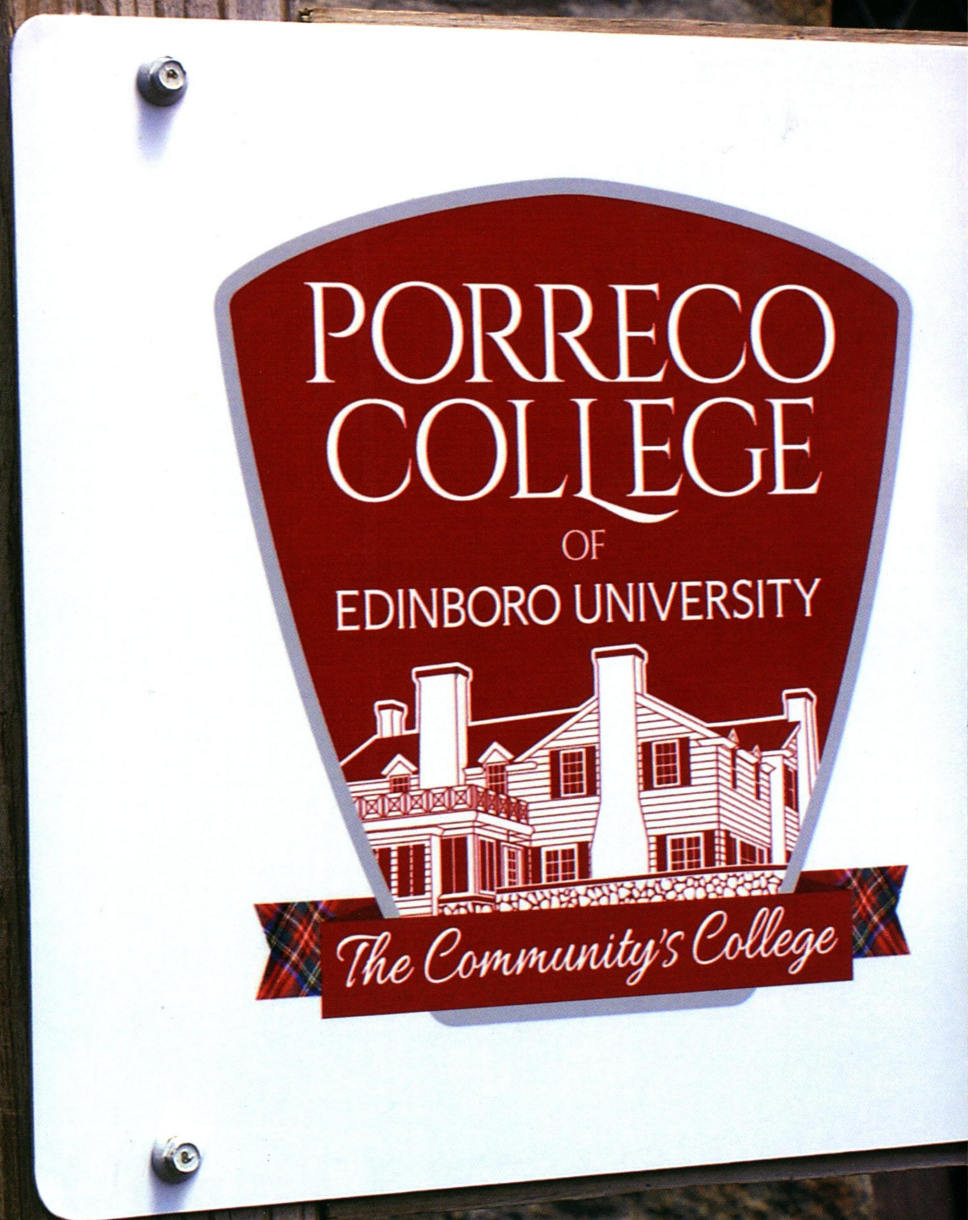


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The start of a new academic year is an exhilarating time for all of us at Edinboro University, and it's an especially significant time for our freshmen as they arrive on campus, eager to start their college years and anxious about what the experience will be like.

They have much to learn. Their experience also has much to teach us, as I rediscovered during the spring semester. Thirty-six years after I started my own freshman year of college, I assumed the role of new student again by enrolling in a Beginning Bagpipe class.

What began as a casual conversation with some of our student pipers became full immersion in a rich Edinboro tradition. Though I'm not yet ready to don a kilt and march with the band, I'm pleased to have shared the undergraduate experience with a wonderful group of students.

I learned so much! A semester of weekly classes, practice sessions with an undergraduate mentor, and still more practice on my own did not make me an expert piper, but it gave me fresh insights into all that our freshmen are experiencing: the stress and fear as well as the excitement and successes.

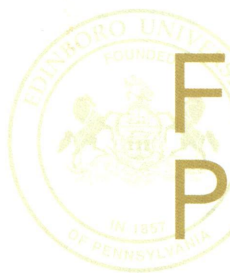
Participating in the class and doing the work reminded me just how important it is to meet our students where they are and gradually increase expectations, to support them through the moments of uncertainty when mastering a skill seems too hard, and to give them a sense of accomplishment so that they have the self-assurance they need to press on and through to the next challenge.

We strive at Edinboro University to meet these needs of our freshmen and all students as we engage the entire campus community in our commitment to student success. Our faculty and staff endeavor to spark students' natural curiosity, to nurture their ability to understand diverse perspectives, and to bolster their confidence to delve into the learning process and wrestle with the inevitable confusion that is part of that process.

It's challenging and fulfilling work to ensure that these students achieve even more than they thought possible when they chose Edinboro.

This fall for the first time in several years, our freshman class was larger than the previous year. Students are drawn here by the excellence and value of an Edinboro education. These qualities are reflected in the many accolades the University is receiving, which you can read about on page 5.

We know that they are attracted by the rich experiences our students enjoy, of which you'll find evidence throughout this magazine. Dedicated faculty mentors model scholarly achievement and



FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dean Nathan Ritchey joins President Wollman in her bagpipe class

involve undergraduate as well as graduate students in their research. Outstanding students like Tabitha Bemis, a highly accomplished athlete who embraces our Edinboro commitment to excellence in all aspects of her life, serve as role models for their peers.

And if prospective students need any further convincing, they are won over by the success of Edinboro alumni, who are doing marvelous work as scientists, business leaders, artists, educators and in many other fields. We are honored by their accomplishments.

I hope you'll see the Edinboro experience afresh through reading this issue of Edinboro University Magazine and perhaps even relive some of your college memories. Please enjoy it – and join us on campus soon!

Julie

Dr. Julie E. Wollman, President

An essay by President Julie E. Wollman about her experience in Beginning Bagpipin appeared recently in Inside Higher Ed. Find in a link to the story at edinboro.edu/news.



The main barn on Porreco College campus houses classrooms on the ground floor

THE COMMUNITY'S COLLEGE

EU UNVEILS INNOVATIVE NEW APPROACH TO MEET REGIONAL ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

Thirty-one years after earning her first Edinboro credits – for a single class – Nancy Baldwin is a college student again.

Three decades, two children and a career in cosmetology after her short-lived stint in college, Baldwin was ready for a change. Less than a half mile from her house, the University's Erie campus, known for years as the Porreco Center, was undergoing its own transformation.

To serve students like Baldwin – and to fill a major void in educational opportunities in the Erie region – Edinboro University in March announced plans for Porreco College, a visionary initiative to make workforce-ready degree and certificate programs available at community college prices.

The initiative and a major gift that helped to launch it were unveiled by President Julie E. Wollman to a very enthusiastic response from the community.

Jane Earll, a former Pennsylvania State Senator and influential leader in the Erie area, was one of many who praised the effort.

"As a longtime advocate for establishing a Community College in our region, I could not be more excited about the plan Edinboro University has for the Porreco site," Earll said. "Porreco College will be, in every way, analogous to a Community College."

Porreco College's low cost of less than \$2,400 per semester is made possible by the creation of a \$3,340 per

year scholarship called the Porreco Promise.

The Promise is funded through private donations, the first of which was a \$1 million gift from Erie businessman and civic leader Louis Porreco and his wife, Debbie. The couple's gift will support the initial semesters of the Porreco Promise and provide the start of an endowment that will sustain the program. To date, over \$400,000 in additional funds has been raised.

"Debbie and I are sincerely honored and delighted that the University has committed to undertake a transformation of the Porreco Center into an impressive Porreco College," Louis Porreco said. "The benefits of a community type college to our region will be enormous."

In announcing the \$1 million gift, the Porreco Promise and plans for further development of Porreco College, President Julie E. Wollman also introduced the college's new identity as The Community's College.

"Porreco College of Edinboro University truly is The Community's College," President Wollman said. "By making excellence and opportunity available at a community college tuition rate, Porreco College fills a significant void in the Erie region. By offering students a supportive educational environment on a small, friendly campus, Porreco College enables them to build confidence in their academic abilities and achieve more than they thought possible. And, by

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seeking out and responding to employers' needs, Porreco College makes a vital connection between education and rewarding employment."

Programs to prepare students for jobs in business, social services, advanced manufacturing, customer service management and other fields are being offered this fall, and additional programs are being developed in close consultation with area employers.



EU President Dr. Julie E. Wollman, left, with Louis Porreco, center, and his wife Debbie Porreco

Baldwin, who is studying Business Administration, said the Porreco Promise helped her financially, and she has been well-supported in her return to academics.

"Everyone just made it really very easy and very positive," said Baldwin, a single parent of two young children. "It's a win-win situation for me. If Porreco College weren't there and weren't available, I'm not sure if I would have gone back to college."

She said her instructors are eager to help and very understanding of her needs as a nontraditional student, and her fellow students are helpful as well.

The effort to create Porreco College was spearheaded by Dr. Nathan Ritchey, Dean of the College of Science and Health Professions, whose responsibilities include operations in Erie. An advisory council of business and education leaders as well as a large team of University faculty and staff members also invested their talents in the effort.

Dean Ritchey, who led the effort to launch Porreco College after spending two years working on a similar effort at Youngstown State University in Ohio, is excited about the potential of the 26-acre former estate and working farm, which also was a gift to the University from Louis Porreco nearly 30 years ago.

Additional renovations are planned in the barn and other buildings to accommodate an enrollment of up to 1,500 students. The facilities all will be developed within the footprint of existing structures, Dean Ritchey said, and the rural charm of the property will be retained.

PORRECO COLLEGE FACTS

Porreco College announced:

March 26, 2014

First classes began:

August 25, 2014

Programs available:

Associate degree in Business Administration
Associate degree in Human Services – Social Services
Associate degree in Liberal Studies
Associate degree in Applied Technology
Certificate in Customer Relations Management
Additional programs are being developed

About the campus:

Eight buildings on a little more than 26 acres, the property was donated to Edinboro University in 1986 by Louis Porreco. The renovated ground floor of the main barn includes classrooms, a computer lab, and a seminar area. Additional classrooms are located in the Garden House, and more are planned on the main floor of the barn.

Cost of attendance:

Less than \$2,400 per semester, thanks to the Porreco Promise, a privately funded endowment that provides grants to offset the cost of higher education for Erie County residents enrolled full or part time in a Porreco College certificate or associate degree program. Many students also qualify for state and federal financial aid, making the cost even lower.

About the Porreco Promise:

The scholarship endowment was launched with a \$1 million gift from Erie businessman Louis Porreco and his wife Debbie. Additional fundraising has brought the total to over \$1.4 million in just a few months.

For more information about Porreco College:

porreco.edinboro.edu



Gala in the Orchard, a fundraising event, celebrated supporters of the Porreco Promise



Janet Bowker, director of the college, said the campus' location close to the region's population center in Erie makes it convenient for students who would find it difficult to travel to Edinboro. She noted that the small class sizes are less daunting as well.

That's what drew student Jack Dunn, a U.S. Army veteran who is enrolled in the Applied Technology program in hopes of one day working as a video game developer.

"It's small here, not a lot of people. I'm uneasy with crowds," Dunn told a reporter for the *Erie Times-News* on the day of his orientation, just prior to the start of classes. "It's a great place to start, and it's close by."

In addition to nontraditional students like Dunn and Baldwin, Porreco College's first-year enrollment of 174 includes refugees, students who earned GEDs after dropping out of high school and others working to make better lives for themselves and their families.

As President Wollman noted, "Porreco College's high-quality, workforce-ready programming, in conjunction with Edinboro University's record of enabling students to succeed beyond their expectations, represents an unparalleled opportunity for students who might have believed college was out of reach."

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Mary Porreco Hall

The Company We Keep

Tutu reflects on Mandela life, legacy

Growing up in apartheid South Africa was a life-changing experience for Nontombi Naomi Tutu, daughter of world-famous social rights activist and retired Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu. She witnessed injustice but wanted to help change the world and has dedicated her life to doing so.

Tutu delivered the keynote address to a standing-room-only crowd in the Frank G. Pogue Student Center on March 31 as part of the University's weeklong "One Campus Experience: A Celebration of the Life and Legacy of Nelson Mandela."

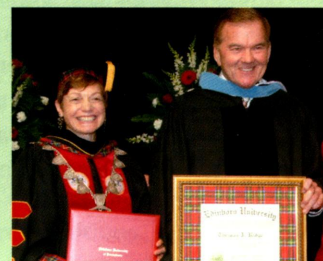
Tutu spoke about the late Nelson Mandela, life in South Africa and her own experience growing up as the daughter of an international figure. She was educated in Swaziland, the United States and England, and has taught at the Universities of Hartford and Connecticut as well as Brevard College.

Tutu presently serves as a consultant to the Spiritual Alliance to Stop Intimate Violence and the Foundation for Hospices in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Her lecture was part of a weeklong celebration that honored the late anti-apartheid leader, former South African president and Nobel Peace Prize winner.



Nontombi Naomi Tutu



Gov. Tom Ridge with
Dr. Julie E. Wollman

Ridge awarded honorary degree

Edinboro University is honored twice each year to present Commencement speakers who embody the mission and values of the University and inspire our graduates. In May, the University welcomed the nation's first Secretary of Homeland Security and former Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge.

Ridge, "Erie's favorite son," was awarded an honorary doctorate by President Julie E. Wollman for his impressive accomplishments as a soldier, congressman, governor and cabinet secretary.

With a packed house of nearly 4,000, Ridge gave the Commencement address and advice for tackling the next chapter. He said, "You will learn more, do more and invent more than any generation before you. All you have to do is combine passion with vision and make it work."

The May 2014 Commencement was one of the University's largest, with 738 undergraduates and 188 graduate students receiving degrees and certificates.



TRACK STAR TABITHA BEMIS AIMS HIGH, GOES FAR

Tabitha Bemis has excelled athletically and academically as an Edinboro University student.

As a track and field competitor, she is a six-time All-American and was recognized as the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Athlete of the Year, the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Atlantic Region Athlete of the Year, and EU's Senior Athlete of the Year as recipient of the Nancy Acker Award. She holds 11 Edinboro records, three of them as a relay team member.

In recognition of her combined athletic and academic achievements, she was named to the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Women's Track/Cross Country Team for the third time. She is a three-time Academic All-American, the recipient of the Pete Nevins Scholar-Athlete Award, and the first person in the history of the conference to become a six-time recipient of the PSAC Top Ten Award for student-athletes who excel both athletically and academically.

Though busy in her final semester as an EU undergraduate, holding down a job and completing an internship, the Sports & Recreation Administration major took time to reflect on her Edinboro experience.



PROFILE IN STUDENT SUCCESS

Who or what has been the best source of support for your success here?

It was a combination of the entire Athletic and Health and Physical Education departments, more specifically, my coaches Doug Watts and Anne Carlson, Associate Athletic Director Todd Jay, and numerous professors, including Shawn Reagan and Amy Barrall.

No matter where I turned, I found someone willing to take the time to help me succeed. Even President Wollman has taken time to assist me in finding the right path.

How have you been influenced by the emphasis on excellence and student success at EU?

The pursuit of excellence has not only influenced my academic, athletic and life choices, but it has really become a mentality for me. In high school, I identified myself as an athlete with average grades and an average social life, going through the motions in the latter two. However, over the past four years, I have matured in a way where I dedicate 100% to everything I do, and strive for excellence in all facets of life.

What advice would you give a student-athlete just beginning her/his college career at EU?

Dedicate yourself to both academics and athletics, and dedicate time to yourself. This is the time to find out who you are and learn to embrace it. Once you find direction and what you are passionate about, involve yourself in any way you can. Strive to be better every day, in everything you do.

What's next for you?

I am completing my internship in Athletics and Recreation at Allegheny College in Meadville and will graduate in December. I am considering several options after graduation, all of which include the pursuit of my master's degree and eventually a doctorate.

What do you consider the high point of your time as an Edinboro University student?

I have been given so many opportunities and had so many rewarding experiences it is hard to choose just one. I would have to say that my entire senior year was a high point for me. With the mentality that I wasn't done improving, I set extremely high standards for myself. Ultimately I achieved, and even surpassed, every goal I set.

I cannot put into words the incredible feeling of satisfaction that I ended my track and field career with. I could not be more proud to be a Fighting Scot!

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NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED

ACCOLADES ROLL IN FOR HIGH QUALITY AND VALUE OF AN EU EDUCATION

National rankings. Top-tier placement. Affirmation of value. Edinboro University and its programs are making their mark among the best of the best.

Ranked against some of the biggest names in higher education – and against programs costing tens of

thousands of dollars more per year – EU has earned numerous accolades this year. The recognitions reflect program quality, service to veterans and students with disabilities, return on investment and other qualities that prospective students seek and to which EU alumni can attest.

EU and its programs in top-tier U.S. News rankings

Edinboro University is ranked in the top tier as one of the best universities in the northern region in U.S. News & World Report's 2015 Best Colleges.

U.S. News' Best Regional Universities rankings are based on such quality indicators as retention and graduation rates, admissions selectivity, faculty strength, and assessment by administrators at peer institutions.

Additional U.S. News & World Report recognitions for EU programs include:

- Best Online Graduate Programs ranking in Nursing (#37), Education (#72) and Social Work (#148).
- Best Graduate Schools ranking for programs in Rehabilitation Counseling (#90), Fine Arts (#93) and Speech-Language Pathology (#181).

ANIMATION CAREER REVIEW

EU Game Design, Animation again rank among best

The Game and Virtual World Development Track of Edinboro's Computer Science program ranked 21st on the East Coast and 53rd nationally in Animation Career Review's 2014 Game Design School Rankings.

EU's Animation and Computer Animation programs ranked 23rd on the East Coast and 74th nationally in the Top 100 Animation School Programs in the U.S.

Animation Career Review's rankings are based on academic reputation, admission selectivity, depth and breadth

of the program and faculty, value and geographic location.

EU earns 2014 INSIGHT Into Diversity HEED Award

Edinboro University's commitment to diversity and inclusion was recognized with a 2014 INSIGHT Into Diversity Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award.

The HEED Award reflects achievement and commitment to broadening diversity and inclusion on campus through initiatives, programs and outreach, diversity in hiring and diversity student recruitment and success.

EU named a 'Great College to Work For'

Edinboro University is one of the best colleges in the nation to work for, according to a survey by The Chronicle of Higher Education. The recognition in The Chronicle's seventh annual report on The Academic Workplace was based on a survey of more than 43,000 employees at 278 colleges and universities.

Edinboro is one of only 92 institutions achieving "Great College to Work For" recognition for specific best practices and policies. The University earned recognition in the Work/Life Balance and Compensation & Benefits category.

EU recognized for excellent return on investment

The high-value, low-cost education offered by Edinboro University earned



it a place among the top colleges in Pennsylvania for return on investment in Affordable

Colleges Online rankings.

According to Affordable Colleges Online, the rankings point to "affordable schools with quality education programs that translate to real career potential."

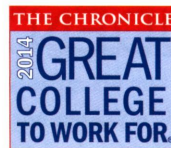
The site also recognized EU's online graduate programs as #2 in Pennsylvania in its 2014 Most Affordable Online Colleges in Pennsylvania ranking.

Edinboro's MSW program earns multiple recognitions

The online Master of Social Work, one of Edinboro University's most in-demand graduate programs, is also one of the University's most frequently and highly ranked. In addition to the top U.S. News & World Report ranking cited above, the program has been ranked among the nation's best by:

- BestColleges.com, whose 2014 Best Online Master's in Social Work Programs ranks EU #7 in the top 11 nationwide.
- Graduate Programs.com, which ranked Edinboro #8 among Top Student Rated Online MSW Programs.
- Create a Career, which ranks EU's online MSW program #16 in the United States.

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For a complete and continually updated list of accolades, see the Recognitions page at edinboro.edu.



EU Well Represented at SNAG Conference



Cappy Counard, professor of jewelry and metals, reports that EU had a powerful presence at the Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) conference April 23-27 in Minneapolis.

"The SNAG conference is the largest gathering of metalsmiths and jewelers in the country, a fantastic opportunity to network and exhibit," Counard said.

In addition to 13 current students who attended, many EU alumni participated in the conference. Renee Zettle-Sterling (MFA, '99) is the current president of SNAG, and Jim Bove (MFA, '99) and Angela Bubash (BFA, '00) serve on the board. Faculty member Sue Amendolara is past president.

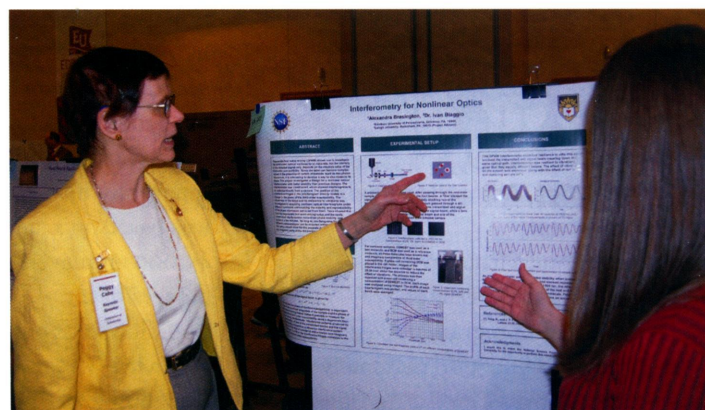
Among other EU-related highlights, current BFA student Heather Nuber won a very competitive SNAG education endowment, earning \$1,500 toward her tuition. Numerous alumni and current students were chosen for exhibitions, including MFA students Nash Quinn and Pete Antor; BFA student Alexis Archibald; and alumni Bove, Zettle-Sterling, Adrienne Grafton (BFA, '01), Jera Lodge (BFA, '12), Jessica Armstrong (MFA, '13) and Samantha Skelton (BFA, '09).

INAUGURAL CELEBRATION OF SCHOLARSHIP SHOWCASES STUDENT WORK

Research by more than 40 student authors was presented at EU's inaugural Celebration of Scholarship, a symposium showcasing both graduate and undergraduate research.

During the March 26 event, student-created posters describing their research were displayed in the Multipurpose Room of the Frank G. Pogue Student Center with the students present to discuss their work. EU alumna Dr. Peggy Cebe, '70, M'76, an award-winning physicist and Tufts University professor was keynote speaker.

Prizes were awarded for undergraduate and graduate student research conducted at EU as well as for research performed by Edinboro undergraduates outside of the University, such as while in summer programs and during internships. Provost's Choice Awards were presented to Julia Jagielo-Miller, first place, and Brittney Oleniacz, second place.



Dr. Peggy Cebe, an EU alumna and keynote speaker for the inaugural Celebration of Scholarship, left, speaks with student Alexandra Brasington about her poster



PFEIFFER SHARES KNOWLEDGE STUDENTS CAN TAKE TO THE BANK



Financial research by Dr. Shaun Pfeiffer of EU's Business and Economics Department has been widely cited in financial planning and general interest publications, including *The Wall Street Journal* and *Kiplinger*.

Whether offering the inside scoop on reverse mortgages or giving practical advice on saving for the future, Associate Professor Shaun Pfeiffer is quick to give his two cents to eager students and those seeking financial advice in such revered sources as *The Wall Street Journal* and *Kiplinger*.

Dr. Pfeiffer, who joined the Department of Business and Economics in fall 2012 after completing his doctorate in Personal Financial Planning at Texas Tech University, studied under and worked with some of the top financial planners in the industry. He has been published numerous times in financial planning publications.

A native of Amarillo, Texas, Professor Pfeiffer received his undergraduate degree at West Texas A&M, a similar-sized school in enrollment to Edinboro University. He was drawn to Edinboro's intimate setting and the potential of the university's financial services program.

"I'm impressed with the students we have at Edinboro," he said. "These students (at small schools) are some of the hardest working I know."

He cites the Department of Business and Economics' talented pool of professors, small class sizes and the technology available to give the university an upper hand in the specialized finance program.

Professor Pfeiffer teaches a variety of courses, including Principles of Finance, Investments, Personal Financial Plan Development, Personal Economics and Retirement Planning. His curriculum

encompasses all areas of financial planning: credit, cash management and estate tax.

"I stress to students about fiduciary responsibility – the client's best interest over your own," he said. The associate professor studied under and has co-authored multiple papers with Harold Evensky, referred to as "the Dean of Financial Planning" by Don Phillips of Morningstar, one of the most well-respected financial planners, authors and teachers in the industry. He and Evensky co-authored "Modern Fool's Gold: Alpha in Recessions" in *The Journal of Investing*. Pfeiffer has also published in *The Journal of Financial Planning* and *The Journal of Personal Finance*.

The Wall Street Journal and other well-known venues such as *Kiplinger* have cited Pfeiffer's work.

Timothy Few Ph.D., Chair of the Department of Business and Economics, is well aware of the talents that Pfeiffer brings to Edinboro and his department. "He has the Financial Services concentration, preparing students to become Certified Financial Planners. With his background, he brings a wealth of knowledge to the classroom, which greatly benefits the students," Dr. Few said.

Pfeiffer's work was also featured with another leading educator in the investing world — Jack M. Guttentag, emeritus professor of finance at the prestigious Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. The research was used by a task

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force to convince the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) to no longer describe reverse mortgages as a "loan of last resort."

His piece "HECM Reverse Mortgage: Now or Last Resort?" in the May issue of the *Journal of Financial Planning* outlined the importance of evaluating length of home stay, interest rates and home appreciation while deciding to establish a reverse mortgage now or later.

"I think the content of this study will be beneficial for the Finance and Accounting students in having new and practical knowledge related to their field of study," Dr. Pfeiffer said. "I'm always looking at improving, publishing and interacting with colleagues. My goal has been and always will be making the students as marketable as I can. My intent is to publish studies that benefit the students, Department of Business and Economics and the University."

The department chair appreciates the work ethic that Pfeiffer brings to the Business and Economics Department every day.

"Shaun is a great colleague. He will always give 110 percent effort. He will offer to volunteer to help out with the department and always has a positive attitude," Few said.

In his spare time, Pfeiffer spends time with his wife, Nicole, and their son, Griffin, born earlier this year. As a Texas native, being a football fanatic is second nature, but he also has become a fan of the Fighting Scots wrestling team.

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5 INVESTMENT TIPS

Dr. Shaun Pfeiffer, of Edinboro University's School of Business, offers the following investment and retirement planning tips:

Watch the risk. Choose a mix of investments that have a level of risk you are comfortable with. Some people can tolerate the volatility of the stock market, while others cannot.

Diversify. Invest in a well-diversified mutual fund and/or exchange traded fund. An example of a well-diversified balanced mutual fund would have hundreds and potentially thousands of investments in various bonds and stocks. Also, seek funds that limit each holding to less than 5% of the total fund.

Avoid the fees. People with limited investment knowledge should avoid high-fee mutual and/or exchange traded funds. This is also likely to be a good consideration for people who are knowledgeable about investments. Many companies offer stock and bond mutual funds with expense ratios below 0.003 (0.30%).

Save. Save. Save. Start saving now, even if it is a small amount. Small savings create good habits, and earnings benefit from a longer time to compound. If available, take advantage of an employer 401(k) match.

If it's too good to be true... Be skeptical of a sales pitch that sounds too good to be true. Seek financial advice from a trusted and well-respected Certified Financial Planner.

Student Veteran of the Year Named

Patricia Gerhauser, a U.S. Navy veteran, was named the University's Student Veteran of the Year for 2013-14.

The award was presented by the Edinboro University Veterans Success Center in recognition of Gerhauser's service to our country, superior academic work, personal and professional achievement, and success in the face of challenges that can confront student veterans.

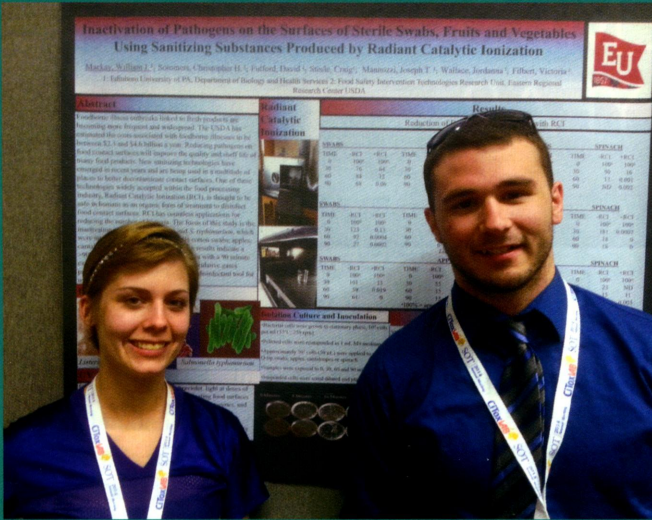
The U.S. Navy veteran, whose service included deployment in the Persian Gulf and Gulf of Aden, graduated with highest honors in May with a BA in Sociology and a minor in Psychology. She returned to the University in the fall to pursue an MA in Communication Studies.

Gerhauser resides in Waterford with her husband, Ryan, and their two young children, Aurora and Connor.



Patricia Gerhauser, EU's first Student Veteran of the Year, is congratulated by Jay Breneman, Coordinator of the Veterans Success Center, left, and Dr. Kahan Sablo, Vice President for Student Affairs





Students Jordanna Wallace and Joseph "JT" Mannozi joined Dr. William Mackay at the 2014 Annual SOT Meeting & ToxExpo, where Dr. Mackay presented research in which the students participated

Biology Faculty, Students Research Food Sanitizing Method

EU students and faculty in the Biology & Health Services Department are tackling the growing problem of foodborne illness with research into new sanitizing methods.

Undergraduates Joseph "JT" Mannozi and Jordanna Wallace joined faculty mentor Dr. William MacKay in attending the 2014 Annual Society of Toxicology Meeting & ToxExpo in March in Phoenix, Ariz., where Mackay presented the results of the research. Mackay and faculty colleagues Dr. David Fulford and Dr. Craig Steele conducted the work with students Mannozi and Wallace as well as Victoria Filbert, Alicia Hipwell, Khadijat Okasime and Tikira Saunders.

Their poster was titled "Inactivation of Pathogens on the Surface of Sterile Swabs, Fruits and Vegetables Using Sanitizing Substances Produced by Radiant Catalytic Ionization." Results of the EU

research indicate at least 90% killing of bacteria within a 20-minute exposure to RCI, indicating the technology is a viable option for better food processing and distribution.

"The poster was well-received, and a number of research scientists were very impressed by the quality of our scientific work at Edinboro University," Dr. Mackay said.

Filbert, along with fellow students Mackenzie Mustin and Shane Goller, also presented a poster related to the research at the annual meeting of the Allegheny-Erie Society of Toxicology at West Virginia University in Morgantown in May.

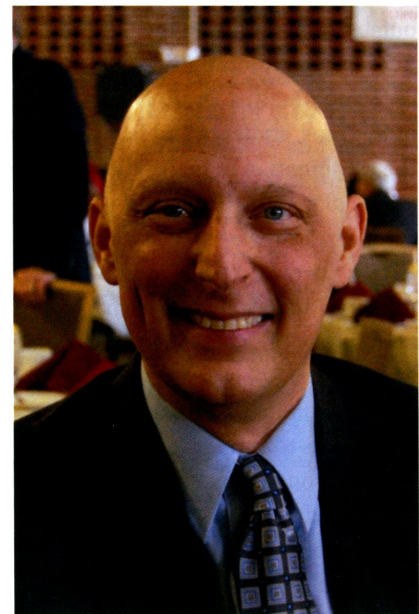
JOSEPH LAYTHE HONORED DURING MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AWARDS LUNCHEON

Joseph Laythe, Ph.D., professor in the History, Anthropology, and World Languages Department, was honored by EU President Julie E. Wollman on February 21 for his lifetime of service to others during the University's 18th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Luncheon.

Through the awards program, the University recognizes regional citizens who exemplify the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. King. In addition to Dr. Laythe, three other community leaders were honored: Armendia P. Dixon, Ph.D., educator and executive director of the Crawford County READ Program; Sister Mary Herrmann, former executive director of the SSJ Neighborhood Network in Erie; and Bill Jackson, president and chief professional officer of United Way of Erie County.

The award recipients were chosen by Edinboro's King Awards Luncheon Committee and President Wollman for recognition by the University for their dedication to education, social equality and opportunity, and peaceful community activism, exemplifying the ideals of the late civil rights leader and personifying his dream.

More than 40 community leaders have been honored with the Edinboro University Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Award since 1997, when the annual luncheon was created to celebrate King's legacy and to honor northwestern Pennsylvania citizens who embody King's spirit, philosophy and teachings.



SCHOLAR, FACULTY MEMBER AND ADVISOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS PRESENTED

Edinboro's highest-achieving students were recognized at the annual Academic Honors Convocation on April 11. Honored alongside them were three faculty members who went above and beyond the call of duty to achieve true excellence in teaching, scholarship and advising.

Dr. Heather T. Snyder of the Psychology Department was named Scholar of the Year for her outstanding record of commitment to research. In nominating Dr. Snyder for Scholar of the Year recognition, Psychology Department Chairperson Cynthia Legin-Bucell, Ph.D., stressed that her colleague is a teacher-scholar.

"All of her scholarship is conducted with our undergraduate students," Legin-Bucell said. "Not only is she conducting research, but she is teaching our students how to do the same."

Jim Roberts, Ph.D., associate professor and former chairperson of EU's Health and Physical Education Department, was named Faculty Member of the Year. The award recognizes a tenured faculty member who demonstrates outstanding service to the University, students and neighboring communities.

In nominating Dr. Roberts for Faculty Member of the Year, students and faculty colleagues cited the combination of high expectations and engaging, personal approach he brings to his teaching.

"He comes to every class prepared and excited to teach, which translates into students coming prepared and excited to learn," May 2014 Health and Physical Education graduate Dustin Thomas wrote of Dr. Roberts in his nominating statement.

Also nominating Roberts and providing statements to support the nomination were student Kara Wilson and faculty colleagues Shawn Reagan, D.Ed., and Laura Miller, Ph.D.

Dr. Roberts also was named a Fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) this year. This prestigious distinction was recognized

at the 2014 ACSM Annual Meeting on May 30 in Orlando, Florida.

In recognition of his contributions to student success through effective advising, Ron Craig, Ph.D., of the Psychology Department was named the University's Advisor of the Year.



Dr. Heather T. Snyder of the Psychology Department was named Scholar of the Year



Associate professor and former chairperson of EU's Health and Physical Education Department, Dr. Jim Roberts, was named Faculty Member of the Year



Dr. Ron Craig of the Psychology Department was named the University's Advisor of the Year

Dr. Craig, a member of the Edinboro faculty since 1997, was nominated by student Mary Dodds, who wrote that he "took the time and interest in me and my success so that I was truly able to make the most out of my time here at Edinboro and be well-prepared for the next step in my education."

In a letter of support for the nomination, faculty colleague Dr. Gary Labine, Edinboro's 2013 Advisor of the Year, wrote:

"Simply put, Dr. Craig is, and has been for many years, an exceptional advisor. ... In addition to providing high-quality service to his personal advisees, many colleagues both within and outside our department refer their students to Dr. Craig for information about graduate schools, careers and participation in the research process."

Earlier, at the 2014 Faculty and Staff Recognition Celebration on March 28, Jennifer Gardner, secretary in the Counseling, School Psychology, and Special Education Department, was announced as the Staff Member of the Year.

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Faculty Notes

Dr. Dale Tshudy of EU's Geosciences Department and his longtime collaborator Dr. Tim-Yan Chan of the National Taiwan Ocean University, wrote a short paper, "Taxonomic note: the fossil clawed lobster, *Metanephrops elongatus* Hu & Tao, 2000 (Nephropidae), is a nomen

dubium but definitely not a *Metanephrops*." The paper was accepted this spring for publication in the journal *Zootaxa*.

In it, Tshudy and Chan reported they had determined conclusively that a marine fossil fragment found by Chinese scientists and identified as a type of clawed lobster was not of the genus previously believed, and likely is not from a lobster at all.

EU faculty colleague

Dr. Ulf Sorhannus, Tshudy and Chang spent several days in EU's Cooper Science Center analyzing morphologic and genetic data to produce family trees of the deep-sea lobsters they study. Chan and his protégé Chang research living lobsters, and as a paleontologist, Tshudy studies fossil lobsters.

The collaboration between marine biologists and a paleontologist is unfortunately rare, Tshudy said. The results of their efforts will be the subject

of a forthcoming paper, which Tshudy and Chang outlined during her visit.

Chuck Johnson, EU ceramics faculty member, presented the exhibit "Ceramic Sculpture by Chuck Johnson" in the Marion Art Gallery at SUNY Fredonia, January 31 through February 23.

Dr. Jim Wertz of the new Journalism and Public Relations Department presented "Media production in emergent markets: a developmental model" at the Laurel Highland Communications Conference on April 11 at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He also presented "Revitalizing the Rust Belt: New Frontiers of Media Production," at the 15th Annual Convention of the Media Ecology Association, June 19-22 in Toronto, Canada. He also had a paper accepted by the organization in 2013.

Dr. Juanita Kasper, graduate program head of the MEd in Special Education program, presented a

paper, "Work-Life Balance," at the International Women's Conference in Havana, Cuba, over the winter break.

In the paper, she synthesizes recent scholarship about the difficulties women face balancing professional responsibilities with other obligations such as family and health. She notes that women still are the "second shift" in many households, carrying the lion's share of the housekeeping and child-raising duties.

Michelle Vitali of the Art Department presented the poster "3D Facial Approximation: Lingerin Problems and Improving Outcomes" in February at the 66th meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences in Seattle. The research reflects Professor Vitali's interest in adding a fine arts dimension to facial reconstruction and age progression techniques to enhance their quality and therefore their value in helping to solve missing persons and criminal cold cases.

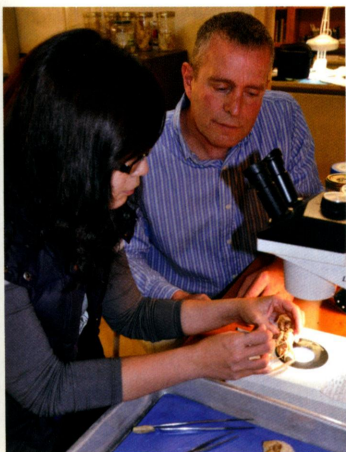
Art Department faculty member **Karen Ernst**, who teaches wood and furniture design, received a second-place award in this summer's Art of the State annual juried exhibition at The State Museum of Pennsylvania. The exhibition is a showcase for the talent, creativity and diversity of Pennsylvania's established and emerging artists.

Dr. Karim Hossain of the Physics and Technology Department and **Dr. Irene Fiala**, associate professor of Sociology, traveled to Turkey this summer with the Turkish Cultural Center of Pittsburgh. Joining them in their travels was Dr. Hossain's wife, Barbara.

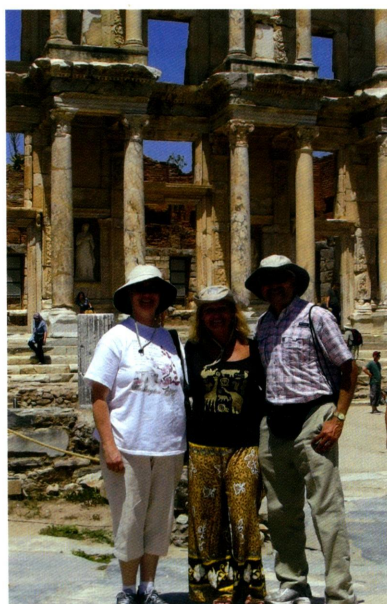
During their two weeks in Turkey, the Hossains and Dr. Fiala visited an array of cities and sites, including three universities where they made contacts that they hope will result in Turkish students coming to study at EU.

Dr. Fiala's busy year of travel in 2014 began in Merida, Mexico, with the EU Study Abroad group team-taught by **Dr. Jerra Jenrette** and **Dr. Lenore Barbian** of the History, Anthropology and World Languages Department and **Suzanne Winterberger** of the Art Department. Dr. Fiala then began her summer by accompanying **Dr. Janusz Czejdo** and eight students on EU's Study Abroad in Poland, May 14-25.

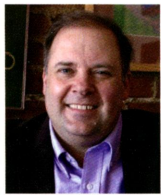
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Dr. Dale Tshudy of the Geosciences Department and visiting Taiwanese scientist Su-Ming Chang discuss lobster specimens in Dr. Tshudy's Cooper Science Center office



Dr. Irene Fiala, center, with Dr. Karim Hossain and his wife, Barbara, pause for a photo in front of the Library of Celsus at Ephesus during their trip to Turkey with the Turkish Cultural Center of Pittsburgh

Dr. Craig von Buseck, '89,

is the author of several books, including "Nobody Knows: The Forgotten Story of One of the Most Influential Figures in American Music," a biography of Harry T. Burleigh, published in January. He also is a contributing writer and former producer for CBN.com, the official website of the Christian Broadcasting Network, and a professional speaker who has traveled extensively both in America and abroad. He holds a Doctor of Ministry and a Master of Arts in Religious Journalism from Regent University. He lives in North Carolina.

Patience (Nielsen) Breinholt, '95,

was recognized in June in "Who's Who in Business" by *The Arizona Republic* newspaper. Breinholt is vice president of human resources at Unicon Inc., an information technology supplier for education. She recently secured her Senior Professional Human Resources (SPHR) certification, which recognizes mastery of the strategic and policy-making aspects of human resource management.

Sterling Beane, Jr., M'99,

was named Chief Technology Officer of the West Virginia Department of Education. In this role, he is considered the state's leading visionary in the realm of educational technology and its use in the classroom.

**Dr. Monica Ann Beane, M'98,**

wife of Sterling Beane, Jr., is executive director of the Office of Professional Preparation in the state Department of Education. She completed her D.Ed. in Educational Leadership with an emphasis in Higher Education Administration, in 2011.



Brian F. Henry, '03, received an Award of Excellence from the Donald W. Reynolds Journalism Institute, sponsor of the Pictures of the Year International, for his film "Never Forget." The short film was based on the events of the 12th anniversary of the Flight 93 tragedy at the Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, Pa. Henry is a full-time photojournalist for the Tribune-Review. He resides in Greensburg, Pa. with his wife Megan (Uplinger), '04.

LaToya Ruby Frazier, '04, received a 2014 John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship. Frazier is an acclaimed photographer who uses her work to make social statements about class inequity, access to health care, and environmental racism. Her work has been displayed nationally and internationally, and her first book, "The Notion of Family," will be published by the Aperture Foundation this fall. She also was a Guna S. Mundheim Fellow at the American Academy in Berlin, class of spring 2014.

Dr. Michael Madden, '05,

was the author of an article published January 27 in *JAMA Pediatrics*. The work, "Market Analysis of Vitamin Supplementation in Infants and

Children: Evidence From the Dietary Supplement Label Database," was featured by FoxNews, *Chicago Tribune*, Yahoo! and many other media outlets. He resides in Erie with his wife Aroona (Akram), '06.

Nicole Fuhrman, M'12,

was awarded the Maitland P. Simmons Award for New Teachers at the National Conference on Science Education in April. A member of the National Science Teachers Association, she teaches fifth- and sixth-grade science at Our Lady's Christian School in Erie.

Angie Seykora, M'13,

was one of two recent U.S. sculpture graduates selected for the fully sponsored Art-St-Urban residency in Switzerland. The International Sculpture Center (ISC) established the sculpture residency in cooperation with sculptor Heinz Aeschlimann and his wife, Gertrud.



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LET YOUR SUCCESS BE AN INSPIRATION TO CURRENT AND FUTURE STUDENTS

Edinboro University's successful alumni are its greatest ambassadors. We're proud of all you have accomplished, and we recognize how your achievements inspire students who aspire to follow in your footsteps. The EU Communications and Marketing Department, along with the Office of Alumni Relations, is searching for alumni willing to be featured in EU advertisements and marketing promotions. This initiative will highlight influential alumni while helping Edinboro University to continue to grow stronger by recruiting new students to all of our superb academic departments. If interested, please contact Brenda Tucci at btucci@edinboro.edu or 814-732-1342 for more information.



EU ALUMS CRUISE IN FLORIDA

Hosted by alumnus Keith McCauley, '72, Edinboro University alumni, friends and guests enjoyed a three-hour cruise aboard the StarLite Majesty in Clearwater Beach, Florida, on Sunday, February 23.

The cruise included great dining with live entertainment and dancing, all in a genuine cruise experience on smooth inland waters.

Based on the positive feedback from those in attendance, a 2015 cruise is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, February 22. For additional information or to receive an invitation, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 800-526-0117.

Participants in the EU Alumni Dinner-Dance cruise, all in order from left:

Front row: Jon Pulice, '90, Director of Alumni Relations, and event host Keith McCauley, '72.

Second row: Marc Menuto, '89; Nancy Menuto; Barb Kantz, '94; Charles Gilbert; Helen Gilbert; Dr. Charles Territo, '70; Dr. Jacqueline Tabita Territo, '69; Anna Wilson Paladina, '69; Ann Markham Eades, '51; President Julie E. Wollman; and Lyn Stoffer.

Third row: Vice President for Advancement Tina Mengine; Amy Stevens Scheloske, '03; Jessica Gilbert; Linda Freeland Ripley, '70; Michael Farley, '07; Alessia Andrae Farley, '07; Elaine Davis Fertig, '69; Carol Brynda Kennedy, '73; Peggy Pulice; Cornelia Duskas, '85; Amanda Sinkovec Wininsky, '00; Eleonora Navari Buba; Joseph Buba, '69.

Fourth row: Stephen Scheloske, '02; Kevin Kantz, '73; Thomas Gilbert, '83; Dr. Dan L. King; Amy Antonik Spence, '99; Aaron Hill, '10; Hollie Dean-Hill, '08; Director of Athletics Bruce Baumgartner; John Pulice, Council of Trustees member; Bruce Kennedy; Heather Ursini; Dylan Wininsky; Dr. Dean Stoffer, emeritus faculty member; and Stanley Fertig, retired faculty.

Participants also included Evie Borsheim; Nancy Bryant; Pat Dewitt; Christopher Dewitt, '78; Donald Paladina; and Greg Spence.

ARE YOU READY FOR THE TROPICS?

The Office of Alumni Relations cordially invites all Edinboro University alumni to a family fun event January 16 and 17, 2015, at Splash Lagoon, one of the largest indoor water parks on the East Coast.

You won't believe you're just a few miles from the Boro in the middle of winter!

The package includes overnight hotel accommodations, complimentary breakfast, four two-day Splash Lagoon passes for Friday and Saturday, and a \$10 arcade card. Packages start at \$199, plus tax and fees. Availability is limited. Reserve your spot by December 16, 2014.

Call 1-866-3SPLASH, Group ID#EDU15; or book online at www.splashlagoon.com, promo code 268.

For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 800-526-0117 or eup_alumni@edinboro.edu.





Participating in a signing event for three funds of the Women's Philanthropy Council, from left, are Vice President for University Advancement Tina Mengine, President Julie E. Wollman, and WPC founding members Donna Douglass, Donna L. Nicholas and Dr. Nancy S. Rung

WOMEN'S PHILANTHROPY COUNCIL ENHANCES THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Connecting students with mentors. Bringing professional women together to network and share the secrets of their success. Providing funds for research and travel.

In just two years since its founding in 2012, the Women's Philanthropy Council (WPC) has moved forward significantly in its efforts to further the role of women as leaders and active participants in Edinboro University and our community.

Under the leadership of President Julie E. Wollman, the Council seeks to support the University's mission through the engagement of women who are alumni, faculty, staff, retirees and friends. Members serve as mentors as well as philanthropists, enriching the experience of EU students and other young women by sharing the benefits of their experience as well as their financial support.

"Attending the Edinboro Women's Philanthropy Council networking event this spring was incredibly rewarding," said Communication and Media Studies graduate student Aubry Regan. "This opportunity provided a comfortable and professional atmosphere to meet and greet insightful women leaders in the area. Not only did they offer resume and interview tips, but also expressed genuine care and enthusiasm for my personal success. As a mentee of the Edinboro Women's Philanthropy Council, I gain confidence and support to further my career and facilitate philanthropic efforts both in my education at Edinboro University and within my community."

The WPC also has begun a Women to Women series of events focused on women and leadership with partner Athena PowerLink, a volunteer organization that provides professional advisory



panels to women-owned businesses. More than 100 attended the first two programs, which were held at Porreco College.

In addition, the WPC has established three funds to enhance the student experience and to encourage scholarly development:

The recipient of the **Women's Philanthropy Council Scholarship** will become an active participant in WPC events and activities as it continues to advance the role of women as leaders at Edinboro University and in the community. The successful candidate will be an undergraduate student, junior or senior, with a minimum 3.0 GPA in her major. The successful candidate must also describe her goals and how a woman influenced or made a difference in her life.

The **Women's Philanthropy Council Study Away Award** has been created to promote international and domestic student travel as a part of the university experience. For students, studying away is a transformational experience offering unique opportunities for academic, social and personal growth. It is the intent of the Council that the award will not only provide an extraordinary travel opportunity, but will also instill passion for lifelong engagement in global issues and challenges.

The goal of the **Women's Philanthropy Council Research Grant** is to support undergraduate research conducted with a faculty member and to provide opportunities for faculty



More than 100 women attended the first two Women to Women programs held at Porreco College's Mary Porreco Hall

and graduate students to research a specific topic and present the results to the academic community via conference lecture, talk, roundtable, publication, solo exhibition or recital.

The funds are supported through gifts from alumni, faculty, staff, retirees and friends. To date nearly \$250,000 has been raised. For more information about becoming part of the Women's Philanthropy Council and its activities, contact Julie Chacona in University Advancement at jchacona@edinboro.edu or 814-732-1779.

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FOCUS ON SCHOLARSHIPS

Ritcheys create College of Science and Health Professions Endowment

Dr. Nathan P. Ritchey and his wife, Mary Ann, recently endowed a new fund to support and enhance the mission and vision of the College of Science and Health Professions.

Under Dean Ritchey's leadership, the College provides a focus on Edinboro University's commitment to the growth of STEM (science/technology/engineering/mathematics) programs, as well as health and allied health professions. Its programs highlight the University's commitment

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From left, Vice President for University Advancement Tina Megine, Dean Nathan P. Ritchey and his wife, Mary Ann, and President Julie E. Wollman mark the Ritcheys' creation of a new scholarship fund for the College of Science and Health Professions



to these critical growth areas as well as the University-wide emphasis on excellence and student success.

Dr. Ritchey was appointed Dean of the College in August 2013. He received his Bachelor of Arts in mathematics from Mansfield University and earned both his Master of Science - Applied Mathematics, and Ph.D. - Mathematics, from Carnegie Mellon University. Prior to his appointment at Edinboro, he was chair of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at Youngstown State University (YSU), where he also served as an Interim Associate Provost.

Martha Kaderly Zebrowski Scholarship and Edward Zebrowski Scholarship

Martha K. Zebrowski, daughter of the late Martha and Edward Zebrowski, has established two scholarships at Edinboro University in memory and honor of her parents. Both scholarships will be awarded annually to a nontraditional or first-generation college student who is a first-time or returning student. The Edward Zebrowski Scholarship recipient must be a major in either history or foreign languages and the Martha Kaderly Zebrowski award will be made to a student majoring in an academic field within the humanities, social sciences, math or natural sciences.

Edward Zebrowski had a long tenure in the Edinboro University history department, teaching from 1966 until his retirement in 1991. He was an Eastern European historian, focusing on Poland, Russia and Eastern Europe. According to his colleagues, he challenged his students to achieve the highest standards of excellence. Throughout his tenure, he organized and presented community lectures, and he continued to speak at Edinboro University as well as in the greater community after his retirement.

Martha Kaderly Zebrowski was an acquisitions librarian at Edinboro University from 1966 to 1990. She is remembered by many of her former colleagues as gracious, hospitable and generous. She took great pride in acquiring a first-rate collection of Eastern European and Russian books for the Baron-Forness Library at Edinboro, which is still considered one of the finest within the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Gary and Deborah Stretavski Memorial Scholarship

Gary J. Stretavski graduated from Edinboro University in 1975 with a degree in elementary education. He taught earth science for many years at the Steel Valley School District until his retirement. He met his wife, Deborah J. (Chontos) Stretavski, when they both attended Edinboro. Deborah also graduated in 1975 and worked as a librarian at New England and Clara Barton Elementary schools in the West Mifflin Area School District.

Gary Stretavski described Deborah as the love of his life. After her passing in 2006, he had two memorial trees planted near the Baron-Forness Library on the Edinboro campus in her loving memory and honor. He passed away in 2012, but he always said that both he and his wife received the best education possible at Edinboro.

It was his intent to start a scholarship through a planned gift as a way to give back to the institution that meant so much to them. The scholarship will be awarded to a student pursuing a master's degree in Education - Reading.

Major General Mari K. Eder Scholarship

Major General Mari K. Eder, U.S. Army (retired) has established a new scholarship, unique for its eligibility requirements. The scholarship will be awarded to students majoring in English; however, preference also will also be made for a student "out of the mainstream." This is a student who may not qualify for other scholarships; one who is bright and creative but may not have the highest SAT scores, the



Major General Mari K. Eder



Thomas Scholarship

A scholarship signing and luncheon was held recently with the family of the late Harry K. Thomas, Esq. The scholarship was established in honor of Attorney Thomas, a member of the Edinboro University Council of Trustees for over 28 years. In the front row, from left, are Mrs. Harry (Susan) Thomas, President Julie E. Wollman and Lynette (Thomas) Willis. In the back row, from left, are EU Director of Development Marilyn Goellner, Christopher Thomas, Vice President for University Advancement Tina Mengine and Director of Alumni Relations Jon Pulice. The scholarship award will be made in Attorney Thomas' honor and memory to a student pursuing a degree in pre-law studies or criminal justice.

strongest academic recommendations, or the most supportive family.

The primary defining factor is potential. This scholarship is for a student who needs an opportunity and the encouragement to thrive. A student selected by these criteria will most clearly reflect the values Major General Eder gained from her Edinboro experience.

Major General Eder retired from the U.S. Army in May 2013 after 35 years of dedicated service to the nation. A native of Stoneboro, Pennsylvania, she earned bachelor's and master's degrees in English from Edinboro, which she credits as the crucible experience that forged her devotion to excellence and drive for success. She commanded at every level in the Army, from platoon through division level, and concluded her Army career as Commanding General, U.S. Army Reserve Joint and Special Troops Command, headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah.

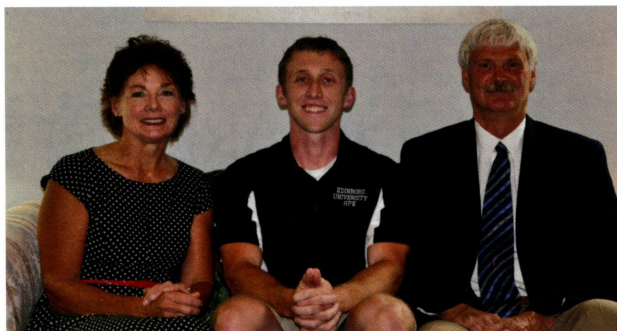
She is the recipient of numerous civilian and military awards and recognitions, including the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster) and the Meritorious Service Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters). In December 2013, Major General Eder delivered the EU commencement address and was awarded an honorary doctorate.

Drs. Ken and Linda Felker Scholarship

Long-time Edinboro faculty members, Drs. Ken and Linda Felker recently established a scholarship to benefit a Health and Physical Education (HPE) major in the teacher certification track.

Dr. Kenneth Felker began his teaching career at The Lawrenceville School, a private preparatory boarding high school in Princeton, New Jersey, before coming to teach in the EU Health and Physical Education Department in 1991. He was the department chair for 15 years.

Dr. Linda Mukina-Felker, a 1978 Edinboro alumna, taught at the Penncrest School District in Saegertown, Pennsylvania for 16 years before becoming a professor in the Edinboro Health and Physical Education Department for 23 years, retiring in May 2013.



Drs. Linda and Ken Felker catch up with Luke Jahn, center, a Health and Physical Education major from Edinboro who received the scholarship the Felkers recently created

Both the Felkers have fond memories of their years at Edinboro University, where they met in 1991. They have long been advocates and supporters of higher education and established this scholarship with the intention of providing financial assistance to deserving students, encouraging the same commitment to education that they have demonstrated during their careers.

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Larry Hill Memorial Scholarship

Initiated by close friends and Edinboro alumni Dennis Ranalli and Mark Lamperski, the Larry Hill Memorial Scholarship was established in memory and honor of Larry Edward Hill. The fund has reached the endowment level thanks to the generosity of classmates and friends.

Mr. Hill served in the Coast Guard from 1965 to 1970, first as a member of President Johnson's Presidential Honor Guard and later as a medical corpsman. He attended Edinboro State College from 1971 to 1975, studying social work, business and political science. Elected president of the Student Government Association (SGA) in 1972 and 1973, he led efforts that resulted in transfer of control over the SGA budget from the college administration to the students.

After leaving Edinboro, Mr. Hill worked primarily in off-shore drilling and was employed most of his career at Atwood Oceanics, traveling the world with responsibilities that focused on safety, health and security. He lived for many years in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Houston, Texas; Cairo, Egypt; and Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



Friends and classmates of Larry Hill held a memorial celebration in his honor during Homecoming 2013. A Nursing scholarship has been established in his memory.

He was known for his warmth, humor and generosity to friends all over the world, and no matter where he was living at the time, he always returned every fall for Edinboro University's Homecoming Weekend.

The scholarship will be awarded to a Nursing major, with preference to a veteran of the U.S. armed forces currently receiving medical treatment for injuries suffered in combat or received in the line of duty.



Johnson Scholarship

Two Speech/Language Pathology graduate students were honored as recipients of the Dr. Frank Johnson Scholarship during the Speech Language and Hearing Department's 25th Annual Speech-Language Pathology Alumni Conference. Participating in the presentation, from left, were Dr. Johnson's granddaughter, Grace Johnson; his widow, Jean Johnson; scholarship recipients Natalie Smith and Kim Kerstetter; and Dr. Johnson's son, Dave Johnson.



Artwork is an example of the type of work created by clients of art therapy

NEW ART THERAPY PROGRAM ADDS CREATIVE DIMENSION TO COUNSELING

Edinboro University's nationally unique Master of Arts degree in Counseling - Art Therapy program is the first masters-level art therapy degree program in the United States that can be completed entirely online.

The Art Therapy program is dedicated to achieving excellence in counseling and art therapy education, research, and clinical and community service while fostering the highest ethical standards. It integrates counseling and visual arts practice, engaging the creative power of art for clinical assessment and treatment.

Students enrolled in the rigorous art therapy track train as professional counselors but also meet requirements for national credentialing as art therapists.

"The program can be taken 100 percent online or can be taken with some on-campus courses to meet

diverse student learning needs," said Dr. Penny Orr, ATR-BC, ATCS, co-director of the MA in Counseling - Art Therapy. "Edinboro's master's program in Counseling - Art Therapy provides students the education they need to apply for the Practicing Counselor License and for the National Art Therapy credentialing."

Dr. Orr said that art therapy is a rapidly growing profession that combines the skills of the artist with those of the counselor. Clients use the creative process and the resulting artwork to explore their feelings, reconcile emotional conflicts, manage behavior, reduce anxiety and increase self-esteem.

For more information on Edinboro's new MA in Counseling - Art Therapy program, contact the School of Graduate Studies and Research by phone at 814-732-2856, toll-free at 888-845-2890 or by email at gradstudies@edinboro.edu.

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM HEAD

Originally from the Erie area, Dr. Penny Orr was born in Girard, Pennsylvania, but moved to South Carolina as a teen.

After earning a bachelor's degree in Studio Art from South Carolina's Furman University, Dr. Orr moved to Illinois to pursue a master's degree in Art Therapy from The School of the Art Institute of Chicago. She received her Doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction with a focus in Art Education from Purdue University in Indiana. Her credentials include Registered Art Therapist - Board Certified and Art Therapy Certified Supervisor.

Five years ago, after living and working in several states and earning degrees along the way, she found herself at Edinboro University and back in the Erie area.

In addition to co-leading the undergraduate and graduate art education program with Dr. Jay Hanes, Dr. Orr co-leads Edinboro University's new MA in Counseling - Art Therapy program with Dr. Adrienne Dixon of the Counseling, School Psychology, and Special Education Department.



Master of Arts degree in Counseling -
Art Therapy program head Dr. Penny Orr

FUSING EXCELLENCE WITH ACCESSIBILITY

ART EDUCATION EXEMPLIFIES QUALITY, FLEXIBILITY THAT EU'S
ONLINE PROGRAMS OFFER GRADUATE STUDENTS

Excellence, built around your schedule. That's the goal of Edinboro University's many online graduate programs. Sixteen in all, including five online certificate programs for educators, Edinboro's online degrees give practicing educators the flexibility to work around their hectic professional schedules.

The Master of Arts in Art Education fits that mold well.

Dr. Penny Orr, program head, said flexibility and accessibility are chief strengths of the program. The online environment that Edinboro offers allows these students the flexible schedule to accomplish their professional goal of graduate education.

The Art Education program focuses on curriculum, aesthetics, research, practice and building leadership skills. The program is for the practicing art teacher; most students in the program are teaching full time in K-12 schools. Studio courses are not part of the program, though art projects are created during the student's course of study.

"The online component allows for students anywhere to pursue our degree," said Dr. Orr, who was instrumental in converting the MA - Art Education to an online program in 2008. "We have had international students and students from rural areas attend our program that did not have access to traditional universities with a higher degree in art education."

So, not only does Edinboro's Art Education program help the "local" practicing art teacher, it provides opportunities to those abroad and at closer distances to further their education.

Dr. Orr's primary impact on the students of the Art Education program is through the areas of practice, leadership and research. She helps students develop and implement a final research project, which is a requirement of the degree.

Because so many of her students are current teachers, her chief goal is to relate coursework to their current teaching practices, she said.

Additional faculty in the program are Dr. Jay Hanes, who directs students to focus on historical and theoretical literature while tying it to contemporary education practices, and Dr. Ross Schlemmer, who focuses on community and multicultural arts.

Dr. Orr said she believes that the diversity of the faculty in the Art Education program helps Edinboro students receive a broad perspective on theory, practice and aesthetics. Exposure to such an array of views and ideas encourages students to think for themselves, she said, and instills in them the confidence to use their experience to grow as an educator.

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School of Graduate Studies and Research notes

Graduate student accepted to WVU Ph.D. program



A spring 2014 Edinboro graduate with an MEd in Educational Leadership, **Renee Brown** has been accepted and enrolled in a doctoral

program at West Virginia University in Morgantown.

Counseling student selected to national directorate board

Kalia Mason became the newest graduate student member of the Commission for Counseling and Psychological Services at the American College Personnel Association's annual conference in Indianapolis.

Mason was officially inducted to the Directorate Board at the conference, which took place March 29 through April 2. She funded her trip using Graduate Professional Development Program funds.

2013 graduate publishes research study on recess

Denise Lederhouse, a summer 2013 graduate of the Early Childhood Education program, published a research study in a newsletter released by the Play, Policy & Practice Interest Forum of the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

Her research focuses on the implications of recess and recreation time on elementary-aged schoolchildren and involved a comparison in recess between American schoolchildren and their Italian counterparts. The study was based on a 20-question survey completed by American and Italian educators.

An overwhelming majority of teachers in both countries believed that recess has a positive effect on social skills and student health. However, opinions diverged regarding recess' effect on student behavior, with 83% of Americans saying there was a positive effect while only 20% of Italians agreed.

EU education students assist city schoolchildren

In an effort that helped others while furthering their education outside the classroom, Edinboro University education students interacted with and assisted students at Erie's Edison Elementary School early in the spring semester.

The connection was made through Edison's participation in the College for Every Student (CFES) program, which focuses on encouraging and inspiring students of all ages to pursue higher education.

Twenty-two Edinboro undergraduate and graduate students stepped in to help when another school unexpectedly was unable to participate in the CFES Mentoring Day at Edison. Each Edinboro student was paired off with two or three Edison students with whom they discussed the benefits of pursuing higher education.

The outreach was organized by faculty members **Terri White** of the Counseling, School Psychology, and Special Education Department and **Robert Snyder** of the Early Childhood and Reading Department.

Because of their enthusiastic participation in the CFES program, Edison again enlisted Edinboro students to help with its Second Harvest Backpack program, which sends nutritious food home with participating students who live in households where it is needed.

After holding a food drive in Edinboro, Professor White and three students returned to Edison to deliver the food – along with Edinboro gym bags donated by the Campus Bookstore for the children to use in carrying home their food.

MFA students teach workshop in Mississippi

Margaret Gormley and **Mary Baugh**, ceramics students in Edinboro's Master of Fine Arts program, traveled Feb. 7-9 to the Ohr-O'Keefe Museum in Biloxi, Miss., to teach a workshop on surface design. The workshop focused on demonstrating techniques for crafting and staining ceramic pieces.



Edinboro MFA students Mary Baugh, left, and Margaret Gormley at the Ohr-O'Keefe Museum in Biloxi, Mississippi, where they taught a workshop

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Emily Frank

Counseling – School

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Early Childhood Education

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Educational Leadership

Stephanie Cattron

Educational Psychology

Emily O'Neil

Elementary Education

Alysabeth Mahood

Middle & Secondary Education

Allison Haener-Tost

Nursing

Jeffrey Hodgson

Reading

Brooke Hatcher

School Psychology

Danielle Duncan

Social Sciences

Sherry Havard

Social Work

Mallory Souleret

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DNP: EDINBORO'S FIRST DOCTORAL PROGRAM DEGREE PREPARES ADVANCED-PRACTICE NURSES FOR RISING STANDARDS IN THEIR FIELD

Edinboro University's first doctoral degree program, an online Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), is now enrolling students for a summer 2015 inaugural class.

The DNP, offered in consortium with Clarion University, is designed to be a completion program to Clarion and Edinboro Universities' jointly offered Master of Science in Nursing (MSN).

"I am delighted that Edinboro is, for the first time in its 157-year history, authorized to grant a doctoral degree," said Edinboro University President Julie E. Wollman. "I am equally delighted that this degree will meet the great need in our region for advanced practice nurses and clinical nurse educators. Our mission is to provide an outstanding education that prepares students to excel and advance in their professions and that meets the needs of our region. Our new doctoral program does both."

The Edinboro-Clarion collaborative Doctor of Nursing Practice is a 34-credit program that offers specialty electives in advanced clinical practice and clinical nursing education.

Courses can be taken part-time over six semesters in an entirely online format. Students will be admitted to the program in cohorts of 27, with classes beginning each summer.

Dr. Amy McClune, Ph.D., R.N., assistant professor of nursing and graduate program director, said the DNP graduates will augment the supply of primary health care practitioners in the region, just as the MSN does.

The MSN program has been acclaimed by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of the best online nursing programs in the country, placing 37th out of the 129 programs ranked by the survey.

Edinboro and the other Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education universities are now permitted to offer applied, or professional, doctoral degrees such as the DNP as a result of the Higher Education Modernization Act, which was signed into law in 2012.

For more information on Edinboro University's DNP program, visit www.edinboro.edu/dnp.

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IMMERSION IN EU GRADUATE STUDIES SETS MA COUNSELING GRADUATE ON PATH FOR NEW CAREER, DOCTORATE

Paul Knobloch came to Edinboro University in 2011 in search of a new path. He found what he was looking for, but it led in a direction he never expected.

After a 20-year career in the health and fitness industry, Knobloch had decided to return to school. He had a teaching degree in mind when he drove to the Edinboro campus from his native Erie, during winter break.

Forty-five minutes and three phone calls later, he was instead scheduling graduate Counseling classes with the help of Dr. Sue Norton, who was, at the time, program head of the MA Counseling program.

Knobloch not only became immersed in the coursework for his newly chosen field, he immediately became deeply involved in the Edinboro community as well. During his first semester he joined the Counseling Club and assumed the role of president after the incumbent decided to step down.

His efforts led to reactivation of Edinboro's Epsilon Chi chapter of Chi Sigma Iota, the Counseling program's honor society, and he also became president of the Edinboro Alpha Nu Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Lambda, an honor society dedicated to recognizing outstanding graduate students in all programs.

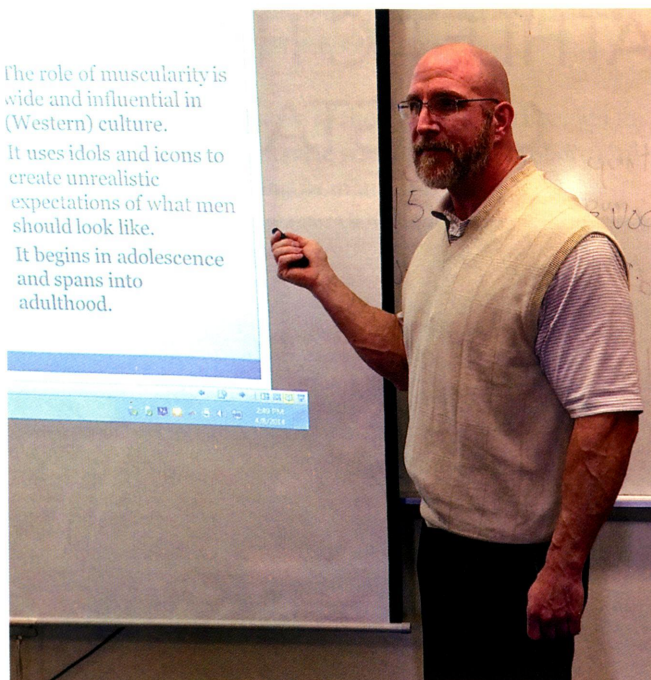
While serving as vice president of the Graduate Professional Development Program (GPDP), he worked with President Mary Baugh to streamline the application process and helped Edinboro students receive more than \$50,000 to take advantage of academic enrichment.

Knobloch graduated with a Master of Arts in Counseling in spring 2013 and now is enrolled in the Counselor Education/Human Development doctoral program at Kent State University.

The role of muscularity is wide and influential in (Western) culture.

It uses idols and icons to create unrealistic expectations of what men should look like.

It begins in adolescence and spans into adulthood.



He chose that program because it, like Edinboro's, is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling & Related Education Programs (CACREP). CACREP accreditation is evidence that the MA Counseling program is rigorous and prepares students for national licensure tests, Knobloch said, but he added that the application of CACREP standards by the Counseling faculty is the program's chief strength.

"Graduate school," Knobloch said, "encourages you to ask questions of yourself and develop as a counselor. Use what you learn to develop your unique professional identity and embrace it, because the strength of our profession is our diversity as individuals."

He plans eventually to teach, but he also is active in research related to his background in the fitness industry. He is focused on body image disorders in males, specifically the drive for pursuing muscularity and its origins in adolescents. Thus far, he published, with the help of Kent faculty, a chapter in an e-book and an article in *Counseling Today*, a national journal in the field.

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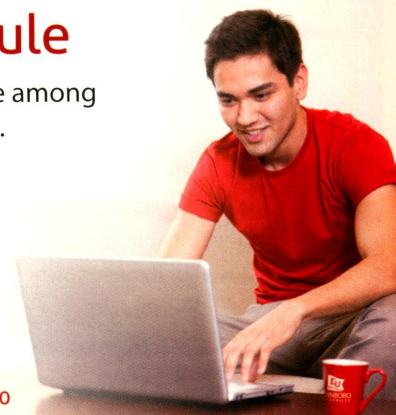
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ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTS EIGHT OUTSTANDING WOMEN AND MEN



Members of the 2014 class of the Edinboro University Athletic Hall of Fame, from left, Mark Samples, Dave Smith, Joe Valvoda, Ashley Walton, Sandra Sweet, Travis Kuhl and Tony Knapp display their plaques following the ceremony. **Not pictured:** Cleveland Pratt

Spanning a wide range of women's and men's sports, eight great former Fighting Scots were added to the Edinboro University Athletic Hall of Fame in April, increasing membership in the exclusive group of honorees to 227.

The 2014 inductees at the 33rd Annual Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony at McComb Fieldhouse included outstanding former Fighting Scots Dave Smith and Joe Valvoda, football; Cleveland Pratt, football and track and field; Ashley Walton, volleyball; Mark Samples, wrestling; Sandra Sweet and Travis Kuhl, cross country and track and field; and Tony Knapp, swimming.

"These eight former student-athletes represent another outstanding group of inductees. Through the years that's what the Edinboro Athletic Hall of Fame has stood for," said Director of Athletics Bruce Baumgartner. "These individuals have brought distinction to themselves, our athletic department and our University during their careers."

This class also represents the growth of women's athletics and the great success we've enjoyed in those sports."

Knapp, '96, is regarded as one of Edinboro's top all-time swimmers. While competing for the Fighting Scots from 1991-95, he was a 14-time All-American and multiple All-PSAC performer and also competed in cross country. Now a chiropractor, he served as the head track and field coach and assistant cross country coach at Roger Williams University, from 2003-08. He was named the Commonwealth Coast Conference Men's Cross Country Coach of the Year in 2003 and 2005.

Kuhl, '97, ranks as one of Edinboro's all-time great runners. A member of the University's all-time team, he competed in cross country and track and field from 1994-98. An All-American in both cross country and track and field in 1997, he was named PSAC Runner of the Year and NCAA East Region Runner of the Year in cross country in 1996 and 1997.



A four-time All-PSAC runner and a three-time All-Region performer, he helped lead Edinboro to four PSAC and East Region cross country titles. In track and field, he was a two-time PSAC champion in the 3000-meter steeplechase.

He has since gone on to be a highly accomplished competitor in triathlons and duathlons, including the 1999 USA Triathlon International Distance Amateur Triathlon National Champion and the 2008 Amateur Sprint Distance Triathlon National Champion.

Pratt, '90, excelled as a member of the football and track and field teams. On the gridiron he was named to Edinboro's all-time team as a kick returner. A wide receiver from 1985-88, he earned second team All-PSAC West honors in 1987 and 1988.

In track and field, Pratt was a five-time PSAC individual champion while competing in the 100, 400 and long jump. He earned All-American honors in the long jump in 1990.

After Edinboro, Pratt enjoyed a successful, six-season career in the Arena Football League, playing for Miami, Florida and Grand Rapids.

Samples, '99, is regarded as one of the finest wrestlers in Edinboro history. Competing from 1994-99, he concluded his career with a 99-25 record with 20 falls, winning two EWL championships and two PSAC championships and qualifying for the NCAA Division I National Championships three times. He capped his career in 1998-99 with a seventh place finish at 165 pounds to earn All-American honors.

Smith, '03, rates as one of the top defensive linemen at Edinboro, playing for the Fighting Scots from 1999-2002. He was a four-year starter at defensive end and an All-PSAC West selection all four years.

Smith was named to the USA Football.com freshman All-American team in 1999, repeating as a sophomore in 2000. He was accorded D2Football.com All-Northeast Region honors in 2001.

He continued his playing career with the Erie Freeze indoor football team during its inaugural season in 2005, and played arena football for five seasons. Smith also served as the head football coach at Franklin (Pa.) High School for nine years, 2004-12.

Sweet, '99, is considered by former head coach Doug Watts to be one of the truly remarkable stories in his long coaching career. Beginning at age 29 in 1995, she was a nontraditional student who never ran in high school but went on to become a two-time All-American in cross country while also earning All-American honors in track and field.

She competed in cross country and track and field from 1995-99. In cross country, she earned All-American honors in 1996 and 1997; All-Region recognition in 1995, 1996 and 1997; and All-PSAC accolades in 1996 and 1997. In track and field, she was a national qualifier in the 5,000 meters in 1996 and 10,000 meters in 1996 and 1997, finishing as an All-American in 1996 in the 10,000 meters.

Sweet has remained an active runner and also coaches cross country at St. James School in Erie.

Valvoda, '05, ranks as one of the top offensive linemen to play for the Fighting Scots. He was named to Edinboro's all-time team after competing from 2000-03.

As a senior, Valvoda received AFCA Division II All-American honors and was an Associated Press Little All-American. He was an honorable mention D2Football.com All-American, a D2Football.com All-Northeast Region and Football Gazette Division II All-Northeast Region second team pick, and earned a spot on the Daktronics All-Northeast Region second team in addition to earning second team All-PSAC West honors.

He was selected to play in the 2004 Cactus Bowl, the Division II All-Star game.

Walton, '04, may be the finest volleyball player to take the court at Edinboro, earning a spot on Edinboro's all-time team and being named the 2004 Nancy Acker Award winner.

A middle hitter who played for the Fighting Scots from 2000-03, she was Edinboro's first player to earn AVCA Division II All-American honors and earned the recognition twice.

PSAC West and AVCA Atlantic Region Rookie of the Year in 2000, Walton went on to be a four-time All-PSAC West honoree, four-time AVCA All-Atlantic Region pick and PSAC West Athlete of the Year in 2003.

Walton was the head volleyball coach at Gettysburg College for two seasons and was an assistant coach at California University of Pennsylvania for three years.

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Hall of Fame inductees Travis Kuhl, left, and Tony Knapp were both outstanding EU athletes of the late 1990s

Athletic Alumni notes

Trevon Jenifer, '11,

former Edinboro University men's wheelchair basketball player, was a key player on the U.S. team that won a silver medal in the Wheelchair Basketball World Championships July 3-15 in Incheon, South Korea. Jenifer was a two-time All-American during his time as a Fighting Scot and was a member of the American team that earned bronze medals in the 2012 Paralympics in London.

Ben Swank, '10,

a former Edinboro two-sport athlete and son of Edinboro women's basketball head coach Stan Swank, has been promoted to the top assistant coach for men's basketball at Florida Southern. Swank is entering his second season with the Moccasins under head coach Linc Darnier.

Trevor Harris, '09,

former EU quarterback, has had his contract with the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League extended

through the 2015 season. Harris joined the team as a free agent in March 2012 and was part of the 2012 Toronto team that won the Grey Cup with a victory over Calgary. He enjoyed a record-setting college career, 2006-09, and holds every Edinboro passing and total offense record. He was a finalist for the Harlon Hill Award in 2008 and 2009, and was named Edinboro's Sox Harrison Award winner at the conclusion of his career.

His younger brother, two-time All-PSAC West performer Cody Harris, is quarterback of the Fighting Scots again this year. He missed most of the 2013 season due to an injury and received an additional season of eligibility.

Alex Clemens, '07,

has joined the University of Missouri staff of head wrestling coach Brian Smith as an assistant coach for the 2014-15 season. At EU, Clemens was an All-American and four-time NCAA qualifier, winning four Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championships. He also was

named an Eastern Wrestling League Champion and ended his career with the ninth-most wins in Edinboro history.

Lou Rosselli, '93,

was named the 2013 Terry McCann Award winner as USA Wrestling Freestyle Coach of the Year. In addition to serving on the coaching staff at Ohio State University for the past seven seasons, he is the head coach at the Ohio Regional Training Center in Columbus and a coach with the New York Athletic Club. He has served as the personal coach for five 2013 U.S. Freestyle World Team members and was a coach for the team, which finished fifth in the World Championship. Prior to 2013, he was a 2012 Olympic coach and helped mentor three individual medalists. Before moving to Ohio State, Rosselli was an assistant coach at EU for 11 seasons. As an EU wrestler, he was a two-time All-American. He resides in Powell, Ohio with his wife Amy (Lesjak), '92.

SPORTSFEVER TV TO SPOTLIGHT FOUR EU GAMES

Four Fighting Scots football games will be featured on the SPORTSfever TV Network College Football Game of the Week this fall, reaching audiences across a wide swath of the mid-Atlantic region.

Edinboro's broadcasts include a home game vs. East Stroudsburg, Sept. 20; at Clarion, Oct. 11; home vs. Gannon, Oct. 16; and at Slippery Rock, Nov. 1.

The SPORTSfever TV Network has been televising games in Pennsylvania since 2007, and Edinboro has partnered with the network nearly every season since 2008.

The network includes Root Sports, The Comcast Network, the Blue Ridge Cable Network, along with

WPMT (Harrisburg-Lancaster-York), WNEP (Wilkes-Barre/Scranton), WPHL (Philadelphia), and WETM (Elmira, NY). In addition, Fox Sports Ohio recently agreed to carry SPORTSfever TV Network's broadcasts.

Root Sports will televise replays on the Wednesday evening preceding each contest starting October 1.

SPORTSfever's games will be carried in over 14 million households, with geographic coverage ranging from the Indiana/Illinois border to the Atlantic Coast; Chesapeake Bay to Lake Erie while encompassing Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, New York, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Indiana, Ohio, and Kentucky.



WELL-ROUNDED

SCHOLAR-ATHLETES BAUMGARTNER AND THOMAS EARN NCAA SCHOLARSHIPS

Two high-achieving Edinboro University scholar-athletes — May graduates Bryan Baumgartner and Dustin Thomas — earned prestigious scholarships for graduate studies from the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Baumgartner, a member of the men's track and field team and son of Director of Athletics Bruce Baumgartner and his wife, Linda, was awarded one of two 2014 Jim McKay Scholarships.

Established in 2008 to honor the contributions of pioneer sports journalist Jim McKay, the program annually awards \$10,000 each to one female and one male student-athlete in recognition of outstanding academic achievement and potential to contribute to the sports communication industry.

"I am honored and very surprised," Bryan Baumgartner said. "It was pretty awesome when I got that call. To receive an award named after a journalist such as Jim McKay is a great honor."

He graduated with a 3.70 cumulative GPA as a Journalism and Mass Communication, Print & Broadcast major. A member of the cross country and track and field teams and a PSAC qualifier in the 5,000-meter run, he was a four-year PSAC and Edinboro Scholar-Athlete.

He said he plans to work for a year to gain more experience in the field, then enroll in a graduate program in sports journalism in the fall of 2015.

Thomas, a cross country and track and field standout during his years at EU, received an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship. The NCAA presents 174 of the \$7,500 awards annually to student-athletes who excel academically and athletically.



Bryan Baumgartner, left, and Dustin Thomas

Thomas, of Broadview Heights, Ohio, was a Health and Physical Education-Teacher Certification major, graduating with a 3.97 GPA.

His numerous accolades include Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Men's and Women's Track/Cross Country First Team, the 2014 American Alliance for Health, Physical, Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) Major of the Year Award, and Champion Scholar at the 2012 PSAC Outdoor Track and Field Championships and 2012 PSAC Cross Country Championships. He was recognized as Edinboro's Scholar-Athlete of the Year for the second straight year in April.

"I cannot thank Edinboro University enough for making my five years as a student-athlete so wonderful," Thomas said.

Thomas, who also excelled in EU's Reserve Officer Training Corps, started his commitment to the Army in May and plans to pursue his master's degree in Exercise Physiology and ultimately a doctorate in a related field.

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ALUMNI SALUTE WATTS' LONG, SUCCESSFUL CAREER

Doug Watts' highly successful 44-year coaching career at Edinboro University was celebrated August 23 by many alumni and friends of the beloved coach. Fifteen alumni ran in the race that kicked off the day's events, which also included a picnic attended by 120 people, including 50 alumni, and a reception at Culbertson Hills Country Club attended by more than 60 alumni and friends. At the picnic, David Antognoli, '73, EU's first national champion in cross country, spoke, as did Coach Watts. With the help of sponsors Krolick's Barbeque, Country Fair, UTZ Snack Foods, Giant Eagle, and the Alumni Association, proceeds from the event will support scholarships for EU cross country athletes.



Alumni from across the decades joined in the Aug. 23 celebration of Doug Watts' 44-year coaching career at Edinboro University, including 50 who attended the picnic portion of the celebration



GARY HANNA INDUCTED INTO PENNSYLVANIA ATHLETIC TRAINING HALL OF FAME

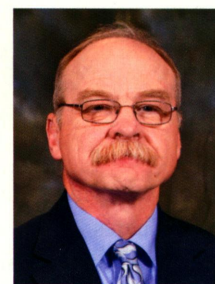
Long-time Edinboro University head athletic trainer Gary Hanna was inducted into the Pennsylvania Athletic Training Hall of Fame at the Pennsylvania Athletic Trainer's Society annual meeting in June.

The Hall of Fame inducted its first class in 2000. Former Edinboro athletic trainer George Roberts was inducted in 2011. Both Hanna and Roberts received 2014 National Athletic Trainers' Association service awards at the association's 65th Clinical Symposium & AT Expo in Indianapolis, also in June.

Edinboro's head athletic trainer since 2003, Hanna joined the staff as associate athletic trainer in 1990. A certified athletic trainer since 1978, he previously worked as the head athletic trainer at John Carroll University from 1981-87; and with the Youngstown Pride professional basketball team in the World Basketball League during the 1988 season.

He also has extensive international experience, working as a member of the medical staff at the 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul, South Korea, as well as at the USOC Training Center, the U.S. Olympic Festivals, and with USA Baseball and the National Sports Festival.

Hanna has held many leadership and committee positions in both the NATA and Pennsylvania Athletic Trainer's Society.



EIGHT FIGHTING SCOTS EARN RECOGNITION FOR THEIR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Eight Fighting Scots earned places among the top scholar-athletes in their respective sports during the spring semester.

Brenna Cosgrove, Academic All-America® Division II Softball First Team. She graduated in May with a degree in Health and Physical Education, maintained a 3.97 cumulative grade point average and was named the 2014 Edinboro Female Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Tabitha Bemis, Academic All-America Division II Women's Track/Cross Country First Team. Edinboro's first three-time Academic All-American, the Sports & Recreation Administration major with a 3.92 GPA also was the first student-athlete in Pennsylvania State Athletics Conference (PSAC) history to be selected six times as a PSAC Top 10 honoree.

Sarah Krolick, Academic All-America Division II Women's Track/Cross Country Second Team. A transfer student, she earned All-American honors in cross country in both her years as a Fighting Scot and was an All-American in track and field as a junior. A Health and Physical Education major, she has a 3.95 GPA.

Dustin Thomas, Academic All-America Division II Men's Track/Cross Country First Team. Also a May graduate, he was recognized in April as Edinboro's Scholar-Athlete of the

Year for the second straight year and had a 3.97 GPA as a Health and Physical Education major.

Derek Strickland, National Wheelchair Basketball Association Academic All-American. A Health and Physical Education major, he has 3.93 GPA and was also named to the All-Rookie team at the National Wheelchair Basketball Association Intercollegiate Division National Championship in March.

Laura Clark, National Wheelchair Basketball Association Academic All-American. A graduate student studying Speech-Language Pathology, she has a 4.0 GPA. Also an EU alumna, she graduated in 2012 with a 3.73 GPA.

Johnny Greisheimer, National Wrestling Coaches Association Division I All-Academic Team. He graduated in May with a degree in Individualized Studies and maintained a 3.38 GPA. A three-time qualifier for Nationals, he competed at 157 pounds and in his final season won his first PSAC championship and finished second at the EWL Championships.

Vince Pickett, National Wrestling Coaches Association Division I All-Academic Team. An Early Childhood Education major with a 3.34 GPA, he wrestled at 197 pounds, finishing second at the PSAC Championships and third at the EWL Championships.


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EU Alumnae from left: Heather Pingel-Mazur, '95 *[photo contributor]*; Jen Pisano-Hawthorne, '94; Barb (Gates) McCluskey, '94; Caroline Roth-Epstein, '94; Kelly Swanson-Case, '95

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