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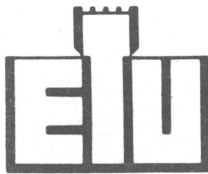
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EIU HOSTS RECEPTION FOR ALUMNI IN DECATUR AREA

CHARLESTON, IL--The Eastern Illinois University Alumni Association is hosting a reception for alumni in the Decatur area from 6 to 8 p.m. September 24, at the Decatur Holiday Inn. Refreshments will be served.

Eastern President Stan Rives will welcome alumni and give a report on the University.

During the reception, alumni are invited to meet with representatives from Eastern's six undergraduate colleges, the School of Adult and Continuing Education, Graduate School, Admissions, Intercollegiate Athletics, and Career Planning and Placement.

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They will be available to answer questions and update alumni on achievements and activities within their colleges, schools, or departments.

Pamela Parker-McKinney, director of alumni and community relations at Eastern, said, "The Decatur reception and others planned throughout the year are a means for bringing Eastern into communities where alumni are living and working. It is a way to bring alumni closer together and to keep them in touch with happenings at the University."

Any alumni interested in attending the reception should make reservations with Eastern's alumni office at (217) 581-6616.

This is the first in a series of receptions that will be held for EIU alumni this year. Receptions are also being planned for alumni living in the Danville, Springfield, St. Louis, and Chicago areas.