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Tricia Lee Pascoe ('88 and '91) and friends (clockwise) – Kevin Costner, Phillip Rhys, Sylvester Stallone, and Jack Scalia.

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Not long ago I was reading an article in the *Erie Sunday Times-News* titled, "From Perry Square to Hollywood Squares: Erie has been a bright spot for many on their way to stardom," about the connection so many past and current actors and actresses have with the greater Erie area. Reading it made me almost think that the word "Edinboro" could have been substituted for Erie, since so many connections were made about some of the newer and older big names whose backgrounds included or began at Edinboro University.

Tricia Lee Pascoe '88, who is the subject of this issue's cover story, was mentioned for her several film roles, as was three-time Academy Award-winning animator Chuck Jones, who received an honorary Edinboro doctorate in 1991. Cited also was screen star and Edinboro alumnus Dan Snow '73, who recently returned to the campus to present his one-man show on the life of W.E.B. DuBois, "Beyond the Veil," as part of our celebration of African-American History Month.

Receiving numerous mentions was, of course, actress Sharon Stone, who, while technically not an alumna, attended Edinboro during the 1970s before leaving northwestern Pennsylvania for Hollywood via New York City to begin her climb to superstar status.

Reading about these successful Edinboro graduates brought to mind some of my earliest impressions of the body of graduates – now more than 36,000 strong – who proudly call themselves Edinboro alumni. Their stories of success and achievement in careers and communities are bringing individual and collective distinction to themselves and to this University . . . and not just in the visual arts, but in business, industry, government, finance, sports, fine arts, communication, the sciences, the professions, and in many other public and private sector endeavors.

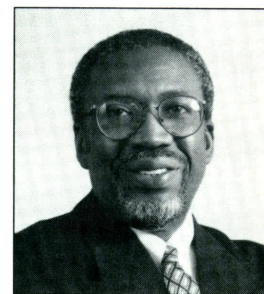
Congratulations to all of you for bringing pride to your alma mater and the Edinboro Family.

Frank G. Pogue, President
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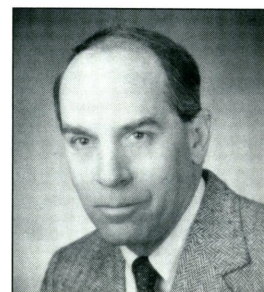
As a member of the Edinboro University Alumni Association Board of Directors, I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to meet many of the school's wonderful alumni. I am constantly impressed with not only how successful so many of these individuals have become, but also how well they present themselves to the world. Each June at the annual business luncheon held in conjunction with Reunion Weekend, we honor a number of our very own distinguished alumni. They come from all walks of life and are always highly regarded by our own Edinboro Family, as well as by society in general. While it is great that we can recognize these individuals in this manner, we must, at the same time, recognize that so many of our alumni distinguish themselves every day in that particular portion of society in which they exist. A good example of such an individual is Edinboro alumna Tricia Lee Pascoe, a young actress in California, featured in this issue. As the article indicates, Tricia Lee is a fast rising star, who is proud of her experiences at Edinboro. She enjoys telling how her years at the 'Boro played an integral part in her career.

I firmly believe there are many stories, like Tricia Lee's, which simply have not yet been brought to our attention. While most may not be as glamorous as hers, they certainly deserve to be recognized and remembered. These individuals exist in education, the fine arts, social work, business, finance, industry, and an array of other fields. Generally, they go about their lives and careers quietly, all the while making a very positive mark on society. Maybe we don't have a corner on the market of nationally or internationally recognized alumni, but we certainly can be proud of our own as we hold a backseat to no other institution in this regard.

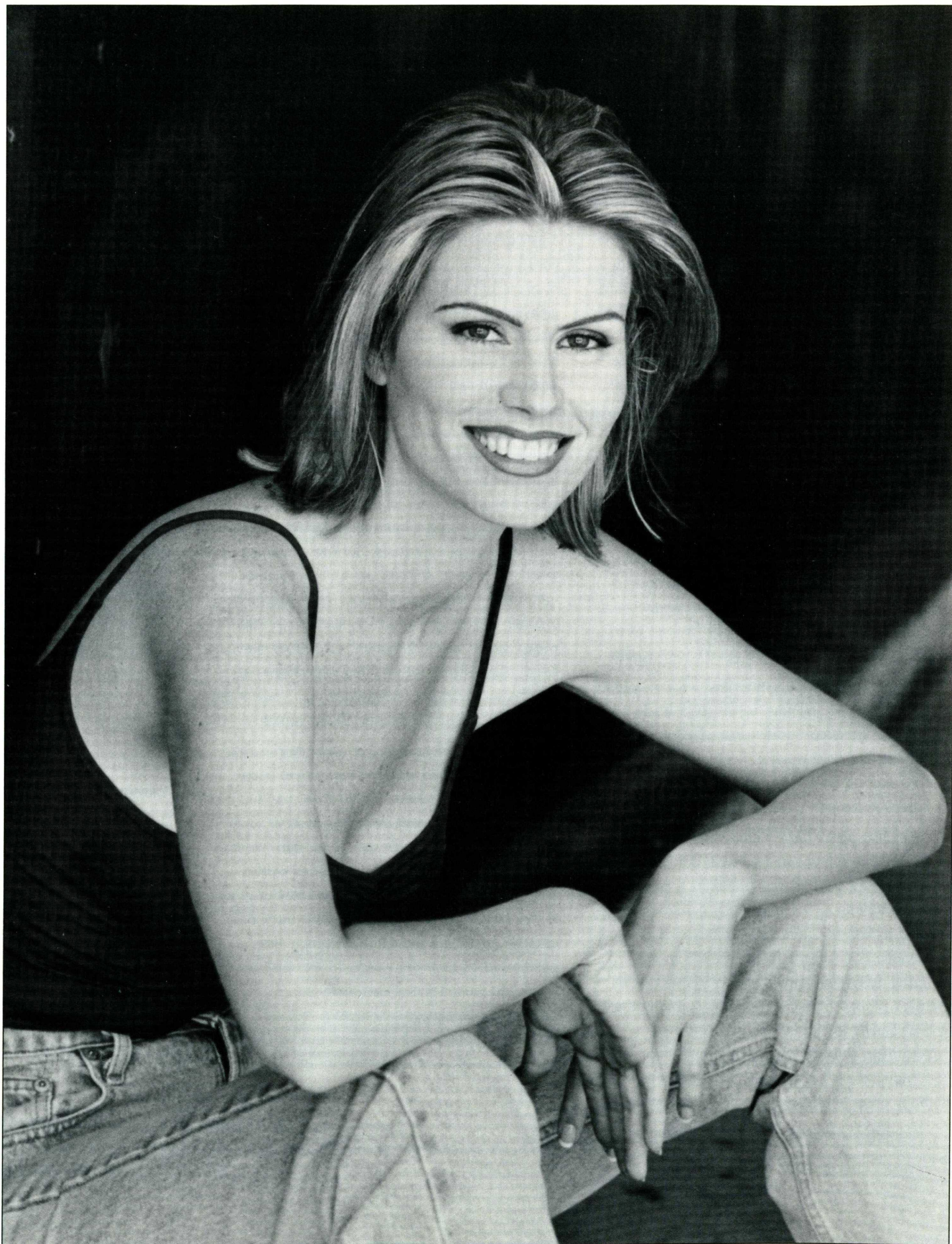
Daniel Higham '70, President
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From the time Tricia Lee Pascoe was a young girl in West Mifflin, Pa., she knew she wanted to be a performer. Today, the two-time graduate of Edinboro University is making her dream come true as an actress and model in Hollywood. Pascoe may not be a household name just yet – even though you may have seen her face on dozens of print ads or an occasional guest TV spot – but through her hard work and multiple talents, true stardom may be just one break away.

To her friends, Pascoe is called Tricia Lee or TL - seldom just Tricia. She grew up in the house on Millport Road in West Mifflin where her parents and sister Jill still live and her father, Dr. George "Pat" Pascoe, has his dental office.

"My modeling career started when I was very young," recalled Pascoe. "I remember my mom driving me to all sorts of auditions. I did newspaper ads for department stores like Kaufmann's and Gimbel's, and I did runway modeling for Saks Fifth Avenue for a couple of years. I even took days off from high school to model during my junior and senior years."

While modeling has proved to be invaluable for her career, acting is where her heart and her ambition lie. She was involved in every musical in high school and attended the Pittsburgh Playhouse one summer before college.

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When it came time to choose a college, Pascoe liked Edinboro for its art department and location away from the city, realizing that her career would likely have her living in a major metropolitan area all of her life.

A RISING STAR IN HOLLYWOOD

At Edinboro, her many artistic and performing talents blossomed. She studied voice under professor Robert Waterstripe and joined the Scotsingers. For two-and-a-half years she majored in painting, but being stubborn and wanting to paint differently than instructed, she changed majors again, and ended up with a degree in photography in 1988.

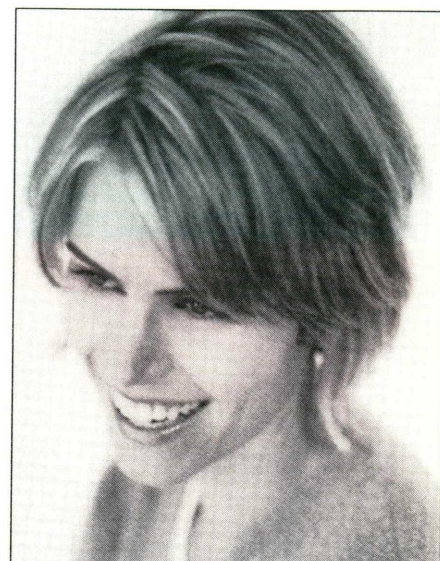
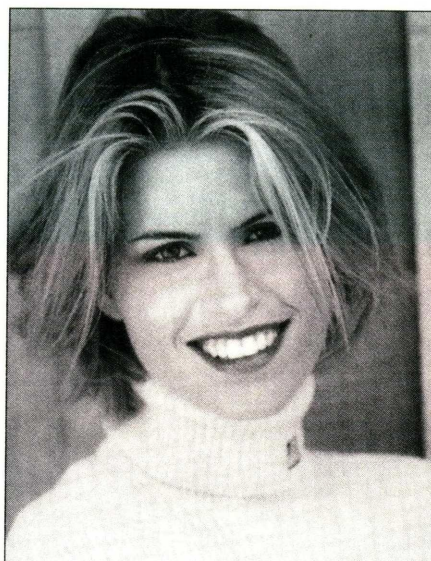
Both skills opened doors for her at her first job. At WJET-TV in Erie she worked as a camera operator, promotion manager's assistant, field photographer and editor, and then courtroom sketch artist for the last two years. In the courtroom she was often paired with WJET-TV reporter and Edinboro graduate Janice Edwards. They became friends and traveled together to England for the Edinboro Oxford program as graduate students in Edinboro's communications program.

"Not only is Tricia Lee attractive on the outside," said Edwards, "she is also a very exuberant, ambitious and talented person who will no doubt be a star someday."

Her exposure to the legal system while a courtroom artist inspired her to consider law as a profession. But one of those simple twists of fate put Pascoe on her current career path.

"After earning my master's degree at Edinboro in 1991, I visited Florida for a three-month vacation that lasted four years. I

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was actually signed up to take the law school aptitude test in Florida, but the day of the exam I was offered to star in the lead of a musical on South Beach. So I put off more education and went for my dreams."

She continued to model to support herself between roles and pay for acting classes. For one year in Boca Raton she co-hosted with "Laverne and Shirley" star Cindy Williams a magazine format show called "Parenting in the 90s." During a stint in Miami she co-starred on a handful of TV shows and appeared in a couple of forgettable films.

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With four years of experience, membership in the Stage Actors Guild, and a portfolio that included her TV and film work, Pascoe left Florida in 1995 for the bright lights of Hollywood. Since then, she has landed roles in such TV shows as "L.A. Heat," "Nightman," "Soldier of Fortune," "Night Stand," "Pointman," and "Silk Stalkings." In the latter she starred in the episode called "Private Dancer."

Pascoe said they wanted to bring in a professional dancer to do the dance scene. "I hate having stand-ins for me," said Pascoe. "I told the director to watch how the stand-in dances, then watch how I dance."

Pascoe knew she could dance with "funk." The director took one look at Pascoe's performance and sent the stand-in home.

Her film credits so far include "Captured," "Mutual Needs," the Sean Connery/Nicholas Cage thriller "The Rock," an Italian film "Tanto Quanto," and the soon-to-be-released "Chick Flick."

Although her roles in films have been modest, her career has already had its share of highlights. "Every time a hundred people are waiting on your next move after the director yells 'action' - nothing can replace that adrenaline, excitement and nervous energy, or walking back to my first trailer on the set of 'Tanto Quanto' and seeing my name on the door. My trailer was the size of a bathroom, but I didn't care," she said.

One person who is not surprised by Pascoe's success is Emily Sinsabaugh, executive assistant to the president at Edinboro University, who met Pascoe when they were classmates at Edinboro.

"Tricia has always had a star quality about her," recalled Sinsabaugh. "At the same

time, she is probably one of the kindest and most fun-loving people I know. She has it all – talent, good looks, intellect and a big heart."

What is a typical day like in the life of a rising star?

"No day is typical," explained Pascoe. "You never know your schedule. Between your theatrical agent, commercial agent, print agent or manager, somebody always calls to put a wrench in your schedule. You're always picking up head shots or dropping off resumes, or having demo tapes delivered, or going to meetings or auditions. You schedule time for the gym, yoga and chiropractor and then you reschedule. Bookings are great because on those days you're not in charge of your schedule. Someone else gets to deal with it."

A normal week will find Pascoe at the movies or studying plays on Monday night, acting class on Tuesday night, horse riding on Wednesday night, and practicing yoga on Thursday. Her acting coach is the highly respected Harry Mastrogeorge, whom she credits for inspiring her, as well as guiding her training.

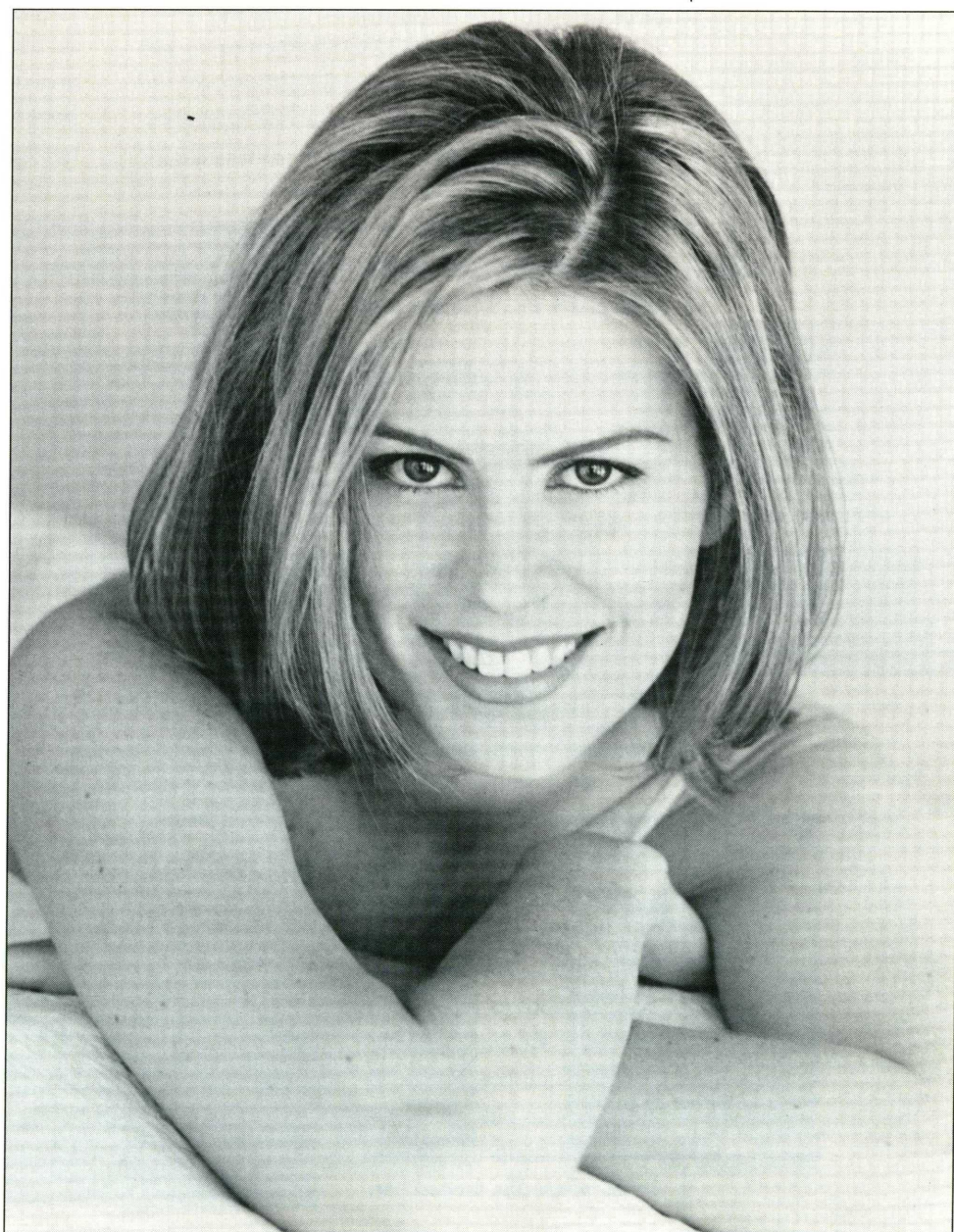
All of this work is for a reason. Her professional goal is to be a solid, working actor, whose work is looked upon with respect. The actors whose work she admires include Jessica Lange, Katherine Hepburn, Jodie Foster, Meryl Streep, Anthony Hopkins and John Malcovich.

"Awards are wonderful," said Pascoe, "but actors know when they have done their best work. I desire to play roles I admire and that challenge me."

Pascoe has personal goals as well. Her top priority is to move her parents to the west coast, either to

southern California or the Phoenix area. "I'm grateful every day for the most generous and loving parents." Her goal for herself is simply "to be in love and have a wonderful life with horses and dogs."

Even though she has dated such Hollywood stars as Kevin Costner and Jeff Goldblum, as well as Stallone, she hasn't found Mr. Right yet. But if just a small part of her dream for her career carries over to her personal side, it won't be long before Tricia Lee can say, "It's a Wonderful Life."





by Emily Wolinsky, Edinboro Senior

COOKING UP BLOCKBUSTER HITS

She compares being a film producer to being a chef. You find good ingredients for the big meal or film such as a script, director and actors. Then, once the ingredients are mixed together and start brewing, they need to be watched over and nurtured till the meal (or film) is finished.

Jacqueline George believes that you will be drawn to whatever you are supposed to do in life.

Whether it is luck, the people you know, or your bachelor's degree in English from Edinboro University, the direction that everyone needs at some point will come, probably when it is least expected.

Jacqueline George graduated from Edinboro University in 1972. She took some time to try to find her niche. In no particular order, she lived in Colorado, taught high school English, took a few classes in literature at Boston University, and finally ended up in Los Angeles bartending before she found her calling. Her calling being a successful Hollywood film producer. This is how she was called.

One morning, before her producing days, George "woke up and had an epiphany." She had realized, like most people with a four-year degree, that she did not want to work as a hotel bartender for the rest of her life. She quit her job. Later that week an old friend who had often stopped at the hotel where she tended bar,

gave her a call to inquire about her disappearance. She told him why, and he responded by offering her a job as his assistant. The man who George had innocently befriended was film producer Peter MacGregor-Scott, and he soon became her mentor and the charm that sent her on a 15-year path to success.

The friendship between Jackie George and Peter MacGregor-Scott led the Edinboro graduate to many other good contacts and opportunities to climb the ladder of the movie business. Her first producing credit was as associate producer for the Warner Bros. production of *Out for Justice* starring Steven Seagal.

In 1991, she joined Silver Pictures as vice president of production where her duties included supervision of all physical production in television and motion pictures of the company.



While at Silver, she co-produced *Richie Rich* starring Macauley Culkin, and *Demolition Man*, the box office hit starring Sylvester Stallone and Wesley Snipes. She was the production executive for the Madonna segment of the MTV 10th Anniversary Special and for three years on HBO's hit series "Tales From The Crypt." *Batman & Robin* with George Clooney, Chris O'Donnell, and Arnold Schwarzenegger was just one more of the many movies George can credit herself with helping to produce.

For 15 years, George has accomplished so much. She has even started her own production company. Curious George Productions has been a main focus for this producer for the past four years. Her idea was to find scripts – big and small and the people that she wanted to surround herself with to make great movies.

George produced a short film called *A Room Without Doors* last July, and it was accepted for competition in the New York Film festival, the LA Black Film Festival, and Showtime. While producing her own project, she produced a second unit on *Eye of the Beholder*, starring Ewan McGregor and Ashley Judd.

Curious George Productions is in line to complete many other projects in the near future. George is currently in pre-production on "Yelling to the Sky" written by Victoria Mahoney, who will also direct. This urban drama will star Don Cheadle, Rosanna Arquette, Djimon Hounsou, and Alfre Woodard. She is also developing "The Spencer Haywood Story" based on the life of the great basketball player who fought the Supreme Court to win the rights for the Hardship Case Ruling, enabling players to compete in the NBA prior to college graduation.

George is an active member of the Directors Guild of America, the Producers Guild, American Film Institute, and Women in Film.

While running her own production company, Jackie George enjoys hiking through a park near her home with her dog, gardening, collecting and reading old books, and cooking meals for her friends.

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once the ingredients are mixed together and start brewing, they need to be watched over and nurtured till the meal (or film) is finished.

George's interests reflect her easy-going, good natured personality, and complement another side to her busy lifestyle of phone calls, screenings and meetings.

When it's time for a holiday or just a break from Los Angeles, George enjoys coming home to Erie where she appreciates the simplicity of a life away from the entertainment world . . . where she can be "just a daughter or a sister" instead of a producer. She considers Erie "a wonderful, safe city, and a great place to raise kids." Just recently, while she was home, she visited the Edinboro Dinor with a friend from her college days. George said that she enjoyed the fact that Edinboro was a smaller university with a friendly atmosphere.

Jackie George values her education and the fact that she was raised in this area, but knows that even with the roots of her younger days behind her, her personality and lifestyle belong in California where her company, friends, and garden await.

Jackie George's screen credits include "Batman & Robin" which starred Arnold Schwarzenegger (left), George Clooney and Elle MacPherson, and Chris O'Donnell.

Among her other credits are "Out for Justice" starring Steven Seagal (bottom left) and "Richie Rich" with Macauley Culkin.





by Brian K. Pitzer

LEADING AN INTERNATIONAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY

McNeil received word at 6:30 a.m. on Monday, April 5, that one of his company's older buildings had been partially destroyed by fire. One day later he received a letter from the U.S. Small Business Administration informing him that he had won the 1999 Phoenix Award for Outstanding Business Disaster Recovery. The disaster, of course, was not the previous day's fire, but the flood that almost ended the business. Vice President Al Gore is slated to present the awards on May 25 in Washington, D.C.

It has been more than 20 years since Dalph S. McNeil left his position as assistant dean of admissions at Edinboro University to take the reins of Brookville Locomotive as a partner with his brother. Since then, McNeil has turned the nearly bankrupt company into a multi-million dollar operation with a new, state-of-the-art factory.

McNeil is president of Brookville Mining Equipment Corporation (BMEC) - one of the world's leading producers of underground mining and tunneling construction equipment and railroad switching locomotives. The company celebrated its 80th anniversary in 1998 with the grand opening of a multi-million dollar plant located on 15.5 acres outside of Brookville.

In September, McNeil joined a high-level Pennsylvania trade mission to South Africa for the Electra Mining Africa 98 trade show. He was part of a delegation that included Secretary of Community and Economic Development Sam McCullough, Secretary of Labor and Industry Johnny Butler, and Secretary of Agriculture Samuel E. Hayes, Jr. McNeil returned with a half-million dollar order from a South African coal mine. BMEC now has an eight-month production backlog. Last year the company had \$10.5 million in sales; this year it expects to top \$15 million.

With the company's current success, it is hard to imagine how close BMEC came to going out of business just two decades ago.

In 1977, McNeil was serving as Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's assistant dean of admissions when he got a call from his brother, John, who owned Pennsylvania Separator Corporation and had recently purchased the small locomotive company, Brookville Locomotive. The company was in shambles, driven to the brink of financial ruin by its former owner. In the previous year, the company had sold only one piece of equipment. McNeil's brother challenged Dalph to enter the business world by becoming vice president for both businesses. Dalph accepted the challenge. Later, in 1988, he purchased his brother's stock and became sole owner of Brookville Locomotive. In 1990, the corporation changed its name to Brookville Mining Equipment Corporation to reflect its diversification from rail to rubber-tired tractors and jeeps.

At the time McNeil joined the company, Brookville Locomotive was producing only one product, chain-drive locomotives that ranged from 2 ton to 16 ton. "Times were changing," said McNeil. "Clients wanted four-wheel-drive rubber-tired tractors. We had to find the right markets." Early on, McNeil made the crucial decision to concentrate on two markets - coal and precious metals mines.

One of his first acts was to hire engineer Larry Conrad, who is now the company's director



A 250-ton diesel electric locomotive rests on the turntable at Brookville Mining Equipment Corporation's new facility.

of operations. In 1981, BMEC began manufacturing a series of locomotives, personnel carriers and maintenance jeeps for the mining industry. Rubber-tired personnel carriers and four-wheel drive haulage tractors, as well as tunneling and industrial locomotives soon joined these vehicles. The company also began to remanufacture old mining and railroad equipment. "It was important for us to establish a reputation," explained McNeil.

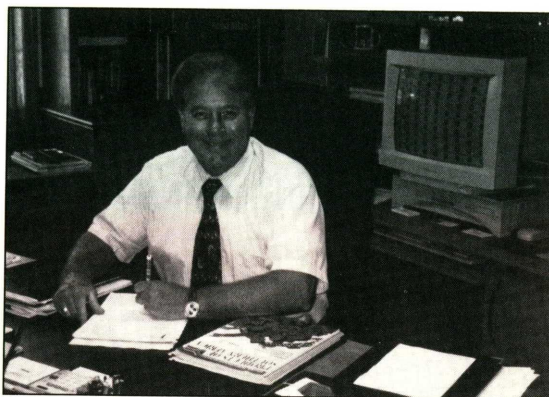
One of the most important new products the company introduced was a 55-ton diesel hydraulic locomotive for industrial switching. That was followed by the BM-8 diesel hydraulic series of locomotives, which now range from 45 tons to 120 tons. Next on the drawing boards are a series of diesel electric, DC, and eventually AC drive locomotives ranging from 85 to 150 tons with up to 2000 horsepower. These industrial switcher locomotives fill a void created more than 30 years ago when General Electric and EMD stopped making this size of switcher locomotives in the mid 1960s. Until now, no other company made industrial switchers from the ground up.

McNeil credits the company's success to its employees who develop at least four new products every year. "We have a great workforce," he explained. "They are hard working, dedicated to perfection and willingly accept new challenges. I feel like a football coach rooting our team on. I try to hire the very best engineers, challenge them to develop designated new products, encourage them to make decisions, then get out of their way."

The new, heavier equipment lines underscored the need for better facilities. The company was housed in an old foundry with an attached, open-air steel yard in downtown Brookville. McNeil installed bridge cranes and enclosed the steel yard to create more space. The old facility was 25,000 sq. ft.

Even with the expansion, there still wasn't enough room to assemble railroad locomotives efficiently. But an act of nature changed that almost overnight. The transformation of the company began July 17, 1996 when the worst flood in Brookville's history left the low-lying factory under 10 feet of water.

The flood could have been disastrous for BMEC, but McNeil saw the flood as an



Dalph McNeil, '69

opportunity rather than an obstacle. Instead of simply rebuilding on its old location, he boldly staked the company's future on a new site just outside of town. "The time was right for us," explained McNeil. "Mother Nature gave us the reason."

The land was adjacent to the Pittsburg & Shawmut Railroad. The company would be able to build its railroad locomotives, check them out on a test track alongside their new facility and ship them directly by rail. The new, 72,000 square-foot plant was designed in-house by BMEC engineers. McNeil credits his "very creative" employees with the factory design. Construction began October 15, 1997 and the open house for the new facility was held July 17, 1998.

The new facility triples BMEC's warehouse space, and features seven bridge cranes with 60-ton capacities, a railroad turntable for switching locomotives, and a separate final finish building that has the capacity of painting mainline locomotives.

McNeil was born in Erie and came to Edinboro University in 1964. With time off for a stint in the Army Reserves, McNeil graduated in May of 1969. He immediately went to work in the admissions office under Hal Umbarger. He earned a master's degree from Gannon University and was working on his Ph.D. dissertation at the University of Pittsburgh while becoming assistant dean of admissions for Edinboro when he got the calling to work in the private sector.

McNeil is married to the former Nancy Marquis, and they have three children: Brent, a junior at Clarion High School; Joel, an eighth grader; and Shaina, a third grader. They reside in Clarion.



by Brian K. Pitzer

PROFS USE INTERNET FOR LITERARY AGENT INVESTIGATION

A typical scheme goes like this: An aspiring author writes a book and begins looking for an agent to help get the book published. Many dubious agents advertise in writers' magazines. The writer will choose one or more agencies in the magazine and send in a manuscript, not knowing anything about the legitimacy of the agency.

This is a tale of two webs. One is a web of lies and deceit woven solely for the purpose of ensnaring unsuspecting aspiring writers and then sucking them dry of their savings, their pensions, and perhaps most cruelly, their dreams. It is spun by predatory literary agents, many of whom are connected by hidden strands to vanity publishers and unscrupulous book doctors.

The other web is the Internet. It is the cyberspace tool used by scam victims to unite and fight back - an electronic town hall where its citizens are rallying against literary impostors. The Internet is also used by two Edinboro University professors to document and - unexpectedly - become part of exposing the deceit itself.

Jim Fisher is a professor of criminal justice at Edinboro who has already made a name for himself as the author of *The Lindbergh Case*, the definitive book on the kidnapping and murder of the son of famed aviator Charles Lindbergh. The former FBI agent began his investigation in November of 1997 when a friend nearly became a victim of a Pittsburgh-based literary agent.

Working alongside Fisher is Edinboro sociology professor E. Ernest Wood, who specializes in the study of crime and con artists. Wood maintains the rapidly-growing case file for Fisher and handles the many e-mail messages the two investigators receive daily.

Early on, Wood realized the Internet would play a big role in their work. "When you tick off a writer they will write," said Wood. "With the Internet, victims can coalesce and fight back."

Fisher calls them the "cyber posse." He said the bad guys can run but they can't hide from the Internet.

Much of the correspondence among writers takes place in newsgroups - thousands of electronic bulletin boards covering the whole spectrum of human experience. Wood sorts through these newsgroups using a computer service called Deja News to find complaints from aspiring writers who have been victims of literary agents.

"We use the complaints as leads to find people who have lost money to these agents," said Wood. "Some losses were as much as \$15,000."

As they pore over the stories of hundreds of writers, the methods used by literary confidence artists become clear. A typical scheme goes like this: An aspiring author writes a book and begins looking for an agent to help get the book published. Many dubious agents advertise in writers' magazines. The writer will choose one or more agencies in the magazine and send in a manuscript, not knowing anything about the legitimacy of the agency. The agency will reply with a letter praising the book but suggesting the manuscript needs a little professional editing. They offer to refer the manuscript to an editor - also known as a book doctor - for a fee. The agency, of course, gets a kickback from the editor. Other agencies may charge for expenses or a "reading fee" or a "consulting fee." Some agencies have their own publishing companies which promise to print the book and distribute them to booksellers. The writer, however, may have to pay thousands of dollars for this service with no guarantee of selling a single book.

All of this is in contrast to the work of legitimate agents who make their money through royalties earned from selling their clients' books to publishers - not by charging their clients. The result of their detective work will be a new book written by Fisher called *Ten Percent of Nothing: Literary Hoop Dreams and the Masters of Deceit*. The book focuses on three agents who

have made millions of dollars off aspiring writers over the past ten years, even though they have sold only a handful of manuscripts to royalty-paying publishers.

"Real agents do not sell themselves to unpublished writers," Fisher advised. "Real agents have nothing to sell. Agents who live off writer-paid fees do."

In the process of his investigation Fisher has become somewhat of an expert on what he calls "the genteel racket." Although he has been on the case for less than a year, his advice has already been sought out by criminal investigators including Kentucky's attorney general's office. As a way of helping authors spot unethical agents, Fisher came up with what has become known in literary circles as the "Fisher Scale." It's a list of 12 warning flags that every aspiring writer should be aware of when looking for an agent. The scale assigns "Literary Agent Point Scores" to each warning flag. The higher the points, the more caution a writer should use when dealing with those agents.

He also created "The Fisher 200," a checklist of literary agencies which use one or more of the questionable practices. He warns: "Among the least desirable literary agencies are the outfits that encourage clients to sign subsidy publishing contracts with so-called joint venture publishers. Agents touting these deals tell clients that this is the new wave in publishing. Unpublished authors, by contributing thousands of dollars toward the production of their books, now have the opportunity to invest in their own success. Other co-publishing arrangements require the writer to purchase a large number of his or her books. In the end these deals turn hopeful writers into victims. The only people who profit from these deals are the vanity publishers and the manuscript-providing agents who receive 'finder's fees' or kickbacks for their efforts. In the 1990s two major joint-venture houses went out of business leaving thousands of writer contributors holding the bag. Both publishers are under investigation for fraud and related crimes. Although victimized writers angrily denounce these publishers as crooks, they don't seem to hold their agents, most of whom are fee-chargers who aggressively seek clients, responsible."

The 30-page booklet is available free by writing to Fisher at Edinboro University's department of political science and criminal justice.

The Fisher Scale:

If the literary agency you are considering:

1. Is not located in New York City, Chicago or Los Angeles (1)
2. Has a post office box for an address (1)
3. Advertises in Writer's Magazines for clients (1)
4. Charges reading or evaluation fees (2)
5. Treats its recent sales (and client) list as confidential (2)
6. Solicits manuscripts by direct mail (3)
7. Asks for marketing, contract, representation, handling, processing, retainer, or circulation fees on a one-time, hourly or annual basis (3)
8. Is not a member of the Association of Author's Representatives (3)
9. Lists, as recent sales, books published by companies that require authors to pay part or all of the publishing costs to buy a large number of their own books (4)
10. Offers in-house line editing services for a fee (4)
11. Refers rejected manuscripts to free-lance book doctors, or (4)
12. Owns or has a financial interest in a subsidy publishing company, (5)

Then, using this scale, if the literary agency point scores adds up to:

- 1-2 = Be careful
- 3-4 = Be suspicious
- 5-7 = Proceed at your own risk
- 8 and up = Avoid

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A LETTER TO ALUMNI

There are approximately 4,000 colleges and universities across the United States offering hundreds of different programs of study. The choices are overwhelming, especially for an 18-year-old high school senior who is attempting to not only choose a college, but a major as well! Perhaps you can remember your own experiences attempting to make these life-defining decisions.

Whatever the particular reason was for you, a conscious decision was made to enroll at Edinboro University. I hope you have benefited from that decision. I also hope that you will now assist our alma mater to help others make the same choice we did.

We are currently seeking bright, enthusiastic men and women who are anxious to pursue their educational and career goals at a quality institution of higher education, just like you did. We need your assistance in identifying those individuals and beginning the familiarization process with Edinboro. It is our hope that you can identify prospective students who would benefit from learning more about Edinboro: relatives, neighbors, or colleagues at work. Perhaps through your introduction we can host the prospective student for a day on campus, introducing him/her to classes, professors, coaches, activity advisors, and/or career counselors.

Would you please consider those people you believe might benefit from this referral process? Simply call or write my office with the individual's name and address, and we'll do the

rest. We'll send an introductory letter, campus viewbook and visitors guide, and tell them that an Edinboro graduate has suggested that we provide this literature. We will not identify you by name, unless so requested.

Your assistance in this initiative is greatly appreciated, and will do much to facilitate the contact between Edinboro and good students. After all, we know from years of admissions experience that a great number of Edinboro students enroll here precisely because alumni like *you* made the suggestion that they look at Edinboro as part of their search for a good, affordable college education.

Offering 100 diverse academic programs that lead to good jobs, Edinboro University is a safe and caring community at an affordable price. Your assistance in helping both the University, and the nominated students will be appreciated by everyone and will give you a sense of accomplishment!

Sincerely,

Terrence J. Carlin, Class of '74
Assistant Vice President for Admissions



Local Alumni Chapters Meet

Following summer 1998 events on Presque Isle Bay's Victorian Princess paddlewheel boat, the Crawford and Erie County Alumni chapters gathered separately for inaugural planning meetings. Members of the Crawford County Alumni Chapter (CCAC) and their guests met on January 18 at the Days Inn-Meadville. President Pogue and board president Dan Higham ('70) brought greetings, and alumni director Janet Bowker ('84) led the group through information gathering activities.

A similar gathering was held on January 20 at the Bel-Aire in Erie, where alumni and guests participated to establish the Erie County Alumni Chapter (ECAC). Again, Dr. Pogue and Dan Higham welcomed the group, and everyone participated in an information gathering discussion structured to provide guidance for the planning and implementation of chapter events. Activities of interest identified by both chapters included social, family, and career-oriented events.

A follow-up newsletter will soon be mailed to members of the ECAC and CCAC to provide followup from the meetings and future activities. Additional chapter development is planned for other regions, both in Pennsylvania and out of state. Other chapters already established are in the Greater Baltimore/Washington, D.C., area and various Florida sites. To make these chapters successful, we need ideas and volunteer efforts from our alumni. So, if you're interested in getting involved, call the Alumni Office at 1-800-526-0117.



Members of the Erie County Alumni Chapter gathered on February 20.

ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

1999 Distinguished Alumni Award Winners Announced

The Alumni Association is pleased to announce the following selections as the 1999 Distinguished Alumni. Many thanks to the DAA Committee for their participation in this important activity: Julie (Savko) Fedders '69, Emily (Lucarotti) Evans '69, Henry Katzwinkel '56, and Ron Sturga '63.

Art

Donna Arnink, Class of 1968. After receiving her B.S. in art education, Donna earned an M.F.A. from Ohio University in 1971 in the field of theatrical production design. She has attended other institutions for various courses, and in 1984 was selected to attend classes taught by world-renown Czechoslovakian designer Josef Svoboda.

Currently a tenured professor, Donna has served as acting chair of the drama/dance department at the Colorado College, a prestigious and unique liberal arts college in Colorado Springs. She was a tenured professor at Michigan State University for 19 years, serving as head of the design area and graduate coordinator for 11 of those years. Additionally, she has taught at Bedford College in London, England, Penn State University, and Lansing Community College.

Donna is recognized for developing an innovative approach to makeup for theater, film and television (abandoning greasepaints and pancake makeup for a pure color approach utilized by portrait painters). She has given many workshops throughout the country introducing this method, as well as theatrical design and color theory. Donna has also created apprenticeship programs for students in the stagehand's union, served on many committees, both campus and community.

ALUMNI CRUISE

Last summer's State System of Higher Education alumni cruise was so successful, plans have been made for another group trip. This time we're traveling to Rome and the Riviera! This incredible land and cruise package will include cruising on the Italian and French Rivas to Spain, with stops in Rome, Florence and Barcelona.

Brochures will be mailed to a select list of alumni. If you're interested call the Alumni Office now and we'll be sure to mail you a brochure. We can also answer questions for you about the pricing options and everything that's included. Mark your calendars and call today . . .

1-800-526-0117.

If you haven't checked out the alumni website of the Edinboro University homepage recently, you should soon! We've added photos from past events and will soon add details about the Rome/Riviera SSHE cruise. Alumni clothing is available through the website, you can help us locate lost alumni, update your address, send in information for newsnotes, and much, much more! You can also link to many other offices on campus. So no matter where you live now, you can visit the 'Boro anytime at www.edinboro.edu.

She has worked on more than 200 dance, opera, and theatrical productions and has worked with theatrical artists famous in their fields from around the world. She also manages to find time to paint, sculpt, do photography and graphic work, hold shows, do commission and free lance work and sell her works at galleries. She also perfected a turn of the century glaze technique for painting old carousel horses, and she works on restoration projects. She's designed half a dozen buildings, including her summer home, which she also constructed.

Vernon Dornbach, class of 1944. After leaving Edinboro State Teachers College with a B.S. in art, Vern earned an MFA from California College of Arts and Crafts and studied art analysis at the Barnes Foundation. Grants received include a Fulbright Scholarship from the New Zealand Department of Education, a faculty research grant from University of Redlands to study in Greece, and a Lilly Foundation Grant. Over his 40-year teaching career Vern taught all ages, from grades 1-12 in New Zealand, to junior and senior high school in Pennsylvania and Elderhostel in California. As a professor at University of Redlands, he also served as the department chairperson for 17 years, and gallery director for eleven. Courses taught included design, 19th-20th Century Art History, printmaking and painting.

Following his retirement from Redlands in 1986, the university honored Vern Dornbach with a \$25,000 endowed art scholarship in his name. Today Vern continues to paint, do volunteer work, present slide lectures and hike the canyons of Utah and Arizona. Vern was once quoted as saying, "You retire to at least as much as you retire from."

Business and Industry

Patricia (Czyrnik) Boord, Class of 1977. Patricia graduated from Edinboro with a B.S. in music education. In 1979 she accepted an appointment with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in Washington, D.C. Living in the Washington D.C. area gave Patricia the opportunity to continue her involvement with music. From 1979 - 1985 she performed with eight different bands, including the National Concert Band of America - Solo/1st Cornet. She was the principal trumpet for most of those bands, and also served as music director and conductor.

Pat started her career with the FBI as a file clerk, moved to the position of document classification specialist, and then writer/editor for

the Firearms Training Unit. In 1985 she transferred to the FBI Academy's Firearms Training Unit to assume responsibility for the statistical analysis of FBI shooting incidents. It was at this time that she had to resign from all of her musical activities. In April 1986, during a shooting in Miami, two special agents were killed and three were critically wounded. Following the shooting, Pat's analysis served as the foundation upon which the FBI modified firearms training tactics and upgraded the weaponry issued to FBI Special Agents.

In 1988 Pat was appointed to the faculty of the FBI Academy as a Senior Instructional Systems Specialist. In 1996, she transferred to the National Security Division where she is responsible for building and managing a national distance learning program. This program is saving the FBI one million dollars a year for each training course converted to distance learning.

Education

Charles E. Babbitt, Ph.D., class of 1963. After earning a B.S. in social studies, Chuck attended West Virginia University to earn an M.A. in political science, and then earned his doctorate in sociology from SUNY-Buffalo. He started his teaching career at Northwestern High School in Albion, Pa. where he also coached football. While continuing his education he filled various roles, including assistant professor of sociology at Canisius College in Buffalo. Chuck also taught at the Erie County Community College in Williamsville, New York, and summers at Penn State-Behrend, but returned to then Edinboro State College in 1971 as an associate professor of sociology.

Since returning to Edinboro Chuck has served on and chaired countless committees, provided consultant work, served on various boards, and has been both acting and permanent chairperson of the Department of Sociology/Anthropology/Social Work. He has been a full professor since 1975, and the sociology program director since 1991. In addition to an extensive teaching career at Edinboro, Chuck has traveled to 36 countries on four continents, and to all 50 states.

Academic responsibilities have included program development, course development, general education program development, and teaching of 23 different courses at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Still, one of his proudest notations is that he has had several students participate and win awards in student research competitions sponsored by professional

associations. The student who nominated Chuck for the *Who's Who Among American Teachers* stated, "you made a difference in my life".

James Gentile, Class of 1968. After graduating from Peabody High School in Pittsburgh, Jim received an A.A. in liberal arts from Dodge City College in Kansas. He then attended Edinboro State College earning a B.S. in Education. Jim has taken 40 hours master equivalency in economics history from the University of Pittsburgh, Youngstown State and Westminster College.

Jim has worked many jobs in his lifetime, from sales to labor, and truck driver to teacher. He even did his own public relations work as the 1979 National Arm Wrestling Champion. However, education has proven to be where Jim's interest and successes lie.

During his career Jim taught in five school districts in Pennsylvania and Ohio, and he started in alternative education in 1987 at George Junior Republic, Grove City, Pa. From there, Jim took a position as program director with Community Alternatives, Inc., in New Castle, Pa. He quickly became director of operations of Western Pennsylvania Adolescent Center, responsible for group homes in three counties, and later became the assistant executive director of Community Alternatives, Inc.

In 1993 Jim founded Keystone Adolescent Center, Inc., a private Children and Youth Agency, said to be the state's largest community-based group home. In 1997, he founded Keystone Education Center, Inc., which was granted the first Charter in Pennsylvania to operate a public school. The school provides educational alternatives that address the needs of a wide variety of students who have difficulty functioning in the traditional public school environment. Since 1998 Jim has served as the President and CEO of both corporations which operate 12 programs serving over 400 at-risk children and their families. The trained staff numbers 82 professionals, including Jim's wife Karen, and their sons Matt and Mike and daughter-in-law Tammy (all three Edinboro graduates).

Dorothy Jean (Benish) Potter, Class of 1969. After leaving Edinboro with her B.S. in Education, she earned an M.A. in education from West Virginia University. She taught kindergarten for two years, and during that time was named Teacher of the Year in Pennsylvania. Her teaching

career has included part-time instruction at West Virginia State College, West Liberty State College and West Virginia University.

In 1971 Jean accepted the position of Director of Early Childhood Education for West Virginia, where she remained for about eight years. She was then appointed as deputy assistant secretary of elementary and secondary education. After two months there, President Ronald Reagan asked her to serve as acting assistant secretary of education, which she did for two years. Her responsibilities included management of a \$3.5 million budget and 375 employees.

Jean then served as Deputy Chief of Staff with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for a year. She took leave from her professional career to marry, and returned as a consultant and author. Today she finds great joy in creating a variety of children's learning tools and writing books.

Public Service

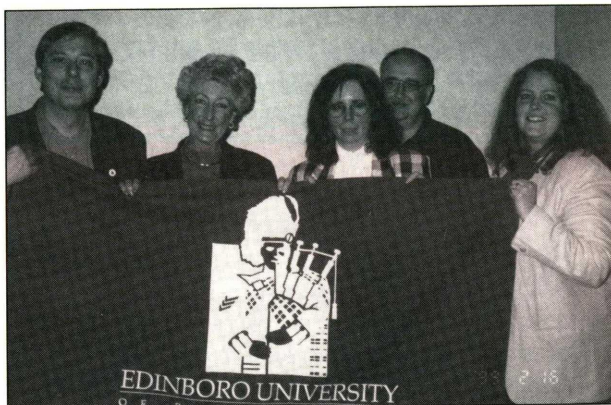
David J. Sheneman, Class of 1964. Since earning a B.S. in art education from Edinboro, Dave has attended the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England, on a Rotary graduate fellowship; earned his M.S. in education from St. Bonaventure University; participated in graduate study at University of Kentucky and Appalachian State University; earned a superintendent's Letter of Eligibility from St. Bonaventure; earned in-service credits from the Pa. Department of Education and Pa. School Boards Association; and most recently, participated in post-graduate studies at East Stroudsburg University.

Dave has spent his professional career dedicated to the Bradford Area School District, holding several positions from teacher to administrator. He has held the positions of administrative assistant to the principal, assistant principal for student conduct and attendance, technology administrator, acting superintendent, and director of personnel and administration, a position he has held since 1977. While progressing through his professional career, Dave and his wife, Cheryl, have raised two boys (both Edinboro graduates). Dave has also devoted a great deal of time to public service, for which he receives this award.

Dave has been a life-long member of the Grace Lutheran Church where he has served as trustee, past president and deacon.



Dr. Hartig and Janet Bowker had dinner with Valerie (Grubbs) Peters '64, Gloria Paproski '73, and her husband Bill in Orlando.



Miriam McKinley and Al Huntley '52, talk to Dr. Hartig at the annual retirement luncheon in Lake Wales, Fla. Al organizes this event which attracts 80-100 Edinboro friends each year.



The largest group of alumni and friends gathered in DelRay Beach. Noelle Porter-Massey '88 and Jim Commino '89 helped to organize and host the gathering.



Janet Bowker and Dr. Hartig had lunch with Ralph Scrafford '35 and Dick '59 and Florence (Russell) May '60 in Ft. Meyers.



Florida Chapter Events

Thanks to all the alumni, family and friends who joined at at events around Florida this year. During a five-day period, Dr. Tom Hartig, vice president for institutional advancement, and Janet Bowker attended 10 meetings or events in eight cities.

Personal visits with alumni included Jack Swope ('77), executive vice president with the NBA's Orlando Magic. Jack gave us a tour of the new SportsPlex recreation facility in Orlando which includes a practice floor and weight and locker rooms for the Magic.

We also met Edna (Sternberg) and Paul Cassidy (both '35) in Ft. Myers, Lois (Cross) Weymoth ('32) in Orange City, and Helen (McCommons) Hadley ('27) in Holly Hill. Thank you all for taking the time to visit with us.

An additional stop this year included the annual retired employee and friends luncheon in Lake Wales organized by Al Huntley ('52). We were made to feel very welcome and plan to make this a regular stop on the tour. Next year's date is already set for February 16, 2000.

Unfortunately, a photo is not available from the Bradenton event. Dr. Sharon Otis ('68) and her husband Dennis Jagdmann hosted the event in their home for the second time. Area alumni attending included Clyde Burrows ('53), Elaine (Herrick, '57) and Norb ('58) Smialek. Sheri (Pozzuto) and David Scott (both '81) registered but were unable to attend. Thanks again, Sharon and Dennis, for offering to host us again next year.

Dates for Florida 2000 will be set soon, so watch future issues of the *Alumni News* and plan to join us next February.



Dr. Hartig and Janet Bowker met with Ted Maul '89, Jill Rozycki, Dave and Peg (Osborn) Pifer '63, and Dennis Brader '72, in Melbourne.

Reunion Weekend June 11-13, 1999

For Reunion Classes and CUB Members

This year's Reunion Weekend will feature both new and traditional activities. A general schedule is listed below, and a detailed brochure will be mailed to former CUB members and the reunion classes of 1969, 1964, 1959, 1954, 1949 (50th anniversary), 1944, 1939, 1934 and earlier.

Friday, June 11

Golf Outing – 8:30 a.m. shotgun start at Venango Golf Course (includes golf, lunch and prizes)

Box Lunch – at the Alumni House

Planetarium Show

Picnic Dinner – at the Alumni House

Concert on the Lawn – Adult Concert Band Camp

Saturday, June 12

Breakfast Buffet – at the Alumni House

Seminar: "Return to Post-War Vietnam"

Reunion Weekend Luncheon – includes presentation of the 1999 Distinguished Alumni Awards

Seminar: "Relaxation and Meditation"

Hors d'oeuvres Dinner – Tentatively scheduled in the former gymnasium and student union (now the Diebold Center for the Performing Arts). The reception will include live entertainment and will be a combined event with the former members of the College Union Board.

Sunday, June 13

Breakfast Buffet – at the Alumni House to say farewell for another year.

If you haven't received your detailed reservation brochure yet, call the Alumni Office today . . . 1-800-526-0117.



The Highland Ambassadors take a break from their professional retreat to clean up beaches at Presque Isle State Park in Erie. The Alumni Association is a major sponsor of this highly visible student group. Co-advisors of the group (at left) are Emily (Green) Sinsabaugh '88 and '90, executive assistant to the president at Edinboro, and Janet Bowker '84, director of alumni affairs.

It's a Small World . . .

In 1990, three years after I graduated from Edinboro, I was hired to teach physics at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn, Michigan, a position I still hold. The physics department hired two new faculty members that fall; the other was Dr. Joseph Mottillo. Joe and I were sitting with our new colleagues at the organizational meeting where we were to be introduced to the rest of the faculty, when he noticed the words "Edinboro University" on my coffee mug. I told him I was an Edinboro native, my father a teacher at the University, that I had met my wife there and had recently graduated myself. It turned out that Joe, a native of Meadville, Pa., was a 1959 graduate of Edinboro! He had moved to Michigan shortly after that when he was hired to teach in the Dearborn public schools. It must be a small world if two people who graduated from Edinboro 28 years apart could get hired at the same place, the same year, 250 miles away, teaching the same subject! An interesting statistic, besides Edinboro, the only other schools from which two members of HFCC's physics department hold degrees are the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and Wayne State University (in Detroit). Needless to say, all a bit more local and good company for Edinboro to be keeping.

Michael C. LoPresto
Class of 1987



ADVANCEMENT News

Edinboro University now has established a separate foundation – The Edinboro University Foundation, Inc. Like all of its sister schools in the State System, the University believed there was a need to create a separate legal unit for the purpose of receiving private gifts, and, in turn, investing those gifts in a fiduciarily sound manner. As a private organization, the Foundation will be more flexible in responding to today's changing market conditions.

Established this fiscal year, in September 1998, the Foundation has already received its determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service recognizing it as a not-for-profit organization (501 [c](3)) permitted to receive tax-deductible gifts from individuals, corporations, and foundations. It is anticipated that, shortly, most of the University's small endowment, about \$3 million, will be "loaned" to the new Foundation under a special provision of state law to improve the current rate of return. Dr. M. Roy Strausbaugh, elected to serve as the first chair of the new Foundation, remarked that "Edinboro University will be able to earn a much better return on donors' scholarship funds than the University is currently doing . . . while, at the same time, maintaining the highest standards of investment responsibility."

The Foundation has the ability to serve the University in other ways as well. It provides an opportunity to involve in the life of the Edinboro University Family individuals who would not have other vehicles to get involved. The Foundation leadership seeks for its membership regional and national leaders willing and able to expand the vision and involvement of the University. This philosophy is reflected in the membership thus far elected to the board. The

Foundation's by-laws permit up to 20 members or directors; 12 have been elected to date. They are:

Donald DiPlacido – former president of the Erie Chamber of Commerce, serving from 1983 until 1998. DiPlacido continues to actively serve on the boards of directors and advisory groups of more than 20 area organizations and companies, including those in business and industry, health care, education and training, arts and culture and community service.

Steven Gurgovits – president and CEO of the First National Bank of Pa. Gurgovits also serves as vice chairman of the Shenango Valley Industrial Development Corporation and the Penn Northwest Development Corporation. He is also a board member of the Sharon Regional Health System. Directorships include Sun Bancorp, Inc., Walton Paint Company and Winner International.

Paul Hennigan – director of finance for the City of Pittsburgh. Hennigan is also a 1983 graduate of Edinboro, served on the Edinboro University Alumni Board and was formerly employed as an Edinboro admissions counselor.

Sheila Lau – general manager for GTE's Pennsylvania Division. Lau serves on the board of directors for the Erie Conference on Community Development, the WQLN Public Broadcasting stations and the United Way of Erie County. She is also a member of the Pennsylvania State University - The Behrend College Council of Fellows and the Pennsylvania Business Roundtable.

Dalph McNeil – president of Brookville Mining Equipment Corporation. McNeil serves on the Boards of Directors of the Jefferson County Development Commission and the Pine Brook Development Commission. He also serves on the S&T Advisory Bank Board, the Home-to-Work Council, the American Institute of Mining Metallurgy and Petroleum Engineers, and the Finance Committee at the Clarion First United Methodist Church.

Richard Morley – Served for 14 years as the vice president for financial operations and administration at Edinboro. Morley also serves as a board member for the Erie Philharmonic Orchestra, Greater Erie Youth Symphony Orchestra, Colony Savings Bank, and is currently

chair of the Unitarian-Universalist Congregation Erie Finance Committee and treasurer of the Ohio-Meadville District of Unitarian-Universalist Association.

Marlene Mosco – president of Northwest Pa. Region of PNC Bank. Mosco is a member of the board of directors of the Warner Theatre Preservation Trust, Board of Trustees of Mercyhurst College, Board of Trustees of the Boys and Girls Club of Erie, Inc., board of corporators of Hamot Health Foundation and Saint Vincent Health Foundation. She is chairperson of the Erie Civic Center Authority and a member of the Community Fund Drives Committee for the Erie Conference. Mosco serves as co-chair of the State Finance Committee for the Tom Ridge for Governor Committee and is a member of the Core Committee of the Neighborhood Art House. She is also a sustaining member of the Junior League of Erie.

Robert Preston – A 1977 Edinboro graduate, Preston is president and CEO of Preston Auto Group. Preston Auto Group owns eleven new car dealerships located in western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio. He is also a board member of the Jamestown Health System and the New Castle Community YMCA.

Michael Redlawsk – Currently the president of James Properties, Inc., Senior Retirement Management, Inc., and MCT Properties Partnership, as well as a general partner of James Manor Partnership, Darrow Place Partnership, Edinboro College Park, Lake Ridge Development, Parkside at North East, Parkside at Westminster, and The Regency at South Shore. Redlawsk is also a general partner of Westminster Place Partnership, a company involved in the development of commercial real estate throughout Pennsylvania, northeastern Ohio and western New York. Redlawsk is a corporator of St. Vincent Health Systems and Hamot Health Foundation. He is also an executive board member of French Creek Council Boy Scouts of America.

Harold Shields – Serving as a current member of the Edinboro University Council of Trustees, Shields is the manager of employment strategies, university relations and diversity at Alcoa in Pittsburgh, where he has been employed in various positions since 1981. An Edinboro graduate, Shields holds a bachelor of science in education degree and is also a current board

member of the Edinboro University Alumni Association.

M. Roy Strausbaugh – Currently serving as dean of libraries at Mercyhurst College, Strausbaugh was formerly employed at Edinboro University from 1966-1993 in the following positions: dean of academic administration, dean of continuing education, associate vice president for administration and student life, president of Edinboro University Services, Inc., chair of the History Department and professor of history. Strausbaugh currently serves as the chairperson of Edinboro University Services, Inc and the Flagship Niagara League. He is commodore and chair of the Erie Yacht Club and serves on the Advisory Board at PNC Bank, Erie County.

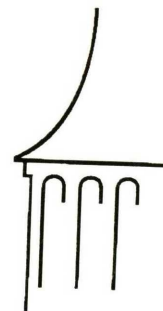
Richard Troiano – A 1968 graduate of Edinboro University, Dr. Troiano is a plastic and hand surgeon in Greenwood, Indiana. After graduating from Edinboro, Troiano served in the U.S. Army and rose to the rank of Captain.

The Edinboro University Foundation has received its first two gifts. The first gift is a life insurance policy from Dr. Anthony Zumpetta, naming the Foundation as the beneficiary, while the second is the copyright for the book *A Portrait of Edinboro, 1876-1976*, authored by Russell Vance. Dr. Zumpetta is a 1971 and 1977 alumnus of Edinboro University. Dr. Vance is professor emeritus of history from Edinboro.

M. Roy Strausbaugh, as noted, was selected to serve as the Foundation's first chair. Other officers serving this first year are Don DiPlacido as vice-chair; Marlene Mosco as treasurer; and Seila Lau as secretary. Serving as finance committee chair is Dalph McNeil. I serve as president and CEO by virtue of my position as the University's vice president for advancement, but I do not have a vote.

I wish to thank Daniel Lehr, an Edinboro senior, for creating the logo adopted by the Edinboro University Foundation. Daniel, while enrolled in the BFA program, offered to create the design as a project assignment for one of his classes. The logo is symbolic of the Clock Tower located at the corner of Meadville and Normal streets.

Thomas H. Hartig
Vice President for Institutional Advancement



*The Edinboro
University Foundation
logo, designed by
senior Daniel Lehr.*



CAMPUS NEWS

Articulation Students Have Great First Semester

Students from three Erie County high schools who took advantage of articulation agreements with Edinboro University performed well during their first semester in college. The 14 graduates of Corry, Fairview and General McLane high schools had an average quality point average (QPA) of 3.30, with 11 of the 14 students scoring better than a 3.0 average.

The articulation agreements allow students to earn college credit by taking advanced courses while still in high school, particularly in English, science and math. Students who later took courses in those subjects at Edinboro earned no lower than a B. These results confirm that the program is attracting honors caliber students who are performing up to and exceeding expectations.

Feedback from administrators at Corry, Fairview and General McLane indicates that the articulation program is creating positive competition among students and providing an incentive for students to pursue accelerated courses. Efforts will continue to expand this initiative to recruit top students to Edinboro University through articulation agreements with local and regional high schools.

First Annual "Arts at Edinboro" Week

Arts at Edinboro, a week-long festival of student art exhibitions, musical performances, readings, and theater events, was held during the week of April 12.

Sponsored by the Art, Music, and English and Theatre Arts departments, the Festival included "wandering minstrels" playing jazz and chamber music in galleries hung with student art work; screenings of animation and film shorts; a performance of scenes selected from Gilbert and Sullivan's opera "The Mikado;" readings from Ossian's Dream, the student literary magazine; performances of William Walton's "Facade" by the Wind Chamber Concert and Paula Vogel's play "How I Learned to Drive;" and an interdisciplinary "performance art" talent show by art and music students. The highlight of the Festival was the opening reception for the student art exhibition in Bruce Gallery.

Terry Smith, Edinboro's dean of liberal arts, said the Festival was created as a way of bringing together and showcasing Edinboro's programs in art, music, creative writing and drama.

New Program Helps CPA Candidates

Edinboro University has developed a unique and cost-effective way to meet the new requirements of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). Candidates sitting for the CPA exam will soon be required to have 150 college credits to meet AICPA requirements. Through the new program, students with bachelor's degrees can meet this requirement and earn 21 credits, 12 of which are at the graduate level.

Edinboro business professor Sherry Reynolds said this program meets the AICPA requirements without the investment of a master's degree. "It is a cost- and time-efficient way to meet the AICPA credit hours requirement," said Reynolds. Dr. An-Sik Min, chair of Edinboro's business administration and economics department, said it will allow students to complete the requirements within one year after obtaining a bachelor's degree.

The Edinboro program will provide courses in fund accounting, tax policy and research, advanced managerial accounting and professional auditing practice, plus three elective courses in business. These courses were selected specifically to prepare for a career as a CPA.

Registration for Summer and Fall Online!

Gone are the arena-style registration and long lines of the past! Students can now schedule online.

All registration activities for the summer and fall semesters began on April 12, 1999 using the Intranet. Only courses requiring special approval need to be processed in Hamilton Hall.

Scheduling books with registration instructions are available at the Student Services Center in Hamilton Hall. Class offerings may currently be viewed on Edinboro University's web page (www.edinboro.edu) under the heading of "Offices and Services" and either "Intranet Information Services" or "Student Scheduling."

Student Grades Available by Telephone

Undergraduate students at Edinboro are now able to get their grades by telephone thanks to a service offered by the Campus Direct network. The service enables students to access their grades via a toll-free 888 number from

anywhere there is a touch-tone telephone, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Students can hear their spring mid-term grades from Campus Direct, which is a network of Voice FX Corporation, a Philadelphia-based service bureau. The grades will also be available over the Internet from Edinboro's SCOTS page and Campus Direct's page at www.getgrades.com. Once final grades are recorded in May, the system will also provide semester and cumulative grade point averages as well as academic standing messages.

When the students call the 888 number, they will be asked to input their student ID number and date of birth. The system then asks them to create a PIN number, which will be used each time they access the grade-reporting network. There will be up to 60 seconds of sponsored messages, and then the students will hear the system speak their



academic department, course and section number and grade.

The new system has allowed the University to discontinue the practice of mailing grades. The last grades were mailed on March 26.

National Survey Gives Edinboro Good Rating

A national survey of college freshmen indicates students at Edinboro University have good high school academic backgrounds and chose Edinboro because of its strong academic reputation. The survey, the Cooperative Institutional Research Program (CIRP), is administered by the Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA. The survey of 639 Edinboro freshmen revealed 85 percent of them attained an average grade of B or better while in high school. They also performed more volunteer work than their counterparts nationwide and drank less alcohol in high school. More than half of Edinboro freshmen – significantly more than the national average – said they chose Edinboro because of its academic reputation. Also, the number of students who came to Edinboro because of its special programs was higher than the national average.

Another area of interest to the University is that two-thirds of the students indicated they have had a half-year or more of computer science instruction in high school, which is higher than the national average. And 85 percent said they used the Internet for research and/or homework during the past year.

Edinboro Research to Help Forecast Lake Effect Snow

Anyone who lives along the south shore of Lake Erie knows what lake-effect snow (LES) can do in the wintertime. But accurately forecasting how much LES will fall at a given location is a big challenge for meteorologists.

A research project by Edinboro University of Pennsylvania geosciences professor Kerry Moyer is expected to give forecasters a new tool in identifying which areas are at risk of receiving locally heavier snowfall during an LES event. The project will use high-resolution topographic

Dr. Thomas Hartig recently announced his impending resignation (August 15, 1999) to pursue new career challenges, perhaps outside of the realm of higher education.

"I know the entire Edinboro Family joins me in wishing Dr. Hartig the very best of fortune and in thanking him for his service," said President Pogue. "No doubt we will continue to benefit from his service and expertise for the next several months as the division moves forward with the many initiatives and programs already underway."

Dr. Hartig has served as the University's Vice President for Advancement since August, 1997.

Be sure to check out the "Good Morning" link on Edinboro's home page for up-to-date, interesting information about what's happening on campus and around the world (www.edinboro.edu). The page is updated daily, so check back often for the latest news. We welcome your comments; simply use the e-mail address at the bottom of the page.

maps of the area to calculate how the combination of wind direction and topography affect snowfall amounts at a given location.

Moyer knows that one of the highly variable factors in lake-effect snow is uplift, which is caused when horizontally moving air flows over topographic obstacles such as hills or ridges. His research will calculate how this uplift will affect LES for areas south of Lake Erie based upon wind direction.

When the project is completed around the end of this year, Moyer will make his maps available not only to local forecasters, but also to meteorologists for the National Weather Service in Cleveland. Edinboro has given Moyer a faculty professional development grant to help fund the project.

Spring Commencement

Edinboro President Frank G. Pogue will confer degrees on 636 students at the Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 15.

With a December 1998 graduating class of 655 students, Edinboro granted approximately 1,297 associate, bachelor's and master's degrees during the 1998-99 academic year.

Serving as featured speaker and receiving an honorary doctorate will be Dr. Yvonne S. Thornton, director of the Perinatal Diagnostic Testing Center at Morristown Memorial Hospital in New Jersey and bestselling author of her family biography, *The Ditchdigger's Daughters*, an award-winning, Pulitzer Prize-nominated tribute to her parents.

After graduating with honors from Monmouth College (New Jersey), Dr. Thornton received her M.D. degree with honors from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. She was the first American woman to be accepted into the OB/GYN residency program at The Roosevelt Hospital in New York City. She then completed a two-year post-doctoral fellowship in Maternal-Fetal Medicine at The Sloane Hospital for Women and The Babies Hospital at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center.

Dr. Thornton serves as director of the Perinatal Diagnostic Testing Center at Morristown Memorial Hospital in New Jersey. She holds a

faculty appointment as clinical professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. As senior perinatologist in the department of obstetrics and gynecology at the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, Dr. Thornton established and developed the program for a new form of early prenatal diagnostic testing known as CVS. She was one of the original American investigators of the program whose results were relied upon by the FDA prior to its granting approval.

During the Commencement ceremonies, Dr. Thornton will be presented the honorary degree Doctor of Public Service for her "leadership in medicine, her informed and compelling advocacy on behalf of women and children and the issues which affect their health and well-being, her work in medical research, her commitment to human and social development, and the gift of her talents as author, musician and speaker."

President Pogue Moderates Forum at Black Conference on Higher Education

Edinboro University President Frank G. Pogue served as moderator of a presidential forum at the 29th annual conference of the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education, held March 3-6 in Pittsburgh. The theme of the conference was "Cultural Identity in the Next Millennium: Assimilation vs. Separation." Joining Dr. Pogue were President Esther Barazzone of Chatham College, President Roy Flores of the Community College of Allegheny County, President R. Thomas Williamson of Westminster College, and senior officials from other area institutions. The forum discussed minority professional and student issues in higher education.

Also attending the conference was Richard Arnold, Edinboro's dean of academic services. He co-presented a session titled "The Department of Education's New Teacher Preparation Plan: What Impact Will it Have on the Minority Population of Pennsylvania?" He also served as a convener for a session on the use of Ebonics in public education and was recognized with an award for his contributions to the planning and implementation of the Pittsburgh conference.



'49 DEWEY DAVIS and his wife, Ruth, endowed a \$10,000 scholarship for students pursuing a degree in secondary science teaching at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Dewey was the university's first professor as well as chairman of education and coordinator of university planning. Dewey and Ruth reside in Boerne, Texas.

'56 MARGARETTE ANN (KORTINA) DARBY and her husband, Weston, have traveled throughout India in 1998. In September and October they went by the China Orient Express and the Istanbul Orient Express from Beijing to Moscow. In July, Marge and a friend spent a week in Prague traveling up the Moldau and Elbe Rivers through Old East Germany to Berlin. In 1999 the Darbys plan to travel to South Africa.

'58 JOANNE (GRIGNOL) RAPP sold her two galleries, Joanne Rapp Gallery and The Hand and The Spirit Crafts Gallery in 1998. She plans to continue her involvement in curatorial consultation in educational outreach and has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts in Deer Isle, ME, and the Advisor Board of the Archie Bray Foundation in Montana.

'63 SUSAN (PFUSCH) SHANAHAN is an agency director for the American Association for Retired Persons. Susan teaches job search/ job retention skills to poverty level unemployed individuals and she administers to the Senior Community Service Employment Program. Susan resides in Allentown, PA.

'67 DR. GILBERT STEFANIDES is the principal at Landrum Middle School and was elected to the 1999 International Who's Who of Professionals. His school received the Inaugural Award in the school recognition program in the state of Florida because of their high performances by student and staff. They are proud to be a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence! Gil resides in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL.

'69 PATRICIA (PRINGLE) MITCHAM is a tenth grade English teacher at Mohawk Area School in Bessemer, Pa. Patricia and husband, Charles, reside in New Castle, PA.

'70 LEAH (DALEY) ANDRITZ is an art teacher for Astronaut High School in Titusville, Florida. Leah won an international poster contest for the Delta Kappa Gamma society in 1998.

'71 JOETTA (PALMERO) SURACE is a supervisor of English and World Languages at Egg Harbor Township School District in West Atlantic City, New Jersey. She was selected from a national pool to participate in the Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program. Joetta spent three weeks in Japan in an effort to promote greater intercultural understanding between the two nations.

'72 THOMAS F. JOHNSON has been working in building code enforcement for the last 10 years for South Brunswick Township in Monmouth Junction, New Jersey. Thomas is also teaching various

construction courses at two community colleges. Thomas resides with wife, Margaret, in Monmouth Junction, NJ.

DONALD MEDD is C.E.O. for District XI Area Agency on Aging, Inc. in Youngstown, Ohio. Donald was named by the Governor to the state's "Grandparents Taking Care of Grandchildren" task force and was elected president of the Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging. Donald resides in Warren, OH.

KATHRYN WARNER is the elementary school principal for Catawba and Portage elementary schools, Port Clinton, Ohio. Kathryn resides in Port Clinton, OH.

'74 MARK WASSER was appointed as executive director of the Mercer County Assistance Office in Hermitage, Pa. on November 21, 1998. Mark and his wife, Esther, reside in Greenville, PA.

HARRY WINTER will play the part of Al Jolson's agent in "Jolson, The Musical" which will be presented at the Pittsburgh CLO May 18-23. Harry and wife, Victoria, reside in Rockville, MD.

'75 CATHIE (GLOVER) PEROLMAN recently published "Hands-On-Phonics, The Short Vowels", a self-paced, manipulative, individualized phonics program for beginning readers. See it at www.Joyful-Noise.com and click "phonics". Cathie and husband, Gary, reside in Ellicott City, MD.

TERRY G. SHAFFER was appointed Lt. Governor for the Kiwanis Pittsburgh division and he has been included in the 1999-2000 edition of "Who's Who in the East". Terry is currently the pastor at the United Methodist Church in Pittsburgh, PA.

'76 JEAN M. (VELTRI) SIMPSON received her master's of education from Chatham College in August of 1998. Jean and husband, Keith, reside in Pittsburgh, PA.



Herman D. Tomer ('71) (left) recently completed a two-year term as the president of Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh. Under his leadership, the organization launched its first capital campaign with a goal of raising \$1.5 million (to date, the campaign has raised more than

\$2 million in pledges), purchased a larger facility for the agency, hired a recruiter to focus on increasing the number of volunteers, increased the number of active matches, and initiated a Washington County satellite office.

Herm is president of BRM/Gateway in Pittsburgh, the nation's largest independent disaster recovery facility, and executive vice president of Landex, Inc., a land development firm specializing in property development in North Carolina and South Carolina.

'77 KENNETH STEPHEN ANDERSON is the director for the School of Anesthesia at Hamot Medical Center in Erie, Pa. Ken and wife, Treva, reside in Erie, PA.

DR. KATHLEEN (TERRY) BILLINGSLEY received her Ph.D. in counseling psychology from the University of Akron in December 1998. She is employed as a psychologist for Behavioral Health Psychologists, Inc. katedtb@aol.com

MARY KAY (LENHARDT) POETH added to her duties as a reading specialist for Midd West School District by becoming a featured columnist for The Snyder County Times and a contributing columnist for the Union County Times and The Daily Item. Mary Kay and husband, Donald, reside in Paxtonville, PA.

'78 DOROTHY (CARBONE) HOLTZMAN, a technical sergeant in U.S. Air Force Reserves, received the Air Force Achievement Medal in October, 1998 for meritorious service for her accomplishments as an information management technician. She works in the 514th Operations Support Flight/Intelligence Office. She also successfully completed the Air Force Reserve Command Leadership Development Course for Noncommissioned Officers in January 1999. Dorothy is currently employed by the New Jersey Department of Personnel. She resides in Jackson, NJ.

HARRY E. WILSON is a superintendent for the Pa. Department of Corrections in Cresson, Pa. Harry and wife, Mary, reside with their three children in Cresson, PA.

'81 SHERI (POZZUTO) SCOTT is a regional real estate manager with Progressive Insurance claims office within the Southeastern U.S. Sheri and husband, David, reside at 4213 Belle Drive, St. Pete Beach, FL 33706.

'82 BETH PETERSON conducted a seminar on ultra-authorities entitled "Understanding Cults and Battering Relationships" in January 1999. Beth is the author of a forthcoming book, "People Who Play God: How Ultra-Authorities Enslave the Hearts, Minds and Souls of Their Victims." Beth resides in Erie, PA.

SUSAN VITRON was named the director of nursing at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pa. She previously served as associate director of the Saint Vincent School of Nursing, where she also was an instructor.

'83 SUSAN (GARBART) JAMIESON is a senior internal auditor for Britannia Life in Glasgow, Scotland. Susan and husband, Graeme, reside in Renfrew, Scotland.

SUZANNE (KANOZA) O'RORKE is a registered nurse in Southern California. Suzanne and Robert reside in Newport Beach, CA.

PAMELA SPENCER is an assistant director of public relations & development at Chatfield College in St. Martin, Ohio. Pam resides in Loveland, Ohio, and would love to hear from classmates; pamelas@chatfield.edu

'84 DOLLY A. SZUGYE is a supervisor for the U.S. Postal Service in Mercer, Pa. Dolly resides in Sharpville, PA.

'85 ROBERT O'RORKE is a finance manager for Avco in Costa Mesa, California. Robert and Suzanne reside in Newport Beach, CA.

'86 JAMES W. BENDER, CPA is a financial systems consultant for Enablevision in New Jersey. James resides in Princeton Junction, NJ.

RAYMOND P. MILLER is an attorney for Harter, Secrest & Emery Law Firm. Raymond and his wife, Susan, reside with their children in Pittsford, NY.

'87 RANDY BERTY accepted a senior analyst/programmer position at PNC Bank's Treasury Management Department. Previously, Randy was employed at Allegheny County Division of Computer Services for the past eight years. Randy resides in Canonsburg, PA.

LISA (EHRENSBERGER) DAGHIR is a basic skills coordinator for North Central Pa. Regional Planning & Development Commission in Ridgeway, Pa. Lisa and husband, Andrew, reside with their daughter in St. Marys, PA.

MICHAEL C. LoPRESTO is a physics instructor for Henry Ford Community College. He recently published an article "A Closer Look at Atwood's Machine" in The Physics Teacher. This is his 4th contribution to this journal. Michael and Janet reside in Saline, MI.

MARY ANNE VANDIVORT is a reference librarian for the Norfolk Public Library in Norfolk, Virginia. In September 1998, she was initiated into Beta Phi Mu, the National Honorary Society of Library and Information Science. Mary Anne resides in Virginia Beach, VA.

'88 DOUGLAS A. BATTLESON has joined the SAP America, Inc. as an applications consultant. Douglas resides in San Diego, CA.

JANET (GEHRINGER) LoPRESTO was recently named a woodwind adjudicator for the Michigan Solo & Ensemble Association. Jan and Mike reside in Saline, MI.

TRISHA ZAPPITELLI is a production control manager for General Aluminum Manufacturing Company in Conneaut, Ohio. Trisha resides in Conneaut.

'89 CRAIG BUSECK has been hired as an adjunct faculty member at Regent University and Tidewater Community College in Virginia Beach, Virginia. He will be teaching Professional Speaking in the Regent University School of Government, and two English Composition courses at Tidewater Community College. He is a writer in the Direct Marketing Department at the Christian Broadcasting Network, and he continues to do freelance publication. Craig and his wife Carita live with their three children in Chesapeake, Virginia.

ERIC J. RANDOLPH received his MBA from Indiana University of Pa. on December 22, 1996. He is currently enrolled full-time at Duquesne University School of Law. Eric resides in McKeesport, PA.

'90 THOMAS J. HESS has been named the director of ABRAXAS Learning Center in Erie, Pa. Thomas resides with wife, Emily, in Erie, PA.

ELIZABETH (TAYLOR) PHILLIPS was promoted to director of member services and administration at Foodservice & Packaging Institute, Inc. in Arlington, Virginia. Elizabeth and husband, Thomas, reside in Manassas, VA.

'91 BRENDA BAILEY is associate director for research at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities in St. Paul, Minnesota. Brenda resides in St. Paul, MN.

NOLAN GARDNER is a human resource director for C.H. Heist / Ablest Service Corp. in Clearwater, Florida. Nolan and wife, Anne, reside in Palm Harbor, FL.

BOBBIE (MARONEY) STILLIONS was recently promoted to technical administrative assistant for Tab Products Co. in Cincinnati, Ohio. Bobbie and husband, Jerry, reside in Middletown, OH.

JOHN WIEGAND is involved in production, pre-press, and finishing for Amazing Graphics in Marietta, Georgia. John resides in Marietta, GA.

'92 RUSSELL MARINO is a GIS systems analyst for InfoTech Enterprises, Inc. in Alexandria, Virginia. Russell resides in Arlington, VA.

FARON J. TRICK received a two-year degree from Penn State-Behrend in May 1998. Faron is employed as an Accounting Clerk for Root, Spitznas & Smiley, Inc. in Erie, Pa. Faron resides in Erie, PA.

MICHAEL D. TURZAK is a probation officer for Allegheny County. Michael resides in Bethel Park, PA.

REBECCA (FREDERICK) WILLIAMS is an advertising assistant for Universal Health Services in King of Prussia, PA.

BRIAN WILLIAMS has recently opened a custom picture-framing store named "Your Claim to Frame". Rebecca and Brian reside at 315 Union Street, Royersford, PA.

'93 ERIC T. CHUDEREWICZ has earned a Master's degree in architecture from Virginia Tech. He is now an architect with Hanson Associates in Pittsburgh. Eric resides in Wexford, PA.

KAREN CLEARY is a behavior specialist for the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center, Inc. in Erie, Pa. Karen resides in Erie, PA.

JORGE A. GUERRERO was promoted to senior investment accountant for P.F.P.C. Inc.. Jorge resides in Wilmington, DE.

MIKE McBRIDE is a graphic designer for UMI Publications, Inc. in Charlotte, North Carolina. Mike resides in Charlotte, NC.

MARK A. MICHALSKI is an eighth grade teacher for Kannapolis City Schools in Kannapolis, North Carolina. Mark and wife, Derrie, reside in Concord, NC.

KAREN NOTO is a first grade teacher for Churchland Elementary in Portsmouth, Virginia. Karen resides in Virginia Beach, VA.

THOMAS RASBACH is currently teaching 8th grade algebra and mathematics for Moreno Valley Unified School District in Moreno Valley, California. Tom resides in Moreno Valley, CA.

KRISTIE SANTARCANGELO graduated with a master's in special education from California University of Pa. Kristie is currently teaching fourth grade at Myrtle Avenue Elementary School in Castle Shannon, Pa. Kristie resides in Bethel Park, PA.

'94 ALLEN W. CLARK is the operations officer for Crawford County Office of Emergency Services. Allen and wife, Rebecca, reside in Conneautville, PA.

VICTOR GEANOPULOS has been promoted to art director of the Automotive Group at Cahners Business Informations, a subsidiary of Reed Elseviere. Vic resides at 80 Drexelbrook Rd., apt. 6, Drexel Hill, PA 19026. vgeanopulos@cahners.com

ALVA HARE received an MA physics degree from Miami University in 1996 and a MS electrical engineering degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1998. Alva is presently working as an electrical engineer for CoereTek Inc. and resides in Stoneham, MA.

MELISSA (OSWALT) KOUGHER graduated in December 1997 with a master's in counseling student personnel services from Edinboro University. Melissa is currently employed by Muskingum College in New Concord, Ohio, as an area coordinator / wellness educator. Melissa and husband, Robert, reside in New Concord, OH.

PATRICIA McCREA is now a police officer for Prince William County in Virginia. Trish resides in Springfield, VA.

RACHEL (McQUILLEN) MINARD is a mobile therapist in a wrap around program at The Guidance Center in Bradford, Pa. She received her M.S. Ed. in community counseling at St. Bonaventure University in New York in December of 1998. She is going on to pursue her advanced certification in school guidance counseling at Saint Bona's. Rachel and husband, Richard, reside in Bradford, PA.

TODD C. TULINO is a fifth grade teacher for Ashtabula Area City Schools in Ashtabula, Ohio. Todd resides in Ashtabula.

'95 JOANNA EDWARDS is an elementary teacher for Tanglewood Elementary in Lumberton, North Carolina. Joanna resides in Lumberton, NC.

MICHAEL FEE is an artist and preparator at the Contemporary Arts

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Center in New Orleans. In 1998 Michael won a Louisiana State Artist Fellowship and mini-grant Awards. Michael resides in New Orleans, LA.

ERIC FISHER is a carpenter for W.S. Miller & Sons, Inc. in Paxtang, Pa. Eric resides in Duncannon, PA.

MARIA GARASE recently received a Master of Science degree in administration of justice at Mercyhurst College, in Erie, Pa. She is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in criminology at Indiana University of Pa. Maria resides in Pittsburgh.

NATHANIEL D. GONZALEZ was appointed deputy sheriff in November 1997 for the Erie County Sheriff's Office in Erie, Pa. Nathaniel resides in Hamburg, NY.

DARLENE GRAHAM is a fourth grade teacher for Rowan-Salisbury School District. Darlene resides in Salisbury, NC 28147.

LISA (LYTLE) HITTLE is a teacher for the Fulton County Board of Education in Atlanta, Georgia. Lisa resides in Alpharetta, GA.

KELLY L. JEFFRIES is a unit manager for the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center, in Erie, Pa. Kelly resides in Erie, PA.

DAVID W. KERSTETTER received his MPP (Master of Public Policy) degree in May 1998 from the College of William and Mary. He is currently finishing his MS degree at the Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences. He was recently named as a Fellow in the National Sea Grant Fellowship Program/Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship program. He is one of only 29 fellows and will be working in Washington, DC for the coming year with one of the executive branches of government on marine policy issues. David resides in Gloucester Point, VA.

TAMI KLOES is a veterinary laboratory technologist for the Pa. Dept. of Agriculture/ Pa. Veterinary Laboratory in Harrisburg, Pa. Tami resides in Duncannon, PA.

CHRISTOPHER LYNN is the chief program psychologist at Oregon Supported Living Program in Eugene, Oregon. Christopher and wife, Bambi Sue, reside with their three children in Eugene, OR.

MICHAEL McLAUGHLIN has been promoted from art director to president and creative director for Tree Design Studio, Inc. in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Michael and Jennifer (Johnson)'97 reside in Wilkes-Barre, PA.

SHAWN A. MILLER is currently serving as director of services of Zeta Beta Tau National Fraternity in Indianapolis. Shawn can be reached at 8278 Waldorf Lane, Apt. F, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

BRIAN PAGANA is a systems engineer for EDS in Plano, Texas. Brian and Kimberly (Edel)'95 reside in Mechanicsburg, PA.

JESSICA (METZGER) SWIECH is a fourth grade teacher at Maryvale Intermediate School in Cheektowaga, New York. Jessica earned her

master's degree from Edinboro in 1995. She and her husband, Craig, reside in Amherst, NY.

NICOLE L. WILLEY is a teaching assistant at Kent State University and is looking forward to receiving her Masters in literature this May. Nicole resides in Kent, OH.

JENNIFER LYNNE YURCHUK is a print traffic manager for BBDO Houston in Houston, Texas. Jennifer resides in Houston, TX.

'96 MATTHEW BARRETT is currently working in marketing for University of Pittsburgh Medical Centers Health Plan. Matthew resides in Pittsburgh, PA.

COLLEEN BESSETTI is a graduate student at the University of Pittsburgh in the Family Nurse Practitioner Program she is also working as a registered nurse in dialysis for Fresenius Medical Care-North America. Colleen resides in Pittsburgh, PA.

DREW CURRAN graduated from Navy Supply Corps School in December 1998. He is stationed in Jacksonville, Florida, on board the "Proud Defender" USS Taylor FFG-50. He serves as the disbursing officer, sales officer and helicopter control officer.

DEBRA A. FLITE is a registered nurse at the University of Pennsylvania Presbyterian Hospital.

WENDY L. HIGLEY is a calibration technician for the U.S. Navy in Coronado, California. Wendy resides in Coronado, CA.

LORI A. HOWARD is a teacher for Spotsylvania County Schools. Lori resides in Fredericksburg, VA.

FRANK KING is an environmental engineer for Larson Design Group, Inc. in Williamsport, Pa. Frank resides in Williamsport, PA.

TIM RASBACH is a graphic designer for PSB in Lake Forest, California. Tim resides in Irvine, CA.

JOHN PATRICK SMAGNER is a behavioral research director for the University of Chicago in Chicago. John resides in Chicago, IL.

'97 VINCENT BAYER is now attending Sherman College of Straight Chiropractic in Spartanburg, South Carolina. Vincent resides in Spartanburg, SC.

NICOLE BOBACK is a research analyst for Vanderbilt University in Washington, DC. Nicole resides in Washington, DC.

HEATHER CALGARO is a customer service representative for Charter Behavioral Health Associates in Pittsburgh, Pa. Heather resides in Bridgeville, PA.

LARINA M. CLARK is a teacher for Cornelle - ABRAXAS in Marienville, Pa. LaRina and daughter, MaRina reside in Marienville, PA.

DON DOWLING is an account executive for Credit Cheque Corp. in Lakewood, Colorado. Don resides in Denver, CO.

LESLIE ENGRO is a registered nurse supervisor for Beverly Health Care-Clarion in Clarion, Pa. Leslie resides in Rimersburg, PA.

DONNA M. FLITE is a registered nurse at the University of Pennsylvania Presbyterian Hospital, Medical Surgical Floor.

JAMES R. HOPKINS JR. accepted a position with GE Transportation Systems. James works in the plant services department as a police and fire investigations specialist.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE is a personal trainer and owner of Bill Lawrence's Personal Fitness in Meadville, Pa. Bill resides in Saegertown, PA.

MERIBETH MILLER is a special education teacher for Ganado Unified School District in Ganado, Arizona. Meribeth resides in Ganado, AZ.

SCOTT E. PIKER is a news videotape editor, sportscaster and sportswriter for WEWS TV - 5 in Cleveland, Ohio. Scott resides in Madison, OH.

CHRISTOPHER M. ROMAN is a teaching assistant at Kent State University and will be receiving his master's in literature this May. Christopher resides in Kent, OH.

MYLES ROONEY is a meeting and exhibit representative for American College of Physicians in Philadelphia. Myles and Joanne reside in Philadelphia, PA.

TROY H. SARRIA is a fire support officer for HHB 2-82 Field Artillery Regiment in Fort Hood, Texas. Troy resides in Killeen, TX.

HOLLY (PASIKOSKI) SONNEY is a homeless case manager for Prologue Inc. Holly and husband, David, reside in Cockeysville, MD.

ANGELA J. VALAITIS is a data analyst for GE. Angela resides in Erie, PA.

MICHAEL JEFFREY WILLIAMS is currently employed by The Wine Group as a wine representative-sales in Fontana, California. He resides in Upland, CA.

'98 CASSANDRA LYN CROWE is a life skills worker III for ABRAXAS in Pittsburgh, Pa. Cassandra resides in Pittsburgh, PA.

TARA FIEJDASZ is a project manager for Telatron Marketing Group, Inc. in Erie, Pa. Tara resides in Saegertown, PA.

ANGELA MARIE MARINO is a music teacher at Villa Maria Academy High School in Erie, Pa. Angela resides in East Springfield, PA.

SHAWN MONTGOMERY is a fiscal assistant for Community Integration in Erie, Pa. Shawn resides in Erie, PA.

Marriages

'76 JEAN M. (VELTRI) and Keith E. Simpson, August 8, 1998. They reside in Pittsburgh, PA.

'86 KAREN HILL and Lowell Taylor, September 20, 1998. They reside in Sedona, AZ.

TIMOTHY J. PATSKO and Erin Summer, October 23, 1998. They reside in Pittsburgh, PA.

'90 KELLIE (CHUBA) and Captain Richard Sposato, July 4, 1998. They reside in Shreveport, LA.

'93 WENDY (WEINHEIMER) and JOSEPH BAIA, May 2, 1998. They reside in Charlotte, NC.

MARK MICHALSKI and Derrie Paquette, October 3, 1998. They reside in Concord, NC.

'94 ALLEN W. CLARK and Rebecca Fedenets, September 5, 1998. They reside in Conneautville, PA.

'94 ROBYN COHEN and DAVID "BROWNIE" BROWN '93, June 6, 1998.

JENNY DAUGHERTY and ANDREW MUMFORD '95, August 7, 1998. They reside in Oil City, PA.

RACHEL McQUILLEN and Richard Minard Jr., July 1998. They reside in Bradford, PA.

CATHERINE GIERCZYNSKI and PAUL ROSATO, June 27, 1998. They reside in Pittsburgh, PA.



← KIMBERLY VANAUKEN and Brian Hoffman, May 30, 1998. They reside in Rochester, NY.

ARLENE M. WIVELL and Scott J. Kozar, September 26, 1998. They reside in McKees Rocks, PA.

MELISSA OSWALT and Robert Kougher, March 7, 1998. They reside in New Concord, OH.

'95 KEVIN CALKINS and ANGELA KUEPKER '97, August 9, 1997. They reside in Uniontown, PA.

HEATHER SWITALSKI and ERIC ANDERSON '96, January 9, 1999. They reside in Maumee, OH.

'96 LAUREN BOND and JOHN REISER '94, November 14, 1998. They reside in Pittsburgh, PA.

DAWN SMITH and JAMES HARPER '97, June 20, 1998. They reside in Philipsburg, PA.

JILL WILSON and Michael Merritt, December 5, 1998. They reside in Wyomissing, PA.

CHRISTINE WHITEMAN and Scott Clohessy, October 3, 1998.

AMY BLACK and William Whittington, October 3, 1998. They reside in Castle Shannon, PA.

'97 ROBIN HUGHSTON and Anthony Palladini, June 6, 1998. They reside in Ambridge, PA.

MYLES P. ROONEY and JOANNE E. KERSTETTER '96, October 31, 1998. They reside in Philadelphia, PA.

KRISTIE WILTANTGER and CHRISTOPHER MARNELOS '97, They reside in sunny Arizona, "where it is 75 degrees and sunny in January!"

'98 KRISTIE MAZANOWSKI and JUSTIN KOTT '98, July 4, 1998. They reside in Wilson, NC.

LESLEY KAREN DAVE and Erik Glenn Ludwick, October 10, 1998. They reside in Erie, PA.

BIRTHS

'76 ELIZABETH (DAILY) and Rick Kendall, a daughter, Jamie Elizabeth, September 10, 1998. Jamie joins sister Natalie, 2 1/2.

'78 ALLAN and Kelly PONTIERE, a son, Brendan, September 9, 1999. They reside in Moon Twp., PA.

'79 HARRIET (HARWOOD) and Brent S. Gorby, a son, Ross Harwood, January 20, 1999. Ross joins his brother, Scott, 11/2. They reside in Middlebourne, W. Va.

'84 MARY (LEHMAN) and Robert RADICH, a son, Luke Daniel, July 23, 1998. Luke joins his sister, Kathleen.

'85 EVONNE (SVEDA) and Timothy Cooner, a son, Timothy Edward, November 8, 1998.

'86 THOMAS and MARY BETH (HOFFMAN) JOZWIAK '86, a son, Joseph Andrew, August 15, 1998. Joseph joins brother, Matt and sisters, Erika and Elise. They reside in McMurray, PA.

JOHN and MELISSA (BISCEGLIA)'90 PFEUFFER IV, a son, Brendan John, October 6, 1998. They reside in Rochester, PA.

'87 KELLY (KEYSER) and Randall Snyder, a daughter, Lauren Ashley, October 28, 1998. They reside in Lexington, NC.

KENNETH and PAMELA VAN HOUTTE '87, a son, Aaron Michael, June 25, 1998. They reside in Gettysburg PA.

'88 DONNA (WARNE) and NED BAILEY '87 & '88, a daughter, Rachel Jean, February 10, 1998. Rachel joins brothers, Nathan 7, Lucas 3 and sister, Hannah 6. They reside in Fairview, PA.

LEE ANN (WINKLBAUER) and Thomas Burkhart, a son, Daniel Gerard. They reside in Plains, PA.

STACY DAVIS and Scott Leuschen, a daughter, Jheran Sabella, April 25, 1997.

JODI (WIEGEL) and Douglas Erdley, a son, Douglas Joseph, Jr., May 8, 1998. They reside in Franklin, PA.

'89 MICHELLE (BAZZOLI) and John Voelker, a daughter, MacKenzie Caroline Marie, August 4, 1998. They reside in Pittsburgh, PA.

JOHN and GWEN (BUCKLEN) VOGT '90, a daughter, Hannah Belle, July 18, 1998. They reside in Wexford, PA.

'90 RHONDA (McHENRY) and Mark Adams, a son, Nicholas Stephen, September 21, 1998. Nicholas joins sister, Emily, 3. They reside in Lehigh Acres, FL.

BRENDA (LINDSEY) and MARK THOMPSON '91, a son, Kyle Andrew, November 6, 1998. Kyle joins brother, Adam, 3.

'91 BRAD and HOLLY (SELLERS) '95 KALLAY, a son, Hunter Matthew, September 7, 1998. Hunter joins brother, Logan, 3. They reside in Edinboro, PA.

GARY and Tracie TOZZO, a daughter, Kaitlynn Elilizabeth, May 10, 1998. They reside in Nottingham, PA.

JAMES and JENNIFER (WRIGHT) '93 TROHA, a daughter, Madison Marie, January 26, 1999. They reside in Baldwin City, KS.

'92 BRENDA (ROBERTS) and Douglas Day, a daughter, Rebekah Nicole, September 1, 1998. They reside in Ocala, FL.

JENNIFER (ABBOTT) and SCOTT MCDOWELL, a son, Zachary Scott, October 21, 1998. They can be reached at scottmic@earthlink.net

THOMAS and DAWN (KOREY) '93 PETTI, a son, Christian Thomas, June 25, 1998. Christian joins brother, Tyler, 2. They reside in Beaver Falls, PA.

TRACEY (CLANCY) and James Ray, a daughter, Taylor Elizabeth, September 22, 1998. They reside in Coraopolis, PA.

'93 MALVENE (HEYZ) and Ronald Harris, a son, Ronald Michael II, June 25, 1998. They reside in McKeesport, PA.

CHRISTINA (ZISSIS) and Timothy James, a son, Christian, March 1998. Christian joins stepbrother, Robert. They reside in Springboro, OH.

AMY (MEGAHAN) and Jay Saccone, a son, Anthony Michael, April 1, 1998. They reside in Pittsburgh, PA.

KIMBERLY (KRISCUNAS) and Brian Thomas, a daughter, Jordyn Delaney, October 11, 1998. They reside in Pittsburgh, PA.

LISA (BOBACK) and Scott Undercofler, a daughter, Anna Grace, June 22, 1998. Anna joins brother Jacob, 4. They reside in Shawnee Mission, KS.

SANDRA (TERRY) and Michael Young, a daughter, Kaitlyn Elizabeth, October 19, 1998. They reside in Hampton, VA.

'94 SHIRLEY (LASSNICK) and Terry Baideme, a daughter, Brianna Elizabeth, December 2, 1998. They reside in Painesville, OH.

LEIGHANN (WILLIAMS) and Kyle Forbes, a daughter, Chloe Elizabeth, November 14, 1998. They reside in Erie, PA.

DEBRA (NUNAMAKER) and Keith Manning, a daughter, Kara Louise, August 6, 1998. They reside in St. Marys, PA.

'95 KELLY (CALFO) and Chad Geer, a daughter, Erika Marie, November 30, 1998. They reside in Union City, PA.

CHRISTOPHER and Bambi Sue LYNN, a daughter, Cristina Candy, December 25, 1998. They reside in Eugene, OR.

BONNIE (COLANTONI) and Scott Owens, a daughter, Rachael Kathleen, February 5, 1998. They reside in Loganton, PA.

SEAN and Jodi PEEBLES, a daughter, Kayla, May 17, 1998. They reside in Erie, PA.

'98 ROBERTA (COLLINS) and Christopher Paul, a daughter, Amanda Jane, December 20, 1998.

Condolences

'17 KATHARINE (WECKERLY) PECSOK, November 14, 1998.

'28 BLANCHE (BENNETT) NEIDER, March 1, 1998.

'30 GLADYS ANITA (CLOW) CLOUSER, January 7, 1998.

MARGARET (TRAUT) HEATH, January 10, 1999.

KATHARINE M. McDOWELL, October 14, 1998.

'31 DOROTHY A. JADUS, September 29, 1998.

WILLIAM J. BOWER, January 8, 1999.

'38 JAMES ROBERT BILLINGS, March 1, 1999.

'50 JOHN E. BOGART, November 21, 1998.

'61 WILLIAM L. HAYES, November 25, 1998.

'65 DAVID CLINE, July 25, 1998.

'69 JAMES D. TURZANSKI, October 20, 1998.

'70 ROBERT D. DEIGER, October 22, 1998.

'72 DOLORES MAY ZAUN, January 4, 1999.

'73 JACQUELINE L. ATWELL, November 20, 1998.

'76 FREDERICK WILLIAM STONE, October 25, 1998.

'79 JOHN A. DiSANTI JR., December 16, 1998.

'86 STEPHEN C. BALKOVIC, October 10, 1998.

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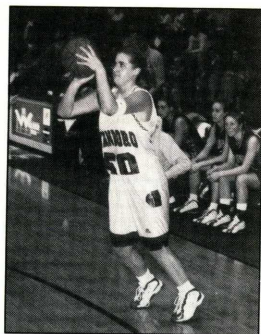
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ATHLETICS



Meghan Miller, shown here shooting a three-pointer against California (Pa.), concluded a brilliant career as Edinboro's third all-time scorer with 1,426 points

Meghan Miller Concludes Brilliant Career

The date was February 17, and the Edinboro University women's basketball team was hosting Slippery Rock in a crucial Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference contest. A win would assure the Fighting Scots of a berth in the PSAC Playoffs.

Just under five minutes had been played in the first half, and a pressing, trapping Edinboro squad had jumped to a nine-point lead. Meghan Miller, the Boro's standout point guard, was about to make it a 13-2 advantage following a steal. The Wexford, Pa., native converted the steal into two points, but when she came down she suffered a season-ending knee injury.

It's not how you envision your career coming to a close, and it no doubt had a serious impact on the outcome of the game. The Fighting Scots faltered without Miller's presence, and Slippery Rock rallied for an 84-69 victory. The loss ultimately spelled doom for Edinboro's playoff chances.

As for Miller, the knee injury deprived her of one last game. In a cruel twist of fate, just minutes earlier she had been honored in pre-game ceremonies as one of two seniors playing in their final home game.

"It was probably the hardest thing for me, not only physically, but mentally," Miller related. "You obviously don't plan on something like that. It took a long time to accept. The hardest thing about the injury was to overcome it mentally. I wouldn't wish it on anybody. The first two weeks after the surgery were the worst."

Head coach Stan Swank felt Miller's pain, as well. "To me, it was more disappointing from the standpoint of taking her out of the playoffs," said Swank. "I know it was a disappointment to her."

While short term memory will no doubt focus on thoughts of the injury, when Miller is recalled in the future it will be for her outstanding career accomplishments, and not how that career

concluded. A four-year starter, she departs as the third all-time leading scorer (1,426 points), while ranking second in career steals (288) and third in career assists (419). The 5'7" guard also holds school standards for three-pointers made and attempted in a career, finishing with 222 in 589 tries.

"You look at the numbers, third all-time leading scorer, and that she played point guard, where you distribute the ball, it's an amazing accomplishment," Swank pointed out. "Meghan brought out all the intangibles. She was used to winning, after winning three state championships in high school. What really amazed me is that she came in here as a freshman, and made her presence felt so quickly."

While she enjoyed a career she can no doubt cherish, Miller's greatest memories rest with the friendships she experienced at Edinboro. "There's a lot of things that I consider my greatest memories," she related. "... all the players, the teams I've been on. The trip to North Dakota (for the Elite Eight) my sophomore year, that was probably my most memorable year. But really, it's just all the fun I've had."

After averaging 9.7 ppg. as a freshman, Miller emerged as an All-PSAC West performer in 1996-97. She hit the game-winning shot in the final seconds at the NCAA Division II East Regional to vault the Fighting Scots into the Elite Eight. Overall, Miller averaged a team-high 14.5 points per game as the Boro finished with a 24-9 ledger.

She led the Scots to another NCAA playoff berth in '97-98, averaging 14.0 ppg., again earning a spot on the all-conference team. But she also emerged as a premier three-point threat, canning 86 of 212 shots from beyond the arc. Both figures are school records. Edinboro finished 24-8.

Miller's scoring average dipped to 10.9 ppg. this season, but she remained Edinboro's main three-point threat (47 of 120), while recording a team-high 63 steals.

"If you put everything together, Meghan is probably one of my all-time favorite players," concluded Swank, "along with Pam Artman, Tammy Piljuga, Montique Wade, Sara Bishop and Jeannine Jean-Pierre. All those kids did a lot of things, plus were great human beings."

Scot Grapplers Place 18th at Nationals

The Edinboro wrestling team capped an outstanding 1998-99 campaign with an 18th place finish at the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships. Penn State hosted the 69th annual championship at the Bryce Jordan Center.

The Fighting Scots finished with 27.5 points. Iowa defended its crown, edging Minnesota. Oklahoma State placed third, with Penn State and Iowa State tying for fourth place.

While pleased that his Boro squad finished in the top 20 for the third straight year, head coach Tim Flynn also let it be known that isn't good enough.

"We did okay," related the second-year coach. "For some guys, it was kind of like the beginning of the season where we showed flashes of brilliance, while also exhibiting inexperience. At times we wrestled inconsistent, and you can't be inconsistent there (at Nationals).

"We do set our goals really high here," admitted Flynn. "If you had told me after the Virginia Duals that we would finish as we did, that would have been something. Overall the guys picked it up a lot. The younger guys, like Justin Wilcox and Ryan Shapert, now realize what it takes at Nationals. They didn't wrestle their best, but now they see they can compete at that level. We have a lot coming back next year. But now it depends on how hard they want to work."

The Fightings Scots posted an 11-3-1 ledger in dual meets, including a perfect 7-0 record in EWL competition. That marked the Boro's fourth EWL dual meet crown in the last six years. And let's not forget about Edinboro's sixth place finish at the prestigious Las Vegas Invitational.

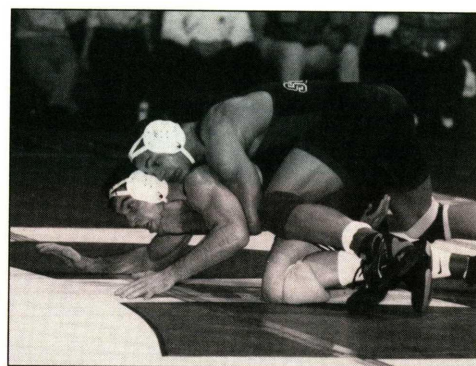
Edinboro sent eight wrestlers to Nationals. Four of those grapplers advanced past their first round matches, and three reached the fourth session, where All-American status was determined.

Senior Mark Samples and redshirt freshman Josh Koscheck earned All-American accolades at 165 and 174 lbs., respectively. Koscheck registered Edinboro's highest finish, placing fourth. Samples was seventh. Junior Ben Boozer, competing at 157 lbs., fell one victory shy of finishing in the top eight.

Three other Scots picked up one win at Nationals. All were making their first appearances. Freshman Justin Wilcox handed North Carolina's Brad Byers a 7-2 defeat before being eliminated at 133 lbs. Junior Ryan Shapert,

competing at 149 lbs., was another Scot to post an upset, defeating 12th-seeded Jared Frayer of Oklahoma, 3-1 in overtime. Heavyweight A.J. Johnson was a 7-4 winner over EWL rival Matt Mueller of Pittsburgh.

Sophomore Jason Gabrielson (125 lbs.) and junior Rafael Vega (141 lbs.) lost both of their matches.



Redshirt freshman Josh Koscheck earned All-American recognition after finishing in fourth place at 174 lbs. at the NCAA Division I Nationals.

Injuries Plague Women's Basketball Team

Call the 1998-99 season the "Tale of Two Seasons" for the Edinboro University women's basketball team. One season featured a healthy team of Fighting Scots, one which bolted to a 9-0 start and was ranked in the *USA Today*/WBCA Top Twenty-Five. The second season, unfortunately, tended to dominate the final two-thirds of the season, as injuries played a major role in the Boro's inability to return to the NCAA Playoffs for a third straight year.

Coach Stan Swank's team wasn't even able to earn one of four Pennsylvania State Athletic Western Division playoff berths, losing its final four contests to finish at 16-10.

Despite the skid at the end, a win in one of its two contests prior to the season finale at Lock Haven would have ensured the Scots post-season activity. Playing at rival Shippensburg, the Scots rallied to force not one but two overtime sessions, despite playing without leading scorer Marin Hightower. In the end, however, the Lady Raiders avenged an earlier 68-64 loss at Edinboro with an 88-84 double overtime victory.

A win over Slippery Rock in the home finale would still have handed the 'Boro a playoff berth, but a cruel fate awaited Swank's team. While jumping to a quick lead, the Scots lost the services of point guard Meghan Miller with a knee injury. Miller was one of two seniors honored in pre-game ceremonies, but her career came to a halt, and Edinboro's season soon followed, as Slippery Rock handed the Scots an 89-64 setback.

'Boro Men's Basketball Team Reaches PSAC Playoffs

It would be easy to say that the Edinboro University men's basketball "slumped" to 16-12 after finishing with a 26-8 ledger and reaching the NCAA Division II Playoffs the previous season.

But that would hardly be fair to head coach Greg Walcavich's charges. The veteran mentor had to replace four starters from the illustrious '97-98 unit. Walcavich entered the season cautioning fans that it would take time for this team to gel. At the same time, he gave warning to opponents that when all was said and done, this would be a good team.

Walcavich definitely knew what he was talking about. After laboring around the .500 mark for the first half of the campaign, the Scots won four of their last five games, six of their last eight, and nine of their last thirteen.

Maybe the greatest indicator of how much the '98-99 Scots grew up is their record away from McComb Fieldhouse. After winning just once in its first nine road encounters, Edinboro won three of its final four road games.

That includes a pulsating 63-61 win over rival Indiana(Pa.) in the opening round of the PSAC Playoffs. Sophomore forward Michael Johnson dropped in 31 points, including the game-winning free throws with seven seconds to play.

The upset over the 22-5 Indians vaulted Edinboro into the PSAC Championships at Bloomsburg. Edinboro came up on the short end of an 80-68 score to the host Huskies in the semifinals.

The IUP win was just one of several upsets of nationally-ranked outfits. The first came against a St. Rose team which was chosen in the top ten of several preseason publications, and would go on to reach the Elite Eight. Edinboro prevailed on a Michael Johnson specialty -- a last second hoop -- 50-48.

Next came a 68-54 triumph over a Central State team which was ranked 13th in the NAIA, and had handed Edinboro an 80-69 defeat in the season opener.

Johnson provided the game-winner in a 71-69 victory over IUP in the first meeting between the two schools. He dropped in an alley-oop pass from Adam Kaufman with a second to play as the Scots snapped IUP's 17-game winning streak.

Maybe the most encouraging thing about the '98-99 squad is most of it is expected back. Troy

Stout and Jean Paul were the lone seniors on the team. Stout, a 6'6" forward, enjoyed a solid final campaign, averaging 8.1 ppg. and a team-leading 7.6 rpg. Paul is a 6'3" guard who transferred from Indiana University, where he played football and later walked on to Bobby Knight's hoops team. He has petitioned the NCAA for another season of eligibility, meaning his 11.7 ppg. could return next season.

Kaufman and Johnson, a pair of sophomores, form the backbone of the team. Kaufman proved his freshman season, when he handed out a school-record 273 assists, was no fluke. Kaufman dished out 203 assists while boosting his scoring average to 11.0 ppg. He led the PSAC in assists, and ranked among the national leaders, as well. Johnson, meanwhile, returned after a two-year absence to average a team-best 15.2 ppg., while pulling down 6.0 rpg. and blocking 72 shots. Johnson paced the PSAC in swatting away shots, and was among the Division II leaders.

Kaufman was accorded first team All-PSAC West honors, while Johnson was a second team selection. A year ago, Kaufman was a second team selection. Johnson was the PSAC West Rookie of the Year in 1995-96.

A number of other young players stepped up. Sophomore Rob Schodt, a 6'8" center, averaged 7.4 ppg., while 6'7" sophomore Ian Johnson had 7.4 ppg. and 5.0 rpg. Freshmen Jarrod Graham (4.0 ppg.) and James Dickerson (3.2 ppg.) showed glimpses of promise, as well.



Sophomore guard Adam Kaufman was a first team All-PSAC West selection after leading the conference in assists.



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| <p>June 20
✓ Erie County Alumni Chapter - Father's Day brunch on the Victorian Princess</p> <p>June 24
✓ Edinboro University as a Neighbor Group meeting - Meadville Region, Days Inn, 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>July 1
✓ Crawford County Alumni Chapter organizational meeting, Meadville Days Inn, 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>July 17
✓ Alumni (Erie County and Crawford County alumni chapters) bus trip - Pirates vs. Indians</p> <p>July 31
✓ Crawford County Alumni Chapter at Conneaut Lake Park</p> <p>August 14
✓ Erie County and Crawford County alumni chapters Golf Outing at Riverside Golf Course</p> | <p>August 19
✓ Erie County Alumni Chapter get-together at JR's Last Laugh Comedy Club in Erie, Pa.</p> <p>August 23
✓ Erie County Alumni Chapter Organization Meeting - Porreco Center, 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>September 1
✓ Erie County Alumni Chapter Victorian Princess Happy Hour Tour</p> <p>September 5
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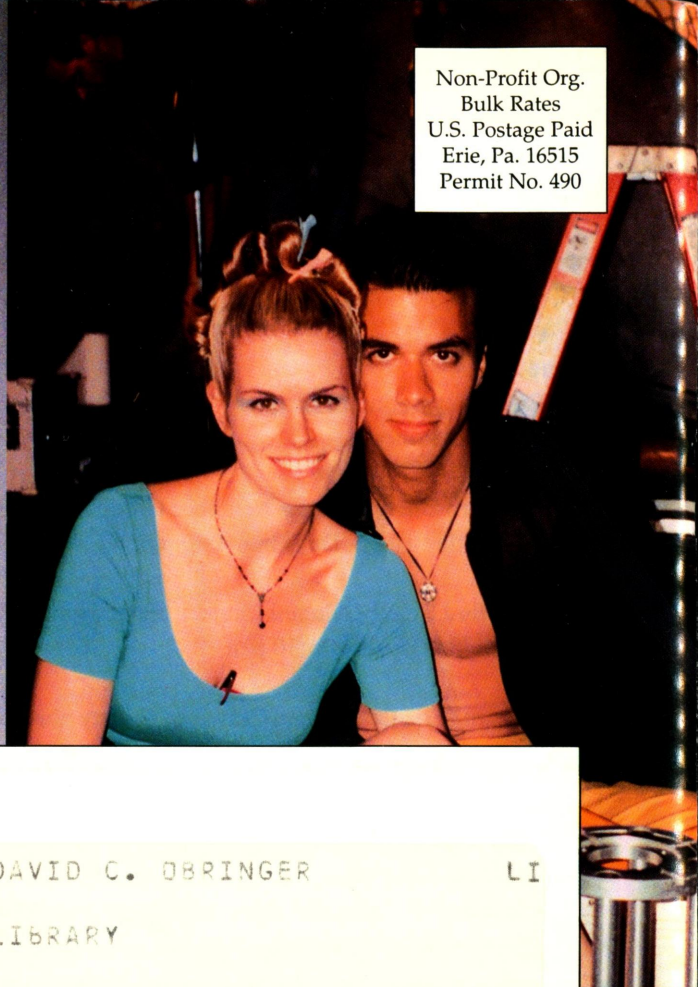
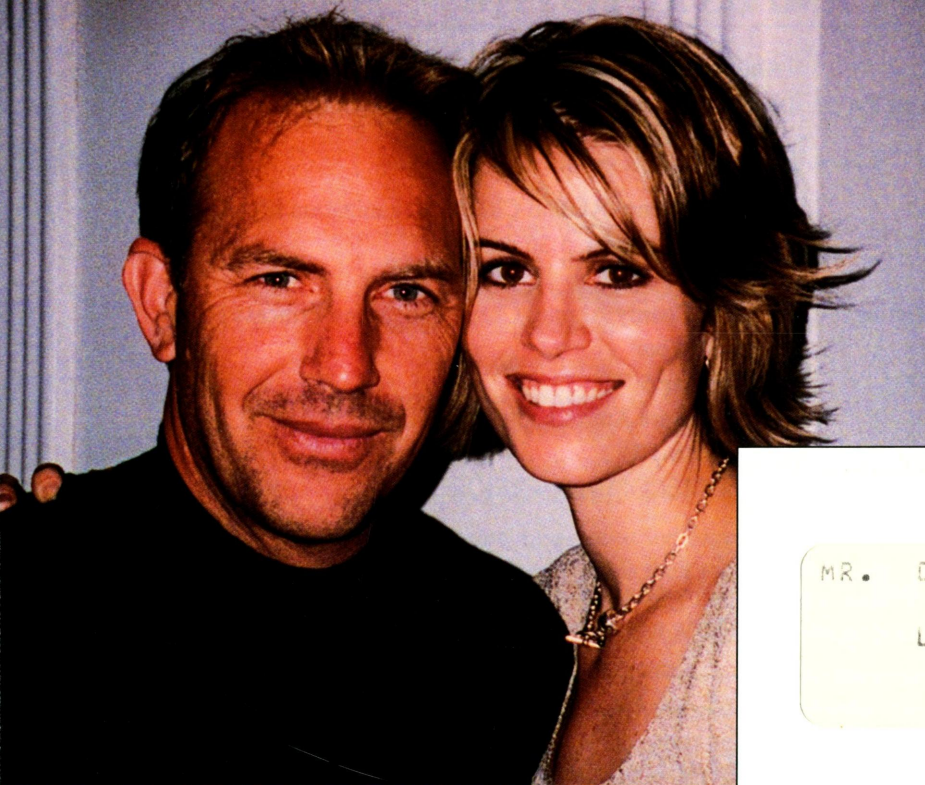
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