



Edinboro University of Pennsylvania faculty who have authored and edited books were honored recently at a reception in the University's Baron-Forness Library. The published authors, departments and books, from left, are Dr. Andrew Smith, speech and communication studies, co-editor of *Recovering Pragmatism's Voice*; Dr. James Drane, professor emeritus, *Clinical Bioethics* and *The Good Doctor*; Dr. Dana Bushnell, philosophy, editor of *Nagging Questions: Feminist Ethics in Everyday Life*; Suzanne Winterberger, art, *Sideways Atlanta*; Dr. Robert Gensemer, health and physical education; *Beginning Golf* and *Physical Education*; Dr. Tim Thompson, speech and communication studies, *Communication, Creativity, Change*; Dr. Mark Iutcovich, sociology/anthropology/social work, *The Sociologist as Consultant*; and Dr. James LoPresto, physics and technology, *Spacetime: Fabric of the Universe*. Also honored but not pictured were Dr. Corbin Fowler, philosophy, *Morality for Moderns*; and Dr. Cyrus Lee, psychology, *Thomas Merton and Chinese Wisdom*.



May 1, 1996

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TAN MEMORIALIZED IN BUTTERFIELD CEREMONY

The late Dr. James Tan, who was a professor in the School of Education for more than a quarter-century, was honored at a memorial ceremony held recently during the 1996 Alumni School Psychology Conference. At the ceremony a special plaque was placed in the Butterfield Hall entrance lobby by Christine Copeland (far left) and Lauren Jagiello, co-presidents of the School Psychology Club, and Dr. Dean Stoffer of the special education and school psychology department.

The inscription on the plaque reads: "In memory of Dr. James Tan, a distinguished professor, for his passion and dedication to the field of school psychology, 1969-1995," and displays the quote from Churchill, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

A tree – a snowdrift crabapple – was also planted near Butterfield Hall in Tan's memory. Several members of Tan's family, as well as many of his friends and colleagues, attended the memorial ceremony.

Tan was killed in a tragic vehicle accident in February 1995.

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VOLUNTEER SERVICE CONTRIBUTIONS RECOGNIZED AT EUP

The annual Recognition Day Program was held recently at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania to present awards to campus organizations and individuals who have been active in volunteer service to the campus and surrounding communities.

The 1995-96 Grand Champion Award for student volunteer service – more than 1,400 hours were logged – went to Gamma Sigma Sigma. President Lauren Fontana (photo) accepted the award on behalf of the sorority's 27 members, each of whom averaged some 52 individual hours of volunteer community service.

Other sororities receiving volunteer service awards were Alpha Sigma Tau, Alpha Gamma Delta and Sigma Sigma Sigma. Fraternities recognized with awards were Sigma Tau Gamma, Phi Kappa Theta and Alpha Chi Rho.

Also recognized for volunteer service were several academic organizations: the Secondary Education Association, Future Elementary Educators, Phi Sigma Pi, and the R. W. Bunsen Society Chemistry Club.

Receiving individual volunteer awards were Chris Conn, Becky Gould, Christine Jordan, Linda Lewis, Daryl Parker and Robert Slenzak. Conn, Gould, Parker and Slenzak are volunteers with the Edinboro Fire Department. Jordan was instrumental in coordinating the Cambridge Springs Tutoring Project, while Lewis donated her time to more than 10 community agencies and organizations.

Two members of the Edinboro faculty were also honored. Dr. Donald Hoffman, history department, received a special award for his 12 years as adviser to Gamma Sigma Sigma, while

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Dr. Theresa Thewes, chemistry department, was recognized for her service as adviser to the R. W. Bunsen Society Chemistry Club.

Among the various activities enjoying the volunteer efforts of Edinboro University students are the Edinboro Fire Department, Edinboro Manor, Erie City Mission, Shriners Hospital, Edinboro Food Bank, Special Olympics, Salvation Army, AIDS Quilt, Women's Shelter, the campus Intergenerational Center, Hermitage House Relief Fund, Campus Clean Up, SGA Food and Clothing Drive, Erie County and Red Cross blood drives, Adopt-A-Highway, Miller School Writing Center, Cambridge Springs Tutoring Program, Apples for Teachers, Muscular Dystrophy Walk, Project Inquiry, Toys for Tots, National Chemistry Week and Chemistry Olympiad, Hospitality House, Evening of Science, Model Legislature, Ski Patrol, Project ERIE, Bone Marrow Auction, American Heart Walk, Cystic Fibrosis Benefit, Thrifty Threads, Miller School Day Care Center, and the campus Non-Alcoholic Club.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BEN VEREEN TO APPEAR AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY MAY 7

Emmy and Tony Award-winning entertainer Ben Vereen will appear at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania on Tuesday, May 7, at 8 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium. The star of the TV mini-series *Roots* and Broadway's hit musical *Jelly's Last Jam* will discuss his miraculous recovery from a truck accident that nearly took his life. Buoyed by the support of friends and family and outpourings of love from his fans around the world, Vereen simply refused to give up. Today, he is a smiling symbol of all that faith and will can accomplish in the face of overwhelming adversity.

The accident forced Vereen to examine his life while drawing on his inner strength to deal with his recovery. The experience left him with an undying faith and will that is living proof of the healing power of the human spirit. It also left him with a keen personal interest in the need for comprehensive rehabilitation services for the sick and injured. His advocacy for the physically challenged was recognized in 1990 when he was awarded the prestigious Victory Award for his personal success in overcoming adversity and for helping others cope with similar tragedies.

A star of stage, screen and television, Vereen is especially noted for his landmark portrayal of "Chicken George" in *Roots*. His own ABC special *Ben Vereen: His Roots* won seven Emmy Awards. He recently earned another Emmy nomination for the mini-series *Intruders: They Are Among Us*. He has starred in ABC's *Webster* and *Tenspeed and Brownshoe*, and his work in the CBS mini-series *Ellis Island* won him a Golden Globe nomination. Vereen also played the quintessential entertainer in the finale of the film *All That Jazz*.

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His stage credits include his recent role as "The Chimney Man" in *Jelly's Last Jam*, and the lead role in the musicals *Grind* and the long-running smash *Pippin*, for which he won a Tony for best actor in a musical.

Vereen has also been widely honored for his humanitarian activities. In addition to his 1990 Victory award, the NAACP cited Vereen in 1978 and 1979 with its Image Award. This summer he will open the Ben Vereen School of the Arts, a non-profit facility in Chicago that will help expand the horizons of physically challenged children.

Vereen's appearance at Edinboro University is free to Edinboro students and faculty. Tickets to the public are \$5.00 for adults and \$4.00 to students and senior citizens. For further information, call the Office of Cultural Affairs, (814) 732-2518.

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A recent visitor to the Edinboro University of Pennsylvania campus was state Rep. William DeWeese (D-50th), left, shown here conferring with Edinboro University President Foster F. Diebold. The ex-Marine, former Speaker of the state House of Representatives and current Democratic Floor Leader was at Edinboro to pursue an academic enrichment program he developed several years ago to learn more about subjects that interest him. This year DeWeese is exploring in depth the works of Shakespeare and plans to visit several State System of Higher Education universities to expand his knowledge about the Bard's plays. He discussed *King Lear* with several members of the English faculty during his Edinboro visit.



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**CENTRAL HIGH SENIOR WINS 14TH
CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION AT EUP**

Matt Franz, a senior at Central High School/Erie City Area Vocational Technical School, was recently named grand prize winner of the 14th annual Congressional Art Competition and Exhibition, sponsored by U. S. Rep. Phil English (R-21st Dist.). "An Artistic Discovery 1996" was open to all high school students within English's 21st Congressional District. The week-long art exhibit and closing reception for the student artists and their families was held at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, which has hosted the event for the past 14 years.

Franz's winning entry, a tempera painting titled "Still Life with Red Pitcher" was judged best among the 75 entries submitted by students from 29 schools in English's four-county district. The judges were Edinboro University art professors Steven Emmett and Rachael Harper.

Second place went to Julie Johnson of McDowell High School and third place to Gabriel Holland of East High School. All three received cash awards from Edinboro University and U. S. Savings Bonds from PNC Bank. Additional prizes were provided by the First National Bank of Pennsylvania, Integra Bank, Marquette Savings Bank and National Bank of North East.

Honorable mentions were awarded to Steve Gramley, Cambridge Springs High School; Shuntell Mathis, Central High School/Erie City Area Vo-Tech; Mike Hull, Mercyhurst Prep; Ara Pardini, Mercyhurst Prep; and Lori Bukoski, Fort LeBoeuf High School. Edinboro University provided cash awards to the five honorable mentions.

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In addition, four "Juror's Discretion" awards were presented to Maggie Forbes, Meadville High School; Eric Mueller, Hickory High School; Mike Twohig, Central High School/School of the Performing Arts; and Na Hee Ahn, Villa Maria High School.

Franz, 17, is the son of Mrs. Donna Franz. Joe Krol, art teacher at Central High's City Area Vo-Tech, accompanied Franz and the school's other entrants to the reception.

In his remarks, Congressman English congratulated the schools that participated in the competition and thanked the teachers for their commitment.

"It is truly the encouragement of dedicated teachers that often sparks the creativity in our talented young people," he said.

English also praised Edinboro University's commitment to the annual event, thanking President Foster F. Diebold for supporting the Artistic Discovery program for the past 14 years.

Diebold, who retires as Edinboro's president on June 30 after 17 years in office, said in his comments that he hoped the interest in the program by members of Congress continued in the years to come, as the students and teachers who have participated have reflected positively on Pennsylvania, its elected officials, and Edinboro University.

"It has been a delight for both Mrs. Diebold and I to view the artistic offerings on display each year and then cap that experience with the opportunity to meet so many talented young people and their families," Diebold said.



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NEWS ADVISORY

Some 40 adult participants in the Pennsylvania Adult Literacy Corps of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will be honored in "A Celebration of Partnership and Literacy," Monday, May 6, at 4 p.m. These adult learners from GECAC, the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit, and the Hispanic American Council will be joined by their Edinboro University tutors for a planetarium show, a tour of the Cooper Science Hall museums, a visit to the University Bookstore, and a picnic at the University Center.

For further information on the celebration or the Adult Literacy Corps program, contact Dr. Denise Finazzo at 732-2943 or at 833-8440.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

NATIONAL GUARD RESCUE PILOT MIKE JONES IS EDINBORO GRAD

Mike Jones probably doesn't look like a hero, and he may not especially sound or act like one, either. But to the dozens of people he helped rescue from the floodwaters around Williamsport this past January, he is nothing but a hero.

Jones, a 1986 graduate of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, is a captain in the National Guard and an art teacher at Claysburg-Kimmel High School. He has been flying helicopters for the Guard since 1987, serving with Unit G Company, 104th Aviation, based in Philipsburg.

On the night of January 19, after a full day of teaching, Jones was called upon to co-pilot a CH47 D Chinook helicopter from Philipsburg to Lycoming County where floodwaters had left many people stranded in cars, homes and stores. Once his chopper was in the air, Jones and his crewmen – pilot Chief Warrant Officer Daniel Reggie, flight engineer Staff Sgt. Ed Blantz, and flight engineer Sgt. Nicholas "Chip" Gilliland – flew nearly nonstop from 6 in the evening to 4 the next morning.

Jones and Reggie took turns piloting and operating the radio, which kept them in touch with reports of where people were stranded. During the winter darkness they wore night vision goggles. Without them, Jones said their mission would have been impossible.

Their first rescue was the most difficult. Five people in a Ford Bronco were stranded in the middle of a river. Some had climbed onto the roof and hood of the car to avoid the rising water. It was a precarious situation. The Bronco was an unstable platform in the midst of the churning stream and the occupants were being buffeted by 100 mph wind from the helicopter's blades.

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To attempt the rescue, the helicopter hovered at approximately 65 ft. above the car while a cable and harness were lowered to the people. Jones had never done hoist operations before, but one by one, they hoisted each person up into the helicopter through an opening in the floor. One man, who was nearly unconscious and turning blue from hypothermia, was flown immediately to a drop-off point at the Williamsport Fire Department and then taken by ambulance to Williamsport Hospital.

Jones and his crew rescued another group of people from the roof of a supermarket. They simply lowered the rear ramp of the helicopter and they walked right in. Another rescue was that of a woman and her cat from a trailer. They had been standing on their kitchen counter to stay above the water.

The helicopter continued operations all night, stopping only three times to refuel. By the time the exhausted crew returned to base at Philipsburg, their company had saved 65 people. Jones' helicopter had rescued 41.

In recognition of their heroic efforts, Jones and several other rescue workers were honored in a ceremony in Harrisburg by Governor Tom Ridge. He has also received awards from such groups as the Claysburg American Legion and has appeared on local radio and television.

To maintain his pilot status, Jones must fly a minimum of 90 hours a year. He usually flies one weekend a month and another two solid weeks during the year. He practices hauling sling loads, making water landings and flying on instruments. His unit has flown in Iceland three times.

Jones is a native of the Tidioute area where his parents, George and Madeline, still live. He joined the National Guard in 1981 and graduated from Edinboro in 1986 with a degree in art. Following graduation he went to flight school at Ft. Rucker, Alabama. He plans to stay in the Guard until he completes 20 years, and he hopes to eventually fly professionally.



Captain Mike Jones, a graduate of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, is among those honored in Harrisburg by Gov. Tom Ridge for their efforts in rescuing people from the flooding this past winter in central Pennsylvania. Jones is seated in the second row, second from the aisle.







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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY RECOGNIZES HONOR STUDENTS

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recognized its outstanding students at the 1996 Honors Convocation on April 28. Serving as student speaker was Matthew Brown, a senior business administration major from Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Serving as student marshals were Pollyanna Cole, a senior nursing major from Saegertown, and Bruce Erikson, a senior fine arts major from Stoneboro. Also speaking was Emily F. Green, executive assistant to President Foster F. Diebold, who delivered the President's message.

Brown is a member of the University's Honors program and has been named to the Edinboro University Deans' List each semester at Edinboro. He served as treasurer of the business and accounting club and is a member of Sigma Beta Delta national business honorary. In 1994, Brown was awarded a presidential scholarship to study business law in Italy as part of Edinboro's Summer Study Abroad program. He later attended the National Collegiate Honors Council Conference in San Antonio, where he gave a presentation on his study abroad experience. He is a three-year varsity letterman on the Edinboro football team and received the Darrin Shields Award, presented to the freshman player who exhibits excellence both on and off the field. Last year he was nominated to the Academic All-American team by College Football Preview Magazine and was awarded first place in the PNC Bank essay contest at Edinboro. Brown has completed an internship in Cleveland with Ernst and Young, the world's largest accounting firm, and will begin full-time employment in the firm's audit division this coming October. His parents are Bridget Brown, and David and Michelle Brown.

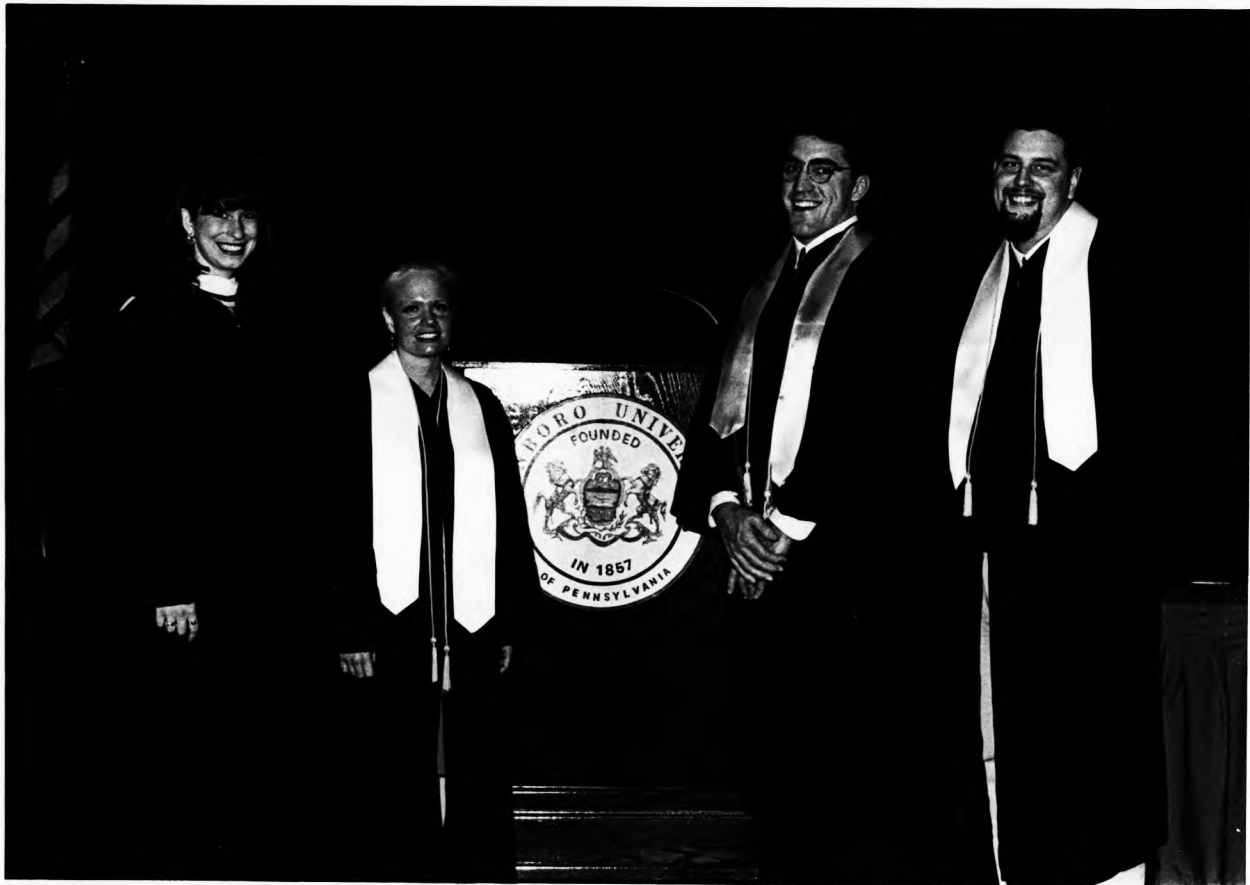
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Cole is a participant in the University's Honors program and is a member of Alpha Chi honor fraternity and Nu Theta nursing sorority. She is a recipient of the James T. Wherle nursing scholarship and was selected to attend the Edinboro At Oxford Experience. She has served as a peer tutor at the University and is employed at Hamot Medical Center. She is completing her clinical experience at St. Vincent Health Center and will assume a position as a critical care nurse at Denver General Hospital following graduation.

Erikson is concentrating in drawing and minoring in art history. He has studied with illustrators Chris Payne and Gary Kelly and also attended the illustration academy in Kansas City, Missouri. His portfolio includes illustration for Anders and McMill publishers, sketching for a criminal trial in Pennsylvania, and illustration for a cover story in *Cleveland Magazine*. He plans a career in free-lance illustration.

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Participating in Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's 1996 Honors Convocation are, from left, Emily Green, executive assistant to President Foster F. Diebold; Pollyanna Cole of Saegertown; Matthew Brown of Chagrin Falls, Ohio; and Bruce Erikson of Stoneboro.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

FRANK JAKOVAC APPOINTED TRUSTEE AT EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Frank J. Jakovac, a Pittsburgh business executive and Edinboro University of Pennsylvania graduate, has been appointed by Governor Tom Ridge to the Edinboro University Council of Trustees. He replaces Ms. Joyce Bonello, also an Edinboro University graduate, on the Council.

Jakovac, whose date of appointment was effective with his confirmation by the state Senate on March 12, 1996, is chairman, CEO and founder of Gateway Archives, Inc., a Pittsburgh area-based company that performs remote retention, retrieval and management information services for client businesses and organizations. His Gateway Archives Pittsburgh Business Support Center, located south of Pittsburgh in Robinson Township, also offers facilities, computer systems and other equipment for special business projects, audits, or disaster recovery and business resumption operations.

Active in a variety of cultural and charitable organizations in the greater Pittsburgh area, Jakovac is also involved with the Edinboro University Alumni Association, currently serving a fourth term as treasurer for the Association's Board of Directors. In 1991, he was named a Distinguished Alumni of the University in the field of business and industry.

Trustees at Edinboro University and the 13 other institutions in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education are nominated and appointed to six-year terms of office by the governor of the Commonwealth with the advice and consent of the state Senate.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO STUDENT PRESENTS RESEARCH AT ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

Waterford resident Stacie Mukina recently presented a research abstract at the annual meeting of the Ohio Academy of Science at Malone College in Canton, Ohio. Mukina was also invited to present at a special session on interdisciplinary research. She is a senior psychology major at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

For two years Mukina has been part of a research team from Edinboro, studying songs of the red-winged blackbird on Waterford State Game Lands. The team has members from two disciplines – Edinboro's psychology and biology departments – studying the male's calls for social patterns and reproductive success, respectively.

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May 10, 1996

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EDINBORO CONNECTION CLICKS AT ERIE MUSEUM

Faculty, students and former students of Edinboro University were well represented in the 73rd Annual Spring Show at the Erie Art Museum. Of the 92 artists whose work was accepted in the competition, 16 had an Edinboro connection. Edinboro student Lisa Shultz designed the show's catalogue.

Edinboro faculty members Ian Short, Ben Gibson, Kathe Kowalski and Constance Mullineaux had works selected for exhibit, with Gibson winning an award. Current university students included in the show were Ben Frazier and Mary Geiger.

Former EUP students Nan Salvatore, Cheryl Brumfield-Knox, Fran Shanz, Ron Bayuzick, Lisa Cobb, Michael Hoffman, Don Joint, Pamela Lyons, Tom Potocki and Melissa Spurgeon had works chosen for exhibition. Spurgeon won a juror's award from Ivan Karp, a well-known authority from New York City's art scene.

Three hundred and forty-nine artists from the tri-state area entered works in the competition.

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SPECIAL TO THE *SUNDAY TIMES-NEWS*

FOR RELEASE SUNDAY, MAY 12, 1996

WORKING MOTHER MARY ELLEN DAHLKEMPER EARNS EDINBORO DEGREE

As director of adult education for Mercyhurst College, Mary Ellen Dahlkemper can point to someone who is an outstanding role model for adult students – herself. The 40-something mother of three holds a full-time job, is a highly successful free-lance writer for publications like *Erie & Chautauqua Magazine*, serves as in-coming president of Stairways' board of directors, and has been a graduate student at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania for the past three years. Today she will receive a master of arts degree in communication studies (MACS) at Edinboro's commencement.

Said Edinboro graduate program head Dr. Kathleen Golden, "She is a phenomenal woman. It was such a rewarding experience working with her."

Golden, who heads the MACS program, directed Dahlkemper's thesis on organizational culture. "Her paper was one of the best I've ever read," said Golden. "Her writing is so strong; the first draft was better than many final drafts I've seen."

She grew up in the Dahlkemper family business, working for 25 years in a variety of positions including jewelry buyer and manager, director of training and development, and vice-president of human resources. In all of those capacities, she was involved in the personal and professional development of adults through educational programs.

Dahlkemper didn't need a college degree to work for the company, but neither of her parents had gone to college and they wanted their five children to have a higher education. She enrolled at Mercyhurst College full time while continuing to work full time as well. She earned a bachelor's degree in English. "My goal was to get a good, solid liberal arts education," she

said. "The subject didn't matter as much as getting a broad perspective. It's important to be able to adapt and be flexible to change."

After college she soon became a wife and mother, and now is a single parent to her three sons – Ed, Philip and James Razanauskas who are ages 20, 17 and 13.

Despite her commitment to job and family, she never lost the desire to further her education. During an 18-month period between 1989 and 1991, she enrolled at the Gestalt Institute of Cleveland and earned a certificate in organization and systems development. Her classes met every other month for a week at a time. Finding her interest stimulated in how organizations work, Dahlkemper began looking for a way to earn a master's degree in the organizational field. Her opportunity came serendipitously in 1993 when the Dahlkemper business folded and she found herself unemployed. "It was a catalyst for me to move on," she said.

She discovered that Edinboro's MACS program in organizational culture and communication matched her interests perfectly. She applied and was accepted into the program in the fall of 1993. Coincidentally, in August of that year she was hired by Mercyhurst for her current position. So she went from four months of unemployment and inactivity to a full-time job while pursuing a master's degree in her spare time.

In addition, for the past 10 years Dahlkemper has been a regular contributor to *Erie and Chautauqua Magazine*. In the current issue she wrote the cover story on Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge and New York Governor George Pataki, as well as a feature story on Thomas B. Hagen, Pennsylvania's secretary of commerce. She has interviewed Erie Mayor Joyce Savocchio and her most memorable interview was with the late Mayor Louis Tullio.

Dahlkemper is a member of the Erie Chapter of the American Association of University Women and is a founding member and publicist for the C. G. Jung Society of Erie. She has received the MECA Employer of the Year Award for her work in hiring disabled persons, was cited in *Who's Who of Women Executives*, and named an Outstanding Alumna of Catholic Education in the Erie Diocese.

With so much accomplished already in her life, is there anything else she would like to do? "I'm ready to travel," she replied.

May 12, 1996

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO GRADUATES 667 IN SPRING CEREMONY

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's President Foster F. Diebold, for the last time in his role as Edinboro's president, conferred master's, bachelor's and associate degrees upon 667 new graduates during spring 1996 Commencement ceremonies at the University's McComb Fieldhouse.

The newest alumni join 732 December 1995 graduates for a total of 1,399 Edinboro University degrees awarded during the 1995-96 academic year.

In his final remarks to an Edinboro University graduating class, Diebold told the Fieldhouse audience of more than 3,000 his estimate that he had personally presented diplomas over the past 17 years to probably half of the 35,000 graduates Edinboro claimed as alumni of the school.

"The fact that I've presented diplomas to more than 17,000 of the 35,000 alumni is an estimate of which I'm quite proud," said Diebold, who retires as Edinboro's president on June 30.

In his remarks, Diebold returned to a theme on which he had spoken during several past commencements – his concern over the crisis of values in today's society and the accompanying lack of civility in social discourse and interaction with each other.

"When I assumed the presidency 17 years ago, I brought with me the belief that we, as a university community, should be doing more to assure that our students graduate as individuals of character, more sensitive to the needs of the community, more able to contribute constructively to society, and more civil in habits of thought, speech and action," Diebold said.

"I also believed that we, as educators and administrators, had the obligation to create and maintain a proper climate of values and value judgments within the university community that

incorporated a core of defensible ethical concern – civility, respect, tolerance, honesty and diligence, among others.”

Diebold said that it was his lasting hope for the graduates that their Edinboro University experience had given them the capacity to develop a set of values that would shape not only their own individual lives, but communities and nations as well “Values that are healthy in moral fibre and decency, and tempered with no small amount of grace, a sense of humanity, and plain good taste,” he said.

“I am privileged and proud to have been your university president for the past 17 years, and I have often remarked that I would hope to have the years of my presidency measured simply by comparing where the institution was when I arrived and where it is as I leave.

“I ask you graduates to see a message in what I’m saying . . . the message is to try to make a positive difference; try to leave everything you do in a better condition than when you found it. And do so ethically – be honest, have integrity, be kind and persevere – make that kind of a difference.”

Diebold and the University’s Council of Trustees also conferred the degree of Doctor of Public Service (*doctor beneficiorum Publicorum, honoris causa*) to Thomas B. Hagen, secretary of commerce for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Long identified with community revitalization and economic development, Secretary Hagen, a distinguished businessman and civic leader, served the Erie Insurance Group for 40 years, ultimately as chairman and chief executive officer. He was appointed the state’s secretary of commerce in 1995 by Governor Tom Ridge.

The doctoral citation recognized Hagen’s leadership in the cause of civic and social responsibility, long-standing commitment to the growth and development of the Erie community and northwestern Pennsylvania, willingness to undertake the role of public servant and statesman in Pennsylvania, and his many contributions to civic and community life.

In his acceptance remarks, Hagen said that he was deeply honored for the recognition, and to those he called his “fellow members of the class of 1996,” he urged a commitment to public and community service.

“My generation is moving on,” he said. “We need new blood to carry on.”

To retiring President Foster Diebold, Hagen called on an old saying from his days in the U.S. Navy: “I wish you fair winds and calm seas.”

Prior to the Commencement ceremony, four new graduates – three from Edinboro University and one from Allegheny College – were commissioned as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army. Earning their gold bars in a special luncheon ceremony at the Van Houten Dining Hall's University Club were Diane Derkowski, Army Nurse Corps; Joseph Spence, Military Police Corps; and Robert Wisnom, Military Intelligence – all from Edinboro University's ROTC program – and Bret Woolcock, Field Artillery, from Allegheny College. State Rep. Jim Merry was the featured speaker at the commissioning ceremony.

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EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA 1996 SPRING COMMENCEMENT

- ✓ Sunday, May 12, 2:00 p.m., McComb Fieldhouse
- ✓ Foster F. Diebold presided over his final Commencement ceremony as president of Edinboro University. He retires on June 30, 1996 after 17 years in office.
- ✓ 667 students received master's, bachelor's and associate degrees.
- ✓ With a December graduating class of 732 students, Edinboro granted approximately 1,399 degrees during the 1995-96 academic year.
- ✓ The degree Doctor of Public Service (*doctor beneficiorum publicorum, honoris causa*) was presented to Thomas B. Hagen, secretary of commerce for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- ✓ Serving as University Marshal and leading the academic procession was Dr. Louella M. "Bunny" Bucho, professor in the department of English and theatre arts for 30 years.
- ✓ 33 undergraduate students graduated with *summa cum laude* honors (3.80 to 4.00 grade point average), 48 with *magna cum laude* honors (3.60 to 3.79), and 69 *cum laude* (3.40 to 3.59). Seven students graduate from the University's renowned Honors Program.



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NEWS ADVISORY:

More than 250 educators from western Pennsylvania are expected today and tomorrow for Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's 12th annual Early Childhood Education Conference. The two-day conference will offer 33 workshops ranging from children's literature to science, health and technology to cultural diversity.

The keynote speaker, Ohio University professor Dr. Margaret King, will speak on "Back to Basics: Humane, Responsive and Challenging Learning Environments," today at 11 a.m. in Van Houten Dining Hall.

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EDINBORO UNIVERSITY ALUMNI VISIT ALMA MATER'S NAMESAKE

Edinboro residents Bob and Jennie Hitchcock are loyal graduates of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Earlier this year they had an opportunity to extend their loyalty to the "other" university of the same name: the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.

The Hitchcocks took a ten-day trip in February to the Scottish capital to visit the namesake of their alma mater and to see for themselves what this historic city was all about. Thanks to a letter of introduction from Edinboro President Foster F. Diebold, they were able to meet with Diebold's counterpart at the University of Edinburgh, Principal and Vice-Chancellor Sir Stewart Sutherland. He was appointed by the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Philip, who is the University's chancellor.

"He was so cordial and outgoing," said Jennie. "He went out of his way to make us feel welcome. We exchanged ideas and compared the two schools. He had been to the United States to teach at Wooster College in Ohio for six months, which also has a Scottish heritage."

Established in 1583, the University of Edinburgh is one of the world's great universities. Its former students have included Charles Darwin, Sir Walter Scott, J. M. Barrie, Robert Louis Stevenson, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Peter Mark Roget, and philosopher David Hume. Among its former rectors have been prime ministers David Lloyd George and Winston Churchill.

It is especially noted for its schools of arts, medicine, social science, law, and its largest "faculty of study" science and engineering, which has nearly 6,000 of the 17,000 graduate and undergraduate students. It is perhaps no coincidence that the chief of engineering for Star Trek's Enterprise is Montgomery "Scotty" Scott.

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The school offers some 300 degree options spread across 120 academic departments and employs 2,400 full time academic staff. Its library, housed in the largest single academic library building in Europe, has nearly 2 million printed works, 324,000 volumes of periodicals, 150,000 microforms, 101,000 maps and 32,000 manuscripts.

Its computer network is one of the most advanced in Europe, featuring an extensive high-speed fiber optic network. The Edinburgh Parallel Computing Center hosts six parallel supercomputers, including Europe's fastest supercomputer – the Cray T3D. The University's electronic information system – EDINFO – is accessible through the World Wide Web at <http://www.ed.ac.uk>.

The Hitchcocks spent most of their time in Scotland touring the city of Edinburgh itself. They stayed in the heart of the city at Royal Mile Mansions, a hotel featuring very comfortable suites. Their days were spent walking around the city, exploring its old stone buildings, gardens, museums, cathedrals and castles. They walked as many as eight miles a day.

“We loved every minute of it,” said Jennie. “We felt very safe.” Among the places they visited were the Museum of Childhood which featured dolls, toys and artifacts from previous generations; The People's Story, a museum dedicated to the history of the common Scottish person; Edinburgh Castle, the ancient fortress which looks down over the city; Holyroodhouse, the castle of Queen Elizabeth who visits Edinburgh for one week every summer; and the Hitchcock's favorite building, Giles Cathedral.

“What impressed me most about Giles Cathedral was its age,” said Jennie. “Here was a building that was standing when America was discovered. It still has its original stone roof.” In the Cathedral are two ornate, throne-like chairs used by the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh during their annual visit to the Cathedral. Jennie asked permission from the guides to sit for a moment in the Queen's chair. “It was quite a privilege,” said Jennie.

The Hitchcocks had nothing but praise for the Scottish people. The residents of Edinburgh were very friendly and extremely well dressed. “You never saw anyone wearing jeans or sneakers.” said Bob. They also noticed that no one seemed to be out of shape. The Hitchcocks suspect that was due primarily to the Scottish diet, which has much less sugar than American palates are used to. Chocolate cake, for example, was not nearly as sweet as one would commonly find in the United States. Also, their restaurant meals tended to have smaller portions.

Although their trip to Scotland was made in the middle of winter, the Hitchcocks thought it proved to be a great time to be there. The weather was good – a typical Edinburgh winter is much milder than northwestern Pennsylvania, and there were very few tourists to contend with.

Would they go back? In an instant. The trip was an early anniversary present from their son, David, who had fallen in love with the city on an earlier trip. “When we told him about all the places we saw that he hadn’t,” said Jennie Hitchcock, “he started making plans to go back.”

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATORS ELECT E. ERNEST WOOD VICE PRESIDENT

E. Ernest Wood, associate professor of sociology and criminal justice at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, was recently elected vice president and program chair of the Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Justice Educators for 1996-97. He will assume the presidency of the association for 1997-98.

This organization meets to discuss issues of common concern for professionals in criminal justice education across the state. The year's theme was "Trends in Criminal Justice Curriculum and Education" with attention directed toward proposed national standards for criminal justice programs.

Wood came to Edinboro in 1972 to develop the criminal justice program. He is a member of the Northeastern Association of Criminal Justice Sciences and the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. He recently presented a program on "Media Mayhem: Magazine Cover Stories of Crime and Criminal Justice" at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences annual meeting in Las Vegas.

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NEWS ADVISORY:

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania President Foster F. Diebold will retire on June 30 after 17 years as the school's chief executive.

To honor the occasion of his retirement, as well as pay tribute to his leadership and many years of outstanding service, the Council of Trustees for Edinboro University is hosting a special, "black tie" banquet for President Diebold at the Kahkwa Club on Saturday, May 18, beginning with a 6 p.m. reception and followed by dinner. Proceeds from the by-invitation banquet will benefit a scholarship fund.

A number of dignitaries are expected to attend, among them state Secretary of Commerce Thomas Hagen, State System of Higher Education Chancellor James McCormick, and Olympic champion Bruce Baumgartner.

Media coverage of the dinner-dance is invited. For more information about the event, contact Bill Reed, assistant vice president for public information, (814) 732-2745, FAX (814) 732-2621.

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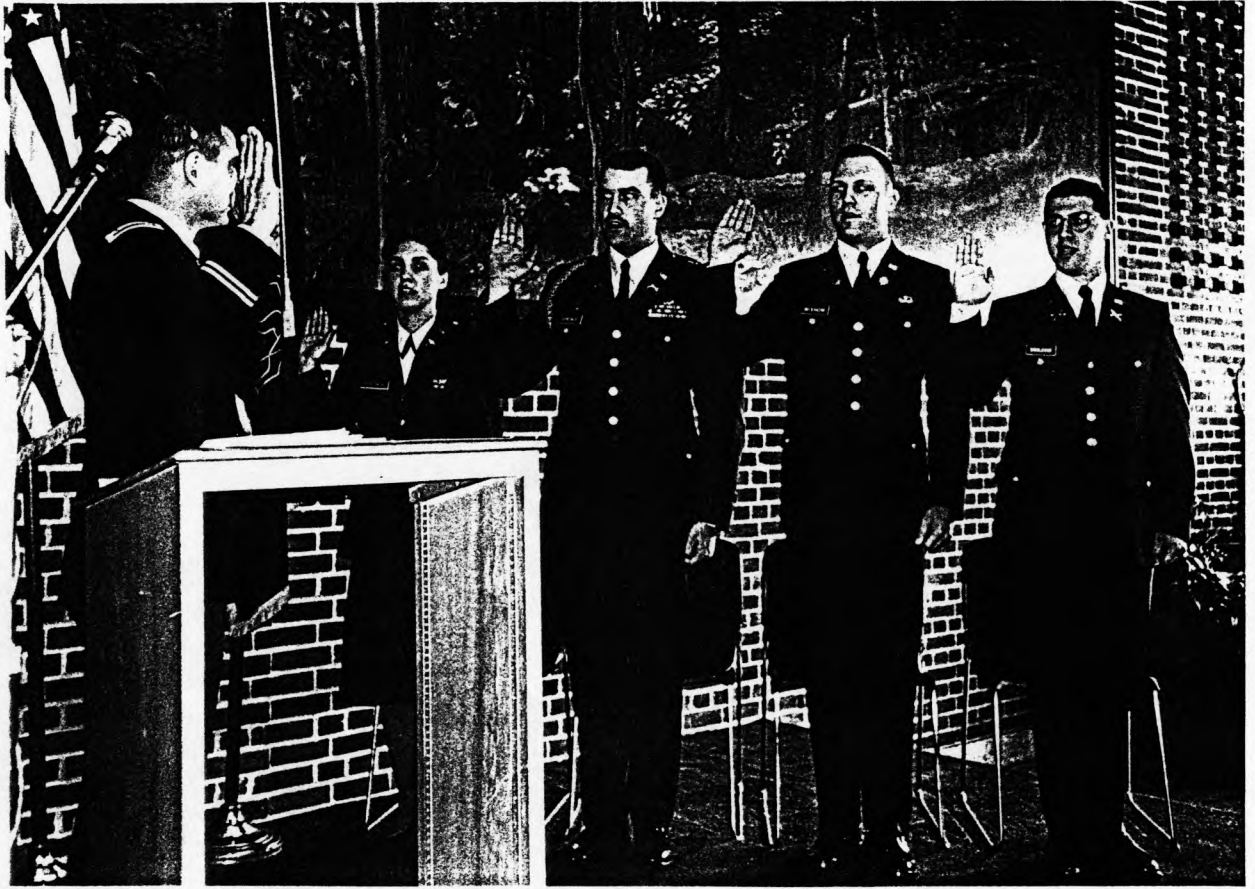
Three professors from Edinboro University's physics and technology department recently published two papers in the *American Journal of Physics*. David Giltinan, Thomas Walkiewicz and David Wagner's work concentrated on the physical pendulum and partial ring pendulum.

The December, 1995 issue of the journal contained their paper on a new laboratory experiment that involves the use of a set of partial ring pendula as its basis. Students find that theoretical calculations are in agreement with experimental results within measured uncertainties.

The authors' second paper, published last February, presented an alternative derivation of a physical pendulum rotating on a cylindrical support. Absolute and relative accelerations are used to get the equations of motion for the pendulum.

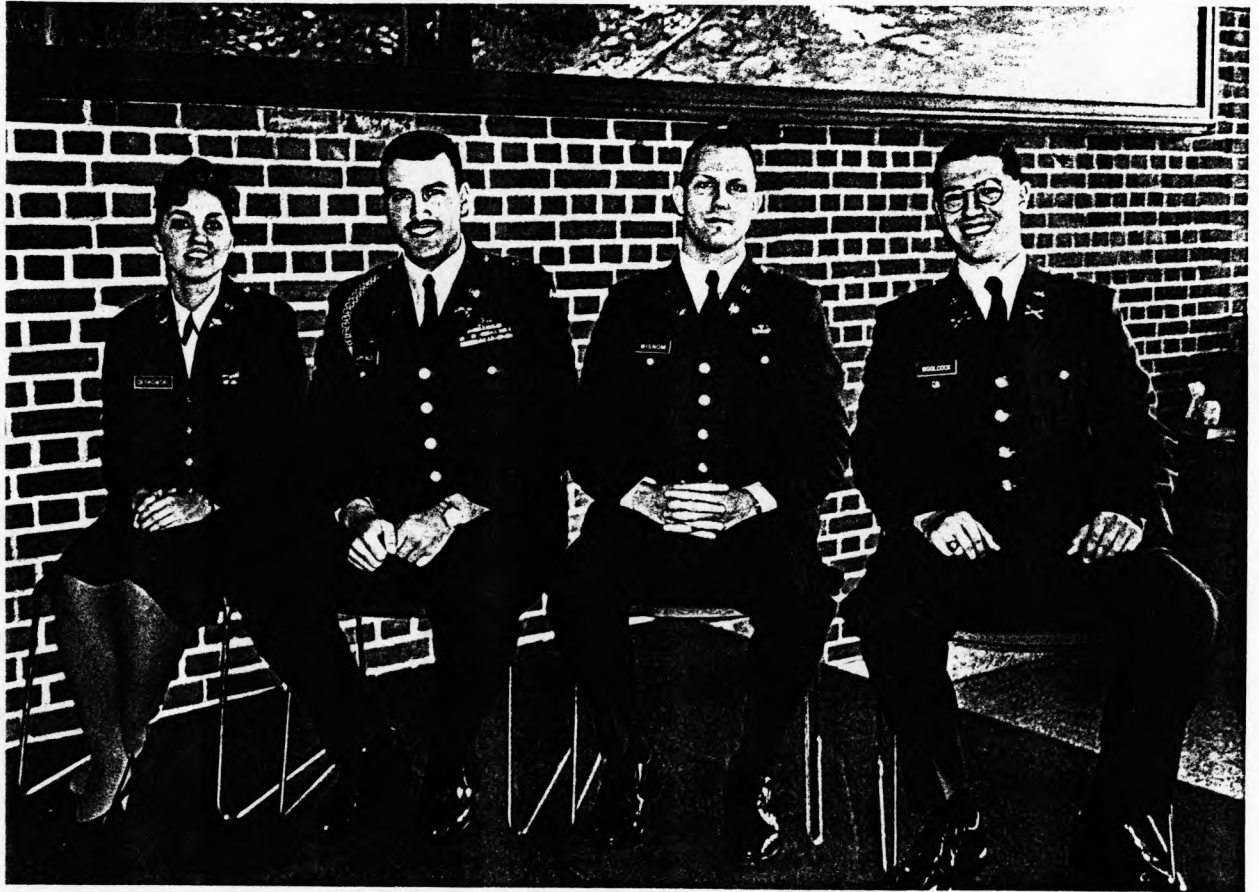
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY HELPED BY GE MATCHING GIFTS PROGRAM

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania has received another donation from the GE Fund (formerly the General Electric Foundation) under its Corporate Alumni Program, according to a recent announcement by University President Foster F. Diebold.

Under the program, GE matches dollar for dollar the value of any contribution made by a GE employee or retiree, doubling the donation.

GE began the first corporate matching gifts program in the U.S. in 1954 to encourage employees to give to institutions where they were educated. In the years since, the GE Foundation and now the GE Fund have matched some \$60 million in gifts to colleges and universities.

More than 1,000 U.S. companies and corporate foundations now match their employees' gifts to various non-profit organizations. Colleges and universities – the first non-profits to benefit from matching gifts – still receive the largest percentage of matching gift monies.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY AWARDED 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 an \$11,000 scholarship grant to Edinboro University in the 1996-97 academic year for financial aid to students with disabilities.

The grant is Edinboro's sixteenth in 16 years, bringing the total awarded to \$271,000.

Edinboro is one of the nine colleges and universities in the northeastern United States to share \$183,000 in Newcombe Foundation scholarships for students with disabilities in 1996-97. Funds awarded may be used for special expenses related to a student's disability or for off-campus internships or partial tuition scholarships.

In a letter notifying Diebold of the award, Newcombe Foundation executive director Janet A. Fearon said that the Newcombe trustees, in awarding the grant, commended Edinboro University for the strength of its support and counseling services for students with disabilities and for its good administration of the scholarship program.

"The counselors for students with disabilities who oversee Edinboro's distribution of Newcombe Scholarship funds are also to be commended," wrote Fearon. "Their diligence and dedication have encouraged the Newcombe trustees to continue Edinboro University in the program."

In the last 16 years, the Newcombe Foundation has committed more than \$4 million to their scholarship program, providing aid awards to over 5,000 college and university students with disabilities.

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Another \$408,000 in 1996-97 Newcombe Foundation grants was awarded to 25 colleges and universities in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York City, Delaware, Maryland and Washington, D.C., for scholarship aid to mature, second-career women students.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

OLYMPIC TORCH BEARER DAVID KENNEDY IS SURVIVOR

Sometime next month, 20 men and women from northwestern Pennsylvania will make their mark in the history of the Olympic Games. They will carry the Olympic Torch – the burning symbol representing the highest aspirations of international athletic competition – through Erie County en route to the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta.

The torch bearers were not chosen because they are athletes – indeed, most are not. Nor were they chosen because of fame, wealth or social standing. They were nominated because they are Community Heroes – successful people recognized for volunteer work in their communities. Olympic Gold Medalist Bruce Baumgartner – Edinboro's wrestling coach and defending world heavyweight champion – will also carry the torch as a past Olympian.

Of the 20 Community Heroes, three have a connection to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Trudy Hall of Wattsburg is a former Edinboro student. Dr. Gertrude Barber graduated from Edinboro and founded the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center in Erie.

Then there is David Kennedy. The social studies teacher at Meadville Area Senior High School earned a bachelor's degree in social studies from Edinboro in 1973 and a master's degree in education in 1975.

He was nominated for his teaching and community involvement – primarily his leadership role in girl's softball. Kennedy is credited with establishing girls' softball in the Meadville area in 1978 and coaching at the high school for many years. Today he is vice president of Meadville Area Youth Baseball and Softball. He also served as Meadville's swimming coach for two years and has been a PIAA certified swimming official since 1975.

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He is a former director of the Crawford County Red Cross and has been the president and director of the Taylor Hose Co.

In 1988 he was named outstanding young educator of Crawford County, and the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit has designated Kennedy as a lead teacher. This year he served as committee member of the Crawford County "Meet Your Legal System" forum, which was held in April in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Trial Judges Association.

But there may be another reason Kennedy was chosen as a Community Hero – he is a survivor. Like most of the baby boomers who grew up during the 1950s and 60s, Kennedy paid little attention to prolonged sun exposure and was unaware of the long-term effects of frequent or severe sunburn. As a fair-skinned blue-eyed blonde, he was at even higher risk for developing sun-related problems.

In 1984 Kennedy noticed a mole on his arm that displayed all the classic signs of the most serious type of skin cancer. At the insistence of his mother, Kennedy had the mole removed and biopsied. It was malignant. He was admitted into Roswell Park Cancer Institute in Buffalo for two weeks of surgery and therapy. The treatment was successful – the cancer cells showed no sign of spreading to the lymph system.

To this day, Kennedy remains cancer free. Still, he goes in for twice-yearly checkups to make sure the malignancy does not return. As a result of his experience with cancer, he is a committee member of the American Cancer Society's annual Relay For Life. This year he plans to participate in the Edinboro Triathlon.

Kennedy and his fellow Community Heroes are expected to carry the torch from Erie to Niagara Falls, New York, along Route 5, June 11. Erie will be an overnight stop on June 10, and lots of festivities are planned to coincide with the torch's arrival. Kennedy does not yet know for which leg of the route he will be a torch bearer, but he will be cheered on by his wife, Patricia, who also holds two degrees from Edinboro, and their sons: Mike, Matt and Nick.

The torch's brief visit through the Erie area is just a small part of its three-month, 15,000 mile journey across America. More than 10,000 people will carry the torch, which started in Los Angeles on April 27 and will make its way up the Pacific Coast to Seattle, then cross country passing through such cities as Denver, Dallas, New Orleans, Minneapolis, Chicago, Boston, New York and Miami before ending its odyssey at the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games on July 19 in Atlanta. Of those 10,000 torch bearers, 5,500 will be Community Heroes. Another 800 will be Olympic athletes.

The logistics of coordinating so many "runners" across so many miles begins to rival the Normandy invasion. Each participant will receive an official 1996 Olympic Torch Relay torchbearer uniform – that's t-shirt, shorts and socks. Each of them will also have the opportunity to purchase their torch for \$275. All of the torches, by the way, are being made in Erie County by American Meter Company.

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EDINBORO UNIVERSITY DEGREES AWARDED TO AREA GRADS

Approximately 700 undergraduate and graduate students received degrees at Edinboro University's recent spring commencement exercises. The students represented 12 states which included Florida, Georgia, Massachusetts, Montana, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Pennsylvania.

Among area students to receive diplomas were:

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Note: Names have been arranged alphabetically according to city.