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WESTERN ANNOUNCES APRIL CONSERVATION SEMINARS

St. Joseph, Mo. — March 17, 2004 — The biology department at Missouri Western State College is hosting four natural resource conservation and management seminars in April. All presentations are co-sponsored by the student chapter of the Wildlife Society and will be held at 4 p.m. in the conference room of the Missouri Department of Conservation Building on campus. The speakers and topics are as follows:

- April 2—Cory Kudrna, refuge operations specialist at Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge, will speak on the role of U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge System in the conservation of modern wildlife resources.
- April 7—John Fleming, district forester for the northwest district of the Missouri Department of Conservation, will speak on the role of applied forest management in wildlife conservation and management in Missouri.
- April 14—Jeff Powelson, private land conservationist for the northwest district of the Missouri Department of Conservation, will speak on conservation issues and private land use in Missouri.
- April 21—Harold Kerns, wildlife biologist and fisheries district supervisor for the northwest district of the Missouri Department of Conservation, will speak on managing healthy fish populations in Missouri lakes and ponds.

For more information, contact the Western biology department at (816) 271-4379.

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