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EIU HOLDS SUMMER COMMENCEMENT

CHARLESTON, IL.--Two of the proudest graduates participating in Eastern Illinois University's annual Summer Commencement Ceremony Sunday, Aug. 5, were a local mother and daughter.

Janet Hines McAlister of Lerna received her Specialist in Education degree from the Graduate School and her daughter Julie DeAnne Hines of Mattoon, a Bachelor of Science in Education from the College of Education.

In his charge to the more than 300 graduates, Eastern President Stan Rives asked them to contribute solutions to the complex problems that beset the nation and world today.

He also challenged them to form their own dreams and to pursue them with passion and compassion. "Test your dream against the standard 'not who is right, but what is true,'" he said.

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Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities member William Hoffee of Fairfield asked the graduating class to meet the obligation to continue the search for knowledge begun at Eastern. "For it has been said, 'Education is a journey, not a destination.'"

Executive Vice-President of the Student Body Martha Price of Oblong encouraged the Class of 1990 to thank those who have helped them reach graduation.

Robert Mitchell of St. Charles, Mo., a 1975 Eastern graduate and president of the EIU Alumni Association, welcomed the graduates as new members of the Alumni Association and said, "The eminent historian and author, the late Dr. D.F. Fleming, a member of Eastern's Class of 1912 once said: 'Eastern ministers to many needs, but most of all to the expansion of the human spirit. When all else yields to time, this yet remains.'"

Mrs. Marilyn Oglesby, assistant professor of Management/Marketing in the Lumpkin College of Business, served as faculty marshal.