

NICOLE CASSMEYER RECEIVES FIRST VIOLET DANIELS PATTON AWARD

WARRENSBURG, MO (February 23, 2002) – Jennies' basketball player Nicole Cassmeyer is the recipient of the first Violet Daniels Patton Scholarship Award at Central Missouri State University. The award is being established in honor of Violet Daniels Patton, who is the mother of Central Missouri State president Dr. Bobby Patton. It is to be awarded annually to a graduating senior on the Jennies' basketball team who has exhibited the most perseverance, commitment and dedication during her career.

Cassmeyer, from Jefferson City and a graduate of Blair Oaks High School, has been a four-year performer for the Jennies after making the squad as a walk-on her freshman season. She is the Jennies' starting center this season, averaging 9.1 points and 6.2 rebounds. Earlier this week she was announced as a first-team Academic All-District selection and her name will be on the ballot for the Verizon College Division Academic All-America Women's Basketball Team. A secondary English education major, Cassmeyer has a perfect 4.00 grade point average. She is the daughter of John and Becky Cassmeyer.