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Panther Sports News

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PREVIEWING THE WEEK (May 6-13)

- Thursday, May 7 Women's Track at AIAW II State Championship (Champaign)
- Friday, May 8 Men's Track at Mid-Continent Conference (Macomb)
Women's Track at AIAW II State Championship
- Saturday, May 9 Men's Track at Mid-Continent Conference (Macomb)
Golf at Illinois Intercollegiate (Genoa)
Women's Track at AIAW II State Championship

REVIEWING THE WEEKEND (May 1-2)

- BASEBALL:** The Panthers ended the regular season with a 29-11 record, winning 12 of their last 14 games. Ranked in the top ten of NCAA II, EIU is almost assured a spot in the Division II baseball tournament. Slugger Tim Pyznarski ended the regular season with a school record .496 average with a phenomenal 100% slugging percentage. He had 18 homers and 68 RBIs in 40 games and just 133 at-bats. Matt Cimo (Lockport-Joliet Catholic) hit .437 while Kevin Seitzer (Lincoln) .420 as a freshman. The Panthers also set a record hitting .359 as a team.
- MEN'S TRACK:** Claude Magee's (Clermont, FL) double wins in the 100 and 200 dashes paced the Panthers to a strong fourth place finish at the Illinois Intercollegiate. Magee qualified for the NCAA II nationals in both events by winning in 10.57 and 21.2, respectively. Mark Stockwell (Chester) won the decathlon competition for EIU's other first place. Seconds went to Augie Oruwari (Nigeria) with a 14.24 in the 110 high hurdles, Paul James (Mahomet-Seymour) with a 173-3 in the discus, Mark Phelps (North Chicago) with a personal best 50-0 1/2 in the triple jump and Joe Sheeran (Grayslake-Lake Villa) with a 14:13 in the 5000 run.
- FOOTBALL:** Quarterback Jeff Christensen (Gibson City) threw for two TD passes and Kevin Staple (Markham-Thornwood) ran for two to pace the varsity to a 33-12 victory over the alumni Saturday night at Paris High School. Christensen, who completed 13 of 24 in a little over one half of play, connected on a 48 yarder to Roger Holoman (Alton) and a two yarder to Rob Mehalic (Streator-Woodland). Staple's runs were for three and 34 yards. Mehalic led all receivers with six catches for 57 yards.
- TENNIS:** Singles victories by E. J. Karsten (Glen Ellyn-Aurora Marmion Military) and Rob Hopkins (Mokena-LincolnWay) paced EIU to third place in the Mid-Continent Conference. It was the Panthers' highest finish ever. Karsten won at No. 4 singles and Hopkins at No. 5. Hopkins then teamed with Tim Buwick (Glen Ellyn-Glenbard South) to capture the No. 3 doubles championship.
- GOLF:** Eastern finished third with 976 behind Western Illinois (925) and Northern Iowa (953) in the MCC championship. Kevin Strothmann (Mt. Vernon) shot a 239 for 52 holes to finish 5th individually. EIU's other three golfers were Marty Robinson

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(Decatur-St. Teresa) at 242, Steve Zilleox (Des Plaines-Maine West) at 247 and Mark Ferris (Macon) at 248. "We played as well as we were capable," said Coach J. W. Sanders. "If it had been a dual meet we would've beaten Northern Iowa in two of the three rounds."