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# Panther Sports News

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## PREVIEWING THE WEEK (Sept. 19-26)

- Wednesday, Sept. 19            SOCCER hosts MacMurray College (3:00, Lakeside Field)
- Saturday, Sept. 22            Football at Toledo (6:30 CDT)  
VOLLEYBALL hosts Lewis University (6:00, Lantz Gym)  
Men's & Women's Cross Country at Midwest Collegiate Championship (Noon, Kenosha, WI)
- Sunday, Sept. 23              SOCCER hosts Quincy College (2:00, Lakeside Field)
- Tuesday, Sept. 25             Volleyball at Butler

## REVIEWING THE WEEKEND (Sept. 15)

**FOOTBALL:** Three Eastern QBs combined to pass for a school record 412 yards as the Panthers defeated Northeast Missouri, 33-7, in non-conference action. Sean Payton, John Rafferty and Gary Scott completed 29-52-1 passes for the school record eclipsing the previous team best of 409 set by Jeff Christensen at Southwest Missouri in 1982. The defense limited NEMO to 100 yards total offense. Eastern has a 2-1 record.

TYRONE COVINGTON (Chicago-Morgan Park), senior linebacker, was named the defensive 'player of the week' as he had eight solo tackles, 11 assisted tackles and two QB sacks . . . he leads the team with 48 total tackles including 14 solos and 3½ QB sacks and two fumble recoveries.

TOM MOSKAL (Lake Zurich), junior defensive tackle, was chosen defensive 'lineman of the week' . . . he had two solos, four assisted tackles and a QB sack . . . Moskal leads the team in tackles for loss with 6½ . . . three of those are QB sacks.

DAN FALLON (Crystal Lake-Grant), senior strong safety, was selected the defensive 'back of the week' . . . Fallon had a solo tackle, eight assisted tackles, his first pass interception of the year and broke up another pass . . . he's tied for second on the team with 33 total tackles.

BERNARD HOLLAND (Olympia Fields-Thornwood), freshman halfback, was picked the offensive 'back of the week' as he rushed for a season high 88 yards which included a 37 yard run, the longest of the season for an EIU back . . . "Bernard also did an excellent job of blocking," said backfield coach Rob Kuhlman . . . Holland leads the team in rushing with a 54.6 average . . . he has also caught four passes for 37 yards.

JEFF MUSGRAY (Alton), sophomore from Alton, was picked the 'receiver of the week' after catching six passes for 89 yards in his first collegiate start . . . starting in place of injured Jerry Wright at split end, Musgray also "did the best job of blocking of any of the receivers," said receiver coach Tim McShea . . . his longest reception was for 20 yards . . . those were his first catches of the season.

TIM WYATT (Phoenix, AZ-Moon Valley/Phoenix CC), junior center, was chosen the offensive 'lineman of the week' . . . "Tim has probably been our most consistent lineman through the first three games, and Saturday he graded the highest of anyone in the interior line," said offensive coordinator Joel Swisher.

CALVIN PIERCE (Robbins-Oak Lawn Richards), sophomore fullback, scored his first touchdown of the season on a 24 yard pass reception from QB John Rafferty in the fourth quarter . . . altogether he had two pass receptions for 40 yards . . . he did not carry the ball Saturday but ranks second on the team in rushing with 22 yards a game . . . he has caught four passes for 47 yards this fall.

SEAN PAYTON (Naperville-Central), sophomore QB, played a major role in the record setting day as he completed 23-41-1 passes for 326 yards and three TD passes . . . it's the third straight game over 300 yards, and increased his per game average to 324.7 . . . his season totals are 76-128-3 for 974 yards and eight TDs . . . he has completed 59.4% of his passes.

JOHN RAFFERTY (Mt. Carmel), sophomore QB, played the fourth quarter and completed 5-9-0 for 77 yards and one TD pass, a 24 yarder to Calvin Pierce . . . his season totals are 8-15-0 for 93 yards.

ROY BANKS (Detroit, MI-King), sophomore wide receiver, caught nine passes for 130 yards, his second game over 100 yards . . . he also caught two TD passes, each for 19 yards . . . Banks leads the team with 21 receptions for 359 yards and five TDs.

JIM SCHMIDT (DeKalb), senior slotback, caught six passes for 94 yards, including a seven yard TD . . . Schmidt's longest reception was for 21 yards . . . he is third on the team with 11 receptions for 140 yards.

SCOTT SANDERSON (Pittsfield), sophomore tight end, replaced the injured Charlie Vinson as the starting tight end and caught two passes for eight yards . . . in the first game this fall, he caught one pass for nine yards in the win over Grand Valley State . . . Sanderson also returned one kickoff for 12 yards.

ROB DEVITA (Wheaton-Central), sophomore linebacker, has moved into a starting role as an inside linebacker . . . Saturday he was second on the team with 15 tackles including four solos, a QB sack and a tackle for loss . . . DeVita is tied for second on the team with 33 total tackles, 10 of which are solos.

**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY:** The Panthers opened the season losing to Purdue, 15-48. EIU will compete this Saturday (Sept. 22) in the Midwest Collegiate Championship in Kenosha, WI.

NICK WHITESIDE (Mt. Vernon), a senior, was EIU's top finisher with a sixth place in 25:09 for the 8000 meter course. "I believe that is a personal record for Nick," said assistant coach Tom Akers. "For him to come out and run like that was pleasing."

BRUCE DERUNTZ (Granite City-North/Spoon River CC), a junior, was 10th overall in 25:43. This was his first regular season race at EIU after sitting out last season.

MITCH MCCLURE (Paxton-Parkland CC), a junior, was 11th in 25:54 for 8000 meters.

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VOLLEYBALL: EIU is 5-6 on the season after sandwiching three losses in between a pair of wins last week. The Lady Panthers opened the week defeating St. Louis 15-2, 10-15, 15-12, 15-9 on Wednesday night. EIU rallied in the third game from a 2-7 deficit to capture the win. On Friday night at the Saluki Invitational EIU dropped a heartbreaking five game loss to Mississippi (15-12, 15-6, 11-15, 13-15, 13-15). Ole Miss had defeated the Lady Panthers with relative ease a week earlier at the Memphis State Tournament. Eastern was without the services of two veteran starters--junior Judy Planos (Evanston) (ankle) and senior co-captain Donna Uhler (Glen Ellyn/Benet Academy) (groin)--against the Lady Rebels. "I couldn't ask the girls to play any better under the circumstances," said head coach Betty Ralston. "They played their hearts out and I'm proud of them. They have nothing to be ashamed about. We had nobody on the court over 5-9 and they were much bigger than us." In Saturday's action EIU lost 6-15, 15-10, 11-15, 4-15 to Southern Illinois and 15-1, 8-15, 3-15, 15-10, 5-15 to Northern Illinois. The squad traveled to the Windy City on Sunday to take on DePaul at Alumni Hall and defeated the Blue Demons 15-8, 15-9, 15-11. Sophomore Diane Eiserman (Libertyville) and Uhler tied for game-high in kills with 10 a piece. Junior April Deer (Morton/East Peoria) sparked the team with six aces and 14 assists. Senior Co-Captain Gretchen Braker (Matteson/Rich Central) had 18 assists.

MAURA LEFEVOUR (Oak Park/Oak Park-River Forest), middle blocker/outside hitter, was credited with 15 kills and three errors in 33 attempts (.364) in a tough five-game loss to Mississippi. LeFevour also had two block solos and four block assists against the Lady Rebels. She also had 13 kills and zero errors in 27 attempts (.481) vs GCAC-rival Southern Illinois.

DONNA UHLER (Glen Ellyn/Benet Academy), senior co-captain and middle blocker/outside hitter, had 10 kills and two errors in 20 attempts against DePaul. She also had four service aces against the Lady Blue Demons.

GRETCHEN BRAKER (Matteson/Rich Central), senior co-captain setter, had 106 assists in 21 games over the week. She had 33 assists in the four-game win against St. Louis. Braker is averaging 5.34 assists per game.

APRIL DEER (Morton/East Peoria), junior setter, had 89 assists and 19 service aces on the week. She had 21 assists in a four-game loss to SIU and leads the team in aces with 34.

DIANE EISERMAN (Libertyville), freshman middle blocker, had a game-high 10 kills against DePaul. She also registered 11 kills in a loss to Ole Miss.

JEANNE PACIONE (Wheeling), freshman setter/middle blocker, had nine kills against Mississippi. She has seen more playing time as the season has progressed and has worked her way into the starting line-up.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY: EIU placed third this weekend at the Ball State Invitational. The host Cardinals took top honors with 40 points--edging out Miami (0) by one point. The Lady Panthers had 60 points while GCAC-rival Indiana State brought up the rear with 72 points. Melissa Scott of Ball State won the 5,000 meter race on the European-style course with a clocking of 19:01. Sophomore Janine Jarris (St. Charles) placed sixth for the Lady Panthers with a time of 19:22.

JANINE JARRIS (St. Charles), a sophomore, was the highest EIU finisher at the Ball State Invitational with a sixth-place performance. She improved her time by 26 seconds down to 19:22.

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ANNE OGLE (Quincy), a junior, placed ninth with a time of 19:36 at the Ball State Invitational. She improved her personal best by six seconds.

TERESA PAUL (Aledo), a sophomore, finished 12th with a time of 19:48--an improvement of 21 seconds over her time a week ago.