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29 STUDENTS COMPETE FOR EIU HOMECOMING QUEEN, KING

CHARLESTON, IL.--Twenty-nine Eastern Illinois University students are competing for the title of Homecoming Queen and King, with the election set for Tuesday, Oct. 13. Another 17 are in the running for freshman attendants.

Coronation will be in the Grand Ballroom of the Student Union at 7 p.m., following the all-day elections.

The Homecoming King and Queen and two freshmen attendants also will be honored at the 10 a.m. parade and 1:30 p.m. football game Oct. 17. Internationally-known entertainer Burl Ives will be the parade marshall for the Homecoming parade.

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Other Homecoming activities include recognition of six EIU alumni with Distinguished Alumnus Awards. They are Ives,; Raymond L. and Carolyn Miller Fischer (joint award), both educators in Grand Forks, N.D.; James L. Hanks, State Farm Insurance Companies, Indiana office; Rex D. Cooley, Marathon Oil Company, Findlay, Ohio; and Dr. K. Wayne Ratts, Monsanto Agricultural Company, St. Louis, Mo.

There will also be 30 departmental coffee hours Saturday morning (Oct. 17), class reunions at 11:30 for the classes of 1917, 1927, 1937, 1947, 1957, 1962, 1967, and 1977, and a Homecoming play, "E.R.--Emergency Room" in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Friday, Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. Oct. 16-20.

The Homecoming kickoff will be held on the EIU South Quad from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11. A hog roast and a band "J.P. and the Cats" will be featured. More than 20 entries will compete in a window painting contest in the Union walkway on the same day.

Games will be held on the Library Quad from 3-5 p.m. Monday (Oct. 12) (rain location, University Ballroom). Monday night (Oct. 12) Edward Jackman will entertain in the Grand Ballroom at 8 p.m.

Following Tuesday's king/queen/attendant elections and 7 p.m. coronation, a bonfire and pep rally will be held on the Lawson-Taylor tennis courts at 8 p.m. Thursday night (Pep Rally rain location is McAfee South Gym). Judging for parade floats will take place Friday, Oct. 16.

Competing for Homecoming Queen are: Hillary Ackley, Libertyville; Monica Chaparro, Park Forest; Kari Ebinger, Charleston; Jennifer Engels, Ottawa; Sharon Etzkorn, Lisle; Sonya Evans, Decatur; Kathleen Fairfield, Bloomington; Amy Garrard, Des Plaines; Brynn Renee Hamel, Jacksonville; Lisa Hasler, South Holland; Andrea Knicley, Addison; Lisa Marth, Lisle; Michelle Meeker, Catlin; Kim Peacock, Elk Grove Village; Denise Sabol, Lombard; Susie Vits, Kankakee; and Lisa Ann Zalane, Palos Heights.

The 12 competing for Homecoming King are: Brian Downs, Elgin; Bill Elliott, Cisne; Bob Gerecke, Pekin; Jeffrey Hughes, Inverness; David Koch, Hampshire; Vince Macciocchi, Des Plaines; John Martin, Hoffman Estates; Steve Martin, Lisle; David Miller, Normal; Mitch Newman, Chicago; Matthew Palmer, Champaign; and Robert Wolfe, Lovington.

The 13 candidates for female freshman attendant are: Amy Blossom, Peoria; Julie Cagney, Geneva; Kim Felks, Round Lake Beach; Kristin Harris, Peoria; Tami Hoerr, Pekin; Susan Huggins, Taylorville; Mary Therese Kohler, Oak Lawn; Shelly Neumann, Highland; Jennifer Sellers, Normal; Jamie Sidwell, Charleston; Kathy Thompson, Arlington Heights; Kelly Thompson, O'Fallon; and Tamara Twining, Elgin.

Those running for male freshman attendant are: Richard Neil Buck, Penfield; Rodney Lee Goodall, Bourbonnais; Tim Hogan, Granite City; and Mark Luczak, Elk Grove Village.