

# Educational Development Program

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## From The Director

Greetings!

It is with great pleasure and excitement that I address our 36 new freshmen; 112 returning EDP students; EDP alumni; and friends, families, and supporters of the Educational Development Program.

With a strong passion for going above and beyond, I look forward to continuing the efforts of encouraging and assisting our talented students in reaching their full potential. It is essential that we all keep in mind that increased awareness, clearly defined expectations and objectives, and the utilization of our phenomenal resources are the fundamental keys to success.

I am pleased to report that the academic year began by the EDP staff welcoming our students and introducing this year's theme—***Transitioning and Transforming for Success***. Having reached the mid-semester mark and quickly approaching the end of the semester, it is apparent that our freshmen are *transitioning* smoothly, making new friends, becoming more familiar with our amazing campus, and strengthening their academic foundation which will ultimately ensure their success. Our upperclassmen are *transforming* themselves into the productive, engaged, campus leaders and mentors that we have come to expect and cherish. With a tradition of success established, moving forward with continued success is our mission!

In closing, the committed EDP staff will continue to positively reinforce our theme while addressing the academic, financial, social, and personal needs of our talented students.

All the best for a great semester.

*David M. White,*

**EDP Director**



## DAVID M. WHITE NAMED NEWEST EDP DIRECTOR

As the Educational Development Program kicked off its 41<sup>st</sup> year on SUNY Fredonia's campus, we welcomed EDP's 7<sup>th</sup> director, **Mr. David M. White**.

For the last five years Mr. White has been working in Fredonia's Admissions office as an admissions counselor/minority recruiter. Among other duties he was the coordinator of the tour guide, peer recruitment, and multicultural week-end programs. From 1998-2005 he played in the Arena Football League with the Tampa Bay Storm and Buffalo Destroyers in the fullback/linebacker positions. He also spent three seasons with the National Football League's Buffalo Bills and New England Patriots as a linebacker.



Mr. White earned his Master of Science degree in Student Personnel Administration with a concentration in Administration from Buffalo State College and his Bachelor of Science degree in Biological Sciences with minors in Psychology and Sociology from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

An extreme amount of THANKS and GRATITUDE goes to **Ms. Janet Knapp**, EDP senior counselor, who guided the office through the interim period.

## 29th ANNUAL EDP AWARDS CEREMONY TO BE HELD MARCH 9

The Educational Development Program will host its 29th Annual Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, March 9, 2011, in the Horizon Room of the Williams Center at 4 p.m. Faculty, staff, parents, alumni, and students are encouraged to attend this annual event. The ceremony is an opportunity for EDP to recognize EDP students' academic achievements. EDP students who earned a minimum grade point average of 2.7 while completing 12 credits or more for the S'10 and/or F'10 semesters will receive certificates. Silver certificates will be presented to students with a 2.70-3.29 GPA and gold certificates will be presented to students with a 3.30-4.00 GPA. Special awards are also presented for Outstanding EDP Tutor

of the Year Award, Community Service Awards, Arthur O. Eve Scholarship Awards, Director's Award, Exemplary Service Award, Gregory Antonio Award, and Distinguished Alumni Award.

Also on March 9 will be the CHI ALPHA EPSILON (XAE) national honor society induction. Eligible students must be full-time and hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 for two consecutive semesters. Fourteen EDP students we will be inducted



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| ★ Nicholas Bernard | ★ Ashley Ellis    |
| ★ Derrick Brown    | ★ Shawn Farrell   |
| ★ Lindsay Buscemi  | ★ Alexis Fores    |
| ★ Dana Collier     | ★ Julia Gangi     |
| ★ Tara Courtney    | ★ Corinna Kester  |
| ★ Carmelito Deleon | ★ Alicia Nicolas  |
| ★ Lavie Donnell    | ★ Kimberly Thomas |

Fifteen [Full Opportunity Program \(FOP\)](#) students are eligible for induction. Fredonia's XAE Alpha Mu chapter was chartered in October 1999 and as of spring 2010 had 144 inductees made up of students from FOP and EDP.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO FALL EDP GRADS

- Justin Bouchard
- Alexander Ridgell
- Lauren Williams



## NEW EDP LOGO AND BROCHURE CREATED

Fredonia's Publication Services staff assisted EDP in creating a new recruitment brochure and logo. Thanks go to Ms. Michael Barone, Public Relations director; Ms. Patricia Herkey, communications designer; and Mr. Roger Coda, photographer. Check out the [new brochure on EDP's website](#).



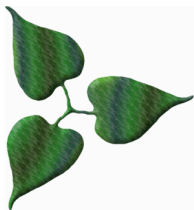
**EDP 1<sup>st</sup> Spring 2011 General Student Body Meeting**  
**Monday, January 24, 2011 - 4 pm - S-104 Williams Center**



## RALPH WILSON BOOK AWARD RECIPIENTS

Recipients of the fall 2010 Ralph Wilson Book Award are pictured with EDP Director David M. White. **Cynthia Chan**, center, is a sophomore Psychology major from New York. **Sean Brown**, right, is a senior economics major also from New York.

The initial endowment was created in spring of 2000 by the Ralph Wilson, Jr., Foundation to assist EDP students with book and other college expenses. Applicants must submit a 200 word essay as well as a list of their accomplishments and community service activities. The essay, academic merit, and economic need were reviewed by the EDP counseling staff. This award is offered each semester.



## TUTORING SERVICES AVAILABLE

EDP tutoring services are well underway for the fall 2010 semester. If any EDP students are having difficulties in a course, or wish to have a better understanding of course material, they may sign up for one-on-one assigned tutoring in EDP or meet with a peer tutor during drop-in tutoring hours in the Learning Center. Tutors are available to EDP from the College Tutoring Services (CTS), which held a day-long orientation for all tutors at the College Lodge on August 28. Tutoring should not be held off until the last minute. If you need any further help, please contact your individual counselor or go to the Learning Center on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of Reed Library. Click here to check out the [Learning Center](#) website.



## MEET THE EDP STAFF

Current EDP staff members include:  
Barbara

M. Yochym, secretary; David M. White, director; Janet Knapp, senior counselor; Rachel Skemer, counselor.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION

Each semester EDP offers Supplemental Instruction (SI) courses for its students. These SI classes help EDP students develop analytical, quantitative, and problem solving abilities and communication, study, and test taking

skills necessary to successfully master course material. SI courses are linked to College Core Curriculum courses and expose college freshmen to introductory courses in a variety of academic fields. Courses are credit bearing and taught in a small group setting by the parent course instructor. Research has found this environment conducive for learning and retention of course material and encourages student participation in classes.

Biology Study Skills, taught by **Dr. Bruce Tomlinson**, and Survey of Pre-Calculus lab, taught by **Mr. Eric Johnston**, were offered for the fall. Biology Study Skills and Survey of Calculus lab will be offered for the spring.

## S'10 DEAN'S LIST

- Justin Bouchard
- Lindsay Buscemi
- David Chatterton
- Keli Cochran
- Alexander Davis
- Carmelito Deleon
- Lavie Donnell
- Rebecca Eisenman
- Julia Gangi
- Corinna Kester
- Chris McAllister
- Heather Newton
- Alicia Nicolas
- Lucy Nunez
- Raelee Price
- Justin Ramsey
- Alexander Ridgell
- Kurtisha Scipio
- Stephanie Shenk
- Diana Vasquez

## *In Memoriam*

It is with great sympathy that we convey the news that former EDP student *Alfred Davis* died on Saturday, September 25. He transferred to Fredonia in 2007 from Dutchess Community College. He was a senior communications major with a minor in leadership. Al had been fighting colon cancer since November 2008. He was on the Brother-to-Brother and BSU executive boards, active in SUNY Fredonia's chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America, and was an Admissions tour guide.





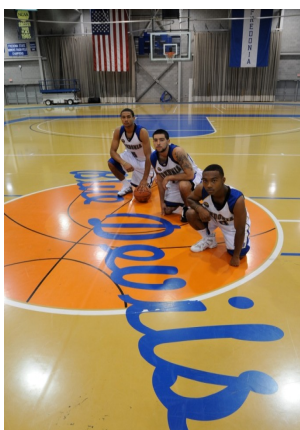
## CURRENT STUDENT HAPPENINGS

★ This semester **Justin Bouchard** (SR/Comm./Gowanda) was a DJ for his “Popular Music--Classical to Classic Rock” radio program, which aired on the campus radio station WCVF-88.9 FM. ★ **Pilar Nelson** (SO/Psych./Buffalo) was selected as a Leadership Development Program intern for spring 2011 and was accepted into the Honors Program. ★ **Lavie Donnell** (SO/Pol.Sci./New York) was inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta freshman honor society. ★ **LaSheri “Lash” Mayes** (JR/Sociology/Buffalo), **Amanda Rivera** (SO/Criminal Justice/



Lackawanna), **Dorena Johnson** (JR/Social Studies—Adolescence Ed/Buffalo), and **Tyanna “Ty” Berry** (not pictured—SO/Bus.Admin. Marketing/Brooklyn) are participants on the women’s Blackhorse rugby team. The “Fighting Fillies” are de-

fending Western New York Division II state champions. ★ **David Chatterton**/cello (JR/Music Ed./Oswego) and **Alexander Davis**/bassoon (JR/Music Ed./Batavia) are in the College Symphony Orchestra. ★ **Justin Moore** (SR/Music Applied/Buffalo) and **LaSheri Mayes** were crowned 2010 Homecoming King and Queen. ★ **Julius Bryant** (SR/sports mangmt./Buffalo), **Jonathan Herrera** (JR/Bus. Admin./Flushing),



**Ricardo Rose** (not pictured—SR/sports mangmt./exercise sci./Niagara Falls), and **Dior Jackson** (JR/exercise sci./Monticello) are participants on the men’s basketball team. ★ **Joseph Raville**/trumpet (JR/Music Ed./Chaumont) is in the Concert Band.

★ **Ashley Ellis** (SO/Spanish/Cattaraugus) is the treasurer for Latinos Unidos. ★ **Lorenzo Parnell** (JR/Music Perf./Rochester) is the vice president for Pride Alliance. ★ **Justin Moore**, **Lorenzo Parnell**, **Alexander Davis**, and **Eric Wilbon** (FR/Music Ed./Buffalo) were in this year’s Hillman Opera “Tales of Hoffmann” (“Les Contes d’Hoffmann”), which was sung in French. ★ **Lauren Williams** (SR/English/Syracuse) is a campus tour guide and Student

## DATES

- Nov 22-26—Thanksgiving Break
- Nov 29—Final Day to Completely Withdraw from the University
- Dec 9—Last Day of Tutoring in the Learning Center
- Dec 10—Last Day of Classes
- Dec 13-17—Final Examinations
- Dec 22—Final Grades Due
- Dec 27-Jan 2—Offices closed—please leave a voice mail or email message



## SPRING 2011

- Jan 3-14—J-Term
- Jan 17—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day—Offices Closed
- Jan 23—S’11 Web Registration
- Jan 24—First Day of Classes
- Jan 24—EDP General Meeting - S-104 WmsC, 4 pm
- Jan 31—Tutoring Starts in Learning Center and EDP
- Feb 1—Final Day to Add Courses
- Feb 7—Final Day to Apply for May Graduation
- Mar 9—Chi Alpha Epsilon Induction and EDP Awards Ceremony, Horizon Rm/WmsC, 4
- TBA—EDP General Meeting - S-104 WmsC, 4 pm
- Mar 14-18—NO CLASSES - Spring Break
- Mar 23—Mid-semester
- Apr 1—Final Day to Withdraw from Courses
- Apr 4—Fall 2011 Registration Begins
- Apr 25—Travel Day
- Apr 26—Final Day to Completely Withdraw from the University
- Apr 29-May 1—EDP Alumni & Friends Reunion
- May 9-13—Final Exams
- May 14—Commencement
- May 18—Final Grades Due
- Aug TBA—EDP Freshmen August Workshop
- Aug 22—First Day of Classes

## MESSAGE FROM FORMER EDP DIRECTOR

**KATHLEEN BONDS:** *The family of the late Khalil J. Bonds-Davis extends an invitation to the dedication of Khalil’s Corner at City Honors School, 186 E. North Street, Buffalo, NY 14204 on Thursday, December 2, at 3:30 pm. Khalil, who passed away on May 30, 2009, due to an enlarged heart, was the son of Kathleen Bonds and the late Christopher Grant-Davis. His family, friends and fellow classmates combined their efforts to furnish the fiction section of the Kiefer Library with furniture and a plaque in Khalil’s memory. Light refreshments will be served following a slide presentation and dedication.*



## 2010 EDP FRESHMAN AUGUST WORKSHOP

The mission of the 2010 EDP Freshman August Workshop (EFAW) was to enhance students' confidence levels by strengthening the skills necessary to succeed in college and by offering the opportunity for students to familiarize themselves with our campus. EFAW took place August 19-21, just prior to the start of fall classes, with all 36 freshmen attending this mandatory, EDP sponsored workshop. Students participated in various sessions, including *the History of EOP/EDP*, *Leadership*, *Classroom Etiquette*, *Achieving Academic Success*, and *Good Decision Making*.

The EDP staff would like to thank the EDP peer advisors who played an integral part in the implementation of this orientation program and the guidance they provided to these new EDP students: **Nicholas Bernard** (SO/Dance/Rochester), **Derrick Brown** (SO/Music Bus./Buffalo), **Serene Lazaro** (SR/Comm.-Public Rel./Depew), **Pilar Nelson** (SO/Psych./Buffalo), and **Mercedes Sornoza** (SR/Criminal Justice/Brooklyn).

The meal, lodging, and activity costs for the three-day workshop were covered by a grant from the Office of Opportunity Programs (OOP) in Albany, SUNY Fredonia, and a grant from the campus's Faculty Student Association.

## 2011 EDP RECRUITMENT

For the second consecutive year fall admissions were closed in early May. EDP's recruitment initiatives begin in November with the EDP staff sending acknowledgment packets to each of our applicants and will continue while students submit the necessary documentation and ultimately pay their deposits. EDP admission is closed once our target enrollment is reached.

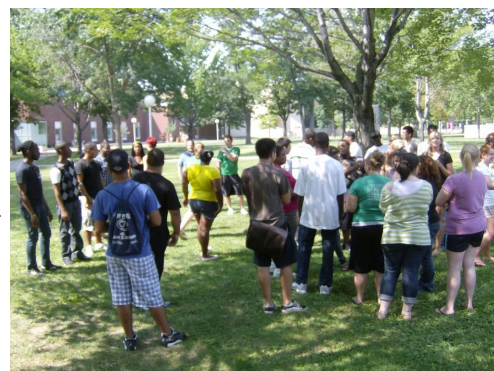
The EDP staff has begun working on enrolling our Fall 2011 class. We urge all applicants to call with any questions or concerns regarding our EDP admission requirements. Due to a reduction in EDP funding, the 2011 freshman class will be significantly smaller and it is essential to submit all required documentation as soon as possible.

All applicants will receive a letter and packet of information, including a yellow postcard, from EDP. In order to continue the application process, applicants MUST return the yellow postage paid card to us within two weeks of receiving it.

Once the yellow postcard is returned to Admissions, you will receive a letter from the Admissions office requesting additional information to complete your application. Please forward the items listed as soon as possible to SUNY Fredonia's [Admissions Office](#), Fenner House, 178 Central Avenue, Fredonia, NY 14063. Items needed to complete an application are:

- ◆ two letters of recommendation (e.g., from a guidance counselor, teacher, club leader, employer, etc.)
- ◆ high school transcript or GED
- ◆ [Eligibility Information Form](#) PDF (81kb)
- ◆ SAT and/or ACT test scores
- ◆ autobiographical essay (tell us about your life circumstances which you feel make you a good candidate for EDP)
- ◆ income verification (e.g., **signed** copies of the **2010 federal** parents' taxes and student's taxes (if filed) including W-2 forms). If taxes are not filed, then you will need to submit a social security statement, social services statement, etc. See Question #8 on the Eligibility Information Form for more details.

Contact **Erica Arlequin**, Admissions counselor/EDP liaison at [Erica.Arlequin@fredonia.edu](mailto:Erica.Arlequin@fredonia.edu) or 716/673-3251 or 1-800-252-1212 with any application questions or visit EDP's website—[Fall 2011 Applicant Info](#).



*"Ice breaker" activity during EDP's freshmen workshop.*



## ALUMNI UPDATE

★ **Rory Pollaro** ('88/English) is the outdoors columnist for the *Chautauqua Star*. The *Chautauqua Star* is a weekly newspaper circulated throughout Chautauqua County. He also has 15 plus years of professional writing and newspaper experience and is currently employed with Frontier Financial of Jamestown. *Please send any alumni news to Barbara.Yochym@fredonia.edu.*

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Ambassador. ★ Check out the [Student Spotlight](#) on EDP's webpage where six times a year we feature program students. ★ EDP Director **David M. White** is a coach for the pee-wee division of the Western New York Pop Warner Bills, who are 2010 NYS champs. Mr. White was an honorary inductee into Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman honor society.

## SAVE THE DATE—EDP ALUMNI & FRIENDS REUNION—APRIL 29-MAY 1, 2011



### PLANS ARE UNDER WAY FOR THE 2011 EDP ALUMNI & FRIENDS REUNION

Having such a wonderful time at the 2008

EDP alumni reunion, attendees wanted to keep that momentum going and hold another reunion in 2011. The committee met on campus October 29 and have addressed a number of details. Committee members pictured are Louis Coplin, co-chair '82; Dinecia Pierre-Louis '05; Emma McFayden '76; Kathleen Bonds, former EDP director; Audrey Pitts, co-chair '82; Barbara Yochym, current EDP secretary; David White, current EDP director; and Dr. Jeffrey J. Wallace '68, former EDP director. Missing from the picture is Dr. Sherryl Weems '76. Check out the tentative schedule to the right of this article. The committee is looking over local hotels for overnight accommodations. A save-the-date postcard will go out in December and invitations will go out by the end of February. Reservations may be made on-line. Read about the [2008 Reunion](#). Keep abreast of reunion happenings on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/event.php?eid=107498809313197>

### EDP ALUMNI & FRIENDS REUNION

#### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

"Transitioning and Transforming for Success"

#### **FRIDAY, April 29**

❖ *Meet & Greet*—light refreshments will be served, cash bar available

#### **SATURDAY, April 30**

❖ *Campus Tour*  
❖ *Luncheon*—Will include presentation of the 1st Wallace Scholarship and interaction with current students—start of the EDP Mentorship Project

❖ *Dinner*—social hour/cash bar, dinner and program

❖ *Afterhours gathering*

#### **SUNDAY, May 1**

❖ *Brunch*

Times TBA



### JEFFREY J. WALLACE LEADERSHIP AND EXCELLENCE ENDOWMENT FUND—This endow-

ment was started at the EDP alumni and friends reunion in 2008. Solicitations were made and as of the end of September 2010, there have been gifts totaling over \$12,000. The first goal was to get to the \$10,000 level so that one scholarship could be presented in 2011. Now the next goal is to continue building the endowment to award more scholarships. Contributions may be made to the Fredonia College Foundation, earmarked Wallace

Leadership and Excellence Endowment Fund, at any time—[www.fredonia.edu/foundation/](http://www.fredonia.edu/foundation/). There will also be an opportunity to make a contribution when making your reunion reservation. **Many thanks go to those who have already made a contribution.**

### FIRST WALLACE SCHOLARSHIP TO BE AWARDED AT 2011 EDP ALUMNI & FRIENDS REUNION—The

first Wallace Scholarship will be presented during the 2011 alumni and friends reunion luncheon on Saturday, April 30. Criteria for the scholarship are for EDP students to have at least a 2.5 overall average and show leadership, scholarship, maturity, and determination. The EDP staff recommended students to the scholarship committee consisting of Emma McFayden '76, Keith McFayden '77, Dr. Sherryl Weems '76, Jawaan Wallace, Reginal Spiller '74, and Dr. Jeffrey J. Wallace '68. Selected students will be contacted and asked to submit a 1,000 word essay by February 1. After essays have been reviewed by the committee, finalists will be interviewed and a recipient will be chosen.

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