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CHARLESTON, IL--Jan Genis is the assistant campus editor of the Daily Eastern News, the student newspaper of Eastern Illinois University.

Jan, daughter of Frank and Phyllis Genis of 8723 Melvina, Oak Lawn, is a 1981 graduate of Oak Lawn Community High School. She is a journalism major and public relations minor at EIU.

A sophomore, Jan said she chose journalism for her career because she enjoys writing and likes "to do something different every day." She said that journalism is "not mundane, like an office job."

Her career goal is to write for a television news program or magazines.

Jan began her collegiate journalism career as a reporter for the campus staff. She was promoted to assistant campus editor in April 1982.

As assistant campus editor, she aids the campus editor in her duties of managing the largest staff of reporters on the News, assigning and editing their stories.

Jan is a member of the Society for Collegiate Journalists, an honorary organization for college journalism students who have shown talent and desire to achieve through their work on one of EIU's publications.

The Daily Eastern News has won many awards, including an All-American rating from the Associated Collegiate Press every year since 1973, and was recently chosen as one of five finalists for ACP's coveted Pacemaker Award, which recognizes the best college newspaper in the country.

The Journalism Department, which sponsors the News, recently received national accreditation from the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass communications for excellence in their curriculum and student activities. Eastern became one of only 85 schools in the nation to be accredited out of approximately 300 schools which have journalism majors.