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MARCH 6 CONCERT FEATURES WESTERN SYMPHONIC WINDS

St. Joseph, Mo.—Feb. 27, 2003—The Missouri Western State College Symphonic Winds will be featured in the March 6 installment of the First Thursday Downtown Noon Concerts at the First Presbyterian Church, 301 N. 7th. The audience is invited to bring lunch while listening to the performance in the sanctuary of the church from 12:10 until about 12:45 p.m. Beverages will be provided. The church and the Western department of music present the series.

The Symphonic Winds will perform in small ensembles and conclude with a group performance, under the direction of conductor Jeffrey Hinton, the director of bands at Western since 1995. Hinton also directs of the Golden Griffon Marching Band and the Western Concert Band.

The Symphonic Winds are noted in the region for their outstanding performances. They perform 10 to 15 concerts annually in St. Joseph and the surrounding area. Chamber ensembles are derived from this group. Their participation in smaller groups adds valuable depth to their musical training as well as increases their level of musicianship.

Missouri Western State College is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The college offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.

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