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CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's women's basketball team will face a pair of must-win games this week as the Lady Panthers attempt to remain among their conference's top teams.

Eastern will host Gateway Collegiate Conference rivals Bradley University and Western Illinois University on Thursday and Saturday, respectively, with the Panthers putting their 7-4 GCAC mark on the line.

Eastern is currently fifth in the Gateway conference, only one game behind Wichita State. Both this week's opponents rank below the Lady Panthers in the league standings, but an upset loss would virtually deny Eastern a spot in the GCAC's top four.

Although Eastern already owns wins over both Bradley and Western this season, head coach Bobbie Hilke said she expects the Westerwinds to give her squad "an extremely tough game" beginning at 5:15 p.m. Saturday.

"We have to do a little better job on the boards than we did last time," Hilke said, reflecting on Eastern's 74-66 victory Jan. 19 in Macomb.

"Melanie Hatfield really pulled us out of it in about a four-minute stretch. Otherwise, we might have been in trouble," Hilke added.

Hatfield's heroics amounted to three baskets and an assist as the Lady Panthers broke from a slim 39-38 lead to a 53-44 advantage en route to the victory.

Two days after that win, Eastern had little trouble against the Lady Braves as the Panthers brought home a decisive 78-51 triumph.

"That was probably the best game we've played this season. We did everything right," Hilke said. "I'd like to duplicate that performance" when EIU entertains Bradley at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Hilke's crew will play without the services of forward Stacy Cook (Lincoln/Illinois Central CC), who had been averaging nearly 10 points and seven rebounds in a reserve role

against GCAC opponents. Cook, an all-conference volleyball player last fall, injured her left knee in a practice last week and it is doubtful if she will see any more action this season.

Hilke said she will turn to another All-GCAC volleyball player, Bonnie Fisk (Evansville, IN-Castle), to back up the starting forward tandem of Toni Collins (Lincoln-Jamaica-Sidell) and Chris Aldridge (Taylorville).

Collins, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, is coming off an excellent week in which she scored 39 points and hauled down 16 rebounds in two games. Aldridge currently stands as the team's third leading scorer in GCAC action behind Collins and Hatfield and ranks as the Lady Panthers' second most proficient rebounder.

Hatfield has been coming on strong lately, pushing her scoring average to 12.8 points against conference teams. The quick guard is also leading the Panthers with 24 steals from Gateway conference opponents.

1983-84 EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STATISTICS

(Overall: 13-8 Home: 5-5 Road: 8-2 Neutral: 0-1 GCAC: 7-4)

NAME	G(GS)	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	REB	AVE	PTS	AVE	PF(D)	A	TO	B	S	HG	MIN
Toni Collins, Jr. F	21(21)	120-224	.536	52-72	.722	138	6.6	292	13.9	33	68	63	13	35	32	701
Lori Conine, Jr. G	21(14)	79-180	.439	20-30	.667	40	1.9	178	8.5	41	59	61	0	45	16	521
Chris Aldridge, So. F	21(18)	90-183	.492	52-82	.634	137	6.5	232	11.0	51(2)	21	52	1	31	23	583
Susan Hynd, So. C	21(19)	70-129	.543	36-50	.720	82	3.9	176	8.4	35	13	35	3	18	27	470
Melanie Hatfield, So. G	21(19)	83-189	.439	38-61	.623	77	3.7	204	9.7	51(2)	53	73	2	47	21	532
Stacy Cook, Jr. F	15(5)	55-108	.509	33-56	.589	93	6.2	143	9.5	29	5	37	0	21	24	355
Kim Maxey, Fr. G	20(0)	34-74	.459	11-19	.579	28	1.4	79	4.0	11	8	31	0	6	20	242
Beth Sass, Jr. G	21(4)	29-64	.453	11-18	.611	43	2.0	69	3.3	24	20	21	0	15	10	253
Jodi Corson, Sr. G	19(4)	23-61	.377	8-15	.533	18	0.9	54	2.8	17(1)	17	17	1	21	12	205
Pat Hamilton, Fr. G	14(1)	21-47	.447	8-12	.750	10	0.7	50	3.6	14	7	17	0	15	10	114
Paula DeFrees, Fr. F	11(0)	2-13	.154	2-6	.333	7	0.6	6	0.5	2	1	6	0	3	4	70
Darla Farthing, Jr. F	8(0)	3-12	.250	6-7	.857	19	2.4	12	1.5	8	3	6	1	1	4	72
Bonnie Fisk, Jr. F	7(0)	4-13	.308	0-1	.000	14	2.0	8	1.1	7	0	6	0	2	4	67
Cindy Streid, Fr. G	4(0)	2-3	.667	0-1	.000	1	0.3	4	1.0	1	2	4	0	0	2	15
TEAM						88										

EIU TOTALS	21(105)	615-1300	.473	277-430	.644	795	37.9	1507	71.8	324(5)	277	429	21	260		4200
OPPONENT TOTALS	21(105)	559-1242	.450	191-283	.675	735	35.0	1309	62.3	403(15)	221	488	41	171		4200

DEAD BALL REBOUNDS: EIU 46, OPPONENTS 37

SEASON MARKS

EIU INDIVIDUAL

EIU TEAM

Points: 32 Toni Collins v. Ball State (EIU record)
 FGM: 11 Toni Collins v. Ball State
 FGA: 18 Chris Aldridge v. Southwest Missouri
 FTM: 10 Toni Collins v. Ball State
 FTA: 12 Toni Collins v. Ball State
 FG%: 1.000 Toni Collins v. Indiana State (8 for 8)
 FT%: 1.000 Susan Hynd v. Drake (1st meeting--6 for 6)
 Rebounds: 13 Toni Collins v. Illinois State, Cook v. Bradley, Aldridge v. SWMS
 Assists: 8 Toni Collins v. Evansville, Memphis State
 Steals: 7 Jodi Corson v. Butler, Chicago State

102 v. Evansville
 43 v. Evansville, Butler
 79 v. Northern Iowa (1st game)
 28 v. Ball State
 36 v. Ball State
 .700 v. Indiana State (28 of 40)
 .842 v. Evansville (16 of 19)
 52 v. Evansville
 24 v. Memphis State
 35 v. Butler

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL

OPPONENT TEAM

Points: 35 Lorri Bauman of Drake (2nd meeting)
 FGM: 16 Lorri Bauman of Drake (1st meeting)
 FGA: 25 Lorri Bauman of Drake (2nd meeting)
 FTM: 6 Laura Garman of Northern Iowa (1st meeting)
 FTA: 8 Kay Riek of Drake (1st meeting)
 FG%: .909 Wendee Ward of Western Ill., Wanda Ford of Drake (10 of 11)
 FT%: 1.000 Laura Garman of Northern Iowa (1st meeting, 6 for 6)
 Rebounds: 20 Wanda Ford of Drake (1st meeting)
 Assists: 11 Kay Riek of Drake (2nd meeting)
 Steals: 5 Cathy Beesley of Illinois State

77 by Drake (2nd meeting)
 33 by Drake (2nd meeting)
 78 by Indiana State
 14 by Southern Illinois
 21 by Southern Illinois
 .630 by Southern Illinois (29-46)
 1.000 by Southwest Missouri (3-3)
 50 by Chicago State
 25 by Memphis State
 17 by Memphis State

1983-84 EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL RESULTS (13-8, H: 5-5, A: 8-2, N: 0-1, GCAC: 7-4)

DATE	W-L	EIU	OPP	SCORER/REBOUNDER	FG%	FT%	
N22	W	102	56	at University of Evansville	Collins 21/Aldridge 12	.597	.842
N27	L	79	88	at Memphis State University *	Conine,Aldridge 16/Collins, Aldridge 8	.632	.700
N28	L	60	69	Southern Illinois *	Conine 16/Farthing,Collins 5	.409	.666
D 2	L	48	49	XAVIER UNIVERSITY #	Maxey 20/Collins 9	.370	.166
D 3	L	63	64	EASTERN MICHIGAN #	Aldridge 18/Collins 7	.425	.500
D 7	W	95	41	BUTLER UNIVERSITY	Conine 14/Maxey 5	.589	.529
D 9	W	82	73	at SIU-Edwardsville	Hynd 27/Hynd 9	.600	.533
D12	W	78	47	CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY	Corson 12/Sass 6	.462	.667
D17	W	94	77	BALL STATE UNIVERSITY	Collins 32/Aldridge 9	.516	.777
J 5	W	70	63	at Indiana State University +	Haffield 20/Aldridge 7	.700	.667
J 7	W	61	60	at Illinois State University +	Conine 16/Collins 13	.490	.466
J12	W	77	51	UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA +	Cook 16/Cook 12	.379	.772
J14	L	59	70	DRAKE UNIVERSITY +	Collins 18/Collins, Hynd 6	.345	.777
J19	W	74	66	at Western Illinois +	Aldridge 17/Aldridge, Cook 9	.475	.667
J21	W	78	51	at Bradley University +	Cook 24/Cook 13	.483	.741
J26	L	61	63	WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY +	Collins 24/Collins 8	.416	.500
J28	W	75	65	SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE +	Aldridge 23/Aldridge 13	.470	.733
J30	W	58	50	at Illinois-Chicago	Cook 16/Aldridge 9	.391	.600
F 4	L	55	72	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS +	Hatfield 21/Cook 9	.355	.579
F 9	L	52	77	at Drake University +	Collins 18/Collins 9	.338	1.000
F11	W	86	57	at Northern Iowa +	Collins 21/Aldridge, Hynd 11	.591	.571

NEXT ACTION:

Thursday, Feb. 16 hosting Bradley University at Lantz Gym (7:30 p.m.)

Saturday, Feb. 18 hosting Western Illinois University at Lantz Gym (5:15 p.m.)