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# **Panther Sports News**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--A special fund raising reception open to the public on behalf of the Eastern Illinois University athletic department will be held at the Governor's Mansion in Springfield on Friday, May 4.

The reception will last from 5:30-7:30 p.m. It is part of the month long Panther Club fund drive which is currently in progress.

Secretary of State Jim Edgar, an EIU graduate, and Eastern president Dr. Stanley G. Rives will be in attendance along with athletic administrators and coaches.

Tickets may be purchased for \$100 per couple through the athletic department.

Also Panther Club members who increase their membership from at least the \$100 to \$250 level, or already belong to the \$3000 Scholarship level, will receive two free tickets.

"We are especially excited about holding a reception at the Governor's Mansion. We have about 750 alums in the Springfield area and are already getting a good response from those people," said athletic director R. C. Johnson.

"We only have a limited number of tickets to sell so it's a first come, first serve situation . . . it promises to be an enjoyable evening.

"We are most appreciative of Jim Edgar's role in helping organize this function. We believe this is an effective method of expanding our fund raising efforts beyond the Charleston-Mattoon area, and hope to continue this on a yearly basis."