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## **STUDENTS AWARDED WESTERN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

**St. Joseph, Mo.** —July 24, 2003—Sixteen Missouri Western State College students were awarded scholarships for the 2003-2004 school year by the Western Alumni Association. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit, requiring a 3.5 grade point average, or on a combination of need and merit, requiring a 3.0 grade point average. Applicants are interviewed by the Alumni Association scholarship committee. The scholarships may be used to help cover the costs of tuition, books and other educationally related expenses. The following students are the scholarship awardees:

Kelsey Pugh, senior, psychology major, Cameron, Mo.; Stacy Tibbles, senior, elementary education major, Gilman City, Mo.; Susan Locke, senior, special education major, Hale, Mo.; Lucas Davis, senior, history, secondary education major, Kansas City, Mo.; Brian Pearl, junior, computer science major, Maysville, Mo.; Kristine Ruegge, junior, wildlife conservation, New Haven, Mo.; Mandy Fultz, senior, business administration; Shandra McCreery, freshman, theatre major; Randi Pickerel, senior, business administration major; Nicholas Rippey, senior, criminal justice major; Ryan Sprague, senior, criminal justice major; Ann Stock, senior, history, secondary education major; Latasha Thaxton, junior, criminal justice and juvenile delinquency major; Tanya Wharton, senior, middle school education major; all of St. Joseph; Shannon Swanson, sophomore, design major; Smithville, Mo.; and Lindsay Hutchcraft, senior, marketing major, Union Star, Mo.

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