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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY TO HOST GREEK LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Some 350 representatives, officers and advisors of fraternities and sororities from colleges and universities all over Pennsylvania are expected to attend the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Greek Leadership Conference, November 7 and 8 at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

This will be the first year Edinboro has hosted the annual conference which has as its theme "Start the Construction: Build Your Own Future." It brings together members of Greek organizations in Pennsylvania as well as representatives from their national headquarters to share ideas and learn ways of improving fraternity and sorority chapters.

The conference will feature 25 workshops on topics ranging from leadership, fund raising, and getting higher grades to alcohol alternatives, crisis management, and community service. It will be run by several Edinboro fraternity and sorority students. In keeping with the construction theme they will be outfitted with hard hats and orange vests.

Cindy Clark, coordinator of University programming and activities, said Edinboro students are excited about managing the conference. "I think the conference is important because they are the students who are going to be leaders who are taking on these roles. That's going to give them an edge when they go out looking for positions in the real world."

One of the highlights of the conference will be EmPower X, a motivational organization which will conduct two seminars including "Personal leadership 101: The Power of Personal Vision."

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Rodney Altemose, Edinboro's director of student standards and Greek life, said the conference is an opportunity for Edinboro students to showcase the University and see what other universities are doing. "Something like this is a positive way to get themselves focused and educate themselves," he said. "They can take what they learn and have it affect not just their fraternity or sorority but also their lives."

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

MASTER METALSMITH YOSUKE INOUE TO PRESENT PUBLIC LECTURE

Master metalsmith Yosuke Inoue will be at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania November 8-15 where he will teach classes and present a public lecture in Memorial Auditorium on Wednesday, November 12, at 8 p.m.

Inoue recently had his work displayed at Edinboro's Bruce Gallery as part of "Moving Metal – An Exhibition of Contemporary Metalsmiths."

"I have been interested in creating harmony through the manipulation of materials expressing nature through form," said Yosuke. "In recent works, I have used imagery that I translated from natural objects. I enjoy the repetition of the process that metalsmithing requires, and this is where I find myself motivated."

Inoue is a 1987 graduate of West Virginia University where he earned a BFA degree in sculpture/ceramics. In 1990 he obtained a Master of Fine Arts degree in jewelry design/silversmithing from Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana.

A resident of Yamanashi, Japan, Inoue has been a designer/researcher for the Yamanashi Industrial Technology Center and an instructor at the Yamanashi Jewelry Arts College. He is also on the board of the Jewelry Master Qualification Program in Yamanashi.

His works have been displayed at many exhibitions including, most recently, the International Metalsmiths Exhibition at the University of Wisconsin and group exhibitions in San Diego and Tokyo.

For further information on Inoue's visit, contact Edinboro's art department at 732-2406.

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Signing the agreement for Edinboro are President Frank G. Pogue and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert C. Weber. Signing for Fairview are Superintendent Dr. Douglas Allen and Assistant Superintendent Gregory Baran.

Dr. Jerry Kiel, Edinboro's associate vice president of Enrollment, Management and Retention, said the agreement acknowledges the academic excellence of students who matriculate through the Fairview High School honors curriculum.

"It solidifies an already strong relationship between Edinboro University and Fairview High School," Kiel said. "Importantly, this will create the opportunity for Fairview High School students to get a jump start on their college education and, in turn, assist our institution in recruiting the best available students."

The program has advantages for Edinboro University and for Fairview students and parents. Larry Kessler, who was Fairview principal until July when he became curriculum coordinator at General McLane High School, said Edinboro benefits by attracting bright, dedicated students. Fairview benefits because it gets students started toward a college education while still in high school.

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A member of the State System of Higher Education

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Kessler noted starting college while in high school not only means a reduction in the time spent in college it is also a reduction in the cost, which is no small consideration when the price of a college education has increased dramatically in recent years.

Fairview assistant superintendent Baran said it is important to have contacts with local colleges and universities to allow Fairview students to learn first hand what they have to offer.

"We're thrilled that our students have the opportunity to have their courses recognized by such a prestigious university as Edinboro," said Baran. "It encourages our students."

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November 7, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SHELLY BENTLEY APPOINTED TO EDINBORO FACULTY

Shelly A. Bentley of Erie has been appointed to the faculty in the elementary education department at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. She is an instructor in Edinboro's Miller School where she teaches first and second grade students and supervises field experience students, student teachers and team teaching.

A native of North Huntingdon, Pa., Bentley graduated from Edinboro in 1989 with a B.S. degree in elementary/early childhood education and received an M. Ed. degree from the University of Maryland in 1994 in reading/learning disabilities. She specializes in reading strategies, emergent literacy, performance-based assessment and integrated curriculum. She has been a presenter at Maryland state reading conferences.

After graduating from Edinboro she taught first and second grades in Prince George's County, Maryland, and served as a reading specialist there from 1992-1997. In 1990 she was nominated for the Prince George's County first year teacher of the year award. While at Edinboro she received the University's outstanding senior award in 1989.

She and her husband Chad Bentley live in Erie with their daughter Shannon.

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November 10, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OBSERVES AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will celebrate American Education Week, November 17-21, with a series of events under the theme "Teaching Children to Think and Dream."

Dawn Snodgrass, co-director of Edinboro's Center for Excellence in Teaching said the week is designed to remind people that schools are a fundamental investment for our future. "Without education, children not only lack the skills they need for the future, but they lack hope," explained Snodgrass.

Snodgrass believes learning can be both fun and adventurous. "Education is about possibility," she said. "It's not just a matter of giving students the tools they need to succeed in the world. It's also about helping them to fulfill their potential, to develop ideas and inventions, to imagine a better world.

"Education doesn't occur in a vacuum," Snodgrass added. "Our schools need financial support, as well as parental and community involvement. We educators do our best to educate every student, but we need parents, grandparents, business leaders, public officials – everybody – to work with us. American Education Week at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania is a great time to see how people can contribute to making your school better. It's also a good time to thank a teacher who's made a difference in your life or your child's."

Monday, November 17, will be set aside as a special day to honor Edinboro University's family of educators – the faculty, staff, administration, students, and others whose contributions should not go unnoticed.

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Other activities scheduled for the week of November 17-21 include:

- Distribution of apples to pre-service teachers on campus on Nov. 17, 18, & 19
- Collection, publication, and distribution of booklet, "Tips for Teachers" on Nov. 17, 18, & 19
- Display of memories from Edinboro University students Nov. 17-21
- Continental breakfast on Nov. 17 for invited guests
- Free rental of educational movies for Edinboro University students at Edinboro Giant Eagle and Poppa Ropp's Video
- Public Service Announcements thanking area educators on Coaxial Cable, ENN, and WFSE

These events and activities are sponsored by the Center for Excellence in Teaching at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

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November 13, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO PROFESSOR CO-AUTHORED PAPER
PRESENTED AT NATIONAL AAPT MEETING**

Dr. Thomas A. Walkiewicz, professor of physics at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, co-authored a paper presented at the Summer National Meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers held in Denver. The paper, "Radioactive Decay Measurements of Air-Filtered Dust Samples," was co-authored with Cari Krakowski, a junior majoring in nuclear medicine technology at Edinboro.

Krakowski tracked and measured the radioactivity from dirt filtered out of the air with a Geiger counter. The accumulated data was collected over a 24-hour period for six consecutive days. This work was an extension of Krakowski's laboratory experiment.

Professor Walkiewicz also co-presented a commercial workshop on Nuclear Science Techniques at this meeting.

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November 13, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO'S RAHAL NAMED TO NCTE POST FOR THIRD YEAR

The National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) has announced the appointment of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania professor Dr. Barbara Rahal as Pennsylvania coordinator for its 1998 NCTE Achievement Awards in Writing. Rahal, a teacher of elementary education at the university's Miller Research Learning Center, will enter her third year as coordinator for NCTE.

Now in its 41st year, this annual competition cites approximately 700 high school seniors for excellence in writing and recommends them to colleges and universities for admission and financial aid.

High school English departments nominate seniors for the award, with each nominee submitting an impromptu theme and a sample of his or her best writing. High school and college teachers compose the regional judging committees who, under the direction of state coordinators, choose among the nominees. Of the 3,000 students nominated for NCTE Achievement Awards in 1997, 400 entries were from Pennsylvania. The NCTE announces the contest's results every October.

NCTE consists of more than 90,000 teachers and institutional members from elementary school through graduate college. Its goal is more effective teaching of English language arts and literature in the nation's schools and colleges. NCTE publishes journals, books, and recordings to aid teachers in the classroom and in their professional development.

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Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recently hosted a visiting delegation from Zibo, China, as part of their three-day stay in the greater Erie area. Joining Edinboro University President Dr. Frank G. Pogue and his wife, Dorothy, are (from left) Mr. Zhang Guangxing, president of Zibo Teachers' College; Mr. He Lianchun of the Zibo Municipal Government; and Ms. ~~Ling~~ *Liang* Qing, an associate professor at the college. Erie and Zibo have been "sister cities" since 1985 under the relationship begun by the late Louis Tullio, then mayor of Erie. Edinboro University and Zibo Teachers' College have held a supportive "sister schools" agreement since 1987.



Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Dr. Frank G. Pogue gets a lesson in the use of chopsticks from Mr. Ma Qingshui, vice president for finance and maintenance at China's Jinan University. Since 1994, Edinboro has maintained a formal agreement with Jinan that links the two universities in a "sister schools" relationship. A four-member delegation from Jinan visited Edinboro University to review the agreement. Jinan University, an institution with a profile similar to Edinboro's, is located in the City of Jinan, the capital of China's Shandong Province.



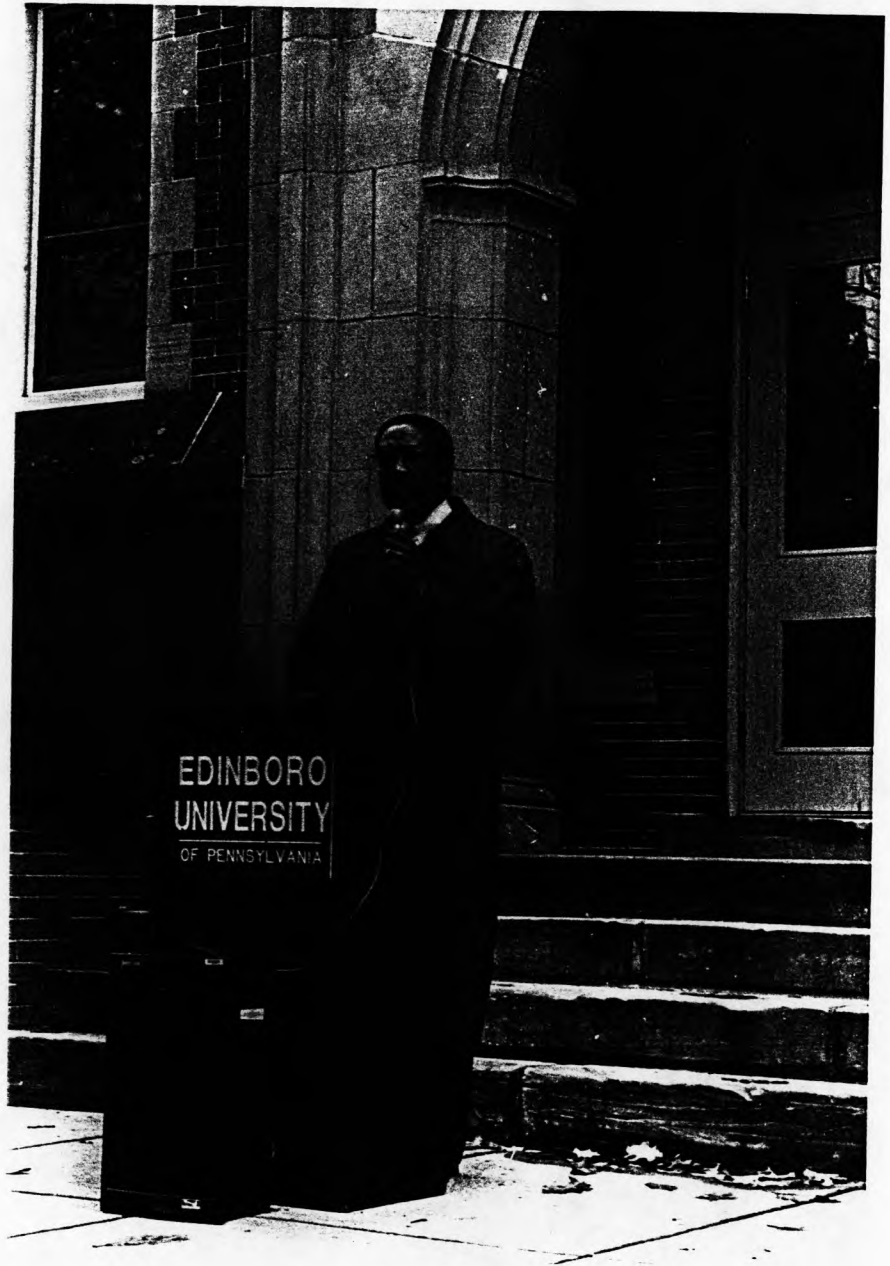
A news conference was held recently atop the Bicentennial Tower at Dobbins Landing in Erie to announce the new location for the 1998 Erie Area Summer Festival of the Arts, as well as Edinboro University's continued participation and support of the event, which in 1998 marks its 30th anniversary. Making the announcements were (from left) Judy Kubeja, senior executive associate to the Edinboro University provost, who serves as acting executive director of the festival and vice president of its board of directors; Ray Schreckengost, executive director of the Erie-Western Pennsylvania Port Authority; and Ruth Jageman, president of the festival board. For the past several years, faculty and students from Edinboro's elementary education department have created and supervised arts and reading activities in the festival's popular Children's Area. The 30th Annual Erie Area Summer Festival of the Arts will be held June 25-28, 1998, at the Port of Erie at Dobbins Landing.



William Reed, special assistant to the president of Edinboro University for community relations (left), presents a plaid Edinboro "Fighting Scots" blanket to Chester Lingo on the occasion of Mr. Lingo's 100th birthday, October 31, 1997. A 1918 graduate of the Edinboro State Normal School, Lingo began his career in education at Randolph High School, first as a teacher and coach and later as the school's principal. He was also principal at Saegertown and Conneautville high schools and at Conneaut Valley High School, where he retired in 1959 after 19 years as principal. Among the more than 160 well-wishers sending birthday greetings to Lingo at the Wesbury United Methodist Community in Meadville were President and Mrs. Bill Clinton, Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge, state Sen. Bob Robbins, Edinboro University President Frank G. Pogue, and countless former students who had known him as a teacher, principal and friend.



A dedication ceremony was held recently for the new flag complex in front of Reeder Hall on the Edinboro University campus. As the flags of the United States of America, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the new Edinboro University flag were raised by a color guard of Edinboro ROTC cadets, a bugler played "To the Colors" and Edinboro University President Dr. Frank G. Pogue read several inspirational passages in tribute to Old Glory, our national colors. Pogue publicly congratulated the 14 members of the University facilities staff who designed, built and lighted the flag complex, and said that the flags are being displayed together as a signal to both campus and community of Edinboro University's pride in and commitment to preparing students for success in the state, the region, the nation and the world.



*This picture was sent
to the Spectator, also.*

November 18, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY TO AWARD HONORARY DOCTORATES TO
ALCOA CEO AND '37 GRADUATE**

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will present an honorary doctorate, Doctor of Public Service (*doctor beneficiorum publicorum, honoris causa*), to Paul H. O'Neill, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Aluminum Company of America (Alcoa) at its winter Commencement ceremonies on Sunday, December 14.

Born in St. Louis, Missouri, Mr. O'Neill received a bachelor of arts degree in economics from Fresno State College and a master's degree in public administration from Indiana University. Additionally, he participated in graduate study programs in economics at Claremont Graduate School and George Washington University.

A world class business leader, Mr. O'Neill was elected chairman and chief executive officer of Alcoa on April 20, 1987. Prior to joining Alcoa, Mr. O'Neill was president of International Paper Company. He joined IP in 1977 as vice president for planning. Four years later, he was named senior vice president for planning and finance, and in 1983 was appointed senior vice president of the company's paperboard and packaging segment. He was named president in 1985.

Also receiving an honorary doctorate during the ceremony will be Edinboro graduate Michael M. Zahorchak. A native of Aliquippa, Pa., Mr. Zahorchak attended Aliquippa High School and earned a bachelor of science in secondary education (science and social studies) from Edinboro State Teachers College in 1937. He received a master's degree in secondary education and educational administration from the University of Pittsburgh in 1942.

He earned additional credits in the field of personnel psychology, administration and supervision leading to certification as a secondary school principal in 1955 and supervising principal in 1958.

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He joined the Edinboro staff as associate professor of education and supervisor of student teaching in 1969 and served the University until his retirement in 1978.

Mr. Zahorchak has been a member of the Edinboro University Alumni Association's Board of Directors since 1955 and has served that board as both its president and vice president. In 1979 he was selected by the Association as a distinguished alumnus and subsequently was accorded honorary lifetime membership as a director emeritus. He is one of only two people ever to be recognized with life membership.



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Signing the agreement for Edinboro were President Frank G. Pogue and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert C. Weber. Signing for Fairview were Superintendent Dr. Douglas Allen and Assistant Superintendent Gregory Baran.

Pogue said Edinboro has an excellent history of reaching out and providing opportunities for students to receive a higher education. "The agreement makes it possible for students – especially honors students and students in advanced courses – to take advantage of Edinboro."

This is the first agreement of its kind between Edinboro and a high school.

Allen noted that although this is the first time Edinboro has had an official presence in the district, more than 70 percent of the Fairview faculty have attended Edinboro, and 15 teachers are now taking classes there.

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November 18, 1997

NEWS ADVISORY:

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and the General McLane School district will sign an articulation agreement on Tuesday, November 25, at 11 a.m. in the General McLane High School library.

Signing the agreement for Edinboro will be President Frank G. Pogue and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert C. Weber. Signing for General McLane will be Superintendent Dr. Therese Walter and Principal Donald Ickes.

The agreement will allow General McLane students to receive Edinboro credits for accelerated and advanced placement level courses in English, mathematics and science if they enroll at Edinboro within two years of graduation. The General McLane students will receive credit for Edinboro courses in college writing skills, precalculus, and principles of biology.

Media are invited to attend the event. For further information contact Todd Jay at 732-5555, ext. 233; or the Edinboro public relations office, 732-2745.

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Note to Media: Several students are expected to be on hand for the signing. Their presence will certainly make the story more visually interesting.

November 19, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO PROFESSOR AUTHORS ARTICLE

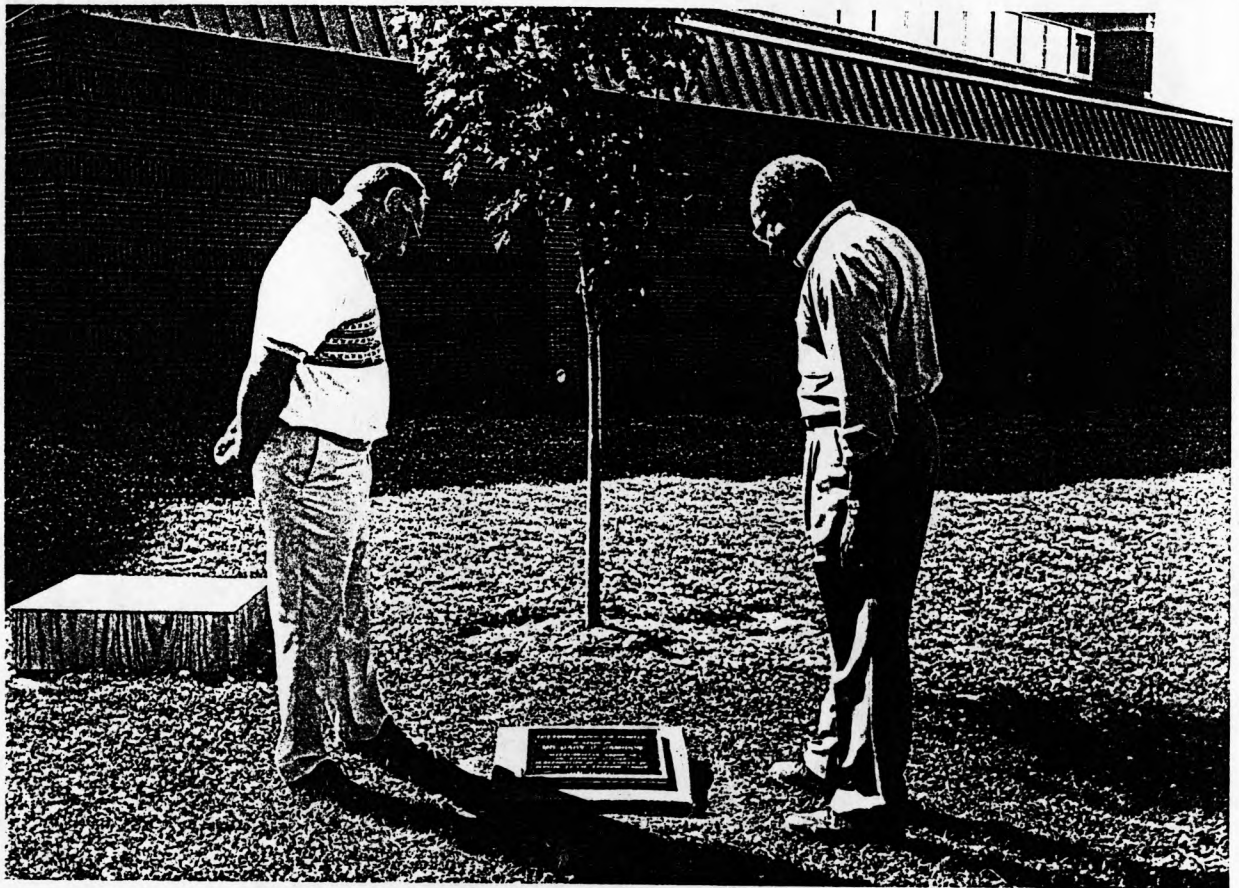
An article written by an Edinboro University of Pennsylvania professor was published in *Focus*, a magazine of the National Geographic Society. The article, "Hong Kong is Where East Meets West," was authored by Dr. Baher Ghosheh, professor of geoscience.

The story is a personal account of Ghosheh's visit to Hong Kong on December 24, 1997. He states that the busy metropolis of Hong Kong combines the hustle of New York with the charm of Southeast Asia.

Hong Kong has adopted western ideas in order to achieve commercial success. This openness was visible in the numerous Christmas trees and neon signs all over the colony where Christians make up a tiny minority of the population.

Ghosheh later discovered that the coexistence of western and eastern cultures did not extend to all facets of life in this territory. "On some occasions, I felt the impending clash of cultures that changing societies like Hong Kong face in our modern world," wrote Ghosheh. "Whereas many travelers think of Hong Kong as a jumping-off point to exotic locations in south and east Asia, the colony itself offers a unique blend of cultures rivaled by few other places. The traveler who dares to venture into this island colony's mysterious corners will return home with wondrous memories," he said.

Focus magazine has published several of Ghosheh's articles including one on "Japan in its Sense of Place" and an article on the Amish people of northwestern Pennsylvania.



THINK SUMMER – Following last June’s Edinboro Family Summer Retreat and preceding the annual Edinboro Family Retreat Picnic, a dedication ceremony was held to honor retiring University administrator Gary Jamison. Jamison (left) and President Frank G. Pogue are shown in front of the University Center viewing the tree planted in Jamison’s honor and the plaque that reads: “This crimson maple was planted in honor of Mr. Gary C. Jamison, affectionately known as ‘Mr. Student Affairs,’ in recognition of his career of service to the Edinboro Family, June 21, 1997.” Jamison retired in June after serving Edinboro University and its students for 28 years.

November 19, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO PROFESSOR AUTHORS ARTICLE
ON COMMON MYTHS ABOUT THE MIDDLE EAST**

Dr. Baher Ghosheh, professor of geosciences at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, authored an article for *MIC Journal of Comparative Culture*. The subject, "Common Myths about the Middle East," draws special attention to the distinction between "Westernization" and "Modernization".

This study dispels many common myths about the Middle East by examining the geography of the region as well as its ethnic, cultural, religious, economic, and political diversity. It is the author's opinion that distorted beliefs about the Middle East are fostered by media bias, limited knowledge about the region, and ethnocentric limitations and prejudices of non-native Middle East experts.

Southwest Asia/North Africa represents a tremendous diversity in culture, religion, customs, traditions, political ideology, economic conditions, climate, and topography. Global harmony requires that we understand and appreciate our differences while maintaining a healthy respect for each other.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

RICHARD ARNOLD APPOINTED EDINBORO'S DEAN OF ACADEMIC SERVICES

Dr. Richard E. Arnold has been appointed dean of academic services at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Prior to his appointment, Arnold was Edinboro's acting associate dean of science, management and technologies.

In his new position Dr. Arnold will oversee the operations of academic support services, cultural affairs, the honors program, intercultural relations, international studies, ROTC, and the University's Porreco Center.

"Academic services is a support group to the University," said Arnold. "We are an interactive group that works in support of other academic departments within the University." The structuring of the departments permits maximum flexibility in the delivery of services to students.

Dr. Arnold received a bachelor's degree in biology and general science from Slippery Rock University in 1967, a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from West Virginia University in 1973, and a doctorate in curriculum and instruction from Kent State in 1978. Arnold also has studied under the National Aeronautics and Space Administration at Temple University and the National Science Foundation at Boston College and Clark College. He has also completed post-doctoral studies at Cleveland State University.

His professional career began as a biology teacher – first at Butler Area Senior High School, and then at New Kensington High School. Since that time he has held teaching and administrative positions in both public schools and higher education. Arnold has served as program officer in the KEDS Desegregation Assistance Center at Kent State University,

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executive director of secondary education at Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, and director of curriculum and instruction for Crawford Central School District prior to his arrival at Edinboro University in 1989.

Dr. Arnold was named assistant dean of academic administration in 1989. He then served as assistant dean of education from 1991 until he was appointed to acting associate dean of science, management and technologies earlier this year.

Arnold has served on numerous committees including the Pennsylvania Department of Education's on-site review team at Westminster College, the Middle States Association Commission on Higher Education's evaluation team at SUNY-Oneonta, and the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education's executive committee. He is past chairperson of the Meadville NAACP and past vice-president of the Meadville chapter of the American Heart Association. He is a board member of the International Institute of Erie, United Way of Erie County, Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education and the Edinboro Lion's Club.

Among the many conferences Arnold has chaired are "Standing on the Shoulders of Others: Education in the New Millennium" at the 27th annual Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education and "Educational/Corporate Planning" for Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

He discussed "The Future of Education" as the convocation speaker at Lake Forest College in 1995. He presented "Opening the Diversity of the Philadelphia Schools to Students in Rural Universities" at the Association of Teacher Educators 73rd annual meeting in Los Angeles in 1993, and he spoke on the "Partnership for Academic Progress" for the Pennsylvania Task Force on Intergroup Relations in 1991.

November 24, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP
TO TOP HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR**

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has awarded an Alumni Association Admissions Grant scholarship to Angela DiSanto of Mt. Pleasant Mills. Based on high school curriculum, grades, overall grade point average, class rank, college board scores, extra-curricular activities, and leadership qualities, the annual scholarship is renewable for up to four years.

A graduate of East Juniata High School, Angela participated in marching band, chorus, Tri-M, NHS, Key Club, musicals and plays, and she was on the yearbook staff and was the editor of the school newspaper. She is the daughter of Vickie DiSanto and Albert DiSanto, Jr., and plans to major in anthropology at Edinboro.

The scholarship program was created by Edinboro University's Alumni Association Board of Directors as part of a three-year plan to augment the student scholarship program. Funded with alumni gifts, the program is designed to attract the brightest high school students. Recipients must maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average while enrolled at Edinboro to be eligible to have their scholarship renewed each year.

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**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP
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Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has awarded an Alumni Association Admissions Grant scholarship to Erika Marazas of Stroudsburg. Based on high school curriculum, grades, overall grade point average, class rank, college board scores, extra-curricular activities, and leadership qualities, the annual scholarship is renewable for up to four years.

A graduate of Pocono Mountain High School, Erika participated in track and cross country. She is the daughter of David Marazas and Theresa Marazas, and plans to major in environmental science at Edinboro.

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Dr. Jerry Kiel, Edinboro's associate vice president for enrollment, management and retention, said the agreement creates the opportunity for area students to get a head start on their college degree.

"To offer nearly a full semester of credits to qualified honors students is a great advantage to an individual," said Kiel. "This agreement magnifies an already strong relationship between the two institutions and also confirms the respect level Edinboro University has for the curriculum offered at General McLane High School."

Principal Donald Ickes called the agreement a win-win situation. "It's a really great opportunity for our kids in our own backyard. They can earn 11 credits before they ever start college. And Edinboro can attract more of our top-notch kids."

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Ickes pointed out that the opportunity to earn college credit while still in high school will be an incentive for the students to take General McLane's accelerated courses.

Kiel added: "The signing is consistent with the University's goal to extend its service to the Edinboro community. Edinboro University is grateful for the opportunity to attract such high quality students to our campus."

For further information contact Todd Jay at 732-5555, ext. 233; or the Edinboro public relations office, 732-2745.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

684 STUDENTS TO GRADUATE AT EDINBORO'S WINTER COMMENCEMENT

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Frank G. Pogue will confer degrees on 684 students at the Commencement ceremony on Sunday, December 14, at 1:00 p.m. in McComb Fieldhouse. With a May graduating class of 667 students, Edinboro granted approximately 1,351 associate, bachelor's and master's degrees during the 1996-97 calendar year.

Twenty-four undergraduate students will be graduating with *summa cum laude* honors (3.80 to 4.00 grade point average), 29 with *magna cum laude* honors (3.60 to 3.79), and 36 *cum laude* (3.40 to 3.59). Four students will graduate in the nationally-recognized Honors Program.

Carrying the ceremonial mace and leading the academic procession as the Grand Marshal at the ceremony will be Dr. Richard J. Gromen.

Gromen earned a bachelor's degree in history in 1953, a master's degree in history in 1961, and a Ph.D. in history in 1969, all from Western Reserve University. His teaching career began at Brunswick School where he taught history and mathematics from 1960 to 1964. He joined the Edinboro staff in 1964 as an assistant professor in social sciences. During his tenure he served in a number of administrative capacities, including chairperson and dean. He returned to the classroom full time in 1987.

During his career at Edinboro, Dr. Gromen was involved in the development of several programs, including counseling, history, psychology, social science, and speech pathology and audiology at the master's level; and the baccalaureate programs in criminal justice, economics/business, history, social work, and industrial and trade leadership.



November 24, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO ARTIST TO BE PUBLISHED IN *NEW AMERICAN PAINTINGS*

Edinboro artist Rachael Harper was one of 54 painters selected from over 500 who competed in the Open Studios' 1997 Mid-Atlantic Competition recently. As a result of this competition, several of Harper's color reproductions will be published in the *New American Paintings* magazine.

Since its founding in 1993, this bi-monthly series of exhibitions-in-print has become a national showcase for emerging and regionally-established artists. The Open Studios Competitions attract thousands of professional artists each year. Juried by curators of contemporary art from prominent museums, these exhibitions of the winners' work are free of commercial influence and academic bias.

Harper received a BFA in painting from Western Kentucky University. She was recently featured in an alumni show at Western Kentucky.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**EDINBORO UNIVERSITY PLANETARIUM
ANNOUNCES ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SHOWS**

Join the Edinboro University Planetarium on Wednesday, December 3, and Thursday the 4th as we ring in the holiday season with lights, music, and the stars of Christmas time. Two different shows will be held each evening. At 7 p.m. we will explore the traditions and celestial wonders that tie Christmas to our night sky. Or join us at 9 p.m. for a concert under the "stars," with recording artist Phil Bair from Denver, Colorado.

The wonder of Christmas will fill the Planetarium this season – you don't want to miss this one. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 814-732-2493.

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November 3, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Sheri Wilson, 4970 Kinter Hill Rd., Edinboro, was recently named the recipient of a Dean's Scholarship/School of Science, Management and Technologies.

This scholarship is awarded to a student in the school of science, management and technologies who is entering the senior year and has attained a quality point average of a 3.50 or better. It is funded through Edinboro University's Alumni Association to assist outstanding students financially and recognize their academic excellence.

Sheri is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bair, Union City. She is a graduate of Northwestern High School, and a business administration major.

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November 3, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Matthew Vidas, 12963 Route 99 South, Edinboro, was recently named the recipient of a Clarence C. and Cora Crawford Scholarship.

This scholarship is made available through contributions to Edinboro University by Mr. D. Neal Manross in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Crawford.

Dr. and Mrs. Crawford originally came to Edinboro State Normal School in the fall of 1918. He was the vice-principal and an instructor of math. He became the first president of Edinboro State Teachers College in September, 1929. He resigned as president in 1934 due to failing health, but continued to teach. He retired in 1940 and they continued to live in Edinboro. Dr. Crawford was accepted by faculty and students as a scholar and efficient administrator. He was highly respected in the community and appreciated as a friend. He helped many students financially so they could attend school. Years later, alumni contributed to a fund to provide the Crawfords with a pension – most of their retirement fund had been used helping others. Dr. Crawford died in 1942 and Mrs. Crawford died less than a year later.

Matthew is the son of William M. Vidas and Susan D. Vidas. He is a graduate of General McLane High School, and an elementary education major.

November 3, 1997

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Karen Engell, 6499 West Rd., McKean, was recently named the recipient of a Clarence C. and Cora Crawford Scholarship.

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Karen is the daughter of Lois Engell and Wilmer Engell. She is a graduate of General McLane High School, and is a nursing major.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LOCAL STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has announced that Celeste S. Currie, P. O. Box 150, Sugar Grove, was recently named the recipient of the Dennis D. Ranalli Scholarship.

This scholarship is awarded to an entering graduate student studying in the field of speech-language pathology. The scholarship was established by Mr. Hal Russell Blount (class of 1976 and 1981) in appreciation for the support he received from Dennis D. Ranalli. The annual funds for this scholarship are provided by Hal Blount.

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