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For Immediate Release:

HEMKER RECEIVES CONNELLY AWARD AT EIU

CHARLESTON – Meredith N. Hemker has been awarded the Donna Lynn Connelly Memorial Scholarship through Eastern Illinois University's School of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Donna Lynn Connelly was a student at Eastern during the 1980s. While at Eastern, she was actively involved in Greek affairs and a major in family and consumer sciences. She also possessed a keen interest in business. Her family provided this scholarship opportunity for deserving female students.

Hemker, the daughter of Bill and Elaine Hemker of Mt. Vernon, is a senior at EIU. She is a 2001 graduate of Mt. Vernon Township High School.