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For Immediate Release:

EIU DEAN HONORED WITH INDIANA STATE ALUMNI AWARD

CHARLESTON – Mary Anne Hanner, a dean at Eastern Illinois University, was recently honored for her accomplishments with an award from the Indiana State University Alumni Association.

Hanner received the association's GOLD (Graduate of the Last Decade) Award, which recognizes the achievements of recent alumni.

Hanner earned her doctorate in educational administration from ISU in 1994. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in speech pathology at EIU.

After beginning her career as a speech-language pathologist in Illinois elementary schools, she joined the faculty of EIU's department of communication disorders and sciences in 1981. She later became director of EIU's Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic.

Hanner now serves as the dean of the College of Sciences at EIU.

Hanner's previous honors from ISU include receiving the Edgar Morphet Research Scholarship and the Fred A. and Joyce E. Snyder Award for Outstanding Dissertation.

Her EIU honors include the Faculty Excellence Award for Service, the Woman of Achievement Award from the Women's Studies Council and the Graduate Student Mentor Award.

In 1985, Hanner co-authored the Language Processing Test, which diagnosed language-processing disorders. Twenty years later, the modified Language Processing Kit continues to be a popular assessment product used by speech-language pathologists and other personnel who work with the language learning-disabled.

Hanner has been an appointed member of the Coles County Sheriff's Merit Commission since 1998, a member of the Coles County Historical Society since 1995, and an active member of St. John Baptist Catholic Church in Arcola since 1976. She has also been active with the Oakland Community Unit School District 5 Board.

Hanner resides in Oakland with her husband, Dale.