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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Ernest Switzer, 1747 Page, Cleveland, Ohio, 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. The Board of Governors Scholarship has a maximum value of the cost of tuition.

Ernest is the son of Linda Switzer. He is a student at Shaw High School and plans to major in engineering at Edinboro.

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Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Andre Hall, 55 W. Johnson 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. The Board of Governors Scholarship has a maximum value of the cost of tuition.

Andre is the son of Debbie Hall. He is a student at Valley Forge Military Academy and plans to major in music education at Edinboro.

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LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Mark A. Flanigan was recently named the recipient of the Alumni Pre-Law Scholarship.

The Alumni Association presents this annual scholarship to an upperclass student who has exhibited outstanding academic achievement and who has declared his/her intention of attending law school upon completion of studies at Edinboro University.

Mark is the son of Nancy A. Flanigan of Pittsburgh and John P. Flanigan of Arlington, Virginia. He is a graduate of Washington-Lee High School in Arlington and a political science major at Edinboro.

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LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Joseph F. Lichtinger, 1484 Sedgwick Road, Waterford, was recently named the recipient of the Michael McAtee Ramsay Memorial Fund Scholarship.

The Ramsay Memorial Fund provides one annual award to a senior earth science major who has exhibited high academic achievement to help defray the cost of summer field camp. This fund was established in memory of Michael McAtee Ramsay who attended Edinboro University in 1978, by his family and students in the Edinboro University earth sciences department.

Joseph is the son of Vince and Deanna Lichtinger. He is a graduate of Fort LeBoeuf High School, and a geology major at Edinboro.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES HONORS SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Stacy Mott, RD 1, Cambridge Springs, has been selected as the recipient of a GTE Honors Scholarship.

Annual awards are made available to students who are participating in the University Honors Program and whose homes are in the GTE service area. Funds for the GTE Honors Scholarships are made available through contributions made by GTE for the purpose of fostering academic excellence at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

Stacy is the daughter of Donald and Anastasia Mott. She is a graduate of Cambridge Springs High School and is majoring in pre-pharmacy.

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Heather Holmes uses award to study in Greece, Turkey

HEATHER HOLMES of Sunset Drive, Girard, received the 1994 Vira I. Heinz Endowment Award at Washington and Jefferson College. The award is presented each year to a woman in the junior year of college who has expressed a desire to study other cultures. Holmes is a philosophy major and is studying ancient Greek culture. She recently spent time in Greece and Italy and is using her award to travel and study in Greece and Turkey this summer.

RENAE ZINGELEWICZ of Pin Oak drive received the Robert C. Wilson Theatre Award, presented to the senior at Allegheny College who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the field of theater and intends to pursue graduate studies in that field.

RICHARD KIDD of Aline Drive, a psychology and political science major at the University of Buffalo, has been inducted into the Omicron Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa there.

AMY HUMBERT of 928 Montpelier Ave., served as a member of the one-on-one ministry at Taylor University. She also achieved In the ministry, the Taylor students serve as big sisters and big brothers for grade school children in the community.

MARILYN KOWALSKI of Knoyle Road has been initiated into the Kent State University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta national freshman honor society. She is a nursing major at Kent State.

KAREN R. COATES of 1003 W. 25th St. has been initiated into the Kent State University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta national freshman honor society. She is in the College of Arts and Sciences at Kent State.

MICHAEL R. MARSHALL of Cherry Street had a poem published in a recent issue of Allegheny College's "Allegheny Literary Review." His poem was "Breaking Through to the Outside." He is a junior computer science major and he received the Philo-Franklin Prize during the Allegheny Honors Convoca-

tion. The prize was established to recognize outstanding achievement in speech communications.

JOSEPH F. LICHTINGER of 1484 Sedgwick Road, Waterford, received the Michael McAtee Ramsay Memorial Fund Scholarship at Edinboro University. The fund provides an annual award to a senior earth science major who has exhibited high academic achievement and helps defray the of a summer field camp.

CAROLYN DZIKOWSKI of Erie had been named a Faculty Scholar at Hartwick College. Faculty Scholars are rising seniors who are nominated by the faculty of their major departments on the basis of academic achievement, leadership and character.

JILL JOHNSTONE of Erie received an Achievement Award during the 26th annual Indiana University of Pennsylvania Department of Chemistry Awards Program.

AMY L. TECONCHUK of 3319 Lynann Lane, Fairview, has been initiated into the Ohio Northern University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta scholastic honorary for first year college women. She is a pharmacy major.

ACADEMIC DEGREES were awarded to the following Erie area students at their respective colleges and universities: Michele Hoffman, 225 E. Fifth St., Waterford, B.S./M.S., magna cum laude, physical therapy, D'Youville College; Steve Heintzel, Erie, Associate of Arts, Sterling College; Chester A. Schaal, Erie, B.A., painting and sociology, Marlboro College; Daniel L. Rummer, Erie, B.S., scientific and technical communication, Michigan Technological University; James R. Muehl, Fairview, B.S., hospitality Sales and Meeting Management, Johnson and Wales University;

AT BOWLING GREEN State University: Nicholas A. DiFonzo, 6356 Naeff Road, Fairview, B.A., cum laude; William A. Vogt, 1013 W. Gore Road, B.S., education; Selena G. Oslak, 6915 Firman Road, B.S., magna cum laude; and James Kiley, 132 Harrison Drive, Edin-

boro, B.S.

AT LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY: Vanessa K. Emich, Erie, B.S., special education; Sandra Orlando, Erie, B.S., special education; and Stephanie L. Mead, B.A., journalism and mass communication.

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH: John K. Duemmel, 909 Plum St., Master of Business Administration; Mary Dwyer, 204 Madison Ave., Master of Social Work; Maya H. Kemenyffy, 4570 Old State Road, McKean, Master's of Public and International Affairs; Diane M. Marsh, 6680 Knollwood Drive, Fairview, Master of Physical Therapy; Susan Murawski, 1338 E. Seventh St., M.S.N., primary health care nursing; Cheryl A. Pietrzak, 3815 Sassafras, Master of Physical Therapy; Jennifer L. Rose, 4570 Staeger Road, Master of Physical Therapy; and Amy J. West, 1417 E. 28th St., Master of Social Work.

ALSO: Stacy L. Ball, 121 Glencoe Road, B.S., nursing; Carol W. Coates, B.A., cum laude, architectural studies; Michelle L. Barbich, 1441 E. 37th St., B.S., psychology; Catherine A. Correll, 370 E. Sixth St., B.S., chemistry; Ann-Margaret Bartosik, 2416 E. 40th St., B.S., industrial engineering; Rachel A. Crosby, 3016 Wellington Road, B.S., business; Eddie F. Bell II, 752 E. 14th St., B.A., administration of justice/legal studies; Karen M. Cunningham, 621 Young Road, B.S., nursing; Melissa A. Boccio, 4142 Conrad Road, Certificate, Dental Hygiene; David S. Czuwara, 620 E. 14th St., B.S., electrical engineering; Mary E. Delano, 3817 Gay Road, B.A., anthropology; Barbara J. Gomo, 10276 Sharp Road, Waterford, B.S., nursing; Rebecca L. Graziano, 3056 Tree Haven Court, B.S., nursing;, Joseph M. Hanke, 1122 W. 25th St., B.S., psychology; Carl K. Flanigan, 208 Hillcrest Drive, Edinboro, B.A., cum laude, theater arts; Matthew J. Harrick, 1318 E. 32nd St., B.S., biology; Douglas A. Fronzaglia, 9380 S. Creek Road, Girard, A.S., natural science; Jeanine M. Hitz, 80 Agawam St., North East, B.S., psychology Danielle A

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Horvath, 3414 Woodhaven Drive, Certificate, marketing; Jennifer L. Koch, 3809 Royann Drive, Fairview, B.A., economics and business, and Certificate, accounting; Roger W. Koebe, 2037 Devon Lane, B.A., economics; and Colleen A. Kingston, 13001 Kline Road, Edinboro. B.A., cum laude, anthropology.

ALSO: Andrew T. Klan, 3226 Berkeley Road, B.S., pharmacy; Monica L. Lindsey, 3514 Burton, B.A., human relations; Sean D. Linhart, 955 Colony Drive, B.A., public relations; Paul C. Lombardo, 943 W. 30th St., B.S., secondary education; Lynn M. Nazarian, 2502 Peppertree Drive, B.S., cum laude, health information management; Jon V. Palmer, 531/4 E.Main St., Corry, B.S., chemistry.; Heather R. Mead, 11725 E. Middle Road, North East, B.S., psychology; Sandra Palombizio, 4010 Harvard Road, B.S., pharmacy; Colette L. Miller, 2507 E. 32nd St., B.S., business/accounting; Nichole M. Parker, 2220 Market St., B.A., cum laude, political science/anthropology, and Certificate, Latin American Studies; Nicole M. Scalzitti, 707 Wyngate Drive, B.S., psychology; Dana L. Raubenstrauch, 5402 Fox Park Drive, Fairview, B.A., magna cum laude, communication science; Christopher J. Shellito, 3730 Allegheny Road, B.A., philosophy; Holly N. Renwick; 3819 Lake Pleasant Road, B.S., psychology; Katherine Skerlong, 1300 Lord Road, Fairview, B.S., psychology; Reuben J. Smith, 608 Cranberry St., B.A., administration of justice; Kristin M. Sambuchino, 110 Anderson Drive, B.S., nursing; Marlind A. Stiles, 1022 Lookout Drive, B.S., magna cum laude, neuroscience; Rebecca K. Swick, 1102 Marianna Ave., B.A., magna cum laude, social work; and Tisa T. Williams, 4411 Wayne St., B.S.,



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

VICTORIA INES LOVETT RECEIVES GRAPHIC ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

Victoria Ines Lovett, a design student at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, is the first recipient of the 1994-95 Bert Benkendorf Scholarship Award in Graphic Design. The \$1,000 scholarship is from the Cleveland chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA). Lovett, a senior from Allison Park, Pa., will receive the scholarship toward her 1994-95 academic year and a one-year student membership to AIGA. She is the daughter of Mary Lovett of Allison Park.

The scholarship was created as part of the Cleveland chapter's 25th anniversary year celebration honoring Bert Benkendorf, a leading graphic designer and the founding force of the chapter.

AIGA/Cleveland is a non-profit organization of more than 200 design and graphic art professionals in the northeast Ohio area. The chapter conducts education programs, exhibitions, and projects in the public interest to promote excellence in, and the advancement of, the graphic design profession.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

DENISE BUNNER HONORED BY EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recognized its outstanding students at the 1994 Honors Convocation on May 1. Among those honored were more than 150 seniors whose degrees will be awarded Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude or Cum Laude. Serving as a student speaker was Denise Bunner, a psychology major from Cambridge Springs.

Bunner spoke about her experiences as a non-traditional student and the reasons she was able to succeed. She gave credit to friends, family and faculty – particularly to history professor Jerra Jenrette and psychology professor Dr. Cynthia Legin-Bucell. Bunner is a member of the University Honors Program and Psi Chi national honor society, and is the recipient of the 1993 upperclass honors scholarship. In 1993 she received the Dr. John Schell Award as outstanding junior in psychology, and this year she was selected to receive the Dr. Julia Marshall Award as outstanding senior in psychology. The mother of four children, she recently completed an internship at the State Correctional Institution in Cambridge Springs.

During the ceremony, a special citation was presented by Edinboro President Foster F. Diebold to Sukhbans Dhillon for her many contributions to the University. Prior to the Honors Convocation, Mrs. Dhillon joined President Diebold to dedicate the Surinder S. Dhillon and Sukhbans K. Dhillon Education Center in Crawford Hall Gymnasium. The Center was dedicated by Mrs. Dhillon in memory of her son, Surinder, to enable Edinboro University students with disabilities to experience life to the fullest.

In accepting the certificate, Mrs. Dhillon said she was honored to be recognized for her lifelong mission to assist people with physical disabilities. She said it is the duty of everyone to

help persons suffering from life's challenges. She thanked President Diebold for his leadership in providing facilities for the physically challenged. The dedication of the Center was a "dream come true" for Mrs. Dhillon.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

MARK FLANIGAN HONORED BY EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recognized its outstanding students at the 1994 Honors Convocation on May 1. Among those honored were more than 150 seniors whose degrees will be awarded Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude or Cum Laude. Serving as a student speaker was Mark Flanigan, a political science major from Pittsburgh.

Flanigan spoke about what it means to be an "officer and a gentleman." He stressed the need to make our countries and communities better, and to keep alive the ideals of virtue, knowledge, dignity, kindness and respect. "Chivalry is never dead," he said. Flanigan also paid respects to his advisor, professor Dan Trainer, the chairman of the political science department who passed away in April.

During his career at Edinboro, Flanigan was a member of the University Honors Program and the history and karate clubs. He was a founder of the Young Conservatives of Edinboro University and served as student representative to the University Senate planning and development committee. A member of the Army Reserve and advanced ROTC, he completed ROTC Advance Camp at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, last summer, and is serving as cadet company commander of the Edinboro ROTC battalion this year. He was awarded a scholarship to participate in the Edinboro at Oxford summer honors program. He plans to pursue graduate studies following his army service, in preparation for government work.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

KATHERINE KARDOHELY HONORED BY EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recognized its outstanding students at the 1994 Honors Convocation on May 1. Among those honored were more than 150 seniors whose degrees will be awarded Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude or Cum Laude. Serving as a student marshal was Katherine Kardohely, an elementary education major from Conneaut, Ohio.

Kardohely is a member of Edinboro's Honors Program, the Future Educators Club, and the Kappa Delta Pi and Alpha Chi national honor societies. She has served as a University peer tutor and is now tutoring students at the Walnut Creek Middle School, and is completing student teaching at Tracy Elementary School. Both schools are in the Millcreek School District.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOUIS VITALE HONORED BY EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recognized its outstanding students at the 1994 Honors Convocation on May 1. Among those honored were more than 150 seniors whose degrees will be awarded Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude or Cum Laude. Serving as a student marshal was Louis Vitale, an economics and political science major from Erie. Vitale was awarded the leadership scholarship by the Fund for American Studies for coursework at Georgetown University and an internship at the National Center for Public Policy Research in Washington, D.C. in the summer of 1993. He is a member of the Edinboro University Honors Program, the Young Republicans Club, and the Intercollegiate Studies Institute. Vitale earned a certificate from the Harry Wendelstadt School for Baseball Umpires, and has served as an umpire both locally and in Massachusetts.

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NEWS ADVISORY

President Foster F. Diebold will host the presidents of three other area colleges and universities as part of Leadership Erie Education Day, Wednesday, May 25, on the campus of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. President Diebold will be joined by Dr. William Garvey of Mercyhurst College, Dr. John Lilley of the Behrend Campus of Penn State University, and Msgr. David A. Rubino of Gannon University for a panel presentation at 2:30 in the Reeder Hall lecture hall.

The presidents are expected to discuss the significant challenges facing higher education today, and their institutions' responses to those challenges.

Dr. Pamela Gwinn, acting deputy director of the Federal Executive Institute, will speak on Leadership as Lifelong Learning, at a luncheon address beginning at 11 a.m. in Van Houten Dining Hall.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY HOSTS ERIE BRANCH REUNION

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recently hosted a reunion luncheon at its Porreco Extension Center for graduates of Edinboro's former Erie Branch, which was located in the Washington School at 21st and Sassafras streets from 1923 to 1931.

Attending the reunion were some 20 graduates from the Erie Branch years, as well as several who began matriculating there, but completed their degrees at the main campus of what was then the Edinboro State Normal School after the Erie Branch closed during the Depression. Almost all of the students who attended the Erie Branch went on to become teachers, and a vast majority of them were women.

Guest speaker at the luncheon was Dorothy Gray Padden '32, who gave an update on behalf of the Nelle G. Hudson Memorial Scholarship Committee, which Padden chairs.

Nelle Hudson was the director and a faculty member at the Erie Branch, succeeding in 1928 Lyman Van Houten – for whom Edinboro University's dining hall is named – until 1931, when the Erie Branch closed. In all, she served Edinboro for 18 years, from 1922 until her death in 1940.

Serving with Dorothy Padden on the Nelle G. Hudson Memorial Scholarship Committee are: Hermine K. Bauschard '27; John '32 and Marjorie '56 (Barnhardt) Gillespie; Dorothy Hendricks Jadus '31; Wilma Hoffman Mong '26; Lynette Hoffman Von Korff '28; and Emma Arndt Snell '33.

Padden told the group that the scholarship fund had exceeded the endowed level of \$10,000 and would be available for award to an Edinboro University student in the upcoming academic year.

For more information on the Nelle Hudson Scholarship or the many other activities of Edinboro alumni, call the Edinboro University Alumni Affairs Office, 814-732-2715, or 1-800-526-0117.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO'S PARTNERSHIP FOR ACADEMIC PROGRESS PROGRAM GETS WESTINGHOUSE FOUNDATION GRANT

The trustees of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation's Westinghouse Foundation have awarded a \$15,000 grant to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania for its Partnership for Academic Progress (PAP) program, according to a recent announcement by University President Foster F. Diebold.

PAP, begun in 1989 with seed money from several business and corporate entities (including Westinghouse) and matching university funds, is a pre-collegiate program designed to provide disadvantaged minority youth with access to higher education. Schools currently participating in the Edinboro program are Central High School in Erie, and Brashear and Westinghouse high schools in Pittsburgh.

Program manager Dr. Richard Arnold, Edinboro's assistant dean of education, said that the program is based on a support system for each student – a "learning community" as he terms it – composed of volunteer mentors, faculty, counselors, parents, alumni, and students.

In addition to the support system of volunteers, PAP provides participating high school students with transitional activities and campus experiences. Last summer, 32 inner-city students spent a week on the Edinboro University campus learning academic and personal development skills.

"Since its inception, the Partnership for Academic Progress has been an excellent example of public higher education and private funding sources working together with an array

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of volunteers in a cooperative, contributive relationship," Diebold said. "In order for visionary programs of this type to be effective and successful, academic intervention must occur at an early age."

Arnold agrees, and says that the strength of the program lies in its diversity. "Students are exposed to situations, challenges and opportunities they would not experience otherwise," he said.

PAP is now in its fifth year of operation. Over the years, financial support has been provided by Westinghouse, the State System of Higher Education's Social Equity program, and Edinboro University Services, Inc.

More than 30 program graduates have gone on to pursue degrees in higher education. PAP alumni are attending Edinboro University, Clarion University, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Lincoln University, and the Community College of Allegheny County.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

VILLA SOPHOMORE BESTS 12TH RIDGE ART COMPETITION AT EUP

Elizabeth Benson (shown with Congressman Tom Ridge, left, and Edinboro University President Foster F. Diebold), a sophomore at Villa Maria Academy, was the grand prize winner in "An Artistic Discovery 1994," the 12th annual Congressional Art Competition and Exhibition sponsored by U. S. Representative Tom Ridge (R-Pa. 21st Dist.) for intermediate and high school students in the 21st Congressional District. Edinboro University has hosted the weeklong exhibition and closing reception on its campus for the last 12 years.

From more than 70 paintings, drawings, prints and collages submitted by student artists in Ridge's district, Benson's entry, titled *Dilemma* and done in color pencil, was judged first place winner. Judges were professors Malcolm Christhilf and Rachael Harper of Edinboro University's art department.

Other winners and their schools were: second place, Nathan Brewer, Mercyhurst Prep; and third place, Jeremy Decker, also of Villa Maria Academy.

Honorable mentions were awarded to: Jose Ayala, Erie Central High School; Daniel Habas, East High School, Erie; Randy J. Harris, Harborcreek High School; Jennifer Klixbull, Mercer Junior/Senior High School; and Brandon Wilson, Fort LeBoeuf High School.

Three additional awards, called "jurors' discretion" by the judges, were awarded to Nate Hrabosky, Hickory High School; Chuck Orloff, Erie Central High School; and Jamie Uhrmacher, McDowell High School.

U. S. Savings Bonds were presented to the three winners by PNC Bank of Erie's Edinboro Office, the First National Bank of Pennsylvania, and Northwest Savings Bank of

Meadville. Edinboro University also gave cash awards to the three winners and five honorable mentions.

Benson, 16, is the granddaughter of William, Sr., and Jeannette Benson of Erie, and the niece of Jane Benson of Erie. Carrie Tann, art teacher at Villa Maria Academy, accompanied Benson and Villa's other two entrants to the reception at Edinboro's University Center.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO PROFESSOR APPOINTED TO EDITORIAL BOARD

Dr. Mary Margaret (Peg) Bevevino, a professor of education in Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Educational Services Department, has been appointed to the editorial board of *Scholars*, a publication of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. She was recommended for appointment by Edinboro University President Foster F. Diebold, and appointed by State System Chancellor James H. McCormick.

Scholars publishes articles describing the research, instruction, and public service activities of faculty in Pennsylvania's 14 State System of Higher Education universities. It is coordinated by an editorial board of faculty members from System universities and published by the Office of the Chancellor. Bevevino will serve a three-year term on the Scholars editorial board beginning July 1.

First published in the fall of 1989, *Scholars* provided a forum for the exchange of ideas among System faculty, as well as a means for sharing with a broader public audience part of what is being taught and explored at the System universities.

Bevevino has been a faculty member at Edinboro University since 1987. She headed the 1991-92 "Thrust Toward Excellence" presidential task force in the University's School of Education, and chairs the steering committee of the Institute for Ethics and Values Education, one of the four institutes located organizationally under Edinboro's Center for Excellence in Teaching, which emerged from the recommendations of the "Thrust" task force.

Bevevino has been awarded several grants from the State System's Faculty Professional Development Council (FPDC), the most recent, for \$4,000, funds an intra-System project titled, "An Examination of Academic Integrity in Higher Education."

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In 1993, she received a \$10,057 FPDC grant for the project, "Creating Community on Campus: A Training Model in Problem Solving and Conflict Resolution." The model program trains faculty members in a Total Quality Management approach to resolving problems and conflicts with the intent of fostering a campus climate which encourages positive dialogue and a stronger sense of community.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

JAMES R. FLYNN SELECTED FOR IDEA FELLOWS PROGRAM

Dr. James R. Flynn, chairperson of the educational services department at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, has been selected by the Institute for Development of Educational Activities, Inc. (IDEA), to participate in the 27th IDEA Fellows Program for outstanding school administrators. The week-long seminar will be held July 10-16 at Teikyo Loretto Heights University in Denver.

The theme of this year's program is "Practices of Consequence: Choices for the Future." The 15 topics to be studied will range from the future of technology in the classroom to building partnerships with business and industry.

The IDEA Fellows Program is the longest continuing inservice program for school administrators in the nation. Over the years the Fellows Program has provided professional development for more than 8,000 participants from North America and overseas. Approximately 300 new school administrators are added to this number each year.

IDEA was established by the Kettering Foundation of Dayton in 1965 to encourage constructive change and excellence in elementary and secondary schools.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY AWARDED \$10,000 NEWCOMBE FOUNDATION GRANT

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Foster F. Diebold has announced that the prestigious Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation of Princeton, N.J., will award a \$10,000 scholarship grant to Edinboro University in the 1994-94 academic year for financial aid to students with physical disabilities. The grant is Edinboro's fourteenth in 14 years, bringing the total awarded to \$250,000.

Edinboro is one of nine colleges and universities in the northeastern United States to share \$165,000 in Newcombe Foundation scholarships for students with disabilities in 1994-95. Funds awarded may be used for special expenses related to a student's disability or for off-campus internships or partial tuition scholarships.

In the last 14 years, the Newcombe Foundation has committed \$3.4 million to their scholarship program, providing aid awards to nearly 5,000 college and university students with disabilities.

Another \$365,000 in 1994-95 Newcombe Foundation grants was awarded to 27 colleges and universities for scholarship aid to mature, second-career women students.

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Computer programming students from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania meet with their faculty advisor Patricia Hillman, left, following their first-place finish in a programming contest sponsored by PACISE, a Pennsylvania organization of computer science instructors. Adam Conover (Greenville), Dan Heath (Erie), and Brian Woolstrum (Union City) bested 16 other schools to take top honors.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO GRADUATES 790 IN SPRING CEREMONY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Foster F. Diebold, now completing the 15th year of his presidency, conferred master's, bachelor's and associate degrees to some 790 new graduates during spring commencement ceremonies Sunday at the University's McComb Fieldhouse.

The newest graduates join 870 December 1993 graduates for a total of 1,660 Edinboro degrees awarded during the 1993-94 academic year.

In his welcoming remarks, Diebold spoke to the Fieldhouse audience of more than 3,000 about a new technology, the "Information Superhighway, which will soon confront each one of us," Diebold said.

"This unprecedented technological advance will lead to dramatic changes in the way we live our lives and do our jobs, although, even as I speak, none of us can understand exactly what or how far-reaching these changes will be," said Diebold.

Diebold predicted that the Information Superhighway will bring to the nation its most radical social and educational changes since the development of the interstate highway system during the 1960s.

"As a university president, a new graduate, a continuing student, a member of the faculty, or just as a citizen of the world, all of us will be faced with a dilemma when confronted with this new technology and its ready, almost instant, availability," he said.

Diebold spoke of the Internet, the information highway now in popular use, and said that its user population, which has soared to an estimated 20 million and rises by probably 10 percent every month, will exceed the population of the world by the year 2000.

"We, as educators, must chart our way on the Information Superhighway and equip students and graduates with the skills needed to adjust to rapid technological change, and,

hopefully, to contribute positively to that change," Diebold said. "To turn our backs on these advances and not prepare them to navigate and travel on this Information Superhighway will doom them to powerlessness in today's and tomorrow's global village."

Diebold said also that, as the new technology will bring to the classroom resources previously unthought of, there will be a need to re-think now what teaching and learning will become.

"The new order of students must have the capacity to become self-teachers and selfprofessors, because as the volume of information we must assimilate grows, the rate at which that information becomes obsolete and even irrelevant grows as well," Diebold said.

"As the focus of teaching and learning moves more toward the student, faculty roles will also experience change, and new and different methods to assess student learning must follow. The more traditional lecture-type classroom will give way to the multi-media classroom with computers and software at every desk."

Diebold said that it was both his hope and his message that Edinboro University had prepared its newest graduates for their life's travels along the Information Superhighway and other endeavors they have chosen to pursue.

R. Benjamin Wiley, executive director of the Greater Erie Community Action Committee (GECAC) and chairperson of Edinboro University's Council of Trustees, was the featured commencement speaker.

Wiley, one of the region's most highly regarded social services administrators, chose the same theme as Diebold – technological change – in his address to the graduating class.

"You are living in a world driven by technology," Wiley said. "You experience more technological changes in a single year than your grandparents witnessed in a lifetime."

Wiley said that in the 21st century, technological and social change will transform the way we perform in every facet of life, from education, to business, to healthcare, and the like.

"Technology will change and manage your lives. We know that it is changing the Edinboro University campus and how President Diebold and the Council of Trustees manage the institution."

As with Diebold's message to the graduates, Wiley said that technology will force all institutions of higher learning to re-think their missions and strategies.

"There will be no time for business as usual or education as usual – trust me!" Wiley said. "You must embrace this technology with a greater commitment than ever before, and be a part of setting the norm for what will be a rapidly changing society.

"You must not only influence future technology policy, you must become the policy makers," Wiley told the new graduates.

An Edinboro trustee since 1983, Wiley has served as the Council's vice chair since 1991 and was appointed chairperson in January of this year. He has been executive director of GECAC, a non-profit corporation which administers a broad range of community service programs and activities, since 1969.

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May 11, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

RIDGE TO SPONSOR EVENT AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

U.S. Congressman Tom Ridge (R-Pa.), the 1994 Republican candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, will visit the Edinboro University campus on Friday, May 13, to present awards to winners from schools in his 21st Congressional District in the 1994 Congressional Art Competition, a nationwide contest for student artists sponsored by the Congressional Arts Caucus.

Edinboro University has hosted the event for the past 12 years.

Friday's ceremonies are scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. in Edinboro's University Center multi-purpose room. Congressman Ridge and Edinboro University President Foster F. Diebold will be available for comment before and after the award presentations.

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May 11, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

ECLIPSE WATCHERS SHARE THE LIMELIGHT AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

The biggest show during the May 10 annular eclipse was not in the sky but on the campus of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania where a throng of eclipse observers numbering in the hundreds swarmed in and around the University's solar observatory. At the peak of the eclipse around 1:20 p.m., every available space inside the observatory and on the observation roof of Cooper Hall was packed with people hoping to catch a glimpse of the once-in-a-lifetime celestial event.

In the weeks prior to the eclipse, the director of the observatory, physics professor Dr. James LoPresto, had announced that due to space restrictions he would limit reservations to the first 50 callers. That proved as effective as reserved seating at Woodstock.

The calls themselves were a source of amazement to LoPresto. Apparently, cosmic encounters tend to bring out a bit of lunacy in people. Almost every caller wanted to know if the observatory would have mylar glasses available. For some reason, the glasses were a higher priority than the observatory's 16-inch telescope which was equipped with special solar filters, or the heliostat, a device which projects an image of the sun onto a wall. The effect of the heliostat is not unlike watching the eclipse in a movie theater.

Some of the calls bordered on the bizarre. One person wanted to know if the eclipse was natural or man-made. Another asked if the eclipse could be rescheduled for a day when it was less likely to be cloudy. The day turned out to be crystal clear, which no doubt contributed to the big turnout. One lady who was confusing astronomy with astrology asked if the eclipse was a "bad omen." The strangest call came from someone who wanted to know if the eclipse was harmful to the environment, and if it was, could something be done to stop it.

The caller's concern for the welfare of the planet was obviously not shared by the 50 or so people who crammed into the heliostat room, or the more than 100 people who stood on the observation deck, or those who climbed the circular stairs to look through the telescope, or the dozens more gathered on the lawn outside Cooper Hall.

Still, there was that one young man who insisted on turning on the light in the heliostat room before he took a picture of the eclipse's image with his flash camera.

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May 9, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO GRAD LEADING LIFE OF WORLD EXPLORER

Eric Niemi's friends call him Indiana Jones. . . and with good reason. A 1969 graduate of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Niemi is a full-time teacher and a part-time world explorer. Since 1985 he has spent many of his summers trekking to remote corners of the globe doing things that most armchair adventurers only dream about.

He has hiked through the rain forests of Latin and South America, lived among the Aborigines of Australia, and come face to face with tigers in the eastern Himalayas.

A native of Westmoreland County, Niemi has always loved the outdoors and became a certified scuba diver in 1968 while studying biology at Edinboro. His life as an explorer began when his sister-in-law introduced him to noted British adventurer and explorer Col. John Blashford-Snell in England in 1984. After meeting with Blashford-Snell several times, Niemi became interested in "Operation Raleigh," a four-year around-the-world expedition for young people sponsored by Prince Charles. Niemi took a sabbatical from his teaching job at Woodland Hills High School in 1985 and joined Operation Raleigh as an adult leader.

Using his diving experience, Niemi made several expeditions in the Caribbean and participated in many projects in the rain forests of Central and South America, including the construction of an aerial walkway. In all, he was out of the country for more than six months.

In 1987 he had what he considers his most rewarding adventure experience – living with the aboriginal peoples of Australia's Northern Territory. He was joined by three other adults, two of whom were Native Americans. This Operation Raleigh project was tied to the problems within the aboriginal population of petrol sniffing and other social issues. The Native Americans

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had a lot of empathy with the problems faced by the aborigine people. All four members of the expedition were made members of one of the tribes.

Niemi's most recent adventure was with a Scientific Exploration Society expedition led by Blashford-Snell. Its destination was Arunachal Pradesh, an independent state bordering on India, Bhutan and Tibet. "We were the first westerners in that part of the Himalayas since the end of World War II," said Niemi.

The exploration party of two Americans, four Britons, and a man from Singapore had several goals during their two-month trip: explore the territory as much as possible, check on the status of endangered wildlife, and study local herbal medicines.

For part of the journey Niemi traveled on the back of an elephant through the jungle. He expected the experience to be fun, but sitting astride the swaying back of an elephant is no picnic. After awhile, Niemi told the elephant driver, or mahut, that he wanted to walk. Upon getting down from the elephant his legs were covered with leeches residing on the damp jungle floor. Niemi was willing to put up with the leeches, which defeated his best efforts to keep them off his skin, but when he spotted a tiger nearby he retreated to the safety of the elephant's back. Following the conclusion of the expedition, Niemi continued around the globe with stops in Singapore, Malaysia, and Australia for a week of diving along the Great Barrier Reef before returning to the Pittsburgh area.

His most harrowing experience as an adventurer was not the result of an encounter with the forces of nature, but with man. He and another explorer had completed one mission in Costa Rica and were returning by foot to the expedition's headquarters in Panama. They were carrying long-range radio equipment when they attempted to enter Panama from Costa Rica at a remote border crossing. The Panamanian border guards were suspicious of the equipment, concerned that the two explorers might be Nicaraguan insurgents.

"They told us we could continue if we left our radio gear behind," said Niemi. "When we refused they arrested us and put us in a holding area of the local prison. They allowed us one phone call to our office in Panama City."

For three days nothing happened. The guards suddenly didn't understand English, and didn't give them any food. All they had between them was two ham sandwiches and a bottle of rum. "We were petrified," said Niemi.

In the end they were saved by a phone call from General Manuel Noriega himself, who knew about the expedition and supported its work. The guards remembered how to speak English, returned the radio equipment to Niemi and his partner, and sent them on their way.

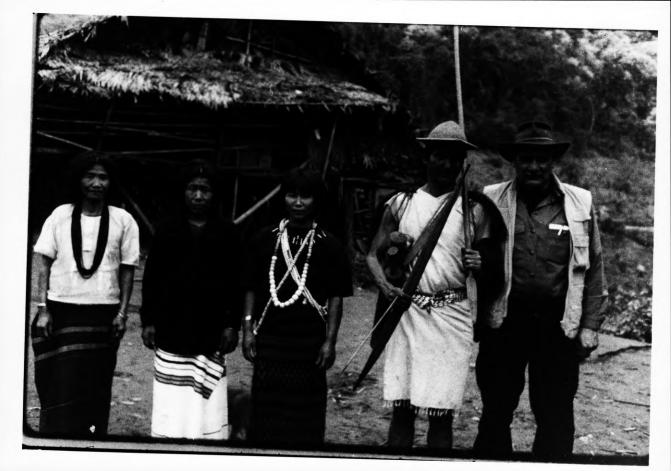
His experience in exploration has enabled him to become a member of the prestigious New York Explorers Club. Already he is looking forward to his next trip this summer when he will spend five weeks on horseback in Mongolia. Mounting an expedition is neither easy nor cheap. The trip to Mongolia could cost as much as \$9,000 per person. Niemi's dream is to someday lead his own expedition, preferably to Lake Baikal in Russia.

All of his adventures would not be possible without the support and approval of his wife, Susan, the chief nurse anesthetist at Shadyside Hospital in Pittsburgh. Susan doesn't go with her husband on his travels and doesn't see him for months at a time. "She is unbelievably supportive," said Niemi. "It probably wouldn't have happened without her."

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Area teacher explores remote lands

By Marlo Verrilla

Staff writer

eeches, elephants, tigers and former headhunters — Eric Niemi has seen them all.

Niemi, who teaches anatomy and physiology to juniors and seniors at Woodland Hills High School, spent last spring trekking through a remote country whose borders have not been opened since the end of World War II.

For two months, he and six other members of the Scientific Exploration Society of Great Britain explored Arunachal Pradesh, an independent state huddled between the countries of Tibet, Burma, Bhutan and Bangladesh.

His sabbatical was his chance to tap into his love of exploration, which he does as often as he can.

"My sense for adventure and exploration is to get away from newspapers and telephones."

The group had five goals for the trip: look the place over for future expeditions, examine the traditional medicines of the locals, research the country's endangered wildlife, study the culture and hunt for the mythical Bhura lizard.

These quests often took Niemi over treacherous terrain and though wet leech-infested jungles.

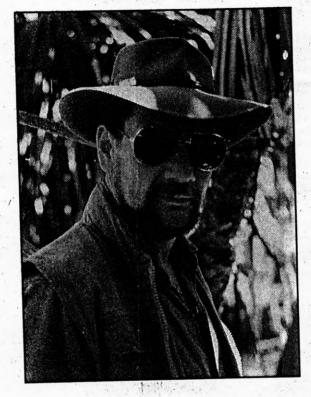
On a trek to discover the grave of a British soldier whose head was chopped off by villagers in 1909, he had to cross a suspension bridge—one that was 550 feet above a river and made of bamboo. After crossing the 1,180-foot swaying bridge, Niemi stood on the other side, prematurely grateful the experience was over.

"I remember getting to the other side and realizing that I had to come back."

Another adventure involved riding an elephant through the jungle.

Three people were on the elephant: the mahut, or driver, rode on the elephant's neck; a co-explorer rode in the middle; and Niemi had the unlucky spot on the elephant's end.

He got on the elephant by climbing up its



Eric Niemi

tail and then had to sit astride an animal, so wide, that his legs began to ache.

"I always thought riding an elephant would be fun."

He told the mahut he would get off and walk awhile. The mahut said fine, but that he should immediately get back on if he saw a tiger.

Niemi says the minute he got off the elephant he was covered with leeches due to the wetness of the jungle floor. He chose to put up with it, though, because of his aching legs.

He only walked for about three minutes before seeing a tiger, then jumped back on the elephant.

Leeches, he says unflinchingly, are merely a nuisance.

In an attempt to avoid them, he wore gators,

canvas coverings for his legs. He placed socks over them, then boots, which he taped shut. He also covered his legs with rock salt.

However, they still found their way to his

"They just fill up with blood then they get fat and fall off."

Most of the people he encountered on his journey had never seen a white person before. The country had been closed since 1946 and the average life span of the Mongols is 41 years old.

A hereditary trait of these people is that they don't have a lot of body hair. The hair on his arms, Niemi says, often fascinated some of the people he met.

"Some of the tribesmen were headhunters as of 10 years ago. But they seemed very friendly to us."

Mostly rudimentary farmers, the villagers ate rice, fruit and millet. Niemi says the food was bland and a curry pie for breakfast often broke the monotony.

They practice either Hinduism or Buddhism but one religion he found particularly beautiful — Don Polo — the religion of the sun and the moon.

"It's a pretty religion relating to nature. It seems pure."

He and his cohorts never found the Bhura lizard, which is rumored to be 8 to 12 feet long, of a bluish color, and has an appetite for man.

They did run into some four-foot Monitor lizards, though.

After the two-month adventure, Niemi still had not quenched his thirst for adventure so he traveled to Singapore, Malaysia and then did some diving off Australia's Barrier Reef.

Coming back to Pittsburgh, he says, is a psychological adjustment.

"The one thing that keeps me going is that I know I'm going on another expedition."

His wife, he says, is supportive and understands his need for adventure.

"Once you get exploring in your blood, it never leaves."



May 6, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

DAVID GILLIS JOINS STAFF AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

David Gillis, a native of Rochester, New York, has recently been appointed to the position of Maintenance Operations Manager at Edinboro University. Gillis oversees the daily operations of the maintenance department at the University.

Gillis received his bachelor's degree in industrial relations from Le Moyne College in Syracuse, New York. He is a member of the American Institute of Plant Engineers and has ten years of experience in commercial facilities management. He worked for five years at Great Lakes Rehabilitation Hospital in Erie as plant operation manager.

Gillis lives in Erie with his wife Jean and three children, Tim (10), Laura (5), and John James (4).

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May 6, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY HOSTS MATH ON SATURDAY CONFERENCE

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will host the first annual "Math on Saturday" conference, May 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Butterfield Hall. The theme of this year's conference, which is intended for teachers and administrators in grades K-8, is "Math Under Construction in Northwest PA: Implications for Teaching/Learning Mathematics."

The conference is a project of the Edinboro University Regional Mathematics Center for Teacher Enhancement and Renewal, which was established last year. The long-term goal of the Center is to establish a common vision of excellence for elementary math education in northwestern Pennsylvania and to foster a spirit of collaborative partnership among math teachers.

Another event scheduled this year for math teachers from Erie, Crawford and Warren counties is the Summer Math Institute – one for grades K-3, June 20-July 8; and for grades 4-8, July 11-29.

For more information contact Dr. Nicholas Stupiansky at 732-2851, or 732-2905.

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FIRST ANNUAL

MATH ON SATURDAY CONFERENCE

(for Grade K-8 Teachers & Administrators)

May 21, 1994 8:30 am - 3:30 pm Edinboro University, Butterfield Hall

Cost of Conference - \$3.00

Keynote Speaker
Attend up to 5 Math Presentations
Anticipate between 50 to 75 presentations from which to choose with this year's theme being:

MATH UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN NORTHWEST PA: IMPLICATIONS FOR TEACHING/LEARNING MATHEMATICS

MEET OTHER MATH TEACHERS FROM THE TRI-COUNTY AREA SHARE IDEAS & CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES DISCOVER EXCITING AND FUN WAYS TO TEACH MATH

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Project funded by the Dwight D. Eisenhower Postsecondary Math and Science Federal Grant Program and Edinboro University



Students from the Miller Research Learning Center on the campus of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania planted ornamental trees and flowers during an Arbor Day celebration on Friday, April 29. The students planted two dogwood trees and several geraniums near their school. Organized with the assistance of English professor Mark McTague and the Faculty Senate Buildings and Grounds Committee, this was the fifth annual Arbor Day planting.

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May 6, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

ERIE RESIDENTS ADDRESS NEW STUDENTS AT EDINBORO

Several Erie area residents spoke to high school students at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania during Orientation Days, the school's program to introduce accepted freshmen and their parents to the campus.

Erie television meteorologist Tim Earl told the students of the importance of obtaining a good education and getting the most out of their time in college. Earl, a native of Kingston, Pa., graduated from Edinboro in 1975 with a degree in biology and general science education. He also earned an associate degree in electrical engineering technology from Penn State University in 1971, and has taken graduate courses at Gannon University.

He has been at WSEE-TV in Erie for 10 years. Prior to that, he was at WPXI-TV in Pittsburgh for 2 years. In addition to reporting Erie's weather, Earl is a member of the Commodore Perry Chorus and is a tenor in the award-winning quartet, "North Coast Harmony."

Jacqueline Nwokeji, a juvenile detective for the City of Erie, had several messages for the students. She said their most important goal in attending Edinboro should be to acquire a strong education. "You have to get it yourself," she said. She encouraged them to develop a mentoring relationship with a professor or other faculty member. "You need somebody to trust. You want to have somebody who is interested in your success."

Since going to work for the City of Erie in 1972 as a clerk typist, Nwokeji has received training in several areas of police work. She joined the Erie Police Department in 1974 as a patrol officer. In 1976 she received certificates for community crisis intervention, family crisis intervention, and rape investigation techniques. The latter was from the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. She graduated from Edinboro in 1993 with a degree in psychology.

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Kathleen Horan, executive director of the Methodist Towers, told the students of the many good professors she had while at Edinboro and encouraged them to take courses outside their disciplines to become well-rounded individuals. She told them that the ability to think logically and clearly is the most important skill that one can attain.

Horan graduated magna cum laude from Edinboro in 1981 with a B.A. degree in political science. She also completed course work for a master's degree in political science from Edinboro. She holds certification as a public housing manager from the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials.

During her career as a housing manager she has worked in several housing properties. In 1982 she became manager of Tandem Townhouses. She had her first stint as executive director of Methodist Towers from 1985 to 1989, and was general manager of The Regency at South Shore from 1989 to 1993. At that time she returned to the head position at Methodist Towers.

Kimberly Lynn, a branch claims development analyst for the Erie Insurance Group and a 1991 graduate of Edinboro, attributed her success in college and in the workplace to three things she did at the University: work, internship, and networking. She encouraged students to sit in the front row of their classes, ask questions, seek advice from their advisors, learn to manage their time, and find a job while in college. "You have to care enough about yourself to motivate yourself to succeed," she said.

Lynn had internships with General Electric in Erie and Charlottesville, Virginia.

Following graduation she became a claims adjuster for the Erie Insurance Group in Columbus,
Ohio, and in 1993 took on her current responsibilities for the company in Erie.

Daniel Schaaf, a designer for Walter J. Greene & Company in Cleveland, told the students, most of whom will be majoring in art, that it is important to develop a good portfolio of their art works. "The portfolio is you," he said.

He graduated from Edinboro in 1982 with a BFA in communications/graphics. Since then he has worked for several companies doing artistic and graphic design. From 1983 to 1988 he worked for Halifax Engineering and Science Applications International in Washington, D.C. He then went to Cleveland to work for Madison Avenue West and Data Imaging Services Company before joining Walter J. Greene in 1991. He is a graduate of Academy High School.



May 5, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

JOANNE DARLING ADDRESSES NEW STUDENTS AT EDINBORO

Joanne Darling, principal at Meadville's East End Elementary School, spoke to a group of students at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's Orientation Days, the school's program to introduce accepted freshmen and their parents to the campus.

Darling stressed to the students – most of whom will be education majors – the importance of what they were about to do. "You have an awesome task ahead of you," she said. "Much has changed in 20 years. Massive educational reform is taking place in Pennsylvania. Unborn children are counting on you to be good teachers."

A 1964 graduate of Edinboro, Darling earned additional certification from there in the areas of guidance and counseling in 1968, secondary school administration in 1982 and elementary school administration in 1983. She earned a superintendent's letter of eligibility from Westminster College in 1993.

Her teaching career began in 1965 as a physical science teacher in Meadville Junior High School. She became a guidance counselor there in 1986, and a year later she became a chemistry teacher at Meadville Senior High before taking her current position at East End Elementary in 1988.

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Moving on up

Female teachers in area become administrators

By JANE SMITH TRIBUNE

Several area women teachhave moved classroom and into the ranks of administration - as princi-

And, although they are in the minority in their profession, two local women are happy they chose that path. But another local female teacher who has supervisory credentials has chosen to remain in the classroom.

Each has her own reason for her career choice.

Sandra McArdle, now in her third year as <u>principal</u> at Con-neaut Valley High School, moved up the ranks after eight

years as a teacher.
"I must admit it was my childhood dream," she said.
A former business and En-

glish teacher, McArdle may be the first female high school principal in Crawford County



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East End Elementary School Principal Joanne Darling takes time away from her usual daily duties to help students prepare for picture day.

serving in that position on a

permanent basis.

McArdle said she believes she can do more for students a principal than as a teacher.

"As a teacher you can reach a certain point where your hands are tied and you can't

help the student," she said. "As a principal you are able to di-

A principal can start programs to assist students that a teacher doesn't have the au-thority to do. Although she doesn't have students in a class all day, she makes indi-

vidual contact with students.
"I treat them (students) like I would want somebody to treat my child. I treat them like I would like to be treated," she "I smile and they smile said. back."

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Is a woman's place in the classroom not in the administrative offices in local schools?

The three western Crawford County school districts follow the national trend: the majority of teachers are female; but very few have climbed the ranks to principal or administrator.

In the 1992-93 school year, only four of the 27 principals in Crawford Central, Conneaut and Pennerest school districts were

A total of 847 teachers are employed in three county school districts. Of those, 554 — 65 percent — are women. Crawford Central has 340 teachers, of which 67 percent or 230 are women. In Penncrest, the ratio is a or 81 percent, are women.

In Crawford Central, three of the 11 principals or assistants are women. Penncrest has no women principals among its staff of nine. Only one woman serves as principal in Conneaut School District, where there are six principals and one assistant.

In order to serve as principal, teachers need additional certification. And that alone may tell the story about why men may move up in the ranks more than women.

Joanne Darling, principal at East End El ementary School, agrees. She said only re-cently has the ratio of male to female administrators started to change.

little more even. Fifty-two percent or 159 of the 304 teachers are female. Conneaut's ratio is much higher. Of the 203 teachers, 165, or 81 percent, are women.

Five years ago when she began her advanced certification work, the ratio was at least 3-1 in favor of the men, At her last conference this spring, the ratio was more like

In rural areas, such as Crawford County. further schooling often involves a lot of traveling. And, again, that involves more time away from the children.

Darling said she sees the trend changing a little, particularly with women now waiting until they are older to have children — or deciding not to have children.

Although the statistics still favor men in the higher ranks of the educational system, she believes people will see a change in those statistics in the future as more women choose to seek higher levels of education.

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For Darling, the job was a continuation of her career. She describes herself as "historically a lifelong learner." Several years ago she felt the need to further her education. She had been teaching for 18 years as a junior high science teacher and a senior high chemistry teacher and guidance counselor

She returned to school to re-ceive her dual certification, allowing her to be an elementary or secondary principal. She also has completed requirements which will allow her to be an assistant superintendent or a superintendent. For the past five years, she has been principal at Meadville's East End Elementary School.

She said she is not sorry she switched from teaching to ad-ministration. After teaching for 18 years she said she was ready to "move into another phase of my life."

As an elementary principal. Darling said she can spend more time "doing curricula type of things as opposed to all problem solving." Many times, secondary principals or assistants are assigned to specific areas, such as discipline.

For that reason, she is pleased to be an elementary, principal. She also has more direct involvement with parents and staff. Her staff num-bers about 35, which includes both professional and support

The most difficult part of the job is "trying to strike a balance

schooling at the urging of her husband, who said she could always use it in the future. Although she hasn't used the training for her own personal advancement, it has helped her in her career.

The supervisory courses have helped her as she works with student teachers. Turnbull said her husband has been supportive of her and of her ad-

vanced schooling. Without his support, she could not have ac-complished it.

between mandates and bust reaucratic paperwork and serving the kids." Darling said.

Carolyn Turnbull, a Crawford Central school teacher, has her supervisory certificate and certificate in administration for special education, but she remains in the classroom.

She completed her advanced schooling at the urging of her husband, who said she could would take (being a principal)." would take (being a principal),

Turnbull said she and her husband waited so long to have their son, she wants to be able to spend time with him. As a teacher, she said she can choose when she has to be at school (for after-school activi-

ties).
"I can go to the open houses
"I can go to the open houses (for parents and teachers) and still have time for my child. I would not have that option (as a principal)," she said.



May 5, 1994

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY HOSTS MATH IMAGINATION DAY

Dozens of elementary and college students got together recently at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania for an afternoon of games, puzzles and contests featuring math. The University's second annual Math Imagination Day brought together 140 college students with the same number of students from the Miller School in Edinboro and Emerson-Gridley Elementary School in Erie.

The college students created math activities for the elementary students including matching shapes, playing bingo, creating toys, and other fun things that involved math.

Dr. Nick Stupiansky, who organized the event, said the purpose was to benefit the college students as well as the elementary students, bring more fun to math as a subject, and stimulate interest in math. "It gave our math education students the opportunity to share with elementary children a variety of teaching aids, math manipulatives, math centers and math games which they constructed in their methods course," said Stupiansky. "It also encourages elementary children to have fun with math as they interact with the materials and provide valuable feedback to the Edinboro students."

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David Taylor, left, a third grader at Erie's Emerson-Gridley Elementary School, and Jamison Carr, a fourth grader at Edinboro University's Miller School, work out a problem during the Miller School's Math Imagination Days. Taylor and Carr have become friends since first writing to each other as pen pals last September. Taylor is taught by Janet Plavcan and Carr is taught by Sandra Waite-Stupiansky and Jinny DiRaimo.

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Foster F. Diebold (left) welcomes Dr. Syed Ali, vice chancellor of the University of Karachi in Pakistan, to Edinboro University for discussions on the academic linkage agreement Diebold drafted with Ali during the Edinboro president's recent visit to Pakistan. The agreement Diebold signed with the University of Karachi, the premier university in one of Pakistan's largest cities and a leading university in the country, brought to eight the number of institutions in Pakistan which have formal linkage agreements with Edinboro. The agreements generally call for exchanges of students and scholars, library resources, communications links, goodwill visits, and the provision of faculty and staff expertise. Edinboro is also linked academically with schools in China, Morocco, and Cuba.

Across the Campus



President Diebold recently welcomed Dr. Syed Ali (right), vice chancellor of the University of Karachi in Pakistan, to Edinboro University for discussions on the academic linkage agreement he drafted with Ali during his official visit to Pakistan earlier this year. The agreement Diebold signed with the University of Karachi, the premier university in one of Pakistan's largest cities and a leading university in that country, brought to eight the number of institutions in Pakistan which now have formal academic linkage agreements with Edinboro University.



Dr. Harry Ausprich, executive director of the Pa. Humanities Council and a former president of Bloomsburg University, recently visited the Edinboro campus to lead the workshop, "New Directions in Cultural Programs: Grants and Special Projects for 1994-95," which was sponsored by Edinboro University. Those at the well-attended workshop and public meeting learned from Ausprich how to apply for and receive PHC grants for eligible programs that promote public understanding of the humanities within Pennsylvania. President Diebold was appointed to the membership of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council last year.



Dr. Robert Wortman, principal of the Borton Primary Magnet School, Tucson, Arizona, and professor at the University of Arizona, was the keynote speaker at Edinboro University's 1994 Whole Language Reading Conference. The conference theme was "Learning Communities for the 1990s." President Diebold welcomed this year's conferees to the day-long series of workshops that covered a variety of topics, including active listening, critical thinking, the parent-teacher connection in literacy learning, and homework across the curriculum. Wortman, the recipient of numerous professional awards as both a teacher and administrator, spoke on "Creating and Supporting a Community of Learners."



A recent visitor to the Edinboro campus was Dr. Sayed Muzafar Ali Shah (left), vice chancellor of Pakistan's Mehran University of Engineering and Technology, shown here with President Diebold renewing the academic linkage agreement Mehran maintains with Edinboro University. Mehran University is one of eight institutions in Pakistan with which Edinboro has formal academic linkage agreements. The others are: Balochistan University, University of Karachi, Peshawar University, University of the Punjab, Shah Abdul Latif University, University of Sindh, and the Foundation Public School located in Karachi.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO GRADUATE TONY BUBA PREMIERES NEW FILM

Tony Buba, a 1971 graduate of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, will premier his new feature-length film, *No Pets*, Sunday, May 22, at 7 p.m. in Pittsburgh's Fulton Theatre. It stars John Amplas, Lori Cardille and features Larry John Meyers.

Buba said *No Pets* is about work and love and animals. "It's about the end of the age, mythical or real, when a job was a job, love was true, and everybody had a dog. It's about selling your heart to a machine, or a marriage, and it's about wanting it back."

Buba is an active independent filmmaker and lifelong resident of Braddock, Pa. His works have won awards at the American Film Festival, Ann Arbor Film Festival, Sinking Creek Film Festival and Three Rivers Film Festival. His first feature film, Lightning Over Braddock: A Rustbowl Fantasy, was nominated as best first feature film by Independent Feature Project West, and was voted best film at the Birmingham International Film Festival in England. In 1985 Buba was honored as Pennsylvania's Media Artist of the Year.

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EDINBORO SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH HAVANA UNIVERSITY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Foster F. Diebold announced recently that he has signed on behalf of Edinboro University a cooperative academic agreement with the Center for the Study of the United States at Havana University, Havana, Cuba.

Signing for Havana University was Dr. Esteban Morales, a professor of economics in the Cuban university's Center for the Study of the U.S., which is known there by its acronym (taken from the Spanish), CESEU.

The cooperative agreement, which Diebold terms a "mini-linkage," calls for an academic partnership between the two universities formed through the exchanges of upperclass and graduate students, scholars and researchers, educational tests, and other instructional materials, all for the purpose of promoting knowledge of the respective countries and a mutual understanding of the two academic communities. Diebold said that he favored the cooperative arrangement as a vehicle to bring to Edinboro University students a better understanding of U.S.-Cuba relations.

The agreement was signed during Morales' recent visit to the Edinboro University campus, and was facilitated by Dr. Max Azicri, an Edinboro political science professor. Azicri holds two degrees from Havana University.

"Dr. Azicri is Edinboro University's foremost expert on Latin American affairs, and is widely recognized within Pennsylvania and across the nation for his scholarly research and writings on Latin American government and politics," Diebold said. "Max has been working with Dr. Morales since his [Morales'] first visit to Edinboro University in 1991 to bring forth the

sort of cooperative arrangement that will enhance our students' knowledge and understanding of the hemisphere in which we live."

Morales is currently a visiting scholar at Indiana University in Terre Haute working on an academic exchange program similar to those Havana University has with Johns Hopkins University, the University of Pittsburgh, the University of Texas, and now, of course, with Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

Morales, who is also a member of the Latin American Studies Association, lectured several classes and student organizations during his most recent visit to Edinboro University.

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EDINBORO HOSTS 10TH EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CONFERENCE

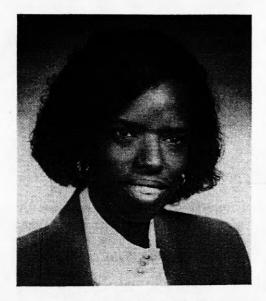
Dr. Jerlean Daniel, president-elect of the National Association for the Education of Young Children, will be the keynote speaker for the 10th annual Early Childhood Education Conference, May 19-20, at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

The theme of Daniel's address will be "Reflecting on Quality in Early Childhood: Acting on What We Know." She will discuss how to attain the vision of providing access to high-quality early childhood programming for every child.

Daniel is an assistant professor of child development/child care at the University of Pittsburgh, where she earned a master's degree in child development/child care, and a doctorate in education. She has nearly two decades of experience as director of child care centers and was director of the University of Pittsburgh's Child Care Development Center from 1984 to 1992. Her two-year term as president of the National Association for the Education of Young Children begins in October.

Conference co-coordinator Ruthanne Atkinson said the event regularly attracts 200 early childhood educators from Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania. The first day of the event will focus on preschool and kindergarten; the second day will cover kindergarten and primary grades. The conference is sponsored by Edinboro's elementary education department, the Center for Excellence in Teaching, and the Institute for Research and Community Services.

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Jerlean Daniel, Ph.D.
University of Pittsburgh, President Elect National Association for the Education of Young Children
(NAEYC)

"The Pennsylvania Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood and Family Education is proud of its association with Dr. Jerlean Daniel. To be the president elect of NAEYC, the nation's largest early childhood association, brings tremendous honor to the state of Pennsylvania. We salute you, Dr. Daniel, we pledge you our support, and we thank you."

Randall S. Bauer, Chief Division of Early Childhood & Family Education

Jerlean Daniel was a University of Pittsburgh graduate, unsure of what to do with her bachelor's degree in political science and with her future, when she answered a public call for pre-school teachers put out by the Pittsburgh Board of Education more than two decades ago.

The job became a career that today finds Daniel, now Dr. Daniel, nationally recognized in the field of child development and the President-Elect of the 85,000-member National Association for the Education of Young Children.

NAEYC is the nation's largest early childhood association, offering professional development opportunities to early childhood educators designed to improve the quality of services to children from birth to age eight.

"I enjoyed the children", said Dr. Daniel, Assistant Professor of Child Development/Child Care at the University of Pittsburgh. "That was the whole reason for getting involved. I enjoyed the challenge of keeping the children interested and helping them to become problem solvers."

Raised in Sacramento, California, Dr. Daniel came to Pittsburgh with the idea of becoming a lawyer. After graduating in political science, she worked with the Department of Public Welfare before joining the city's public schools as a pre-school teacher. She went on to earn a Master's Degree in Child Development/Child Care and a doctorate in Education, both from the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Daniel has mixed academic work with administrative work in the field, spending 18 years as a director of child care centers. Most recently, she was director of the University of Pittsburgh's Child Development Center from 1984-1992. "Being a child care center director was something I thoroughly enjoyed," Dr. Daniel said. "I could be a pro-active advocate of children, I could be involved at the center with the teaching staff, and I could be involved in significant ways with the lives of children."

Her current teaching position at the University, she said, allows for time to "think, reflect, and write" -- time that was unavailable to her as a director of child care centers, a job she described as "dawn to dusk, always on call." In addition to her University work, Dr. Daniel is involved in community organizations, serving as Co-Chair of the Advisory Board of Family Foundations, and as a member of the Allegheny Co. Police Council, and chairwoman of its Early Childhood Task Force.

Her two-year term as President of the National Association for the Education of Young Children begins October, 1994, when she replaces Lillian Katz of the University of Illinois, Champaign. As president, she will be the chief spokesperson for the organization whose members include pediatricians, parents, and professionals involved in early childhood, pre-school, elementary school, child care, Head Start, and other education related programs.

Dr. Daniel said she is concerned with several issues, some within the profession, such as the low compensation of child care professionals and others related to the overall functioning of families. She also is an advocate of greater cooperation among those in the child development field and those in other disciplines. "We have reached a point where we really need interdisciplinary efforts to make significant headway," Dr. Daniel said. "We need to pool our knowledge to arrive at some solutions to our problems."

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