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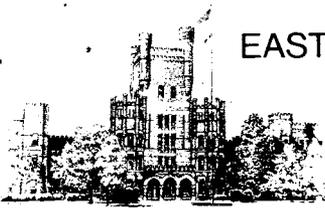
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EXCELLENCE WINNERS

CHARLESTON, IL.--Five students have been named winners of the new Eastern Illinois University Excellence in Fine Arts Scholarships.

The five recipients, all freshmen, are music majors Pat Rickert, Terre Haute, IN.; Karl (Jeff) Voigt, Aurora, IL.; and Nancy Stejskal, Westchester, IL.; theater arts major Jennifer Andrews, Danville, IL; and art major Theresa Cassady of Cahokia, IL.

The EIU Excellence in Fine Arts Fund was established in 1986 to encourage and reward excellence in the EIU Fine Arts programs. Earnings from the Fund provide scholarships, lectures, visiting artists, and other special programs.

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Started by a \$250,000 grant by the Newton E. Tarble family, the Fund has a long-range goal of \$1,500,000.

According to Vaughn Jaenike, Dean of the College of Fine Arts, "The students were selected for the Award because of their potential for excellence as students and as performing and/or creative artists. We expect the winners to excel as individuals and as leaders in group efforts striving for excellence."

Rickert, a graduate of South Vigo High School in Terre Haute, spent the past year in Sweden as an exchange student in the Youth for Understanding program and was a first chair tuba in the Indiana All-State Band and Orchestra.

Voigt, a graduate of Aurora Central Catholic High School, was a soloist and choir member and involved in stage presentations while in high school.

Stejskal, a graduate from Proviso West High School, plays piano and oboe. She is double-majoring in the honors program in music and chemistry and was on the Dean's list Fall 1987 at Eastern.

While an art student at Cahokia High School where she was under the guidance of Robert Maguire, Cassady received a Fellowship Award from the Bank of Cahokia. She also has had her drawings on exhibit at the Cahokia Public Library.

Andrews, a graduate of Danville High School, has studied voice and dance, and was active in many community theater productions in Danville.

Chairpersons in Fine Arts recommend one or more outstanding freshmen for the awards. Each scholarship winner meeting all criteria will be eligible to receive the award for a total of four years. Criteria include maintaining an average of 3.0 or better (on 4.0 scale) and active participation in performance and exhibition activities in their program major.