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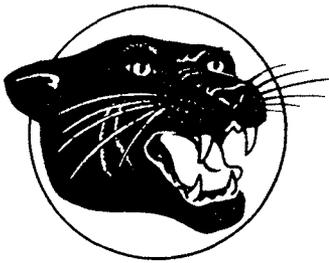
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CHARLESTON, IL--Stacy Cook (Lincoln), a transfer from Illinois Central College, and Judy Planos (Plan-os) (Evanston) have signed scholarships to play volleyball at Eastern Illinois University, according to EIU head coach Carol Gruber.

"Stacy is definitely one of the most recruited junior college transfers in the mid-west," Gruber said. "She will add a tremendous amount of strength to our program as a strongside hitter."

Cook was All-State, All-Region and All-Tournament both her freshman and sophomore year at ICC. She is second team All-American this year and will compete in the Junior Olympic Nationals, June 27-30 in Lisle, IL, along with teammate and another EIU signee, Kathy Briggs.

"Stacy is an exceptionally quick player and putting that quickness with her good leaping ability makes her a real threat to the opponents. She is a good pressure player. I am happy that Stacy has chosen a Division I school to continue her athletic career," said ICC Coach Karen Guthmiller.

Cook will major in Data Processing.

Judy Planos, 5-10, an outside hitter and defensive specialist, was named Most Improved at Evanston this past season.

"I am pleased that she is playing in the state of Illinois," said Evanston Coach Dee Ragalie. "I hope she will be as instrumental at EIU as she has been for us the last three years. She has been a starter the last two years and one of the finest athletes overall at Evanston as she was All-Conference in softball the last two seasons. Her on-hand hitting is exceptional."

"With the addition of Stacy and Judy to Eastern's volleyball program, we can now be considered a strong competitor against any Division I team in the midwest," Gruber said.

"This has been my best recruiting year ever. With five seniors and three juniors on this fall's team, the necessary depth and experience is there. We are looking to an exciting and challenging 1982 season."