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## WESTERN HOMECOMING PARADE OCT. 11

**St. Joseph, Mo.** — Oct. 9, 2003 —Missouri Western State College invites the community to the annual Homecoming parade at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 11 in downtown St. Joseph. The parade will feature Western's marching band, over 30 high school bands, and a variety of floats and cars, several decorated by college organizations.

Grand marshals for the 2003 parade are Captain Damon LaCour, commander of the 135<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion of the Missouri Army Guard in St. Joseph, Chief Warrant Officer Michael Carpentieri of the 189<sup>th</sup> Ordnance Company Army Reserve Unit of St. Joseph, and Lieutenant Colonel Rodney D. Rumpf, commander of the 180<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron at Rosecrans Memorial Airport in St. Joseph.

The parade begins at City Hall, 10<sup>th</sup> and Frederick. It will proceed down Faraon until 6<sup>th</sup> St., turn left to Jules and end at 9<sup>th</sup> St.

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