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Message from the Presidents



During the first week of October, Mrs. Pogue and I hosted a special breakfast in the University Center Atrium to express our gratitude to the countless people who made the week of the Inauguration, Fall Convocation and 140th Anniversary celebration such a success. What a week it was!

Planning began last January with the Inauguration Pre-planning Committee to establish the framework for the week-long celebration. The Inauguration Committee began its work in June to map out the plan for attending to the thousands of details, including the development of the invitation lists that totaled in excess of 10,000 students, faculty, staff, friends and relatives.

The week started with a wonderful opening celebration that included a gospel choir, a first-year highlights video and the library's University timeline display which was complemented by a beautiful memory album that I have since shared with my mother who was, at age 85, unable to be here for the festivities.

Other events, including panel discussions, concerts, receptions, community service activities and tours highlighted the busy week. A guided tour of our newly renovated Hamilton Hall Student Services Center was a special highlight.

The Frank G. Pogue Scholarship Dinner, held on the eve of the Inauguration, was indeed memorable. More than \$25,000 has been raised for the scholarship fund, and donations are still coming.

The actual Inauguration Ceremony culminated the week. It was truly superb, and the presence and remarks of Governor Ridge and colleagues from across the country made it all the more memorable. Two special ceremonies after the Inauguration – one to unveil and re-dedicate the 15 presidential portraits and the other to rededicate the newly renovated Compton Hall – brought the week to a close.

Indeed, Inauguration Week was a success because of the collective efforts of the entire Edinboro Family. What a wonderful and supportive family Dorothy and I have here in Edinboro. Our thanks forever.

Frank G. Pogue, President Edinboro University On November 8th, I chaired my last board meeting for the Edinboro Alumni Association. My family will be relocating to Cary, North Carolina, in the spring. The board meeting was emotional for me because in so many ways it represented an end to the way I was accustomed to being involved with Edinboro University. I have been an Alumni Board member almost as long as I have been an alumnus. Edinboro University and the community of Edinboro have played a significant role in both my personal and professional development.

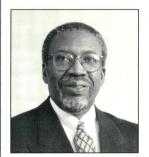
As a graduate of the business program, I owe a great deal to my professors who educated me in the disciplines needed to succeed in the banking industry. My short career in banking (due to my choice to raise my two sons, now ages 6 and 4), was fulfilling because I was prepared.

I am beholden to Mary Rugh, retired Student Government Association advisor and Dr. Glenda Lawhorn, retired vice president for student affairs. These women recognized leadership abilities in me when I lacked the confidence to see them in myself. I thank them for challenging me and for presenting the opportunities to flourish. Because of their encouragement, when my son's school needed a new playground and the Alumni Association needed an alumni house, I was ready to step up and get the projects done.

My experience as an Alumni Board director has been a personal growth experience as well. I am fortunate to have worked with an assemblage of gifted and talented individuals who have each achieved success of their own. I have learned by example, effective leadership, management and business skills. To my fellow board members, I am humbled by your faith in me to serve as a member of the executive committee for the past seven years. Mostly, thank you for your friendship.

The next chapter for me will begin in Cary, North Carolina. I look forward to meeting the many Edinboro alumni who live in the area. The addition of a North Carolina chapter to the Alumni Association would certainly be an asset. My experience as a board member has taught me one thing: no matter where you live, there is a common bond between our alumni – we love Edinboro.

Andrea Stevenson-Conner '87, President Alumni Association Board of Directors



Edinboro President Frank G. Pogue



Alumni President Andrea Stevenson-Conner



Animated Lives

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The appearance by legendary animator Chuck Jones this fall at Edinboro University was significant not only in its own right (it's not often that a three-time Academy Award winner visits the campus), but also as an indicator of just how important animation has become as a career for Edinboro graduates and a course of study for Edinboro students.

Two of those graduates are Bill Waldman and Steven Carpenter.

When Steven Spielberg's computer animation company, Digital Muse, opened its doors in 1996, one of the first people hired was **STEVEN CARPENTER**, a two-time graduate of Edinboro University. At the time, Carpenter was a senior animator for Will Vinton Studio in Portland, Oregon, which is noted for making the California Raisins and animated M&M's commercials.

What made Carpenter so attractive to Digital Muse was his extensive experience in LightWave, a computer animation program which creates three-dimensional images, animation and image compositing. The company Spielberg created with partners John Gross and John Parenteau makes computer-animated special effects for television and feature films. It has done work for the *Star Trek Voyager*, *Deep Space Nine*, and *Sliders* television series.

Gross found Carpenter through a contact at NewTek, the company that makes LightWave. They flew Carpenter to the company's headquarters in Santa Monica where they persuaded him to join the fledgling, but promising company. "It was just too good an opportunity to pass up," said Carpenter. "I had a real good feeling about it from the start."

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Carpenter's skills in both animation and computers blossomed at Edinboro under the tutelage of veteran art professor David Weinkauf who, with Martha Gorzycki, heads the University's animation program. In 1992, when Carpenter was an animation student, he needed a way to output his computer animation program which was nine minutes long. Several methods were considered. One was to store the images on a computer's internal hard drive. That would work for short pieces of animation, but computer images consume vast amounts of memory. A second option was to transfer the images directly to video tape by using a single-frame VCR. But that was too expensive and too hard on the machine. The creators of Babylon 5 told Weinkauf they output their work directly to a laser disk which can store more than two hours of film or video. The cost for the laser disk equipment was prohibitive. That left one alternative - film.

The solution was to film the computer animation images off the computer's screen. But that would require several days for one computer to render all 13,000 frames of Carpenter's video. Each frame must be drawn or "rendered" by a computer and then transferred to film or videotape. It took anywhere from 10 seconds to 20 minutes for one computer to render one frame.



Carpenter and another Edinboro student, computer science major Shariq Ghani, developed a networking program that allowed him and other Edinboro animation students to create their computer-animated films in much shorter time. The program enabled several computers to work together, each one rendering separate frames. Weinkauf said the program enables Edinboro students to create films in the same way Hollywood makes its major animated films such as *Jurassic Park* and *Beauty and the Beast*.

Following graduation from Edinboro in 1993, Carpenter was hired by Will Vinton Studio as a computer systems manager, in charge of overseeing the studio's large computer facility. He was senior editor for a Raid commercial and then for the famous M&M's commercials featuring the red, blue and yellow M&M's.

Creating animated three-dimensional characters that move, talk and have more than 100 facial expressions is no easy task. Each M&M's character has a hidden skeleton – arms, hands, legs and fingers – that must look natural and smooth when animated. Each skeleton has more than 200 bones, including 21 in each arm and three or four in each finger. One of Carpenter's more challenging tasks was perfecting each character's expressions while lip syncing it with its voice, as well as developing techniques so the character can use its hands to hold objects.

The job of the animators was made even more difficult because the commercials were a combination of animated characters and live actors. They had to recreate the room the live action was shot in and then make sure the characters appeared to be lighted the same way as the actors.



On top of the technical challenges, the contract with the M&M's advertising agency called for a total of six commercials, the first of which was due in a matter of months. Twelve new people were hired to work exclusively on the commercials. The production schedule was hectic. The first two commercials featured *Wings* star Steve Weber chatting with a blue M&M's character, and legendary blues guitarist B.B. King. Their live-action work was completed less than a month after the contract was signed. The animation department put in several 16-hour days to complete the project in three months. Carpenter then worked on the fourth and fifth commercials which featured the yellow and red M&M's.

At Digital Muse, Carpenter is the senior digital artist. His recent work includes the trailer (preview) for *Virus*, the thriller from Universal starring Jamie Lee Curtis due for release in April. He also did the titles and trailer for the Richard Gere film *Red Corner*, and worked on the trailer for the next James Bond movie, *Tomorrow Never Dies*.

Although movie history may someday note Carpenter's achievements in animation, the creations he is proudest of are his children – Addison (6), Tyler (2) and Kylie (1). His wife, Sharon, whose family lives in New Wilmington, also attended Edinboro.

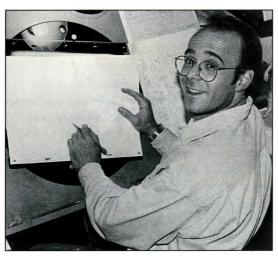
BILL WALDMAN, a 1986 graduate, came to Edinboro from Williamsport, Pa., to major in the more traditional form of animation: drawing characters frame by frame. He knew by the age of 13 he wanted to be an animator. He was influenced by such films as *Mary Poppins*, the rerelease of *Alice in Wonderland*, and even flip books.

"I was always drawing the Disney characters in school," said Waldman. "The kids would ask me to draw characters like Dumbo."

At Edinboro he created *Fish Hooked*, a 23-minute animated film about a bad little boy who goes fishing and is put on trial by the fish. He displayed his talent in other ways as well. He designed two homecoming floats – Alice in Wonderland and the Wonderful World of Disney that won first prizes for his fraternity.

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Life in the fast lane of the Hollywood animation industry has not cut Waldman off from his Pennsylvania roots. He still comes home to visit his family in Williamsport, and twice he has been honored by Edinboro. Earlier this year, the University hosted a reception for him where The Hunchback of Notre Dame was screened. He had several of his original drawings on display and conducted a seminar for animation students.



He graduated *summa cum laude* and went to work for Kensington Falls Productions in Pittsburgh as an animator and storyboard consultant. While there he received a Pennsylvania Council on the Arts media arts fellowship to refine *Fish Hooked*.

Waldman next worked as an assistant animator for the Bajus-Jones animation studio in Minneapolis before becoming an animator for the Don Bluth studio (producers of *The Secret of NIMH*, *An American Tail*, and *All Dogs Go To Heaven*). There he was an animator for *Thumbelina* and *A Troll in Central Park*.

From there Waldman moved to the Warner Bros. studio where he served as an animator working on many of the characters including Tweety Bird, Bugs Bunny, and Pepe le Pew. He also worked on *Carrotblanca* and animated the Warner Bros. family entertainment logo that appears on all Warner Bros. family entertainment films, music and video releases. Waldman said it took 240 pieces of art to create the ten-second logo. It features a carrot-munching Bugs Bunny wearing a tuxedo and leaning against the familiar "WB" crest logo with a "Family Entertainment" banner across the center.

In October of 1994 he signed a contract as an animator with the Walt Disney Studio and immediately went to work animating the John Smith character in *Pocahontas*. Waldman lives and works in Burbank, California, where Disney has a new feature animation building holding some 800 animators. An animator supervises assistant and in-between animators and creates the key drawings for a character or scene in a film.

Following *Pocahontas* Waldman animated *The Thief and the Cobbler*, and was an animator for the Esmeralda character in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* and the Hercules character in *Hercules*.

The life of an animator – although sometimes glamorous and always creative – can also be a hectic one. Waldman is currently working 60 hours a week to get Disney's latest film, *Mulan*, done on time for its release date in June. It is the story of a young Chinese girl who dresses up as a man to fight in the army in place of her elderly father. Waldman is animating Shang, the lead male character who is the captain of Mulan's unit.

Waldman will soon know what his next assignment will be. It could be the feature film *Kingdom of the Sun*, an additional song sequence for *Beauty and the Beast*, or Disney's *Atlantis*.

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Academy Award winning animation director, Chuck Jones, considered by many to be the greatest living name in animation, was honored at Edinboro University recently. Jones was on hand for the presentation of the first George H. Nicholas Scholarship at a reception held in the University Center. He also conducted a master class for Edinboro's animation majors and autographed copies of his books.

Jones' visit marked the third time he has been to the Edinboro campus. In 1985 he came to Edinboro to conduct an animation seminar and lecture about his work. In 1991 the University honored Jones at commencement with an honorary doctorate.

His relationship with the University began in 1984 when Edinboro animation professor David Weinkauf made a film about Jones as part of a series of films on classic animators. He interviewed Jones for the film, and Jones, in return, offered to come to campus to make a presentation to the students.

There was also a second Hollywood connection to Edinboro. The late George Nicholas, father of Edinboro art professor Donna Nicholas, worked with Jones and was an accomplished animator in his own right. It was Nicholas who actually got the animation program started at

Edinboro animation students Christy Brunner (L) and Kim Burkholder (R) are the first recipients of the George H. Nicholas Scholarship. The awards were presented by retired professor Donna Nicholas, George's daughter. Chuck Jones was on hand for the presentation.

AWARD-WINNING ANIMATOR CHUCK JONES

Edinboro when he lectured to Weinkauf's classes in 1972.

Jones maintained his connections to Edinboro because of Nicholas and Weinkauf. And so it was that he made a point of coming to Edinboro at the age of 85 to be present for the awarding of the first Nicholas scholarship.

During a career spanning more than 60 years, Jones has created such characters as the Roadrunner, Wile E. Coyote, Pepe le Pew, Marvin Martian, Henery Hawk and many, many more. Early in his career he also contributed to the development of Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck and Porky Pig. He has made more than 300 films,

> won three Oscars, and been nominated for two others. In 1996 he received an Honorary Lifetime Membership from the Directors Guild of America, a Smithsonian 150th Anniversary Medal of Achievement, and an honorary Oscar from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for "the Creation of Classic Cartoons Which Brought Worldwide Joy for More Than Half a Century."

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Institute. His career began at the Ub Iwerks Studio as a cel washer, painter and inker. He also worked for Walter Lantz, the creator of Woody Woodpecker, and Charles Mintz. In 1933 he joined a team of animators at Leon Schlesinger's studio which later was sold to Warner Bros. It was there he worked on so many of the famous characters. In 1938, at the age of 25, he directed his first animated film, *The Night Watchman*. At age 26 he began directing for the studio.

His first prominent character, Pepe le Pew, was created in 1947 with a Mel Blanc voice inspired by Charles Boyer. Jones won his first Oscar two years later for Pepe's film *For Scentimental Reasons*.

During his years at Warner Bros., Jones also created Inki and the Mynah Bird, Sniffles the mouse, Hubie and Bertie, Sam Sheepdog, Ralph Wolf, Crawford, Hugo the Abdominable Snowman, Gossamer, Marc Anthony, and Junyer Bear. Each of his characters possesses an element of Jones' own personality. The Coyote represents his inability to deal with certain things in the physical world, particularly tools. Pepe le Pew is his dream vision of himself; Bugs is the inoffensive guy who, when roused, is as unbeatable as Groucho Marx; and Daffy is the complete survivalist.

"The Roadrunner" series began in 1949 as a satire on chase films and features Wile E. Coyote, the luckless predator who courts failure whether he is raising an umbrella for protection from an incoming boulder or falling victim to a myriad of ACME products. Cinematic in scope, the Roadrunner series is also renowned for its brilliant timing and comic gags.

While his cartoons are noted for their speed, timing and dynamic verve, the characters never bleed, never die, and are never permanently injured; they are resilient. They move according to the rules of anatomy but behave beyond the boundaries of psychology. Jones has lampooned everything from mystery and western movies to grand opera. The 1941 satire *The Dover Boys* is considered a milestone of his work. His films have influenced some of the most important recent directors including Steven Spielberg, George Lucas and Ron Howard.

With the exception of four months with the Walt Disney Studio in the mid-fifties, Jones remained at Warner Bros. until the cartoon studio shut down in the early 1960s. He joined MGM to work on Tom and Jerry and won an Academy Award for a short called *The Dot and the Line*. While there he animated Walt Kelly's Pogo and worked with Ray Bradbury on several projects.

For a year he was a vice president at ABC and developed *Curiosity Shop*, a Saturday morning series.

He later set up Chuck Jones Enterprises to produce television specials including A Cricket in Times Square, A Very Merry Cricket, and Yankee Doodle Cricket. He wrote and directed the feature film The Phantom Tollbooth, and in the midseventies produced three films based on the work of Rudyard Kipling – The White Seal, Riki Tiki Tavi, and Mowgli's Brothers. He also worked as a producer and director with his close friend Theodore Geisel, otherwise known as Dr. Seuss. In 1966, while heading up the animation division



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In 1979 he directed *The Bugs Bunny/Roadrunner Movie*, a feature-length retrospective based on a screenplay he wrote with Mike Maltese. Under his new production company, Chuck Jones Productions, he created and executed the animation sequence for the Peter Hyams/Morgan Creek feature-length film, *Stay Tuned*. He also did the animation for the Robin Williams movie *Mrs. Doubtfire*.

On December 4, 1992, What's Opera, Doc? became the first-ever animated film to be inducted into the National Film Registry, an honor bestowed on only 200 films to date, for being "among the most culturally, historically or aesthetically significant films of our time."

In 1993, Jones and his daughter Linda established Chuck Jones Film Productions, an animation production company designed to replicate the format of Jones' Warner Bros. animation unit of the '40s and '50s when so many of his most memorable Looney Tunes cartoons were created.

"The whole purpose behind starting Chuck Jones Film Productions," explained Jones, "was really to eliminate the need for me. I hope to pass along the legacy we created in the animation units at Warner Bros., so that the true art of animation won't get lost in the age of computers but will be carried on by these talented young animators."

In addition to his films, Jones has authored six children's books. His autobiography, *Chuck Amuck*, is an extravagantly illustrated memoir of his life and work. The 1996 sequel is *Chuck Reducks, Drawing from the Fun Side of Life*, a textbook on animation technique. The book's foreword was written by Robin Williams.

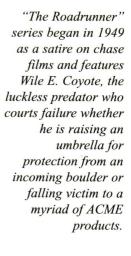
Jones has received lifetime achievement awards from the Zagreb International Film Festival, the Houston International Film Festival, and the Chicago Film Festival. He won the Golden Plate Award from the American Academy of Achievement, the Career Achievement Award from the L.A. Critics, and he was selected five times for the Best Animation Award from the National Society of Cartoonists.

Today, Jones lives in California with his wife Marion. He has a multi-year contract with Warner Bros. Studios through his production company.

Noted animation historian and author Jim Korkis wrote on Jones' career for the World Animation Celebration: "His decades of animated accomplishments have inspirited generations and will continue to influence the art form well into

the 21st century. At an age where many classic animators are resting on laurels much less impressive than his, Chuck Jones is still actively involved in countless projects utilizing his unique perspective and talents.

"Looking rather like a disreputable English professor with a mischievous pixie sparkle in his eyes, Jones continues to inspire, delight and challenge those who love animation. Like Merlin the magician, he appears not to age but to look younger with each year. He is an authentic animation treasure."







ANIMATION AT EDINBORO

A GATHERING OF ANIMATION ALUMNI IN L.A.

Pictured at right, back row: (l-r) John Eineigl ('78), independent Henry editor; John's wife Elaine; Steve Carpenter ('89 and '93), supervising digital artist, Digital Muse; Jonathon A. Fedele ('88), special prosthetic makeup effects artist; Patrick Zentis ('89), visual effects designer; and David Filoni ('96). layout artist for "King of the Hill."

Front row:
Bill Waldman ('86),
animator, Disney
Feature Films;
Edinboro Prof. Dave
Weinkauf; Wendy
Wester ('89),
storyboard artist,
Disney Television; and
Charles Wester ('89),
storyboard artist,
Disney Television.

Since independent filmmaker Tony Buba graduated from Edinboro in 1971, the film and animation program has grown to become one of the most talked about majors on campus. Today, under the direction of David Weinkauf and Martha Gorzycki, the program has some 100 majors, 40 of whom are freshmen.

Weinkauf said the growth in the interest in animation can be traced in large part to highly successful films such as *Roger Rabbit*. But there is also an explosion of sorts in the use of animation in other areas.

"Animation, especially computer animation, is in feature films like *Titanic*," said Weinkauf. "But there is also forensic animation which is used to recreate accidents, medical animation, experimental animation, animation in commercials, animation in schools. Animation is being used in so many areas. In my own area of teaching animation to students, the field is wide open. Animators are in demand."

Indeed, Edinboro animation graduates are employed in Florida, California, British Columbia, Minnesota, Pennsylvania and Ohio. Seven of them



are employed by Disney alone. Rachel Bibb, a 1989 graduate, started work at Disney in a three-month internship at the MGM Studios at Walt Disney World in Orlando. She was subsequently hired full time as an in-betweener – the person who adds detail to drawings created by other animators. One of her first big projects was *The Lion King*. She added detail to Shenzi, the hyena whose voice is that of Whoopi Goldberg. After Bibb graduated from Edinboro she earned a second BFA degree in experimental animation from the California Institute of Art.

Bob Logan, a 1991 graduate and former animation layout artist for Film Roman in Glendale, California where he worked on *The Critic* and *The Simpsons*, is now employed by the Walt Disney Studio.

Other projects Edinboro graduates have worked on include such films as *The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Pocahontas, Swarm, Starship Troopers*, and *Air Force One*; TV show *King of the Hill*; and commercials for M&M's, Raid and Fanta.

Weinkauf believes the strength of Edinboro's program is in its diversity. It not only includes the latest high-tech animation with the LightWave computer animation program, it equally features more traditional forms of animation such as claymation, character animation and experimental animation.

"Students can come here and learn any form of animation," said Weinkauf. "Our basis is traditional animation with connections to other areas of fine art."

Weinkauf emphasized that the major animation studios are requiring computer literacy. That's why Edinboro's students are learning two-dimensional animation on the same software developed by the Disney Studio.

Will technology make traditional animation obsolete?

Weinkauf doesn't think so. "No matter what technology we use — whether it's a drawing pencil on a piece of paper or a drawing pen in a computer — what will never be lost is the artist. Without the artist base, animation would look very similar. You need the artist who has the vision and the tools — a way of understanding physical laws, line, color, movement, and character development."



It may not be the kind of animation you see on television or in a movie, but the work Edinboro graduate Lori Freitag ('88) is doing at the Argonne National Laboratory may have more positive impact on the lives of people than a hundred feature films.

Freitag is a computer scientist involved in the creation of ultra-sophisticated computer simulations. Much of her research revolves around developing techniques that allow scientists and engineers to replace costly methods such as wind tunnels for aircraft design with cheaper computer models. Using what is known as "computational fluid dynamics," Freitag is able to model physical problems such as air flow over an airplane's wings or flue gas flows in industrial boilers using supercomputer technology.

A state-of-the-art virtual reality demonstration of her work was a highlight of the Supercomputing '95 conference held in San Diego. Freitag demonstrated what it would be like to be inside an incinerator by projecting her computer images on the walls of a 10-foot square room known as a Cave Automatic Virtual Environment, or "CAVE."

Logos, the publication of the Argonne National Laboratory, described it this way: "You find yourself basking in temperatures of more than 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit. Your hair and clothes seem to flutter in the wind as brightly colored arrows, representing high-temperature flue gases, whoosh past – and through – your body. Suddenly your stomach is in your throat as you plunge 50 feet to the sizzling floor of a bricklined tire incinerator."

To witness the simulation one must wear 3-D glasses which create the sensation of being right in the middle of the incinerator's inferno. To the public it's a fun experience, but to Argonne's scientists and engineers it's serious business.

Computer simulations allow them to not only see what is happening inside an incinerator or boiler, but to also make changes to pollution

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control devices inside the incinerator and observe the results. The irony is that they can "see" the results better in the computer simulation than they could if they were working with a real boiler.

Any computer simulation is based on some sort of model. The quality and accuracy of the simulation depends upon the quality and accuracy of the model. If the model is flawed, then the simulation will be flawed.

"Most simulations," said Freitag, "have a complex grid – we use a mesh of tetrahedrons. The more grid points or elements, the more



Lori Freitag is pictured using her 3-D computer simulation of the interior of a tire boiler in Argonne National Laboratory's Cave Automatic Virtual Environment. The arrows represent gas jets traveling through the incinerator.

Because her work has shown so much promise, she received a Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers at a ceremony at the White House on November 3. She was one of only 60 young scientists to receive the award this year.



accurate the simulation. With bad elements you get a worse solution and it takes longer to get results. But there is a tradeoff between using bad elements and the

time it takes to create good elements."

Freitag is developing more accurate elements and creating computer techniques to run the simulation on supercomputers. She calls it "adaptive refinement" – the process of creating more elements in the mesh for a higher resolution in the simulation, resulting in better accuracy.

Because her work has shown so much promise, she received a Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers at a ceremony at the White House on November 3. She was one of only 60 young scientists to receive the award this year. Each will receive up to \$500,000 over a five-year period to further their research and broadly advance science for important government missions.

Dr. Freitag is a pioneer in the design of techniques for visualizing data sets in interactive virtual reality environments," said Rick Stevens, director of Argonne's mathematics and computer science division. "Her innovative work is helping to reduce harmful chemical emissions from commercial boilers."

The Presidential Awards were established by President Clinton in February 1996 to help meet the administration's goals of producing the finest scientists and engineers for the 21st century and maintaining leadership across the frontiers of scientific research.

"These gifted young professionals exemplify the best of our science and technology community and will help set the scientific pace for the U.S. and the world in the years ahead," said President Clinton. "Their passion for discovery and their determination to explore new scientific frontiers will drive this nation forward and build a better America for the 21st century."

Pursuing a career in the heady world of supercomputing is not a typical one for a young woman. But Freitag's math roots run deep. She was greatly influenced at General McLane High School by her math teacher, Harry Berlin, and by her father, Dr. Richard Freitag, who is on the faculty of Edinboro's department of math and computer science.

After graduating from Edinboro in 1988, Freitag studied at the University of Virginia under Dr. James Ortega who is noted for his research in numerical analysis. She earned a master's degree in applied math and a Ph.D. in applied math with a concentration in scientific computing.

At Argonne she was a post-doctoral appointee in the Lab's math and computer science division. She taught at the undergraduate level and now serves as an adjunct professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She also serves as a technical supervisor overseeing graduate students at Argonne, one of whom was Edinboro grad Dan Heath, who is now at Iowa State.

The incinerator project is a joint venture with Nalco Fuel Tech of Naperville, Illinois, which designs and installs pollution control devices for incinerators and boilers. Freitag said the Clean Air Act of 1995 was an incentive to use technology to retrofit existing boilers to combat nitrous oxides. The kind of devices Nalco uses are injectors which spray aqueous reagents into the incinerator's flue gases. The intent is to have the nitrous oxides react with the chemicals to form water, nitrogen and carbon dioxide.

The trick to having the reaction work properly is to place the injectors in the right locations. But that requires knowing where the flue gases travel inside the boiler. By using the virtual reality program created by Freitag, Nalco's engineers can not only see where the gases are going, they can move the injectors around and see the results almost immediately.





Homecoming 1997























ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

Embroidered Alumni Shirts Available

Now you can have the classy look of embroidery on a variety of items. Choose from a heavy weight denim shirt; a partial zip, black fleece pullover; a black plaid wind shirt; or a Royal Stewart Tartan flannel nightshirt, or get one of each! These items are of exceptional quality and make great gifts. The embroidery includes the piping Scot logo over "Edinboro University Alumni." Additionally, a portion of the cost is returned to the Alumni Association for the general scholarship fund. So, call now for more information and an order form. Reach the Alumni Office at 1-800-526-0117.

Homecoming 1997 – Another Beautiful Weekend

Many thought having Homecoming the weekend of October 10 was a sure dare for Mother Nature. However, she smiled upon the 'Boro and gave us sunshine and temperatures in the 70s!

The fifth annual golf outing was again a success as some 136 golfers took to the links for a great day of golf. (The day was great. At times, some of the golfing was questionable!) The winning foursome with a score of 60 was Andrew Baird ('90), Craig Christensen ('89), Terry Donnelly ('89) and Brian Morris.

Saturday was beautiful for the best
Homecoming parade in the state. The large parade
had all the usual participants, including the
Alumni Marching Band which gets bigger every
year. At 2:00, the Fighting Scots began their
victory over the Vulcans of California. At 5:30,
Lee Alverson ('91) impressed a group in
Memorial Auditorium with his original production
which included songs from *Phantom of the Opera*and other favorites. The show included some great
effects and was excellent.

The fifth annual 5K (now known as the Tartan 5K) was held on Sunday morning and hosted another good crowd. Any proceeds from this race go to the Alumni General Scholarship Fund in memory of Karen Snyder Wilson ('79). For future years, we're looking into having the race certified. Also, the third annual Tot Trot entertained one of the largest crowds ever. President Pogue served as the official starter, and children raced against local celebrities. This is a wonderful way to wrap up a terrific weekend.

Mark your calendars now – Homecoming 1998 will be October 2-4.

Alumni Association Works with Center for Career Services to Improve Career Hotline

For nearly three years, the Alumni Career Hotline has successfully linked professional Edinboro alumni with recent Edinboro graduates in many fields. More than 500 alumni have volunteered to review resumes, offer internships, and generally assist other Edinboro graduates or students as they can.

Networking today is an important key to beginning a career, changing fields or relocating, and Edinboro alumni can help. Hotline volunteers have also been asked to sit on career panels, speak to classes on campus, and participate in University planning.

Some of the benefits to using the Hotline as a volunteer or job seeker are:

- ★ Use of the resume job bank maintained by the Center for Career Services
- ★ Inclusion on the Job Forum, a list of alumni volunteer speakers
- ★ Participation in on-campus recruiting as an employer or future employee
- ★ Learn more about providing internships for current Edinboro students
- ★ Receive the bi-weekly employment opportunity bulletin published by the Center for Career Services
- ★ Participate in on-campus job fairs or use the career library

To receive a new brochure detailing these benefits, contact the Alumni Office at 1-800-526-0117. You can email us at EUP_Alumni@edinboro.edu or check out the Edinboro home page at http://www.edinboro.edu and look at the Alumni and Center for Career Services links.

Reception and Concert Slated for February 4, 1998

The Alumni Association will host a delightful dessert reception on February 4, 1998, at 7:00 p.m., in the Alumni House. Following the reception, walk across the street to Memorial Auditorium for the keyboard pyrotechnics of

pianist Leon Bates. Bates will be appearing as part of the University's Concert and Lecture Series.

The reception and concert is \$11.00 per person. If you already have tickets for the concert, the reception is \$6.00 per person. If you would like to attend, please forward your name and phone number, the names of your guests, and a check for the appropriate amount made payable to EUP ALUMNI ASSOCIATION to Alumni Office, Alumni House, Edinboro University of Pa., Edinboro, PA 16444. If you have any questions, call 814-732-2715 or 1-800-526-0117. All reservations must pre-paid and are due January 21.

Alumni House Featured in EUWA House Tour



The 1997 Edinboro University Women's Association House Tour was held on November 9 and included the Alumni House. The group stages the biennial "Another Sunday in the Country" House Tour to raise funds for the EUWA scholarship. More than 200 tickets were sold this year. EUWA members who also happen to be alumni and Edinboro employees, assisted with the tour. Barb Kantz ('94) served as hostess, and tour guides included Emily (Green) Sinsabaugh ('88 and '90), Dusty Barton ('89, '92 and '94), and Linda Mukina ('74).

Individuals are asked to open their homes for the occasion and local decorators donate their talents and goodies for the event. The Alumni House was beautifully decorated for the holidays by Jan and Bill Schulz of the House of Edinboro. (Jan was also the original decorator when the Alumni House was built.) In addition to their unique and stylish decorations, they included several antiques from the collection of retired professor Dr. Gordon Hitchings. The outdoor decorations of wreaths and greenery were

provided by Julie Marchese, owner of Scotland Yard Greenhouse in Edinboro. With the snow, the Alumni House looked like a holiday card!



The Highland Ambassadors recently participated in a bowling tournament to raise funds for the Visiting Nurses Association. The fundraiser was organized by the Student Nurses Association of Edinboro. Participating Ambassadors were (left to right): Jennifer Hodel, Karen Kelorickis, Katie Goring and Jill Long.

Alpha Sigma Tau On Line

Very soon, alumnae of Alpha Sigma Tau will receive updates from their collegiate chapter via email. The sisters are creating a special electronic mailing list from information provided by alumnae on the recently published alumni directory. If you wish to be included in this email list, please email Emily (Green) Sinsabaugh at esinsabaugh@edinboro .edu. You can also call her at 814-398-8326. The AST sisters also plan to develop their own Web page during the 1998 spring semester.



Science Rules - So Does Edinboro's Planetarium

Fifty-eight area alumni, friends and their children gathered at the Cooper Hall Planetarium for the second annual Science Saturday. This event was created to bring people to campus and to spark their imaginations. A winning combination of two magicians (current University students), the planetarium stars, a light show, the biology museum, a "rock talk," snacks, prizes and the wonders of science all combined for a fun-filled afternoon. And, according to one of the participants, "Science rules!" Thanks to Dr. David Hurd for all his help organizing this event.



Advancement News

Edinboro University and the School District of the City of Erie were awarded a \$200,000 Apple Education Grant from Apple Computer, Inc. Called "New Connections," the program awards computer systems and training to only ten K-12 schools and ten teaching institutions in the country and funds innovative uses of technology in the classroom.

The national grant is for a two-year program with two-thirds of the equipment going to Emerson-Gridley Elementary School in Erie and one-third going to Edinboro University.

Alumni Phonathon: We Surpassed our Goal!

As reported in the last issue of the *Alumni News*, this year the Annual Fund is focusing on enhancing the number of computers available to students. The 1997 Fall Alumni Phonathon resulted in the highest amount pledged in the history of this annual event. The focus of the Phonathon was to contact previous donors, and the goal was to secure \$140,000 in alumni pledges.

We are pleased to report that we exceeded our goal. This clearly indicates that alumni understand the importance of providing students with the opportunity to utilize state-of-the-art computer technology.

Alumni spoken to	7,563
Pledges	4,026
Participation rate	53.23%
Amount pledged	\$141,506
Average amount pledged	\$35.15

Thank you for your support and for your pledge! As of November 19, 1997, more than 900 individuals had paid their pledge totaling more than \$29,062. Pledge reminders will be sent in the near future. However, if you have not satisfied your pledge commitment, please consider sending your gift before December 31, 1997. Your gift is tax deductible as provided by law.

Scholarship Program Continues to Experience Growth

As Edinboro University continues its mission into the 21st century, it is clear that the scholarship program is a vital and integral part of the

University's ability to flourish. The growth and strength of the scholarship program directly impacts the lives of many of our future leaders by providing them with an opportunity to continue their education. Since the last issue of the *Alumni News*, the following scholarships were created and/or reached endowment status:

Alfred Anthony Veshecco Scholarship
Magdik Family Scholarship
Pitzer-Rupnik Scholarship
Dr. and Mrs. Ernest R. LaFollette Memorial
Scholarship
Dr. Nancy S. Rung Scholarship

With your continued support and that of other friends of the University, your alma mater can remain true to its mission of providing students with a quality low-cost education. Many of your fellow alumni who received scholarships were able to fulfill their educational goal as a result of the generosity of others. You can provide valuable financial assistance to our future leaders by continuing to support the Edinboro University Scholarship program. For more information about establishing a scholarship, contact Mark Carter, Assistant Director of Development, 814-732-2992 (fax 814-732-2996, email mcarter@edinboro.edu) or write to: Development Office, Edinboro University of Pa., Edinboro, PA 16444.

1998 Spring Phonathon to begin in February

The 1998 Spring Alumni Phonathon is tentatively scheduled for February 2-26. During the four-week period, student callers will contact alumni who have not pledged or contributed to the 1997-98 Annual Fund. The focus of the phonathon will be to increase overall alumni participation among those individuals who have never participated in the Alumni Phonathon.

If you have not contributed to the Alumni Annual Fund, you can save us the cost of the call. Please consider joining your fellow alumni who have already contributed to the 1997-98 Alumni Annual Fund by sending your gift now. This will ensure that you become a part of this year's campaign.



Edinboro University Signs Three Articulation Agreements

Edinboro University has signed articulation agreements with the Fairview School District, General McLane School District, and the Erie Business Center allowing their students to receive credit for university courses.

The articulation agreements with Fairview and General McLane allow students to receive Edinboro credits for accelerated level and advanced placement level courses in English, mathematics, science and history if they enroll at the University within two years of graduation. The students will receive credit for Edinboro courses in college writing skills, precalculus, world civilizations, and principles of biology.

Dr. Jerry Kiel, Edinboro's associate vice president of enrollment, management and retention, said the agreements acknowledge the academic excellence of students who matriculate through the honors curriculum at the high school level. "This will create the opportunity for high school students to get a jump start on their college education and, in turn, assist our institution in recruiting the best available students," Kiel said.

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

"It's an incentive to challenge themselves at the high school level," said Kessler. "They will have an advantage when competing in academics in college. It will expand their thinking and analytical skills."

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

CAMPUS NEWS

Erie Business Center

Edinboro University and Erie Business Center (EBC) have signed an articulation agreement that will make it easier for graduates of EBC to continue their education toward a bachelor's degree at Edinboro. The agreement will allow the transfer of up to 24 credits in 16 courses.

Dr. An Sik Min, chairperson of business and economics, said students will be able to use their EBC course credits toward any degree program at Edinboro - business or non-business.

Most of the courses approved in this articulation agreement are general education courses in such field as math, psychology, English, writing, communications and computer science.

Tony Piccirillo, chief administrator at EBC said the agreement is good for their school because it gives its students an opportunity to continue their education at a four-year college without leaving the area. "We are excited by this alliance forged with Edinboro and building on our existing relationship. By joining together, we have said to our young people: 'We want you to have every opportunity to get the best education."

EBC interviews some 800 prospective students each year and as part of that process Piccirillo said his school is already promoting its connections to Edinboro.

EBC is one of the oldest and most progressive business schools in Pennsylvania at the age of 114 and boasts a 97 percent job placement rate for its graduates. The agreement with the University will make EBC even more attractive to prospective students.

Edinboro University celebrated American Education Week with a series of events under the theme "Teaching Children to Think and Dream." The week was designed to remind people that schools are a fundamental investment for our future. A day was also set aside to honor Edinboro University's family of educators.



Pictured above left to right: Margarette Darby ('56); Dr. Thomas Hartig, vice president for advancement; President Pogue; Dr. Anthony Zumpetta ('71); Dr. Judith Thomas ('62, '67 and '71); and Dr. James Thomas. Also in attendance at the dinner was Kathy Pape ('75).

Newcomen Society Dinner

Edinboro alumni were on hand recently when the Newcomen Society honored the State System of Higher Education at the Union League Club in Philadelphia. Chairman F. Eugene Dixon, Jr. and Chancellor James H. McCormick spoke on behalf of the System, and Mr. Dixon accepted the Newcomen Society Award. The award is presented to recognize exceptional contributions to the American free enterprise system and the preservation of business history.

Winter Commencement

President Frank Pogue conferred degrees on 684 students at the winter Commencement ceremony on Sunday, December 14. With a May graduating class of 667 students, Edinboro granted approximately 1,351 associate, bachelor's and master's degrees during the 1996-97 calendar year.

Carrying the ceremonial mace and leading the academic procession as the Grand Marshal at the ceremony was Dr. Richard J. Gromen, professor in the history department.

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

Receiving honorary doctorates at the ceremony were Paul H. O'Neill, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Aluminum Company of America (Alcoa) and 1937 Edinboro graduate Michael M. Zahorchak.

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

Zahorchak joined the Edinboro staff as associate professor of education and supervisor of student teaching in 1969 and served the University until his retirement in 1978. He has been a member of the Edinboro University Alumni Association's Board of Directors since 1955 and has served as president and vice president. In 1979 he was selected as a distinguished alumnus and was accorded honorary lifetime membership as a director emeritus.

George H. Nicholas Memorial Scholarship Presented

When three-time Academy Award-winning animation director Chuck Jones was honored at Edinboro in October, he presented the first George H. Nicholas Memorial Scholarship.

Nicholas worked for Jones as an animator on such films as *The White Seal* and *Riki Tiki Tavi* during the late 1960s and mid 70s. Perhaps his most noteworthy production while working with Jones was the Academy Award winning *A Christmas Carol*.

Born in Vermilion, Ohio, in 1910, Nicholas grew up in a family of seven on the shores of Lake Erie. The family moved to Los Angeles in 1920, and he studied art at Fairfax High School. He painted whenever he could and took classes from animators Leonard Kester and Will Foster as well as private lessons.

Nicholas' 50-year career as a character animator included 22 years with Walt Disney where he received credit for his work on *Cinderella, Lady and the Tramp, One Hundred and One Dalmations,* and *Sleeping Beauty* as well as many Pluto, Donald Duck and Goofy shorts. At Hanna Barbera he contributed to Yogi Bear, the Flintstones and Huckleberry Hound.

He got his job at Disney almost by accident. While talking to his tailor about his work, the tailor said that Disney bought his clothes there and mentioned he was looking for people who could draw. In September of 1932 he applied and was hired the next day. From 1934 to 1939 he worked at Walter Lantz productions animating Andy Panda and Woody Woodpecker. He returned to Disney in 1940 and stayed until 1958 working on such characters as Pluto and the ostriches in *Fantasia*.

In addition to animation, Nicholas also enjoyed woodcarving, sketching and painting - especially landscapes - and even designing Christmas cards. Following retirement and the death of his wife Dot, Nicholas came to Edinboro to live with his daughter, Donna, an art professor at Edinboro. He passed away on November 23, 1996.

Greek Leadership Conference

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

This was the first year Edinboro hosted the annual conference with the theme being "Start the Construction: Build Your Own Future." It brought together members of Greek organizations in Pennsylvania as well as representatives from their national headquarters to share ideas and learn ways to improve fraternity and sorority chapters.

The conference featured 25 workshops ranging from leadership, fund raising, and getting higher grades to alcohol alternatives, crisis management, and community service.

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



A dedication ceremony was held for the new flag complex in front of Reeder Hall. As the flags of the United States of America, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the new Edinboro University flag were raised by a color guard of Edinboro ROTC cadets, President Pogue read several inspirational passages in tribute to Old Glory.



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

Accolades



The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) recently notified Mary Lou Keller, nursing department chair, of their review of the progress report submitted to them on the Edinboro nursing program. The Commission has agreed to continue accreditation with the next visit scheduled for fall 2001.

- * Erie Independence House (EIH) presented its Advocate of Independent Living Award to the Edinboro Assistive Technology Center (ATC). The award was given to Edinboro for promoting independence in all areas of life skills among persons with disabilities.
- * Dr. Barbara Rahal, elementary education, was appointed by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) as state coordinator for the 1998 NCTE Achievement Awards in Writing.
- * Dr. Tim Cordell, music department, was elected President of District Two, Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA).
- * Nelson Smith, speech and communication studies, was included in the first edition of Who's Who in the Media and Communication 1998-99. The book is a guide to nearly 18,000 of today's most influential people in the field of media and communications.
- * William A. Reed Jr., special assistant to the president for community relations, was appointed to the Presque Isle Partnership Board of Directors.
- * Dr. Theresa Thewes, chemistry, was the Erie Section Coordinator for National Chemistry Week.
- * Alumnus Yuko Yagisawa designed and created the medallion worn by Stephen Weber at his inauguration as the seventh President of San Diego State University in August.
- * Animation students Greg Wieder, Brian Matulay and Steve Heidelberg spent summer internships at Boss Film Studios in Marina Del Rey, California; Production Masters in Pittsburgh; and Vision Media Group in Conneaut Lake, PA., respectively.
- * Dr. Ruth Nash-Thompson, special education and school psychology, has been selected to serve on the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society of Erie County.
- * On behalf of the Board of Governors, SSHE Chancellor McCormick has awarded

- Certification of Facilities Project Authority to Angela Holler, purchasing director. Based upon this certification and in accordance with Board of Governors policy, Edinboro University is authorized to undertake facilities projects to Level III, the highest level of contracting authority possible for delegation as specified in the policy.
- * Dr. Karen Bauer and Dr. Ernest Dettore, elementary education, and the Miller Research Learning Center are featured in the September 1997 issue of *Young Children* in an article entitled, "Creative Strategies in Ernie's Early Childhood Classroom."
- * Joan Dengel, educational services, was elected Secretary of the Pennsylvania American Association of University Women program for the 1997-1999 term.
- * An article by Dr. Salene Cowher, counseling and human development, entitled "Managing Conflict," appeared in a recent edition of *Scholars* magazine. *Scholars* highlights works of the faculty of the 14 State System of Higher Education universities. It is coordinated by an editorial board of SSHE faculty members and is published by the Office of the Chancellor.
- * An article written by Dr. Anne Quinn, math and computer science, titled, "Problem Solving Does Not Have to Be a Problem," was published in the October 1997 edition of *Mathematics Teachers*.
- * Dr. Renata Wolynec, sociology, anthropology and social work, received a Pennsylvania History and Museum Grant in conjunction with her work as the Director of the Fort LeBoeuf Museum.
- * The June 1997 edition of "The Act 101 Journal" includes an article by Dr. James McHenry, counseling and human development, on the follow-up study he conducted of students who graduated 20 years ago. By providing a model, Dr. McHenry has paved the way for other institutions to survey their graduates in a similar fashion.





^ 18 CHESTER LINGO celebrated his 100th birthday on October 31st. William Reed, special assistant to the president for community relations, presented a plaid Edinboro "Fighting Scots" blanket to Mr. Lingo on behalf of President Pogue. Lingo began his career in education at Randolph High School, first as a teacher and coach and later as the school's principal. He was also principal at Saegertown and Conneautville high schools and at Conneaut Valley High School where he retired in 1959 after 19 years as principal. Chester resides at the Westbury United Methodist Community, 31 North Park Avenue, Meadville, PA 16335.

'36 AGNES WOLFENDEN DIEHL recently made a donation to the McKinley Elementary School in Erie, Pa., that will be matched by the school district. The school has been without a playground, but because Agnes has made such a generous gift they will now get a playground few could envision. Agnes is a retired school teacher who is still striving to create a better tomorrow for our students.

'55 REED KREIDER retired in 1993 as an art supervisor in Washington, Pa. Reed resides at 2122 The Circle, Washington, PA 15301.

'61 GEORGE VURGICH retired in 1996 after 20 years as principal of Gateway Senior High School. He is currently administrator for Boyce Middle College in Monroeville, Pa. George resides at 172 Spring Grove Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15235.

'63 WILLIAM CELIO recently joined a Global Volunteers service program in Istanbul. Celio spent two weeks volunteering at an urban children's camp in an ancient Turkish city. He is employed as a teacher for the Upper Adams School District in Pa. Celio resides in Arendtsville, PA.

GARY JURYSTA had an exhibition of his paintings during the month of October at SUNY-Geneseo in Geneseo, NY.



⁴ '65 THOMAS CAREY has been appointed deputy secretary for elementary and secondary education at the Pennsylvania Department of Education. As deputy secretary, Tom will oversee programs and services for public and non-public schools. Tom and his wife Grace reside in Pittsburgh, PA.



4 '69 RON FENCHAK was named president and CEO for Carolina Children's Hospital. The certified fund raising executive was most recently executive director for the Richland Memorial Hospital Foundation. Ron and his wife Eunice reside in Columbia, SC.

EVELYN ALOE-GRUBBS is working part-time at the University of Tennessee Behavioral Health Unit as an assessment counselor. She and her husband Earl reside at 7125 Bell Manor Cove, Germantown, TN 38138.

ROD HERRON is the owner of Roaring Thunder NASCAR Store, a specialty store supplying top driver apparel and collectibles, diecast collector cars, NASCAR race tickets and NASCAR memorabilia. Car cruises are held twice a year. The store is located at 5825 West Library Road, Bethel Park, Pa., or you can reach him by phone at 412-831-1956. Rod and his wife Alexis reside at 3480 Orchard Avenue, Finleyville, PA.

'70 MAUREEN BEIGHLEY FRY, a sister of Phi Mu Phi sorority, and HARRY FRY III '70, a brother of Lambda Chi Alpha, recently celebrated the election of their daughter, Erin, as the 1997 Homecoming Queen at Edinboro. Erin was sponsored by Lambda Chi Alpha and Alpha Gamma Delta.

JAMES KELLY was appointed to the position of dean of the School of Health and Human Services at California State University, Los Angeles, California. James resides at 5675 Spreading Oak Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90068.

'71 BARB HORNAK has resigned after 25 years in education and moved to California. She is working with attorneys, assisting them with courtroom presentations. Barb resides at 9139 Olin Street, Los Angeles, CA 90034.

DR. ANTHONY W. ZUMPETTA worked 18 years in law enforcement and corrections. In 1988 he joined the faculty of West Chester University as an assistant professor in the department of anthropology and sociology teaching a variety of courses including criminology, juvenile delinquency, social problems, and deviance. Anthony and his wife Cathy reside at 13 Matthew Drive, Coatesville, PA 19320.

'74 TIMOTHY HIGBEE was selected Employee of the Quarter at Columbia Correctional Institution. He resides at 232 3rd Avenue, Apt. 2, Baraboo, WI 53913.

DAVID KARP is a second grade teacher at Peters Township Schools. He is currently on sabbatical, teaching and supervising for Pitt. His son, Richard, has started kindergarten and his wife, Hilary, received her Ph.D. and is working at Pittsburgh's Children's Hospital. They reside at 358 Newburn Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15216.

'75 JOAN JOHNSTON FIELD accepted the position of reading resource teacher for grades 1-5 with Virginia Beach Public Schools. Joan and her sons Andrew, 9, and Jonathan, 6, reside at 4640 Curtiss Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23455.

ERIC SCHWARTZ, known as "Consort Anon," has released his second recording, "Make We Joy: An Anonymous Christmas," which features holiday selections from the 13th to the 20th centuries. The "Consort" invites you to visit his web site at: http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/consort anon.

'76 HAL BLOUNT recently donated a classroom amplification system for Edinboro's Speech and Hearing Resource Library Project. He also established two scholarships to support the speech-language pathology graduate program. Hal and his wife Tani reside at 755 Myrtle View Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70810.

RONALD DUFALLA, principal of the Brentwood Middle School and High School, assumed the presidency of the 2,400-member Pennsylvania Association of Secondary School Principals following the organization's state conference. The Association represents principals, assistant principals, and supervisors in the state. Ronald and his wife Deborah reside at 3413 Liberty Way, McKeesport, PA 15133.

E. FRANK KAPLAN recently received a master's degree in education from the Johns Hopkins University. Frank is an assistant principal at Strawberry Knoll Elementary School in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Frank resides at 2900 Miles Road, Burtonsville, MD 20866.

'78 DOROTHY CARBONE HOLTZMAN, a member of the United States Air Force Reserves, graduated from the Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Academy at McGuire AFB in NJ in the fall of 1997. She received instruction in military leadership and management, communication skills, and behavioral science. Dorothy holds the rank of technical sergeant and has been an intelligence information management technician with the 514th Operations Support Flight since March, 1988. Prior to that, she was active duty since December, 1980 and during that time earned a master's degree in administration. Dorothy and her husband Donald reside at 14 Lace Bark Lane in Jackson, NJ.

LISA MARCOTALLIO is an office manager for St. Louis Chapter, NECA. Lisa resides in St. Louis, MO 63114.

'79 MARK BELLINI is a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army and assumed command of the 27th Main Support Battalion, Division Support Command of the 1st Cavalry Division on July 2nd. Mark, his wife Carol and their three daughters reside at PSC 813 Box 137, FPO AE 09620-0137.

GREGORY INGE published a text book dealing with American history from 1816-1900, *A Journey Through the 19th Century*. Gregory resides at 429 College Avenue, Beaver, PA 15009.

'80 MARY MEICHOLTZ has been accepted into the Ph.D. program at Ohio University in organizational communication. She resides at 2 Andover Road, Apt. H6, Athens, OH 45701.

'81 DONNA GRAESER ZELT received a master's degree in elementary education, and Texas certification from University of St. Thomas in Houston. Donna, her husband Fred and their children, Nathan, Natalie, David and Glenn, reside at 5115 Mimosa Street, Bellaire, TX 77401.

'82 DAVID LIMRICK was promoted to general manager of the Walgreens Drug Store in Orlando, Florida. David resides at 2602 Pineway Drive, Orlando, FL 32839.

CHRIS MAGOC was elected by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and the Flagship Niagara League to lead the educational programming efforts for the Niagara and the new Erie Maritime Museum. Chris and his wife Mary reside at 706 Park Avenue North, Erie, PA 16502.

'83 BRIAN HULL was named chief financial officer of the Savings Institute of Williamtie. Brian will assume responsibility for fiscal operations, reporting directly to the president and CEO. Brian and his wife Catherine reside in Berlin, CT.

JANET RENN-NELSON is certified with CCRN in advanced neonatal ICU nursing. She is also part of a newborn transport team for University Hospital of New Mexico. Janet and her husband William reside at 5509 Nordica Street NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111.

'85 ELIZABETH REINHOLD MOERDER is working part-time teaching pre-school through elementary school at the Baum School of Art in Allentown, Pa. She just started teaching an art education class at Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pa. Her son Andrew is 5, and Zachary is 3. Elizabeth, her husband Joe, and the children reside at 21 North Jefferson Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

KIMIO NELSON is head instructor and coach of the Fighting Tigers Martial Arts Club in Warren, Pa. He earned 1997 national honors at the USA Karate Federation National Tournament held in Akron, Ohio. Kimio earned two gold medals in his Black Belt division in Weapons and Forms. He was also awarded All-American Status at the national tournament for his accomplishments in the martial arts. Several of his students also took home medals, including four national titles and several silver and bronze medals. Kimio is employed as a deputy sheriff with Warren County's sheriff's office. He resides in Warren, PA.

'86 MARY ARBUCKLE HOCKENSMITH is an art teacher for the Hatboro Horsham School District. Mary and her husband, Christopher, reside at 1657 B Bluebird Drive, Yardley, PA 19067.

BRIAN MARTIN received his Ph.D. in sociology in August 1997 from the Ohio State University.

HOLLY McCANN joins both the tax and corporate law departments of Eckert Seaman Cherin & Mellott, LLC. Holly resides in Pittsburgh, PA.

SCOTT McKEE is an investment representative with Edward Jones & Co. Scott and Kristen reside at 1887 Park Forest Avenue, State College, PA 16803.

'87 JOHN CUNNINGHAM is a territory sales manager for Lockcrete, Inc. John, his wife Wendy and their son Timothy, 5, reside at R.D. 1, Box 153-B, Templeton, PA 16259.

JOSEPH POPKA is a police sergeant with the Naples Police & Emergency Services. Joseph and his wife PATRICIA SUTLIFF POPKA '88 reside at 5218 31st Place SW, Naples, FL 34116.

MARY ANNE VANDIVORT graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a master's of library and information science. She is working at Northland Public Library in Pittsburgh's North Hills area. Mary Anne resides at 501 South Main Street, Zelienople, PA 16063.

'88 LOLA MARIE SMITH DEETS recently started as environmental science lecturer at Behrend. She is also a permanent substitute teacher for DuBois Business College in Oil City, Pa. Lola, her husband Daniel and their new son, Devin, reside at R.D. 5 Box 120D, Titusville, PA 16354.

LORI FREITAG DIACHIN recently was awarded the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers. She will receive \$100,000 a year for the next five years for research. Lori is currently at Argonne National Laboratory in the Mathematics and Computer Science division. She resides in Westmont, IL. (For more details on Lori's work, see page 9.)

GINA ZONA SCARPINO is employed with Mellon Bank in corporate communications & public relations. Gina and her husband Richard reside at 625 East 33rd Street, Erie, PA 16504.

'89 CHARLES HODGES is in sales for U.S. Fitness Products. Charles resides at 4921 Tall Timber Drive, Apt. 302, Raleigh, NC 27612.

'90 DENISE TAYLOR BENEDICT is employed as a substitute teacher and is working on her paramedic license. Denise and her husband Todd reside at 501 Colton Avenue, Newark, NY 14513.

'91 CHRISTINE HONIG accepted a position as head women's swimming coach at Marist College, Division I. Christine and her husband Michael reside at 31 Sherwood Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

MONICA DEAN MARENDO was recently appointed program director of Community Alternatives, Inc., a behavior rehabilitation and mentoring program in Crawford County, Pa. Monica resides at 146 South Mercer Street, Linesville, PA 16424.

ALLISON SWINGENSTEIN RISAS accepted a position as senior technical writer at Digital Equipment Corporation. Allison resides at One Old Salem Circle, Shrewsbury, MA 01545.

'92 MARK LEWANDOWSKI is a sports director at Halstead Communications. Mark and his wife Lori reside at 324 East 18th Street, Scottsbluff, NE 69361.

MERRICK OWEN JR. is a teacher at Allegany/Limestone School District. Merrick and his wife Penny reside at 3129 McClure Hollow Road, Allegheny, NY 14706.

MITCHELL PRICE is a life skills teacher at South Mountain Secure Treatment Unit. His wife, TAMMY ELLIS PRICE '81, is a program supervisor at Mutual Living Styles, Inc. They reside at 162 Rustic Drive, Shippensburg, PA 17257.

TRACY CLANCY RAY is a third grade teacher in Coraopolis, Pa. Tracey and her husband James reside at 1081 Woodlawn Drive, Coraopolis, PA 15108.

KURT SCHMIDHAMER recently returned to Camp Pendelton, California from a 6-month deployment with Battalion Landing Team 2/4 as part of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable). Kurt resides in San Clemente, CA.

DENISE MIHALIK SCHREIBER is a computer training specialist/international for Overbrook School for the Blind. Denise and her husband reside at 1372 North 76th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19151.

RENEE GLASS STAREK has accepted a position as an academic specialist for the Community College of Allegheny College System. Renee and her husband Daryle reside at 250 Kingston Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15235. Renee and Daryle would love to hear from friends.

TIMOTHY ZALNASKY was promoted to data network engineer for Westinghouse Communications. Timothy is enrolled in a master's program in telecommunications at the University of Pittsburgh. He resides at 374 Birch Street, Imperial, PA 15126.

'93 GABRIELA de la CABADA is an assistant vice president in marketing/strategic planning for Citibank. Gabriela resides at 333 West 56th Street, Apt. 6C, New York, NY 10019.

JACQUELINE ESTOCK was voted Conway Middle School Teacher of the Year. She has been teaching in Conway, South Carolina, for the past four years as art teacher. She will now be entered to compete for the Horry County Teacher of the Year. Jacqueline resides at 2540 Emory Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

KAREN O'TOOLE LEHIGH relocated and accepted a position as quality assurance/purchasing assistant with Advanced Forming Technology. Karen and her husband Mitch reside at 586 Sherri Drive, Loveland, CO 80537.

'94 LISA DeDIONISIO BECK is a learning support teacher with Crawford Central School District. Lisa and her husband Terry reside at 18255 Cree Street, Meadville, PA 16335.

JENNIFER CROSS CWIKLINSKI is a career counselor for the University of Pittsburgh. Jennifer and her husband FRANK CWIKLINSKI '94 reside at 318 Longmore Avenue, Apt. A, Pittsburgh, PA 15216.

KRISTA CZARNOTA is a Spanish teacher for Clymer Central School. Krista resides in New York.

JACQUELYN HANSHEW FOSTER is a marketing communications manager for Kennsington Windows. Jacquelyn and her husband Sean reside at 324 Peconi Drive, Apollo, PA 15613.

HOLLY JOHNSON received her master's degree in reading from SUNY-Fredonia and is employed as an elementary reading teacher for Falconer School District. Holly resides at 42 ½ Pennsylvania Avenue, Lakewood, NY 14750.

JENNY KUPCZYK is working full time for Rice Avenue Middle School, teaching fifth grade math. Jenny resides at 1751 West 23rd Street, Erie, PA 16502.

HOLLI MYERS received her M.A. degree from Adams State College, Alamosa, Colorado. She works as a counselor for all ages but

specializes in play therapy. She is also a kindergarten teacher. Holli resides at 3802 Halfturn Road #204, Colorado Springs, CO 80917.

JEFFREY WASELKO is a sales representative for Ferguson Enterprises. Jeffrey resides at 9652 White Acre Road, Apt. #6, Columbia, MD 21045.

THOMAS WHITE accepted a full-time teaching position in the nursing department at Edinboro University. Thomas resides at 408 Plum Street, Edinboro, PA 16412.

'95 JILL CAMPBELL returned to college after working two years with her degree in pre-school education. She is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree. Jill resides at P.O. Box 566, East Machias, ME 04630.

STEPHEN FOSTER recently accepted a position as a third grade teacher for Clarcona Elementary, just outside Orlando. Stephen resides at 4418 F Martin's Way, Orlando, FL 32808.

JEFF GARLINGTON is a residential staff counselor for Aurora Community Mental Health Center. Jeff resides at P.O. Box 440892, Aurora, CO 80044.

NORMAN PAUL is a Baltimore City police officer. His wife SUSAN KIM PAUL '94 is a counselor for troubled children. They reside at 3532 Carriage Hill Circle, Apt. 103, Randallstown, MD 21133.

CYNTHIA ROBINSON is currently employed as an administrative assistant to J. Carter Brown, director emeritus of the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.. She plans to enroll in the master's program in public horticulture administration and museum studies offered through the University of Delaware and Longwood Gardens. Cynthia resides in Annapolis, MD.

SCOTT RUPERT's season as third baseman for B&M's Lounge ended on July 21st when his right hand was injured at work. Despite his injury, Rupert is optimistic about returning to the game next year. Scott, his wife Heather and their son Jordan, 2, reside in Beaver, PA.

LORIE SHEPSKI is a second grade teacher for Sanders Unified School District. Lorie resides at P.O. Box 340, Suite #101, Sanders, AZ 86512 or you can use her e-mail address: baoltai@hotmail.com

ROSE ROHRER YEAST opened a non-profit state database in Erie, PA for adoption information, Children's PA Adoption Information Network (CHAIN). You may visit the web site at: http://members.aol.com/Pachain/PALC.html. Rose also works on a state level for adoption reform. She is a committee member of Pennsylvania Adoption Legislation Coalition (PALC). Rose was also nominated and appointed to serve as a liaison to the Pennsylvania Women Owrk Board.

'96 BRUCE ERIKSON is currently pursuing an MFA in painting at Indiana University at Bloomington. He has received a scholarship to study in Florence, Italy for two months. Bruce resides in Stoneboro, PA.

JENNIFER MARIE HAMMERS FUCHS has accepted a teaching position in the Millcreek Township School District. Jennifer and her husband David reside at 303 East 31st Street, Erie, PA 16504.

JON GRAFIOUS is an environment systems technician for Kootenai County. Jon resides at 2501 East Sherman Avenue, Apt. 56, Couer D'Alene, IN 83814.

LORI HOWARD is a first grade teacher at Courtland Elementary School, Spotsylvania County Schools, Virginia. Lori resides at 409 Crossing Road, Fredericksburg, VA 22406.

EILEEN HUGHES is working as an intern for Carnegie Museum of Art and the Heinz Architectural Center of Pittsburgh. She is searching periodicals and travel guides in order to construct a timeline that highlights events of cultural and architectural significance in 20th century Berlin. Eileen resides in Gibsonia, PA.

REBECCA BLAND McCARRICK is a teacher for Thompson Children's Home. Rebecca and her husband Craig reside at 9530 Grove Crest Lane, Apt. 411, Charlotte, NC 28262.

JOHN SMAGNER is a student at the University of Chicago. He resides at 1414 East 59th Street, Apt. 558, Chicago, IL 60637.

KENNETH SOMERVILLE is a student at the University of Pittsburgh. He resides at P.O. Box 7597, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.

ELAINE AYTAC VACCARELLO and her husband CUNEYT AYTAC '94 recently moved. They now reside at Kuchhauser StraBe 59A, 42349 Wuppertal, Germany.

ANDREA WRONA works in the Direct Care Unit for Brighter Beginnings. Andrea resides at 2385 East Center Street, P.O. Box 105, Mill Village, PA 16427.

'97 PETER BOYD is a kindergarten teacher for Aycock Elementary School. Peter resides at 224 Gary Street, Apt. B, Henderson, NC 27536.

JENNIFER DARR is head four-year-old teacher with Lollipop U Daycare. Jennifer resides at 123 Water Street, 25B, Edinboro, PA 16412.

AMBER KOEHLER worked as an intern at the Erie Art Museum this summer. She provided French translations, research, and wall text for an exhibition of 19th century lithographs by the French painter Daumier. Amber resides at 753 Ravine Street, Meadville, PA 16335.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE is teaching history in Charlotte, North Carolina. In September he placed in two divisions of the AHBC Pennsylvania Body Building Classic. During his years at Edinboro he wrestled for the Fighting Scots. William resides at 5004-H Endowood Drive, Charlotte, NC 28215.



⁴ MERIBETH MILLER is beginning a one-year term with the Intermenno program in Karlsruhe, Germany, where she will work as a nanny with the Horsch family and with the local church. Meribeth's home address is 2069 Bainbridge Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

BRIAN MYERS is employed with Engel Fritts Hanna & O'Neil Advertising as an art director. Brian resides at 5844 Georgetown Drive, Erie, PA 16509.

CHRISTINA PETROSKY is a live-in counselor for Mars Home for Youth. She resides at 210 Hook Street, Apt. 221, P.O Box 736, Mars, PA 16046.

DIANA POLEN was recently hired as director of advertising and community relations for Crandell and Associates, Inc. Diana resides at 5844 Georgetown Drive, Erie, PA 16509.

JOAN RAGER is an art teacher at Rippon Middle School for Prince William County Schools. Joan resides at 100 Round Table Court, Apt. 202, Fredericksburg, VA 22406.

JOE SENSOR is a music educator for Elk County Christian High School. Joe resides at 109 Center Street, Apt. 3B, St. Marys, PA 15857.

KARIANNE WALESKI is an academic teacher for Grafton. Karianne resides at 231 Willowbrook Court, Winchester, VA 22602.

MARRIAGES

'87 ELIZABETH DOBBINS and Mark Musone, October 18, 1997.

'90 JACQUELYNE LIPCHIK and James Tingley, August 17, 1996.

DENISE TAYLOR and Todd Benedict, May 31, 1997. They reside at 501 Colton Ave., Newark, NY 14513.

'92 MARK LEWANDOWSKI and Lori Greenway, September 21, 1996. They reside at 324 East 18th Street, Scottsbluff, NB 69361. TRACEY CLANCY and James Ray, June 26, 1997. They reside at 1081 Woodlawn Drive, Coraopolis, PA 15108.

'93 JIM FLICKINGER and WENDY EVANS '94, September 20, 1997. They reside at 915 Smokey Wood Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15218.

CHRISTINE VIOLA and Kenneth Compeau, August 16, 1997. They reside at 24 Country Pond Lane, Modena, NY 12548.

'94 KIMBERLY SORENSEN and Gregory Villabona Jr., September 20, 1997. They reside at 1551 West 54th Street, Apt. 12, Erie, PA 16509.

ERIC STEWART and CRISTA CRESSLER '93, April 5, 1997. They reside at 2446 Woodward Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226.

TRICIA URICCHIO and Mike Smoot, July 12, 1997. They reside at 91 Hidden Lake Drive, Stafford, VA 22554.



⁴ '95 SHERRY ALVERSON and Brian Codispot, June 28, 1997. They reside at 301 Sherbrook Court, Wexford, PA 15090.

HEATHER HUBER and WILLIAM FRIBURGER '93, June 27, 1997. They reside at P.O. Box 19, North Apollo, PA 15673.

NORMAN PAUL and SUSAN KIM '94, September 27, 1997. They reside at 3532 Carriage Hill Circle, Apt. 103, Randallstown, MD 21133.

JENNA BASINGER and KEVIN SEELBAUGH '96, August 23, 1997. They reside at 2105 Delaware Avenue, New Castle, PA 16105.

'96 JENNIFER MARIE HAMMERS and David Fuchs, June 14, 1997. They reside at 303 East 31st Street, Erie, PA 16504.

CARL LEONARD and ANN GILLESPIE '95. They reside at 5408 Knollwood Drive #3, Parma, OH 44129.

JULIE BLUME and GRANT MATTHEWS '95, October 4, 1997. They reside at 2410 Shady Avenue Side Entrance, Pittsburgh, PA 15217.

SHANE McCOY and JOHANNA LEDGER '96, May 24, 1997. They reside at 742 North Chestnut Street, Apt. 5, Ravenna, OH 44266.

KELLY ROBERTS and TIMOTHY MELLE '94, August 30, 1997. They reside at 719 Vermont Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15234.

'97 JOHN McCREADY and Corrina Croston, June 13, 1997. They reside in Edinboro.

BIRTHS

'81 JULIE BERCHTOLD MOLNAR and Mike, a daughter, Marissa Ashley, August 4, 1997. Marissa joins her brothers Mychal Andrew, 5, and Mitchell Anthony, 2. They reside at 3946 West Tenth Street, Erie, PA 16505.

DONNA GRAESER ZELT and Fred, a son, Nathan Bruce. Nathan joins his sister Natalie and brothers David and Glenn. They reside at 5115 Mimosa Street, Bellaire, TX 77401.

'84 TRACY ROSGONY ZEILER and Gary, a daughter, Jillian Kate, September 29, 1997. Jillian joins her brother Matthew, 8.

'85 ELIZABETH KEPPEL COOK and JASON '85, a son, Javan Ernesto, July 7, 1996.

NANCY MILLER KLOMBERS and Dr. Lee Klombers, a son, Solomon Maxwell, December 17, 1996. They reside at 16 Hill Road, Mohnton, PA 19540.

'86 PHIL KENT and Jill, a daughter, Madison Elizabeth, February 4, 1997. They reside at 1495 Highland Road, Cutchogue, Long Island, NY 11935.

'87 MIA MOROCCO ROE and Robert, a daughter, Alexandra Anne, October 6, 1997.

BRYAN SMITH and CAROLYN DERUBETS SMITH '86, two daughters, Shelby and Shea, August 13, 1997. Shelby and Shea join their brother, Ryan, and their sister, Aleasha. They reside at 17821 Marcella Road, Cleveland, OH 44119.

'88 SHARON JOHNSON CROSS and JAMIE '89, a son, Brandon James, July 8, 1997. They reside at 1884 Riggs Road, Library, PA 15129.

LOLA MARIE SMITH DEETS and Daniel, a son, Devin Glenn Andrew. They reside at R.D. 5, Box 120D, Titusville, PA 16354.

'89 JANE CRAWFORD BOWEN and JOHN '91, a son, Thomas John, January 9, 1997. Thomas joins his brothers, Adam, 12 and Joe, 3. They reside at 300 Hunter Path Road, Hummelstown, PA 17036.

LULA PHILLIPS MALENICH and Robert, a daughter, Lindsay Marie, October 17, 1997. Lindsay joins her brother, James Mark, 9. They reside at 5515 Woods Drive, Edinboro, PA 16412.

'90 MICHAEL BORLAND and HOLLY DAVIS BORLAND, a son, Richard Guy, August 31, 1997. They reside at 766 Melbourne Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15217.

JULIE ROBISON SMITH and Steven, a son, Austin Bryant, March 29, 1997. They reside at 43871 Laburnum Square, Ashburn, VA 20147.

'91 MELINDA HEIDER HEASLEY and RICK '91, a son, Benjamin Patrick, June 20, 1997. Benjamin is the grandson of Dick Heasley '61, Chair of the Department of Sociology/Anthropology/Social Work and Pat Barber Heasley '62, a member of the EUP Council of Trustees. Rick, Melinda and Benjamin reside at 122 Sanford Place, Erie, PA 16511.

THOMAS IZYDORCZAK and Diana, a daughter, Alexandra Marie, June 16, 1997. Alexandra joins her sister Erin, 2. They reside at 511 Meadow Lane, Strykersville, NY 14145.

TIM JAY and KAREN HARTMAN JAY '89, a son, Tanner Jacob, September 9, 1997. Tanner joins his brother Connor Cage, 4. They reside at 105 Brookside Lane, Mars, PA 16046.

MARIBETH MAHONEY MISITIS and John, a son, Zachary John, September 20, 1997. They reside at 380 Old Plank Road, Butler, PA 16002.

SHEILA LACKEY PLYMIRE and Larry, a daughter, Jordyn Christine, May 22, 1997. Jordyn joins her sister, Jenna Nicole, 6. They reside at 547 Meadville Pike, Franklin, PA 16323.

DAWN FISCHER SOKOL and Dewayne, a daughter, Sydney Renee, March 21, 1997. They reside at 5976 Glade Drive, Erie, PA 16509.

KAREN "SPAG" MILLER TANTO and Dan, a son, Tyler Tamas, October 16, 1997. They reside at R.R. 4, Box 123C, Greensburg, PA 15601.

JILL SERNIK UZARSKI and Brian, a daughter, Laina Jillian, July 29, 1997. They reside at 2 Sherrard Avenue, Greenville, PA 16125.

'92 GINA CELLINE BRENNAN and Michael, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, September 18, 1997. They reside at 2619 Glendale Avenue, Erie, PA 16510.

KYLE STEWART and TRINA AMES STEWART, a daughter, Taylor Danielle, May 7, 1997. Taylor joins her sister Alexandra, 3. They reside at 3518 Bevan Drive, North Versailles, PA 15137.

'93 JODI GLOVIER GREGORY and CRAIG '92, a son, Patrick William, October 8, 1997. They reside at 1140 Church Street, Ambridge, PA 15003.

TABITHA DIETZ LONGO and Charles, a daughter, Jordanna Colleen, April 21, 1997. They reside at 10587 Pettis Road, Meadville, PA 16335.

'95 SUSAN HYNES and Charles, a son, Nathan Charles, June 5, 1997. They reside at 7063 East Lane, Eden, NY 14057.

IN MEMORIAM

- '23 Frances Fullerton, September 7, 1997
- '26 Neva Mackey, September 23, 1997
- '26 Leota Pegg, August 1997
- '26 Nella Firth White, June 1997
- '30 Lucille Wade Williams, September 3, 1997
- '32 Nora Hawley Gibbons, August 10, 1997
- '32 Merna White Sears, July 29, 1997
- '32 Susan Storkel Zollitsh, September 28, 1997
- '34 Wilbur Bauer, August 8, 1997
- '39 Frances Calvin Gates, July 5, 1997
- '43 Dorothy Bloch Williams, 1997
- '44 Phyllis Myers Thurston, May 25, 1997
- '52 Patricia Henderson Hoffman, August 7, 1997
- '54 Harry Orsag, 1997
- '55 Helen Grubbs Neuhard, July 22, 1997
- '59 Janice Ring Brown, August 17, 1997
- '64 M. Irene Barnes Stranahan, September 2, 1997
- '65 Ruth Grazia Prue Burgett, July 25, 1997
- '65 Dorothy Defoe Frank, July 12, 1997
- '71 M. Ilene McBride Nealon, August 9, 1997
- '74 Billie Westfall Lyle Kirkwood, July 2, 1997
- '79 Christine Matik, July 16, 1997
- '79 Mark Santella, 1997
- '80 W. Stephen Dunham, II, November 4, 1997
- '81 Thomas Stumpff, 1997
- '85 Raymond Hipwell, May 1997
- '85 Robin Snowden Youssef, August 23, 1997
- '87 Thomas Shirley, July 19, 1997
- '92 James Caldwell III, September 24, 1997
- '95 Kevin Calkins, 1997

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ALUMNI NEWS



New Wrestling Coach, Same Old Success

The Edinboro
University Wrestling
program will have a
little different look to it
this season, both on
the mats and on the
bench.

Four-time Olympic medalist Bruce Baumgartner has stepped into the role of Acting Athletic Director after former AD Jody Mooradian accepted another position. Baumgartner served as the Fighting Scots head coach the past eight years, leading Edinboro to some of its finest seasons ever, including last vear when the Scots posted a perfect 14-0 dual meet record -- the first time in school history the Plaid went undefeated and placed sixth as a team at the NCAA Division I National Tournament, the program's best finish in 11 years of Division I competition.

Tim Flynn, who has been Baum-gartner's assistant for five years, stepped into the role of Acting Head Coach, and inherited a team in transition.

Swimmers Hoddick and Forkin Team and Campus Leaders

By Kim Knickerbocker Spectator Sports Editor

When President Pogue began searching for students to serve as Edinboro's first group of Highland Ambassadors, he was seeking young men and women who could perform in a very public and important communications and leadership role. He wanted to assemble a group of students who could help him communicate the vision of Edinboro's student-centered, community-oriented campus. He wanted student leaders who could represent Edinboro with self-confidence and charisma, who displayed good communication skills, and displayed a genuine desire to help others strive for excellence.

That's why he chose junior swimmers Renee Forkin and Jennifer Hoddick to be part of the group.

Like most student-athletes, swimmers work very hard and make many sacrifices to achieve personal and team success. A rigorous training schedule often times includes early morning practices and meets usually don't attract a great deal of attention. The swim team doesn't practice or compete outside like the football team or the soccer team, or in an arena like the wrestlers or basketball teams. They're always behind the big gray closed doors at McComb Fieldhouse, so many students aren't even aware they exist... as swimmers, that is. But many people know they are campus leaders once they put on their red Ambassador blazers.

"Having people there supporting us at swim meets, and recognizing that we're a part of the University, helps us and motivates us," said Forkin, an Elementary/Early Childhood Education major. "And despite our busy schedules, we try to be involved on campus and support others, between classes and practices."

In addition to representing the University as Highland Ambassadors, both are members of the Future Elementary Educators, and both are members of the EUP Student Athlete Advisory Board. Hoddick, who Hoddick is a Special/Elementary Education major, also is involved in Council for Exceptional Children (CEC. Forkin is involved in the Student Pennsylvania State Educational Association (SPSEA) and Kappa Delta Pi, the National Education Honor Society.



Renee Forkin (left) and Jennifer Hoddick

Perhaps some of their motivation comes from each other. Besides being teammates, the two swimmers are roommates and very close friends. Both say much of their motivation comes from the support of their families.

"Coming up to the college level was very difficult, but I always had my friends and family to support me and push me, and let me know that I didn't have to do it if I didn't want to," says Forkin, whose family comes to cheer her on from Brentwood, Pa., her hometown near Pittsburgh. "They encouraged me to go on, and I try to make them proud."

"My mom and dad have been so supportive," says Hoddick. "They have been there through everything. There are times I wanted to give up, but knowing that they were there supporting me helped me go through with it. Knowing that they're there watching, especially at the big things like at PSAC's - seeing them there helps my mental preparation."

"It's that one extra little thing that seems so minute, but it is so important," adds Forkin. "You think after all the training, you will or will not qualify based on how you've trained, but it's really a mental game."

Hoddick also adds that someone else is a motivating factor in her life, not only with schoolwork and activities, but in her swimming career as well. "I also have to say that I've influenced myself," says the Tonawanda, N.Y., native. "You have to set your mind towards achieving a certain goal, and in order to achieve it, it all comes from within. Having parents, family, and friends there to help you achieve it makes it that much better.

"I try to stay positive, but I still try to stay focused on what I'm trying to do. I think that the team also has a big influence on my career. Without having them cheer, scream and get behind you it's harder to achieve your own personal goals.

The team goals get achieved too because each person performs to their potential. Other people feed off of it. It's one big energy thing - like if Renee does really well, I'll feed off of her positive energy and do well myself and it keeps going on and on and on."

"That's important," adds Forkin, "because where swimming is an individual sport in that you have your own individual races -- you against the clock or you against the person in the lane next to you -- it's a team sport as well. You feed off of each other. When one person has a great meet, other people tend to do well, too, just because of the enthusiasm and adrenaline."

"Just to give you an example," says Hoddick, "our freshman year when we were trying to qualify people for the PSAC meet, one person would qualify then we'd feed off of everybody else. And then another person would qualify -- three or four people qualified that meet because we were all so happy and energetic. It is a real mental game. You have to prepare yourself and you can't psych yourself out, but yet you have to have the energy from everybody else. The people on the team motivate each other. There's such a feeling of accomplishment for not only yourself, but you made your team happy too."

"It's great to have that positive energy," adds Forkin, "but there's a difference between being negative and being realistic. You have to set goals that are attainable. If you're reaching for something that you just can't achieve then you're not getting anywhere. You go one step at a time, you achieve that and you set another goal. You can't do something that's out of your limits. You have to go step by step."

Hoddick explains how new Head Coach Melanie Wirtner is helping the team examine their goals. "Our coach is having us set our own goals. We write them down and give them to her, so she's the only one besides us who will know what our personal goals are. It gives you the drive to attain your goal, but other people don't have to know if you did it or you didn't."

Both Hoddick and Forkin agree that they are very excited about the upcoming season, and the addition of their new coach.

"Melanie is bringing a lot with her, " says Hoddick excitedly. "She's got a lot of good ideas, like new techniques and a lot of drill work. The whole team is really happy with her. She really knows what she's doing, and it helps because she's just out of the program herself, so everything is still fresh in her head."

"Melanie has great ideas in store for us," adds Forkin with a smile. "She's real big on mental preparation and team bonding. She's prepared to plan activities where we can all get together and have fun, or work out in a different manner, like go outside to play a game, or even mix with another sport team. That way, we still get physical activity in, but we're doing something to break the monotony of constantly swimming back and forth in circles. She did bring a lot with her."

"I think we're going to have a really good season and do a lot better this year than people expect us to," said Hoddick. "We might not be the fastest team, but our team is one big happy family. We do stuff together and support each other. We're one united team, not just the 'girls' team and the 'guys' team. The guys are real supportive of the girls and protective of us too, which is nice."

Both feel that this unity will help the team have a successful season. "We all have to work together," said Hoddick. "We all have a lot of potential."

"We have a lot to achieve together," said Forkin. "Swimming is an individual and team sport, so you set both kind of goals. The team goals can't be achieved without everyone reaching their individual goals. We need to focus on what's important NOW, and not insignificant factors. We need to be consistent, positive, and supportive to everybody."

"We definitely need to be supportive," says Hoddick. "We need to be behind each other 100 percent, and stay focused on short-term goals in order to achieve our long-term goals. "The body achieves what the mind believes."

With Forkin and Hoddick motivating and supporting their teammates and each other, success in the pool is inevitable. And with these two young ladies representing Edinboro University as Highland Ambassadors, newcomers to campus will certainly feel positive about the direction Edinboro is heading.

Volleyball Team Wins PSAC Title, Hosts NCAA Regional

The Edinboro University of Pennsylvania Volleyball team won the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championship Nov. 15, posting a 3-1 victory over Lock Haven to win the league title for the second time in four years under head coach Lynn Theehs.

New Coaches Join Staff

Edinboro recently added Melanie Wirtner to the position of head men's and women's swimming coach and Pam Artman to the position of assistant women's basketball coach.

A native of Bethel Park, Pa., Wirtner comes to Edinboro after serving as a graduate assistant at the University of Nebraska for two years. She enjoyed an outstanding swimming career with the Lady Huskers, earning All-American honors her senior season in the 200 butterfly. Wirtner was chosen Nebraska's Most Outstanding Student-Athlete in 1991, and also was recognized as an Academic Big 8 recipient.

Artman, also a native of the Pittsburgh area (Brentwood), established herself as one of the premier players in the history of the Edinboro women's basketball program. While she has never coached before, her skills and gritty play during her career at Edinboro from 1992-95 personified the true team player. She ranks 12th on the Scots alltime list and set the all-time record for career assists (500) and steals (304).

Anyone interested in the latest events and results of Fighting Scot athletics now has two options available to them. First, information is available on the World Wide Web at http://

www.edinboro.edu.

This improved site, now in its second year, gives you the opportunity to view schedules, outlooks, game recaps, and other information. You can also access the PSAC Fax-on-Demand system at 770-399-3066 from the handset of any fax machine. The PSAC pass code is 7722.

If you are short on time, call the new Fighting Scot hotline (814-732-2776, ext. 313). This new addition will give you updated results of Fighting Scot athletics.

For more information or to make suggestions, e-mail Shawn Ahearn at sahearn@edinboro.edu.

The Fighting Scots have either won the PSAC tournament, or finished as the league runner-up, every year since 1988, a span of 10 consecutive seasons.

The Scots advanced to the NCAA Division II national tournament, and was selected to host the four-team Atlantic Regional Nov. 21-22.

Edinboro entered the NCAA tournament with a 25-11 overall mark and the Scots took a 10-match winning streak into NCAA post-season play. Edinboro is competing in the NCAA Tournament for the fourth time overall, and the third time in head coach Lynn Theehs' four seasons at Edinboro. The Scots have advanced to the NCAA Division II Elite Eight in two of the past three seasons (1996, 1994).

"We are really excited to be hosting the Regional," said Edinboro head coach Lynn Theehs. "Our team has worked very hard all year to have the chance to play in the NCAA tournament, and hopefully we can take advantage of the opportunity to play at home. Our goal from day one was to win the PSAC and get back to the Elite Eight. We accomplished the first last weekend, now hopefully we can pull together and achieve another milestone."

Cross Country Teams Dominate NCAA Regional, On to Nationals

The Fighting Scot Men's and Women's Cross Country teams both qualified for the NCAA Division II National Championships after their performances in the East Regional Championships Nov. 8 at Long Island, N.Y.

The men's team won the competition for their sixth straight title, and 12th crown in the past 13 years, placing six runners among the top 11 finishers. Edinboro's 26 team points easily defeated runner-up Shippensburg, who was next with 75 points.

The Boro women finished the meet as the runner-up, only one point behind Shippensburg (40-41), but the Scots still advanced to nationals for the seventh time in the past nine years. Both Edinboro squads will now compete at the NCAA Division II national championship. Head coach Doug Watts will be taking the men's team to their 19th consecutive national meet. Watts has guided the Boro to six national titles (four NCAA-II, two NAIA) and five runner-up finishes.

Senior Travis Kuhl won the 10,000-meter men's race and was named the Most Valuable

Runner in the East Region for the second consecutive season. Scott Kovacevic finished fourth, Steve Owens placed sixth, and Jon Newlin and Daryl Myer rounded out the Scot scorers in seventh and eighth place.

How dominant were the Boro men? If you combined the lowest scores from the top finishers among the 40 other teams, Edinboro still would have won the meet 26-29! The Scots sixth place finisher, Jeff Barker placed 11th overall to earn All-Region honors; his score was not used. Edinboro would have most likely won the women's meet if freshman sensation Lisa Petsche hadn't fallen down a hillside about a mile and one-half into the race. Petsche, who finished just one second behind Edinboro's Amy Perry at the PSAC championships, recovered to place 13th overall. Perry won her second straight individual regional title, an astonishing 37 seconds in front of the rest of the competition to earn Most Valuable Runner for the second season in a row. Other Scot finishers included Sandra Sweet, who finished fifth, Carrie McKeon, who placed seventh, Petsche, and Jeannette Sabol, who finished in 15th.

O'Day Wins Championship with Toronto Argonauts

Former Edinboro football standout Jeremy O'Day, a three-time All-American for the Scots, was a member of the Toronto Argonauts team that recently won the Canadian Football League's Grey Cup with a 43-27 victory over the Saskatchewan Rough Riders in a game broadcast live on ESPN.

The offensive lineman from Lockport, NY, enjoyed a stellar rookie season. An agile 6-3, 295 pounds, O'Day started several games at guard for the Argos and also saw action at tight end.

O'Day became the first player in Edinboro history to earn All-American honors three times. He is hoping his success in the CFL will give him a chance to play in the National Football League.

"Of course I would like to play in the NFL," said O'Day. "But playing up here (in Canada) has been a great experience. Toronto does everything first-class, from the facility (the SkyDome) to the way they treat players."

O'Day is one of two former Edinboro football players in the CFL as defensive tackle Jeff Traversy played for the Calgary Stampede.



Alumni Events

February 2

Distinguished Alumni Award nominations due

February 4

Alumni reception and Leon Bates Concert (see page 12 for details)

February 21

Alumni Board meeting

Week of February 23

International Academic Festival on campus

March 19-29

Spring Recess

April 25

Alumni Board meeting Athletic Hall of Fame awards dinner

May 9

Senior Family brunch and commencement

June 12-14

Reunion Weekend



Campus Events

January 29-February 1

Edinboro University Snowfest

- ✓ Snow Scupture contest
- ✓ Cross country ski lessons
- ✓ Snow Follies dinner theater
- ✓ Snowfest Snow Ball
- ✓ Snow Box Derby
- ✓ Snowfest University Ski Night at Mountainview

April 13

Easter Monday (no classes)

April 19

Celebration of Excellence

April 30

Spring Convocation and Employee Service Recognition

May 8

Last day of classes/Senior Celebration and Torch Night

May 9

Commencement

May 14-16

Edinboro Highland Games

Women's Basketball

Season in progres	S
Jan. 2-3at	Cal State-Stanislaus
Jan. 7	SLIPPERY ROCK
Jan. 10	at Lock Haven
Jan. 14	at Indiana
Jan. 17	at Shippensburg
Jan. 24	CALIFORNIA
Jan. 28	CLARION
Jan. 31	LOCK HAVEN
Feb. 4	at Slippery Rock
Feb. 7	SHIPPENSBURG
Feb. 11	INDIANA
Feb. 18	at Clarion
Feb. 21	at California
Feb. 24	PSAC

Men's Basketball

Season in progress
January 3ROBERT WESLEYAN
January 7SLIPPERY ROCK
January 10at Lock Haven
January 14at Indiana
January 17at Shippensburg
January 19D'YOUVILLE
January 21CENTRAL STATE
January 24CALIFORNIA
January 26at Mercyhurst
January 28CLARION
January 31LOCK HAVEN
February 2at Gannon
February 4at Slippery Rock
February 7SHIPPENSBURG
February 11INDIANIA
February 15PITT-JOHNSTOWN
February 18at Clarion
February 21at California

Wrestling

Season in progress	
Jan. 9-10	at Virginia Duals
Jan. 17	OHIO UNIV. and
I	BUFFALO UNIV.
Jan. 18	at Lock Haven
Jan. 24	OHIO STATE
Jan. 25	BLOOMSBURG
Jan. 30-31	PSAC
Feb. 6	at Clarion
Feb. 14El	DINBORO OPEN
Feb. 20	at Pitt
Feb. 22	W. VA. UNIV.
Feb. 25	at Cleveland State
Mar. 6-7	EWL CHAMP.
Mar. 19-21No	CAA Div. I Nat'ls

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