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WESTERN STUDENT WILDLIFE SOCIETY CHAPTER WINS AWARD

St. Joseph, Mo. —Sept. 22, 2004—The Missouri Western State College student chapter of the Wildlife Society, part of the national organization for professional wildlife managers, was named Model Chapter of the Year for the North Central section. It is the first time the chapter, in its third year, applied for the award, and they received \$1,000 in prize money.

“For them to achieve this is a very big deal,” said Dr. Cary Chevalier, professor of biology and the chapter advisor.

The officers of the student chapter are: Lisa Miller of St. Joseph, Mo., president; Melissa Lewis of Green Ridge, Mo., vice president; Katie Kiehl of Atchison, Kan., secretary; and Adam Arnold of Bucklin, Mo., treasurer.

Last year, students in the chapter ran deer checks during deer season and managed the deer hunt at Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge in Mound City, Mo. during the spring and fall. They conducted bobwhite quail counts in conservation areas and also managed four research divisions at deer check stations in north central Missouri.

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