

Message from the President:

Location...location...location.

The value of location is as true for colleges as it is for homeowners. Edison State Community College has recently taken advantage of two opportunities to add new campus locations to our existing "homes" in Piqua and Greenville.

Our new campus in Troy will open this coming January (2019) with a focus on healthcare programs. The facility is ideally located at exit 73 on St. Rte. 55, easily accessible from I-75, in an area of high new development activity including the new MarketPlace Kroger along with other shops and stores!

We will be sharing the facility with the new offices of Dayton Children's Hospital and couldn't ask for better neighbors. A highlight of our new campus facility is the hospital and bathroom lab areas, which will be used by our Physical Therapy Assisting program and other health service programs. Edison State strives to provide the highest quality and most realistic training environments throughout the area and this lab facility is one of the best in the region.

In 2007, the Preble County Youth Foundation (PCYF) constructed a college branch campus adjacent to the Preble County YMCA and Preble County Kettering Medical facility. The PCYF has invited Edison State to use the facility, beginning this fall, at the rental rate of \$1 per year. Our initial focus will be on Agriculture and AG-related credit and non-credit courses. Additionally, College Credit Plus (CCP) options in the county will add to our list of curriculum. Edison State is in the process of establishing computer connections and adding classroom furnishings which are needed to open this campus and provide full service to the students.

Dr. Doreen Larson

A major strategic goal of Edison State is to "collaborate for mutual benefit." This means that we identify and leverage natural opportunities for service expansion rather than constructing stand-alone new and segregated facilities. Both the Troy and Preble County campuses are excellent examples of Edison State's commitment to the economy, education, and quality of life aspirations of our partner communities. I hope that, as alumni and friends of the college, you always hear a positive buzz in your community about Edison State, and that you feel free to alert us to possible connections, not only for facilities, but for any educational and workforce needs.

First LBD Celebration of Women's Education Scholarship Recipient Andie Emerick

Troy High School graduate, Andie Emerick, was the first recipient awarded the Little Black Dress Celebration of Women Scholarship of \$5,000 from The Edison Foundation at Edison State Community College. This scholarship was made possible via an annual fundraiser called "Little Black Dress—Girls' Night Out", a popular event that celebrates women's education held each April.

Emerick attended the Upper Valley Career Center during her sophomore year at Troy High School where she completed a nine-month program to become a certified cosmetologist. She began classes at Edison State this Fall and is pursuing a

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Get Your Own Personalized Paver

A lasting campus legacy...

Leave your mark on Edison State Community College by purchasing a personalized paver that will be placed in the courtyard at the Piqua Campus. Proceeds from the pavers go into The Edison Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Personalized pavers are a wonderful way to honor a family member, friend or co-worker by purchasing a paver in their name. Not only will you be honoring someone special... you will be helping Edison State students by providing scholarships and other opportunities. Pavers are available in the following sizes:



NOTE All spaces, special characters and/or punctuation count as characters. Symbols may incur additional fees.

Paver Size	Text Personalization	Price
4" × 8"	3 lines of text 14 characters per line	\$125
8" × 8"	5 lines of text 14 characters per line	\$250

Call the The Edison Foundation office at 937.778.7805, or complete and email the PDF form that can be found at www.edisonohio.edu/pavers to foundation@edisonohio.edu to place your order. Payment may be made by check or credit card. Completed form and payment should be delivered to The Edison Foundation or mailed to:

The Edison Foundation | 1973 Edison Drive | Piqua, Ohio 45356

Alumni and Friends Event— VanDemark Farm



WHAT: Edison State Alumni and Friends VanDemark Farm Fall Fun Day

including corn maze, mini golf, hayrides, petting zoo, and driving range.

WHEN: October 16th from 5:00 -10:00 pm

WHERE: VanDemark Farm

2401 South Vandemark Road

Sidney, Ohio 45365

FREE admission

FOR THE FIRST 75 REGISTRANTS

by contacting the Edison State
Office of Business and Community
Partnerships at **937-778-7805** or **jslattery@edisonohio.edu**

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Scholarship Recipient Andie Emerick

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Business Entrepreneurial degree. Emerick expects to graduate and receive her Associates in Applied Business in the year 2020. "I chose Edison State Community College because of its easy enrollment process and helpful staff. The staff in the Student Services center are extremely helpful and went above and beyond to assist me," stated Emerick.

Andie is taking general education classes, along with business and accounting courses this fall. She chose online courses in order to have the flexibility to continue working. Currently working at Giacomo's Salon and Spa, Andie will continue to work full time while she studies at Edison State. Emerick's goal is to one day own her own salon in the Troy or Tipp City area.

The "Little Black Dress–Girls' Night Out" event began in 2017. The evening was well-received and very successful, raising over \$8,000 to support scholarships for women at Edison State. "Although providing the means for women's scholarships is very important, the event is also about empowering women and providing scholarship recipients with the opportunity to become the best version of herself," states Lisa McGraw, Little Black Dress Committee Member. The committee is excited to see the event continue to grow and support local women like Andie Emerick.

The third annual "Little Black Dress–Girls' Night Out" event will be held on April 17th, 2019. Put on your little black dress and enjoy music, food and entertainment while spending an evening celebrating and supporting women's education. Tickets for the event are \$50 and will go on sale in January 2019. For more information contact Julie Slattery at <code>jslattery@edisonohio.edu</code>.





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Alumni and Friends Events—

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Charger Country Volleyball Night

WHEN: October 10, 2018 | 5:30–7:00 P.M.
WHERE: Charger Gymnasium Pavilion Suite Box

The Charger Volleyball Team is off to a great start on the season with a 14-3 record! As the volleyball fever catches on, the Office of Business and Community Partnerships along along with Edison State President Dr. Doreen Larson invite all Edison State alumni, faculty and staff members, retirees, friends, and community members to attend Charger Country Volleyball Night before and during the October 10th match versus Owens Community College.

Supporters who register to attend Charger Country Volleyball Night will receive **FREE** admittance into the game, FREE food and drink, along with a FREE Edison State gift. The Charger Country Volleyball Night festivities will run from 5:30–7:00 p.m. with the game starting at 6:00 p.m. Reserve your ticket(s) today by emailing *jslattery@edisonohio.edu*.

Edison State to Hold FREE Trick-Or-Treat Event

Edison State Community College will hold a free Halloween Trick-Or-Treat event on Monday, October 22 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Piqua Campus.

Community members are invited to an evening of family-friendly trick-or-treating at Edison State. Located throughout campus will be twelve interactive themed stops—such as Harry Potter, Funny Bones, Mad Scientists, Haunted Graveyard, and more—where members of the Edison State community will hand out candy and other fun prizes. Trick-or-treaters are also invited to have their face painted by the Skull Dollz and decorate a pumpkin. For the first hour of the event, Brukner Nature Center will be showcasing a creepy critter.

Children ages 0-11 are invited to participate and must be accompanied by an adult.



Vaccaro-Myers Scholarship in Fine Art/Theater Established

The Edison Foundation is honored to announce the establishment of the Vaccaro-Myers Scholarship in Fine Art/Theater. The initial funding for the scholarship has been made available through a generous donation by David Myers, in celebration of his life partner Anne Vaccaro, who died suddenly October 22, 2017.

Anne was raised in Ambler, a northern suburb of Philadelphia. She earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Beaver College (now Arcadia U.), Glenside, Pennsylvania, and a Master of Fine Arts from Tyler School of Art (Temple U.), Philadelphia. After graduate school in theater in Minneapolis, she moved to Atlanta in 1973 to work at and show her paintings in Image South Gallery. Until 1995, Anne and David resided in Atlanta, where she was a self-employed artist working with acrylic paints to create large canvas and paper paintings. Her paintings hang in scores of private, corporate and public collections, including the Edison State Piqua campus.

In 1992, Anne began teaching art at Dekalb Community College (now Atlanta Perimeter). In 1995, she took a teaching position at Edison State Community College in Piqua, where she was professor of art; established the campus art gallery with her life partner, David Myers; established the Myers-Vaccaro Scholarship in Engineering; rejuvenated Edison Stage Light Players, a student and community theater company; and directed the theater program and numerous plays. She was beloved by her students for her gentle teaching, encouragement and



Edison State Community College and Paul G. Duke Academy for Community Leadership

The Paul G. Duke Academy for Community Leadership is a series of workshops designed to develop more effective directors, leaders, board members, staff and volunteers of nonprofit organizations. Course topics include the fundamental practices of board recruitment, planning, staffing, budgeting, evaluation, board meetings and community awareness. The classes are designed to help individuals make a difference on their boards and in their community.

The mission of the Paul G. Duke Academy for Community Leadership is to strengthen nonprofit organizations by providing quality educational and training opportunities. The vision of the Paul G. Duke Academy for Community Leadership is to be the growing edge in training and nurturing nonprofit leaders in West Central Ohio.

2019 Paul G. Duke Academy for Community Leadership

The 2019 Paul G. Duke Academy for Community Leadership will meet monthly for five sessions beginning in January 2019 and ending in May at the Mosaic Conference. Applications are now being taken for participation in the 2019 Academy. Please contact islattery@edisonohio.edu for an application.

Mark Your Calendar

- SESSION 1 January 16, 2019 **Building a High-Performing Nonprofit** Organization
- SESSION 2 February 20, 2019 Planning for Passion and Purpose
- SESSION 3 March 20, 2019 Tools for the High-Performing Organization
- SESSION 4 April 10, 2019
 The Work of the Board in the Community
- **SESSION 5 May 22, 2019** Mosaic of Community Leadership Conference



THE PAUL G. DUKE ACADEMY FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



World Renown Lucky Chops To Perform At Edison State's Holiday Evening



The 21st annual Holiday Evening at Edison State will feature Lucky Chops, a five-member brass band who has been unleashing their high-energy funk on the world since forming in New York City in 2006. The intensity of the band's energy is fueled by their desire to share the healing and inspirational power of music with others. Lucky Chops maintains a busy schedule touring across several continents and is committed to music education, regularly performing clinics and educational outreaches to help train and inspire the next generation of musicians. Proceeds from the evening will directly

to support Edison State students. A limited number of tickets are available at \$125 each and tend to sell out quickly. Tickets may be purchased online at www.edisonohio.edu/holidayevening. The Edison Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.



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Spotlight

Kerri Gregg (2002)

Kerri started at Edison State while attending Upper Valley Career Center as part of the post-secondary program for Early Childhood Development. After high school, she continued at Edison State while balancing work and school by working at a Montessori school. Kerri went on to receive her Montessori teaching certification and worked at a Montessori school for twelve years.

Kerri's career transitioned as she started working at an incentive company in downtown Dayton and became interested in Human Resources. Using her Edison State degree as transfer credits, she gained a Bachelor Degree in Business from Urbana University and a Master Degree from Franklin University, all while working full time in different Human Resource jobs.

Kerri now serves as the Norcold Human Resource Manager in Gettysburg, Ohio. Kerri credits her husband Bobby for supporting her for the past 20 years and making it possible to work long hours while pursuing her education. He often reminded her to stop doing laundry and to go do her homework!

Nancy Shuler (2012)

Following her farewell party as a student and employee at Edison State, Nancy was a La Macina di San Cresci Artist Fellow in Tuscany, Italy where she completed a series of paintings of the olive groves and grape fields. After returning home, she shared her Italian experience and paintings at the Mayflower Art Center and began at Wright State University full-time receiving an honors transfer scholarship of \$7,500.

While at Wright State, Nancy's art portfolio was awarded two additional art merit scholarships and she was nominated to the National Society for Leadership and Success. Nancy was also awarded the College Yeck Fellowship at the Dayton Art Institute where she was given a \$1,000 stipend to create a body of work and teach art to high school students. Nancy graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor in Fine Arts and a minor in Art History.

After graduation Nancy interned at the Dayton Society of Artists to complete her Arts Management Certificate. In August 2019 she was hired as Interim Gallery Director where she interned. Nancy took her dream trip with her family to the Grand Tetons this past July where they completed a family service project to support the Little Leaders Scholarship program from which Nancy had benefited.

Eric Shoemaker (2015)

Eric has been promoted to the position of Director of Independent Living at Ohio Living Dorothy Love. In his new role, he will be overseeing the company's independent housing and apartment building, ensuring the best possible independent lifestyle for the residents that occupy these spaces. Eric went to Edison State to help advance his career with Ohio Living Dorothy Love, which is a faith-based, non-profit organization. Almost immediately after receiving his Associate Degree in Business Management from Edison State he was promoted from Culinary/Nutritional Services & Transportation Assistant to the Executive Assistant. Just over one year ago, Eric married his wife Brandy and together they purchased their first home, which they share with their Miniature Dachshund named Zeke.

Vaccaro-Myers Scholarship in Fine Arts/Theater...

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friendship. Through her directing, she taught inexperienced actors to perform Shakespeare. Her productions were seen by thousands of area school students and dozens of adult audiences.

After retiring in 2009, she and David split their time between Blue Mountain Lake, New York, and Sedona, Arizona. Anne directed plays and explored media new to her, creating paper mache sculptural masks, ceramics and small acrylic landscapes accented by birch, cedar bark, and twigs (on YouTube, Anne Vaccaro lake scapes). For additional information on Anne Vaccaro visit **thelovelyannevaccaro.com**. Individuals interested in celebrating Anne by contributing to the Vaccaro-Myers Scholarship in Fine Art/Theater fund please contact The Edison Foundation at **937.778.7805** or **foundation@edisonohio.edu**



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Edison State Events Happening In Your Neighborhood

Edison State Community College hosts a variety of alumni and friends events, all aimed at bringing together students, alumni, and friends of **Edison State**. From Friday night tailgating at the many local football games to canoe trips down the Great Miami River, the pictures tell the story. For more information on how to get involved or see when the **Edison State Office of Business & Community Partnerships** is having their next event, contact the office at **937-778-7806**, visit *alumni@edisonohio.edu*, or follow us on Twitter*@EdisonStateAlum*





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A note from The Edison Foundation!

Make a 2018 tax-deductible gift to **The Edison Foundation**, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization formed to support the educational and community service goals of **Edison State Community College**. *All gifts are appreciated* and provide scholarships and academic program support.

DONATION YEAR-END DEADLINES:

By check—must be postmarked (U.S. Mail) by Dec. 31, 2018, or hand-delivered to our office on campus by 4:00 p.m. on December 29, 2018. Please mail gifts to:

The Edison Foundation 1973 Edison Drive Piqua, OH 45356

Gifts by credit card—if sent by mail, must be postmarked (U.S. mail) by December 31, 2018; if made online, The Edison Foundation must receive transaction details by 4:00 p.m. EST on Dec. 28, 2018. The Edison Foundation accepts donations via PayPal on Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. The secure site is www.edisonohio.edu/donate

Gifts of stock—to receive tax credit in 2018, must be received and handled by our broker (Fifth Third Bank). Please contact Megan Alley at 513-534-3557 or megan.alley@53.com. For a year-end gift or to ask further questions, please contact The Edison Foundation at foundation@edisonohio.edu or 937-778-7805.

Thanks for your support of Edison State Community College through The Edison Foundation!

DID YOU KNOW...

WIRED is an alumni & friends newsletter published by the Office of Business and Community Partnerships and Alumni Engagement Office.

It contains alumni and friends highlights, information and events that Edison State Community College supports and hosts on an ongoing basis. For more information, contact the Edison State Office of Business and Community Partnerships at

937-778-7806, alumni@edisonohio.edu. OR

foundation@edisonohio.edu.

Important Dates To Remember

October 4	Edison Foundation Scholarship Recognition Dinner	6:00 to 8:00 pm
October 10	Charger County Night Volleyball vs. Owens	5:30 to 7:00 pm
October 16	ESCC Night with Vandemark Farms	5:00 to 10:00 pm
October 26	Pre-game tailgating @Piqua vs Troy Football Game	5:30 to 7:00 pm
November 12	Veterans Day Observance: ESCC Campuses Closed	
November 22	Thanksgiving: ESCC Campuses Closed November 22 & 23	
November 28	Holiday Evening at Edison State with Lucky Chops	6:30 to 11:00 pm
November 29	Lucky Chops Jazz Music Education Clinic*	9:30 am to 2:00 pm
December 3	Cookies & Cocoa with President Larson	9:30 to 10:30 am
December 4	Paul G. Duke ACL Alumni Nonprofit Workshop/Breakfast	8:00 to 9:00 am
December 13	Edison Foundation Board Meeting	3:30 to 5:00 pm

^{*}For area junior and senior high school jazz students.