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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

DREEKE RECEIVES BUSINESS AWARD

CHARLESTON -- Stephanie Dreeke, daughter of Sheryl Dreeke of Bradley, is the recipient of the Ronald and Myra Jeffris Scholarship from Eastern Illinois University's Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences.

The Jeffris Scholarship, made possible by a generous contribution from Ronald and Myra Jeffris, is presented to a pre-business major. Ronald Jeffris is a 1959 graduate of Eastern and a retired vice president/controller of the Williams Company.

A sophomore accounting major, Dreeke is a 1996 graduate of Momence High School.

Eastern Illinois University emphasizes distinguished teaching in the liberal arts, sciences and selected professions. A traditional, residential state university of recognized quality, Eastern enrolls more than 11,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs.

The university, located in Charleston, also serves the region through a variety of non-credit and off-site degree programs, as well as cultural and recreational opportunities.

Eastern's pursuit of excellence attracts well-qualified students of an increasingly diverse population and a teaching faculty active in research and public service who utilize the latest technology.