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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

INITIATED INTO SIGMA PI

CHARLESTON, IL--Thirty-four Eastern Illinois University students have been initiated into the Beta Gamma chapter of Eastern's Sigma Pi fraternity.

Eastern's Beta Gamma chapter has played an important role in the success of Sigma Pi in the United States and Canada, with over 1200 initiates in the past 43 years and 110 actives at this time.

The local chapter is a three time recipient of the Grand Sages Award, given by the Sigma Pi National Council to the most outstanding chapter in the United States and Canada.

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NOTE TO THE EDITOR (Champaign News-Gazette): Mark Pickett, son of Thomas and Ruth Ann Pickett of Champaign, has been initiated into Eastern's Sigma Pi fraternity. Pickett is a 1991 graduate of Champaign Central High School and is currently a freshman majoring in recreation administration. Lane Nicolette has also been initiated into Sigma Pi. Nicolette is the son of Bob and Judy Nicolette of Champaign. He is a 1987 graduate of Champaign Central and is currently a junior at Eastern majoring in zoology.