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CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University's Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences honored six business majors with the Mr. and Mrs. William Craig Simmons Memorial Award at its spring awards ceremony.

Established in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Simmons in 1970 by their daughter, Mary Sue LaRue, the award is presented annually to one student from each discipline within the college on the basis of outstanding personal character and scholastic achievement.

Listed below are those students who received this award:

CENTRALIA -- Laura Harm, daughter of Fred and Mary Harm of Centralia; senior finance and computer management major; 1994 graduate of Centralia High School.

CHICAGO -- Bridget Fergus, daughter of Patrick and Kathleen Fergus of Chicago; senior accounting major; 1994 graduate of Resurrection High School in Chicago.

GREENUP -- Lisa Huddlestun, married to Brad Huddlestun of Greenup and daughter of Sue Houpt and the late Larry Crandall of Casey; senior business education major; 1979 graduate of Casey High School.

JOLIET -- Emily Potter, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca Potter of Shorewood; senior computer management major; 1994 graduate of Joliet West High School.

LELAND -- Jenny Ash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Ash of Leland; senior administrative

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information systems major; 1994 graduate of Somonauk High School.

WAUCONDA--Ron Vaughan, son of Ron and Edie Vaughan of Wauconda; senior marketing major; 1994 graduate of Wauconda High School.

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