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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The first six months as President of Edinboro University has been an exhilarating experience for me. It has been rewarding to witness the exceptional progress being made in

moving the University to the next level. I am delighted by the warm welcome Rebeca and I have received and excited by the University's potential and the shared commitment to moving forward. Here are some of the highlights of my first six months:

In September we announced plans for a \$115 million, state-of-the-art housing complex to replace Shafer, Scranton and Lawrence Towers, and completed construction of our new \$5 million music building and \$20 million expansion of the Student Center.

Thanks to student support we installed artificial turf, lighting and a new scoreboard in Sox Harrison Stadium. Extensive renovations to McComb Fieldhouse have been completed. We also unveiled plans for the next major addition to the Edinboro campus – a domed facility that will not only allow several of our athletic teams to practice

indoors during inclement weather, but also permit academic and recreational use of athletic facilities as well as large events such as

Commencement. Furthermore, we added women's lacrosse as the Fighting Scots' 15th intercollegiate sport and named the highly successful Kevin Cooke as the team's coach.

The most significant highlights were our Winter Commencement ceremony held on December 15 and the Presidential Inauguration on November 30. Not only was it my first commencement at Edinboro, it took place on the 150th anniversary of the first day of classes at what was then known as the Edinboro Academy. At the Inauguration Gala we announced that Bill and Mary Alexander established an endowment to be worth more than \$1 million to bring classical music presentations to the University.

The dinner itself raised more than \$45,000 for the Jeremy D. Brown Millennium Leader Scholarship. A scholarship luncheon is planned for Thursday, March 6, at the Bayfront Convention Center featuring Segway inventor Dean Kamen.

One of our most important goals is to grow the quality and size of the University. To this end we have hired J.P. Cooney as our new director of admissions and added two new admissions representatives. Also, the National Science Foundation awarded a \$600,000 scholarship grant for Edinboro students studying Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. This grant will create 104 scholarships over four years and have a significant impact in the recruitment of in-state and out-ofstate students

The results of these developments are already paying off. As I write this message, our enrollment for spring semester is higher than last spring, and the number of applications for fall semester is up by close to 10 percent.

The great things at Edinboro University are just beginning. Looking to the future, I envisage 2008 to be a year replete with many notable successes and milestones. I hope you will continue to be a part of the wonderful things that will happen here in 2008.

Jeremy D. Brown

President

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania



Great Things Happen Here AGAIN! Every 'Boro alum has many stories about their time at Edinboro. The game. The party. Lakeside. The parade. Or the professor's class

that delivered the message that set your future course. It brings many a smile to Edinboro alumni. And it didn't stop with graduation. Great Things Indeed Happen Here - again and again, if you are willing to take part!

It's easy. There's a friendly and professional staff at the Alumni Office that is willing to help you reconnect with your alma mater, your professors, and your classmates. We know that Homecoming is a great weekend, so why not also enjoy the many other activities offered? This magazine will provide a few clues to help, and also show how other alumni have connected with Edinboro.

Edinboro PRIDE is growing stronger! What a treat to see the Edinboro Tartan colors all across campus and in town. On your next visit, stop into the book store to see a fantastic selection of Edinboro clothing and products to display proudly, or to pass along to the next family member destined to become a "Fighting Scot." And on that note, congratulations to the Dave Irlbacher family. On December 15th (the 150th anniversary of Edinboro's first class), the eighth member of the Irlbacher family received a diploma from Edinboro. What a magnificent testimony to our university.

The Alumni Association staff and directors are reaching out to all alumni to become more involved with Edinboro. And it's not just writing a check. Come back to tour the many new buildings and see the improvements on campus. Refer a potential student to the admissions office. Bring your family back to town for a game, concert, art show, or alumni event. The university website at www.edinboro.edu has a fantastic alumni section with the schedule of events and terrific photos of your classmates and friends. Check it out and you will see - Great Things Happen Here!

Herman D. Tomer '71 Alumni Association President

COVER STORY

We don't know for sure, but Nicholas Sparks probably never visited Edinboro University. For if he had, perhaps his best-selling romantic novels wouldn't be filled with so much pathos and tragedy.

At Edinboro, Noah and Allie (*The Notebook*) wouldn't have been star-crossed lovers, while Garrett and Theresa (*Message in a Bottle*) surely would have survived happily ever after.

With no apologies to Sparks, happy endings appear to be the rule rather than the exception at Edinboro.

In the last issue of this magazine, we put out a clarion call to our readers: "Tell us your love story! Did you meet your spouse or significant other at Edinboro?"

Your responses proved that for many reasons, great things really do happen here! From students of the post-war 1940s to those of the turbulent '60s and the technology-savvy new millennium, you weren't the least bit bashful about sharing how you discovered the loves of your lives while preparing for meaningful careers during your college years.

In (mostly) your own words, here's a sample of your responses:

The Bradleys: A tale of two underclassmen

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How he remembers it: I was tending to guests at a Lambda Chi party when I saw Tabitha. She was the one!

It was my second year at Edinboro, having been recruited to the 'Boro from New Jersey to play football. Once I met her that night, I convinced her that I would hook her up with my roommate,

true desire of her affection.

After threatening my roommate to stay away from Tabitha, and carefully planned meetings at the cafeteria with her to discuss his "feelings" for her, I had her!

The night I brought roses to Tabitha's room, she fell head over heels for me. Seventeen years later, we still love a good party!

How she remembers it: My friend Tammy invited me to a Lambda Chi party. I walked in the back door to see this sweaty guy they called "Gravity" wearing a T-shirt covered in graffiti and fell instantly in love – with his roommate!

Little did I know at the time, but that was my one true-love snapshot, the one photo I have carried in my mind from the moment I met Ryan.

After inviting me to lunch, snowball fights between Towers and Shafer Hall – and roses – I realized I had fallen in love with Ryan, not his roommate. The farm girl from Pittsburgh had fallen in love with a Jersey guy. What a journey it has been!

Our goal as husband and wife: To some day return to the 'Boro to live and work, and show our children what the word "snow" really means!

Ryan ('93) and Tabitha ('95) Shaffer Bradley. Keyport, New Jersey. Married December 24, 1994.

The Shawleys: 'A nice guy, but not love at first sight'

Fall, 1983. My junior year. After attending Edinboro for two years, I could finally begin taking the criminal justice classes I had anticipated since my freshman year.

I don't remember which CJ class it was, but Jim Fisher was the instructor. Before class started, a mutual friend introduced me to another student, Thomas Shawley. It wasn't love at first sight, but he seemed like a nice guy.

One day, while in the library studying for an upcoming test, Thomas approached me and asked if we could study together. (I'm not sure if it was because I got A's or he thought I was cute; maybe both!) From that point on, we developed a good friendship, which later turned to romance.

We graduated together May 19, 1985 and became engaged that fall. It is now 21 years after our wedding and it's hard to believe how quickly that time has passed.

Thomas and I do not believe in coincidences. We believe that God brought us together all those years ago. We have fond memories of our time at Edinboro and feel blessed and thankful God chose us for each other.

Thomas ('85) and Jody ('85) Stivison Shawley. Fryburg, Pennsylvania. Married October 11, 1986.

Ah, those green campus benches

Against all odds, primarily the 7:1 female-male ratio on campus during the fall of 1965, we met our freshman year at Edinboro State College.

We played pinochle at the Student Union and went to dances at Haven Hall and made out on green park benches all

over campus. We went downtown for movies and pizza and comfort food at the Dinor. We caught the Erie-to-Pittsburgh bus home for the holidays. We broke up than once. (Why settle for en there were six more

more than once. (Why settle for one woman when there were six more available?) We came back together again and again, and by our junior year we were a couple, the sweethearts of Lambda Chi and Alpha Gamma Delta.

We recall, with fondness and humor, the years of courtship at Edinboro that led to our enduring marriage.

Tom and Sara K. Pitzer Rupnik ('69). Jekyll Island, Georgia.
Married June 27, 1970.

The people you meet in registration lines!

Both of us were World War II veterans, Art with the Navy and me with the Navy WAVES. After the war, we met in the registration line at Edinboro State Teachers College in September of 1946.

Art worked as a busboy at the Crossroads Dinor. While dating, we had to adhere to the strict nighttime curfew for all Edinboro students. Despite the curfew,

we managed to get engaged that very Christmas! We were married the following May and, at last count, celebrated our 60th wedding anniversary.

Art and Pat Faulk Jarvis ('49). Henderson, Nevada. Married May 31, 1947.



'You're gonna love him!'

When the undergraduate admissions office where I worked as a graduate assistant hired a new grad student, I was told by one of the admissions counselors, "You're gonna love him."

We were introduced January 16, 1991, the day the Gulf War started, and part of my job was to train Rich. He sat annoyingly close to me and paid way too much attention to what I said. But he was very funny and we became fast friends. He'd ask me out for lunch or coffee, but since I brought my lunch and didn't drink coffee, I always declined. Besides, I thought he was just being nice.

Over spring break, Rich showed up at a Pittsburgh nightclub I'd previously mentioned. I was excited to introduce him to my best friend, thinking they'd make a great couple! But just before he and a friend left to make the long drive home, Rich said he needed to tell me something.

And right there, standing on a catwalk in that noisy club with hundreds of others all around, he said in no uncertain terms that he was there just to see me, that he was crazy about me and he just needed to say that!

We celebrated 16 years of marriage with our sons and my parents at Disneyworld, where we honeymooned – and it all started with the Edinboro University admissions office, where they still talk about us!

Stephen "Rich" ('90) and Michelle ('92) Ratti Libicer. La Cruces, New Mexico. Married January 4, 1992.

The gaggle of geese gawked

We met through friends in June 1991, then later attended Edinboro. We had several secondary education classes together in Butterfield Hall and therefore were generally recognized on campus as "Oh, you're that couple."

We were always together. Baron-Forness, Van Houten, Hendricks Hall, everywhere. On Sunday, August 14, 1994 at exactly 10 a.m., Michael walked me to the gazebo at Mallory Lake, got down on one knee and asked me to marry him.

We grew up only two and a half miles apart and graduated from McDowell three years apart. Our home is now nestled between our parents' homes.

Michael ('95) and Suzette ('96) DeMichele LaRiccia. Erie, Pennsylvania. Married June 22, 1996

From Haven Hall to marital haven

Although we were math majors and attended classes together, we actually met at a Valentine's Day dance at Haven Hall during our freshman year. Not quite four years later, just before we went on to our student teaching assignments, we were married.

After graduation, we immediately migrated to Hawaii and today live in southern California after 43 years of marriage.

Fredric (Rick) and
Eve (Woloson)
Higgins ('65).
Palos Verdes
Estates,
California.
Married
December 16,



Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood

In the fall of 1994, we were freshmen at Edinboro, both living at Towers. My next door neighbor put her phone number in the window, prompting Neil to call her. They went out briefly, but that's how Neil and I met and started dating.

Three years later, Neil proposed to me in Rose Hall, and the following spring we got to see and hear Fred Rogers, who was our Commencement speaker.

We were married in Pittsburgh several years later. Neil's roommate through all four years of college, David Frassetto, was in the wedding party, and alumna Jenn Ray was a reader during the service. Sean Peebles, a fellow Edinboro graduate, was our DJ, and many other alumni danced the night away with us.

Neil ('98) and Yvonne Rivera Richard ('98).

King George, Virgnia. Married July 14, 2001. It was a dark and snowy night when ... he tripped us into the snow bank?

We met one snowy night on the way back from a Student Union dance. Mike and his buddy Bob kept tripping me and my girlfriends, trying to get us to fall into the snow banks.

We got them back by serving Spaghetti-O's (heated in our hot pots) and fourminute fudge (made in a box and set on the windowsill to harden).

In spite of this gastronomical disaster, at the start of our sophomore year Mike eventually asked me out on date. We dated on and off during our college years, got engaged on my 21st birthday and were married at the Newman Center on Darrow Road.

My sister, Chris ('78), was my maid of honor and my husband's best friend, Ed Hilovsky ('75), was Mike's best man. Thirty-two years later, we've helped each other realize many of our life dreams. Thirteen years ago, on the day I began my position in internal communications for a software company, Mike was accepted into pharmacy school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, realizing at the age of 42 a dream he had since our Edinboro days.

Mike and Kim Ring Darnofall ('75). Durham, North Carolina. Married August 1975.

Speed skating to bliss

We met while working at Van Houten Dining Hall during the fall of 1993. Our first date was December 10 when Scott took me ice skating at Erie's Glenwood Ice Rink. We'll celebrate our 10th wedding anniversary in August.

Scott ('94 & '00) and Lori ('96) Ditrich Hironimus.

Pleasantville, Pennsylvania. Married August 7, 1998. Daughter Oliva Grace

born in 2005.

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EDINBORO UNIVERSITY EXCELS IN

FORENSIC SCIENCE

NEW MICROSCOPE OPENS DOORS FOR STUDENTS

by Tyler J. Smith

Sorry to let you down, but don't expect to see "CSI: Edinboro" on your favorite cable channel anytime soon.

Although professors at Edinboro University are trained forensic scientists and have the necessary tools to investigate the same type of crimes as Grissom and his CSI team, in reality, the entertaining show does not mimic reality.

"The show is merely to entertain us, not educate us. It is wonderful entertainment but it doesn't reflect reality. I've never driven to a crime scene in a Hummer, for example," said Assistant Professor Theodore Yeshion, who has a joint appointment in chemistry and political science and criminal justice at Edinboro University.

While Dr. Yeshion doesn't have the shiny Hummer to drive to a crime scene, he does have something better at Edinboro University: a state-of-theart Keyence digital microscope with the capabilities of examining forensic evidence at 175x magnification.

The microscope, which was purchased with student technology fees, cost \$45,000. His department is working toward acquiring a 5,000x magnifying lens for the microscope.

"The beauty of it is that we can observe, analyze, record and present evidence that otherwise is not available to students," explained Yeshion.

The new technology enables Yeshion and other professors to improve the way students learn about the field of forensic science

"We are redesigning a classroom to be a forensic science classroom," said Yeshion. "Soon, we want to have the classroom set up so that the entire class will see the image at the same time. We even have the capability to freeze the images and save them to a USB port or disc." Yeshion flipped a United States penny and it landed on tails. "I'll bet you didn't know the penny has a picture of Abraham Lincoln sitting in his memorial," he said.

He placed the penny underneath the microscope and toyed with the toggles for a few moments. The microscope promptly magnified the penny 175 times its normal size.

"There we are," said Yeshion with a hint of satisfaction. "And there are exactly 10 micrometers between his knees."

Yanking a hair from his own head, Yeshion fussed with the Keyence microscope and pulled up an image of a hair follicle. He explained that the microscope could determine if enough DNA evidence would be available on a strand of hair.

"In a criminal case, the microscope could show us a lot about whether the hair had been forcibly removed, cut or burned. It could also show us human versus animal species of hair," Yeshion said.

And if anyone knows what crime scene evidence looks like, it's Yeshion!

Prior to becoming an assistant professor at Edinboro University, Yeshion was active in the field of evidence analysis. He worked in the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation's crime lab from 1975 to 1979, moving on to the Florida State Department of Law Enforcement's crime lab, then retiring in 1999.

Yeshion holds a bachelor of science degree in pre-med biology from York College of the City University of New York, and a master's degree in forensic science from George Washington University. In 2006, he earned his Ph.D. in science education from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Yeshion's expert testimony has been used in many infamous cases across the country, including the trials of serial killer Ted Bundy and accused murderer O.J. Simpson. His services as a teacher, expert and lecturer are in great demand.

Dr. David Ferster, chairman of Edinboro's Political Science and Criminal Justice Department, sees great potential for Yeshion and the microscope at Edinboro University.

"The microscope brings an opportunity for expanded research and student involvement. We can offer our students views of evidence and materials that they would experience in a real crime scene," explained Ferster.

For Edinboro University students, understanding the "science" behind the field of forensic science brings them one step closer to meaningful, real-life careers – minus the Hummer, of course.

Tyler J. Smith is a senior print journalism and political science major.



FILM CAREER TAKES OFF FOR EDINBORO UNIVERSITY'S

JOHN LYONS

New film features Edinboro-based cast and crew.

by Caroline Schwartz

In school, John C. Lyons was the kid who wanted to make movies instead of write papers. He was always creative, even as a young boy, drawing comic books for his neighbors.

"I also made terrible home movies," he acknowledges with a laugh.

Years later, his penchant for movies worked to his advantage. Recently, he finished making his first feature length film titled *schism*. It's scheduled for immediate release.

Lyons, 30, attended Edinboro
University, majoring in computer science
and math. He graduated in 2000 and is

now employed in Edinboro's Technology and Communications Office.

Slowly, he found his way into feature film-making with the help of Randall McCaslin, a fellow Edinboro University employee who loaned Lyons film-making equipment.

"Edinboro's always been good to me. They let me film a previous movie called *Shakespeare's Dilemma* during my lunch breaks," Lyons explained.

His new film, *schism*, explores the gut-wrenching world of Alzheimer's disease and the devastating effects of the progressive neurological disorder on those suffering with the disease.

Much work went into the production of *schism*. Lyons wrote the 104-page story, and a good portion of his script came from personal experiences with Alzheimer's patients.

"A lot is true and what I saw," said Lyons, now turning somber. "You write what you know about."

After writing the script, Lyons recruited the cast. He reviewed scores of videotaped auditions, then contacted those individuals he wanted to appear in the film.

Lyons included his family in the film's cast, including his grandmothers, his father, his brother, and his wife, Dorota Swies-Lyons, who's his toughest critic.

The cast also includes Edinboro University students and faculty, including Dr. Kathleen Golden, Dr. Andy Lawlor, Bill Vitanyi, Carla Behr, Randall McCaslin and Tom Bennett, as well as Edinboro almuni Andy Flatley and Kurt Daniels.

Working out the actors' and crew's schedules was perhaps the most difficult part of filming for Lyons.

Rehearsing and filming took four-to-five hours nightly on weekdays, then

Scene from the film schism.

stretched from 6 a.m. until 2 o'clock the next morning on weekends.

The entire process was a lesson in patience for Lyons. Editing, for example, took Lyons and his production company, Lyons Den Productions L.L.C., from November 2006 until August 2007 to complete.

"There are times when you just want to give up, but just stay positive, make sure other people are positive and make sure they don't see you freak out," advised Lyons for those considering film-making.

Lyons hopes the film will be ready for submission to the Sundance Film Festival.

Caroline Schwartz is a junior print journalism major.

Editor's Note: Edinboro University is pleased to host the premier of *schism* on April 17 and 18 in the Louis C. Cole Auditorium.





A Journey in



Editor's note: Edinboro University graduate Kate Bender, who suffered from severe depression, spoke at Stairways Behavioral Health in Erie recently, describing her mental illness and the role Edinboro University played in her healing process. The following is excerpted from her address.

1995 was the year of the loss of my husband, loss of home, loss of reality and self-esteem, isolation, depression, months of persistent impulses to die, my daughter's ordeal of not knowing if she would find me alive everyday when she came home from school, hospital stays, and not eating enough. These brought me to the brink. I was standing on the edge looking down deep into the nothingness when my sister, Barb Hauck, and my brother-in-law, the late Rick Claffey, gathered me up and took me in. They brought me to Erie and opened their home and made me part of their lives.

I was without words. I had forgotten how to live. The light had gone from my eyes. It was like I was not alive in my being. This time, this encounter with mental illness undid all of who I was.

For my family it was hard to know how to live with someone with severe depression. My sister went to classes to try to understand mental illness. The gratitude I feel toward my sister and brother-in-law is immeasurable. They were the first essential part of my reintegration into community.

When I came to Erie I found a community ready to deal with my mental illness and also uphold my personhood. After 35 years the disorder I had been dealing with was identified and, with great effort, proper medications were found.

One day, while still very depressed, I went with my sister to Edinboro University where she was a graduate student. While in an art building, I noticed an etching press just like the one I used to work on in my undergraduate experience. A spark ignited in my being, and I asked the professor in the room if I could get access to the press. I didn't want a

degree; I just wanted to do some art. After a number of days of deliberation, the University let me in as a special student. Later it was determined that I could progress on the road to an MFA degree. I still just wanted to do art.

Through Edinboro University I had connected up with one of my very old dreams of being an artist. When I would work on my art, my mind would focus and I would receive relief from mental torment. The more art I did, the more focused I became. The more focused I became the more my self-esteem and confidence improved and the more I was able to talk. My art chronicled my progress over the years.

My mentor, professor John Lysak, challenged me as did the vibrant community of students. Edinboro faculty and students did not treat me differently although they could tell I was struggling. I was now part of the Edinboro University community.

Throughout the three years of study, I had a very close friend, Nelson Smith, who, 10 years later, I would marry. His steady friendship and support was invaluable then and still is today. Over the years we learned about managing mental illness together.

After graduation, I entered a program designed for abuse victims called Relationship Solutions. I took three and a half years of classes. Silence, listening, pain, growth, learning and finally telling the stories that were the source of such pain led me to emotional healing. I had to go back and purge the pain that affected my life so profoundly. I had to deal with the emotional traumas. I had come to grips with the tormented world of my father, who, as a former POW, struggled with post-traumatic stress syndrome at the very least. It was very, very hard. I learned what to do with the

o the Light

pain and how to have good relationships with myself and others.

After graduate school and while still taking life skills classes, I found a job I could handle. I was alone in a greenhouse trimming bonsai trees. When I had problems functioning, no one knew it. I could not have handled a job out in the public. I worked for 5 years and made enough money to be on my own.

My job enabled me to find a room in a home by the ponds in Edinboro. The intense beauty of nature there was so very soothing and healing. I was now part of the Edinboro community.

It was nature. It was the self worth of making it on my own. It was medications. It was reframing my distorted thinking. It was the caring of my family and other people. It was people's prayers. It was participation in the community. It was Edinboro University allowing me to continue to do my art as a volunteer after I had graduated. It was all these things in combination that helped promote recovery for me.

While still working in the greenhouses, I was offered a position teaching a printmaking class at Mercyhurst College. And with all the confidence I could muster I tried to teach what I knew. The first semester was very hard. I was scared and did not do the best job. Continuing to teach at Mercyhurst for five years led to other adjunct teaching positions. My self-esteem grew immensely through these experiences. I now had to talk and communicate effectively for a living. I also began showing and selling my artwork.

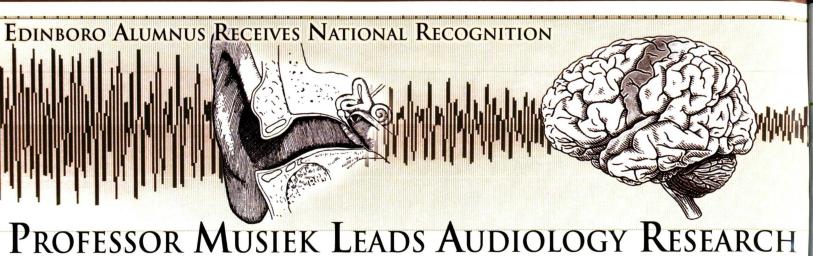
I went from being isolated and nonverbal to doing art. I went from working to teaching. Now, finally, I am working at Stairways Behavioral Health as a Peer Specialist at the Center for the Arts and Humanities. As a Peer Specialist, I am working with what I have learned about myself and mental illness and the potential of dreams coming to fruition to help others recapture their dreams. As a Peer Specialist I see the bravery of many of my peers trying to manage and overcome their disabilities. As a Peer Specialist I share my trials and triumphs with my peers to hopefully stimulate the idea that dreams and goals can be reached despite the insidious entropy of mental illness.

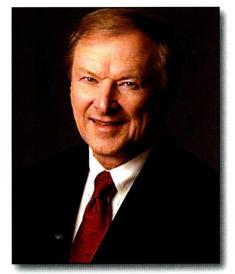
The process of recovery itself is not a formula of meeting societal benchmarks, but it is any meaningful engagement with the community on any level. Recovery ebbs and flows and is very different for all individuals.

The more we help people build on their dreams the more surely people can start to move from isolation to participation and ultimately into fulfillment.

Kate Bender Print







Dr. Frank Musiek Photo credit: Kim Bova Photography

By Adam Campbell

Dr. Frank Musiek of the University of Connecticut is one of the foremost audiology researchers in the country.

A distinguished scientist, practitioner and author with 200 publications and a curriculum vitae spanning more than 50 pages, his spectacular academic and professional journey began at a humble institution once known as Edinboro State College.

Musiek's discipline - audiology - is the study of how the brain understands auditory signals, or simply, the study of hearing. His research has provided valuable insight into the nature and function of the human auditory system.

Born and raised in nearby Union City, Musiek graduated from Edinboro in 1968 with a bachelor's degree in biology and speech. His Edinboro education laid the groundwork for his future prominence.

Musiek would further his education in Ohio, receiving a master's degree in audiology at Kent State before going on to complete a Ph.D. in audiology and neurophysiology at Case Western Reserve University.

His career in academia began at prestigious Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in New Hampshire. Musiek taught, practiced and researched there for more than 20 years before assuming his present position at the University of Connecticut in 2001.

At Connecticut, Musiek serves as a professor of audiology and the director of auditory research. He is also a professor of otolaryngology, the study of the ear, nose and throat. His job takes him to both the clinic and the classroom.

"Sometimes I see patients who have complex hearing losses," said Musiek. "I also teach twice a week and run the neuroaudiology lab."

Musiek's work includes developing clinical testing procedures in audiology. Three of his procedures have become standard in clinical auditory testing. For example, Musiek developed the dichotic digits test, an instrument used to assess the integrity of the central auditory nervous system.

In the classroom, Musiek has educated undergraduates, post-doctoral students, and even medical students.

A high point in Musiek's career came in 2007 when he was awarded the James Jerger Career Award for Research in Audiology.

The award is the nation's top audiological research award and is given by the American Academy of Audiology, an organization Musiek co-founded in 1987. The award not only recognizes Musiek's research, but his significant contributions to the practice and the teaching of audiology.

When not in the lab or classroom, Musiek enjoys spending time with his wife, Sheila (Knuth '71), and sons, Erik and Justin. He loves exercising, especially running and weight-lifting, along with listening to music from the 1960s.

Musiek still makes regular visits to the Edinboro area.

"I come back to the area once a year to see my brothers, but I don't get to come back as much as I'd like," he said.

Edinboro University awarded Musiek its Distinguished Alumni Award in 1995.

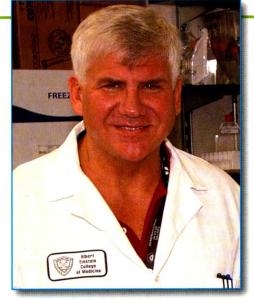
From humble beginnings, Musiek is proof that Edinboro University of Pennsylvania alumni go on to national prominence, recognition and great things.

Adam Campbell is a senior communication studies major.

"People take hearing for granted, but it's the most complex of all the senses," said Musiek. "Many people think 'hearing loss' means you can't understand volume. It's more complex than that."

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY -

WHERE GREAT THINGS



Dr. Bill Jacobs

Bill Jacobs recognized by *Esquire* Magazine as "Genius."

We've always known that Edinboro University produces bona fide geniuses, and now that's been validated by a national magazine. *Esquire* magazine published an in-depth feature story on alumnus Bill Jacobs in its annual "Genius" issue in December.

Jacobs is a professor of microbiology and immunology at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and an investigator at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. *Esquire* chose to feature Jacobs and

other microbiologists because of their dedicated work in seeking a way to eradicate the bacterium that causes

tuberculosis.

Jacobs, married to Edinboro graduate Linda (Roth) Jacobs ('77), received his bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1970 and began studying microbiology at the University of Alabama. At first, he focused on the microorganism that causes leprosy, Mycobacterium leprae, which is closely related to the tuberculosis bug. He moved to New York in 1985 and shifted his focus to TB. For the past 20 years he has been genetically engineering bacteriophages – bacteria-eating viruses – and injecting them into the TB bug to learn how the microbe works.

"Jacobs, at 52, is just hitting his stride," said the *Esquire* article. "In the past ten years – often working with his longtime collaborators Graham Hatfull at the University of Pittsburgh and James Sacchettini at Texas A&M – he has built the 'Bronx Box,' a cheap machine that uses a firefly gene to test for drug resistance (resistant bugs light up); helped discover what he believes is the exact chemical target of the drug isoniazid; and learned how the bug can become resistant in the first place. His

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newest project is a comprehensive library of mutants, each with a single gene deleted.

"As for new vaccines, Jacob's got eight or ten of them in various stages. 'When we get one that really kills...'"

Jacobs thinks he is very close to finding the vaccine that works. And because he is a graduate of a University where great things – and geniuses – happen, we are betting that day will come soon.

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Dr. Jeremy D. Brown inaugurated Edin



During an investiture ceremony brimming with all the pomp and circumstance of Edinboro University's 150 years of rich customs and traditions, Dr. Jeremy D. Brown was inaugurated November 30, 2007, as Edinboro's 16th President.

President Brown was inaugurated before an audience numbering nearly 1,000 well-wishers – including faculty, staff, students, administrators, college and university presidents, and officials of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education – who gathered at McComb Fieldhouse for the formal investiture.

During the ceremony, Dr. Brown, who began his presidency on July 1, 2007, declared: "We must be ever mindful that our central and overriding mission is to educate and to advance knowledge."

Among those in attendance were members of Dr. Brown's family, community and civic leaders, past Edinboro Presidents Frank G. Pogue and Foster F. Diebold, and five PASSHE University presidents.

The Inauguration ceremony came just 15 days before the 150th anniversary of the opening of the Edinboro Academy, historic forerunner to the University, on December 15, 1857.

The key moment of the ceremony occurred when Harold Shields, Chairman of Edinboro University's Council of Trustees, formally presented Dr. Brown to Dr. Judy Hample, Chancellor of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Shields, who earlier this year served as chairman of the University's Presidential Search Committee that endorsed Dr. Brown's candidacy, said committee members were impressed with

Dr. Brown's past accomplishments, his present efforts and his ability to share his vision for Edinboro's successful future.

"Jeremy Brown's efforts during the initial months of his administration have served to reinforce and confirm the committee's mandate of a leader who is grounded in the past, delivers assertively in the present, and has a clear view of the successful future of Edinboro University," Shields said.

Following formal investiture by Dr. Hample, Mr. Kenneth Jarin, Chairman of PASSHE's Board of Governors, administered to Dr. Brown the oath of office.

Addressing the large Inauguration audience, President Brown said, "Clearly, our task is to prepare our students for life beyond college, to instill in them not just rote knowledge, but also lifelong learning skills that will prepare them to adapt, not only for their first jobs, but also jobs beyond – some of which do not yet exist."

President Brown and his wife, Rebeca Acuña, came to Edinboro from SUNY-Canton, where Brown served as Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs since 2003.

A native of Manchester, England, President Brown is a nuclear physicist who previously served in academic and administrative positions at Princeton and Yale Universities, as well as Rector of Florida State University-Panama.

During his Inaugural address, Brown emphasized, "Becoming the best president is not the end; it is only part of the means. The 'end' is to take Edinboro University to the next level and the next level beyond that."









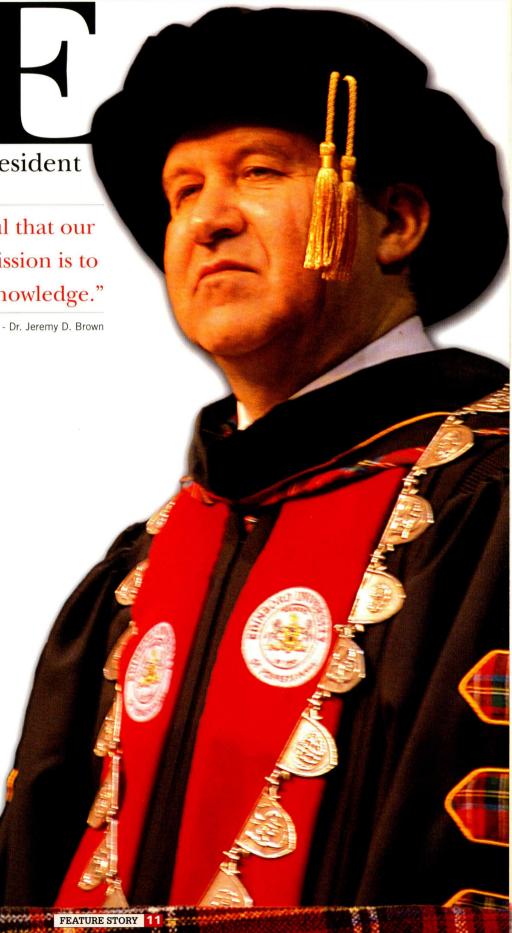
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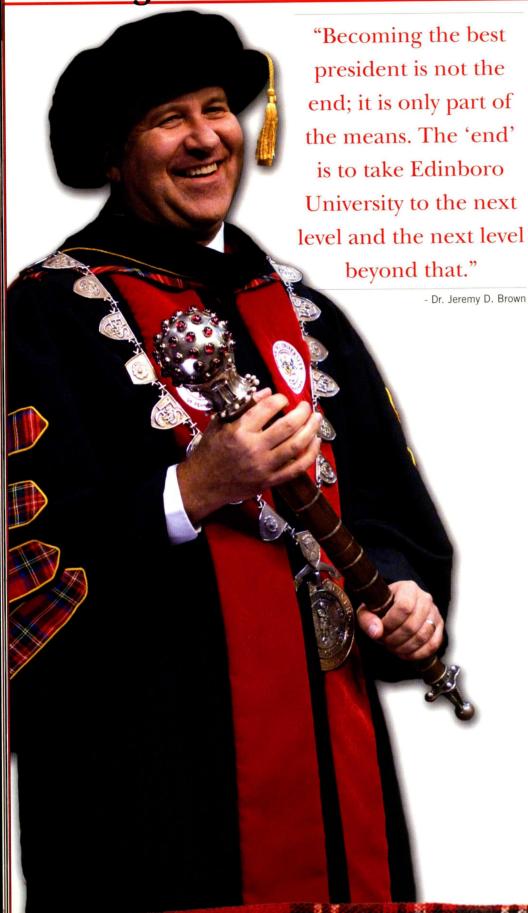








DR. JEREMY D. BROWN, EDINBOR





As Edinboro's chief academic officer, Dr. Pearl Bartelt, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, presided over the Inauguration ceremony.

Leading the formal inaugural procession and carrying the traditional ceremonial Mace was Dr. Renata Wolynec of the History and Anthropology Department. Wolynec, President of the Edinboro University Senate, represented the University's 800 faculty and staff members.

The procession featured delegates representing 40 colleges and universities, as well as 25 current Edinboro students carrying the flags of their native lands. Two additional students carried flags representing Scotland, in honor of Edinboro's founders, and Great Britain, in honor of President Brown's native England.

A video, filled with heartfelt congratulations from Dr. Brown's brother, Dr. Martin Brown of Cape Town, South Africa, was viewed by the audience. Also, a poignant congratulatory letter from Mrs. Barbara Brown Curbishley, President Brown's mother in Manchester, England, was read by Dr. Bartelt.

The Inauguration represented the first in Edinboro's history that was video-streamed to the world via the Internet. It was viewed by Dr. Brown's family in Manchester and Cape Town, as



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well as thousands of alumni and friends worldwide.

Following the Inauguration ceremony, President Brown hosted invited guests at a luncheon in Van Houten Dining Hall, during which Dr. David Montefiore, a world-renowned AIDS researcher and 1978 graduate of Edinboro, delivered the keynote address.

A highlight of the luncheon occurred when a delegation from China's Jinan University, headed by Vice President Dang Mingde, presented President Brown with a watercolor painting from Jinan created specifically to honor Dr. Brown's presidency and mark Edinboro University's 150th anniversary.

At the luncheon, during which Marketing and Development Vice President Bruce Whitehair served as emcee, President Brown praised the University Inauguration Committee's co-chairs for organizing an event showcasing Edinboro's excellence in academics and service.

He said Dr. Jerra Jenrette, Dr. Erinn Lake and Ms. Julie Chacona "used strong organization skills to bring together scores of those serving the Edinboro community to create a week that told the world Great Things Happen Here!"

The Inauguration capped a weeklong celebration, including a three-day Academic Symposium, fund-raising





events for the Second Harvest Food Bank, and the Dr. Jeremy D. Brown Millennium Leader Scholarship Dinner, which raised more than \$45,000 to provide financial assistance to student leaders.

Inauguration week, during which students, faculty and staff were encouraged to wear plaid, concluded with a Scottish Heritage Festival at McComb Fieldhouse.

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- Dr. Jeremy D. Brown



The Dr. Jeremy D. Brown Millennium Leader Scholarship Dinner



The Dr. Jeremy D. Brown
Millennium Leader
Scholarship Dinner raised
nearly \$45,000 to benefit the
new scholarship initiative.
The event, held at the
Crawford Center, was attended
by more than 200 Edinboro

by more than 200 Edinboro
University supporters
including faculty, staff,
administrators, students and
friends. The new scholarship
will be available to students
who demonstrate academic
prowess and leadership
in University
extracurricular activities.

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY CONFERS DEGREES UPON 478 DURING HISTORIC COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



The December 15, 2007 graduation coincided exactly with the 150th anniversary of the opening of the Edinboro Academy – forerunner to the University – on December 15, 1857. Even the weather – Edinboro's famous snow! – was similar.

President Brown, in his Commencement address, made direct correlations connecting the University's successful past and present with his vision for continued growth and an even more successful future. Dr. Brown's vision, he said, includes enhancement of the University's academic reputation both nationally and on the global scale, while seizing new opportunities created by emerging technologies.

He said the two dates – December 15, 1857, and December 15, 2007, are "separated by a century and a half of growth and advancement brought on first by the Industrial Revolution and then by the Technology Revolution."

The 1 p.m. Commencement ceremony, Brown's first as Edinboro President, was video-streamed live via the Internet to Edinboro alumni worldwide. Four hundred seventy-eight students received their undergraduate and graduate degrees in the ceremony.

President Brown told the graduates, "Combined, you represent the very best of your generations ... just as our faculty, staff and administration have added to

your lives in positive ways, you've contributed to ours just as significantly.

"Who can foresee what marvelous inventions and innovations lay ahead of us?" he asked. "What will the world be doing 10 or 20 years from now that no one is doing today, or has even dreamed of doing today? What jobs and careers will we be training our graduates for tomorrow that have no names today?"

He pointed out that 20 years ago "there was no such job as being a web guru for Google. And 20 years from now, you'll be working in and helping to create jobs that haven't yet been thought of.

"This we do know: We will continue to grow the excellence of the University. We will continue to prepare our students to adapt to innovation and change. And we will continue to do great things for our University and for all those future students who will call Edinboro home."

EDINBORO TO HOST SPRING EXHIBIT OF 'THE MOVING WALL' VIETNAM WAR MEMORIAL

The replication of one of the nation's most inspirational tributes to its war dead is coming to Edinboro University.

President Jeremy Brown, during the University's traditional Veterans Day observance in November announced that "The Moving Wall," a one-half scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., will be exhibited on campus from April 30 to May 5.

"It is only fitting and proper that we announce during our annual Veterans Day tribute that, as a result of our collaboration with the Erie County Office of Veterans' Affairs and Vietnam Combat Veterans, Limited, Edinboro University will sponsor The Moving Wall exhibit on our beautiful campus," President Brown said.

Joining President Brown for the announcement was John Williams, Erie County Director of Veterans' Affairs, who said, "We're delighted to facilitate this partnership between Edinboro University and Vietnam Combat Veterans, Limited. The Moving Wall exhibit last visited Erie County in 1995, so we're excited and pleased that another generation of citizens will have the opportunity to visit, honor and pay respects to more than 58,000 soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines who made the ultimate sacrifice for their nation."

Williams, a U.S. Marine combat veteran of the Vietnam War, said Edinboro University affords "a perfect, pastoral location for reflection and contemplation of this awe-inspiring replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial."

The Moving Wall will be situated in a serene, tree-lined grassy area along the University's five-acre Mallory Lake near the center of campus. The location provides ample parking and easy visitor access.

According to President Brown, among the more than 58,000 names listed on

the 253-foot replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington are more than 100 from northwestern Pennsylvania who lost their lives while serving in Vietnam.

Dr. Brown said The Moving Wall's presence on campus will allow the Edinboro University community and thousands of northwestern Pennsylvania residents "to visit the replica of one of America's most profound and inspirational memorials."

The Moving Wall exhibit will be free and open to the public 24 hours a day.



SHIELDS NAMED TRUSTEE CHAIRPERSON



Harold Shields, a two-time Edinboro graduate ('67 and '69) who has served on the Council of Trustees for the past eight years, has been named Trustee chairperson. Human Resource Director for Alcoa's Global Business Services

Group based in Pittsburgh, Shields recently served as chairperson of Edinboro University's presidential search committee.

"The transition from search committee chair to the Council of Trustees is coincidental to Dr. Brown's hiring," Shields said. "Yet, it represents an exciting opportunity for both of us to collectively begin a new chapter in Edinboro's leadership."

A former Erie school director who previously worked for Erie's Opportunities Industrialization Center and Bucyrus-Erie, Shields became the first African American to regularly anchor news broadcasts in Erie when he was employed by WICU-Channel 12 from 1971 to 1981. Married to Pittsburgh's former Stephanie Sallows (whom he met while studying at Edinboro), they are the parents of three and the grandparents of two.

Other newly-elected Council officers are Vice Chairperson Virginia Lancaster

McGarvey and Secretary Raymond L. Dombrowski, Ed.D.

McGarvey has been active throughout the region for many years. A former board member of Meadow Brook Dairy and Country Fair stores, she is a graduate of Strong Vincent High School (Erie), the University of Illinois and Thiel College.

Dombrowski has a long record of service within the Erie region in many leadership and civic roles An Erie School District teacher, a popular athletic official and school administrator for many years, he served as assistant superintendent and then as superintendent of the district from 1985 to 1989, creating many of the programs still valued today.

These three join other Trustees Dr. Joseph G. Cacchione, State Rep. John R. Evans, John E. Horan, Catherine M. Manning SSJ, Benedict J. Miceili, John A. Pulice, and Dr. Judy G. Hample, Pa. State System of Higher Education Chancellor who serves ex officio.

KEN ADAMS NAMED DEAN OF EDUCATION



Dr. Kenneth Adams has been named dean of the School of Education after serving as interim dean. The School of Education encompasses the departments of elementary education, health and physical education, professional studies, secondary education, and special education/school psychology.

"With the strong faculty and academic programs in the School of Education, I believe we have tremendous potential to grow in terms of quality, reputation and size," said President Jeremy Brown. "Ken, as an outstanding educator and administrator, is well qualified to lead the way on this exciting journey."

DR. ROY P. STONESIFER, 1932-2007

"Stoney," as he was known by his students, peers and friends, was a member of Edinboro University's History Department for 35 years, beginning his career in 1961 until his retirement in 1996. Outside the classroom, Dr. Stonesifer was instrumental in the founding of the Flagship Niagara League in nearby Erie. He wrote the first three guide manuals for the League and was the "go to" person on the history of the Niagara and the battle of Lake Erie. Many students learned from the best when they enrolled in his hands-on six-credit summer course aboard the Flagship.

"In the history department, he was always a voice of reason," said Dr. Roy Strausbaugh, former colleague. "He was admired by all. He was a scholar and a good one – recognized by his peers in American Civil War history.

"He is missed but not forgotten," said Strausbaugh.

LOU PORRECO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT EDINBORO

Well-known Erie entrepreneur and civic leader Louis Porreco recently presented a Pa. Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) check for \$10,000 to Edinboro University. The presentation took place at Edinboro University in Erie – The Porreco Center, a 27-acre extension donated to the University by Mr. Porreco in memory of his aunt, Mary Porreco, a longtime Erie teacher who earned two degrees from Edinboro.

EITC donations are part of a Pennsylvania tax credit incentive providing funds to assist the Commonwealth's grade K-12 youth. At Edinboro, the donation will be used to serve scholastic youth in one of the University's approved EITC programs, including the Latino Leadership program, the Meadville Partnership, or providing scholarships to high school students earning college credits at Edinboro.

HIGH TECH TRAINING CENTER RECEIVES GRANT

Edinboro University has operated the Western Pennsylvania High Tech Crime Training Center since 2003 and has trained more than 500 law enforcement personnel in various aspects of computer crime investigation. Professor Ernie Wood, Professor Dave Ferster, and Det. Lt. Larry Dombrowski of the Erie County District Attorney's office serve as co-directors of the Center.

They collaborate with the Pennsylvania State Police regional computer crime investigation unit housed on campus (Troopers Rob Pearson, Laura Taylor and Edinboro graduate Trooper Dana Stewart). Wood and Ferster also serve on the Region II U.S. Counter-terrorism Task Force Computer Crime sub-committee with Pearson and Dombrowski.

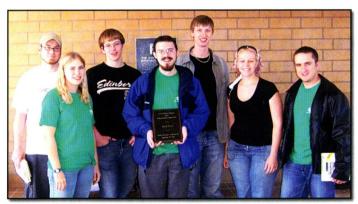
The Center recently received a grant for \$85,000 to support the computer forensic training program. The money will be used to update the technology for training and classroom use. The University currently offers two courses for undergraduates in computer forensics and expects to include those classes in a newly-developed certificate program in forensic science.

PRESIDENTIAL DINNER



Rebeca Acuña, Patricia Diebold ('82 and '91), President Jeremy Brown and President Emeritus Foster Diebold shared some smiles after dinner at the president's residence – a familiar place for the Diebolds!

COMPUTER SCIENCE AWARD WINNERS



Led by Trish Hillman and Dan Bennett, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, several computer science majors won awards at the 14th annual Consortium for Computing Science in Colleges held at Miami University of Ohio, Hamilton Branch.

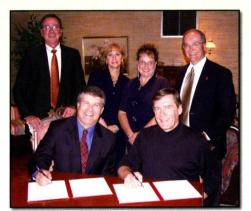
Dan Taylor was awarded first prize for his poster titled "Boom: A 3D Game Engine." The team of Jen Waring, Nathan Mitchell and Levi Lester placed third in a programming contest, while the team of Jeff Thomas, Jessica Diehl and Josh Nicely came in fourth in a programming contest.

STAY IN TOUCH!

Edinboro University is pleased to announce a new monthly electronic newsletter. "The Thistle Post" is distributed during the last week of each month and includes information about our student, faculty and staff accomplishments, as well as events and activities on campus. To receive a copy via e-mail, send your request to the public relations office at joslyn@edinboro.edu. You can view the most recent issue online at: www.edinboro.edu, keyword: thistle.

NEW ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

NEW FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIP TO RECRUIT CAMBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



Joining President Jeremy Brown and Richard McKissock are Dr. Ken Adams, Dean of Education, Marilyn Goellner and Barbara Kantz, Development Office, and Bruce Whitehair, Vice President for Development and Marketing.

The Evelyn V. McKissock Memorial Scholarship is being established by Richard McKissock in memory of a wonderful mother and exceptional woman. In the spirit of her dedication, he hopes to aid deserving students from Cambridge Springs (Pa.) High School pursuing degrees in elementary education at Edinboro University. Mrs. Evelyn V. McKissock of Cambridge Springs, passed away October 1, 1986, at the age of 63. While raising her four sons - Richard, Gary, Scott and Mark - she attended Edinboro University as a non-traditional student and graduated in 1962 with a degree in elementary education. While pursuing her degree, she also taught music and was the organist at the Cambridge Springs First Baptist Church. She taught fourth grade for more than 15 years in the Penncrest School District.

Three of her sons attended and graduated from Edinboro State College. Richard received his bachelor's degree in education in 1970, and is co-founder of McKissock Real Estate and Appraisal School. Gary retired as a Three-Star General in the Marine Corps and is a 1964 graduate; Scott graduated in 1973 and is a biology teacher at Cambridge Springs High School. Scholarships in the amount of \$500 will be made to incoming freshmen who are graduates of Cambridge Springs High School and pursuing degrees in elementary education.

THOMAS AND CLAUDIA ZAHORCHAK ART SCHOLARSHIP



Tom and Claudia Zahorchak, both art education majors who graduated in 1971 from Edinboro State College, recently established the Thomas and Claudia Zahorchak Art Scholarship. Tom taught art in Aliquippa and Quaker Valley School District until he retired in 2001, and Claudia pursued a career in business. Tom and Claudia have long been advocates and supporters of Edinboro University and have demonstrated a strong commitment to higher education. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a full-time art major with at least 30 credits and a minimum cumulative QPA of 3.0.

SAEGERTOWN SOCIAL AND SERVICE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP



Members of the Saegertown'Social and Service Club presented President Brown with a check to endow the newly established Saegertown Social and Service Club Scholarship. The Saegertown Social and Service Club represents women enriching the lives of Saegertown through community service. The scholarship is being established to provide not only financial assistance, but also a confident sense of motivation and support to female students deserving of educational opportunity and to enhance the quality of life for the broader campus community. The scholarship will make two awards annually, one to a traditional freshman and one to a non-traditional student, with preference to graduates from Saegertown High School.

NEW ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS



DAVE HIGHAM/MARK WALLACE OFFENSIVE LINEMAN SCHOLARSHIP



Mark Wallace, Football Coach Scott Browning, Dave Higham.

Dave Higham graduated from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania in 1987 with a bachelor's degree in health and physical education and earned his master's degree in education in 1996. He was a member of the Edinboro football team and is currently the Assistant Athletic Director for Edinboro University. Mark Wallace earned his bachelor's degree in speech communication from Edinboro in 1986. Like his good friend Dave, Mark also played on the University's football team, and the two have fond memories of their athletic experiences. This scholarship is representative not only of their generosity, but also their strong belief in the importance of providing student athletes with every opportunity to achieve their educational goals.

PLYLER OVERHEAD DOOR COMPANY SCHOLARSHIP

Plyler Overhead Door Company is a family-owned business serving Erie and Crawford counties since its beginning in 1967. Jeff Plyler's support of Edinboro University and its students is representative of his commitment to family, hard work, and community. Mr. and Mrs. Plyler have long been advocates and supporters of the Edinboro University athletic program. This scholarship is representative not only of the Plylers' generosity, but also their belief in the importance of providing student athletes with every opportunity to achieve their educational goals. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a deserving student who is a member of the Edinboro football team.

DR. MICHAEL HAHESY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP



Dr. Michael Hahesy and his wife Kathy with President Jeremy Brown, Athletic Director Bruce Baumgartner and Wrestling Coach Tim Flynn.

Dr. Hahesy is a graduate of Edinboro University, earning a Bachelor of Science in health and physical education in 1987. Mike was an outstanding member of the University's wrestling program, received the Senior Male Athlete Award in 1986, and was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in 1998. Dr. Hahesy is currently a University faculty member in the Health and Physical Education Department. His wife Kathy graduated cum laude in 1988 with a degree in health and physical education and earned her master's degree in 2001 in counseling. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a health and physical education major whó is also a member of the University's wrestling team.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS OF THE 1960s SCHOLARSHIP

The football players of the 1960s are a close group of alumni and strong supporters of the Edinboro University football program. Coordinated by Jerry Cass '67, they are establishing this scholarship in tribute and honor of the football players of the 1960s, to promote and encourage the same athletic spirit as displayed by this outstanding group of athletes. An award will be made annually to an incoming freshman or upperclass student who is a member of the football team and meets minimum NCAA requirements.

KIM CLARK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



Patricia and Greg Nosel, members of the Kim Clark Foundation, presented a \$5,000 check to Edinboro University in support of the Kim Clark Memorial Scholarship, the Rolling Scots basketball program, and the University Swimming Program. The Kim Clark Memorial Scholarship has provided annual awards to student athletes for nearly 10 years. Donations and event proceeds have grown the endowment to \$46,000. Joining in the presentation are Athletics Business Director Sue Goldthwaite, Wheelchair Basketball Coach Jim Glatch, Swimming Coach Chris Rhodes, Athletic Director Bruce Baumgartner and Football Coach Scott Browning.

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS

Edinboro University has several scholarships that are awarded at the Annual Alumni Speech-Language Pathology Conference held each fall on campus. The awards are made to speech-language pathology graduate students.

The Dennis Ranalli Scholarship Award was presented to Andrea Mussari, a firstyear graduate student from Pittsburgh. Andrea earned a B.A. in speech and hearing sciences and minor in special education from Edinboro University. She served as president of Delta Zeta sorority and provided more than 500 volunteer hours for various organizations.

Matina Balou, a second-year graduate student from Patras, Greece, was the recipient of the Dr. Richard Forcucci Scholarship. Matina earned a B.S. in speechlanguage pathology from Technological Educational Institute of Patras in 2004 and is proficient in English, German, Italian, Russian, and Greek Sign Language.

Susan Bennett and Elizabeth Snook were this year's recipients of the Dr. Frank Johnson Scholarship. Susan, a first-year graduate student from Erie, earned a B.A. in speech and hearing sciences and minor in special education from Edinboro in 2007 and has worked as a preschool teacher for children with special needs.

Elizabeth is a second-year graduate student who earned a B.A. in psychology and minor in communications from Penn State in 2004. She is the vice president of the Edinboro University Speech & Hearing Club and worked in a therapeutic staff support position for more than two years with the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber National Institute.







LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES DINNER **BUFFET AND AUCTION**

A University benefit for the Latin American Studies Scholarship was held at Latino's Mexican Restaurant in Erie, featuring Pedro Cortés, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Auctioneer and Edinboro student, Mark Tannenbaum, engaged the crowd of more than 100 guests, helping to raise more than \$7,000 for the Latin American Studies Scholarship. A highlight of the evening was the awarding of this year's scholarship to Damaris Henry. Past recipients include Laura Miller, currently a graduate student of international politics at the University of Pittsburgh; Deke Showman, whose internship with the Erie County IU resulted in his current position with the Migrant Worker Education Program; and Ashley Gunn, a tax accountant with the Pennsylvania Department of Economic and Administration Development.



SCHOLARSHIP GALA IN HONOR OF DR. DANIEL SNOW



Dr. Jeremy D. Brown, back row, center, celebrated the success of the Dr. Daniel Snow Black and Gold Memorial Scholarship Gala with several of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity brothers who attended. The celebrated actor, Dan Snow, son of the late Dr. Snow, treated more than 250

people to a one-act play. The event raised nearly \$15,000 for the Dr. Daniel Snow Scholarship, which provides financial assistance to deserving minority students.

KEN KOPIN SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED



The Ken Kopin Art Memorial Scholarship was awarded recently to Erie resident Erica Sperrazzo, an Edinboro University junior majoring in graphic design with a minor in metals. Tom Halmi (right), presents Sperrazzo with a print by Ken Kopin. The print was produced, with assistance from local artist Brad Lethaby, from an original painting owned by Halmi. Halmi and Kopin had been friends since

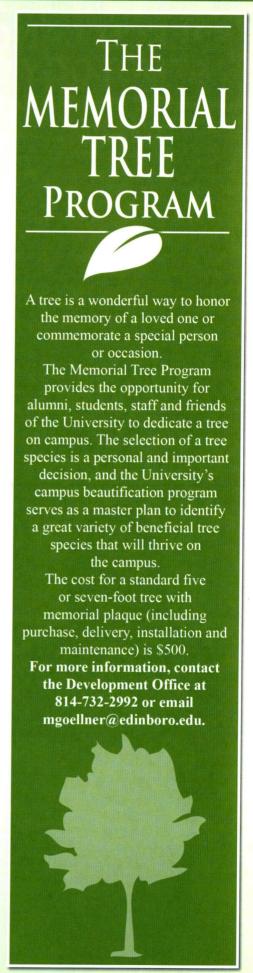
studying together at Edinboro University. Ken Kopin, class of 1961, was an art teacher for the School District of Erie (Pa.) for many years.

MYFORD ART EXHIBITION



Recent graduates, Shauna Solkovy, graphic design, and Lindsey Werger, art history, were instrumental in preparing for the art exhibition – Prints by Sculptors and Sculpture by James Myford, which was held this past fall in the Baron-Forness Library. Shauna designed the exhibition catalogs and Lindsey installed the show

that consisted of 18 sculptures by Myford, class of 1962, as well as 25 prints by famous sculptors from the permanent collection of James and Betty Myford.



We Hear from...

Don S. Wozniak, President of Aptecon Incorporated

Dear Dr. Brown.

I've just read the *Edinboro News* publication about your new position as president of the University. Congratulations, your credentials are very impressive. I'm a graduate of Edinboro (1977) with a B.S. degree in chemistry. My wife, who I met my first year at Edinboro, is still my wife, and, in addition to graduating from Edinboro with a degree in sociology, she also graduated at the top of her class from Capital University with a paralegal degree. She now works in the law department for Honda Manufacturing.

I used my chemistry knowledge to a good advantage. I did research work and developed several patents dealing with adhesives and plasticizers for polyvinyl chloride plastics and started my own corporation. For the past 12 years we have supplied the automotive industry with a product used as undercoating and seam sealer.

My education at Edinboro helped me to be successful. Edinboro is a great choice to further your education. Good luck in your new position.

Chimaobi (Mobie) Nwaokomah, Legislative Intern, Office of Senator Vincent Hughes/ Current student and participant in The Harrisburg Internship Semester (THIS) program

I just want to take this opportunity to touch base with my Edinboro folks whom I represent in Harrisburg and share my success stories and advancements in the THIS experience. This past October, all the THIS interns (including myself) were recognized on the floor of the Pa. State House of Representatives during Regular Session. Rep. John Evans accorded me a warm reception and offered to take a photograph with me.

It was a wonderful time and experience for every one of us on that floor. I am glad and proud to be a State System student and a fall 2007 THIS intern. My experiences are vast, and I have continued to learn a lot. I'll continue to represent Edinboro University in a positive manner . . . "great things happen here!"

Anne (Neely) Thomas (class of 1976)

I don't know if any of your former students have had this honor. This past July, my string quartet (The 4 Bows) submitted an application and a CD to the White House. The idea was to play for the Christmas tours.

We waited and waited, but heard nothing. In October I received a message stating the final selections were being made, but nothing definite. The first weekend in November, I returned from vacation to find a message on my machine. It was an invitation to play on December 1 at noon. Of course, we accepted!

Now you can brag that one of your former students played at the White House! Did you ever think . . . ?

Rayme Scalise (class of 2004 and 2007)

I have been working as a second grade instructor at the Warren Area Elementary Center for two years now. In that time I also managed to earn my master's/certification as a reading specialist via Edinboro's online program.

I had a meeting recently with my school principals concerning my tenure. The "meeting" lasted maybe 7-10 minutes. I feel they are really impressed. My fellow colleagues ask me, "How in the world did you become so knowledgeable in the field of education?" I immediately respond, "The women and men in the elementary education department [at Edinboro University] are exceptional and true masters in their fields."

Thank you all for helping me along with my personal goal. I couldn't be happier . . . I'd do it all over again!



2007 Homecoming Queen Ashley Argenta receives congratulations at the Edinboro Hotel from alumni Frank Coppola ('66), Dick Wukich ('65), John Scott Jones ('67) and Dave Korenich ('66).



The winning foursome of the 16th Annual Alumni and Friends Homecoming Golf Outing (left to right): Tom Bastow, Vic Kallay, Brad Kallay ('91) and Mark Niswonger. The golf outing was played under sunny skies and once again had a full field of golfers participate.



On a beautiful sunny Homecoming Friday with temperatures in the 80s, the Edinboro University Social Work Department launched its first annual Scholarship Fund Tennis Tournament with eight doubles teams. More than \$600 was raised with the team of Baher Gosheh and Bob Hass taking first place. Many individuals and organizations joined forces to make the tournament successful, including social work professor Allan Turner and retired professor Ron Reinig, event organizers. In five years, the faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the department have raised over \$47,000 in the scholarship fund.



President Jeremy Brown and Rebeca Acuña were right at home during their first Edinboro Homecoming festivities.



Posing for the camera during the Homecoming Golf Outing are: Lee Hodges ('89), Jody Dickerson ('95), Dan Uvodich ('92), Butch Biro ('89), Rob Clay, Rege Lux ('90), and Billy McKee ('91).



Edinboro alumni and friends always enjoy gathering at the Alumni Tent during Homecoming to watch the Fighting Scots football team.



Posing for a photo are Alumni Board members Pat Santelli ('62), Dan Higham ('70) and Dave Sheneman ('64).



1960s graduates enjoyed the Homecoming festivities at the Alumni Tent: Nils "Swede" Schroder ('64), Fred Krehely ('64), Ron Sturga ('63), Jan O'Dessa ('62), Jim Sims ('64), Aubrey Dillon ('61), Dave O'Dessa ('61) and Bill Etter ('65).
Photo by Katherine Mitchell.



The Alumni Marching Band is always a favorite for those watching the annual parade.



33 years and counting — we never miss an Edinboro Homecoming! Pictured (back row): Ellen McGowan, Mary Ranalli, Dennis Ranalli, Elaine Ruoff, Barbara Lindsey, Charlie Tuminello, Karen Muraco, Nancy Cylenica, Chuck Schoentag, Maura Jobes, Diane Rafle, Debbie Schoentag, Karen Divito, Patti Joyce, Hal Blount, and Tani Blount. Front row: Larry Hill, Eric MacEllven, Dennis Kuftic, Mark Lamperski, Mike Kozar, David Cylenica, Mike Joyce, Kenny Brandt, Eddie Meeks, John "Whitey" Bacik, Jeff Markle. Missing notables: Fred and Nina Flack, Barb Lamperski, Chris and Louise Pedano, Jan Wooliscroft, Fritz and Michelee Curtze, Harry Rafle, Sue Markle, Terry Ruoff, Ron Rhinig, Richard and Gina Ward, and Glen Pudas.



The Alumni Association's Class and Affinity Reunion Reception at the Alumni House during Homecoming weekend provided participants with a relaxing evening of reminiscing. Pictured are some of the graduates of the class of 1957 who gathered to celebrate their 50th reunion.

ALUMNI ACTIVITIES



President Brown, Rebeca, Sue Reno-Carlomagno ('68), Joe Carlomagno, and Vice President Bruce Whitehair enjoyed a dinner together during a visit to the Carlomagnos' home located in Mill Valley, California.



Dr. Louella "Bunny" Jones Bucho ('62), member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, welcomed December graduates to the Alumni House during the Grad Finale hosted by the Alumni Association.



Dr. Ray Catalano ('60) and Bruce Whitehair enjoyed a light breakfast at Starbucks. Ray's career spans 35 years as a professor at California University of Pennsylvania. He has spent time traveling and is currently remodeling his home in Canonsburg, Pa.



President Brown and Rebeca met in Fremont, California, with Edith Thomas ('46), daughter of Waldo Bates, namesake of Bates Gallery located in Loveland Hall.



More than 80 Edinboro alumni now residing in North Carolina gathered for an evening of reminiscing at the Fox & Hound English Pub and Grille in Charlotte. This group showed off their "Boro Pride."



Nearly 900 students participated in the sixth annual Midnight Breakfast sponsored by the Alumni Association in conjunction with the division of Student Affairs and Student Success. The complimentary breakfast is held on a Sunday evening prior to finals week. The volunteers who assist with this event contribute immensely to its overall success.

ALUMNI ACTIVITIES



Marlene Moosa ('81), Mark Moosa ('80), President Brown and Nicole Fedders ('99) posed for a photo during the alumni gathering in Charlotte, North Carolina.



Edwin Probert ('65) and former wrestling coach Fred Caro spent time socializing during the Alaska cruise offered by the State System Alumni and Friends travel program.



Each year during a Steeler game, Edinboro TKE alumnus Tom "Greek" Pappas ('70) hosts a fundraiser at the award-winning Maples Restaurant in Ambridge, Pa. – famous for its hot roast beef sandwiches, fantastic desserts and other delicious foods! Many of Tom's good customers join us to raise money for the University's TKE Alumni Scholarship Fund.



Alumni and friends now living in the San Francisco area attended an alumni event at the landmark Westin St. Francis Hotel located in the heart of San Francisco.

The Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) recently announced that **Michael C. Kane ('76)** received a Presidential Rank Award, given by the President on an annual basis to recognize senior government executives for their strong leadership, accomplishments, and dedication to public service.

Kane is one of eight award winners that received the Meritorious Presidential Rank award which is only given to five percent of the total federal career senior executive service employees each year. In addition to a certificate signed by the President, Kane will receive an award of 20 percent of his basic pay.

"Michael Kane has established a significant record of accomplishment and demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication to duty," said NNSA Administrator Thomas D'Agostino. "I would like to congratulate him and thank him for his overall contribution to U.S. national security."

NNSA is a separately organized agency within the U.S. Department of Energy responsible for enhancing national security through the military application of nuclear science.

Kane graduated from Edinboro University and the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He currently resides in Virginia with his wife and four children.



The Sig Tau planning lunch at Smokey Bones in Erie in October was a great get-together for the brothers who graduated from Edinboro during the 1960s. We shared stories of our Edinboro days and what we've been doing for the past 40-plus years, and began planning for a bigger event scheduled for next August. Russ Ridenbaugh ('64) and Bill Roschy ('66) organized the event.

The following brothers were also on hand: Jerry McIntyre ('66) Dan Byler ('68), Bob Callahan ('65), Bob Fulton ('65), Bob Nelson ('65), Chuck Scott ('64), Bob Say ('63), Dave Sheneman ('64), Royce Terrell ('65), and Bob Palmer ('62). If you have not been contacted about this project and would like to get involved, please call Bill Roschy at 716-397-3034 or email billroschy@gmail.com, or Russ Ridenbaugh, 724-654-6046 or russbigredone@aol.com.



1950 ~ DR. ROBERT MURRAY was honored by Indiana University of Pennsylvania for his 30 years of service to the University and the founding of the Communications Media Department. He also completed a book titled WW II

Heroes in Whose Footsteps I Walked. Bob and his wife, Janet, reside in Sun City West, Arizona.



1952 ~ JEAN (PORTZ) BLACK and JANE (MCLAUD) RINKER

'52 met in Erie, Pa. last summer and enjoyed reminiscing about their days at Edinboro State Teachers College. Jean resides in Erie, and Jane resides in Ottsville, Pa.

1964, '83 ~ MICHAEL KASHEY's guilt "These Are a Few of My Favorite Things" is a top ten finalist in The Quilting Magazine's \$100,000 Quilting Challenge. He and his quilt are featured in Issue #4 of the magazine. Michael and his wife, MATTI (McCLATCHEY) '70 reside in Edinboro, Pa.

1965 ~ DR. RALPH LONGO, JR. retired as superintendent of Quaker Valley School District, ending a career that spanned 42 years as a public school educator. He is now a senior fellow and associate professor in the School of Education at the University of Pittsburgh. He and his wife, Jackie, reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

1966 ~ PHYLLIS (BALL) MILLER retired as a teacher for the Iroquois School District six years ago and continues to keep active with family and friends. She resides in Erie, Pa.



1966 ~ JACK NEFF met with fellow 1966 grads and Kappa Delta Phi (now Tau Kappa Epsilon) brothers at the Crossroads Dinor during Homecoming 2007. Pictured left to right are:

Jack, DAVE "LEFTY" LYONS '66, RON WALLACE '66, and JOHN CIAK '66.



1967 ~ DR. TERESA (TIRONE) POPE retired as assistant principal of North Penn High School. She resides in Sanatoga, Pa.

1971 ~ DANIEL McMULLEN and several Edinboro alumni and friends gathered in New Castle, Pa., last summer. They have stayed in touch throughout the years and credit Edinboro University for how they met. Dan and his wife, Leslie, reside in San Antonio, Texas,





1971 ~ DR. DON WILLIAM YOUNG (right) showed his Edinboro pride with friends on a recent trip to Los Cabos San Lucas, Mexico. Don resides in Phoenix, Arizona.

1971 ~ RALPH BUZZARD was named director of visual arts for the Bridgeport School System. He resides in Monroe, Connecticut.



1972 ~ RICHARD LA FERRIERE was inducted into the Shaler Area Athletic Hall of Fame on September 22, 2007 for accumulating 247 wins over 19 years as the wrestling coach. He and his wife, Nancy,

1972, '74 ~ WILLIAM KERINS is the president of Wheatland Tube Company. He and his wife, Kathleen, reside in Hermitage, Pa.

reside in Glenshaw, Pa.

1974 ~ GARY CORNELIUS wrote a book titled The American Jail: Cornerstone of Modern Corrections. Gary, a retired deputy sheriff, is currently a corrections consultant and trainer residing in Williamsburg, Virginia.

1974, '82 ~ TERRENCE CARLIN is quoted in Alison Delsite Everette's upcoming story on college admissions in the Boy Scout magazine, Boy's Life. Terry is the associate vice president for partnerships and development at Edinboro University. He and his wife, JERRI (CARROLL) '75 and '77, reside in Erie,

1975 ~ DR. BERNADETTE HATTJAR received her advanced clinical doctorate degree in occupational therapy from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She is an occupational therapist and assistant professor at Gannon University. She resides in Erie, Pa.

1975 ~ PAMELA (FULLUM) STOVALL was appointed associate director of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, the central library of the District of Columbia Public Library System. She and her husband, John, reside in Silver Spring, Maryland.

1976 ~ KIM (HOPKINS) BENDER and her husband, John, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on August 20, 2007. The couple, accompanied by their daughters, Kate and Courtney, celebrated the occasion with a vacation in Cancun, Mexico. Kim is employed as a speech pathologist by Crestwood School District. They reside in Mountaintop, Pa.

1976 ~ KATHERINE (POWELL) BESTWICK is the founding executive director of the Phoenix Village Art Center. Katherine has three daughters: Anna, Theresa, and Colleen and resides in Mont Clare, Pa. with her husband, Chuck.



1983 ~ JOHN PISULA was nominated by Florida Governor Charlie Crist to the Judicial Nominating Committee for the 17th Judicial Circuit Court in Broward County. John is a public affairs

specialist for State Farm Insurance Company. He and his wife, Gena, have two children, Sarah and Rachel, and reside in Davie, Florida.

1983, '85 ~ ANDREW BAYUS was named director of college housing of Alfred State College. He also founded the Alfred State College Outdoor Recreation

Club in 1988 and continues to serve as its advisor. He and his wife, Kathy, reside in Alfred Station, New York, with their three sons.

1984 ~ GRACE (ENGLISH) ROHRER was promoted to store manager of QVC's Rockvale Square Outlet in Lancaster, Pa. where she resides with her husband, Marc.

1985 ~ JACQUELYN DAVIS earned a master of arts degree in leadership in teaching from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland. She is a special educator with Anne Arundel County Public Schools and resides in Glen Burnie, Maryland.

1985 ~ MICHAEL HIPPCHEN, Esq., was named corporate counsel for Intelligent Decisions, Inc. This role is in addition to his duty as chief compliance officer. Michael, his wife, Susan, and their two children, Matthew and David, reside in Charles Town, West Virginia.

1985 ~ ALAN "AJ" and JONI (CLAWSON) JOYCE '85 relocated to Knoxville, Tennessee. AJ continues his employment with The Boon Group selling group benefits to government contractors, while Joni is a stay-at-home mom to their seven-year-old twin sons, Ben and Zach.

1985 ~ ALISON (McGRATH) FOX is a freelance graphic artist and events coordinator for Associated Artists of Butler County. She and her husband, Thomas, reside in Greensburg, Pa. Alison invites friends to visit www.butlerartcenter.net and contact her at twfox@verizon.net.

1987 ~ JEFFREY CROCKETT created the website www.hbife.com to give entrepreneurs home business ideas. He resides in Erie, Pa.

1987 ~ MABUTU SASA KROMAH is a senior technology manager for consumer credit solutions of Bank of America. He and his wife, Chanta, have two children, Jasmine and Gabrielle, and reside in Charlotte, North Carolina,

1989 ~ TODD WILSON is an internal supports supervisor for Service Coordination, Inc. His wife, NANCY (GIFFORD) '88, is an elementary vocal music teacher with Anne Arundel County Public Schools. They reside in Pasadena, Maryland, with their two sons. Alexander and Connor.

1989 ~ XAVIER WILLIAMS was appointed senior vice president of Business Communications Services for AT&T Southwest.



1990 ~ MICHAEL BORLAND is a software developer and the final award recipient of Doritos "Unlock Xbox" challenge for his game, Dash of Destruction. This game will be developed for Xbox 360 as well as a full scale Xbox LIVE Arcade game.

Sewickley, Pa.

Mike and his wife, HOLLY (DAVIS) '89, reside in

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1990 ~ WENDELL "KEITH" JOHNSON was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on December 1, 2007 at Fort Monroe, Virginia, LTC Johnson

is currently assigned to The United States Army Accessions Command where he serves as a recruiting operations officer. He resides in Portsmouth, Virginia, with his wife, Sharon, and together they have six children. Pictured with LTC Johnson is LTC HARLAN **WARE '87.**

1991 ~ SUZANNE (GLICK) PEPER is the program director for the Carilion Community Hospital-Wound Care Center in Roanoke, Virginia. She and her husband, Scott, have two children, Brynn and Kedryn, and reside in Roanoke, Virginia.

1992 ~ BRIAN WILLIAMS and REBECCA (FREDERICK) '92 opened St. Peters Art & Framing. an art gallery in St. Peters Village, Pa. They would love to carry work from other EUP alumni. Please e-mail mail@stpetersart.com to discuss a portfolio review. The Williams also have two other locations where they do custom picture framing and carry original photography. Visit their website at www. vourclaimtoframe.com for more information. They reside in Royersford, Pa.

1992 ~ RICHARD STATES teaches full-time in the Edinboro University psychology department and works part-time as a professional counselor. He is married with two children, and resides in DuBois, Pa.

1992 ~ JOSEPH KOTULA, JR. is a journeyman for Local Union 47, in Monaca, Pa. He resides in Ambridge, Pa.



1993 ~ DR. MICHAEL PALERMO, JR. received his doctorate in educational philosophy from Capella University. He also published his first book, Warm-Ups, Scales, Patterns, and Licks. It is designed for beginning to

intermediate jazz musicians and is available at www. reallygoodmusic.com or his website www.mpalermo. com. Books purchased from Michael's website will be autographed. He resides in Concord, Ohio.

1993 ~ RHENA (BERRY) McCASKILL is the director of admissions for the Community College of Allegheny County North campus. She and her husband, Sean, have two sons, Sean, Jr. and Keyshawn. They reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.

1994 ~ TIMOTHY FAIRFIELD teaches social studies and career-based intervention at West Branch Middle School and High School. He is working toward a master's degree in educational administration from Youngstown State University, as well as a careerbased intervention endorsement from Kent State University, Timothy resides in Girard, Ohio, with his wife, Teresa, and sons, Jacob and Colin. Friends may e-mail him at tfairfield@neo.rr.com.

1994 ~ RIFAT CUNEYT AYTAC is the purchasing director for Delphi. He resides with his wife, **ELAINE** (VACCARELLO) '96, in Istanbul, Turkey.

1995 ~ DAVID PALESKY is a learning support teacher at York County School of Technology. He would like to get together with other Edinboro alumni who live in central Pennsylvania. David and his wife, Cindy, reside in Gettysburg, Pa. He can be reached at davidpalesky@hotmail.com

1995 ~ NANCY (PAPARIELLA) MALONEY

received her master's degree in education and her special education teaching certificate. For the past eight years. Nancy has worked at the Achievement Center, in Erie, Pa. with autistic children and their families. Nancy is working on becoming a board certified behavior analyst. She and her husband. Israel, reside in Waterford, Pa.

1995 ~ KELLEY (SOBEK) WOOD is the manager of customer marketing for McCain Foods USA. She resides in Aurora, Illinois, with her husband, lan, and their two children, Colin and Cameron.

1996 ~ DAWN (SMITH) HARPER works at the State Correctional Institution in Houtzdale, Pa., teaching inmates in all subject areas in preparation for a G.E.D. or high school diploma. Dawn, her husband, JAMES '97, and their three-year-old daughter, Vanessa, reside in Philipsburg, Pa.

1996 ~ YUEHUA TONG is a psychology professor at Jinan University of Shandong in the People's Republic of China.

1996 ~ MATTHEW BROWN is a senior manager for Ernst & Young. He is a certified public accountant and serves clients primarily on technology and security risk projects. He and his wife, Bonnie, reside in Columbus. Ohio, with their four children.



1996, '01 ~ HEATHER (MACHACEK) BARON took third place in the ING Financial Services "unsung heroes award program"

for working to develop a program that will eliminate intergenerational illiteracy. Heather received a \$7,000 grant to help implement her ideas in the classroom. Heather, her husband, Brad, and their daughter, Nicole, reside in Edinboro, Pa.

1998 ~ MONICA (NULL) BEANE is the assistant director for the Office of Instruction at the West Virginia Department of Education. Her husband, STERLING '99 also works for the West Virginia Department of Education. They reside in Gassaway, West Virginia, with their son, Sterling "Price", III.

1999 ~ REBECCA SWEENEY is a human resource specialist with Pittsburgh Veterinary Specialists, managing six companies. Rebecca resides in Pittsburgh, Pa.

1999 ~ KARA (THOMAS) LOCRAFT is a social worker and resides in Bethesda, Maryland, with her husband, Matthew.

1999 ~ JORA (CARRINGTON) LYON is a second grade teacher at Youngsville Elementary School, part of the Warren County School District. Jora and her husband, Michael, reside in Pittsfield, Pa.



1999 ~ JASON DRAKE received a \$4,000 Milken Festival for Youth grant for the second consecutive year. Jason and 275 Penncrest School

District students removed over 8,700 tires from a ravine at the headwaters of historic Oil Creek. The 83.5 tons of tire material was recycled at Enviva Materials in Youngstown, Ohio, Jason is a Maplewood High School biology teacher and resides in Centerville,

1999 ~ ANDREW BENSON was named chief information officer for the Thompson Creek Window Company of Lanaham, Maryland. He and his wife, Gretchen, live in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

2000 ~ ERICKA WATERS received her master's degree in educational leadership and is the assistant principal of Clarksburg High School in Montgomery County, Maryland. She resides in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

2000, '03 ~ LOURDES (HARKNESS)

TEPPER is a mental health therapist at Mid-Carolina Middle School and started a private practice working with families who are dealing with dementia and Alzheimer's. Her husband, MATTHEW '03, is a guidance counselor for Newberry School District. They reside in Greenville, South Carolina.



2001 ~ DONNA DEETER recently joined Channellock as purchasing manager. She is also treasurer of the Edinboro University Alumni Association Board and the

Crawford County Historical Society, Donna and her family reside in Cochranton, Pa.

2002 ~ BRADLEY KOCHER earned three distinguished coaching awards for leading Spotsylvania High School to a district title. He is the health and physical education department chair of Spotsylvania County Schools. His wife, REBECCA (DRANE) '01. is the assistant director of alumni relations at the University of Mary Washington. They reside in Fredericksburg, Virginia, with their son, Aidan.

2002 ~ MERI (SURDOVAL) FETKOVICH was promoted to health and wellness director at the YMCA of South Palm Beach County. She resides in Boynton Beach, Florida, with her husband, Mark.

2003 ~ BRETT BENEDETTO is a claims manager for Progressive Insurance in St. Petersburg. He resides in Tampa, Florida.

2003 ~ EMILY NAGURNEY graduated from Oregon College of Oriental Medicine with her master's degree in acupuncture and oriental medicine. She resides in Warren, Pa.

2003. '05 ~ ERIC POPE was appointed associate director of student organizations and leadership development at Gannon University. He oversees Gannon's social fraternities and sororities, the leadership development program, and coordinates a preview program for incoming freshmen. Eric resides in Erie, Pa.

2004 ~ MARK SCHAU of the Pennsylvania State
Police was promoted to captain and commander of
Troop E, Erie, which covers Crawford, Erie, Venango
and Warren counties. He and his wife, Wendy, reside in
Edinboro, Pa. and have four children: Lauren, Justin,
Jared and Nicole.

2004 ~ **CALEB THAYER** is completing his master of arts degree in middle and secondary education at Edinboro University. His wife, **KATIE** (**COOK**) **'04**, is a restorative nurse coordinator for Warren Manor. They have four children and reside in Warren, Pa. They encourage friends to contact them on myspace.com.

2004 ~ **RONALD JABANGWE** was accepted into the MBA program at Valparaiso University for fall of 2008.

2004, '06 ~ SCOTT IRLBACHER is the assistant director of fraternal life at Miami University. Scott resides in Oxford, Ohio.



2004, '07 ~ SETH TRAVIS
recently joined the Transportations'
Commercial Leadership Program
(CLP) team at General Electric in Erie,
Pa. He will be working closely on sales

development. Seth resides in Erie, Pa.

2005 ~ **ANDREA (KAHLE) BORLAND** is a high school health and physical education teacher and head varsity volleyball coach for Penns Valley School District. She resides with her husband, Michael, in State College, Pa.



2005 ~ DR. PATRICIA WOODS graduated from Ross University School of Medicine where she was an honor roll and dean's list student. She is currently working on an MBA in healthcare management

at George Washington University. Patricia will be doing her residency at The Medical Center in Beaver Falls, Pa. She plans to specialize in neurology or physical medicine and rehabilitation.



2005 ~ BENJAMIN GREENLAND was featured on the Field and Stream website when he caught a 2 lbs. 15 oz. bass

while on a fishing trip in the 1000 Islands in Canada. Benjamin resides in Yardley, Pa.

2005 ~ **DANIEL GIBSON** and his wife, Nicole, recently moved back to Pittsburgh, Pa. Daniel is a supervisor at CVS/Caremark.

2005 ~ TIMOTHY CHIZMAR is a standup comedian, producer and owner of Tim Chizmar Productions. Friends can find more information on his sites www.myspace.com/drittyboro and www.ChampionshipComedy.com. He resides in Corona, California.

2005 ~ **STEVEN BROOKS** is a patrolman with the New Castle Police Department. He resides in New Castle, Pa.

2006 ~ **JAMIE ROOF** is a registered nurse with Bayada Nurses in Erie. She resides in Edinboro, Pa.

2006 ~ **SETH ANTHONY** is a human resources generalist specializing in benefits administration for Games Workshop PLC in Glen Burie, Maryland. Seth is completing his master's degree at Capella University.

2006 ~ **AARON FETTY** was hired as a police officer for the City of Pittsburgh Police Department. He resides in Pittsburgh, Pa.

2007 ~ HEATHER PIER is a teaching assistant in the geography department at the University of Delaware, where she is working on her master's degree in geography/climatology. She resides in Newark, Delaware.

2007 ~ **JEFFREY SPINKS** is a Unix administrator with FedEx Ground. He has two children, Jason and Katherine, and resides in Moon Township, Pa.

2007 ~ **AARON** and **TRACIE** (**GREENFIELD**) '06 **ENGLISH** both started new careers. Aaron is a sales representative for the American Cap Company, and Tracie is teaching for Commodore Perry School District. They reside in Greenville, Pa.

2007 ~ **MATTHEW STONE** is a graphic designer with P.C. Richard and Son. He resides in Deer Park, New York.

2007 ~ **HEATHER LEWIS** works in accounts receivable for Schaal Glass Company. She resides in Fairview, Pa.

2007 ~ **MELISSA (NEWMAN) KOLB** is a science teacher for the Erie City School District. She resides in Erie, Pa.

2007 ~ **COLIN KOSINSKI** is an environmental protection specialist with the Erie County Health Department. Colin's wife **NICOLE** (**BLOOD**) '06, is a Spanish teacher at Linesville High School. They reside in Linesville, Pa.

MARRIAGES

1993 ~ LISA (GAMBLE) and Jay Rukas, May 20, 2006. Lisa is a teacher at Donaldson Elementary in the West Allegheny School District and resides in Findlay Township, Pa.

2000 ~ **ALISON (HANER)** and Jason Farrington, September 1, 2007. They reside in Kennesaw, Georgia where Alison is a retail paint development manager with Do It Best Corporation.



2002 ~ BROOKE (JOHNSON) and Adam Wagner, September 16, 2006. Brooke is a first grade teacher in the Warren County

School District. The couple resides in Jamestown, New York.



2002 ~ JASON COOPER and Nina Helman, May 26, 2007. Jason is a news writer and producer for WTTG FOX 5 in Washington, D.C.

where they reside.

2002 ~ **JULIE (HARASTI)** and Mark Ferringer, July 28, 2007. They reside in Sandy Lake, Pa.

2003 ~ CORINNE (STEINER) and Dustin Eaton, August 17, 2007. Corinne is a learning support teacher in the Conneaut School District. They reside in Conneaut Lake, Pa.



2003 ~ TANYA (SLAPPO) and JOSEPH CARBAUGH '04, September 15, 2007. Tanya is an executive assistant/human

resources specialist for Take Care Health. Joseph is a project manager for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and is also pursuing a master's degree in business administration. They reside in Philadelphia, Pa.



2004 ~ ADAENA (HORNSTROM) and CHRISTOPHER TRAY '98 & '07, September 16, 2007.

Adaena is the assistant director of the Green Tree Public Library, and Chris is a field sales representative for Vintage Sports Cards, Inc. The couple resides in Pittsburgh, Pa.



2004 ~ MICHAEL ICKES and Holly Arndt, September 1, 2007 at the Warner Theatre in Erie, Pa. Michael is an accountant for

Slenker Land Development Corporation. They reside in Fairfax, Virginia.

2005 ~ BRANDON URDA and AMBER

(DICIERO) '05, September 8, 2007. Amber is a teacher at Medina County Educational Service Center. Brandon is a senior internet systems engineer at Noble Knights Networking. They reside in Medina, Ohio.

2005 ~ MATTHEW CASSIDY and KRISTEN (PEPICELLI) '06, September 1, 2007. Matt is a music teacher at the Country Day School in Jefferson County, West Virginia and serves in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. Kristen is a high school special education teacher for Berkeley County School District. They reside in Inwood, West Virginia.



2006 ~ AMANDA (ICKES) and Michael Wiseman, June 1, 2007 at the Sunset Inn in Erie, Pa. Amanda is an assistant manager of Woolen Mill Health Club. They reside in

Colchester, Vermont.

2006 ~ KATHERINE (LUCE) and SEAN GESS

'06, July 7, 2007. Katy works in daycare and at the Carnegie Science Center. Sean is a biology graduate student at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The couple resides in Indiana, Pa.

FAMILY ADDITIONS

1985 ~ STEPHEN BUTLER and wife, Virginia, a daughter, Lily Elizabeth, January 22, 2007. She joins big brother, Matthew. The family resides in Bellmawr, New Jersey.

1988 ~ CHRISTINE (SCHEUTZOW) and Jim Brennan, a son, Sean Thomas, February 27, 2007. He joins sister, Emily, and brother, Cole. The family resides in Gibsonia, Pa.

1991 ~ ROBERTA "BOBBIE" (MARONEY) and Jerry Stillions, a son, Joseph Robert, May 7, 2007. Bobbie is a customer service coordinator for Siemens Energy & Automation. They reside in Vandergrift, Pa.



1992, '94, '95 ~ ERIKA (TIETZ) and Garth Ploski. a daughter, Savannah Shoi, December 9, 2005 and a son,

Chandler, November 9, 2006. They join big sister, Anastasia. The family resides in Meadville, Pa.



1992 ~ JENNIFER (DUSCHEID) and Jerry Concannon, a daughter, Ella Rose, May 2, 2007. Jennifer is a teacher of the visually impaired

at Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children. They reside in Gibsonia, Pa.

1992, '96 ~ KRISTEN (SCHNAEKEL) and David Marshall, a daughter, Clara Catherine, July 4, 2007. "Cate" joins big brothers Henry and Jack. Kristen is a special education teacher for the Queen Anne's County Board of Education. The family resides in Galena, Maryland.



1993 ~ MARY (STOPHEL) and RICHARD CONTI '98, a daughter, Ashley Olivia, November 15, 2006. She was welcomed by big sister,

Ella. The family resides in Pittsburgh, Pa.



1994 ~ KIMBERLEY (PAYNE) and Eric Baxendell, twins, a son Nathan Eric, and a daughter, Cassidy Laurie, June 17, 2007. The

family resides in Munhall, Pa.

1994 ~ MELISSA (KIRSCH) and KAMEO MUNNELL '94, a son, Kiyoshi Justin, February 3, 2007. He joins big sister, Momoko. Melissa is teaching math in the special education department at Pittsburgh Frick International Studies Academy. Kameo works for University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Health System as a medical illustrator. They reside in Pittsburgh, Pa.



1994 ~ ROBERT HENDRY and wife, Jamie, a son, Emerson Close, July 6, 2007. He joins big sister, Brylee. Robert is an audiologist

for Cochlear Americas. The family resides in New Kensington, Pa.

1996 ~ AMY (WOODSIDE) and Brad Wackerlin, a son, Cooper Bradley, August 28, 2007. He joins big brother, Connor. The family resides in Lake in the Hills, Illinois.

1996 ~ DAVID FRENIA and MOLLY (KEENAN)

'97, a son, Andrew Mark, June 21, 2007. They reside in Macedon, New York.



1996 ~ JANINE (DEFRANCO) and Sean Walsh, a daughter, Claudia Mary, August 15, 2007.

Janine is a kindergarten teacher

for Rocky River School District and resides in Rocky River, Ohio.



1996 ~ JENNIFER (LISOWSKI)

and Andrew Ketner a son, Brody Louis, July 15, 2007. Jennifer is a fifth grade teacher for Bethel Park School District and resides in

Pittsburgh, Pa.

1996, '98 ~ MEGHAN (WINGERSON) and Jason Hall, a son, Rory Moran, July 20, 2007. Meghan is a mental health therapist for the Irene Stacy Community Mental Health Center. They reside in Butler, Pa.

1996 ~ SHELBY (PLAVSITY) and James Hiller, a son, Liam Taylor, October 15, 2007. He joins big brother, Logan, and big sister, Audrey. The family resides in Gwynn Oak, Maryland.



1997 ~ ANTHONY GIGLIOTTI and DEBORAH (CALLAN) '97, a daughter, Callan Marissa, March 16, 2007. The family resides in

Warren, Pa.



1997, '99 ~ CARMEN (MACHACEK) and Ehren McElfresh, a daughter, Sophia Rae, August 28, 2007. Sophia joins big brother, Issac. The family resides in

Fayettville, North Carolina.

1997 ~ JILL (BEIGHLEY) and Steven Sinclair, a daughter, Natalie, July 14, 2007. Natalie joins sister, Emily, and her parents in Abingdon, Maryland.

1997 ~ ROBIN (HUGHSTON) and Tony Palladini, a daughter, Eden Alexandra, June 1, 2007. She joins big sister, Angelina. They reside in Sewickley, Pa.

1998 ~ BRIAN EASTMAN and wife, Lisa, a son. Logan Thomas, May 30, 2007. Brian is a realtor with Coldwell Banker Select in Erie, Pa. He would love to help any Edinboro alumni in the area with the purchase or sale of property. They reside in Erie, Pa.



1998 ~ MATTHEW MCINTOSH and JENNIFER (KABO) '98, a son, Kyle John, June 11, 2007. He

joins big brother, Owen. Matthew is the art director for the National Marine Sanctuary Program, and Jennifer is a life underwriter for Banner Life Insurance. They reside in Germantown, Maryland and can be contacted at jenkabo@hotmail.com.

1998 ~ JONATHAN ROUMFORT and wife, Jessica, a son, Joshua, March 28, 2007. He joins big brother, Jacob. Jonathan is a senior security analyst for Indiana University of Pennsylvania. They reside in Indiana, Pa.

1998 ~ SHAWN SCOTT and wife, Amy, a son, Ethan, May 2, 2007. He joins big sister, Madison. Shawn is a high school science teacher for Pine-Richland School District. The family resides in Seven Fields, Pa.

1998 ~ SUE (UNDERCOFLER) and Michael Dudkowski, a daughter, Abigail Elizabeth, May 21, 2007. She joins big sister, Katherine. The family resides in Pittsburgh, Pa. Friends can reach them at sdudkowski@verizon.net.



1999 ~ JAMES CIPALLA and AMANDA (WEST) '02, a son, Reilen Daniel James, August 10, 2007. They reside in Norfolk, Virginia.



1999 ~ JOHN SARVIS and TRACEY (WRIGHT) '94, a son, Andrew Bryant, November 2, 2006. He joins siblings Kaylee, Steven, and Derek. John is a Captain in the

United States Air Force. Tracey teaches in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, where the family resides.

1999 ~ MARLA (MORRISSEY) and BLAINE "DARRIN" KUHN '96, a daughter, Raegan Marleah, July 3, 2007. Marla is a teacher for the Canon McMillan School District and Darrin is a project manager for Weavertown. They reside in Upper Saint Clair, Pa.



1999 ~ STEPHANIE (SMITH) and Todd Turner, a daughter, Camille Irene, December 22, 2006. She joins big brother, Nathaniel. Stephanie works in the intensive

care unit at Meadville Medical Center. The family resides in Conneaut Lake, Pa.



2000 ~ MARYBETH (WILLIAMS) KUBINSKI and husband, Adam, a son, Noah Charles, September 2, 2007. Marybeth is a kindergarten teacher

for Charlotte-Mecklenburg School District. They reside in Charlotte, North Carolina,

2001 ~ ASHLEE HOLCOMB and Shawn Carlson, a son, Kyler Fenton, September 21, 2007. Ashlee is completing her master's degree in school counseling at Edinboro University and resides in Jamestown, New York.



2001 ~ JASON HAMILTON and CARRIE (CAMINO) '02. a daughter, Isabella Ann, March 11, 2007. The family resides in Macungie, Pa.

2001 ~ JENNIFER (COOPER) and Jim Keener, a daughter, Dorea Grace, October 23, 2006. Jennifer is a weekend education facilitator at the Mayborn Museum at Baylor University. The family resides in Waco, Texas.



2001 ~ KRISTEN (HUDAK) and DR. PATRICK MULHOLLAND,

JR. '00, a son, Quinn Patrick, April 23, 2007. Kristen and Patrick are both employed at Medical

University of South Carolina Institute of Psychiatry. They reside in Charleston, South Carolina.



2001 ~ MATTHEW MIEHL and KELLY (FISHER) '00, a daughter, Maggie Jane, February

19, 2007. Matt is a mathematics teacher at Conestoga High School

in Berwyn, Pa., and Kelly works for the Chester County Department of Aging Services. They reside in Downingtown, Pa.

2001 ~ SCOTT CUNNINGHAM and JAIME (WATKINS) '01, a son, Garrett William, April 4, 2007. Jaime is the preschool director at Community Wesleyan Church, and Scott is an art teacher in the Horseheads Central School District. They reside in Horseheads, New York.

2001 ~ **TAMELA (KUZAR)** and Craig Hall, a daughter, Riley, August 5, 2007. She joins big brother, lan. The family resides in Carrolltown, Pa.

2002, '07 ~ ROBIN (ARCHER) BERLIN and John Eastman, a daughter, Alicyn, June 30, 2007. Robin is a therapist with Associates in Counseling and Child Guidance. The family resides in Conneaut Lake, Pa.



2003 ~ **DAVID LAIT and STEPHANIE (TYLER) '04**, a son, Logan James, January 1, 2007. They reside in Wickliffe, Ohio.



2003, '06 ~ **JENNIFER**(**BUTLER**) and Zachary Williams, a daughter, Nina Marie, August 6, 2007. Jennifer works in publishing

for Windstream Communications and resides in Erie, Pa.



2005 ~ **AMBER (EDDY)** and Jason Digiacomo, a son, Jace Christian, September 12, 2007.



2006 ~ ASHLEY (STAGE) and BENJAMIN STROUP '07, a son, Benjamin Thomas II, April 30, 2007. They reside in West Jefferson, Ohio.

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1929 ~ ALISON (WASHABAUGH) WILSON, April 2, 2007

1931 ~ THELMA (RODGERS) CROWE, November 25, 2007

1934 ~ WILLIAM J. PANITZKE, November 20, 2007

1937 ~ COL. RUSSELL B. HUNTER, November 10, 2007

1938 ~ RUTH (TAYLOR) VANTASSEL, October 1, 2007

1941 ~ LEO C. BEMIS, September 29, 2007

1941 ~ **ELAINE (GHERING) UHT**, November 3, 2007

1949 ~ ANGELO G. SUSI, September 9, 2007

1954 ~ JOHN P. SOBIE, July 18, 2007

1957 ~ **RAYMOND W. WIARD**, March 27, 2007

1959, '64 ~ STANLEY ZAHORA, October 11, 2007

1962 ~ **DENNIS A. LESICK**, October 11, 2007

1964 ~ **JOHN J. RENKES**, January 26, 2007

1965 ~ **JAMES G. WHITEMAN**, August 25, 2007

1967 ~ **JANICE M. (ZUPANCIC) EDGAR**, January 29, 2007

1967 ~ RICHARD T. RUSSELL, October 16, 2007

1968, '70 ~ CAROL L. (WYGANT) HIBBARD, September 19, 2007

1969 ~ ANDREA V. (VEVEERKA) MIRARCHI, September 17, 2007

1969 ~ THOMAS DAVID SNYDER, November 13, 2007

1970 ~ **SARA C. (WRIGHT) GOLDSMITH**, August 29, 2007

1971 ~ HELEN (HILLARD) FRIEND, July 29, 2007

1971 ~ MARILYN (DAVIS) POWERS, June 13, 2007

1973 ~ **BRUCE A. HARKE**, September 28, 2007

1973 ~ VIRGINIA JANE (REA) TROUTMAN, August 14, 2007

1977 ~ **KEVIN A. ERICKSON**, August 2, 2007

1977 ~ JAMES A. TOME, October 3, 2007

1978 ~ ARLENE (RATNER) BREAKSTONE, October 9, 2007

1982 ~ **SUZANNE (BAJZA) SCHAAF**, July 30, 2007

1983, '87 ~ RANDY L. BERTY, July 31, 2007

1983 ~ MARY LOU (BRUNNER) STEIGERWALD, October 22, 2007

1985 ~ DR. JOSEPH RICHARD BUZANOWSKI, August 2, 2007

1987 ~ SHARON C. (SEGGI) MARKEWICZ, September 8, 2007

1991, '92 ~ GERALD L. LIEBEL, October 22, 2007

1993 ~ LISA (KOUVOLO) PRIANO, September 25, 2007

1994 ~ **ANTHONY A. SCOTT**, September 22, 2007

1994 ~ **SHARON L. SUTTER**, August 21, 2007

2006 ~ **ANTHONY J. DIGIACOMO, III**, September 30, 2007

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DR. MURIEL M. BERMAN, April 13, 2004

MARY ROSE DITZ, August 20, 2007

JAMES B. DRONSFIELD, December 2, 2007

WILMA (HARDING) FERGUSON, November 25, 2007

JAMES M. HARRISON, September 7, 2007

SARA (HARTZ) HENDERSON, February 9, 2007

CHARLOTTE L. (TWEITMEYER) MCNERNEY, April 30, 2007

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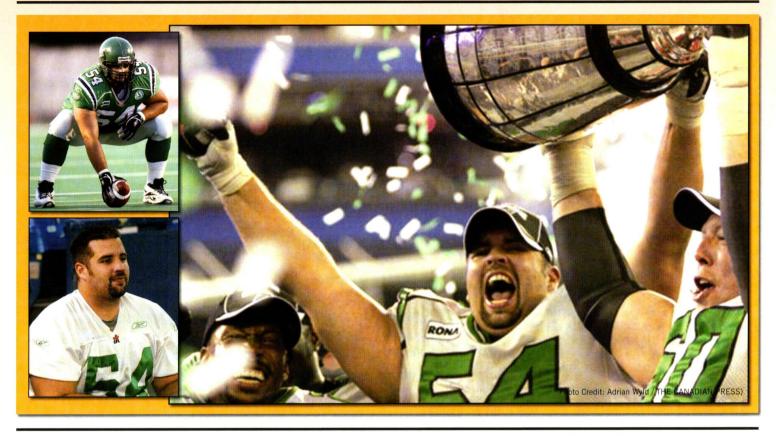
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EX-FIGHTING SCOT O'DAY LIFTS GREY CUP FOR 2ND TIME



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By ED KLAJMAN, Contributing writer

TORONTO -- Since leaving Edinboro University more than a decade ago, Jeremy O'Day has had quite the career in the Canadian Football League.

The offensive lineman - who was a three-time Division II All-American while playing four years for the Fighting Scots - won a Grey Cup championship with the Toronto Argonauts in 1997, his rookie season. He even caught a touchdown pass from the legendary Doug Flutie while in Toronto.

In 1999, the center signed with the Saskatchewan Roughriders as a free agent and has been there since - blossoming into a CFL All-Star for the past two seasons.

But it took until this season - 10 years after his Toronto debut - for O'Day to get his second chance to play in the league's title game.

And Sunday night in Toronto, the Buffalo native finally picked up another championship ring as his Roughriders defeated the Winnipeg Blue Bombers 23-19.

"This one is as sweet as it gets. It doesn't get any better than this," he said. "It's been a long road (with Saskatchewan). We were finally able to get over that hump. The attitude of the players has been unbelievable. I mean, we're a team that really believes in each other.

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We have faith that everyone's going to do their job and everyone's going to be prepared. They're not only good players but they're good people - people you know you can count on, and that means a lot."

O'Day said one constant throughout his CFL career is that he never has lost touch with his Edinboro roots. He speaks regularly with coach Scott Browning, who was his offensive line coach at the school in the mid-1990s when O'Day was on the team. The 6-foot 3-inch, 295-pound father of two also maintains close contact with friends from his playing days who still live in Erie.

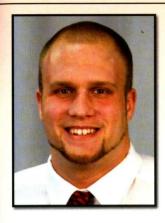
O'Day, who lives year-round in Saskatchewan, explained how it has been disappointing that he has yet to make it to a Fighting Scots home game.

"I always thought I could catch one when we were playing here in Toronto or in Hamilton," he said, as those two CFL cities are within driving distance of Erie. "Every year, I check the schedule of Edinboro on the computer and it always seems like our schedules clash. Maybe next year it will work out."

He added that the Roughriders have two other players who competed in the PSAC. Receiver D.J. Flick went to Slippery Rock and running back Wes Cates played for California (Pa.). The three keep a friendly rivalry going as they follow their old teams.

"Unfortunately for me, I was 0-2 against the guys in our locker room this year - and I heard about it."

KYLE WITUCKI PLAYS IN CACTUS BOWL



Senior Kyle Witucki was selected to play in the 2008 Valero Cactus Bowl, the Division II All-Star game at Javelina Stadium in Kingsville, Texas. The Cactus Bowl features the best seniors in Division II.

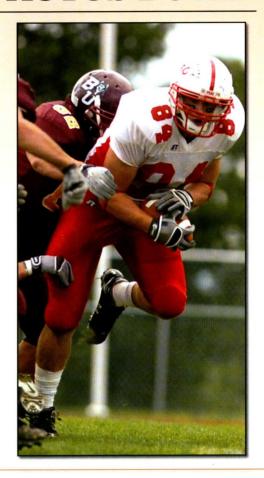
Witucki continues the tradition of Fighting Scots playing in the annual all-star game. This marks the ninth straight year an Edinboro player has been chosen, dating back to 1999. The contest was not held a year ago. In all, Witucki is the 19th Fighting Scot chosen to appear in the Cactus Bowl, which was known as the Snow Bowl and played in Fargo, North Dakota, prior to 2000.

A 6'4", 249 lb tight end, Witucki finished his senior season with 30 receptions for 385 yards with 4 TDs. He

holds career records for a tight end for receptions (83) and yards receiving (1,017). He ranks 11th in career receptions overall, is 15th in career yards receiving, and sixth in career touchdown receptions (15). He posted a career-high 6 catches for 91 yards with a touchdown at Kutztown.



He was recently named to the All-PSAC West second team and the Daktronics All-Northeast Region second team. He was a D2Football.com Pre-Season All-American and was also named to the Lindy's College Football Preview Division II All-American second team. In addition, he was named to the ESPN The Magazine College Division Academic All-American Football Second Team. Witucki is a health and physical education/sports administration major with a 3.56 grade point average.



WRESTLING TEAM WINS THIRD STRAIGHT PSAC CHAMPIONSHIP

The Edinboro wrestling team came away as the champion at the 65th Annual Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Wrestling Championships held at Clarion University. Actually, the Fighting Scots earned two PSAC wrestling titles this year -- the event was moved up from late January to early December.

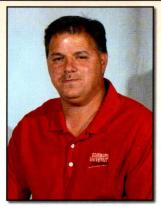
Edinboro totaled 152.5 points to win its third straight PSAC crown and ninth in the last eleven years. Bloomsburg was next with 118.5 points, followed by Clarion with 88.5 points.

The Fighting Scots advanced eight wrestlers into the finals, with a PSAC record-tying seven coming away with titles. After Eric Morrill lost an 8-5 decision to Mike Sees of Bloomsburg in the 125 lb final, Ricky Deubel picked up Edinboro's first win with a 12-5 decision over Jason Guffey of Bloomsburg. The Fighting Scots then proceeded to run off five straight titles from 149 to 197 lbs Included in the run was a second title for Gregor Gillespie, who won the 157 lb crown, and for Phil Moricone at 174 lbs Both were dominant in their respective weight classes. Gillespie, ranked number two nationally, was named the Tournament's Outstanding Wrestler after he handed tenth-ranked Matt Moley of Bloomsburg a 12-0 defeat in the finals. His first two bouts were technical falls.

In two other storylines for the Fighting Scots, Pat Bradshaw joined his father, Jeff, as a PSAC champion. The younger Bradshaw came away with the 197 lb title. His father was the 190 lb champion in 1978. In addition, Jarrod King joined his brother Matt as a PSAC champion. Jarrod won the 165 lb title, the same weight where his brother won three titles.

In all, nine Edinboro wrestlers earned All-PSAC honors, with Joey Fendone adding a third-place finish.

GARY KAGIAVAS NAMED PSAC WEST WOMEN'S SOCCER COACH OF THE YEAR



After
leading
Edinboro to
its best
season in
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coach Gary
Kagiavas was
named the
PSAC West
Coach of
the Year. In

addition to Kagiavas' selection as Coach of the Year, five Fighting Scots earned All-PSAC West honors. Angie de Almeida, Mary Grebenc, Ashley Pulman, and Ashley Jones were accorded first team honors, and Kara Ciacchini was a second team selection.

Edinboro finished the year with a 13-5-3 record, the most wins in school history, and finished second in the PSAC West. The Fighting Scots qualified for the PSAC Tournament for the fourth time, and came away with their first-ever playoff win, a 3-1 decision against Indiana. That match also marked the first-ever home playoff contest. Edinboro suffered a 2-0 loss at Slippery Rock in the semifinals, snapping a school-record eight-match winning streak.

This marks the third time Kagiavas has been named the PSAC West Coach of the

Year. He was first recognized in 2001, and then again in 2005. In 12 seasons as Edinboro's only head coach, Kagiavas owns a 103-100-18 record.

"I think the reason I received the award was the hard work of the kids since the end of last season," said Kagiavas. "It's obviously a tremendous honor, but really it's a tribute to them. If they didn't work so hard over the winter and last spring we would have never had the season we did."

de Almeida is now a three-time All-PSAC West first team selection. The senior forward paced the Fighting Scots in scoring for the third straight year. She ended the season with 9 goals and 7 assists for 25 points, and concluded her career as one of Edinboro's all-time leading scorers.

Pulman earned first team All-PSAC West honors for the third time after being named the Rookie of the Year in 2004. The senior forward finished as the second-leading scorer with 6 goals and 4 assists for 16 points.

Grebenc moved up to the first team after landing a spot on the second team a year ago. A senior midfielder, she contributed 3 goals and 3 assists for 9 points. But her true goal came as a rugged, marking midfielder. She finished her career with 6 goals and 10 assists for

22 points, and started 70 career matches.

Jones, a junior sweeper, is now a three-time All-PSAC West first team selection, and is a former Rookie of the Year. She had a goal and 5 assists for 7 points, but in Kagiavas' estimation she is an All-American for her defensive qualities. She helped the Fighting Scots register seven shutouts and limit opponents to 24 goals in 21 games. Jones was the lone Edinboro player on the NSCAA



Ashley Jones

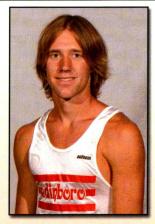


Angie de Almeida

All-Northeast Region Team, earning a spot on the second team.

Kagiavas felt Ciacchini held the key to a successful season for the Scots, and the senior midfielder responded with the best season of her career. She finished with 4 goals and 2 assists for 10 points, and was one of only three players to start all 21 matches. Ciacchini proved a solid creator in the midfield while earning All-PSAC accolades for the first time. She concluded her career with 10 goals and 11 assists for 31 points.

JOSH ARTHUR, RACHAEL LANZEL EARN ALL-AMERICAN HONORS



Doug Watts had hoped his Edinboro cross country teams would finish better than they did at the 2007 NCAA Division II National Championships in Joplin, Missouri. The men's harriers

finished 14th out of 24 teams, while the women's team placed 20th.

While the finish wasn't quite what he anticipated, he could at least lay claim to a pair of All-Americans. On the women's side, Rachael Lanzel finished 17th. The senior finished with a time of 21:22.5 and earned All-American status for the third time. A year ago she placed fourth.

The men's team featured junior Josh Arthur, who earned All-American honors for the first time. Arthur finished 28th with a time of 31:33.90.

Previously, the men's cross country team claimed its first PSAC championship since 2002, then went on to capture the East Region crown. Dave Niemira led a group of eight runners to earn All-PSAC honors with a second place finish. The women's team saw its run of nine straight PSAC titles come to an end, finishing third, but followed that up with a strong showing at the



East Regional, placing second.

KEVIN COOKE TO LEAD FIGHTING SCOTS



Watch
out PSAC
attackmen,
midfielders,
defenders
and
goaltenders!
Here come
Edinboro's
Fighting
Scots!

Edinboro President

Jeremy D. Brown announced recently that Edinboro will add women's lacrosse as a varsity sport. Edinboro will begin intercollegiate competition in its newest varsity athletic program during the 2008-2009 academic year, fielding a women's lacrosse team in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

Coinciding with President Brown's announcement, the University initiated an immediate nationwide search for a head coach and in January hired Kevin Cooke, the head women's lacrosse coach at Queens University of Charlotte. Cooke was the first-ever women's lacrosse coach at Queens University of Charlotte, and in the program's second year of existence he led the team to a national Division II ranking. Previously, while coaching at Mercyhurst College in Erie, his women's lacrosse team was ranked sixth in the nation.

"After a nationwide search, we're delighted that an experienced and highly successful women's lacrosse coach of Kevin Cooke's caliber is coming to Edinboro University," said President Brown. "His accomplishments are impressive. But we're also aware of his stunning success with student athletes who not only score goals on the field, but are equally successful in the classrooms and laboratories. At Edinboro, it's vital to us that athletic prowess go hand-in-hand with academic success."

While lacrosse is Canada's national summer sport, its popularity continues to grow in the U.S. at an unprecedented rate. At the high school and college levels, lacrosse is now the fastest growing sport.

"This is an exciting step for athletics at Edinboro University," said President Brown. "We think our student athletes and their fans will be enthralled by this fast-paced sport that has grown so rapidly in popularity over the past few years. The addition of women's lacrosse to our varsity line-up demonstrates our commitment to providing our students with more opportunities, both in our classrooms and on our athletic fields."

President Brown said Kevin Cooke is the right person to launch Edinboro's women's lacrosse program.

"We know Coach Cooke will hit the ground running. Creating a competitive athletic team from scratch is no small feat, but we're confident Kevin's recruiting, coaching and mentoring skills will produce excellent results for Edinboro University's first women's lacrosse team."

Women's lacrosse involves 12 players (men's teams employ 10) using a "crosse" (netted stick) to pass and catch a hard rubber ball. The game's objective is to score more points (goals) than one's opponent.

Gear and equipment for the sport is minimal, except for goaltenders who are outfitted in protective gear. Grass or artificial turf lacrosse fields have goal nets at each end, and games are played in two halves.

Lacrosse requires great physical stamina from its participants, while fan support at the college level rivals soccer in popularity.

The addition of women's lacrosse gives Edinboro a total of 15 sports in which student-athletes compete at the varsity level. Women's sports include basketball, cross country, indoor and outdoor track & field, soccer, softball, swimming, volleyball, and now lacrosse. Men's sports are basketball, cross country, football, outdoor track & field, swimming, and wrestling. All but wrestling, Edinboro's premier Division I sport, compete in the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Division II category.

"One of my major goals was to move closer to my family and back into the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education," said Coach Cooke. "Edinboro is a fantastic school. With the new facility [athletic dome] it's going to be much easier to recruit."

"We were very impressed with Kevin's credentials," commented Director of Athletics Bruce Baumgartner, "and even more so when he interviewed. Kevin will do an outstanding job at Edinboro. We're looking forward to the start of a new era with women's lacrosse, and we're excited that Kevin Cooke will be leading the program."

Cooke readily admits that he has plenty of work ahead of him, and realizes that the spring of 2009 isn't that far off. "I know I have to hit the ground running," he emphasized. "We're not behind, but you need to stay ahead of the game. The key is to bring in good, quality people who play lacrosse.

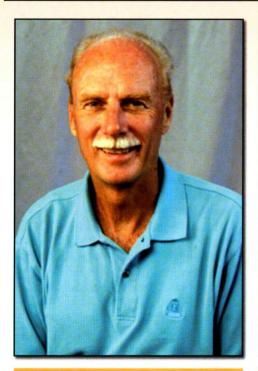
"I'm really looking forward to working at Edinboro," he continued. "We have great people to work with. When I met Bruce Baumgartner and then Dr. Brown, their enthusiasm was infectious. I'm ecstatic about this opportunity."

A native of Rochester, New York, Cooke earned his bachelor's degree in food marketing from Rochester Institute of Technology in 1994. He completed work on a bachelor's degree in physical education from Brockport State in 1996, minoring in coaching and also sports management.

He began his coaching career at Brockport State in 1995 as an assistant women's lacrosse coach, then moved to Nazareth College that fall, where he was an assistant coach for the field hockey and women's lacrosse programs. He served as a graduate assistant coach in women's lacrosse at Alfred University in 1997 before taking over as the head coach at Mercyhurst in December 1997.

Cooke began serving as a member of the IWLCA Bylaws Committee in 2007 and serves as the chair of the IWLCA All-American Committee. He has been active in promoting the development of lacrosse and field hockey in North Carolina and his native New York. He has served as a field hockey umpire in the Charlotte area in the fall and serves as a clinician at the All-American Lacrosse Camp in Hamilton, NY.

WATTS, LANZEL, McLAUGHLIN CAPTURE PSAC CROSS COUNTRY AWARDS







DOUG WATTS

Edinboro was well-represented when the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference announced its postseason awards in men's and women's cross country. Rachael Lanzel repeated as the PSAC Women's Athlete of the Year, while Barry McLaughlin was voted the Men's Rookie of the Year by the league's coaches. Finally, Doug Watts was recognized as the PSAC Men's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

Lanzel and Watts were previously recognized by the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) as its regional honorees for NCAA Division II Cross Country. Watts was selected the men's cross country East Region Coach of the Year, and Lanzel was named the women's cross country East Region Athlete of the Year.

Lanzel capped a brilliant cross country career by becoming just the fourth women's runner at Edinboro to earn All-American honors three or more times. The senior placed 17th

BARRY McLAUGHLIN

at the NCAA Division II National Championship, her third time as an All-American. A year ago she placed fourth at Nationals. Lisa Petsche was a four-time All-American, while Carrie McKeon and Amy Perry also won three All-American certificates.

Prior to Nationals Lanzel defeated over 200 runners in capturing first place in the East Regional. Her winning time of 20:53 was 31 seconds faster than her nearest competitor. A year ago she finished second in the East Regional. Lanzel's strong showing bolstered the Fighting Scots to a second place finish and a berth in the NCAA Division II National Championships. She previously finished second at the PSAC Championship.

McLaughlin was part of a trio of outstanding freshmen runners for the men's team. After earning All-PSAC honors with a tenth place finish at the PSAC Championship, he earned All-East Region accolades with a ninth

RACHAEL LANZEL

place finish at the East Regional. He continued his success by finishing 58th overall and third for the Fighting Scots at Nationals.

Watts led Edinboro men's cross country team to the East Region title at Lock Haven, as four runners finished in the top ten and finished with 47 points to outdistance Slippery Rock. The men's team also edged Slippery Rock in the PSAC Championship, with eight of the top 18 runners Fighting Scots. The PSAC championship was Edinboro's 26th, and the East Region title was the 20th since 1980. The Fighting Scot harriers placed 14th at Nationals.

TREVOR HARRIS SELECTED PSAC WEST OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR AS NINE GRIDDERS HONORED



Trevor Harris

One year after being named the PSAC West Rookie of the Year, Trevor Harris took it a step further in 2007. The Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference named Harris the PSAC West Offensive Player of the Year.

In all, nine Fighting Scots were accorded All-PSAC honors, with two on the first team and seven on the second. Harris was the lone Fighting Scot named to the first team on offense, while Chris Amico earned All-PSAC West honors for the fourth time with his selection to the first team defense.

Kyle Witucki and Josh Bzorek captured second team honors at tight end and offensive tackle, respectively, with Rich Cerro named at wide receiver. On the second team defense, the Fighting Scots honored were Greg Sondag at linebacker and defensive backs Taurean Valentine, Dan Skelton, and Tom Davidson.

Harris enjoyed a record-breaking campaign that had him among the six finalists in the Northeast Region for the Harlon Hill Trophy. The 6'3", 205 lb. sophomore became the first Edinboro player to earn Offensive Player of the Year recognition since the PSAC began naming offensive, defensive and rookie honorees in 1996.

Harris threw for 300-or-more yards six

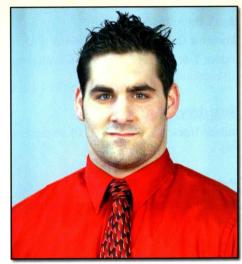
times, and tossed three-or-more touchdowns in seven contests.

Amico became one of the few Fighting Scots to ever earn All-PSAC West honors four times. The senior noseguard made it three straight years as a first team member after landing a spot on the second team as a sophomore. Amico finished fourth on the team in tackles with 64, a career-high, giving him 227 for his career. He led the Fighting Scots with 16.5 tackles for losses, second in the PSAC, and also in sacks with 6.5. Amico concluded his outstanding career tied for fourth in career sacks (24).

Bzorek made the second team despite missing two games with an injury. After returning, the junior anchored an offensive line that made great strides as the year went on. Playing left tackle, he started eight of the nine contests he played in at left tackle. While Edinboro threw a school-record 448 passes, the offensive line gave up just 22 sacks. Bzorek has now started 30 of 31 games in his career.

Despite sitting out the Bloomsburg game due to an injury, Cerro caught a team-high 58 passes for 647 yards with 5 TDs. The 58 receptions were the second-highest total in school history. He caught a career-high 10 passes for 106 yards against Slippery Rock, and also had a 100-yard game against Indiana (Pa.) with 7 receptions for 102 yards and a touchdown. In two seasons as a Fighting Scot Cerro ranks tenth in career receiving yards (1,075).

This marks the third time Davidson earned second team All-PSAC West accolades. He was previously honored in 2004 and 2006. The senior free safety finished with a career-high 49 tackles. He added an interception and 4 passes broken up. Davidson concluded his career ranked third in career interceptions with 15.



Chris Amico

A true freshman, Skelton stepped in as the starter at strong safety in week number three at Bloomsburg and proceeded to become one of the top freshmen in the PSAC. He finished as the team's third-leading tackler at 66 tackles, with 3 for losses and a pair of sacks

In his first year as a starter, Sondag led the Fighting Scots with 79 tackles, including 6 tackles for losses with 3 sacks and an interception.

Valentine started all 11 games at cornerback, finishing with 53 tackles and a team-high 9 passes broken up. The senior, in his second year with the Fighting Scots, finished with a pair of interceptions after tying for the team lead a year ago with four.

After earning first team AII-PSAC West honors a year ago, Witucki was accorded second team honors this year. He finished with 30 receptions for 385 yards with 4 TDs. Witucki holds career records for a tight end for receptions (83) and yards receiving (1,017). He ranks 11th in career receptions overall, is 15th in career yards receiving, and sixth in career touchdown receptions (15).

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY 2008 ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

MARCH

Saturday, March 1

Men's Basketball CALIFORNIA (PA) 3:00 p.m. Women's Basketball CALIFORNIA (PA) 1:00 p.m. Indoor Track & Field at PSAC Championship (East Stroudsburg, PA)

Sunday, March 2

Indoor Track & Field at SAC Championships (East Stroudsburg, PA)

Friday, March 7

Wheelchair Basketball at Illini Invitational All Day Softball at Gene Cusic Collegiate Classic (Fort Myers, FL) Outdoor Track & Field at Florida A&M Relays

Saturday, March 8

Wrestling at EWL Tournament (Pittsburgh, PA) All Day
Wheelchair Basketball at Illini Invitational All Day
Softball vs. Bloomfield (Fort Myers, FL) TBA
Softball vs. Bridgeport (Fort Myers, FL) TBA
Outdoor Track & Field at Florida A&M Relays

Monday, March 10

Softball vs. Missouri Baptist (Fort Myers, FL) TBA Softball vs. Rockhurst (Fort Myers, FL) TBA

Tuesday, March 11

Softball vs. Rockhurst (Fort Myers, FL) TBA **Softball** vs. Bridgeport (Fort Myers, FL) TBA

Wednesday, March 12

Swimming at NCAA Division II National Championships All Day

Softball vs. Missouri Baptist (Fort Myers, FL) TBA **Softball** vs. Rockhurst (Fort Myers, FL) TBA

Thursday, March 13

Swimming at NCAA Division II National Championships All Day

Wheelchair Basketball at 31st Annual NIWBT National Championships (Stillwater, OK) All Day

Softball vs. Rockhurst (2) (Fort Myers, FL) TBA

Friday, March 14

Swimming at NCAA Division II National Championships All Day

Wheelchair Basketball at 31st Annual NIWBT National Championships (Stillwater, OK) All Day

Softball vs. Missouri Baptist (2) (Fort Myers, FL) TBA Indoor Track & Field at NCAA Division II National Championships (Boston, MA)

Saturday, March 15

Swimming at NCAA Division II National Championships All Day

Wheelchair Basketball at 31st Annual NIWBT National Championships (Stillwater, OK) All Day

Indoor Track & Field at NCAA Division II National Championships (Boston, MA)

Thursday, March 20

Wrestling at NCAA Division I National Championships (St. Louis, MO) All Day

Friday, March 21

Wrestling at NCAA Division I National Championships (St. Louis, MO) All Day

Softball at Fairmont State (2) 12 noon

Saturday, March 22

Wrestling at NCAA Division I National Championships (St. Louis, MO) All Day

Softball at Wheeling Jesuit (2) 1:00 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at Clarion Early Bird

Friday, March 28

Softball at California(Pa.) (2) 2:30 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at North Carolina State Invitational

Saturday, March 29

Softball INDIANA (PA) (2) 1:00 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at North Carolina State Invitational

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY 2008 ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

APRIL

Friday, April 4

Softball SLIPPERY ROCK (2) 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 5

Softball CALIFORNIA(PA) (2) 1:00 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at PSAC West Challenge

Wednesday, April 9

Softball WALSH (2) 3:00 p.m.

Friday, April 11

Softball at Clarion (2) 2:30 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at Bucknell Invitational

Saturday, April 12

Softball at Lock Haven (2) 1:00 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at Bucknell Invitational

Outdoor Track & Field at Slippery Rock Open

Tuesday, April 15

Softball at Gannon (2) 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16

Outdoor Track & Field at Mt. SAC Relays (Walnut, CA)

Thursday, April 17

Outdoor Track & Field at Mt. SAC Relays (Walnut, CA)

Friday, April 18

Softball at Indiana (Pa.) (2) 2:30 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at Mt. SAC Relays (Walnut, CA)

Saturday, April 19

Softball at Slipperv Rock (2) 1:00 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at IUP Invitational

Thursday, April 24

Outdoor Track & Field at Penn Relays

Friday, April 25

Softball LOCK HAVEN (2) 2:30 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at Penn Relays

Saturday, April 26

Hall of Fame Banquet

Softball CLARION (2) 1:00 p.m.

Outdoor Track & Field at Penn Relays

Outdoor Track & Field at Baldwin-Wallace Invitational

Sunday, April 27

Softball NORTHWOOD (2) 1:00 p.m.

MAY

Thursday, May 1

Outdoor Track & Field at PSAC Championships (Indiana, PA)
All Day

Friday, May 2

Outdoor Track & Field at PSAC Championships (Indiana, PA) All Day

Saturday, May 3

Outdoor Track & Field at PSAC Championships (Indiana, PA) All Day

Friday, May 9

Outdoor Track & Field at Gator Invitational (Meadville, PA)

Saturday, May 10

Outdoor Track & Field at Last Chance Meet (TBD)

Thursday, May 22

Outdoor Track & Field at NCAA Division II National Championships (Pomona, CA)

Friday, May 23

Outdoor Track & Field at NCAA Division II National Championships (Pomona, CA)

Saturday, May 24

Outdoor Track & Field at NCAA Division II National Championships (Pomona, CA)

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A "secure" relationship

Rich and I met while he was working as a

security guard for James Properties and I was working at Dairy Mart (formerly across from Perkins). We started dating in the summer of 1996 and graduated in December of that year. We moved to Pittsburgh and were married the next year.

We've since relocated to Ohio, and our daughter Megan Elizabeth was born in 2003.

Richard and Kathy (Haight) Jones, ('96).Jefferson, Ohio. Married October 25, 1997.

A Homecoming blind date

In the fall of 2002, my roommate (Sarah Bradshaw from Saegertown) kept telling me I needed to meet her cousin Tim. She set up a blind date for Homecoming that

year. Tim watched the game with Sarah and others wile I worked on the sideline as an athletic trainer.

That evening we all went to Edinboro's favorite hot spots, including the Hotel and John's pizzeria. Needless to say, we hit it off. We've been together five years and married for two and a half. We lived out of the area for a while, but recently had the opportunity to move to Erie. Now we can enjoy the best of Edinboro anytime we want!

Cranesville, Pennsylvania.

Amy (Eperthener) '03 and Tim Barrall.

Editor's Note: Thanks to all those who took the time to write and send us their Edinboro love stories. Unfortunately, space limitations prevented the publication of all your submissions. But all are greatly appreciated!



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