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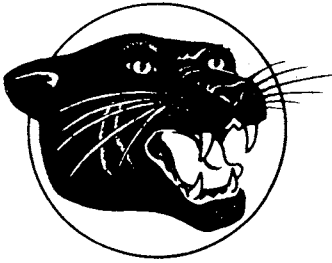
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CHARLESTON, IL--Schellas Hyndman, who directed Eastern Illinois University's soccer team to third place in the NCAA I National Championship, has been chosen National 'Coach of the Year' by Soccer America magazine.

Earlier Hyndman was chosen as one of eight nominees for 'coach of the year' by the national soccer coaches association. That winner will be announced at the January convention.

The Panthers, in their first season in major college play, reached the Final Four by defeating perennial powers SIU-Edwardsville and St. Louis University in the Midwest Regional.

They lost to eventual champ Connecticut in the semifinals but then came back to defeat Philadelphia Textile for third place. EIU set school records of 19 wins and 17 shutouts.

Hyndman, who also coached the West squad in the recent Senior Bowl in Tulsa, has a five year record of 70-19-6.