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‘NIGHT AT RITZ’ SLATED BY WESTERN AMBASSADORS

St. Joseph, Mo. —April 26, 2005—The 11th annual “Night at the Ritz” sponsored by the Missouri Western State College Ambassadors will be held Friday, May 6, at the St. Joseph Civic Arena. All proceeds from the event go toward scholarships for nontraditional students, who include all those more than 25 years of age.

The reception begins at 6 p.m., followed by the dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased in advance, until May 2, by calling Dixie Ham at 816-271-4488. The cost for individuals is \$30.

In addition to selected tailgate foods on the menu, entertainment will include the Western Pep Band, Mystic Dancers, Western Cheerleaders and the Western Steel Drum Band. Also appearing will be Justin Collins, a basketball player who will display his talent on the piano.

This year’s theme will be a “Tailgate” Night at the Ritz, and those attending will be encouraged to wear shirts from their favorite teams, professional or college. Attire for the tailgate party is “sports casual.” Western shirts and jeans are encouraged, along with shirts representing other teams.

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Corporate and individual sponsors are being sought for the event. Special recognition will be extended to corporations and individuals who donate to the scholarship fund. A table for eight will be assigned to any individual or corporation donating at least \$500.

“The Ambassadors’ annual Night at the Ritz continues to be an evening filled with good food and great entertainment, showcasing the talents of Missouri Western students,” commented Jeannie Pitluck, Ambassador president. “It’s all for an important cause, raising scholarship funds for nontraditional students.”

For more information, contact Ellen Kisker at 816-271-4280.

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