention. "The results of the student satisfaction inventory will assist the University in pinpointing its strengths and areas in need of improvement."

Edinboro University is one of 14 schools in the State System of Higher Education. The survey is a result of the State System adopting a strategic plan, Imperatives of the Future, which calls for enhanced accountability and communication efforts.



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NEWS ADVISORY

More than 2,200 students from 26 public and private schools are expected to take part in the Erie County Eighth Grade Safe and Drug-free Conference, "Drug Free You & Me," on Thursday, March 19, at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's McComb Fieldhouse, 9:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Following welcoming remarks from Edinboro University President Frank G. Pogue at 9:45 a.m., a group of teens in recovery from the ABRAXAS Learning Center will speak. Rich Jessup, director of sports outreach at Family First Sports Park will speak on "Teammates" at 10:10 a.m.

Following the remarks, students will attend a series of workshops and lunch from 10:40 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

The afternoon keynote speaker at 12:25 p.m. will be Drew Brown, a nationally-acclaimed author and motivational speaker who has appeared on *Today*, *Live Regis and Kathie Lee*, and *Donahue*. The former navy pilot will speak on "Education + Hard Work - Drugs = The American Dream."

The goals of the conference are to provide the students with the knowledge and skills needed to make good decisions in the future, to make the students aware that there are consequences for their actions, to help students learn about positive alternatives to drug and alcohol use, and to help them make personal goals which will bring success in their futures.

Among the schools expected to attend are Westlake, Roosevelt, Rice Avenue, Strong Vincent, J.W. Parker, J.S. Wilson, Wayne, Walnut Creek, Woodrow Wilson, Northwestern, Holy Family, Villa Maria, Our Lady of Peace, Our Lady's Christian, St. Luke, St. John the Baptist, St. George, St. Stan's, St. Gregory's, Mount Calvary, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Community Country Day School, St. Boniface, Luther Memorial, Holy Rosary, Sacred Heart and St. John's.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

TODD JAY NAMED EDINBORO'S ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Dr. Frank G. Pogue today announced the appointment of Todd V. Jay to the post of University associate athletic director.

Jay has been employed at Edinboro University since 1985, initially as director of sports information and promotions, a position he held for 10 years. From May 1995 to March 1997, he was assistant to the vice president for athletic compliance and publicity, and, most recently, the coordinator of articulation and community recruitment in the University's Enrollment Management and Retention Division.

"I am delighted to make the announcement that Todd Jay is our new associate athletic director," said Pogue. "Todd's primary interest is and always has been Edinboro athletics, and he and the University have made a tremendous investment in each other over the years."

Pogue said that although there were several outstanding candidates interviewed for the position, he believes that the choice of Todd Jay is the right choice for these times.

"We take internal candidates very seriously at Edinboro University; when you have good people inside an organization, you try to keep them," Pogue said. "Bruce Baumgartner and Todd Jay will make an outstanding team to lift Edinboro athletics to the next level."

Pogue expressed appreciation to Dr. Naomi Johnson, Edinboro's vice president for student affairs and student success, the search committee, the Student Affairs Department faculty, and to the entire Edinboro University community for a job well done.

"I knew of Todd's love for athletics since I first met him, which is equaled only by his caring and attention for our student athletes," said Johnson, "and the experience he gained working with the faculty and deans over the past year will be of even greater benefit for the student athletes."

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Baumgartner, whom Pogue made permanent athletic director last month, said that Jay knows all aspects of Edinboro's Athletic Department.

"Todd has a love of sports and a great respect for coaches and student athletes. His experience in several challenging positions, as well as his expertise in compliance, major event and camp coordination, and fund raising gives him outstanding knowledge and a unique perspective about how a university and its athletic programs should function," said Baumgartner.

Jay earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a master's degree in communication at Clarion University of Pennsylvania. He continues to serve on several University-wide committees, and holds leadership positions in the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. He is also a member of the Edinboro Community YMCA Advisory Board.

"I particularly enjoyed the opportunity President Pogue gave me during the last year to 'take off my athletic blinders,' so to speak, and broaden my perspective on University initiatives to enhance student enrollment and retention priorities," said Jay.

"I'm thrilled about the opportunity to serve Edinboro University in such a key and important role. It is truly an honor to have been selected by President Pogue to work with Bruce in an athletic program of which we all can be proud," Jay said.

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EDINBORO NAMED TOP 100 SCHOOL

For the third year in a row, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has been listed as one of the top 100 schools in the nation which offer students the best opportunity to maximize their education. The 15th edition of *Rugg's Recommendations on the Colleges* made its selections based on interviews with more than 900 secondary school counselors who were asked to identify colleges which gave students the best chance to gain from their education.

The directory is published by Frederick E. Rugg, a graduate of Brown University who has 20 years of experience as director of secondary school counseling programs.

Edinboro is listed in the book under "One Hundred Colleges...Just Dam Good Schools." Rugg said, "I hear more nice things about these schools than any others. This is the most valuable list in the book."

Other Pennsylvania schools joining Edinboro on the list include Allegheny College, Delaware Valley College, Haverford College, Juniata College, Moravian College, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Pittsburgh, Susquehanna University, and Washington and Jefferson College.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

AUTHOR ESMERALDA SANTIAGO TO SPEAK AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Esmeralda Santiago, author of *When I was Puerto Rican* and *America's Dream*, will speak at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's University Center on Monday, April 6, at 7:30 p.m. She will discuss the topic of "When I Was Puerto Rican" and her experiences as she made the transition from her native Puerto Rico to America.

"When I returned to Puerto Rico after living in New York for seven years," said Santiago, "I was told I was no longer Puerto Rican because my Spanish was rusty, my gaze was too direct and my personality too assertive for a Puerto Rican woman. I felt I was as Puerto Rican as when I left the island, but to those who had never left, I was contaminated by Americanisms, and therefore had become less than Puerto Rican."

But because of her dark skin and heavily accented English, she also felt foreign and non-American. She wrote the book as a way of regaining the feeling she had before immigrating to New York.

The *Los Angeles Times* Book Review said: "Santiago's autobiographical account cinematically recaptures her past and her island culture. What is particularly appealing about Santiago's story is the insight it offers to readers unaware of the double bind Puerto Rican Americans find themselves in: the identity of conflict. Is (she) black or white? Is she rural or urban? Even more importantly, is she Puerto Rican or is she American?"

Santiago's lecture is free and open to the public. Her appearance at Edinboro is supported by a grant from the State System of Higher Education's office of social equity.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**NO INCREASE IN ROOM, BOARD AND FEES NEXT YEAR
AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY**

Good news for students at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania! The University's Council of Trustees voted unanimously at their last quarterly meeting to hold costs for room, board and fees for the 1998-99 academic year at the same prices the students paid in 1997-98.

Semester room rates for the fall 1998 semester will stay at \$997 (per person, two to a room), or \$1,994 for the year.

Board costs, using the 14-meal plan as the standard, will remain at \$840 for the semester, or \$1,680 per year.

Major fees, which all students must pay, also remain unchanged and include the University Center assessment fee at \$64 per semester/\$128 per year, health center fee at \$50/\$100, and the student activity fee at \$75/\$150.

The instructional service fee charged to full-time students (those taking 12-18 credits per semester) is calculated at 10 percent of tuition. While individual fees and room and board are set by each institution in the 14-university State System of Higher Education, tuition is set by the State System's Board of Governors and is the same for all 14 schools. The Board usually sets tuition rates at their summer meeting preceding the new academic year.

Full-time undergraduate tuition for Pennsylvania resident students last year was \$1,734 per semester or \$3,468 per year, which calculated the instructional service fee at \$173.40 per semester and \$346.80 per year.

While this fee cannot be set until tuition costs are established in Harrisburg this summer, indications are that the Board is considering no increase in resident tuition for the 1998-99 academic year.

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“The decision by Edinboro’s Council of Trustees to approve my recommendation to hold the line on fees and room and board costs remains consistent with our mission to provide access to a high quality, affordable education in a caring and supportive environment,” said Edinboro University President Frank G. Pogue. “When we serve our students well, we serve all of Pennsylvania well, and I believe that the thoughtful decision of our trustees is reflective of their concern about rising college costs nationwide.”

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

ANIMATOR LYNN TOMLINSON TO APPEAR AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Independent experimental animator Lynn Tomlinson will appear at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania on Thursday, April 2, to conduct a seminar and show her work. The seminar on experimental animation will take place at 3:30 p.m. in room G-9 of Doucette Hall. At 8:30 p.m. she will show and discuss her creations in room 119 Doucette. Both events are free and open to the public.

Tomlinson specializes in an unusual animation technique known as clay-painting or clay-on-glass animation. By spreading colored modeling clay on a light table, she creates images that are vibrant, tactile, and colorful – like moving finger paintings or animated stained glass. She directs her own animation production company, Summer Kitchen Studio, located on rolling farmland west of Philadelphia.

In 1995, the Independent Television Service selected Summer Kitchen Studio to produce a series of short educational spots for children's public television. Tomlinson created five 30-second clay-on-glass animated spots which are now broadcast nationally on PBS stations. She recently created two spots for *Sesame Street* and the Children's Television Workshop, and was profiled in *Philadelphia Magazine's* "Thirty Under Thirty" issue.

Tomlinson began animating as an undergraduate majoring in English at Cornell University. She continued her studies in animation at the University of the Arts, earning a master's degree. She also received an MA from the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg School for Communication. Her first film, *I Heard a Fly Buzz When I Died*, a stirring and eerie interpretation of a poem by Emily Dickinson, went on to win the animation prize at the Ann Arbor Film Festival, director's choice in the Black Maria Festival, and several other awards. It

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appears on PBS stations and the BRAVO cable network, and is included on a video collection entitled *Animation of the Apocalypse*.

Her work for WHYY TV-12 received a 1994 Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award for outstanding promotional announcement, a Broadcast Design Association international bronze award, and a PBS national advertising and promotion award. *The Yellow Wallpaper* won a Corporation for Public Broadcasting Gold Award for special achievement in television programming, a Cine Golden Eagle, and an Emmy nomination for technical achievement.

Tomlinson teaches animation at the University of the Arts. She has directed workshops and presented her films as a visiting artist at Harvard University, Cornell University, and in a variety of public and private schools through the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts' arts in education program. She was an animation judge for the University Film and Video Association Festival, and curated an international animation show called *Life Cycles/Life Lines*, including several Oscar-nominated animated shorts, as a part of the 1995 Philadelphia Festival of World Cinema. She is currently working on a film called *Ripe*.



Students from the nursing program at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania took part recently in the Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies Day at the Tops Super Center on West 26th Street in Erie. The event was sponsored by the Northwest Pa. Chapter of the March of Dimes and co-hosted by radio station STAR 104. Pictured from left are Christeylynn Curtis from Erie, nursing professor Jan Newcamp, Peggy Bard of Fairview, Denise Schlabach of Erie, Dana Stranko of Latrobe, Rachel Tripp of Corry, Stephanie Grolemond of Wattsburg, Jamie Miller of Springboro, Ellen Schauerman of Millcreek, Lisa Kocon of Girard, Mandy MacNabb of Edinboro and Peggy Massung of Cochran. The students provided information on nutrition, women's health issues, and child safety and health issues.

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EDINBORO ARTIST RACHAEL HARPER'S WORKS SELECTED BY COMPETITION

The 1998 Open Studios Competition for mid-Atlantic Painters has selected two works by Edinboro University of Pennsylvania art professor Rachael Harper for publication in *New American Paintings*. Of 500 artists who submitted paintings for the competition, only 54 were chosen. Harper's works are "Nostalgia," a 60" x 54" oil on canvas, and "Generation to Generation," a 72" x 60" oil on canvas.

Harper said she is attracted by things that symbolize a connection to the past, and to other people. "I select precious objects that have been handed down from generation to generation, with history and stories attached. None of the objects in my paintings are things that I own, but they evoke memories of my most valued relationships."

Harper has had her paintings displayed at the Lowe Gallery in Atlanta, the Butler Art Institute, the Carnegie Museum of Art, Chautauqua Art Institute of American Art, and the Erie Art Museum. She earned an MFA degree at Miami University and a BFA degree from Western Kentucky University. She has been a member of the Edinboro University art faculty since 1990.

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EDINBORO STUDENTS TOUR MOROCCO

During the Islamic holy month of Ramadan, students from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania were able to get an intimate look at the exotic and sometimes contradictory nation of Morocco. Led by Edinboro philosophy professor James Munro, the eight Edinboro students toured five Moroccan cities and a small Berber village in the Atlas Mountains.

The students were Kim Daniels of Corry, Julie Fleckenstein of Punxsutawney, Joseph Kodnovich of Stroudsburg, Kerryn Maas of Cambridge Springs, Jill Mascharka of Erie, Keith McGuire of Edinboro, Lisa Mullenax of Hartstown, and Lorrie Wride of Meadville.

Over the years, Edinboro has developed close ties to Morocco through Dr. Abdellatif Kriem, advisor to Morocco's ruler, King Hassan II. He was instrumental in forging an academic linkage between Edinboro and Morocco in 1993. Kriem's daughter, Maya, graduated from Edinboro with bachelor's and master's degrees in communications. Another daughter, Firdawz, is now attending Edinboro.

The first five days of the trip were spent in the capital city of Rabat, which, like most Moroccan cities, is really two cities in one: the newer French section of avenues, modern homes and suburbs; and the medieval Arabic city or medina: a labyrinth of small streets and shops contained within ancient walls. While in Rabat they visited the Casbah museums and Chellah, a 14th century fortification housing the Merenid Tombs. They met with Dr. Kreim who lectured on Islam, Morocco's place in the Islamic world, and the status of Islamic women.

"During our stay in Rabat," said Munro, "we entered Ramadan, the month of fasting. We were privileged to visit three homes in Rabat for the breaking of the fast at sundown and for the traditional evening feast which follows."

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In the northern coastal city of Tangier they learned more of the country's relationship with Europe which lies just across the straits of Gibraltar. From there they were able to see the Rock of Gibraltar.

The group also spent a day in Fes, one of the four greatest medieval medinas in the world, and the most important center of arts and crafts in Morocco. Dating from the 9th century, the medina is a maze of tiny streets with a population of 450,000. They witnessed craftsmen making jewelry, carpets, pottery, bronzes and many other items. And they met an Oxford professor of architecture from Morocco who is restoring a Moroccan palace within the medina.

Three days among the palms and rose-colored buildings of Marrakesh revealed the famous square of Djemaa El-Fna with its dense crowds enjoying story-tellers, food stalls, fortune tellers, dancers, music and snake charmers. Their Berber guide led them to several palaces, gardens, and the Saadian Tombs. Munro said much of the population is Berber.

The last day of the trip was spent in Casablanca, the nation's main port and largest city. It is also the site of the recently completed Great Mosque of Hassan II, which is one of the largest mosques in the Islamic world.

Munro said the students went through a transition in their understanding of Moroccan culture. They began with many stereotypes and myths about the Middle East and Africa, but emerged with a more sophisticated understanding of a complex and contradictory society made up of French colonial, Berber and Arab influences.

"The Moroccans are a deeply religious people struggling to modernize yet remaining politically monarchical, rather economically backward, and socially patriarchal," said Munro. "Nevertheless, the students understood that Morocco seems to be trying to establish a moderate, tolerant Islamic nation."

March 3, 1998

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Glenroy Haskins, 4150 N. Darien St., Philadelphia, was recently named the recipient of a Board of Governors Scholarship.

The Board of Governors Scholarship is offered annually to students who have exhibited academic promise and who plan to be enrolled full time (12 credits or greater) during the term of the award. It has a maximum value of the cost of tuition.

Glenroy is the son of Mamie Haskins. He is a graduate of Girard College.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Brandy Henderson, 125 Elmington Drive, Indiana, was recently named the recipient of the Russell M. Wood Accounting Scholarship.

This scholarship provides an annual award to an incoming freshman accounting major who has exhibited high academic achievement in high school, who scored 1000 or greater on the SATs and who graduated in the upper 2/5 of his/her graduating class. In addition, this award once given will be continued for a four year period if a QPA is maintained. This scholarship is in honor of Russell M. Wood. Financial need is a consideration.

Brandy is the daughter of Ken and Marge Henderson. She is a graduate of Indiana Senior High School and is an accounting major at Edinboro.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Tara Breon, 2 Ingham Drive, Stevens, was recently named the recipient of the Wilbur and Mabel Cassidy Billings Mathematics Education Scholarship.

The scholarship provides an award to an incoming freshman who has shown outstanding high school academic achievement and who has been accepted for enrollment in the mathematics education program. This scholarship is in honor of C. Wilbur and Mabel Cassidy Billings. Financial need may be a factor.

Tara is the daughter of Julie Anne Breon and Jeffery Lynn Breon. She is a graduate of Cocalico High School and is a secondary education/mathematics major at Edinboro.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Melissa Kocias, 8497 Groveside Drive, Strongsville, Ohio, was recently named the recipient of the Speech and Communication Studies Scholarship.

This scholarship is awarded to an upper-class student who is enrolled in six credits or more majoring in speech communication or the speech and hearing disorders program. The recipient demonstrates exceptional leadership skills through volunteerism, work experience, and/or participation in activities on campus and in the community.

Melissa is the daughter of AnneMarie Kocias and R. Dale Kocias. She is a graduate of Strongsville High School and is a speech/hearing disorders major at Edinboro.

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LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Kimberly Paar, 1396 Witherell Heights, Olean, New York, was recently named the recipient of the Ackerman Marshall Gosciewski Psychology Scholarship – Freshman.

This scholarship is awarded annually to a freshman student who graduated from high school in the top 40 percent of his/her class and is enrolled full time in the undergraduate psychology program.

Kimberly is the daughter of Carol L. Paar and James F. Paar. She is a graduate of Portville Central School and is a psychology major at Edinboro.

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LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Jennifer Link, 1754 Timber Drive, Cambridge Springs, was recently named the recipient of the Frank Hawthorne Math Scholarship.

This scholarship fund provides three annual awards to students majoring in mathematics who have a minimum earned QPA of 3.40. The fund has been established by Frank Hawthorne, class of 1936. Financial need is not a factor.

Jennifer is the daughter of Dr. Richard Link of Erie and Paulette Link of Edinboro. She is a graduate of General McLane High School and a secondary education/mathematics major at Edinboro.

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LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Elayne Morphy, 527 Pittsburgh Avenue, Erie, was recently named the recipient of the Ackerman Marshall Gosciowski Psychology Scholarship – Upper Class.

This scholarship is awarded annually to a senior student with a minimum of 96 earned credits who is one of the top five graduating seniors enrolled full time in the undergraduate psychology program.

Elayne is the daughter of Gracemary Morphy. She is a graduate of St. Benedict Academy and is a psychology major at Edinboro.

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LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Carrie Leonard, RR 2, Millerstown, was recently named the recipient of the Florence and Denise Ohler Scholarship – Freshman.

This scholarship is awarded annually to a student who graduated from high school in the top 20 percent of his/her class with a minimum QPA of 3.50 in an academic/college preparatory curriculum and a minimum SAT score of 1140.

Carrie is the daughter of Stephen Leonard and Holly Leonard. She is a graduate of East Juniata High School and is an applied media arts major at Edinboro.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that NaShonda Bender, 120 Water St., Edinboro, was recently named the recipient of a Presidential Meritorious Service Award.

This award is presented to an outstanding Edinboro University student who has been recognized by the President of Edinboro University for numerous significant contributions to the community, students, staff or faculty of the university on a voluntary basis. The recipient must have achieved a minimum QPA of 3.00 or higher and be recognized for meritorious service to the Edinboro family.

NaShonda is the daughter of Amos and Lawanda Goodwine, Jr. of North East. She is a graduate of Meadville Area Senior High School, and an elementary/special education major.

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LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Shanitha R. Mendenhall, 331 Ash Street, Erie, was recently named the recipient of a Board of Governors Scholarship.

The Board of Governors Scholarship is offered annually to students who have exhibited academic promise and who plan to be enrolled full time (12 credits or greater) during the term of the award. It has a maximum value of the cost of tuition.

Shanitha is the daughter of Mrs. C. Inez Mendenhall. She is a graduate of East High School and a medical technology major at Edinboro.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Jennifer A. Mercado, 1624 Hillcrest Avenue, Bethlehem, was recently named the recipient of a Board of Governors Scholarship.

The Board of Governors Scholarship is offered annually to students who have exhibited academic promise and who plan to be enrolled full time (12 credits or greater) during the term of the award. It has a maximum value of the cost of tuition.

Jennifer is the daughter of Oscar and Freida Mercado. She is a graduate of Bethlehem Catholic High School.

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