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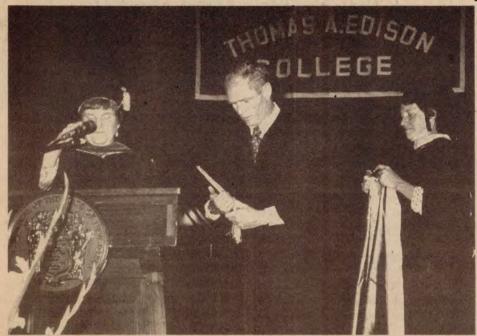


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Governer Byrne Delivers Commencement Address

Receives First Edison Honorary Degree



President Larraine R. Matursak, left, presents Governor Brendan T. Byrne with the first Edison State College Honorary Degree — Doctor of Humane Letters. Eleanor Spiegel, chairperson of Edison's Board of Trustees assists with the presentation.

Governor Brendan T. Byrne delivered the commencement address during the College's eighth annual graduation ceremonies on Sunday, September 28. As a part of the ceremonies, Byrne received the first honorary degree awarded by Edison State College.

"I hope that your degree will help you get a better job, just as I hope this degree you've awarded me today will help me get a better job in a year or two," a smiling Byrne told the graduates after receiving his Doctor of Humane Letters award.

Byrne's second term as governor ends next year and he is barred by State law from running for re-election.

Byrne praised the work of the College and added jokingly, "At least Edison State College is one college that admits that they do not teach their students anything."

During the past year at Edison, baccalaureate degrees were earned by more than 250 adult graduates while nearly 200 mid-career adults earned associate

Typical of most Edison graduates was Patricia Tindall of Princeton. Chosen as the respondent for her fellow classmates receiving a bachelor's degree, Ms. Tindall noted "It had been a struggle to earn her degree, but well worth it."

The mother of three grown children, Ms. Tindall is currently a department administrator in art and archaeology at Princeton University.



Patricia Tyndall

Robert Lynch, of Howell Township, spoke on behalf of the associate degree graduates. Lynch, the father of five children, ages 15 to 24, three of whom are also in college, is currently employed at Bergen County Community Action Program in an executive capacity. Lynch is well on his way to completing requirements for his bachelor's degree. He commented, "I'll be back to pick up that degree next year."



Robert Lynch

Albert Knowles of Clifton, who is 82 and is legally blind, was the oldest of the graduates who received their degrees during ceremonies at the War Memorial Building. Knowles said he hoped to return to the College next year to do additional work.



Albert Knowles

Senate President, Joseph Merlino delivered Welcome remarks to the graduates noting "It's never too late for education as evidenced by those of you here today." Vice Chancellor of the Department of Higher Education, Franklyn Jenifer, also spoke to the graduates. He brought greetings from Chancellor Hollander, and congratulated the graduates on their perseverance and accomplishments.

Presiding over the ceremonies was College president, Dr. Larraine R. Matusak, accompanied by Board Chairwoman, Eleanor Speigel, and Vice President, Dr. Arnold Fletcher.



Senator Merlino

PHONATHON

Edison State College's 2nd Annual Fund Drive kicks off with a Phonathon on December 1 -4, 1980. Following the Phonathon, the fund drive continues through April 30, 1981. All contributions are tax deductible. Checks should be made payable to: Thomas Edison Foundation for Learning. Important Note: If you have not returned your alumni tan survey card, please do so today.

Edison Receives Grants

Edison State College has received a \$41,000 federal grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education. Announced by College president, Larraine R. Matusak, the grant is for the establishment and development of a Statewide Testing and Assessment Center. A cooperative project by a number of New Jersey colleges, Edison will direct the day-to-day operation of the Center.

The Center will provide testing and assessment services for adults enrolled in the participating colleges. It will assist the student in preparing portfolios documenting prior learning. Faculty assessors then evaluate the documented learning and make credit recommendations to the Center which in turn sends grade reports to the students' home institution. The Statewide Testing and Assessment Center will also administer college level proficiency examinations.

In addition, State Chancellor, T. Edward Hollander announced that Edison College has been awarded a \$20,000 federal vocational grant for "Vocational Development for Selected New Jersey Civil Service Employees", and a \$22,000 grant for rental of a word processing system from the Department of Treasury's Management Improvement Unit.

Art Fest '80 Postponed

Edison College's first annual Festival of the Arts, scheduled for September was postponed just prior to the September 7 opening.

The exhibit was to have been displayed in the first floor conference rooms of the Kelsey Building, and was to run from September 7— the day of Trenton's State Street Stroll, to September 28— Edison's Commencement date.

During the first week of September, the Governor's office insisted that the Casino Control Commission hold their license renewal hearings, for an Atlantic City based casino, in the Colleges conference rooms. Due to the lack of alternate suitable space for the art ex-(See page 3 col 1)



Class of 1980 — For your 8 X 10 black and white copy, please send a check in the amount of \$5 made payable to Mark Czajakowski to: 75 Patton Avenue, Princeton 08540.

Appointments/Promotions



James Carter

James L. Carter has been appointed Program Advisor for the social sciences and human services for the College.

A resident of Lawnside, Jim holds a B.A. from Howard University and a master's in social work from New York University. He has served as a social worker and counselor in New York City and Florida, where he was assistant dean for student development at the University of Florida.

Prior to joining Edison, Jim taught and advised older adults in the human services program at Camden County



Martha O'Connell

Martha O'Connell has accepted the appointment for Recruiter/Admissions Specialist for the College. Formerly a Transcript Evaluator, Ms. O'Connell joined the Edison staff in July 1979.

In her new role, Martha will work closely with the Offices of Academic Counseling, Special Programs, and Admissions

A graduate of Cook College, Rutgers University, she will complete a master's in adult education from Rutgers in December.



Greg Dye

Also joining the Edison staff are Gregory Dye and Paul Anderson. Appointed in September as Transcript Evaluators, Mr. Dye and Mr. Anderson are part of the Registrar's staff.

Mr. Dye earned both a B.A. and M.Ed. from Trenton State College. Prior to joining Edison, he was an instructor of adult education for Mercer County vocational schools.

Gregory and his wife Evelyn live in Ewing Township.

Paul Anderson received his B.A. from Memphis State and his M.S. in educational research from Southern Connecticut State College.

Formerly Paul was a Methods and Procedures Analyst for the Newark Redevelopment and Housing Authority. Currently he and his wife Patricia reside in Highland Park. Mary Jo Momrock has been appointed Director of Personnel for the College. She began her duties in October.

Mary Jo earned a B.A. degree from Trenton State College. Before coming to Edison, she was with the Department of Higher Education in the personnel department. She lives in Morrisville, PA.



Mary Jo Momrock

Janice Palmer academic couselor, has been named as the Affirmative Action Officer for the College. This two-year appointment was announced by President Matusak and is effective immediately.



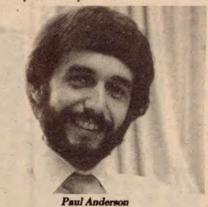
Janice Palmer

In this role, Janice will have three major responsibilities. She will chair the Affirmative Action Committee, she will monitor the activities of the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, and she will serve as liaison to both the state and national association for Affirmative Action.

In commenting on the appointment, Dr. Matusak stated, "I am very pleased that Jan has accepted these additional responsibilities. She possesses all the skills required by this new role, and the College will certainly benefit from Jan's leadership in this position."

Jan has been with the College since 1977. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree at New York University and her master's at Montclair State University. Currently she is pursuing graduate study in counseling and human services, also from Montclair State.

Jerry Middlemis. Academic Counselor accepted an appointment as Edison's representative on the State Military Advisory Council.



NOTE

Often, a student or graduate will ask us, "Is there a particular item that Edison College needs?" The answer is yes! Currently, the College is searching for a piano. If you have one, in good condition, which you would like to donate to the College, call Mary Skelton at (609) 984-1191.

Basic Skills

As mentioned in the last issue of INVENTION, students who enrolled at Thomas A. Edison State College with fewer than 32 credits are required by the New Jersey Board of Higher Education to take the New Jersey College Basic Skills Placement Test (NJCBSPT). This test is designed to assist you in making decisions about the kinds of courses you are prepared to take. It is not an admissions test. There is no charge for taking it. To take the test at a college near you, call the Test Administrator for the NJCBSPT at any of the institutions listed below.

Identify yourself as an Edison State College student, and request that you be allowed to take the NJCBSPT. Ask for a copy of the Information Booklet that gives further information about the test. If arrangements are satisfactory, be sure to put the Edison State College code number, 2748, on your answer sheet when you take the test. Your scores will then automatically be sent to us, and we in turn will send them to you.

If arrangements are not satisfactory, please contact Paul I. Jacobs, the Director of Test Development and Assessment, to arrange to take the NJCBSPT at Edison. You are required to take the NJCBSPT within two months of enrolling. If you have already taken the NJCBSPT at another institution, please fill out and return the form below to Dr. Jacobs.

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PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT

Do you know more than you've been given credit for?

If so, you will want to know that the new Portfolio Assessment process is in place. Workshops are being given at various locations in North, Central, and South New Jersey. If you are interested in developing a portfolio and applying for credit, call or write the Office of Academic Programs and request the free information booklet.

NATTS/NHSC

Edison State College will now evaluate work taken at schools accredited by the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools (NATTS) and the National Home Study Council (NHSC) for possible transfer credit. If you have attended a NATTS accredited school, or taken work through NHCS please let us know by writing a letter to the Office of Academic Programs: Attention - Associate Director. If you have not yet submitted an official transcript, please request that it be sent to: Registrar, Thomas A. Edison State College.

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Just as we went to press, we received word that during the annual meeting of the Alumni Association, held on November 8, the officers elected for the year are: President - Hugh Crosson; 1st Vice-President - David Druckeroff; 2nd Vice-President Robert Lynch; Secretary - Bruce Hubscher; and Treasurer - Gordon Beaver. In other action, the Association voted to give the College \$1000, with \$500 of this amount restricted to scholarship.

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PONSI

The Program on Non-collegiate Sponsored Instruction (PONSI) is a national program sponsored by the American Council on Education. Responsibility for this program in New Jersey has been assigned by the Department of Higher Education to Edison State College.

PONSI's mission is to help individuals get academic credit for learning which they have acquired outside the sponsorship of colleges or universities. PONSI evaluates and makes credit recommendations for formal educational programs and courses sponsored by non-collegiate organizations whose primary function is not education but who offer courses to their employees or members. These noncollegiate organizations include business and industry, labor unions, professional and voluntary associations, and government agencies. The credit recommendations are intended to guide colleges and universities as they consider awarding credit to persons who have successfully completed noncollegiate sponsored instruction. In this way, students will be assisted in receiving academic credit for learning gained through such instruction.

Eugene Meskill is Director of the PONSI program for Edison College. If you know of a company which you believe would be interested in more details about the PONSI programs, contact Mr. Meskill, or ask the company training director to call him direct at (609) 984-1121.

Art Fest '80

hibit, the decision was made to postpone it until Spring 1981.

Twenty Edison student artists had planned to participate in the exhibit and will now be participants for the Spring show.

If you would like to participate and have not already contacted us, please call or write: Tom Streckewald or Diane Gruenberg for details.

1979-80 1st Annual Fund Drive

The following is a list of individuals who contributed to Edison's 1st annual fund drive. Those marked with an asterisk denote donors who work for a Matching Gift Company. Your contribution and your firm's matching contributions help Edison State College to maintain a position of strength and leadership in non-traditional education. We sincerely thank each of you for your support.

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Alumni Notes

Mark L. Krivit '73, has been appointed sales manager for Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Morristown.

Donald J. Layer '78, married to Marilyn M. Willeford, May 17. They currently reside in Atlanta.

Kenneth DeRoberts '80, was named City Treasurer for Summit on June 23, and was married to Marcello Jean Zurawski on September 20.

Elizabeth Ann Phifer '78, married on May 31, to Frederick Hopler. The couple live in Eatontown.

P. Peter DiLeo '80, was ordained to the Holy Deaconate in St. Demetrius Ukranian Orthodox Cathedral on June 15.

Elizabeth Martin '79, has been appointed senior admissions counselor/adult specialist for Monmouth College.

Vivian Braxton '79, was appointed in June, as special assistant to the Mayor for public affairs, Orange, New Jersey. Lynne Gordon, '77, joined the staff of Pat B. Realty Inc., Marlboro, NJ

Sarah E. McGee 79, a creative art therapist was accepted as a registered art therapist by the American Art Therapy Association Sarah is attending graduate school at Rutgers.

Randolph D. Brandt 77, has been named Juvenile Court Administrator — Child Placement Review Coordinator for Cumberland County's Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

Barbara Miller '78, elected as the Moderator for the Presbytery of Newton. She is the first woman and only the third lay person elected to that position by the group.

A. Charles Orgelfinger '79 was promoted to veternary microbiologist at Merck & Company, Rahway, NJ.

Richard Gordon '75, accepted as a graduate student in Administration and Management at Harvard University.

Theodore F. Freeman, Jr. '77, formerly Municipal Clerk, was promoted in June to Borough Administrator, Spring Lake.

Daniel J. Hraber '78, recently received his CPA in New York.

Gail S. Doerrer '80, is currently attending School of Medical Technology at St. Francis Medical Center, Trenton.

Christopher C. Woitzel '79, earned his M.A. in Health Care Administration from Central Michigan University in August.

Norma B. Stern '75, was elected Vice-Chairperson of the Mercer County Welfare Board.

Raymond R. Lutz, Sr. '79, received M.P.A. from Fairleigh Dickinson University and is currently Deputy Chief of Police in Fort Lee.

Peter J. Reynierse '76, is a Lt. in the Naval Reserve and a script writer for Atlanta Fleet, Naval Air Station, Willow Grove. Joseph Ford '78, earned his B.S. from Southern Illinois and his M.A. in Business Management from Central Michigan University, May 1980.

P. Susan Mamchak '76, and husband, Steven are currently working on an Encyclopedia of Education. This will mark their 7th book for Parker Publishing, the educational division of Prentice-Hall.

Florence Peck '79, is continuing her education with classes at Middlesex County College.

Gilbert Scheetz '80, has been accepted into graduate program at Temple University.

William T. J. Swayne '73, received his B.A. from Glassboro in 1975 and is currently enjoying retirement following 26 years of active duty in the U.S. Air Force.

John Kolb '79, and wife, Paulette, just returned form a vacation tour of China and Japan.

Waltraut L. Muldrow '79, is enrolled in Syracuse University, Graduate School, majoring in Sociology.

Kevin A. O'Brien '80, is currently enrolled in Rutgers for a Masters program in History.

Paul Reskovac '79, is in the process of establishing a reference library section at Sussex County Library for the special use of Edison Students.

Henrietta L. Zachary 77, is enrolled in Monmouth College in a Criminal Law program.

Agnes Hordeman '78, and husband Walter '80, of Blue Sky Realty, report they are "busy selling real estate and introducing Monmouth, Ocean, and Atlantic County realtors to Edison State College."

John J. Wilson '78, a police officer in Newport News is Vice-President and co-founder of the Vietnam Veterans to Save America. Interested persons may write him at 14564D Old Courthouse Way, Newport News, VA 26302.

Maria C. Fabrizio '80, married Thomas M. McIntyre in April.

T. Sgt. Robert B. Arserio '79, has been selected to attend Air Force Officer Training School.

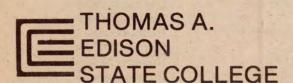
Jack L. Berdeaux '79, has earned his M.S. in Educational Administration at Nova University and is currently completing his first year of his doctoral program.

Robert S. Gollihur '79, was recently named vice-president and bank operations administrator for National Bank and Trust Company of Gloucester County.

West Carter '79, of Andover, Massachusettes writes that he was commissioned in May as 2nd Lt. in U.S.A.F. He added that he needed his Edison degree to qualify.

Jean Bohannon '76, writes that she is enrolled in a graduate program at Fairleigh Dickinson and recently received a diploma in Hospital Management.

Dennis Kletzing '80, accepted pastorship of Congregational Church, Bridgeport, Vermont.



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