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CRIMINAL JUSTICE DAY COMING TO WESTERN

St. Joseph, Mo. —March 29, 2005—If you are interested in a criminal justice degree, be sure to attend the 26th annual Criminal Justice Day April 6 at Missouri Western State College. The event will be 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the Nelle Blum Student Union, Forrest Hoff Rooms 218 and 219. It is free and open to the community.

A presentation will be given at 2 p.m. in the Leah Spratt Hall, Kemper Recital Hall, by Investigator Sergeant Randy Strong with Maryville Public Safety in Maryville, Mo. Sgt. Strong's presentation is entitled "Homicide Investigation – A Case Study" and is an overview of the Kristi Elkins homicide case that occurred in Maryville in the early 1990s. This investigation took several years to solve and involved the cooperative efforts of numerous agencies and organizations. Sgt. Strong has been in law enforcement for over 20 years.

Representatives from local, county, state and federal agencies will also be present to provide career information to students. Those interested in criminal justice and legal studies are especially encouraged to attend.

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The event is sponsored by Delta Phi Upsilon, Western's student chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association, in conjunction with the department of criminal justice and legal studies and the Western Legal Studies Association.

For more information call Jill Miller at (816) 271-4434 or Barb Harris at (816) 271-4293.

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