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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

RUND HONORED

CHARLESTON, IL--Rex Rund of Pesotum is the recipient of Eastern Illinois University's Distinguished New Alumnus Award, an award presented to an alumnus who has graduated within the last 10 years and who has excelled in his/her new career and/or public service.

Rund, an associate counselor at Eastern's Carman Hall, received his master's degree in Choral Conducting from Eastern in 1985. He has worked as a consultant for the Interamerican Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture and helped create and design a nationwide system of extension education for agriculture workers in Haiti.

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While working as a Peace Corps volunteer in Haiti, he taught seminars for large and small groups of Haitian farmers, wrote and secured funding for a local project that provided pigs and income to 86 rural families and conducted the chamber choir at Haiti's only classically-oriented music school.

He is the recipient of the 1987 John F. Kennedy Peace Corps Volunteer of the Year Award for the Americas and the Caribbean.

At Eastern, Rund received the Leo Dvorak Award as most promising music educator and the Warner Presidential Award for best academic record in the music department.

He is married to Cathy Berns Rund.