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HEADLINES

EIU ALUM ONE OF 20 OUTSTANDING WOMEN TO KNOW
Charleston Times-Courier, May 5, 2007
Story by Nathaniel West

When the call came notifying Donna Homann of Mattoon she was among the "20 Outstanding
Women You Should Know" in East Central Illinois, it interrupted her latest project that
included moving 15 tons of rock. Not bad for someone who has been diagnosed with systemic
lupus and has undergone knee replacement surgery.

"But I really do not feel that I am outstanding," said Homann, 55. "I am exceptionally
motivated, have high energy -- more than most people -- and I use it in the greatest ways that
I know how."

She received the "Outstanding Woman" honor because she is an inspiration to other women
who have suffered physical and circumstantial setbacks -- women whom Homann tries to help
at her Side Door Beauty Salon, Wig & Gift Boutique in Mattoon. The business is one of the
primary suppliers in this area for cancer victims needing wigs, breast prosthetics and
mastectomy bras, and Homann works with local physicians to serve these women in need.
Side Door has also added pedicures for people with diabetes.

But Homann's accomplishments and acts of service are not limited to her business. She
formerly worked as a police officer in Charleston, but had to quit because of systemic lupus, a
disease in which the immune system attacks body tissue. So she went back to school.

While raising daughters Rachel and Gretchen by herself, Homann completed her degree from
Eastern Illinois University's Lumpkin College of Business. She received her cosmetology
certificate in 1971 from Lake Land College, where she still volunteers as a teacher.

"I have kept myself from stagnating by seeking education and new ideas for business and
personal gratification," Homann said. "I am not afraid of risk-taking, trying something new,
different and difficult."

With that in mind, she branched into the bed-and-breakfast business about five years ago,
and she also has become a successful photographer, with photos appearing in such
publications as Cat Fancy and Vantasia.
Join the EIU Alumni Association
Are you a graduate of Eastern Illinois University? See what Alumni Services can do for you when you join the Alumni Association. It’s just $30 for an annual membership and $45 for an annual family membership! Benefits range from newsletters to ticket information for EIU events and travel discounts. The Alumni Association also recognizes the professional and volunteer accomplishments of EIU alumni. For more information, visit the web site at: www.eiu.edu/~alumni.

Brainard House
Home of the EIU Alumni Association

Homecoming 2007 and Family Weekend 2007 Dates
Family Weekend 2007 is scheduled for October 5-7, 2007, and Homecoming 2007 for the weekend of October 19-21. For suggestions on area lodging, contact the Charleston Chamber of Commerce at 217-345-7041 or the LCBAS Development Office at jsjoines@eiu.edu or 217-581-7969.

And in addition to fund-raising efforts, motivational speaking engagements and skydiving, Homann still finds time to be the proud grandmother of granddaughter Alex.

"I have been blessed with a great family and many wonderful friends," Homann said.

ITALY COMES TO EASTERN
Story by Kristy Mellendorf
Three professors have traveled across an ocean to teach at Eastern this summer. For the summer intersession, Cecilia Ricci, Masimo Coppetti and Cosimo Bargellini have come to Eastern through an exchange program that Eastern has had for four years with the Culinary Institute in Florence, Italy.

Coppetti will teach introduction to Italian wine for the first time in the United States.

"I just got here yesterday, and am enjoying it already," Coppetti said. Coppetti has taught several students from America in an exchange program bringing American students to Italy. Coppetti is excited about his first time teaching in America, and will bring his experience to this class.

Bargellini is coming to the United States to teach food photography.

Bargellini's has three brothers in New York. He's been visiting the United States for many years now, and is spending his second time in Charleston.

"I see New York a lot, but I like the smaller city right now," Bargellini said. "It's more laid back.

Two months ago, Bargellini was in Italy teaching 22 American girls the ins-and-outs of fashion photography. He likes travel and is constantly challenging himself, which the last experience and this upcoming one should do.

"This should be a good experience, a new challenge," Bargellini said.

Bargellini and Coppetti are sharing an apartment in town while they teach. The university offered it to them as summer plans were being finalized.

"(The apartment) makes us feel young again, like bachelors," said Bargellini.

Ricci's course deals with Mediterranean Culture and Cuisine. Ricci also teaches courses at the Culinary Institute, which offers courses taught in both English and Italian.

"At the Institute, we get many of our students from the United States," Ricci said. "They come from all over, but that is where a majority of them are from."

EIU PROGRAM RECEIVES LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION ENDORSEMENT
EIU Media Release
May 8, 2007
The Teaching with Primary Sources Program at Eastern Illinois University was recently informed that the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission is endorsing a College of Education and Professional Studies program -- the Learning with Lincoln Institute.

To encourage broad public participation in the bicentennial, the commission endorses programs that embody the bicentennial's message of "freedom, democracy and equal opportunity." Programs must demonstrate to the commission's satisfaction that a proposed project meets at least one of the bicentennial goals:

* Increasing knowledge and awareness of Lincoln in the U.S. and abroad;
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21st Century Wealth

-Jeff G. Scott, Class of 1968

21st Century Wealth, a primer on the essential principles of financial planning, is designed to be an informative resource for readers interested in estate, investment, and retirement planning issues. One of the contributors is Jeffrey G. Scott, CLU, CFP, ChFC. Mr. Scott, retired Managing Director of the Mid-Atlantic Region for Sagemark Consulting, operated one of the top five financial planning firms in the Lincoln Financial Advisors distribution system.

The book is available for purchase at the discounted price of $24.95 plus shipping and handling. To request a copy, e-mail bharrell@LNC.com. Prepayment is required by personal or corporate check.

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Boomtown USA

-Jack Schultz, CEO of Agracel

Jack Schultz, CEO of Agracel, Inc., and past president of Eastern Illinois University's Foundation, has recently published a book focusing on small towns that thrive while other small towns are failing.

Order a copy of Boomtown USA: The 7 1/2 Keys to Big Success in Small Towns by calling 1-800-600-8085 or visiting www.boomtownusa.net.

Pemberton Hall
National Historic Site

* Encouraging public participation and attendance at bicentennial activities and institutions;

* Increasing historical literacy about Lincoln for young people;

* Encouraging research, scholarship and increased understanding of Lincoln;

* Leveraging the bicentennial for discussion of bicentennial themes of freedom, democracy and equal opportunity, thus serving as a catalyst for conversation and engagement of diverse perspectives; and

* Creating a lasting legacy of Lincoln themes and contributions to endure beyond the bicentennial.

The Learning with Lincoln Institute was developed by the Teaching with Primary Sources programs at Eastern and Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. Local teachers from all disciplines and grade levels were encouraged to apply to participate in the program that will study the benefits of imbedding primary sources in teaching.

Educators selected through an application process will engage in research, scholarship, curriculum design and collaboration for new ideas to engage students and increase personal knowledge of Lincoln. Learning experiences created will be collected and published for sharing with others in the field of education at the local, state and national levels.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

MASTERS OF TECHNOLOGY SEMI-ANNUAL SOCIAL

MOT is sponsoring a potluck picnic to honor the 2007 graduates. The social will be held on May 20, 2007, at the large pavilion in Crystal Lake Park, located at 207 W Park Street in Urbana, IL. The social will begin at 11:00 am with lunch around noon. Please bring a dish to share. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Carol Dobbs at caroldobbs@hotmail.com. Please RSVP no later than May 13.

PEORIA CHIEFS ALUMNI DAY AT THE BALLPARK

The Alumni Association has planned an Alumni Day at the Peoria Chiefs' ballpark, O'Brien Field, located at 730 SW Jefferson in Peoria, IL, on Friday, May 25. The Chiefs will be playing the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, and alumni can enjoy the game from the MVP Room, a suite level party room. The suites open at 5:30 pm with game time at 6:30 pm. The cost is $15 per person, including game ticket and all food and beverages. Ticket availability is limited, so order tickets soon by returning this completed PDF form or calling 800-ALUM-EIU.

CELEBRITY GOLF OUTING

Join the Old Main Club, EIU administrators, coaches, former pro players and other EIU greats for a round of golf and dinner on June 4 at the Bolding Golf Club, located at 2001 Rodeo Drive in Bolding, Ill. Registration will begin at 11:30 am with lunch at noon and shotgun start at 1:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm, preceded by a social at 5:30 pm.

Past celebrity participants have included Tony Romeo ’02, Denver Broncos head coach Mike Hannah ’74, ’75, New Orleans Saints head coach Sean Payton ’87, Cleveland Browns defensive line coach Randy Melvin ’82, ’93, former NFL All-Pro punter Jeff Goose ’83, former Green Bay Packer John Juror ex. ’90, and New Orleans assistant special teams coach Greg McMahon ’83. Please check www.eiupanthers.com to see which celebrities confirm. For more information or to register, please visit http://www.eiu.edu/~sporting/go_panthers/07_chicago-celebrity.pdf.
More Country Music for Laughin', Lovin' and Livin' It Up
-Gene Newport, Class of 1957

Gene Newport, an EIU business alumnus ('57) and 1977 Distinguished Alumnus from the EIU School of Business, has written another book that may interest EIU alums. Newport, author of Management Up, Down, and Inside Out, is a professor of management and dean emeritus at the University of Alabama.


Newport has generously arranged to donate proceeds from the purchase of Country Music... by EIU alumni and friends to benefit the Theodore W. Ivarie Leadership & Innovation Fund.

To order Country Music..., priced at $12.50; More Country Music..., priced at $9.50; or Momma Used To Say..., priced at $9.80, contact Jackie Joines at jsjoines@eiu.edu or by calling 217-581-2310.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS ALUMNI DAY AT THE BALLPARK
Join fellow Eastern alumni and friends at Busch Stadium on July 4 to watch the 2006 World Series Champions take on the Arizona Diamondbacks. The cost of $80/person includes a seat in the comfort of the air-conditioned Redbird Row Suites, plus all food and beverages. Game time is 6:15 pm with suite open: 4:15 pm. To purchase tickets, call 1-800-ALUM-EIU or complete and return this pdf form by mail or fax (to 217-581-7206) Payment must accompany reservation form. Tickets will be mailed prior to the game. First priority will be given to Alumni Association members. Limit of 4 tickets per person. These tickets sell out quickly, so order fast.

CHICAGO CUBS ALUMNI DAY AT THE BALLPARK
Eastern alumni and friends are invited on August 20 for a pre-game party at the Cubby Bear at 11:00 am, and then a Cubs vs. Cardinals game at Wrigley Field at 1:20 pm. Pre-game party tickets are $10 and game tickets (section 233) are $39 ($5 from each game ticket will go toward Presidential Scholarships). To purchase tickets, call 1-800-ALUM-EIU or complete and return this pdf form by mail or fax to 217-581-7206.

Payment must accompany reservation form. Tickets will be mailed prior to the game. First priority will be given to Alumni Association members. Limit of 4 game tickets per person. These tickets sell out quickly, so order fast.

EVENTS CALENDAR

May
20 MOT Semi-Annual Social. 11:00 am-2:00 pm. Picnic lunch at noon. Crystal Lake Park in Urbana, IL. (207 W. Park Street in large pavilion behind lake house). For more information or to RSVP, contact Carol Dobbs at caroldobbs@hotmail.com. RSVP by May 13, 2007.

June
4 Old Main Club Celebrity Golf. Bolingbrook Golf Club, located at 2001 Rodeo Drive in Bolingbrook, Ill. Registration will begin at 11:30 am with lunch at noon and shotgun start at 1:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm, preceded by a social at 5:30 pm. For more information and to register, please visit http://www.eiu.edu/~sporting/go-panthers/07_chicago-celebrity.pdf.

July
4 Alumni Event - St. Louis Cardinals Alumni Day. St. Louis Cardinals vs. Arizona Diamondbacks. Busch Stadium, St. Louis, Mo. Suites open: 4:15 pm. Game time: 6:15 pm. Cost: $80/person for seat in Redbird Row Suites, plus all food and beverages. To purchase tickets, call 1-800-ALUM-EIU or complete and return this pdf form by mail or fax (to 217-581-7206).

August
20 Alumni Event - Chicago Cubs vs. St. Louis Cardinals at Wrigley Field. Pregame: 11:00 am, tickets $10. Game: 1:20 pm, tickets $39 ($5 from each game ticket will go toward Presidential Scholarships). To purchase tickets, call 1-800-ALUM-EIU or complete and return this pdf form by mail or fax to 217-581-7206.

Watch your mailbox for information on these and other upcoming events in your area. For questions, call 800-ALUM-EIU (800-258-6348) or the LCBAS Development Office at 217-581-7969.
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Wellness: Piece by Piece
-Pat Sullivan, Class of 1975

Pat Sullivan, creator of the best-selling ACT!© software, has authored a book chronicling his struggles with chronic illness and offering advice and encouragement to those who also struggle with persistent health issues. His book, Wellness: Piece by Piece, is available from your local bookseller or through Amazon.com.

Also, Pat Sullivan has established a health information network, Jigsaw Health. The web site offers nutritional foods, dietary supplements, and resources on illnesses and treatments.

ENEWS SOURCES
The ENEWS is a publication of the Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences Development Office. Much of the text is obtained from the University Newsletter, Media Relations, and the Alumni Newsletter. Other sources for campus news include the PANTHER ATHLETICS, the DAILY EASTERN NEWS, and the CHARLESTON TIMES-COURIER.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

NELSON NAMED JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR AT EIU
EIU Media Release
May 16, 2007

Jeff Nelson, managing editor of the Lincoln Courier, has been named Journalist of the Year by the Eastern Illinois University Journalism Department. Nelson was recognized for his "outstanding contribution to the field of journalism" over the course of his 36-year career at the State Journal-Register in Springfield and the Lincoln newspaper, both formerly owned by Copley Press Inc., but now owned by GateHouse Media Inc.

Nelson has been managing editor of the Lincoln Courier since 1993. Under his leadership, the newspaper has won the Illinois Press Association sweepstakes trophy for best daily under 10,000-circulation in 11 of the last 14 years.

A 1971 graduate of Eastern with a B.A. in English and a minor in journalism, Nelson served as editor-in-chief of the then-Eastern News, the student newspaper. He was editor when the paper went from being a weekly publication to a three-times-a-week publication. Since 1973 it has been a five-day-a-week daily.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Mehdi Semati was among a handful of scholars who were invited by the Annenberg School of Communication, Center for Global Communication, University of Pennsylvania, to participate in a workshop titled, "Beyond Media Censorship: Speech and State in the Middle East and North Africa." His presentation was titled, "Persian Blogs and the State: The Politics of Expression in Iran."

PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

ACADEMIC ADVISER/RECORDS ANALYST POSITION
Responsibilities include evaluating two- and four-year college transcripts, advising students who are transferring coursework to Eastern and articulating coursework from two- and four-year colleges. Bachelor's degree required. Preference will be given to candidates who have experience working with articulation of coursework, evaluation of coursework or degree auditing. Review of applications begins May 10, and continues until position is filled. Anticipated start date is June 1. Send letter of application, vita, and names and contact information for five references as a Word document in an e-mail to Sue Harvey, Registrar, gsharvey@eiu.edu. AA/EEO/ADA

ADMISSION COUNSELOR POSITIONS
The Office of Admissions seeks highly motivated people with superior communication skills and genuine interest in a career in university admissions. Multiple positions are available; one is based in the Chicago area. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: Recruitment and management of an assigned territory in Illinois, surrounding states; develop and maintain effective communication with community college and high school counselors and representatives of educational agencies; represent the university at high school and college day/night programs; implementation of recruitment and yield strategies; counseling prospective students (includes some evenings and weekends); follow up correspondence to prospective and admitted students; and other duties as assigned. Master's degree in college student administration, marketing, education, communications, counseling or related field is preferred. Bachelor's degree (preferably in areas listed above) is required. Valid Illinois driver's license is also required. Additional preferences include at least one year of professional experience in academic or student affairs at a college or university, special events planning, and counseling or administrative experience at the high school level. Experience with SCT Banner student information system a plus. Application review begins May 14, with a start date of July 1. Complete application includes letter of interest, resume and three professional references (including e-mail and phone numbers). Address application materials to Brenda Major, Director of Admissions, 600 Lincoln Ave., Eastern Illinois University, Charleston IL 61920. AA/EEO/ADA
SPORTS NEWS

**EIU DISCONTINUES PANTHER WRESTLING PROGRAM**

EIU Sports Release  
May 17, 2007  

EIU Director of Athletics Dr. Rich McDuffie announced Thursday that the EIU intercollegiate wrestling program will be discontinued, effective immediately. "For the past three years, the NCAA has collected academic performance data and implemented its new Academic Progress Rate (APR). Due to wrestling's academic performance over the past few years, the sport has received NCAA penalties in scholarship reduction and further penalties could include post-season competition and/or recruiting restrictions. "Therefore, based on wrestling's academic performance as per the NCAA's new APR, the discontinuation of the wrestling program was regrettably a decision that had to be made," said McDuffie. Current coach Ralph McCausland will be retained by the University and reassigned to a position yet to be determined.

**PANTHERS WIN HOME FINALE IN WALK-OFF FASHION**

EIU Sports Release  
May 10, 2007  

Erik Huber made his final at-bat at Coaches Stadium a memorable one, singling home fellow senior Casey Spears in the bottom of the ninth to lift Eastern Illinois baseball to a 4-3 walk-off win against Eastern Kentucky Sunday afternoon in the Panthers' home finale. EIU's three RBIs on the day were collected by the trio of seniors in the middle of the lineup. Mark Chagnon knocked in the Panthers' first run of the game and Ryan Campbell tied the contest with a two-out base hit in the fifth.

**SCHREIBER TO JOIN PANTHER STAFF**

EIU Sports Release  
May 10, 2007  

Amy Schreiber has been named the new assistant volleyball coach at Eastern Illinois University, Dr. Rich McDuffie, Director of Athletics, announced today. "I'm thrilled to have Amy on board as our assistant coach and recruiting coordinator," said EIU head coach Lori Bennett. "She brings a great deal of volleyball experience and knowledge of the game to our program. I feel very fortunate and blessed that she has chosen to join our EIU Panther coaching staff." The past three seasons, Schreiber has been the assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at the University of Maine. She helped guide the Black Bears to back-to-back appearances in the America East conference tournament. She also has extensive experience coaching several club volleyball squads in the Midwest region.

**SPORTS EVENTS & RESULTS**

**FRIDAY, MAY 18**  
* Baseball - at Morehead State (2) - Noon in Morehead, Ky.

**SATURDAY, MAY 19**  
* Baseball - at Morehead State - Noon in Morehead, Ky.

**FRIDAY, MAY 25**  
* Track & Field - at NCAA Regional - All-Day at Columbia, Mo.

**SATURDAY, MAY 26**  
* Track & Field - at NCAA Regional - All-Day at Columbia, Mo.

* - Ohio Valley Conference or Missouri Valley Conference (soccer) game  
All times central  
Home events in caps