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EGGS AND ISSUES PRESENTS WILLIAM CLARK PORTRAYAL

St. Joseph, Mo. — Oct. 29, 2003 — As St. Joseph prepares to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition next year, Missouri Western State College's Eggs and Issues series will host Dr. William Worley in a portrayal of William Clark. The free breakfast and presentation will be at 7 a.m. Nov. 12 in the Leah Spratt Multipurpose Classroom Building, Enright Room (214). To make reservations for the breakfast, call (816) 271-5646 by Nov. 7.

Dr. Worley's presentation is entitled "William Clark – the Corps of Discovery and Beyond." Dressed in military regalia in a portrayal of Clark, Dr. Worley will reflect on both Clark's experiences with Lewis and the Corps of Discovery as well as his much longer tenure in American Indian relations.

The program is funded in part by the Missouri Humanities Council with support from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Western's Eggs and Issues series is sponsored by Leaverton's, UMB Bank, NA, the Heartland Regional Community Foundation and the Western Foundation.

Dr. Worley is an adjunct doctoral faculty member at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He has written a number of books including the 2002 publication "Kansas City: Rise of a Regional Metropolis" and "J. C. Nichols & the Shaping of Kansas City."

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Along with Clark, Dr. Worley has presented historical characters such as Harry Truman, Tom Pendergast and Fred Harvey through the auspices of the Kansas and Missouri Humanities Councils.

A native of New Mexico, Dr. Worley received his bachelor's degree from Kansas State University, a master's degree from Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, and his doctorate from the University of Kansas.

He is currently consulting historian with the Platte County Historical Society and the City of Shawnee, Kan.

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