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For immediate release:

CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- A pair of Dayton-area products are recognized as two of the top athletes in the Cedarville College men's and women's track program. Esther (Alfonso) Mahr and Eric Shrum are both in their junior years at the school and showing good progression in the early part of the 1986 season.

Mahr, a graduate of Wayne High School, transferred into Cedarville last year from the University of Maryland and is regarded as one of the best female track athletes to ever run for the Yellow Jackets. Esther was an NAIA All-American last spring in the 800 meters placing sixth in the national meet. She was also the 400 meter champion in the NCCAA (National Christian College Athletic Association) Nationals when she was clocked in a school-record time of 57.5 seconds. The Cedarville women captured the NCCAA championship a year ago.

Mahr was named the "Outstanding Female Performer" at the Marietta Relays on March 29 this spring after leading the Lady Jackets to their third straight team title. She was a member of three winning relay teams.

Esther is a nursing major at Cedarville where she carries an excellent 3.40 grade point average and has made the Dean's List twice. She and her husband Ted reside in Cedarville.

Shrum, a graduate of Dayton Christian High School, is the top pole vaulter in the Cedarville men's program this spring. He vaulted a personal-best 14-foot six-inches in the Cedarville Invitational in late March. Shrum has placed in the NCCAA national meet the

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past two years when the Yellow Jackets won the national title in 1984 and were runners-up in 1985.

Eric carries a Pre-Seminary Bible major at Cedarville with a minor in psychology. He is the son of Mr and Mrs. Larry Shrum of 1117 Huffman Avenue in Dayton.