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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ATTAIN ACADEMIC HONORS**

One thousand two hundred eighty-one students were named to the Dean's List at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania for the 2001 spring semester. The students represented 15 states, including Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, Montana, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania.

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

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**SUMMER LATINO LEADERSHIP PROGRAM CONTINUES AT EDINBORO**

More than 100 Latino middle and high school students will spend a week on campus at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and at General Electric's Erie plant as they participate in the fourth annual Latino Leadership Development Program, June 10 – 15. Edinboro University, in collaboration with GE Transportation Systems, GE Lighting, the GE Hispanic Forum chapters of Erie and Cleveland, and the School District of the City of Erie, will present this program to Latino students from Erie, Cleveland, Youngstown and Pittsburgh.

The goals of the program are to increase graduation rates from high school and enrollment in and graduation from post-secondary institutions. Activities will focus on strengthening academic skills in math and science, increasing leadership skills, positive self-image and professional career awareness. The middle school program, initiated this year through a grant from the GE fund, will feature instruction in mathematics and the application of mathematical concepts to practical engineering projects.

The Latino Leadership Develop Program will kick off on Sunday, June 10, at 4 p.m. in Van Houten Dining Hall. The closing ceremonies will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, June 15, at General Electric Transportation Systems in Erie, followed by the awards ceremony at 4 p.m.

The program continues throughout the school year with seminars for middle school students taught by faculty from area middle schools and Edinboro University in

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collaboration with GE personnel. The students also have an opportunity not only to strengthen their own academic skills, but also to serve as role models by mentoring/tutoring younger Latinos in area elementary schools.

The Hispanic Forum continues to enhance the program by providing instruction and guidance for the students on problem-solving, e-learning, careers in engineering, and mentoring, as well as a design competition and application in science and math principles.

The Latino Leadership Development Program for high school students has demonstrated positive results over the past three years. Since 1997, the program has worked to keep high school students on track to graduate and to inspire them to further their education. All eight participants who graduated from high school last year were accepted into institutions of higher learning and six attended college in the fall of 2000.

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**Editor's Note:** Attached is a copy of the Latino Leadership schedule. I have highlighted events suggested for coverage.



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**NEWS ADVISORY**

“What do you want to be when you grow up?” was the question asked to a group of more than 38 Burton Elementary students. Their response – a teacher! This group of “Dream Teachers” from grades one through five will visit the campus at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania today to explore campus life and what it’s like to be a college student. Lunch at the University’s Van Houten Dining Hall will be provided for the group by the dean of education.

A schedule is included for your convenience. Media coverage is invited.

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May 11, 2001

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO ANNOUNCES THREE NEW PROGRAMS**

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that three new programs have been added in its health and physical education (HPE) department. Edinboro's Bachelor of Science in HPE now offers concentrations in recreation administration, sport administration and health promotion. The development of these three new programs helps Edinboro University keep pace with the changing interests and needs of prospective students and the current student population.

The United States Department of Labor's (Bureau of Statistics) 2000-2001 Occupational Outlook has listed several recreational occupations as "growing opportunities." Edinboro now offers the only recreation administration program in northwestern Pennsylvania to help meet this growing need. Designed to prepare students entering the recreation profession, this program focuses on leadership theory, personnel management, law and liability, program implementation and recreational facility design. Upon completion, students will be eligible to take the Recreational Sports Specialist Certification (CRSS) exam given by the National Intramural and Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA). Employment areas in recreation administration include recreation supervisors, recreation therapists, directors of recreation and recreational facility managers in municipal recreation, collegiate recreation, corporate recreation and private recreation.

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The sport administration program has been developed to meet the growing need in sport management and is the first of its kind in the Erie area. Designed to provide students with the necessary skills to become successful managers in sport-related agencies, this program combines coursework from the disciplines of physical education, communication and journalism, and will offer internships at several sport administration sites in the Erie, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Buffalo areas. Employment opportunities in sport administration include interscholastic and intercollegiate athletics, facility management, minor and professional sport teams, sport clubs and the physical fitness industry.

Edinboro's health promotion program is also unique to the area. The Bureau of Statistics projects 2.8 million new jobs in health promotion and disease prevention. Several job categories in this field are listed among the ten fastest growing occupations from 1998 to 2008. Graduates of the health promotion program will be prepared to compete for this increasing number of employment opportunities. This inter-disciplinary degree combines coursework from health education, exercise science, communication, philosophy and psychology, as well as areas of special interest to the student. Upon completion, students will be eligible to take the National Health Education Specialist (CHES) examination from the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (NCHEC).

All three new programs offer a full-semester internship in settings such as state and local health departments, corporate wellness programs, public health agencies, hospitals and HMOs, and health clubs.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**EDINBORO TO PRESENT HIGHLAND GAMES AND SCOTTISH FESTIVAL**

The eighth annual Edinboro Highland Games and Scottish Festival, hosted by Edinboro University of Pennsylvania in celebration of its 143-year Scottish heritage, will be held on and around the University campus on Friday and Saturday, May 19 and 20.

Friday evening's events in downtown Edinboro begin at 4:30 p.m., and will include an art show opening, high tea, Scottish food, bagpipers, highland dancers, a bonfire welcome ceremony, and music at several locations. Featured musicians Bonnie Rideout, Heirloom, Al Petteway and Amy White will be joined by local bands including Road Apple Big Band, Old Dog Trey, Big Swing Face, and Brokenstraw.

Saturday's events begin at 8:30 a.m. on the Edinboro University campus and will feature competitions in highland dance, heavy athletics, piping and drumming held throughout the day. Scottish clans will gather on site, and a full array of merchants will offer Scottish arts, crafts, and goods. Other events planned for the day include kids' crafts and athletics, Scottish and American foods, Celtic music, highland cattle and Clydesdale horse exhibitions, blacksmith and woodcarver, and Scottish country dancing.

Friday's art show, featuring works by Lee Steadman and Buck Snodgrass from their travels to Scotland last summer, opens at 5 p.m. in Parker's Gallery in Edinboro. A silent art action featuring local and international artists, as well as a student art show, will also run all day Saturday at the University Center.

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The festivities conclude on Saturday evening with a traditional ceilidh (pronounced kay-lee) celebration at Nick's Place on Route 99 in Edinboro. The ceilidh includes live music, dinner, Scottish country dancing, haggis ceremony, pub songs and audience participation throughout the event.

Tickets for the festival are \$5. Family passes (carload) are \$15. Ceilidh dinner tickets are \$25. For further information or to purchase tickets in advance, call 814-836-1955 or 1-800-526-0121.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**ERIE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR WINS 2001 ART SHOW AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY**

Joseph Symoski, 17, a senior at the Erie City Regional Career and Technical School, located at Central High School, was the grand prize winner in "An Artistic Discovery 2001," the Congressional high school art competition and exhibition held annually at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

The event, which is sponsored by U.S. Rep. Phil English (R-21), is open to all high school students in the 21<sup>st</sup> Congressional District.

Edinboro University has hosted the competition, week-long exhibition and closing awards reception in all 18 years that the event has been held in northwestern Pennsylvania.

Symoski's winning entry, a tempera painting on paper titled "Dennis," was judged best among the 35 student entries from 15 schools in English's four-county district.

English will take Symoski's winning painting to Washington, where it will be displayed in a corridor of the U.S. Capitol building later this year along with winning works of other student artists from congressional districts across America.

Second prize went to Thomas Reed of Seneca Valley High School in Harmony, Pa., while third prize went to Hung Ngo, also of Erie City Regional Career and Technical School.

Judges for the competition were Edinboro University art professors Suzanne Amendolara and William Mathie.

All eight winners received cash awards from Edinboro University. Presenting them with English was Edinboro University President Dr. Frank Pogue. All participants also received a special certificate signed by both Pogue and English.

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“Behind these displays of individual talent are dedicated teachers and the encouragement of parents and families... people who have guided and supported these young artists along the way,” Pogue said.

One such teacher singled out for recognition at the ceremony was Joe Krol, who has been teaching art since 1990 at the Erie City Regional Career and Technical School, and the subject of a recent feature story in the *Erie Sunday Times-News*. Two of Krol’s students, Joseph Symoski and Hung Ngo, were prize winners in this year’s Congressional art competition, and a third student, Bryan Dembski, won an honorable mention. Krol-taught artists have also won four first-place awards in the same competition over the past six years.





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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**EDINBORO PROFESSOR BECOMES MEMBER OF  
TRAVELING ART EXHIBITION**

Ben Gibson, a professor in the art department at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, has been selected to participate in the first statewide traveling art exhibition, "Artists of the Commonwealth: Realism in Pennsylvania Painting"

"Artists of the Commonwealth" is a partnership created for museums that are isolated from large metropolitan regions to increase their audience base and capitalize on the talents of others.

Museum staff members throughout the Commonwealth chose 22 artists to participate in the program. The selected artists all reached their mature style after 1950 and were either born, educated, or have been long-time residents of Pennsylvania.

Gibson, born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, has been teaching in the art department at Edinboro University since 1976. He received his undergraduate degree from Aquinas College and a master's from the University of Nebraska. His works are found in numerous and private collections throughout the country.

Gibson's "The Hunter," along with works by artists such as Andy Warhol, Sidney Goodman, Patricia Bellan-Gillen who is a graduate of Edinboro University, will be exhibited at the Erie Art Museum on June 16 through September 23.

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“Dualities and contradiction characterize the work of Ben Gibson,” comments John Vanco, Director of the Erie Art Museum. “His themes are inspired by personal experience and borne of ideas developed over long periods of time.” “The Hunter,” about man’s hopeless disturbance of the natural order, was inspired in part living in rural Pennsylvania, where hunting is such a familiar way of life.

The opening of the program took place on April 21 at Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art in Loretto, Pa, near Allentown. Gibson feels a sense of fulfillment from the opening. “ Numerous people sought me out to talk about “The Hunter.” They appreciated and understood where I was coming from,” he explained.

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May 17, 2001

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**SPECIAL FOR "LIFESTYLE" JUNE 2001 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 10** • Lead on: Edinboro University of Pennsylvania hosts its fourth annual Latino Leadership Development program through June 16 on the Edinboro campus and in Erie for a week of activities focusing on academic, leadership and career skills. Call Dr. Jerry Kiel at 732-5555 ext. 236.
- 13** • Going, going, gone: Edinboro University of Pennsylvania holds its fourth annual Sports Memorabilia Auction at the Avalon Hotel starting at 5 p.m. Guest autograph signers include Steeler Hall of Famer Mel Blount, Thurman Thomas of Buffalo Bills fame, and all-time baseball great Brooks Robinson. Adults \$10, children under 12 \$5. Call Todd Jay at 732-2776 ext. 235.

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Edinboro University of Pennsylvania anthropology professor Dr. Renata Wolyneć, here with University President Dr. Frank G. Pogue, was the recipient of a 2001 Local History and Historic Preservation Award at the annual awards dinner of the Erie County Historical Society & Museums. She was nominated for the award by three 5th grade teachers from Millcreek Township for her program for school students at the Fort LeBoeuf Museum, but was also recognized for her involvement with other local history endeavors, including The Washington Trail, Lafayette Commemorative Days, and the Battles Museum of Rural Life in Girard.





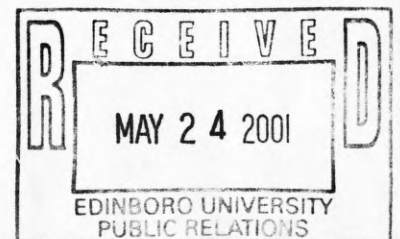
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Edinboro University of Pennsylvania graduate student Kate Matthews (left) recently received the Outstanding Graduate Student, Reading Achievement Award at an all-faculty elementary education department awards ceremony. Furmage received the award for her enthusiasm and dedication to the teaching profession during her academic career at Edinboro. Presenting the award is elementary education professor William Weber.



Edinboro University of Pennsylvania graduate student Rae Abele (right) recently received the Outstanding Graduate Student, Elementary Education Achievement Award at an all-faculty elementary education department awards ceremony. Abele received the award for her enthusiasm and dedication to the teaching profession during her academic career at Edinboro. Presenting the award is elementary education professor Rosemary Treloar.





Edinboro University of Pennsylvania senior Lisa Pucci (right) is a recipient of the Elementary/Early Childhood Education Achievement Award. Pucci received the award for her enthusiasm and dedication to the teaching profession during her academic career at Edinboro. Presenting the award is elementary education professor Maureen Walcavich.



Edinboro University of Pennsylvania senior Carrie-Anne Leiby (left) is a recipient of the Elementary/Early Childhood Education Achievement Award. Leiby received the award for her enthusiasm and dedication to the teaching profession during her academic career at Edinboro. Presenting the award is elementary education professor Rosemary Omniewski.



Edinboro University of Pennsylvania senior Brianne Taylor (left) is a recipient of the Elementary/Special Education Achievement Award. Taylor received the award for her enthusiasm and dedication to the teaching profession during her academic career at Edinboro. Presenting the award is elementary education professor Denise Finazzo.



Edinboro University of Pennsylvania senior Tina Furmage (right) is a recipient of the Elementary Education Achievement Award. Furmage received the award for her enthusiasm and dedication to the teaching profession during her academic career at Edinboro. Presenting the award is elementary education professor August Fetcko.



Edinboro University of Pennsylvania senior Daryl Myer (right) is the recipient of the Elementary Education Outstanding Departmental Senior Award. Myer received the award for his enthusiasm and dedication to the teaching profession during his academic career at Edinboro. He is also a recipient of the Elementary Education Achievement Award. Presenting the award is elementary education professor Kathleen Daily.







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May 10, 2001

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO TO GRADUATE 703 AT ITS SPRING 2001 COMMENCEMENT**

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Dr. Frank G. Pogue will confer degrees on 703 students at the University's spring 2001 commencement, making them the 144-year-old university's newest alumni.

The ceremony takes place this Saturday, May 12, at 1 p.m., in McComb Fieldhouse.

Thirty-seven students will be graduating with *summa cum laude* honors (3.80 to 4.00 grade point average), 53 with *magna cum laude* honors (3.60 to 3.79), and 55 *cum laude* (3.40 to 3.59). Another seven students will graduate from the University Honors Program.

The spring 2001 class of 703 is the largest to graduate since Pogue's first commencement as president in December 1996.

With the December 2000 graduating class of 675 students, Edinboro University granted 1,378 associate, bachelor's and master's degrees during the 2000-2001 academic year.

Carrying the ceremonial mace and leading the academic procession as the Grand Marshal of the ceremony will be Dr. Anne Jedlicka, professor of mathematics and computer science.

A member of the Edinboro faculty since 1966, Jedlicka holds bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. In her 35 years of service to Edinboro University and its students, she has prided herself on the teaching-learning relationship she has established with countless students.

Also active in community affairs, for 20 years she co-chaired the Edinboro High School Mathematics Conference, and also wrote and edited the "Edinboro Community Cookbook" to benefit the Edinboro Food Bank.

The student address at commencement will be given by Daryl D. Myer, of Lancaster, Pa., who will graduate *summa cum laude* with a bachelor of science in education degree.

Greetings from the Alumni Association will be given by Association president Dan Higham, class of 1970, who is president of U.S. Bronze Foundry and Machine, Inc., in Meadville.





Jason Tucci (left) and Matt J. Fuller, of Cambridge Springs Junior High School, were winners at the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Their project, "Breaking the Barrier," won in the Junior Group Project Category. Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Tahirih Pettersen, of Cambridge Springs Junior High School, was a winner in the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. She won in the Junior Individual Project Category, with her project "The Endangered Giant Panda." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



allory Norton (left) and Danielle Haenel, from Corry High School, were winners in the Senior Group Project Category at the National History Day regional competition held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. The group's project was "Eva Peron: A New Frontier for Argentina." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Hannah Tripp (left), Heidi Mack (middle), Sarah Turcotte (right), and Shelby Hasbrouck (front), from Corry High School, won in the Senior Group Project Category at the National History Day regional competition. The group's project, "Racial Equality: A New Frontier," was displayed at the competition, which was held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Christy Hutcheson (left), Erika Roach (bottom), and Marrissa Smith (right), from James W. Parker Middle School, were winners at the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. The group won in the Junior Group Project Category with their project "Deforestation of the Rainforest." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Nick Peterson (left), Andrew McCray (right), and Daniel Burr (front), of Corry High School, were winners at the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. The group won in the Senior Group Performance Category, with their presentation "Gandhi on Trial." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Josh J. Meeder, of North East Middle School, was a winner at the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. He won in the Junior Individual Media Category, with his project entitled "Dynamite." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Renee Rosier (left), Tim Fuller (2<sup>nd</sup> Left), Sarah Thompson (2<sup>nd</sup> right), Bethany Kephart (right), and Anisa Pettersen (front), of Cambridge Springs High School, were winners in the Senior Group Performance Category at the National History Day competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Their presentation was "Genghis Khan." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Ashley N. Wunder, of Cambridge Springs Junior High School, won in the Junior Individual Performance Category at the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Her presentation was "A Lost Childhood." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Kari Beth Spaid (left), Monica Hillwig (middle), Cheryl Ferguerson (right), and Bahiyyih J. Pettersen (front), of Cambridge Springs Junior High School, were winners in the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. The group won in the Junior Group Media Category with their project "Walt Disney and His Works." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Sarah McConnell (right), Anthony Lariccia (middle), Markie Sessamen (left), and Ian Woodruff (front), from James W. Parker Middle School, were winners at the National History Day regional competition held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. The group won in the Junior Group Project Category with their project "Evolution of Rock." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



Jamie Tucci, of Cambridge Springs High School, was a winner in the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Her Research paper "Why Not Patent the Sun?" won in the Senior Research Paper Category. Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.



The National History Day Northwest Pennsylvania regional competition was recently held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Michael Braine of Cambridge Springs Junior High School was the winner of the Junior Research Paper Category, with his paper "Philadelphia Experiment." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.





Erin Werkmeister of Meadville Middle School, won at the National History Day regional competition, held at Edinboro University. She won in the Junior Individual Performance Category, with the topic "Despite My Curse of Beauty: The Story of Hedy Lamarr, Pioneer Spread Spectrum Technology." Winners of the regional competition will represent Erie, Crawford and Warren counties at the Pennsylvania History Day competition held at Penn State University.