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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

LEADING HOME ECONOMIST TO VISIT EIU

CHARLESTON, IL--Gladys Vaughn, a leading authority on social issues and home economics will visit the Eastern Illinois University campus Tuesday, April 16, to meet with faculty, students and other interested individuals.

An administrator in the education, research and public affairs unit of the American Home Economics Association, Vaughn will discuss minority leadership development with School of Home Economics faculty from 3-4:30 p.m. Tuesday in Eastern's Klehm Hall, Room 110.

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She will also meet with members of the Student Home Economics Association and other interested individuals from 7-8:30 p.m. that day at the same location. She will discuss minority issues and professional development.

A frequent keynote speaker, Vaughn has appeared on the internationally syndicated talk show, "Geraldo," discussing "Race and Personal Relationships," and has had her views on social issues and home economics reported in the <u>Journal of Home Economics</u>.

She is co-founder of the Coalition for Black Development in Home Economics, a national organization which supports the home economics programs in traditionally black institutions in order to enhance the quality of education.

Vaughn has also been involved in many volunteer organizations and projects such as Project Rural Reach, a training program in East Africa that teaches field workers how to integrate family planning information and services into their work with rural women. Her travels have taken her to 26 different countries where she has worked on international development issues.

She is founding president of Kappa Omicron Nu and is an honorary member of Phi Upsilon Omicron, both of which are National Home Economics Honor Societies.