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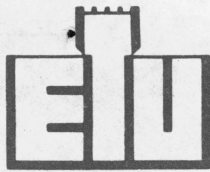
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HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

CHARLESTON, IL--"America the Beautiful: EIU Salutes the Red, White, and Blue" is the theme of Eastern Illinois University's 76th Homecoming with a variety of activities planned for students alumni, and the general public Oct. 12-20.

A window painting competition Oct. 12-13 in the University Union walkway will open the Homecoming week celebration for students.

Elections for Homecoming King, Queen and Female and Male Freshman Attendant will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14, in the University Union with coronation at 7 p.m. that evening in McAfee Gym.

Homecoming fun games will be held on the Library Quad from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16. The games include a beach ball toss, corn husking and Statue of Liberty dress contest.

On Thursday, Oct. 17, a bonfire/pep rally featuring the EIU Marching Band, Pink Panthers, cheerleaders, Coach Bob Spoo, and the football team will be held from 8 to 10 p.m. at the Lawson/Taylor courts.

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Activities planned for alumni on Friday, Oct. 18, include an open house from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Linder House, 1544 Fourth Street (also on Sunday from 9 a.m. to noon), and the annual meeting of the EIU Alumni Association at 7:30 p.m. in the 1895 Room in the University Union.

Special events planned for members of the Class of 1941 include a reception at the president's house from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday; and on Saturday, a coffee hour at 9 a.m. at the Linder House, a campus tour at 2:30 p.m., beginning at the Linder House; and Livingston C. Lord induction dinner from 6 to 9 p.m. in the University Ballroom in the University Union.

Events open to the general public on Friday include a wall ceramics exhibit from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Tarble Arts Center; a Greek step show, sponsored by the National Panhellenic Council, at 8 p.m. in McAfee Gym; and the EIU Theatre Department production, "In White America," at 8 p.m. in the Doudna Fine Arts Center (also at 8 p.m. Saturday).

On Saturday, Oct. 19, Eastern's College of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and the Division of Recreational Sports are sponsoring a Homecoming 2-mile fun run at 7:30 a.m. on the Panther "Chip Trail," located south of the Lantz Building.

Pre-registration is required. For more information, call the College of HPER at 581-2821.

At 8 a.m. Saturday, alumni are invited to an open house/coffee hour at the Linder House. The traditional Homecoming parade will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Seventh Street and Lincoln Avenue. It will proceed northbound on Seventh Street, circle the Square, and then march down Sixth Street.

After the parade, alumni are invited to a departmental coffee hour from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Union Grand Ballroom.

The EIU Alumni Association will give special recognition to the Class of 1941 and announce its annual alumni award recipients at a noon luncheon in the Union University Ballroom.

Cathy Berns-Rund, a 1986 EIU graduate currently studying opera in Vienna, Austria, will receive the 1991 Outstanding Young Alumnus Award. Roger Roberson ('64), chairman of Roberson Corporation, Farmer City, will receive the 1991 Alumni Service Award. Juan Rojas ('53), vice chairman of the obstetrics/gynecology division of Lovelace Medical Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Randall Arney ('78), artistic director of the Steppenwolf Theatre Company in Chicago, are recipients of 1991 Distinguished Alumnus Awards.

Coinciding with the luncheon is a pre-game tailgate cookout which begins at 12:30 p.m. in the O'Brien Field parking lot. At 2 p.m., the EIU Panthers will take on the Illinois State Red-birds.

Other activities Saturday include an art faculty exhibit from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Tarble Arts Center (also from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday) and a Homecoming Dance, sponsored by the Black Student Union, beginning at 10 p.m. in the Union Grand Ballroom.

For more information about Homecoming activities for students, call Brad Kirk at 581-6570 and for alumni, Pam Parker-McKinney, 581-6616.