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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

GIFFIN NAMED EOM

CHARLESTON, IL--June Giffin of Charleston, an administrative secretary in the grants and research office at Eastern Illinois University, has been selected the university's Civil Service Employee of the Month.

Giffin, who was recognized for her exemplary performance on the job, was selected from more than 950 full-time civil service employees at the university.

She came to Eastern in 1974 and worked in the philosophy and management/marketing departments before joining the grants and research office in 1981. She earned a bachelor's degree in business education from Eastern in 1948.

Upon her selection, Giffin said, "I am very pleased to receive this honor. I've always felt a loyalty to Eastern and have given it my best. The university has been a part of my life for more years than it hasn't."

Bud May, Giffin's supervisor, said, "I think June is not just an exceptional worker, but an exceptional human being, who for many years has contributed to

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Eastern in a variety of ways. We feel very fortunate to have had her for as long as we have."

Giffin said she enjoys the varied aspects of her job, especially the ability to interact with faculty throughout the campus in their quest for grants. "Working with an understanding and supportive boss is a real plus too."

Her husband, Jim, is the founding dean of the Lumpkin College of Business at Eastern. They have created endowments for two named scholarships in addition to an annual Lumpkin College of Business Dean's Award presented to the outstanding graduating senior. They also have supported the annual telefund campaign and several other campus projects.

The Giffins have two children, Jon, a geologist with Marathon Oil in Cody, Wyo., and Gina, a physical therapist in Springfield, Ill.