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## Michael M. Zahorchak - A Man With A Record Hard to Match



for thousands of students. Michael M. Zahorchak, popular principal of Aliquippa Senior High, is leaving Aliquippa to become supervisor of Student Teaching for Edinboro State College, his alma mater.

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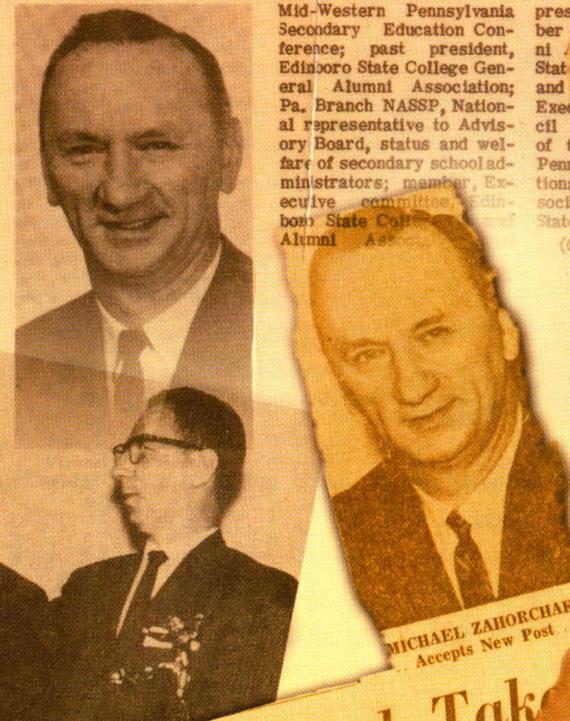
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## Zahorchak Heads Edinboro Alumni

New president of Edinboro State College General Alumni Association is Michael M. Zahorchak, assistant principal of Aliquippa High School. Zahorchak, who earned his bachelor of science degree at the col-



## Mike Zahorchak Receives Honor From Edinboro

Mike Zahorchak, assistant principal at Aliquippa High School, was elected national vice-president of the General Alumni Association of Edinboro State Teachers College Saturday.

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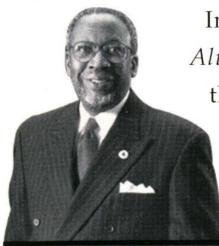
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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTS



In this issue of the *Alumni News* we mark the end of an era for Edinboro University. As Bill Reed so eloquently writes, our dearly beloved "Mr. Edinboro" Mike Zahorchak has passed away. His death on November 9 at the age of 86 not only saddened the Edinboro Family, it also caused us to reflect on the great contributions he made to his alma mater.

The University has thousands of loyal and dedicated alumni, but Mike was someone special. His level of commitment to Edinboro rose above that of any alumnus I have ever known.

He simply lived and breathed Edinboro. He went so far as to have a sign placed on the lawn of his home in Sewickley inviting passersby to stop in for information and literature about the Edinboro University. Although Mike lived nearly 100 miles from Edinboro, he made it a habit to visit the campus regularly to attend football games, mentor students, call upon many offices on campus (including mine), and do just about anything he could to involve himself in Edinboro. He continued to do this well into his 80s.



On a summer day in 1933, a young man walked onto the Edinboro campus for the first time and immediately established what would become a lifelong love affair with the place all of us have come to know as "the Boro."

Mike Zahorchak would graduate in 1937, but, in a sense, would never leave Edinboro. Over the years he would serve in a number of capacities on the campus including professor. He was presented as a charter member of the Sports Hall of Fame. Later he was presented with a Distinguished Alumni Award, was the first from Edinboro to receive The Eberly Award (the State System of Higher Education's highest award for volunteerism). In 1998 he was awarded an honorary doctorate by his beloved Edinboro. We all knew Mike simply as "Mr. Edinboro." Some students will also remember him as "that guy in the plaid slacks." One of the originators of the Alumni Association he was a past president of the Board of Directors and one of only three lifetime members. It was impossible to

Mike, it's hard to believe you are gone. I know wherever you are you are wearing your Edinboro Family pin which reaffirms your loyalty and commitment to your University. Godspeed, Mike, and much love to your lovely wife, Ruth.

On February 11, we welcomed Mike Zafirovski back to campus to deliver the keynote address for the Frank G. Pogue Honors Scholarship Luncheon. Since graduating from Edinboro he has become one of our nation's most successful business leaders. Last year he was named president and chief operating officer of Motorola, Inc.

In addition to the stories of Mike Zafirovski's and Mike Zahorchak's many contributions to the University, this issue also features the works and contributions of several other Edinboro Family members and the impact they have had on our institution.

Dr. Tony Peyronel writes about the long career of Dr. Bob Wallace and the many lives he touched in broadcasting. "Dr. Bob" has been one of Edinboro's most popular faculty members and the legacy of his teaching will be felt for a long, long time.

The *Erie Times-News* recently published excellent stories about Dr. Katya Hill and the work she is doing with the Center for Assistive Technology Education and Research (CATER), and the father-son story on A. James Fisher and his son, James D. Fisher, in the political science department. The CATER article is a heart-warming piece featuring the twin sons of Dr. David Hurd, our planetarium director.



Mike Zahorchak receiving his honorary doctorate.

What all of these articles have in common is accomplishment. These are stories of people who have led productive lives. We take great pride in the achievements of all of the members of the Edinboro Family.

Frank G. Pogue, President  
Edinboro University

attend any event of consequence on the Edinboro campus without Mike being present and promoting everything that is good about the University. He loved to visit the campus on a regular basis, and it was quite ordinary for him to ask to visit the president. And every president would always make time for Mike.

This past November we lost Mike, and, needless to say, the entire Edinboro Family lost not only a great contributor but a great friend. I don't believe anyone could dispute that, with the passing of Mike, an era ended and the patriarch of the Edinboro Family was now gone. An institution within an institution, Mike was everything any of us could wish to be. I have thought what our greatest testimony could be to this great man, and I can't help but think how much the entire Edinboro Family could benefit if all of us were able to model our lives after Mike's and be able to say "I want to be like Mike!"

Daniel Higham '70, President  
Alumni Association Board of Directors

# COVER STORY MR. EDINBORO . . . MIKE ZAHORCHAK

by William A. Reed, Jr.\*

"Ladies and gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you a gentleman who is known to us by many names and titles: Mr. Mike, Mr. Z., Mr. Aliquippa, Mr. Sewickley, Mr. Edinboro, and, finally, Dr. Edinboro . . . Mike Zahorchak."

I gave that introduction many times over the 15 years I worked at Edinboro University. I gave it at different events because Mike never missed anything: alumni gatherings, homecomings, commencements, student orientations, convocations, football games, holiday gatherings, recruiting meetings, and other special events and activities. Whatever it was, Mike was there.

I remember going to Aliquippa to my first Mike Ditka (yes, *that* Mike Ditka) golf tournament and meeting Mike at the reception the evening before the golf outing. Everyone at the reception knew "Mr. Z." because of all the years he was a teacher and principal in Aliquippa schools – all the coaches, the police, the priests, business owners, even the mayor. Everyone there came up and said hello to Mr. Z. and to me. Mike always called me "my friend" when introducing me.

Two of Mike's former students, Mike Ditka and his brother Ashton, liked to tell stories about Mike when he was their teacher and principal. (Mike Ditka is an old friend from when he and I were students at Pitt in the 1960s.) Ditka said that when there was trouble in a class-room, Mike would stand in the doorway and say "There's only two ways out of this room – through me or out the window." I never heard which way a student might pick, the window or the doorway, but I'm guessing neither.

I never met anyone at Edinboro quite like Mike. There was no one who loved Edinboro more than Mike. He was a student, an athlete, an alumnus, a faculty member, a teacher and school administrator, a mentor to students, a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, a philanthropist, a scholarship sponsor, an advisor, a recruiter, a representative,

an advocate, a spokesperson, and, most of all, a champion. His support and involvement with his alma mater was unmatched.

Mike was a 1937 graduate of what was then Edinboro State Teachers College. His degree was in secondary education (science and social studies). His sons, Michael and Tom, were also graduates, 1964 and 1971 respectively, as were his grandsons - Quinn, 1987, and Brien, 1991.

Mike also received a master's degree in secondary education and educational administration from the University of Pittsburgh in 1942. He later earned additional credits in the fields of personnel psychology, administration and supervision leading to certification as a secondary school principal and supervising principal.

Mike's teaching career began as a sixth grade instructor in the Aliquippa Public Schools in 1938. From 1939 to 1942, he was the ninth grade social studies and science instructor at Aliquippa Junior High School. Mike taught at Aliquippa Junior-Senior High School from 1946 to 1957, serving as science department chair for the last two years and assistant principal from 1957 to 1960. He was assistant principal at Aliquippa Senior High School from 1960 to 1967 before he was appointed principal, a position he held for two years.

Mike joined the Edinboro State College faculty as an associate professor of education and supervisor of student teaching in 1969, serving in that position until his retirement in 1978.

Mike's proudest moment in education was probably receiving an honorary doctorate at Edinboro University's December 1997 Commencement. Mike was especially proud to share the stage that day with the other honorary doctorate recipient, Paul O'Neill, who at the time was chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Alcoa, and was later the first Secretary of the Treasury in the administration of President George W. Bush.

Mike was the heart of the Edinboro University Alumni Association. He joined the Board of Directors in 1955 and served the board as both its president and vice president. In 1979 he was selected by the Association as a distinguished alumnus and was later accorded honorary lifetime membership as a director emeritus. Mike was one of only three people ever to be recognized with life membership.

Mike's love for Edinboro was no doubt centered on his love for athletics. He never came to the campus without visiting



student-athletes and coaches in McComb Fieldhouse. I don't think he ever missed a home football game at Sox Harrison Stadium. Mike was a charter member of the University's Athletic Hall of Fame and also endowed a scholarship fund for Edinboro student-athletes in honor of the Zahorchak family name and in memory of his beloved wife, Ruth.

Mike's contributions to education never ended on the Edinboro campus. He represented the University and its alumni with the Pennsylvania Council of Alumni Associations in the capacity of secretary, vice president, and president.

For his 40 years of distinguished volunteer service as an elected director in the Quaker Valley School district near Pittsburgh, he received a Distinguished Service Award from the Pennsylvania School Boards Association. For the same service, Mike received a Community Citation of Merit from the County of Allegheny presented by the Board of County Commissioners. The third recognition, also given in Pittsburgh, was a special "Gift of Time Tribute" from the American Family Institute at Valley Forge that acknowledged his special "gifts of time that have touched the lives of children, colleagues and others . . ." Citations and congratulations from both the state Senate and House of Representatives accompanied all of these retirement awards.

The awards didn't end there. Mike was honored as the Sewickley Valley's Man of the Year in 1991 by the Sewickley Herald. We were proud to place an ad in the newspaper congratulating Mike for that honor and for being "Edinboro University's Man for All Years."

In 1998 Mike was also presented with Edinboro's first Eberly Award for Volunteerism, the highest award of distinction presented by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Of all the times I saw Mike excited, I don't think any could match his convertible ride in the 2001 Homecoming parade. I knew that after all these years, he was starting to slow down, but along with his son Michael in the car, he was the same Mike we knew and respected all those years. The car had a sign on the doors reading "Mr. Edinboro," and I'm sure that more than a few parade watchers knew it was Mike leading the parade.



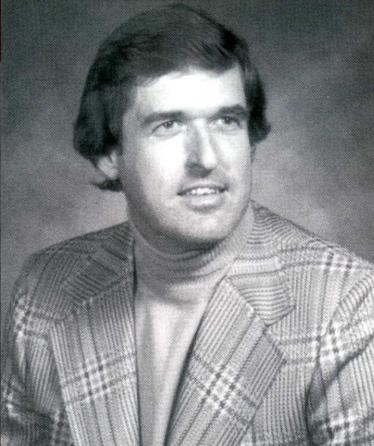
Michael Sr. is pictured here with two sons – Michael Jr. & Thomas – and grandsons Quinn and Brien.

I remember how Mike always stopped by my office when he drove to the campus. He always saved clippings from the Sewickley or Beaver Valley or Pittsburgh papers about Edinboro – alumni or high school graduates accepted at Edinboro, or sports stories, or advertisements about Edinboro or other colleges. If another school was featured instead of Edinboro, Mike would complain. "Why not us?" he would always say.

Mike, we knew you well. We knew your likes and dislikes. We remember your two-inch-thick pocket calendar stuffed with cards and notes and dates and things to remember. I remember his cars and his plaid clothes. I remember his A-frame cottage on Edinboro Lake. I remember how he loved and cared for his wife, Ruth. Most of all, I remember how "busy" he always was.

President Pogue spoke fondly of Mike at his funeral service at St. Veronica's Church in Ambridge: "I am proud to be the president of an institution that has earned the affection and dedication of a man of Michael's character and intellect. Edinboro University is fortunate to have been such a large part of this man's esteemed life. He is a part of our core values, our history, a part of our traditions and a part of every one of the thousands of lives he has touched along the way. If a person remains alive for as long as he is remembered, Michael will live forever."

*\*William A. Reed, Jr. joined the Edinboro staff in December 1986 and was named assistant vice president for administration and institutional advancement in 1987. He served as interim vice president, special assistant to the president, and finally assistant vice president for media and community relations before his retirement in December 2001. Bill and his wife, Judy, are enjoying retirement in Oakmont, Pa.*



**BOB WALLACE**, Professor Speech and Communication Studies  
B.S., University of Florida, 1962;  
A.M., Indiana University, 1965;  
Ed.D., University of Pittsburgh, 1976

At first glance, Dr. Bob Wallace would appear to have little in common with Barbara Mandrell.

Indeed, comparing the 6-foot-9 inch communication professor to the diminutive country singer seems akin to confusing getting stuck in one of Edinboro's lake-effect snowstorms with spending

spring break at Daytona Beach. But Emily Sinsabaugh, executive to the president for university communications and administrative initiatives, was anything but confused when she made the Wallace-Mandrell comparison at a University banquet several years ago.

Sinsabaugh was referring to the old country classic "I Was Country When Country Wasn't Cool," in which Mandrell sings of having been devoted to country music, long before younger mega-stars such as Garth Brooks, Shania Twain and Faith Hill had catapulted the genre into the mainstream of American culture.

Likewise, Sinsabaugh said, Wallace had been devoted to teaching and advising students, long before President Frank Pogue's arrival on campus in the summer of 1996 made it fashionable for faculty members to be "student-centered."

Until his retirement in December 2002, Wallace had spent nearly 40 years putting the needs of Edinboro University students first. And perhaps no one is more qualified to discuss Wallace's hard work and dedication than Sinsabaugh, who has known Wallace as a professor, boss, mentor, colleague and friend.

"Hardly a day goes by when I don't in some way reflect on something that I learned from Bob Wallace", says Sinsabaugh, who worked in several capacities for WJET-TV, Erie's ABC affiliate, after graduating from Edinboro in 1988.

She also worked for six years as a media technician in the University's Office of Television and Media Services, reporting directly to Wallace until 1995, when she was promoted to her current position.

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# Dr. Bob Wallace

## ...student-centered when student-centered wasn't cool

By Tony Peyronel\*

"When I was promoted, I know that some people thought that this was an unlikely promotion for me – they didn't see how what I did for TV and Media Services prepared me for work in the President's Office," Sinsabaugh explains. "The truth is that Bob Wallace prepared me for this position. We worked on numerous video projects for the University that helped me learn about the institution and its history. In addition, Bob was a walking, talking University historian. He helped me to understand the University culture and organizational patterns."

Indeed, for most of Wallace's Edinboro career, his responsibilities were primarily administrative, which makes it even more remarkable that he is best remembered for his "student-centered" approach. Wallace served as the University's director of television and media services from 1965-1997, yet he still managed to maintain a half-time teaching load each semester. In 1991, advisement of Edinboro News Network, now E-TV, was added to his list of responsibilities.

Through it all, Wallace was always able to keep the needs of students as his top priority.

"Most of all, I remember his kindness, patience and professionalism," says Mike Ruzzi, sports director at WICU-TV, Erie's NBC affiliate.

Since graduating from Edinboro in 1983, Ruzzi has used a solid work ethic and professional, yet unassuming, demeanor to quietly become the "dean" of Erie sportscasters. And it was Wallace who helped get Ruzzi's sports journalism career off the ground.

"I needed an audition tape in a hurry, and Bob had his TV production class serve as my crew," Ruzzi explains. "I couldn't get anything right that day, and it must have taken 40 minutes. He never lost his patience, and he kept emphasizing to the students that an audition tape needed to be perfect. If it weren't for that tape, I would never have even gotten a look."

Edinboro's speech communication graduates have enjoyed so much success in the Erie television market, with its obvious visibility to the University community, that it sometimes obscures the fact that alumni are making an impact in media markets of all sizes all across the country.

1998 graduate Mike Friedrich moved directly from the University's television studio in Miller Research Learning Center to CNN headquarters in Atlanta, where he accepted a job as a video journalist shortly after graduation. He says having had the chance to learn under Wallace helped him to make that significant professional leap.

"My experiences working at the campus media organizations set everything into motion for my career in television," says Friedrich, who now works as a news producer at WJZ-TV, the CBS affiliate in Baltimore. **"Dr. Bob was especially good about allowing people to make mistakes and then helping them to learn from those mistakes. That's great preparation for producing a live television news show."**

Wallace is also often remembered for encouraging students to inject humor and creativity into the learning process. His TV production classes were legendary in terms of balancing an ongoing media professionalism with generous doses of plain old fun.

Wallace once remarked that over the years he had probably witnessed student-produced television commercials featuring underwear in every imaginable color, size and style. Beer commercials were popular too. Yet Wallace was always able to keep the focus professional, while tolerating – and perhaps occasionally appreciating – the sometimes sophomoric humor.

"I remember laughing a lot and learning a lot," says Tracey Taylor Perles, who operates Taylor Perles Communications, her own Pittsburgh-based public relations consulting business.

A 1982 Edinboro graduate, Perles worked in Erie radio before embarking on a successful career in corporate public relations. She is a prime example of a former student who remains influenced by Wallace, even though her career path has veered away from radio and television.

A similar example is Bruce Whitehair, a 1973 graduate who served as corporate communications manager at Lord Corporation and vice president for public relations at PNC Bank before returning to Edinboro as the University's vice president for development and marketing. Although more than three decades has passed since Whitehair was a student of Wallace's, he says that very little about his former professor has changed.

"When I returned to the University, one of my first meetings was with Bob, to discuss a complaint from a local viewer about one of his student's E-TV productions," Whitehair recalls. "While the student had clearly crossed the line of good judgment, it was reassuring to know that Bob was still encouraging creativity and allowing his students every opportunity to experiment."

Wallace's retirement also brings an end to what must be one of the longest running partnerships in the history of American higher education, the collaboration between Wallace and his faculty colleague Dr. Gary Christiansen. Wallace and Christiansen arrived

on campus within a year or two of each other in the mid-1960s, a couple of twenty-something Florida Gator fans. What they discovered was a small state college with no communication department and no courses in radio and television, something that had to come as a culture shock to two guys who had cut their teeth at the University of Florida, which boasted one of the nation's top mass media programs.

Although Edinboro's Department of Speech and Communication Studies is currently home to 18 faculty members and more than 500 majors who are enrolled in five separate academic programs, including a new undergraduate program in broadcast journalism, most alumni from the 1970s and early 1980s received their instruction in mass media either from Wallace or Christiansen.

"Bob and Gary are really the guys who got me excited about a career in media," says Fred Pandrok, a 1988 graduate who is currently marketing director for Sandusky Radio, owners of five radio stations in Phoenix, Arizona.

And while Wallace's retirement no doubt distresses Christiansen beyond what could be expressed in words, he can take some solace in knowing that he and his long-time friend and colleague were fundamental in developing Edinboro University's reputation for having a strong communication program. Moreover, they have helped lay the foundation for the success of countless former students who continue to remember them fondly even today.

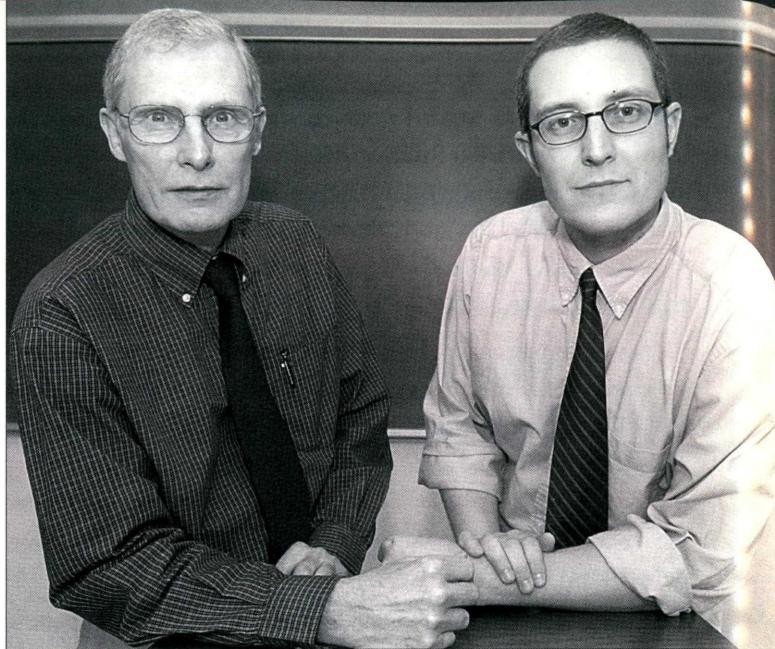


Dr. Bob in the studio

*\*Dr. Tony Peyronel, a 1983 graduate of Edinboro University, is a faculty member in the Department of Speech and Communication Studies, serving as the coordinator of the department's undergraduate programs in speech communication and broadcast journalism. As a student, Dr. Peyronel was enrolled in three classes that were taught by Dr. Wallace, and for the past 11 years, he and Dr. Wallace have worked together as faculty colleagues in the Department of Speech and Communication Studies.*

# FATHER-SON EDINBORO PROFS FOLLOW SIMILAR PROFESSIONAL PURSUITS

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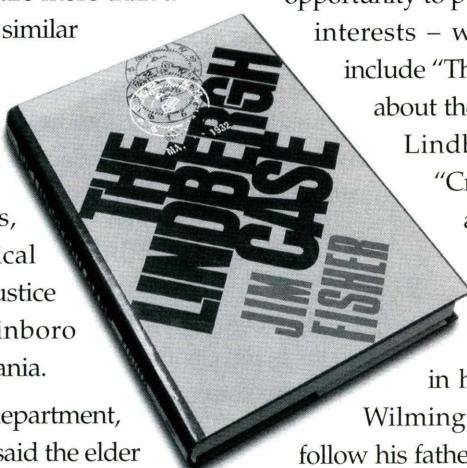
*Jim Fisher was just 11 years old when he spent a week soaking up the academic atmosphere at the University of California in Berkeley, while his father did research for a book.*

"He just took right to it. He was just a born professor," said his father, who is also named Jim Fisher. The 63-year-old father and 31-year old son share more than a name. Both followed a similar educational path, studying political science and earning law degrees. And both are college professors, teaching in the political science and criminal justice department at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

"We're in the same department, different aspects of it," said the elder Fisher, who teaches criminal justice courses. His son teaches political science and pre-law.

The younger Fisher, who is James Daniel, was just three years old when his father began teaching at the former Edinboro State College in 1974.

The older Fisher, who is A. James, received his bachelor's degree in political science from Westminster College and his law degree from Vanderbilt University.



He said he "stumbled into" teaching after leaving the FBI, where he worked for six years. Teaching also gave him an opportunity to pursue another of his interests – writing. His books include "The Lindbergh Case," about the kidnapping of the Lindbergh baby, and "Crimson Stain," about an Amish man who killed his wife.

When the junior Fisher was in high school in New Wilmington, he wanted to follow his father into the FBI. Then he began taking political science courses at Edinboro University and became more interested in teaching.

The younger Fisher, who has degrees in English and political science, graduated from Edinboro but never had his father as a professor. He earned a law degree from the College of William and Mary and is working on his doctorate in political science from the University of Wisconsin. Returning to work at his alma mater was

"the best-case scenario," he said. "It worked out." The younger Fisher is in his third year as a professor there.

His father said it's great that his son followed a path similar to his own. Although A. James Fisher was named after his father, Albert, he had no desire to follow in his footsteps. "There was nothing my father did that interested me," A. James Fisher said, adding that his father was mechanically inclined and was a salesman. "There's two things in life that I hate – fixing and selling things," he said.

Jim D. Fisher, however, viewed his father differently and said, "I thought everything he was doing was interesting." That includes writing. But the younger Fisher, who has yet to write his dissertation, said he isn't sure if he'll become an author. His father joked that maybe they'll write a book together. His son joked that they'd only need to put one name on it.

He has continued the family tradition of using the name James, and his 18-month-old son already is getting a taste of academic life. Jim D. Fisher said his son, Augustine James Fisher, "visits daddy's

office" and "already knows grandpa's office." The offices are doors apart in the University's Hendricks Hall.

When Jim D. Fisher was young and didn't have school, he would visit the

campus and sit in on his father's classes in Room G13 of Hendricks Hall. The younger Fisher later took classes in that room as a student and now teaches there on the same days as his father.

The best part of teaching, the younger Fisher said, is getting students interested in a topic, such as American politics, that they didn't think was interesting.

"As a writer, I have a need to express myself," he said. "For me... teaching is just another form of self expression. If students get something out of that, that makes it better." His son was quick to say, "You can't let him sell himself short."

The men said students who have had both of them as instructors tell them they're different in the classroom. He described his son as well prepared and articulate, saying he uses his enthusiasm to make courses interesting for students. Jim D. Fisher said he's more sedate in the classroom than his father. "He's a lot funnier than I am," the younger Fisher said.

The two often get mistaken for one another. On his first day of teaching, the younger Fisher said, he walked into

his juvenile justice class and said, "Hi, I'm Jim Fisher." A female student responded, he said, sighing and saying, "You're Jim Fisher?" "She dropped the class after that," he said.

They also get communications meant for one another. "Fortunately, I don't get his paycheck," joked his father, whose years of experience and title of professor earn him more money. His son is an assistant professor.

The family relationship had nothing to do with the younger Fisher getting the job, said David Ferster, chairman of the department the Fishers work in. The connection did let the University know about a young, qualified professor who will be able to educate generations of students as his father has done, Ferster said. "I'm very pleased to have them both," he said.

# FINDING THEIR VOICES

**"TALKERS" ENABLE BOYS WITH CEREBRAL PALSY TO COMMUNICATE**

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"I want cookies," Joshua Hurd told his mother. Robin Hurd opened a cabinet to grab a box of cookies for her five-year-old, with hardly a pause in a different conversation. It seemed an unremarkable moment between mother and son, one that is played out in thousands of kitchens across Erie every day. But Joshua and his identical twin brother, Caleb, are different. While their minds function normally, cerebral palsy has robbed the boys of speech.

Joshua's request for cookies came not from his mouth but from a machine called an augmentative and alternative communication device, or AAC. The family has simply termed the machines Joshua and Caleb's "talkers." The boys press their thoughts into keyboards with letters and pictures that have the capability of producing 5,000 words. When they finish, the machine speaks the sentence out loud. "I have to go potty," Caleb types in at one point, then squeals in laughter as his mother rolls her eyes at him, knowing this is one of his favorite jokes. The ability to communicate through speech has brought new hope to the Fairview (Pa.) home. "It's so encouraging," said the boys' father, David Hurd. "I know they can communicate with the outside world with these."

By the age of three, the boys developed an informal sign language they used with their grandparents, parents and brothers, John, 10, and Wesley, 7. But no one outside the house could understand their gestures. Their parents wanted more for them.

## HELP CLOSE TO HOME

Robin Hurd knew her boys were smart and thought there must be a way to help them find their voices. She called her sister, a speech pathologist in Minnesota, who was familiar with AACs and who knew people trained in teaching those with disabilities how to use the machines. In a search on the Internet, Robin Hurd's sister found that, not only was there an Erie professor trained in teaching disabled individuals how to use AAC devices, but that Katya Hill was one of the most well-respected researchers in the field of alternative communication devices. Amazingly, she was not only based near the family home, but was a professor at Edinboro University, working on the same campus as David Hurd, the boys' father.

Hurd is the University's planetarium director and a professor in the geosciences department. Hill discovered AAC while working in the special education department of the Erie School District. She watched as the new device opened a whole new world of communication for students whose physical impairments kept them from communicating through speech or writing.

Hill earned her doctorate through a research project about AAC and now teaches classes to students wanting to learn how to train people with physical impairments to use the machine. She and her students spend 90 minutes each week with Joshua and Caleb.

Under the tutelage of Hill and her students, Joshua and Caleb have progressed farther in nine months than even Robin Hurd thought possible. "I didn't realize how much they already knew about the alphabet," Robin Hurd said. "They love stories and constantly want to be read to – I hadn't realized how much they had picked up."

Edinboro initially loaned to the Hurd family the talkers, which cost up to \$10,000 each. Otherwise, it would have been too expensive for the family to afford, Robin Hurd said. Hill said it wasn't until just recently that health insurance started covering the cost of an AAC. Hill said she hopes that will mean more doctors and health care organizations will give their speech-disabled patients more information about the AAC.

"Just imagine not having speech," Hill said. "It's our connection to the world and who we are. Without

communication your quality of life is drastically changed." People who have suffered a stroke, have developmental disabilities, cerebral palsy, Lou Gehrig's disease or have a brain injury are the most common users of AAC's, Hill said. Many, like Joshua and Caleb, have no sign of mental retardation but cannot speak intelligibly. "Instead of being helpless, they can express at least their basic needs and wants and be more independent." Hill said. "The world can stay open to them."

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## HOW IT WORKS

There are several ways to use the machines, depending on the severity of the person's disabilities. While Joshua and Caleb can't walk – they scoot themselves around their home and use motorized wheelchairs outside to keep up with their bike-riding brothers and friends – they are dexterous enough to hit small buttons on their talkers. The boys can push their machines, which weigh under five pounds, from room to room by themselves. They also fit on their highchairs and wheelchairs.

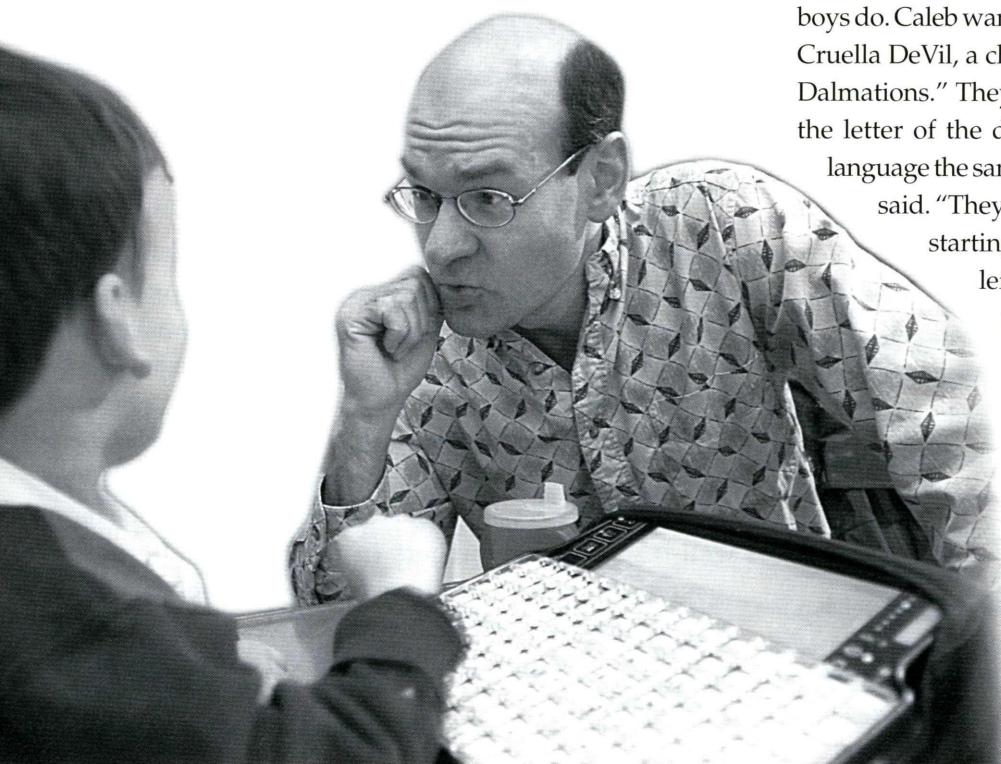
The Hurds have dreams for their boys too, ones that seem much more possible with the introduction of the talkers. "If we could blink our eyes and snap our fingers and make everything OK, we would," Robin Hurd said. "But we can't do that. . . this isn't something you pick. But there's so much potential out there." They want Caleb and Joshua in traditional classrooms. There's talk of college and careers.

Already, just nine months after being introduced to the talkers, the twins talk about the same things all five-year-old boys do. Caleb wants to play with his trucks. Joshua talks about Cruella De Vil, a character in one of his favorite movies, "101 Dalmations." They follow along with Sesame Street, finding the letter of the day on their talkers. "They're developing

language the same way a kid who speaks does," Robin Hurd said. "They can find any word they need to and they're starting to string them together as sentences." She left their baby book blank, unsure what to do when the last milestone they reached on time was smiling. They smiled at six weeks. She put the book away rather than face the blank pages asking for details about her twins' first word, their first step.

But now, in a purple spiral notebook, Robin Hurd carefully notes each of the twins' new thoughts, jokes and breakthroughs.

"The sky's the limit," she said.



# BIOGRAPHY: ELEANOR BURNS

"Perhaps no single teacher in the quilting industry is single-handedly as responsible as Eleanor Burns for bringing so many people into the fold of quilt making." This quote from Jack Braunstein, writing in Traditional Quiltworks in 1990, voices a sentiment that is shared by tens of thousands of Eleanor's fans. Without question one of the most prolific of quilting authors, Eleanor has written and published more than 70 books that sell at a rate of well over 6,500 per week.

**Pressed for time, she developed the simple sewing and quilting methods that would become the basis for the Quilt in a Day method.**

care for her family. In her spare time, she returned to the sewing she loved as a girl. When her friends and neighbors saw the beautiful things she was making, they begged her to teach them. So she set up classes in her basement and began teaching others – a hint of the future that would soon become Quilt in a Day.

The family moved to San Juan Capistrano, California in 1975 and her second son, Orion, was born shortly after. Eleanor had her hands full, but she still wanted to teach and create. Within a year she was teaching recreational sewing classes for the Parks and Recreation Department in Carlsbad, California. Necessity was definitely the mother of invention for Eleanor, she recalls, Orion "cried nonstop for a year," leaving little time for class preparation. Many times, she found herself only a few hours ahead of her students. Pressed for time, she developed the simple sewing and quilting methods that would become the basis for the Quilt in a Day method.

The word about Eleanor's wonderful methods spread and soon, she faced an increasing demand for her classes. It was then that she came up with the idea that launched Quilt in a Day Publications. She decided to write her first book for beginning quilters, using the uncomplicated methods she had devised. This book was truly a family affair. "I wrote the book, my husband typed, illustrated and copied it, then I shipped them out of our garage," she recalls. Published in 1978, Make a Quilt in a Day (Log Cabin) is still one of her most popular books!

In 1980, Eleanor was faced with the task of raising her two sons alone. Determined to keep the home she had grown to love, she decided that her writing and teaching skills would be her way to earn a living. "I took a chance and had a few thousand copies of the book printed. Then I flew all over the country demonstrating technique, teaching classes and training teachers."

Today, there are thousands of instructors teaching Eleanor's methods in all 50 states, Canada, Great Britain, New Zealand, Australia, American Samoa, Saudi Arabia, and Japan. Eleanor also publishes numerous other patterns and designs by other teachers at Quilt in a Day.

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## FRANK G. POGUE HONORS SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

More than 400 members of the Edinboro Family gathered for the **Frank G. Pogue Honors Scholarship Luncheon** on February 11 to welcome home one of the University's favored sons. **President and Chief Operating Officer of Motorola Mike S. Zafirovski**, a 1975 graduate, addressed the group of community and business leaders, alumni, students, current and retired employees and friends. Dr. Zafirovski shared the business principles and ethical standards that contribute to his success, and outlined the current and future challenges affecting Motorola and the economy, while reflecting on the influence his Edinboro experience has had on his personal and professional life.

Dr. Zafirovski holds a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from Edinboro where he captained the soccer and swimming teams. A native of Macedonia, he lives in Lake Forest, Illinois, with his wife Robin and their three sons, Matt, Kirk and Todd. Zafirovski serves on the board of directors for United Way of Lake County and Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

Edinboro University Honors student Melissa Kalivoda and recent honors graduate Christian McKinney emceed the event welcoming the crowd and introducing both President Pogue and Dr. Zafirovski. President Pogue delivered a synopsis of Edinboro University's expansive growth and goal attainment and outlined the primary role the University plays in the community and the lives of students.

On behalf of the Edinboro Family, he expressed appreciation for the support of the friends of the University along the way, and provided a look into Edinboro's future.

Edinboro Foundation Chairman Harold Shields (a 1967 and 1969 graduate of Edinboro) presented awards to two organizations that have provided significant support to Edinboro University's *Campaign for Excellence* capital fund drive. The Business Award of Excellence was presented to **Mr. Jeffrey Ludrof**, **CEO of Erie Insurance Group**, for the corporation's gift of \$200,000 for the Crawford Center for Health and Physical Education and Disability Resources. **Mr. Michael Batchelor**, **President of the Erie Community Foundation**, accepted the Foundation Award of Excellence for his organization's contribution, also \$200,000 for the Crawford Center. Both organizations represent a superlative level of continued support of Edinboro University's mission.

Daniel Higham, '70, President of the Alumni Association, presented the Award of Excellence to **Dr. M. Roy Strausbaugh** for his many and varied years of dedicated service to the University. Dr. Strausbaugh, the academic advisor of adult/graduate programs & institutional research at Mercyhurst College, currently serves on the Edinboro University Foundation. He is past president of the University Services, Inc., and was employed at Edinboro University from 1966 to 1993 as dean of academic administration, dean of continuing education,

associate vice president for administration and student life, chair of the history department, and professor of history. He is the author of "Edinboro University, 1963 to 1993: An Administrative History." Strausbaugh currently serves on the board of the Flagship Niagara League and was its founding president. He is a past Commodore of the Erie Yacht Club and serves on the Advisory Board at PNC Bank.

The event was the University's fourth community luncheon to raise awareness of Edinboro's prominent

role in the region, and to demonstrate the success of its students. The Frank G. Pogue Honors Scholarship has garnered more than \$150,000 in community support.



## THE CAMPAIGN FOR EXCELLENCE FORGES AHEAD

Contributions to the Campaign for Excellence reached \$5.3 million with nearly 50% participation from Edinboro faculty, staff and administrators.

*Just days before the University announced the public phase of the Campaign for Excellence capital fund drive, President Pogue received notification of a planned gift of \$1.5 million that has been recorded in the estate of a donor who wishes to remain anonymous. This significant landmark gift, for which the University is deeply grateful, is an example of how our Capital Campaign is helping to generate new resources to support the needs and aspirations of the University.*

The Erie Gala Kickoff Celebration on October 26 was a tremendous success. Many Edinboro Family members including faculty, staff, alumni, retirees and business and community leaders helped to celebrate the commencement of the public phase of our \$10 million capital fund drive. The event showcased the University's accomplishments and highlighted the primary initiatives of the campaign.

Capital Campaign Advisory Council Members Tom and Cheryl Vicary served as co-hosts for the event that started at the Boston Store Place in downtown Erie and concluded with a breathtaking performance of the Erie Philharmonic Orchestra at the Warner Theater across the street.

The Meadville Gala Kickoff was celebrated on November 14 at the Iroquois Club in Conneaut Lake. The evening's events included presentations from two of the Meadville community's most prominent business leaders, Dennis Frampton of C&J Industries, and William Starn of Starn Tool & Die. The Meadville community, especially its precision manufacturing businesses, has a special interest in one of the campaign's initiatives, the Precision Industries Education, Design and Manufacturing Center. The Center is a collaborative endeavor with the Precision Manufacturing Institute, the Meadville Area Industrial



### CAMPAGN FOR EXCELLENCE

Commission and the manufacturing community in the region that is designed to pool the resources of a range of providers to most effectively address the workforce development, educational and research needs of the precision industries. The joint venture will ensure that the regional industries sustain global competitiveness.

A major step toward realization of the project was the relocation of Edinboro University's Meadville Access Center to the Bessemer Building in January.

The University is pleased to announce the continuing progress of the capital campaign. **As of February 2003, more than \$5.7 million in cash and pledges had been received.** The University is presently engaged in calling on the major businesses of the greater Erie region and appealing to retired faculty and staff.

The Capital Campaign comprises both capital projects and endowments, including the Crawford Center for Health and Physical Education and Disability Resources, the Precision Industries Education Design and Manufacturing Center, the restoration of Academy Hall, athletics, scholarship endowments and cultural endowments. For further information on the campaign and how you can make a difference, contact the Development Office at 814-732-2992.

# THE PHONASCOTS

Have you received a note from Shelly, Anthony or Corin concerning the Edinboro Alumni Annual Fund? Just so you can put a face with a name, these are our PhonaScot callers. These students are majoring in medical technology and education, and are on the Dean's List for political science. They participate in many extracurricular activities and, most of all, they don't consider themselves "telemarketers." They are student diplomats who keep more than 20,000 Edinboro alumni connected to their alma mater.

So far, these diplomats have spoken to more than 10,000 alumni across the country and helped to raise more than \$141,000 for the Alumni Association and Edinboro University. June 30<sup>th</sup> marks the end of the 2003 Alumni annual campaign, and these students need to raise \$60,000 more to reach their goal of \$200,000.

Now that you can see the person you are talking to when a PhonaScot caller contacts you, please be extra generous and polite to Shelly, Anthony or Corin.



## A Message to Music Department Alumni

From Dr. Gary Grant, department chair

Greetings from the music department! There have been many wonderful things happening on and off the Edinboro campus, but, without a doubt, one of the most exciting is the renovation of Memorial Auditorium and construction of a music rehearsal hall. Each time I talk to an Edinboro graduate about the auditorium, the first thing they ask is: Is the ceiling the same? The answer is YES and it looks beautiful. We have tried to incorporate a color scheme that blends all of the colors in the ceiling with those in the new seats, carpeting, drapery and walls. Along with a new heating system, air conditioning has been added to create a comfortable environment for the performers and audience members.

## Friends of the Library ~ Providing Support for Library Resources

The Baron-Forness Library is looking for friends. "Friends of the Library," now entering its third year of existence, provides support for library resources, services and activities, and is looking for ways to become more involved in activities that will strengthen ties between the library and the community.

Professors Dorothy Pogue, Eleanor Randall and Loralyn Whitney, members of the library faculty, provided initial planning for the organization, and serving on the board are:

Dr. Virginia Crowe '62 • Ms. Janet O'Dessa '62  
Mr. John Snow '67 (chair) • Mr. Bruce Whitehair '73

Other board members include:

Dr. Jack Culbertson, Dr. James Drane, Dr. David Ferster, and Dr. Donald Swift.

The annual membership fee starts at \$20 (\$5 for students).

For additional information, call 814-732-2779.

## BARON-FORNESS LIBRARY UPDATE

For Edinboro graduates who have been away from the campus for some time, the increasingly electronic-based operations of the Baron-Forness Library may not be recognizable. The names of database systems such as EbscoHost, Webspires, and Lexis-Nexis will not likely be familiar to you.

However, the electronic environment of the Baron-Forness Library will be all too familiar to graduates whose work and careers have taken them in many directions, all of which include electronic information systems.

One thing has not changed – even though electronics have significantly reshaped elements of our services, the high level of commitment to personal service to students and faculty has not changed. The library staff remains fully committed to having personalized services for all members of the Edinboro University academic community.



## UPDATES FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

**ANDREW TEPE** '96 is a pianist for Disneyworld and can be heard playing on the Boardwalk. He also tours the country with his piano group, The Dueling Pianos. Check out their website at [theduelingpianos.com](http://theduelingpianos.com).

**ERIN STAHLMAN** '98 was chosen as the Arizona "Teacher of the Year." Erin teaches music at the RM Bracker Elementary School in Mandamientos, Arizona. Last year, Erin received \$10,000 for her school's music program as the Arizona state winner of the Oscar Meyer Talent Search Award. She and **ANSON KO**, another Edinboro graduate, will be married this summer.

**AARON MILLER** '00 was the music composer and director for the winning musical in the "48 Hour Film Project." His team's film won against 29 other crews in 2002 from the Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D.C. area. He is currently the Intranet Coordinator and Systems Support Analyst for the Washington Post Newsweek Interactive in Arlington, Virginia. His future plans include graduate school and marriage this summer to Edinboro graduate **MIMI KRIEM** who is currently in the master's program at Tulane University.

"Attending Edinboro was one of those experiences where you realize that you are changing while you are there. You noticed that you set your personal expectations higher than you once did," Aaron wrote. "One more great thing about Edinboro University is that no matter how long you have been away, it feels like you never left."

# Springboro Sisters Make Scholarships Key To Their Education

Sure, you know that college is essential, but how are you going to pay for it? Should you take out loans? Have mom and dad foot the bill? The best way, of course, is to have your education paid for and not have to repay the money, right? But how do you go about doing that and is it even possible? The answer is to find scholarships that would cover the cost of tuition. But are there any out there that you could possibly be eligible for since you don't have any famous relatives or any peculiar skills? Also, how can you go about finding these scholarships? Just ask the Smock Sisters-Holly, Julie, and Kelly.

All three attend Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and all have paid for the majority of their education with scholarships. Kelly, 22, is a senior at Edinboro. Holly and Julie, twins, are 20-year old juniors. All three are graduates of Conneaut Valley High School and reside in Springboro.

What is their secret? Julie said that their strategy is very simple: "You just have to apply a lot." **Being awarded a scholarship is similar to winning the lottery; you can't win if you don't play.** Scholarships may often seem like a lot of hard work with very little chance of winning, but when you finally hit one that pays out, it is well worth it. "We get to save for other things like a car, and that is a big deal," exclaim Julie and Kelly almost in unison.

The sisters began their scholarship searches in high school with the help from their guidance counselor. A program called "On Track" helped them locate many scholarships that they might be eligible for. Their parents helped to keep them focused but were not pushy. Julie said that that was key because "you have to want it for yourself." The key is to know how important the scholarships will be to your education and even though they may take time to fill out, it will be worth it in the long run.

So, what if you are currently enrolled in college? The key to success is still very much the same. You just need to put a concerted effort into searching. Employ the help of your faculty advisor, the financial aid office, or basically anyone else who will listen.

Another great place to find scholarship information is at the library. That seems very logical, but it is the place that people often overlook when they are searching. There are entire books and websites that are devoted to helping students find monies to help pay for higher education.

Dorothy Body, assistant vice president for student financial support and services at Edinboro University, reiterates the

importance of hard work when it comes to searching for scholarships. "Students have to stick to it and have to really want it." Body warns students against taking the easy road when searching. She states that there are companies, many of which can be found either on the Internet or through mass mailings, which offer to help students find scholarships.

"Many of these companies will offer to find the best scholarships, but the student has the same resources [such as the library and Internet] that the company has. The student usually has better results because they have a stake in the search." So, beware of anyone who will charge you for the service of finding you money, they usually will have their pocketbook in mind, not yours.

The sisters feel that winning – as well as competing – for all of the scholarships that they did have given them an edge over the competition when it comes time to look for a job. They have had to put together some complex essays, which Kelly says has really strengthened her writing skills. Some of the scholarships have involved intense interviews, which will help all of the sisters when they need to interview for a job or any other position.

The most important advice that the sisters can give is to take education very seriously. **"You can get a lot further in life if you receive a strong education and apply yourself as much as possible to education,"** said Julie. The girls are extremely thankful for all of the financial assistance that they have received from their numerous scholarships. The extra money also allows them to take part in summer programs and internships that may not offer monetary compensation. Holly and Julie have applied to a summer internship out-of-state; one which they would not have been able to attend if they had to get jobs for the summer. Scholarships open the doors to many experiences that may have otherwise been unavailable. The Smock sisters have more freedom to explore educational opportunities, and worry less about how they will pay back college loans.

**"The more you look and the more you talk to people, the better your chances are of being successful,"**

## Comments from Other Students Who Have Received Scholarships

**Ashley Shaffer:** The Eberly Family Honors Scholarship has been a tremendous help financially to my family and will allow me to continue to pursue my education at Edinboro University.

**Lisa Parkinson:** I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for the honor of receiving the SGA Honors Scholarship this year. My freshman year has been quite a great experience so far, and I look forward to even more fun in the future.

**Cathy Kelihar:** Words can't express how much I appreciate this honor and the financial assistance the donor has so generously offered to myself and other Edinboro students. Thank you!

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## ESTABLISHING A SCHOLARSHIP

Establishing a scholarship endowment is a simple process that can be accomplished in several ways depending on the wishes of the donor(s) and leaves a legacy which will enrich the lives of generations of students. Donors may also contribute to a general endowment that supports the general spending needs of specific University departments, the library, cultural series, the arts or music. Such funds help ensure the future success of those departments for generations to come.

An endowed scholarship fund can be established with a minimum gift of \$10,000. Donors may choose to fund the scholarship over a five-year period. Donor funds are invested in the Edinboro University Foundation's full investment portfolio until such time as the scholarship reaches the \$10,000 level.

## REWARDING ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE

Following is a list of new scholarships established at Edinboro University during the past year. Establishing a new annual award, a named scholarship endowment, or contributing to one of hundreds of existing scholarships is just one example of your exceptional support of excellence at Edinboro University.

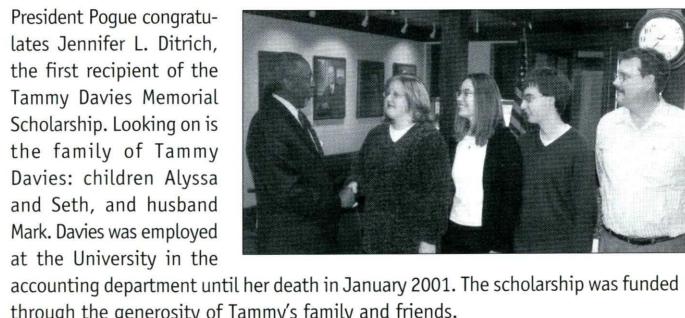
- 1970 Lambert Bowl Championship Team Scholarship
- ALPHA Award in Math and Computer Science
- Jeremy Atkin Memorial Scholarship
- Geneva Jones Bleakley Scholarship
- Erie AFL-CIO Scholarship
- Dan Gable Wrestling Scholarship
- Geosciences Scholarship
- John Gillette Memorial Fund
- Lionheart Wrestling Scholarship
- Dr. Herman S. Mogavero, Sr. Scholarship
- Barbara D. Paris Scholarship
- Photography Award
- The Harold and Stephanie Shields Family Scholarship
- Social Work Scholarship
- Mary Spaulding, RN Nursing Scholarship
- Stanko Athletics Scholarship
- Student Leadership Scholarship
- Charles and Gertrude Weber Scholarship
- Wood Dining Services Residence Life Scholarship



Susan Sanders (left) mother of late Kurt Sanders, and her daughter, Wendy, look on as President Pogue signed the documents creating the Kurt Alan Sanders Memorial Scholarship. Kurt Sanders graduated from Edinboro with a degree in criminal justice in 2001 and passed away unexpectedly on August 31, 2002. The Sanders family established the scholarship to be awarded to Edinboro students majoring in criminal justice, with preference given to General McLane (Edinboro, Pa.) students.



Homer Mosco (left) and President Pogue sign the documents creating the Alphonse Mosco Athletic Scholarship. Looking on are Mrs. E.J. Mosco, Edinboro Athletic Director Bruce Baumgartner, and Edinboro Vice President for Development and Marketing Bruce Whitehair. The scholarship will be rotated annually among male athletes in basketball, football, wrestling and cross country.



President Pogue congratulates Jennifer L. Ditrich, the first recipient of the Tammy Davies Memorial Scholarship. Looking on is the family of Tammy Davies: children Alyssa and Seth, and husband Mark. Davies was employed at the University in the accounting department until her death in January 2001. The scholarship was funded through the generosity of Tammy's family and friends.

**For more information  
on scholarships go to: [www.edinboro.edu](http://www.edinboro.edu)**

# DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS AND HALL OF FAME FORM

The Edinboro University Alumni Association and Athletic Department need your assistance. We are seeking nominations for awards for Distinguished Alumni and the Athletic Hall of Fame, as well as nominations for the Alumni Board of Directors. Please complete the following information and mail to: Award Nominations, Alumni Office, Edinboro University of Pa., Edinboro, PA 16444, or fax to 814-732-2843. You'll also find the form on the World Wide Web at: [www.edinboro.edu/cwis/alumni/nomination.html](http://www.edinboro.edu/cwis/alumni/nomination.html).

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*Each nomination should be accompanied by a summary of the nominee's accomplishments.  
Please use a separate sheet and include as much information as possible (such as vita, newspaper clippings, etc.)*

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CANDIDATE'S ADDRESS

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We reserve the right to edit all announcements.

## HOMECOMING 2002 RECAP

Student Bob Felsburg (center) entertained the golfers throughout the day. Board member Marty Simmons '77 (second from right) sported a kilt while serving refreshments on one of the holes.



This foursome normally wears matching shirts, but this year they really wowed the crowd!

Just a small part of the crowd that lined Meadville St. in front of the Alumni House during the parade.



2002 Homecoming Golf Outing winning foursome was: L-R: Scott Gorring, Mark Corey, Dave Gorring, and Matt Corey '99. Presenting a new plaque, donated by Sigma Tau Gamma is Mitch Kallay '90. The plaque honors the memory of Glenn Clark '86. It will bear the names of each year's winning foursome and will hang in the Alumni House.

## HOMECOMING 2003 OCTOBER 3-4

**Mark Your Calendars Now!**

Former Marching Band,  
Tam O'Shanters and  
Cheerleaders – we need you for  
the Homecoming Parade!  
Contact the Alumni Office  
for more information.

Planning a Homecoming reunion for your team, fraternity, sorority, or other organization? Let us take the work out of it for you. Plan to meet at the Alumni Association Reception at Culbertson Hills on Friday night. There will be a DJ and cash bar, and munchies are compliments of your Alumni Association.

Former Resident Assistants:  
plan to meet your former colleagues and the Residence Life staff Friday night at Culbertson Hills.

## DELTA ZETA (Formerly Alpha Delta) TO HOLD REUNION

Sisters of Delta Zeta sorority (formerly known as Alpha Delta) will be holding a reunion on Saturday, May 10, in Edinboro. The reunion will be held at Nick's Place, just north of Edinboro, at 11:00 a.m. A mailing will be sent to all sisters for whom we have valid addresses, and a keepsake booklet will be compiled. For more information please call or write Emma Williams, 121 Terrace Drive, Edinboro, PA 16412, (814) 734-4226.

### AMONG THOSE ATTENDING THE EVENT:

Dolores Ferguson '74  
Regina Smith '76  
Jeff Smith '77  
Raymond "Buck" Snodgrass '77  
Diane Crandall '81  
Mary Timashenka '82  
Nancy Hoffman '84  
Jay Nodianos '84  
Janet Rumball '84  
Kelly (Sharlow) Pernell '86  
Debbie Ferguson '87  
Mark Polaski '91  
Brian Cubarney '92  
Mike Harmon '92  
Rebecca Harmon '92  
Shelly Cubarney '93  
Cherish Thomson '95  
Ryan Doak '96  
Eric Skorupski '98  
Larry Hruska '98  
Mark Thomas '98  
Brandy Houk '01

## HOMECOMING 2002 HONORED CHARLES MULLEN

The Edinboro University Graphic Design Club kicked off last year's Homecoming weekend with a special event – alumni and current students spent the evening reminiscing with Charles Mullen, founder of the graphic design program at Edinboro. Mullen talked about the history of the graphic design area, and alumni shared stories about how instrumental Mullen had been in shaping their careers.

Mullen, who lives in Meadville, graduated from Edinboro in 1953 with a degree in art education, later teaching at schools in Conneaut Lake and Townville. He then came to the University where he taught for 19½ years before retiring in 1985. In 1995, he received Edinboro University's Art Achievement Award.

Recalling his years at Edinboro, Mullen said the program included only one instructor – him – and no computers.

"I'm computer illiterate," he said, but noted that computers weren't used in the industry at the time. "We had very little equipment," he said, noting the courses focused on two- and three-dimensional design. Still, he said, "When I first started the program, I knew my students would get jobs. I knew I had something that could bring in new students."

Mullen and his wife spend most of their time traveling, spending only four months of the year at their home.



## MIDNIGHT BREAKFAST A HUGE SUCCESS

On December 8, 2003 the Alumni Association hosted its first-ever Midnight Breakfast to support students during finals week. More than 1,600 students turned out from 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. to feast on traditional breakfast favorites, including Krispy Kreme donuts that were especially imported from Pittsburgh.

Members of the Alumni Board, alumni employees, Development and Marketing, and Student Affairs and Student Success staff were all on hand to serve the meal and mingle, giving students encouragement and wishing them luck in the coming week. The success of the event was even more than the committee had hoped for. Plans currently call for hosting this event at least once a year, while shaping and improving it. Thanks to all the volunteers who gave up very valuable time, and to the Wood Company Food Service staff for everything they did as well.

## NEW PROGRAM THROUGH PHEAA ENABLES QUALIFIED BORROWERS TO PAY LOANS SOONER

American Education Services (AES), a division of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA), is a non-profit multifaceted financial aid services organization. A new program was recently started in conjunction with Upromise. This new and FREE program enables students and college graduates, as well as their parents, to help save money through everyday purchases and use this money toward repayment of their AES serviced student loans. (Only borrowers with AES serviced loans are eligible for this program.)

The program is simple and easy to use. Those interested can visit <http://www.upromise.com/aes>, or link to it through the Alumni homepage, and open a free account. The member can then register credit cards, debit card, grocery cards and more. Upromise tracks all purchases made from contributing companies and accumulates the rebates in the member's Upromise account. So if you think you qualify, check it out today.

## MAKE YOUR CRUISE RESERVATIONS TODAY!

There may still be room on this fabulous trip to **Scandinavia and Russia (July 20 - August 2)**, but call 1-800-506-7447 right away to find out.

**Departing on July 20, ports of call will include:**

Tallinn, Estonia • Copenhagen, Denmark • St. Petersburg, Russia  
Oslo, Norway • Helsinki, Finland • Stockholm, Sweden

**All of this plus:**

Cruising the Swedish Archipelagoes, the Oslo Fjord, and the Baltic and North Seas

Prices start at \$2,599. Rates are per person, based on double occupancy, and include round-trip air from Philadelphia, port charges, most meals and entertainment on board, 24-hour room service, Las Vegas-style shows and much more! Air from Pittsburgh is an additional \$166. Government and air taxes of \$191.39 per person (subject to change) are additional.

### Bermuda - August 10-17

It has been five years since the SSHE Travel Program was "launched." We started with a perfect cruise to Bermuda, so we decided to celebrate by going back. The itinerary is slightly different, so those of you who enjoyed this trip the first time can return for more of this beautiful island.

We will sail directly from New York City. Following a day at sea, we will spend time in St. George, King's Wharf, and Hamilton, followed by another day at sea, then returning to New York. Prices start at \$1,059 (double occupancy). Motor coaches from Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Allentown or Millersville are being arranged. If traveling from another destination, air may be necessary. Please inquire about additional arrangements when calling.

**ALL ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!** Please check out [www.alumnivacations.com](http://www.alumnivacations.com), or call Craig or Tom at 1-800-506-7447 for details. Don't forget to tell them that you are with Edinboro University.

## CAREER CONNECTIONS EVOLVES INTO NEW PROGRAM

Those of you who have volunteered in the past for the Career Connections program will soon receive information about the new College Central Network. The 14 universities of the State System of Higher Education are using a new online system that enables alumni and students to post resumes, search for jobs and network with each other in a very simple way.

All you have to do is log onto Edinboro's website at [www.edinboro.edu](http://www.edinboro.edu), rest your cursor on "Alumni," click on Career Services and then on College Central. The simple process will only take you a few minutes to register and participate in the areas of interest. Alumni can use the job search, post a resume, and join or search the Mentoring Network. If you're also an employer, you can post jobs exclusively to our students and alumni and access resumes. Students can utilize the job search feature and search the Mentoring Network for alumni eager to share information about their field.

## A GROUP OF ALUMNI RECENTLY GOT TOGETHER TO LIE ABOUT OLD TIMES.



Pictured, **back row:** Don Klingensmith '69, Steve Komaromy '76, Andy McGarrey, and Emil Magdik '60. **Front row:** Ed Werner '73, Rich "Schultz" Hofmann '68 and '71, Pete Manolis '73, and Mike McGarrey '71.

Sadly, Steve passed away on August 6.

# 2003

REUNION WEEKEND ~ MAY 16-18

Celebrating Reunions for the Classes of  
**'33, '38, '43, '48, '58, '63, '68, '73, '78**  
And a special 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion for the class of '53

## Come one, come all to YOUR Reunion Weekend!

Class agents from this year's reunion classes have been working for months to create a special weekend just for you, and it just won't be the same without you there. Planned activities will include opportunities to socialize and reminisce in the "Old Gym" or "Old Student Union" (depending on your era); presentations and LaFollette movies to enjoy; and a display of class memorabilia (bring your items with you). Class agents and volunteers have been busy trying to call all classmates about the Reunion. If you haven't received a call yet, contact your class agent or the Alumni Office today. (Dress for the weekend is casual and dressy-casual, accordingly.)

## Weekend Itinerary (subject to change)

### **FRIDAY - CHECK-IN AND COMPLIMENTARY WELCOME RECEPTION**

#### **1:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

Check-in at the Alumni House.

Pick-up your reunion packet, enjoy refreshments, and check out the classmate message board to see who's back!

#### **6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Your Reunion Weekend Welcome Reception compliments of the Alumni Association. Attend this heavy hors d'oeuvres reception and begin the journey back to some of the best years of your life. Take a minute to socialize with President and Mrs. Frank Pogue and members of the Alumni Board.

### **SATURDAY - BREAKFAST, MEETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **8:00 - 10:00 a.m. ~ Van Houten Dining Hall - South**

You'll enjoy a continental breakfast buffet and more time to reminisce with your classmates. Your class agents will lead you in discussions of "the good old days." Bring your "dinks" and other memorabilia and don't forget your yearbooks!

#### **10:00 - noon**

Your class agents have planned reunion meetings, special lecture presentations about Edinboro's history, (some of which you created), memorabilia displays and more. Take a historic walking tour of the campus or town and see what's new, or attend events at the area's only Highland Games and Scottish Festival, held right on Edinboro's campus.

### **REUNION CELEBRATION LUNCHEON**

#### **Noon - 2:00 p.m. ~ Van Houten Dining Hall - North**

**Reunion Class Luncheon** - This program is dedicated to the reunion classes with special recognition for the Class of 1953's 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion. Class agents will make class gift announcements and perform the calling of the classes. Reunion class photos will be taken. You will also vote for the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

#### **2:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

Your class agents have more presentations planned, or you can enjoy the Highland Games and Scottish Festival or walking tours.

### **REUNION GALA RECEPTION AND DINNER**

#### **6:00 - 6:45 p.m. ~ Reception - Van Houten Dining Hall - President's Dining Room**

Complete the memories by gathering with retired and current faculty and staff.

#### **7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

Enjoy a specially prepared dinner with your classmates and this year's **Distinguished Alumni Award** presentations.

#### **8:30 - 10:00 p.m.**

Conclude the evening with a luxurious dessert and coffee drink buffet with some of lifetime's best friends at the Old Gym.

### **SUNDAY - REUNION WEEKEND'S FAREWELL BREAKFAST BUFFET**

#### **8:00 - 9:00 a.m. ~ Van Houten Dining Hall - North**

Enjoy one last meal with your classmates and get energized for that trip home!

## ALUMNI BENEFITS

The alumni of Edinboro University have access to a wide variety of benefits as members of the Alumni Association. Membership status is automatically bestowed upon graduates and, unlike many schools, there are no dues required. Some benefits do necessitate the use of an Alumni Association Membership card, but most do not. (If you need a membership card, please call the Alumni Office.)

The many benefits are outlined below, and this list is always subject to change. If you have any questions about these benefits, please call the Alumni Office or check out the website at [www.edinboro.edu](http://www.edinboro.edu).

Subscription to the Alumni News magazine • Free borrowing privileges at the Baron-Forness Library  
Local and regional chapter events • Discounts at the campus bookstore • Alumni Locator Service  
Homecoming Weekend • Reunion Weekend • Family and Legacy Weekend • Edinboro VISA credit card  
Group Insurance for auto, home and other personal insurance needs • Long-term care insurance  
Group travel opportunities • Alumni advantages from businesses • Alumni directory (every 5 years)  
Promotional Items - clothing, tapestry, building reproductions, signet ring • Career Networking Opportunities

## 2003 REUNION WEEKEND REGISTRATION FORM

NAME & GRAD YEAR

GUEST(S) & GRAD YEAR(S)

YOUR ADDRESS

PHONE

EMAIL

	NUMBER ATTENDING	COST PER PERSON	TOTAL	PLEASE MAKE YOUR LUNCH SELECTION BY MARKING THE DESIRED QUANTITY BELOW (BEVERAGES AND DESSERT INCLUDED).
FRIDAY	WELCOME RECEPTION			<i>Compliments of Alumni Association</i>
SATURDAY	CONTINENTAL BUFFET BREAKFAST*	\$ 6.00	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>TRADEWINDS SALAD</b> ~ Asian beef, eggplant, peanuts, sesame noodles and mixed greens, dressed with a sesame teriyaki dressing
SATURDAY	CELEBRATION LUNCHEON*	\$15.00	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>PANAMA JOE'S SALAD</b> ~ Tomatilla salsa turkey served on a tortilla with mixed greens and vegetables, dressed with a Tex-Mex vinaigrette <input type="checkbox"/> <b>TUNA NICOISE SALAD</b> ~ Grilled marinated tuna steak, mixed greens, redskin potatoes, green beans, hardboiled eggs, and kalamata olives, dressed with vinaigrette dressing

	NUMBER ATTENDING	COST PER PERSON	TOTAL	PLEASE MAKE YOUR DINNER SELECTION BY MARKING THE DESIRED QUANTITY BELOW (ALL ENTRÉES INCLUDE SALAD, VEGETABLES, AND BEVERAGES).
SATURDAY	GALA RECEPTION AND DINNER*	\$ 25.00	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>ROAST PRIME RIB OF BEEF</b> ~ Served au jus with horseradish cream
SUNDAY	FAREWELL BREAKFAST BUFFET*	\$10.00	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CHICKEN OSCAR</b> ~ With crabmeat and asparagus topped with hollandaise sauce <input type="checkbox"/> <b>FILET OF SALMON</b> ~ Pecan crusted with lemon-butter-dill sauce <i>Dinner will be followed by a luxurious dessert and coffee drink buffet.</i>

\*Please indicate any dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

See itinerary for details of additional weekend activities. Make checks payable to **Alumni Association**.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED FORM AND CHECK PAID IN FULL TO: **ALUMNI OFFICE • EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA • EDINBORO, PA 16444**

# CAMPUS NEWS



Ball in Harrisburg. **President Pogue** was selected by Governor Rendell to co-chair the higher education committee of his transition team.

**State Representative John Evans**, a two-time Edinboro graduate and former news/sports reporter, was appointed to the Edinboro University Council of Trustees by former **Governor Mark Schweiker**, effective September 24, 2002. Evans was elected to the House in 2000, representing the 5th Legislative District which includes portions of Erie and Crawford counties. Prior to that, he worked for 20 years as a news and sports reporter for WJET-TV in Erie, providing award-winning sports coverage.

"I am very proud and honored to be a part of the Council of Trustees as Edinboro University moves forward at this very important time in its history," said Evans. John earned a bachelor's degree in speech communication in 1983 and a master's degree in communication studies in 1999.



**Ken Brandt**, director of extended learning for Edinboro University, is pictured presenting a WEDnet training reimbursement check in the amount of \$48,640 to **Debra Douglass**, Lord Corporation's manager of training and organizational development.

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development funding is made available to regional manufacturers for employee training. Workforce and Economic Development Network (WEDnet) grants are authorized to expand global competitiveness and stimulate business growth. A separate check, in the amount of \$32,341, was presented to **Blair Learn**, vice president of Chipsco, Inc.

**President Pogue** and **Bruce Whitehair**, vice president for development and marketing, display the 2002 CASE Wealth ID Award for Educational Fund Raising which was presented at the annual Circle of Excellence awards program in Chicago. Edinboro University was selected from more than 1,000 educational institutions for having the most improved fund-raising program of any comprehensive institution of higher learning.



President Frank G. Pogue was joined by Trustee and Alumni Board member **Clifford "Kip" Allen ('98)** and Alumni Board member **Cheryl Allen ('73)** at Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell's Inaugural

**President Pogue** was welcomed to the 30th annual conference of the Pennsylvania Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (PAEOFF) by **Diane Sandefur**, 2002 conference chair; **Marline Paramour**, PAEOFF president; and **Edward McAtee** representing Intermediate Unit #5. Pogue presented the keynote address at the conference.



Edinboro University representatives gathered at the 2002 Eberly Awards Dinner hosted by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education in Harrisburg. Joining **President Pogue** were Edinboro graduate **Louis Cole**, State System Chancellor **Judy Hamble**, **R. Benjamin Wiley** (vice chair of the Board of Governors for the State System of Higher Education and member of the Edinboro Council of Trustees), and Chairman of the Board of Governors **Charles Gomulka**.

**Cole**, who recently presented the University with a gift for \$1 million, was honored at the event with the Eberly Award for Philanthropy. Wiley was presented the award for Volunteerism. Last year's recipients were Edinboro businessman **Michael Redlawsk** and **Dan Higham**, president of the Edinboro University Alumni Association. The Eberly Awards are the highest awards of distinction presented by the State System of Higher Education.

## MAIZE SUNFIRE

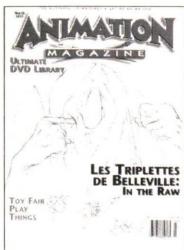
Thanks to the dedication of Dr. James LoPresto, an astronomy professor at Edinboro, students at the University and at area high schools may soon have access to a worldwide network of astronomical facilities.

In 1997, LoPresto began construction of his life-long dream – one of the finest private observatories in the nation. That facility is now complete, and LoPresto wants to share it with students.

The observatory, called Maize Sunfire, features a 20-inch Ritchie-Chretien reflecting telescope. Using a dedicated computer and some sophisticated programs, LoPresto is able to manage nearly all of the observatory's functions – from opening the dome, positioning and aiming the telescope and taking a series of time-lapse photographs, to storing and retrieving thousands of digital images. It even permits students to issue orders to take photographs at a later time.

Because the observatory is nearly entirely automated, the telescope can be accessed and operated from almost any other observatory or classroom in the world through the Internet. That not only allows students back on the Edinboro campus to use the telescope, it also permits Maize Sunfire to join Claw, a nationwide network of observatories.

## ANIMATION PROGRAM HIGHLY TOUTED



A recent edition of *Animation Magazine* credits Edinboro University with developing a nationwide reputation in the field of animation. An article titled "Go East, Young Animator" said, "Edinboro is known as one of the premier animation art schools in the country."



### Featured in the article were:

- **Dave Weinkauf**, program head
- **Mike Genz**, former Disney animator
- **Joe Gorski**, recent graduate and an animator on "Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie"
- **Andrew Hale** (Franklin, Pa.), **Andrew Davis** (Traveler's Rest, S.C.) and **Kim Andrey** (N. Royalton, Ohio), all current students

This is the second time the magazine has honored Edinboro's animation program. In a previous issue, the magazine claimed that Edinboro has "one of the top ten classic animation programs in the country." Edinboro University has earned a reputation for having an outstanding art program. With more than 1,000 majors, the art department is one of the largest in the nation.

## 2002-2003 TECHNOLOGY FEE PLAN

The Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Board of Governors recently approved Edinboro University's plan for expending the funds received from the new student technology tuition fee. Attached to the existing student tuition at all 14 universities in the State System, the fee was implemented to ensure that graduates are competitive in a technologically sophisticated workplace.

Each university was directed to use the revenue generated from the fee to acquire, install, and maintain up-to-date and emerging technologies for the purpose of enhancing student learning outcomes and to provide equitable access to technology resources.

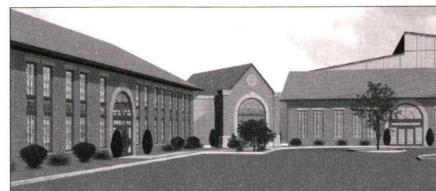
### The approved expenditure list totals \$707,738 and includes:

- 31 "smart classrooms"
- A new digital photo computer classroom
- Photojournalism digital imaging technology
- A multimedia lab for the library
- Electronic resources and research lab for the department of special education and school psychology
- CAD workstations and software for the School of Science, Management and Technology
- Other technology enhancements

Guidelines for spending the funds were established by the Chancellor and the Information Technology Committee of the Board of Governors. President Pogue appointed a committee of faculty, administrators and students to solicit requests from the campus community.

"While I am always concerned when new fees are implemented," said Dr. Pogue, "I believe this fee will greatly enhance our ability to prepare students for the working and learning environments of the 21st century."

## EDINBORO MOVES TO BESSEMER BUILDING



Edinboro University recently held a celebration to mark its contributions to the region's economic and workforce development and the new location of the University's Meadville Access Center in the Bessemer Building.

"The University is expanding the Center at the Bessemer site to allow us to deliver associate degree programs in business administration, human services and liberal arts," said President Pogue. "This effort is related to a project commitment we have made with the Precision Manufacturing Institute and the Meadville Area Industrial Commission. This expansion and collaboration represents the realization of our goal to participate in the creation of a Precision Industries Education, Design, and Manufacturing Technology Center in Meadville, one of our Capital Campaign initiatives."

The Bessemer Building location offers two classrooms and a reception area/information center with computer availability. All of the University's Meadville area classes will be offered at this location. The Center currently offers five undergraduate courses in English, health and physical education, math, political science, and speech communication, and one graduate class in character education via distance learning technology.

## SUMMER STUDY ABROAD

The University will offer five summer study abroad programs this year:

- **Poland**, May 15 - 25  
**Dr. Janusz Czejdo**, Foreign Languages
- **Italy**, June 8 - 21  
**Dr. Tim Cordell**, Music, and  
**Ms. Suzanne Amendolara**, Art
- **Canada**, June 16 - 28: "Vaudeville: Road Course to Canada"  
**Dr. Kathleen Golden**, Speech and Communication Studies
- **England**, July 8 - August 12 - 17  
Different courses available
- **Scotland**, July 27 - August 10  
**Dr. Timothy Pitts**, Geosciences

For additional information, call the Office of International Student Services, 814-732-2770.

## RETIRED PROFESSOR HONORED

Dr. James Drane, Edinboro's Russell B. Roth Professor of Bioethics, was honored recently at the World Congress of Bioethics in Brazil as one of the founders of the discipline of bioethics and for his contributions to the field. Among the attendees at the ceremony were the vice president of Brazil, the ministers of health, science and technology, the president of Brazil's supreme court, and thousands of guests.

# NEWS NOTES

**1934 ~ ANN CHICHVARA** has very fond memories and a loyalty to Edinboro University. Born in Croatia, Ann was an honors graduate. She is currently living in Florida and met with Edinboro Vice President Bruce Whitehair during his recent trip.

**1941 ~ GENEVA JONES BLEAKLEY** expressed her gratitude to the Edinboro University Family with a gift of \$10,000 for the establishment of a scholarship endowment to be awarded to a student majoring in elementary education with a concentration in reading. A 1941 graduate, Bleakley taught in Saegertown, Wattsburg and Erie before joining the faculty of Edinboro State Teachers College. She retired in 1977 and is currently living in Edinboro. She and her husband, Bud, are well known as the Edinboro "weather watchers" for local television stations.

**1964 ~ LINDA JOHNSON** and her husband, Barry, will soon celebrate 30 years of marriage. Their daughter, Cheryl Johnson, is a physicist in San Diego, California, and their son, Douglas N. Johnson, a computer programmer, just became engaged to Jamie Lynn Bohannon. Linda and Barry reside in Bethel Park, Pa.

**1967 ~ RAYMOND MITCHELL** retired in June of 2002 after 35 years of teaching English and Spanish in the Ligonier Valley School District. Raymond and his wife, Lorraine, reside in Youngstown, Pa.

**1968 ~ THERESA (McCLOSKEY) PASSERINI** was selected by PBS-WGBH Boston to present teacher workshops as part of their Evolution Series Initiative. She presented three workshops between March and May 2002. Only 27 lead teachers from the United States and Canada were chosen to present. She was trained at the 2001 NABT Convention in Montreal. Theresa and her husband, Michael, reside in Columbus, Ohio.

**1969 ~ JANET (STUMPT) ASHE** retired from teaching on June 7, 2002. She began her teaching career in the North Hills School District in Pittsburgh and ended her career in the Crawford Central School District in Meadville after 33 years. Janet and her husband, Richard, reside in Conneaut Lake, Pa.

**1969 ~ PATRICIA (KENSILL) HUNTER** was awarded a doctorate in educational leadership and policy studies from the University of Northern Colorado on December 13, 2002. She was also awarded the Graduate



Dean's Citation of Outstanding Dissertation. Patricia resides in Pueblo, Colorado.

**1970 ~ NANCY RUNG** was honored by the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine for 25 years of service in the field of podiatry. A member of the Alumni Board, Nancy resides in Ashtabula, Ohio.

**1971 ~ JANE (RUSSELL) FOSBERG** was appointed superintendent of the Falconer Central School District after serving as a middle school principal. Jane resides in Jamestown, New York.

**1972 ~ RHONDA (STEELE) KRISTULA** recently retired after 25 years with the State System of Higher Education. She and her husband, Marty, relocated to Millsboro, Delaware. They are artists and partners in the Amazing Glasse Art Glass Studio where they design and fabricate classic and contemporary stained glass items and kiln-fired hot glass items, including jewelry. Future plans include teaching classes and exhibiting their students' work in their studio gallery.

**1973 ~ EDWARD C. (TED) GOODMAN** is the general editor of the Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals, an online index to architecture, landscape architecture, historic preservation, interior design and city planning. Ted moved to New York in 1983 and a year later joined the staff at Avery Library, one of the three largest architecture libraries in the world. The past president of the Art Libraries Society of North America, he is the author of Fire! The 100 Most Devastating Fires and the Heroes Who Fought Them and the editor of Writing the Rails: Train Adventures by the World's Best-Loved Authors and The Forbes Book of Business Quotations.

**1973 ~ TONI PURRACHIO** passed the national exam for the National Board of Certified Professional Teachers. She also won the New Mexico Golden Apple Teachers Award for the year 2002. Toni resides in Newcomb, New Mexico.

**1974 ~ DAVID KARP** was recognized as a finalist for a "Teacher of Distinction" at the 2002 Robert Wolfe Thanks to Teachers Award ceremonies at the Hilton Hotel in Pittsburgh. He was recognized as a teacher for 25 years in the Peters Township School District. David resides in Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

**1975 ~ BILL "BRU" FINCH** accepted a position with his employer, Agilent Technologies, as East Coast Government Affairs

Manager. His job involves managing relationships with the governor's offices, state legislatures and regulatory agencies in Delaware, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Florida. Bill, and his wife, **LAUREL (LABUSKES) FINCH '76**, reside in Downingtown, Pa. You may email Bill at [bfinch@agilent.com](mailto:bfinch@agilent.com).

**1976 ~ HAL BLOUNT's** article "The First National Bank of Edinboro, Pennsylvania" was published in the Bank Note Reporter in the August 2002 edition. This article was inspired by the collection of existing FNB of Edinboro bank notes by Hal since 1985. Hal fully funded the Dennis Ranalli and Dr. Richard Forcucci scholarships he established in 1998.

**1976 ~ NICHOLAS NARDO** launched a website for a prominent Italian mosaic artist, Bruno Zenobio, in March 2002. He was responsible for the graphic design as well as the architecture of the site. As creative director he oversaw writing and layout of individual pages. He continues to maintain the site as webmaster. Additional pages concerning the artist's collaboration with an English mosaic artist on a project in Liverpool will be added in 2003. Nick's studies in art history while at Edinboro were invaluable while working on this project. Nicholas resides in Forest Hills, New York.

**1976 ~ DR. RANDY RODAK** specializes in Emergency Medicine and Trauma. Currently he is the Director of Emergency Services and Medical Director for Trauma at Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center in Salida, Colorado. He has seven children and one grandchild. Randy and his wife, Terry, reside in Salida, Colorado.

**1977 ~ LINDA DEFILIPPO** has been a health and physical education teacher at Penn Hills School District in Pittsburgh for the past 25 years. She recently moved from Upper St. Clair to South Fayette Township. Her new home address is 5526 Worthington Court, Bridgeville, Pa., 15017. She can be reached at [cigarlind@webtv.net](mailto:cigarlind@webtv.net).

**1977 ~ JACK SWOPE** is currently serving as Executive Vice President in charge of operations and marketing for the Orlando Magic. An economics and business major at Edinboro, he spent ten years with the Philadelphia 76ers before joining the Magic as executive vice president and assistant general manager. Jack recently met with Edinboro Vice President Bruce Whitehair, and the two shared memories of their days at Edinboro.



**1978 ~ MARY JO (CIESLAK) WATACH**

became the manager of the Hemorheology, Hemodynamics, and Artificial Blood Research Laboratory for the McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh in November of 2002. Mary and her husband, Joseph, reside in Ambridge, Pa.

**1980 ~ DR. KATHERINE (CORMAN)**

**ERLICHMAN** was the 2002 recipient of the Source of Life Award from Community Service and Advocacy. The award, presented by Magee Women's Hospital, recognizes community service and celebrates a cancer survivor for their contributions in the treatment of cancer in women. Katherine and her husband, Edward, reside in Bedford, Pa.

**1980 ~ JEFFREY SHIPLEY** was recently promoted to Sergeant and reassigned to Capitol Detail, Austin, Texas. Jeffrey and his wife, Stacey, reside in New Caney, Texas.

**1984 ~ KATHLEEN DARBOUS ELIAS**

was recently elected president of St. John's Presbyterian Celtic Choir located in West Los Angeles, California, where she resides.

**1984 ~ BETH FERRI** has joined the School of Education at Syracuse University as an associate professor in Programs in Teaching and Leadership and Cultural Foundations of Education.

**1984 ~ TRACY GROTZINGER** recently published a book under the pen name Tracy Norwalk titled "Nature's Healing Force: One Woman's Personal Journey, Reflections and Meditations on How to Tap Into the Deepest Essences of Mother Earth." The book is available through [www.iuniverse.com](http://www.iuniverse.com). Tracy resides in Rancho Santa Margarita, California.

**1984 ~ CAROL ANN MORSE-NELSON** retired, but is working part-time as Health Coordinator for the Area Agency on Aging in Warren, Pa., during the summer. Carol and her husband, Charles, reside in Eustis, Florida.

**1985 ~ ALAN JOYCE and JONI (CLAWSON)** recently relocated to Potomac, Maryland. Joni is at home raising their twin sons, Ben and Zach, both 2. "A.J." is working for The Boon Group where he insures government contractors. If you would like to contact them, feel free to email them at: [sept1983@msn.com](mailto:sept1983@msn.com) or [ajoyce@boongroup.com](mailto:ajoyce@boongroup.com).

**1985 ~ LAURA KAMIENSKI** opened Kicks Martial Arts for Women in 2000 after successfully earning the rank of second degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do. Since opening Kicks,

Laura has been recognized with several honors. She was chosen as the International Tae Kwon Do Union Instructor of the Year-2001, and as the World Karate Union Hall of Fame Instructor of the year Tae Kwon Do-2002. Laura was inducted into the World Wide Martial Arts Hall of Fame-June 2001 and June 2002. She also received the



North American Black Belt Hall of Fame Outstanding Contribution to the Arts award and was named the World Wide Martial Arts Hall of Fame Woman of the Year-2002. For more information on Kicks visit [www.kicks4women.com](http://www.kicks4women.com). Laura and her husband, Donald, reside in Lewisburg, Pa.

**1987 ~ MICHAEL LoPRESTO**

recently had two books published; "Cycles in the Sky" with Kendall-Hunt and "Astronomy Media Workbook" with Addison-Wesley Longman. Both books are being used at Henry Ford Community College. "Cycles in the Sky" was illustrated by COLIN FERGUSON who is an art instructor at John Tyler Community College. Mike and Colin grew up together in Edinboro and were college roommates. Michael and his wife, Janet, reside in Saline, Michigan.

**1987 ~ EDWARD POWELL** accepted a position as Parole Investigator with the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole on April 8, 2002. Edward and his wife, RHONDA, reside in Oil City, Pa.

**1987 ~ RHONDA POWELL** accepted a position as a Mental Health Case Manager at Venango County MH/MR in May, 2002. Rhonda and her husband, EDWARD, reside in Oil City, Pa.

**1987 ~ BILL STIEF**, his wife, Ann-Marie and their children, Katherine and Will, reside in Chardon, Ohio. Bill is a physician with University Emergency Specialists.

**1988 ~ NATHAN MARCECA** recently received a "Superior Achievement Award" from the United States Defense Security Service. Nathan resides in Arlington, Virginia.

**1988 ~ WAYNE WISE** has published his first book, King of Summer, a horror/fantasy novel. It was published by *PublishAmerica* and is now available at major book retailers and online bookstores. Wayne resides in Pittsburgh.

**1989 ~ LORI GIBBS** successfully walked 60 miles to raise funds for Breast Cancer with the support of family and friends. This past August, Lori and her friend, Ann, walked 60 miles from

Boulder to Denver as part of the Avon Breast Cancer Three-Day Walk. "Together, we raised more than \$4,000 for this wonderful cause. I walked in remembrance of Jon's Aunt Judy, and in celebration of my friends Liz and Michelle. This spring, Avon is sponsoring a 2-Day Walk in Cincinnati. I'm thinking of walking, and would love to walk with friends from Edinboro. Email me if you want to join me: [LoriG@cinci.rr.com](mailto:LoriG@cinci.rr.com)." Lori and Jon reside in Mason, Ohio.

**1989 ~ SHERRY KRING** recently became a member of the Pittsburgh Passion Women's Professional Football Team. The NWFL consists of 26 teams and the Passion is the first women's Professional team from the Pittsburgh area. Sherry resides in North Versailles, Pa.

**1989 ~ PATRICK ZENTIS** accepted a job with Digital Domain, the studio that produced "The Titanic." He will serve as a matte painter and compositing artist for the studio. Patrick has a long list of credits including "The Astronaut's Wife," "Kate and Leopold," "The Sixties," "Castaway," "Star Trek Voyager," "Jack Frost" and "Fifteen Minutes." Patrick and his wife, Susan, reside in Marina Del Ray, California.

**1990 ~ PAMELA BARDY-MILLER** relocated to Louisville, Kentucky, where her husband, John, accepted a position with MAC/Stanley Tools. Pam was employed by Eaton Cutler-Hammer as an International Order Manager. Pamela's email address is [pdallas310@yahoo.com](mailto:pdallas310@yahoo.com).

**1990 ~ DANIEL TAMMARELLO** was named Supervisory Investigator of the Pittsburgh Field Office of the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Daniel resides in Beaver Falls, Pa.

**1991 ~ CHRISTOPHER RAUBER** was recently promoted to a Facilities Engineer in the Department of Engineering of the City of Syracuse. His wife, Michelle, teaches and coaches track and cross country at Tully High School in New York. They can be contacted at [weasel1968@aol.com](mailto:weasel1968@aol.com). Christopher and Michelle reside in Syracuse, New York.

**1992 ~ JULIE ANN METZLER** returned to Edinboro University in Fall 2002 to pursue a master's in social work. Julie resides in Erie, Pa.

**1992 ~ DEBORAH PADEN** will graduate in May 2003 with honors from Cleveland State University with a master's degree in education. Deborah and her husband, FRANK, reside in Hudson, Ohio.

# NEWS NOTES

**1993 ~ RHENA BERRY** accepted a position as an academic advisor at the University of Pittsburgh in October, 2002. She earned her Master of Arts degree in student affairs in higher education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 2001. She, her fiance Sean, Sr., and son, Sean, Jr., reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1993 ~ JORGE A GUERRERO** has been honored as the Community Big Brother of the Year by the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Delaware. He was a little brother as a child in Pittsburgh and became a Big Brother in 1999. He has also recruited other volunteers and helped with fund-raising. Jorge resides in Bear, Delaware.

**1993 ~ DOUG PEGHER** is currently a student at the Naval Post-Graduate School in Monterey, California. He is pursuing his master's degree in Space Systems Operations.

**1993 ~ BRIAN RAYGOR** earned a master's degree in school administration from Salisbury University. He also achieved National Board Certification in Science-Adolescence and Young Adult from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. He is currently teaching high school biology in Salisbury, Maryland. Brian and his wife, REBECCA, reside in Hebron, Maryland. Rebecca earned a master's degree in social work from the University of Maryland, Baltimore, and works for Dorchester County Department of Social Services. Friends may contact them at braygor@intercom.net.

**1994 ~ TIMOTHY FAIRFIELD** is currently pursuing his certificate in secondary education, (integrated social studies), minoring in historical preservation, at Youngstown State University. Timothy and his wife, Theresa, reside in Canfield, Ohio.

**1994 ~ AMANDA (SHOTTS) HABURSKY** is teaching her third year of social studies with the Erie School District. Amanda and her husband, Michael, reside in Erie, Pa.

**1994 ~ PATRICK S. HARGEST** became a partner at the Edinboro Hotel with owner CLIFFORD "KIP" ALLEN. For the past seven years Patrick has been the manager of the Edinboro Hotel located at 100 Meadville Street in Edinboro. Patrick and his wife, STEPHANIE (McKAY), reside in Edinboro, Pa.

**1994 ~ TINA NORTON** recently received her Ph.D. in social and health psychology at Kent State University. She accepted a position as a post-doctoral researcher in the Population Science Division at Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia.

**1995 ~ TERRY KLINE** and his wife, HEATHER (WERT) '95, reside in Knox, Pa. Terry has been working for Cornell/Abraxas in Marienville, Pa., for the past five years as a drug and alcohol counselor. Heather is a stay-at-home mom with their children, Josiah-3, and Caleb-2.

**1995 ~ BRIAN PAGE**, a graduate of the health and physical education program was named the Wellness Coordinator for Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City, North Carolina. He is responsible for the employee wellness program and running the hospital fitness center. Brian and his wife, Carrie, reside in Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

**1995 ~ MELANIE (PIETRUSINSKI) KOENIG** received a master's in social work at the University of Pittsburgh in June 2002. She is currently working at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh as a clinical social worker. Melanie and her husband, Mark, reside in Glenshaw, Pa.

**1995 ~ BRADY SEXTON**, a Captain in the US Army, is currently deployed to Kandahar, Afghanistan with Task Force Devil in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Captain Sexton is the Deputy Support Operations Officer in charge of all logistical planning for the Devil Task Force. Captain Sexton and his wife, Birgit, reside in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

**1996 ~ KIMBERLY (TECONCHUK) JENSEN** recently co-authored a career education guidebook with SHARON (SMITH) CRISMAN ('77, '82) that has been published by Career Kids. Their book, Step-by-Step, is an early elementary career exploration and awareness guidebook for students in grades 1-5. Kimberly and her husband, CHRISTIAN '93, reside in Fairview, Pa.

**1996 ~ JENNIFER STRAUB** is a science teacher in the Pocono Mountain School District in Pocono Summit, Pa. Jennifer resides in Blakeslee, Pa.

**1997 ~ JENNIFER LONG** graduated from Duquesne University in May 2002 with a master's of health management systems and MBA. She is currently working as an application specialist with Cerner Corporation. Jennifer resides in Jeannette, Pa.

**1997 ~ JOHN P. McCREADY** graduated from Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky in May, 2002. He is currently the pastor at Edinboro Alliance Church in

Edinboro. John and his wife, CORRINA, reside in Cambridge Springs, Pa.

**1998 ~ JASON GRANTZ** accepted a Senior Buyer's position with Quality Bicycle Products of Bloomington, Minnesota. Jason will be relocating from Los Angeles to Minneapolis in December and may be reached via e-mail: jpantz@msn.com. Jason currently resides in Burbank, California.

**1998 ~ CORRINA LOLLEY** was hired by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department in April of 2001 and completed 24 weeks of training before becoming a sworn officer. Corrina resides in Charlotte, North Carolina.

**1999 ~ MICHAEL ANGELOTTI** recently passed the Pennsylvania Bar examination and was admitted to practice. He is currently a student at Temple University School of Law Graduate Taxation (LL.M.) program. Michael resides in Philadelphia.

**1999 ~ CRAIG DUNN** was hired in April 2002 as a police officer for the Shippensburg Police Department. Craig and his wife, Jennifer, reside in Chambersburg, Pa.

**1999 ~ TERESA (RUNYAN) KELLY** graduated from the Allegheny County Police Academy on November 26, 2001 where she received the John B. Stack Academic Achievement Award for the top of the class. Teresa and her husband, Jeffrey, reside in Allison Park, Pa.

**1999 ~ JOHN SARVIS** was selected as a navigator in the United States Air Force. He is currently completing Officers Training School at Maxwell Airforce Base in Montgomery, Alabama. TRACEY SARVIS is teaching in the Girard School District. John and Tracey reside in North East, Pa.

**2000 ~ JASON LAW** graduated from the Columbus Police Training Academy and is employed as a Police Officer for the City of Columbus, Ohio.

**2001 ~ EARL "DAN" HOLLAND, JR** is a supervisor at Hermitage House Youth Services and head football coach at Saegertown High School. Dan and his wife, BRENDA, reside in Cambridge Springs, Pa.

**2001 ~ MELISSA (JOHNS)** and Jeffrey Hunt renewed their vows on August 9, 2002 and are expecting their first child in December. Melissa and Jeffrey reside in Derry, Pa.

**2001** ~ **BRIAN SCHREINER** recently became a new father to a baby girl, Ella. He has also been named to Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2002. He is enjoying his position as a high school math teacher, and is looking forward to getting his master's degree in education.

**2002** ~ **JOHNATHAN FRISK** accepted a position in April of 2002 as a police officer with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department. Johnathan resides in Charlotte, North Carolina.

**2002** ~ **LINDA JO LEWIS** recently graduated and purchased a home in the Edinboro area. She began a career as a traveling counselor for the Alpha Sigma Tau National Sorority. She is planning to begin her master's degree at Edinboro in student personnel services in the Spring. Linda resides in Edinboro.

## MARRIAGES

**1985** ~ **NATHAN EVERHART** and Sandie Starr, on November 17, 2001. They reside in Edinboro, Pa.

**1987** ~ **CAROL (CLINE) BRISSEY-SMITH** and Albert Smith, on December 15, 2000. Carol and Albert reside in Vero Beach, Florida.

**1991** ~ **WENDY (METCALF)** and Dennis Thies, on April 27, 2002. They reside in Boca Raton, Florida.

**1991** ~ **CHRISTOPHER RAUBER** and Michelle (Franklin), in July, 2001. Christopher and Michelle reside in Syracuse, New York.

**1992** ~ **RUSS MARINO** and Erin (Geddes), on July 27, 2002. Erin is a first grade teacher for Fairfax County Public Schools and is a 1996 graduate of James Madison University. Russ is a Quality Engineer for PEC Solutions, Inc. Russ and Erin reside in Arlington, Virginia.

**1992** ~ **KRISTI (WISE)** and Jason Roehm, on June 23, 2001. They reside in Portland, Oregon.

**1993** ~ **SUSANNE (PETTIT) SHANTZ** and David, on September 20, 2002 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Susanne and David reside in Allison Park, Pa.

**1994** ~ **MARI (HOLLMAN)** and Ian McTamney, on September 2, 2002. Mari and Ian reside in Monroe, North Carolina.

**1994** ~ **LISA (KINDLE)** and Jerome Hammer. Lisa and Jerome reside in Erie, Pa.

**1994** ~ **ERIKA (SAUNDERS)** and Lindell Robinson, on June 27, 2002. Erika and Lindell reside in Baltimore, Maryland.

**1994** ~ **DIANA (SUKITSCH)** and M. Patel, on October 23, 1999. Diana is a nurse manager at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego, CA. She is also a Captain in the Army Nurse Corps of the Army Reserves. Diana and her husband reside in San Diego, California.

**1995** ~ **DANIELLE (MARTELLA)** and Scott Joseph, on September 14, 2002. Danielle and Scott reside in Natick, Massachusetts.

**1996** ~ **JENNIFER (CADY)** and Shawn Ridilla, on August 3, 2002 in Erie, Pa. Jennifer and Shawn reside in East Stroudsburg, Pa.

**1996** ~ **BRENDA (HOFFMAN)** and **EARL "DAN" HOLLAND, JR** on May 18, 2002. Brenda and Earl reside in Cambridge Springs, Pa.

**1997** ~ **AMY (AUFMAN)** and Eric Quatman, on June 22, 2002. Amy and Eric reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1997** ~ **TERESA (MAHON)** and Wayne White, on November 9, 2002. They reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1997** ~ **EMILY (MILLER)** and Todd Trejchel, on September 28, 2002. Emily and Todd reside in Erie, Pa.

**1997** ~ **ROSLIE (WEISENSEEL)** and **PATRICK SCHUSTER**, on August 18, 2001. Rosalie and Patrick reside in Cleveland, Ohio.

**1998** ~ **TONYA (BERCIK)** and Matthew Kozminski, on December 22, 2002. Tonya and Matthew reside in Edinboro, Pa.

**1998** ~ **LAURA (GIRVIN)** and **GEOFF KRISTOF '98**, on September 7, 2002. Laura and Geoff reside in Exton, Pa.

**1998** ~ **MOLLY (MCKEEGAN)** and Tom Bridgeman, on July 13, 2002. Molly and Tom reside in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

**1998** ~ **LORA (O'MEARA)** and Gary Hills, on July 20, 2002. Gary is working towards a Masters Degree in School Administration at Edinboro. Lora and Gary reside in Erie, Pa.

**1998** ~ **KISHA (WHITE)** and Norrid Ross, on May 25, 2002.

**1999** ~ **NASHONDA (BENDER)** and Victor Cooke, on July 27, 2002. They reside in Durham, North Carolina.

**1999** ~ **JENNIFER KING** and Chad Gongaware, on August 3, 2002. They reside in Greenville, Pa.

**1999** ~ **TARA (KOVALIK) BOWSER** and Brian on May 3, 2002. Tara and Brian reside in New Kensington, Pa.

**1999** ~ **DANIEL REZEPECKI** and Jennifer McLaughlin, on June 1, 2002. They reside in Severn, Maryland.

**1999** ~ **MATTHEW VIDAS** and Melissa Vetro, on June 15, 2002. Matthew and Melissa reside in Butler, Pa.

**2000** ~ **STEFANIE (FLACK)** and Eric Brown, on June 15, 2002. Stefanie and Eric reside in Newark, Ohio.

**2000** ~ **LAURIE (KURUTZ)** and Anthony Cruz, on September 21, 2002. Laurie and Anthony reside in Erie, Pa.

**2000** ~ **AMY (RAE)** and Chad Carlisle, on September 9, 2002. Amy and Chad reside in Dawsonville, Georgia.

**2001** ~ **DENISE A. (HOLLMAN)** and John B. Hewgley, on July 28, 2001. Denise and John reside in Philadelphia, Pa.

**2001** ~ **MELISSA (JOHNS)** and Jeffrey Hunt, on June 12, 2001. Melissa and Jeffrey reside in Derry, Pa.

**2001** ~ **MARIA (LETIZIO)** and Robert Macko, on August 25, 2001. They reside in Lititz, Pa.

**2001** ~ **JAMIE (HOOVER)** and Rajeev Sehgal on November 2, 2001. Jamie and Rajeev reside in Wexford, Pa.

**2001** ~ **AMY LYNN (SWIDERSKI)** and Chad Vilushis, on September 14, 2002. They reside in Fairview, Pa.

**2002** ~ **LISA (PRESOGNA)** and Dale Fickenworth, on October 26, 2002. Lisa and Dale reside in North Point, Florida.

**2002** ~ **JILL (SPENCER)** and Gregory Chapin, Jr., on June 1, 2002. They reside in Meadville, Pa.

**2002** ~ **MICHELLE (TRUSWELL)** and Jason Ginder, on September 28, 2002. They reside in Knox, Indiana.

**2002** ~ **AARON ZWALD** and Amber (Bendlewski), on August 18, 2001. Aaron and Amber reside in Russell, Pa.

# BIRTHS

**1980** ~ **JEFFREY SHIPLEY** and Stacey, a son, Jesse Mack, on October 3, 2002. Jeffrey and Stacey reside in New Caney, Texas.

**1982** ~ **PAUL COATSWORTH** and **TAMMY (HARMAN)**, a daughter, Brianne Melissa, on August 30, 2002. She joins older brother, Joshua - 4 1/2. Paul and Tammy reside in Washington, Pa.

**1985** ~ **DEBORAH (PLOHR)** and Randy Erskine, a daughter, Olivia Grace, on June 25, 2002. Deborah and Randy reside in New Castle, Pa.

**1985** ~ **SHELLEY (POWELL) PHOENNIK** and John, a daughter, Rachel Marie, on September 18, 2002. Rachel joins her older siblings, Connor John-6 and Courtney Nicole-3. Shelley and John reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1985** ~ **JOY VERNER** and Sue, a son, Ethan Zachary, on April 11, 2002. He joins his sister, Hannah-2. Joy and Sue reside in Harrisburg, Pa.

**1986** ~ **TERESA GRAY-PEARCE** and Brian, a son, Barrett Francis, on April 17, 2002. Teresa and Brian reside in Framingham, Massachusetts.

**1987** ~ **CAROL (CLINE) BRISSEY-SMITH** and Albert Smith, a son, Andrew Ryan, on February 1, 2001. Carol and Albert reside in Vero Beach, Florida.

**1987** ~ **BETH (KUEBLER)** and **JEFF SALEET**, a son, Edward James, on August 7, 2002. Beth and Jeff reside in Sayville, New York.

**1987** ~ **KRISTI (WHEELER)** and Austin Barrett, a daughter, Lauren Ann, on August 21, 2002. She joins her big brother, Austin-2. Kristi and Austin reside in Odessa, Florida.

**1987** ~ **MICHAEL** and **PAMELA (MIDGLEY) SCHUBERT**, a son, Kyle Anthony, on August 27, 2002. He joins his brothers, Eric-9 and Brian-6. Michael and Pamela reside in Canfield, Ohio.

**1988** ~ **HEATHER (SPEER)** and Steven Edwards, a daughter, Annabelle Rosekelly, on December 27, 2001. Heather and Steven reside in Cedarville, Ohio.

**1988** ~ **RICK TALBOT** and **EILEEN (LOREI)**, a daughter, Brooke Valerie, on July 7, 2001. Rick and Eileen reside in Erie, Pa.

**1988** ~ **MIKE WETHERHOLT** and **HOLLY (BARRON)**, a son, Jonathan David, on September 10, 2002. He joins brother, Brandon-4. Mike and Holly reside in Eldersburg, Maryland.

**1989** ~ **BRIAN FERGUSON** and **AMY (RUBINSAK)**, a daughter, Ava Sophia, on September 27, 2002. She joins brother, Troy-5, and sister, Miranda-3. Brian and Amy reside in West Mifflin, Pa.

**1989** ~ **JEANENE (SCHMITZER)** and Robert Harris, a daughter, Sophia Rose, on March 29, 2001. Jeanene and Robert reside in Denver, Colorado.

**1989** ~ **JIM RUMSEY** and Rebecca, a son, Tristan George, on August 16, 2002. Jim and Rebecca reside in Lakewood, Ohio.

**1989** ~ **JOHN VOGT** and **GWEN**, a son, Alex, on July 12, 2002. He joins older sister, Hannah-4. John and Gwen reside in Wexford, Pa.

**1990** ~ **GEORGE LEHMAN** and **MICHELLE (D'MELLO)**, a daughter, Kiera Anne, on November 19, 2002. They reside in Enola, Pa.

**1991** ~ **DAVID GALL**, and Connie would like to wish their daughter, Alexandra Marissa, a happy first birthday. Alex joins her big brother, Damon Michael-3. David and Connie reside in Canonsburg, Pa.

**1991** ~ **CAROL (SHAW)** and Vince Gaudino, a son, Dominic Scott, on June 4, 2002. He joins his big sister, Taylor. Carol and Vince reside in Ridgway, Pa.

**1991** ~ **JENNIFER (MECONI)** and **STEPHEN HUGHES**, a son, Ryan Christopher, on September 3, 2002. Jennifer and Stephen reside in Bradford, Pa.

**1991** ~ **LISA (OPOKA)** and **JOHN LOPRESTO**, a son, Mark David, on June 21, 2002. Mark joins brother, Luke-2. Lisa and John reside in Elkton, Maryland.

**1991** ~ **CHRISTOPHER RAUBER** and Michelle, a daughter, Brooke Elizabeth. Christopher and Michelle reside in Syracuse, New York.

**1991** ~ **CANDICE (CRIM)** and **DAVID STICKLE** '93, a son, Brannon Walter, on April 1, 2002. He joins big brother, Aiden-2. Candice and David reside in Mooresville, North Carolina.

**1992** ~ **TRACY (WILSON)** and Edward Alberta, a son, Joseph Anthony, on May 16, 2002. Tracy and Edward reside in State College, Pa.

**1992** ~ **JENNIFER (BLOSE)** and Robert Callahan, a son, Camden James, on June 12, 2002. He joins his older brother, Shane (3). Jennifer and Robert reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1992** ~ **FRANK E. and DEBORAH PADEN**, a daughter, Meghan Elizabeth, on October 26, 2002. She joins her big brother, Michael-2. Deborah and Frank reside in Hudson, Ohio.

**1992** ~ **MARY (SCARPINO)** and **TIMOTHY WEATHERBY**, a daughter, Lynn Marie, on August 15, 2001. Mary and Timothy reside in Marietta, Georgia.

**1992** ~ **AMY (TAMMARELLO)** and Eric Weichel, a daughter, Ava Olivia, on January 3, 2002. She joins her big sister, Brooke-2. Amy and Eric reside in Evars, Georgia.

**1993** ~ **PAMELA (PAGE)** and Mark Barton, a son, Mark Edward II. He joins sister, Nicole, age 2. Pamela and Mark reside in Erie, Pa.

**1993** ~ **HOPE (LANG)** and Robert Bolek, a son, Jesse, on October 16, 2002. Jesse joins his brother, Trent-2. Hope and Robert reside in McKeesport, Pa.

**1993** ~ **SCOTT MAHONEY** and **DEBORAH (LEW)**, a daughter, Samantha Jean, on August 29, 2002. She joins her big brother, Logan Scott. Scott and Debbie reside in Pompton Plains, New Jersey.

**1993** ~ **BRIAN and REBECCA RAYGOR**, a daughter, Alannah Jo, on June 8, 2002. Brian and Rebecca reside in Hebron, Maryland.

**1994** ~ **MICHELLE (GAUSS)** and Paul Dennis, a son, Alec James, on September 9, 2002. He joins older brother, Jake-5. Michelle and Paul reside in Erie, Pa.



**1994** ~ **TIMOTHY FAIRFIELD** and Theresa, a son, Jacob Brendan, on September 24, 2001. Theresa and Timothy reside in Canfield, Ohio.

**1994** ~ **AMANDA (SHOTTS)** and Michael Habursky, a daughter, Mikayla Ann, on September 14, 2002. Amanda and Michael reside in Erie, Pa.

**1994** ~ **TRACEY (WRIGHT)** and **JOHN SARVIS**, a son, Derek John, on June 23, 2001. He joins his older siblings, Kaylee and Steven. Tracey and John reside in North East, Pa.



**1994** ~ **JENNIFER (OLDAKOWSKI)** and Michael Smith, a son, Caleb Jay, on October 11, 2002. Jennifer and Michael reside in Meriden, Connecticut.

**1994** ~ **LAURA (VARDZEL)** and Michael Fontana, twins, Ethan Michael and Emily Rose, on July 16, 2002. Laura and Michael reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1995** ~ **MICHELLE "SHELLEY" (BENEDICT)** and David Cox, a daughter, Isabelle Morgan, on September 20, 2002. Michelle and David reside in Conneaut Lake, Pa.

**1995** ~ **JENNIFER (HOPKINS)** and Joseph Hellmann, a daughter, Isabella Jolynn, on January 1, 2001. Jennifer and Joseph reside in Maumee, Ohio.



**1995** ~ **CHAD KALKA** and **SHANNON (SHERMAN)**, a son, Logan Alexander, on September 14, 2002. Chad recently left the Army and now is a production supervisor with Packaging Corporation of America in Northampton, Massachusetts. They currently reside in Westhampton, Massachusetts.

**1995** ~ **MELANIE (PIETRUSINSKI)** and **MARK KOENIG**, a son, Andrew Joseph, on June 15, 2002. Melanie and Mark reside in Glenshaw, Pa.

**1995** ~ **CARRIE (EASTMAN) CROW** and Jack, a son, Benjamin Christian, on February 5, 2003. Carrie and Jack reside in Centerville, Pa.



**1996** ~ **AMY (BLACK)** and Tony Whittington, a son, William Nicholas, on May 4, 2001. Amy and Tony reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1996** ~ **CELESTE (CECCHINI)** and **ARUNAS V. GAVER**, a son, Natanas Tulio, on August 7, 2002. He joins his older siblings, Acadia and Drew. Celeste and Arunas reside at 1195 Crestview Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio.

**1996** ~ **SUSAN HOFFMAN**, a daughter, Annaliese Laureen, on November 11, 2002. Susan is also graduating with her second degree in nursing. Her first degree was in speech communications. Susan resides in Conneaut Lake, Pa.

**1996** ~ **ALISON (VRANININ)** and Rob Bennett, a daughter, Rebekah Marie, on December 21, 2002. They reside in Coraopolis, Pa.

**1997** ~ **WENDY** and **ANTHONY DIGREGORIO**, a daughter, Adriana Elise, on November 7, 2002. She joins her older sister Abigail Emily-4. Wendy and Anthony reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1997** ~ **ROBIN (HUGHSTON) PALLADINI** and Tony, a daughter, Angelina Delia, on August 5, 2002. Robin and Tony reside in Sewickley, Pa.

**1997** ~ **JENNIFER (WILL)** and Andy Redmond, a daughter, Emma Ruth, on October 30, 2002. Emma joins her sister, Carey-3. Jennifer and Andy reside in Hummelstown, Pa.

**1998** ~ **TRICIA (KINGSTON)** and Darren Evans, a son, Joshua Darren, on March 23, 2002. Tricia and Darren reside in Williamsville, New York.

**1998** ~ **KRISTIE (MAZANOWSKI)** and **JUSTIN KOTT**, a son, Brayden Francis, on December 31, 2002. Kristie and Justin reside in Clayton, North Carolina.

**1998** ~ **SCOTT SCARIOT** and Amy, a son, Benjamin Dean, on July 29, 2002. Scott and Amy reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**1998** ~ **CLARICE (SUNDBERG)** and Michael Thresher, a son, Benjamin Thresher, on November 27, 2002. Clarice and Michael reside in Tucson, Arizona.

**1998** ~ **KIMBERLY TATTERS** and Thomas Enders, a daughter, Kaitlyn Margaret, on July 24, 2002. Kimberly and Tom reside in Westmoreland City, Pa.

**1999** ~ **TERESA (RUNYAN)** and Jeffrey Kelly, a son, Tyler, on January 29, 2001. They reside in Allison Park, Pa.

**1999** ~ **MATTHEW VIDAS** and Melissa, a son, Alexander Matthew, on October 22, 2002. Matthew and Melissa reside in Butler, Pa.

**2000** ~ **TERI (BERLIN)** and Paul Kerr, a daughter, Taylor Cruz Kerr, on June 24, 2002. Teri and Paul reside in Titusville, Pa.

**2000** ~ **KELLY RIGONI** and Jason, a son, Dylan Knight, on November 16, 2001. Dylan is looking forward to being a big brother in January 2003. Kelly and Jason reside in El Paso, Texas.

**2001** ~ **MAYA (JACKSON)** and Will Arnold, a daughter, Truth Reign, on August 1, 2002. She joins her big sister, Justice Day-3. Maya and Will reside in Edinboro, Pa.

**2001** ~ **ASHLEY (HANSEN)** and Jerad Bullers, a daughter, Aubree Renee, on August 3, 2002. Ashley and Jerad reside in Lebanon, Pa.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Mildred Bruce**, November 3, 2002  
**Dr. Warren Fruechtel**, August 17, 2002  
**Gertrude "Trudie" Reese**, August 29, 2002  
**1923** ~ **MARJORIE (WINKLER) FOX**, August 4, 2002  
**1928** ~ **MILDRED (SCHELL) SMITH**, October 25, 1999  
**1930** ~ **MILTON HORAK**, October 25, 2002  
**1933** ~ **JANIE LONG**, October 15, 2002  
**1936** ~ **ISABEL (CRAWFORD) COLEMAN**, September 19, 2002  
**1936** ~ **RAYMOND H. SHERRED**, March 15, 2001  
**1937** ~ **DR. MICHAEL ZAHORCHAK**, November 9, 2002  
**1940** ~ **JAMES WOOD**, May 4, 2002  
**1943** ~ **JOHN MENSINGER**, December 18, 2002  
**1944** ~ **VERNON DORNBACH**, September 16, 2002  
**1949** ~ **MARY LOUISE JOHNSON**, March 12, 1999  
**1949** ~ **DOMINICK M. MAGNIFICO**, October 15, 1999  
**1953** ~ **FRANK PETERSON**, October 4, 2002  
**1958** ~ **ANDREW G. RANDAS**, June 28, 2002  
**1959** ~ **DAVID A. MERENICK**, February 25, 2002  
**1959** ~ **ALEXANDER SLEPTZOFF, SR.**, August 13, 2002

**1959** ~ **RUTH TAYLOR**, May 30, 2002  
**1960** ~ **K. REID MILLER**, November 7, 1993  
**1961** ~ **KENNETH KOPIN**, September 23, 2002  
**1963** ~ **R. LEE GHERE**, August 10, 2002  
**1966** ~ **ARTHUR BERGAMASCO**, October 1, 2002  
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**1972** ~ **JEFFREY J. HOWELL** is NOT deceased!  
We apologize for the error. JEFF and his wife Kathleen, reside in Collegeville, Pa.  
**1976** ~ **DAVID P. GEARY**, January 10, 2003  
**1976** ~ **STEVE KOMAROMY**, August 6, 2002  
**1978** ~ **THOMAS A GUARINO**, June 21, 2002  
**1978** ~ **DAVID PLYLER**, April 13, 2002  
**1979** ~ **JACK REAGLE**, October 13, 2002  
**1982** ~ **MICHAEL MERICKA**, June 28, 2001  
**1983** ~ **DAVID HANLON**, January 10, 2003  
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**1986** ~ **JOSEPH J. NANIA**, December 19, 2001

## Happenings of the past year

- The business administration and economics department earned full accreditation from the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs
- The undergraduate program in nursing earned accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.
- A new graduate program, the Master of Science in Information Technology, was created.



- The Student Government Association introduced a new mascot. "MacCato" is present at athletic and other university-wide events.
- Edinboro University is conducting a comprehensive research study of the disposition of cases in Erie County's criminal courts in response to a request from Erie County's President judge. The team of faculty researchers is led by Elvage Murphy '88 of the political science and criminal justice department.

- Residence hall occupancy reached its highest level in ten years.
- Edinboro University was honored by the Lake Erie Committee of the Newcomen Society, and President Pogue delivered the keynote remarks.
- The construction and renovation project at the Crawford Center for Health and Physical Education and Disability Resources was completed.
- The third floor of Reeder Hall was renovated to accommodate offices.
- An elevator was installed in Van Houten Dining Hall.
- Articulation agreements were signed with Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Northwest Pennsylvania Collegiate Academy and the Iroquois School District.
- 28 new computers were installed in the Faculty Annex for use as an English composition/writing computer classroom.

# SEAN McNICHOLAS

## Honors Pour in for Sean McNicholas

Edinboro University punter Sean McNicholas is a perfect example that outstanding performance will be rewarded. The senior enjoyed a record-setting season, then sat back and accumulated more post-season honors than any football player in Fighting Scot history. In addition, he was invited to show off his skills in two post-season all-star games.

McNicholas, a native of Kirtland, Ohio, was named to four All-American teams. He became the first Fighting Scot to earn American Football Coaches Association 2002 Division II Coaches' All-America honors since Pat Schuster in 1995. In addition, he becomes just the fifth Fighting Scot to capture the award, joining Schuster, Ernest Priester, Elbert Cole, and Rich Ruszkiewicz. The Division II team is made up of players from NCAA Division II and NAIA institutions.

In addition, McNicholas is the first Fighting Scot to earn Associated Press Little All-America honors since 1997, when Jeremy O'Day and Michael Sims were recognized as second team selections. He joins a handful of Fighting Scots to receive the award, with Mike Kegarise the last to earn first team honors in 1993. Curtis Rose and Priester were first team choices in 1990.

McNicholas was also a second team Daktronics Division II All-American and was accorded second team honors from **D2Football.com**, as well.

The 6'5", 239 lb. punter enjoyed an outstanding year. He averaged a school-record 44.2 yards on 58 punts, good for second in Division II. He had four punts of 60 or more yards and dropped 19 punts inside the 20-

yardline. Despite kicking under adverse conditions the last five games, he averaged at least 40 yards per punt in nine of Edinboro's eleven contests. That included a 54.2-yard average on five punts against Ashland, the second-highest single-game average. He also averaged 48.9 yards on eight boots at Shippensburg, and 47.7 yards against both Tiffin and Gannon.

The record-setting senior season capped a brilliant career for McNicholas. He set school records for career punting average (41.0 yards) and punts

(236). After handling both the placekicking and punting chores the first three seasons, he served only as the punter this year, and went on to earn first team All-PSAC West honors for the second straight year. He averaged 41.4 yards on 51 punts a year ago to land a spot on the first team while ranking 13th nationally. He was a second team All-PSAC West honoree as a freshman, averaging 40.2 yards on 60 punts, good for 19th in Division II. As a sophomore, he ranked 30th in Division II with an average of 38.8 yards on 67 punts. While giving up the placekicking duties, he still concluded his career ranking among the top kickers all-time at Edinboro, standing third in career field goals made (26) and attempted (51).

McNicholas concluded his career with four of the longest punts in school history, including a 72-yarder vs. California (Pa.) in 2000 that is the second-longest ever. His 66-yarder this year against Ashland is tied for fourth, with his 65-yarder against Shippensburg this year tied for sixth along with a 65-yarder he had against Gannon last year.

## McNicholas Shines in Postseason Play

If the performance of Sean McNicholas during four years as Edinboro's punter make professional scouts sit up and take notice, his play in two post-season all-star games definitely got their attention.

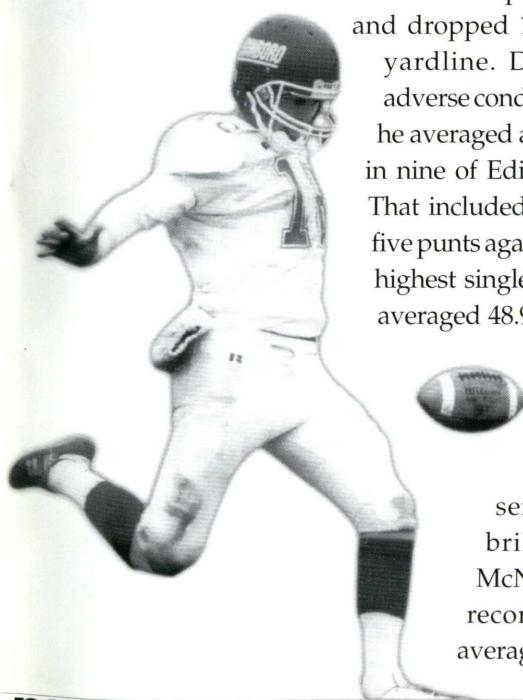
McNicholas first continued the tradition of Fighting Scots participating in the Cactus Bowl in Kingsville, Texas on January 10. He was a member of the East squad which prevailed over the West, 20-6. The Cactus Bowl is made up of players from Division II institutions.

McNicholas averaged 41.9 yards on seven punts with a long of 50 yards and two punts inside the twenty. He also kicked off four times, with two kickoffs going inside the five-yard line. A 6'5", 239 lb. senior, his average might have been ever better if not for one pooch punt which covered 27 yards but ended up pinning the West at their own 17-yard line.

Two weeks later he participated in the Paradise Bowl in St. George, Utah, a contest showcasing mostly Division I talent. McNicholas punted four times for Midwest Team, which was a 36-31 winner over the West. He averaged 43.0 yards with one punt inside the twenty and a long of 50 yards.



Sean McNicholas



# WINNING THE BATTLE OF LIFE

Football is a violent sport. Just stepping on the field day-in and day-out takes a certain amount of courage. But for Pete Gaylord, stepping onto the football field is a walk in the park compared to what he's gone through.

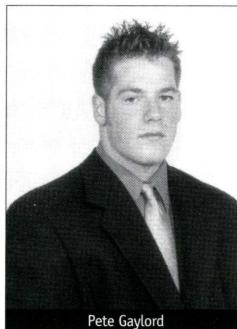
Gaylord was a normal ten-year-old growing up. He loved playing sports, particularly football, which he started playing when he was eight. But then in April of 1990, he noticed a small lump on the right side of his neck, the size of a pea. In addition, he had a lack of energy. He told his grandmother that day about the lump, and plans were made for an examination. That process was speeded up the next day when the lump was more than twice the size from the day before, in the area of the lymph nodes.

"I underwent x-rays and biopsies, and large amounts of a cancerous mass were found in my chest and neck," recalls Gaylord. He spent the next eleven days at Children's Hospital in Buffalo, with the endless array of tests and biopsies continuing.

"The first eleven days led to the start of chemotherapy," relates Gaylord. "I'm very religious. I believe in divine intervention. I believe God had a hand to play in my illness. My grandfather placed an Our Lady of Victory Medal on me. It's a medal that Fr. Baker gives to the orphans in Buffalo. After the eleven days, they found virtually no cancerous mass in my chest. The x-ray techs said it was a miracle."

That was just the beginning, however. "My father was faced with a tough decision as a parent," commented Gaylord. "Do you put your belief in faith or a form of treatment that basically kills you but keeps you alive. That's what chemotherapy does."

Gaylord began two years of chemotherapy treatment at Roswell Park Cancer Institute in Buffalo. "I went through countless numbers of spinal taps and bone marrow tests. They were painful," he remembered. "But I never missed a game," he noted proudly, then catching himself to admit he did miss one game. "I had to go into inpatient for five days for extensive chemotherapy. That year we went undefeated and unscored upon until that game. They scored on us, but we went on and won the league championship." And though still just ten, he proudly



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recalls that he was named the MVP and Most Valuable Lineman of his team.

"I was told I would have to undergo some life changes, like not going outside, and wearing a mask. I said 'no'. I wasn't being arrogant. I just wasn't going to let the illness get me."

However, part of the treatment was a chest catheter, not standard equipment on a football player. "Mark Kelso, who played for the Buffalo Bills and volunteered with cancer patients, took me to their training staff, and they devised a special set of shoulder pads to hide and protect the catheter. My doctor reluctantly okayed it."

In addition to football, Gaylord was fond of playing baseball. "The treatments started right around the baseball season," he stated. "I would be throwing up, and decide to pull on my uniform and go catch every inning. I was living with cancer, not dying of it." He recalls one game in particular, when he underwent three doses of chemotherapy and a spinal tap, then went out and caught every inning and hit a home run.

The miracle continued. Gaylord, now a fourth-year junior and a reserve tight end for the Fighting Scots, has gained from the experience. "Surviving cancer has made me into a stronger person today," related Gaylord. "I value life. I try to live my life to the fullest."

One way of living life to the fullest is giving back to others. "I volunteered this past summer at a camp called Camp Good Days and Special Times on Keuka Lake in New York. I went there when I was 10 and 11. They have weeks for kids with cancer, weeks for HIV and aids, for siblings with cancer, for battered children. I volunteered during the cancer week. I was like a little kid the whole week. It was instant gratification. You look around and see some of the faces that may not be there next year. It's a place where kids can go and be themselves. It's a beacon of hope for some kids. They look at me and see someone who goes to college, plays football. I defeated this illness, by the grace of God and a great family."

Gaylord's cancer has been in remission for ten years. He still has a yearly checkup at Roswell, with the same clinic doctor he began with. "I like going back, it reminds me of where I've been" he grinned. "There are so many great people at Roswell. They

have a couple of hematologists, Leon and Sylvester, who are always laughing and joking. They make you feel good."

Without question, the battle with cancer has had a great impact on Gaylord's future. An elementary/special education major, with a minor in history, the native of Gowanda, N.Y., intends to go to graduate school to study school psychology when he graduates next fall.

"I think I can be a facilitator and help children," he pointed out, explaining that he knew he would either be a pediatrician or go into education. "Deep down inside I'm still a kid at heart. I have a passion for helping kids. I spent countless days in a hospital. I want to convey my message - that there's hope. Teaching gives you a sense of gratification."

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Before that, though, Gaylord will cherish his days as a member of the Fighting Scots. "I believe football is the best fraternity on campus," he stated. "Your dues are in the sweat and blood. You have a sense of identity."

"I feel I've been given a gift. I want to give something back. Sometimes my play on the field may be limited, but I feel like a role model. That's my duty - to give back. I think that goes back to that camp. I'm not trying to be a martyr. It's just something I have to do. My dad always told me, 'You have to give to get'."

This story would be fit for a movie if Gaylord were putting up huge numbers on the football field. Unfortunately, that's not the case. He's seen limited action as a tight end and on special teams, but the pride of putting on the jersey every day is itself a success story. "Pete's been a consummate team player," emphasized head coach Lou Tepper. "He's battled back from very serious setbacks with his career and has battled more than most people do in their lifetime. He's a tremendous competitor. We think the world of him. He's a good student and has a tremendous future."

For Gaylord, this isn't about being another "Rudy," it's about living life to the fullest, the way he wants to live life. He's never looked for sympathy. "Learned all-conference honors at Gowanda Central High School as a lineman, I was a Big 30 All-Star," he stressed. "I've earned my spot on the team."

Even though just a ten year old, Pete Gaylord knows he was cognizant of everything going on around him. He refused to let cancer beat him. "I was living with cancer, not dying of it." Amen.

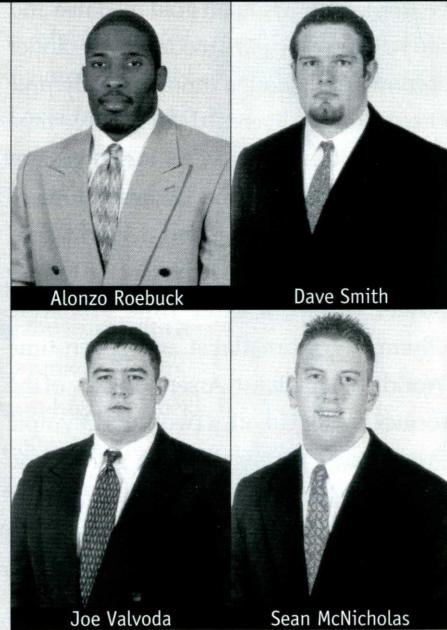
## 8 FIGHTING SCOT GRIDDERS EARN ALL-PSAC HONORS

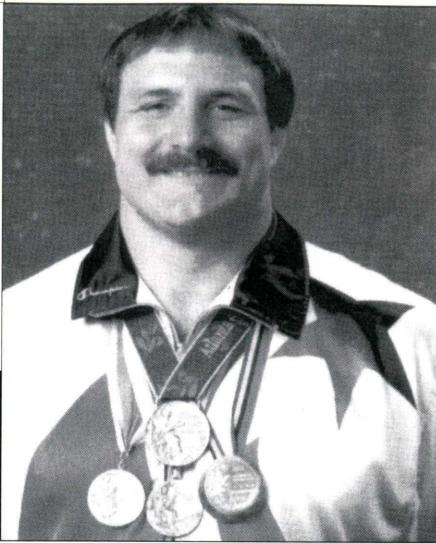
*A total of eight Edinboro University football players earned All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference honors this past season.*

Six Fighting Scots earned first team recognition and two more were named to the second unit. Edinboro finished its third season under head coach Lou Tepper with a 5-6 record.

Joe Valvoda and Brandon Nicodemus are repeat first team performers on the offensive line, with Sean McNicholas being named the first team punter for the second straight year. Eugene Grooms up from the second team to land a spot on the first team at defensive line. Alonzo Roebuck is a first-time selection on the first team at running back, with James Cowart holding the same distinction at linebacker.

Dave Smith heads Edinboro's second team choices. A defensive lineman, Smith was one of only four PSAC players this year to earn All-PSAC honors all four years. He was a first team selection the last three years. Elliott Page earned his first all-conference recognition at defensive back.





# Baumgartner Selected for FILA International Wrestling Hall of Fame

*Edinboro University Director of Athletics Bruce Baumgartner has been selected for induction into the FILA (Federation Internationale des Luttes Associees) International Wrestling Hall of Fame.*

Baumgartner is one of ten individuals who will be members of the first class of inductees. The Hall of Fame inductions will take place during ceremonies at the 2003 World Championships of Freestyle Wrestling in New York City on September 12-14. The FILA International Wrestling Hall of Fame will be housed at the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

In addition to Baumgartner, FILA's first class of inductees includes Milan Ercegan of Yugoslavia, the FILA President from 1972-2002; Alexander Karelin of Russia, a three-time Olympic Greco-Roman gold medalist and nine-time World gold medalist; Imre Polyak of Hungary, an Olympic Greco-Roman gold medalist and three-time World gold medalist; Alexander Tomov of Bulgaria, a three-time Olympic Greco-Roman silver medalist and five-time World gold medalist; Carl Westergren of Sweden, a three-time Olympic Greco-Roman gold medalist and a World gold medalist; Alexander Medved of the former Soviet Union, a three-time Freestyle Olympic gold medalist and seven-time World gold medalist; Arsen Fadzaev of the former Soviet Union, a two-time Olympic Freestyle gold medalist and seven-time World gold medalist; Valentin Jordanov of Bulgaria, an Olympic Freestyle gold medalist and three-time World gold medalist; and fellow United States native

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John Smith, a two-time Olympic Freestyle gold medalist and a four-time World gold medalist.

"I'm extremely honored to be included as one of the initial inductees into the FILA International Wrestling Hall of Fame," related Baumgartner. "To be mentioned with the other nine wrestlers to be inducted is quite an honor. I am also very proud to represent, along with John Smith, the United States as inductees."

Baumgartner is regarded as one of the greatest American wrestlers ever, being recognized as the U.S. Olympic Wrestler of the Century by [Globalaccess.com](http://Globalaccess.com) two years ago and being inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum last summer. A four-time Olympic Freestyle medalist, Baumgartner

affirmed his status as the greatest heavyweight wrestler in American history by winning the bronze medal at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. It was his fourth Olympic medal and record-setting 13th world-level medal. Baumgartner was honored by his fellow United States Olympic athletes when he was chosen to carry the American flag for the opening ceremonies.

Baumgartner captured his first Olympic medal in the 1984 Games in Los Angeles, winning the gold medal, America's first in 60 years of super heavyweight wrestling. Next came a silver medal performance at the 1988 Games in Seoul, Korea followed by a second gold medal in Barcelona, Spain in 1992, becoming the first American wrestler to ever medal in three consecutive Olympics.

Honored as the winner of the James E. Sullivan Award in 1995 as the outstanding amateur athlete in the United States, Baumgartner had not lost to an American wrestler from 1981 through his retirement from competition in 1998. He won three World gold medals.

Baumgartner joined the Edinboro athletic department in 1984 as an assistant wrestling coach, helping the program move up to NCAA Division I status. He took over as the head coach in 1990, serving in that capacity until 1997 when he was

named the acting director of athletics. A year later he was awarded the director of athletics position on a permanent basis. Baumgartner compiled a 70-36 record during his seven years as the Edinboro wrestling coach, including a 14-0 dual match record in 1997, the best finish in school history. The Scots then went on to finish sixth at the Division I National Championships, their highest finish ever.

As the guiding force of the Fighting Scot athletic program, Baumgartner has initiated the Annual Athletic Fund Drive, a fundraising project designed to provide athletic scholarship funds. The athletic program has enjoyed great success during his tenure, annually ranking among the top Division II institutions in the Sears Cup Trophy and earning numerous conference and regional championships.

While retired from competition, Baumgartner remains active in the sport, serving as a board member of USA Wrestling, working numerous clinics and serving as a motivational speaker. He and his wife, Linda, reside in Edinboro with their three sons, Bryan, Zachary and Dylan.

## ASHLEY WALTON NAMED EDINBORO'S 1<sup>ST</sup> VOLLEYBALL ALL-AMERICAN

The Edinboro University volleyball team made its fourth appearance in the NCAA Division II Elite Eight in its nine seasons with head coach Lynn Theehs at the helm this past fall. The Fighting Scots have enjoyed great success since Theehs' arrival, but one thing missing had been an All-American.

That is no longer the case, as junior Ashley Walton has been recognized by the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) as a third team All-American. She becomes Edinboro's first All-American. Walton is the only player from the Atlantic Region to earn All-American status.

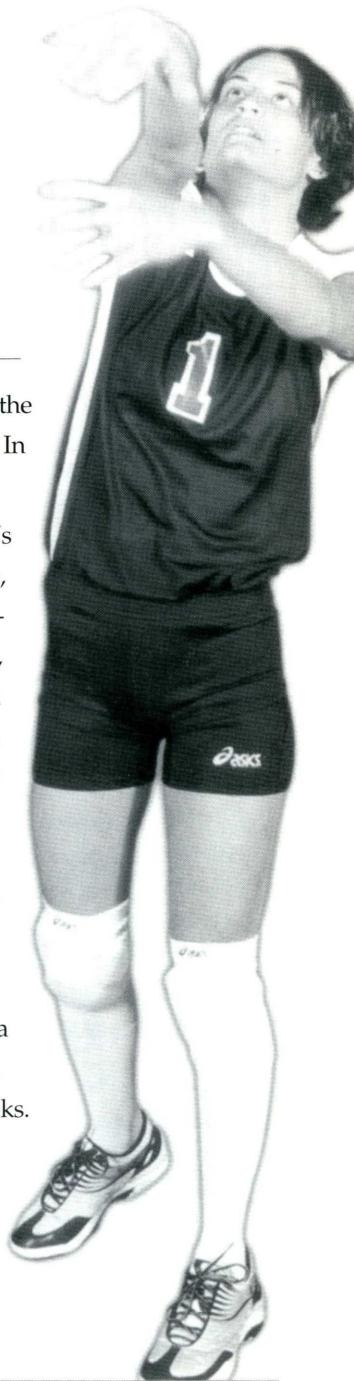
"It's a great honor and I'm thrilled that they would recognize one of my players," noted Theehs. "It's a bonus to a great season to have a player named an All-American. Ashley has been a solid performer for us all year and she definitely deserves the recognition."

A 5'10" middle hitter, Walton enjoyed another outstanding season, leading the Fighting Scots to a 26-9 record and the Atlantic Regional championship. She led the PSAC and ranked twelfth in Division II with a .398 hitting percentage. She led the Scots in hitting percentage for the third straight year and was the team leader in

kills for the second time with 462. The kill total is the third-highest season total on record at Edinboro. In addition, Walton paces the team in blocks with 96.

The junior from Mt. Wolf, Pa., became Edinboro's career kill leader during the PSAC Championships, and now has 1,272 career kills. She earned All-Tournament honors in the Atlantic Regional, contributing 25 kills against Lees-McRae and then a career-high 27 kills versus Indiana. She has been named to the NCAA All-Atlantic Regional team all three years, and has been selected as a first team All-PSAC West honoree the last two years. As a freshman, Walton was named the PSAC West Rookie of the Year.

As a sophomore, Walton finished second on the team in kills with 414 while leading the team with a .355 hitting percentage, a figure that ranked fifth in the PSAC. In addition, she had a team-high 92 blocks. She enjoyed similar success as a freshman, with a team-leading 396 kills and 71 blocks, while hitting .365. Walton led the team in hitting percentage and finished fourth in the PSAC in both kills and hitting percentage.



## FIGHTING SCOT SPIKERS GO DEEP INTO NCAA PLAYOFFS

The Edinboro University women's volleyball team made its fourth appearance in the NCAA Division II Elite Eight in head coach Lynn Theehs' nine years. The Fighting Scots captured the Atlantic Regional title with a win over Indiana (Pa.), avenging a loss to the Indians in the PSAC Championships. The Fighting Scots faced fifth-ranked Grand Valley State in the quarterfinals, dropping a 30-26, 30-21, 30-22 decision.

Despite the loss, it was another outstanding season for the Scots. The final record of 26-9 represented the most wins since 1998, and the Atlantic Regional title was the first since 1998, as well. When the season began, there were some doubts if the lofty goals always set by a Theehs' squad could be reached. The Scots started out with 3-5 record, but more indicative of the success about to come was a five-game loss to Grand Valley State in the Grand Valley State Invitational.

Edinboro proceeded to run off 12 straight victories and won 37 straight games, both school records. The streak was broken when Indiana, who the Scots defeated in four games during the winning streak, handed Edinboro a loss in five games.

The Scots had an opportunity to host the PSAC Tournament, but a four-game loss to Clarion in the regular season finale left IUP with the host rights. Edinboro's bid for a second straight PSAC Championship was denied when IUP posted a five-game win in the title match.

IUP also hosted the Atlantic Regional. Edinboro advanced to the title match thanks to a 30-13, 30-32, 30-24, 30-22 win over Lees-McRae in the semifinals. It set up a fourth match with IUP, and the Scots evened the season series with an impressive four-game win, prevailing 30-18, 30-22, 27-30, 30-21.

Ashley Walton led the Boro in the title match with a season-high 27 kills, adding 4 block assists. Jen Shaw contributed 17 kills and 18 digs, while Stephanie Burner had a team-high 19 digs to go with 13 kills. Katie Quatman recorded 15 digs and Renee Kam had 66 assists.

## 4 Volleyball Players Receive Post-Season Recognition

Not shown: Ashley Walton, Jen Shaw and Renee Kam

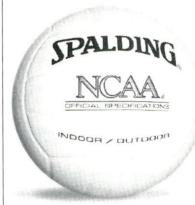
A total of four Edinboro volleyball players earned post-season recognition based on their play on the court. Leading the way was Ashley Walton, Edinboro's first All-American and one of four Fighting Scots to earn All-Atlantic Region accolades.

Walton was an All-Atlantic Region choice, as was Stephanie Burner, Jen Shaw and Renee Kam. Kam was selected for the second straight year, while Burner and Shaw were first-time choices. Burner, a senior outside hitter, led the Scots for the second straight year in digs with 568, breaking her season record of 565 digs set last year. She concluded her career with a school-record 1,707 digs. Burner was third on the team in kills with 344 and was fourth in blocks with 51.

Shaw is a sophomore outside hitter who finished second in kills with 345 despite battling injuries much of the year. She was third in digs with 300.

Kam, a sophomore setter, led the Scots with 1,472 assists after setting a school record with 1,550 assists last year. She added 263 digs.

Walton, Burner and Kam were also recognized by the PSAC. Walton and Burner were accorded first team honors, with Kam a second team choice. Kam was the 2001 PSAC West Rookie of the Year.



## WATTS, COON HONORED BY PSAC

The Edinboro University cross country team collected a pair of honors, as head coach Doug Watts was named the PSAC men's cross country Coach of the Year, and Ryan Coon was named the men's Rookie of the Year.

Watts took over the Fighting Scot program in 1969, and since then has directed the men's team to 25 PSAC titles.

Edinboro won its 11th straight PSAC men's crown and East Regional title. This marks the second straight year that Watts has been named the Coach of the Year and the seventh time in his career.

Coon, a redshirt freshman, earned All-PSAC and All-East Region honors. He placed sixth at the PSAC Championships and was tenth at the East Regional.

# SNOWY SCOTS CAPTURE PSAC CROSS COUNTRY CROWNS

Doug Watts has put together many outstanding cross country teams since taking over the Edinboro programs years ago. He faced one of his most challenging campaigns in 2002, and with the exception of a disappointing showing at the NCAA Division II National Championships, his men's and women's teams exceeded his expectations.

Both teams captured the PSAC Championships, but that has almost come to be expected. However, the Fighting Scots faced their stiffest challenges, particularly the women, who appeared ready to hand over their reign to Indiana.

Edinboro hosted this year's PSAC Championships for the first time since 1986. Maybe it was the home course advantage, or the fact that overnight several inches of snow fell, making it "Edinboro weather." Whatever the case, both the men and women stepped up and dominated the field.

The men's team made it 11 straight PSAC championships and 20 of the last 23. Five of the first ten runners to cross the snowy finish line were Fighting Scots, despite the fact that favorite Mark Stallings of Millersville defended his individual title. Aaron Rowe was second, finishing five seconds behind Stallings with a time of 26:27.8, with Kimmo Lassila capturing third (26:56.3) and Nat Wibberley fourth (27:02.0). Ryan Coon turned in a strong effort, placing sixth with a time of 27:12.5, with Joe Janke concluding the Boro contingent of All-PSAC runners with a tenth place finish (27:36.1).

The Edinboro women finished with four of the top eight runners as the Fighting Scots held off prerace favorite IUP, 41 points to 54. IUP's Sara Raschiatore took home first place, as expected, but freshman Kelly Richards turned in a strong showing, placing third with a time of 23:44.3. Lisa Gallagher finished fifth (23:54.1), with Julie Nemergut seventh (24:00.1) and Lindsay Roberts eighth (24:07.6). All earned

All-PSAC honors as the women won their fifth straight PSAC crown.

Both the Edinboro men's and women's teams finished 17th at Nationals, held in Ashland, OH. It marked the first time the men failed to finish in the top ten since 1996. The women had finished in the top ten the previous five years.

In a rarity, not one Edinboro runner earned All-American honors. Lassila was the first Scot across the finish line, placing 40th, covering the 10 kilometer course in 32:38.7. Rowe, an All-American in 2000, finished 63rd (33:13.7). Wibberley was 89th (33:42.0).

On the women's side, Gallagher led the way with a 61st place finish on the 6 kilometer course (23:38.6). Richards was 65th (23:42.3) and Nemergut 71st (23:51.9).

## Kim Liwush, Nicole Vlahovic Earn Honors for Women's Soccer Team



Kim Liwush

The Edinboro University women's soccer team failed to make its second straight PSAC Playoff appearance, but the Fighting Scots still enjoyed another successful season. Coach Gary Kagiavas' team finished with a 9-5-4 record, going 6-0-1 in its last seven matches. It marked the third straight season with a winning record.

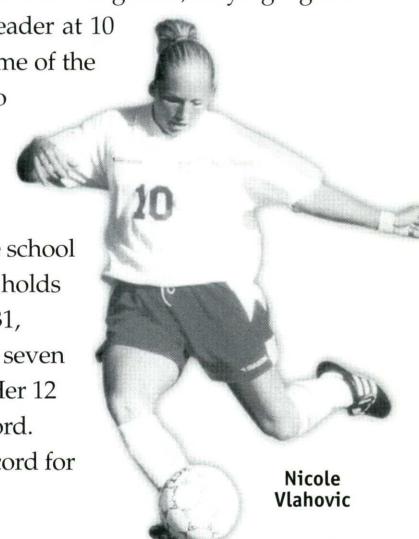
Two players were accorded individual awards. Senior defender Kim Liwush and senior forward Nicole Vlahovic earned All-PSAC honors, with Liwush named to the first team and Vlahovic to the second team. Liwush also earned a spot on the NSCAA All-Northeast Region team.

Liwush earned first team All-PSAC honors for the third straight year and first team All-Region honors for the second consecutive year after earning second team accolades as a sophomore. The defender played a crucial role in stopping the attack. She started 17 games this season, leading the defense at the sweeper position. She tallied one assist for one a point. Liwush anchored a Fighting

Scot defense that allowed just 21 goals, tying the second-lowest total in a season in school history. She helped Edinboro record seven shutouts, one off the school record of eight two years ago. Liwush started every game but one during her career as a Fighting Scot.

Vlahovic started every game for Edinboro before suffering an injury this year. She started in the first 11 games, tallying 4 goals and 2 assists, tying the team leader at 10 points. She had her biggest game of the season when she scored two goals in the Boro's 3-0 win over nationally-ranked Wheeling Jesuit.

The senior forward set three school records during her tenure. She holds the season points record with 31, scoring 12 goals and recording seven assists in her 2001 campaign. Her 12 goals tied the season goals record. Vlahovic also set the school record for career points with 90.



Nicole Vlahovic

# FIGHTING SCOTS REPEAT AS PSAC WRESTLING CHAMPIONS



Bunch finished second for the second straight year, this time at 133 lbs. after being the runner-up at 125 lbs. as a freshman. Sophomore Nate Yetzer was second at 174 lbs. Redshirt freshman Ron Doppelheuer was third at 149 lbs., with fellow redshirt freshman Joe Hennis placing fifth at heavyweight.

"I am real happy we won," related head coach Tim Flynn. "At the same time, we went there expecting to win. Our younger guys are coming around and did some good things. Individually, there are always some surprises, such as David Shunamon facing Lock Haven's redshirt freshman Morgan Hormer in the finals. We can wrestle better. We're not quite there yet. But it's always good to win the league."

The Edinboro University wrestling team defended its PSAC Championship [this past weekend](#), edging Lock Haven for its second straight Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championship and fifth in the last six years.

Seven Fighting Scots advanced to championship bouts, with four coming away with first place finishes. That marks the most since Edinboro crowned six champions in 1999, and is tied for the second-highest total in school history.

Junior Matt R. King picked up his second straight PSAC title at 165 lbs., while senior David Shunamon captured his first championship at 197 lbs. after finishing second the previous two years. Sophomore Jacob Gray picked up his first crown at 125 lbs., as did freshmen at 184 lbs.

Senior Cory Ace was one of three Fighting Scots to finish second, but he picked up his 100th career victory during the championships. Ace was the 2002 champion at 133 lbs., and now has three second-place finishes at 141 lbs. Shawn

## Greg Walcavich Hits Coaching Milestone

Edinboro University men's basketball coach Greg Walcavich entered the 2002-03 campaign needing 11 wins to reach 400 for his career. The veteran head coach picked up win number 400 on January 18, a 74-72 win over Lock Haven. Walcavich already owned the Edinboro record for career wins, and he pushed the total to 250 with a 66-60 win against Slippery Rock on February 12. He previously had 114 wins at Birmingham Southern and 40 victories at West Virginia Wesleyan. Walcavich began this year ranked 25th among NCAA Division II coaches in winning percentage and 15th in career victories. Only 13 active coaches on the Division II level had 400-or-more wins entering this season.



# SCHEDULES

## BASEBALL

### MARCH

1-2	at Alderson-Broaddus (2)	1:00 pm
5	at Fairmont State (2)	1:00 pm
<b>SPRING TRIP TO BRADENTON, FLORIDA:</b>		
6	vs. Saginaw Valley State (2)	1:00 pm
9	vs. St. Joseph's (IN)	9:00 am
	vs. St. Anselm	1:00 pm
10	vs. Bloomsburg (2)	9:00 am
11	vs. Bloomsburg (2)	9:30 pm
12	vs. St. Joseph's (IN)	8:30 am
13	vs. St. Joseph's (IN)	8:30 am
14	vs. Bloomsburg	12:30 pm
16	at Virginia-Wise	1:00 pm
19	at Ashland	3:00 pm
23	at Mansfield (2)	1:00 pm
27	GANNON (2)	1:00 pm
29	at Slippery Rock* (2)	1:00 pm

### APRIL

2	at Clarion* (2)	1:00 pm
5	LOCK HAVEN* (2)	1:00 pm
8	at Indiana* (2)	1:00 pm
9	at Mercyhurst (2)	1:00 pm
12	at California* (2)	1:00 pm
13	MERCYHURST (2)	1:00 pm
14	at Pitt-Johnstown (2)	1:00 pm
16	SLIPPERY ROCK* (2)	1:00 pm
19	CLARION* (2)	1:00 pm
23	at Lock Haven* (2)	1:00 pm
26	CALIFORNIA* (2)	1:00 pm
30	at Gannon (2)	6:05 pm

### MAY

1	ALLEGHENY	noon
3	INDIANA* (2)	1:00 pm

**HEAD COACH: Mitch House**

**\*PSAC West contest**

**BASEBALL SCHEDULE**

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

### AUGUST

29	CHARLESTON (WV)	4 pm
31	MERCYHURST	1 pm

### SEPTEMBER

3	POINT PARK	4 pm
6	at Queens (NY)	noon
7	at Bridgeport	noon
13	at East Stroudsburg	noon
14	at Dominican (NY)	1 pm
17	at Slippery Rock	4 pm
20	at West Chester	1 pm
24	GANNON	4 pm
27	KUTZTOWN	noon
30	LOCK HAVEN	4 pm

### OCTOBER

4	BLOOMSBURG	noon
8	at Indiana	4 pm
11	SHIPPENSBURG	1 pm
18	at Millersville	1 pm
2	CLARION	3 pm
25	MANSFIELD	noon
28	CALIFORNIA	3 pm

**HEAD COACH: Gary Kagiavas**

## MEN'S TENNIS

### FEBRUARY

15	at Mercyhurst	4 pm
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### MARCH

6	vs. Oglethorpe	3 pm
9	vs. Green Mountain at Hilton Head	11 am
10	vs. Hobart at Hilton Head	11 am
11	vs. Transylvania at Hilton Head	8 am
12	vs. Ursinus at Hilton Head	8 am
13	vs. Philadelphia at Hilton Head	noon
22	Cheyney/West Chester at West Chester	

### APRIL

1	at Slippery Rock	3 pm
2	PENN STATE BEHREND	3 pm
12	MILLERSVILLE	2 pm
13	KUTZTOWN	1 am
15	at Case Western Reserve	3 pm
17-19	at PSAC Tournament at West Chester	

### MAY

1-2	at NCAA Regional Tournament	
	<b>HEAD COACH: Andy Findlay</b>	

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11	vs. Transylvania at Hilton Head	8 am
12	vs. Ashland at Hilton Head	noon
28	GENEVA	3 pm

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## FOOTBALL

### AUGUST

30	GANNON	
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### SEPTEMBER

6	at Ashland	
20	TIFFIN	
27	EAST STROUDSBURG	

### OCTOBER

4	SHIPPENSBURG	
11	at Indiana	
18	at Clarion	
25	SLIPPERY ROCK	
	<b>HEAD COACH: Lou Tepper</b>	

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## SOFTBALL

### MARCH

7-9	at Francis Marion (S.C.) Tournament	
12	at Armstrong Atlantic State (2)	2 pm
13	at North Carolina-Pembroke (2)	2 pm
21-23	at Shippensburg Tournament	
27	MERCYHURST (2)	3 pm
29	at Slippery Rock* (2)	1 pm

### APRIL

2	at Clarion* (2)	3 pm
5	LOCK HAVEN* (2)	1 pm
8	at Indiana* (2)	3 pm
12	at California* (2)	1 pm
15	GANNON (2)	3 pm
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24	INDIANA* (2)	3 pm
26	CALIFORNIA* (2)	1 pm

**HEAD COACH: Dan Gierlak**

**\* PSAC West contest**

## TRACK & FIELD

### FEBRUARY

1	at Fredonia State Invitational	
14	at Baldwin-Wallace Invitational	
22	at Kent State Invitational	

### MARCH

1-2	at PSAC Indoor Championships	
29	at Raleigh Relays	
29	at Clarion Early Bird Invitational	

### APRIL

5	at Duke Invitational	
16	at PSAC Triangular Meet	
19	at PSAC Triangular Meet	
24-26	at Penn Relays	
26	at Baldwin-Wallace Invitational	
30	at Slippery Rock Last Chance Inv.	

### MAY

8-10	at PSAC Outdoor Championships	
24-26	at NCAA Division II, Edwardsville, IL	



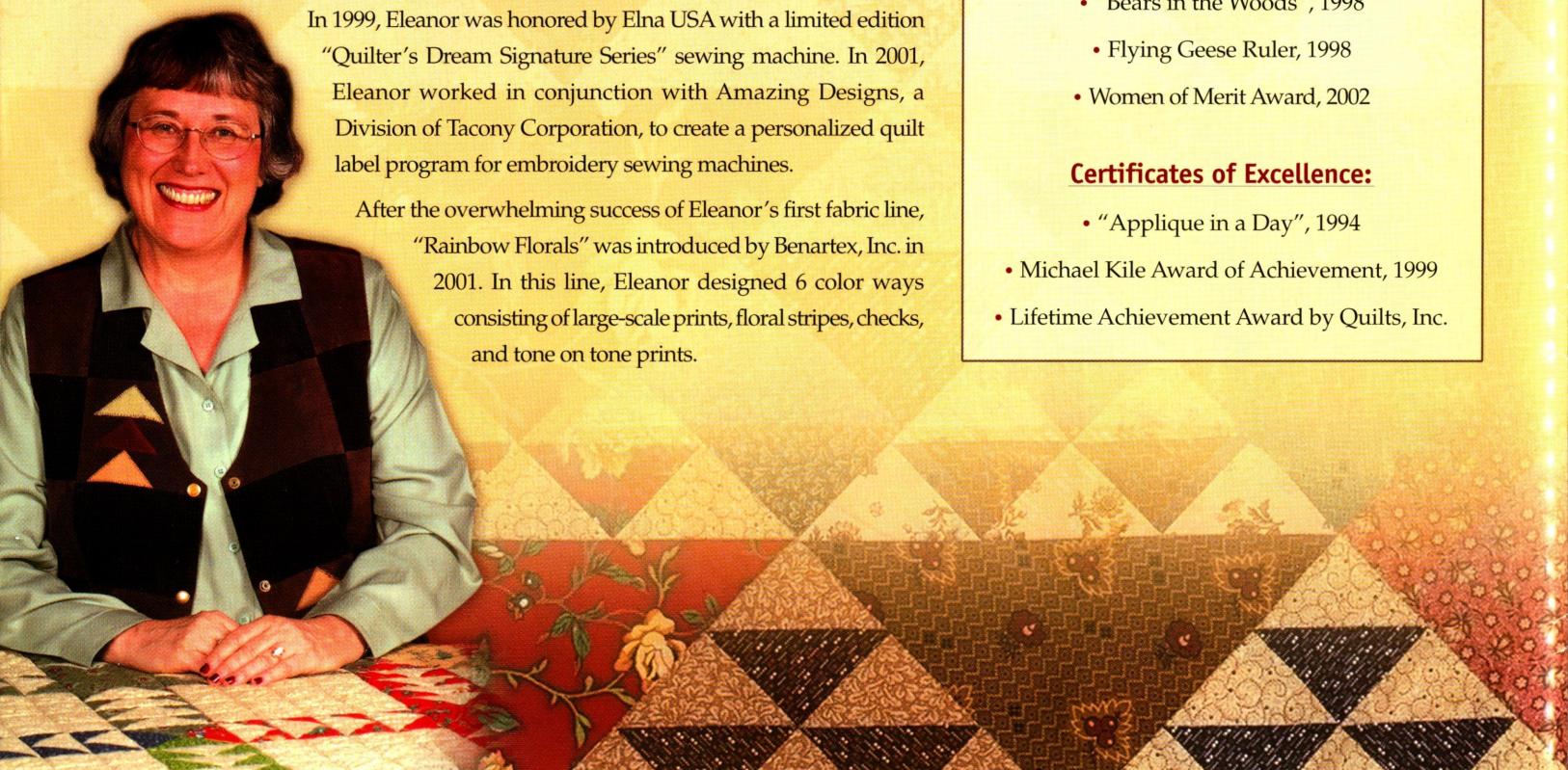
In addition to her lectures, writing and teaching, Eleanor also operates a flourishing wholesale mail order business from a busy 14,000 square foot center in San Marcos, California. The operation includes a retail showroom, warehouse, and the Quilt in a Day production studio.

In 1990, the Quilt in a Day television series debuted and rapidly developed a large following, which continues to grow. Eleanor's warm and beloved style, along with her ability to educate while having fun, is responsible for an increasingly broad-based viewership. Elna, USA became one of Eleanor's biggest supporters in underwriting the Quilt in a Day series. She became Elna USA's official spokeswoman in 1997 and appears in many of their ads.

For Quilt in a Day's 20th anniversary in 1998, Eleanor and Benartex, Inc. collaborated to design Eleanor's Anniversary Florals, a highly successful line of fabric. Eleanor wrote her very popular "Grandmother's Garden Quilt" book to promote the fabric line. Both continue to enjoy strong sales today.

In 1999, Eleanor was honored by Elna USA with a limited edition "Quilter's Dream Signature Series" sewing machine. In 2001, Eleanor worked in conjunction with Amazing Designs, a Division of Tacony Corporation, to create a personalized quilt label program for embroidery sewing machines.

After the overwhelming success of Eleanor's first fabric line, "Rainbow Florals" was introduced by Benartex, Inc. in 2001. In this line, Eleanor designed 6 color ways consisting of large-scale prints, floral stripes, checks, and tone on tone prints.



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