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(NOTE TO EDITORS/ASSIGNMENT DESKS: In addition to being a major public policy issue (Can we wait until gasoline is \$4/gallon?), Earth Day (TOMORROW!) at Eastern is a great visual opportunity to capture some excitement with your cameras. It will be an active day, and the news media is encouraged to attend.)

April 19 is Earth Day at Eastern

Willimantic, Conn. – Every day is Earth Day at Eastern Connecticut State University when you consider all that the university is doing in the way of energy conservation and environmental awareness. Nonetheless, The University will be observing and celebrating official Earth Day 2006 on April 19, 2006 with a host of activities. The activities will start at 10 a.m. and run through 7 p.m. Most of these festivities will be held outside under a group of tents on Webb Lawn. Additional lectures, films and other informative events will be held in Webb 110 as well as the Paul E. Johnson, Sr. Community Conference Room. Scheduled events include music, renewable energy demonstrations, hybrid electric and biodiesel-powered cars, poetry readings, hikes, bird watching, plant sales, storytelling, lectures, games, food booths, crafts, campus tours, nature videos, library displays and a major evening lecture.

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The celebration will demonstrate Eastern's commitment to maintaining the beauty and safety of the environment. Earth Day will be an wide-ranging event, and will deal with many important topics and issues, such as sustainable energy, environmental quality, diversity, visual arts, performing arts, regional history, education, agriculture, urban planning, and outdoor recreation, just to name a few.

Departments and student clubs throughout the University, as well as regional groups are joining together to make Earth Day an exciting day.

If there are any questions or comments you may have concerning the Earth Day 2006 event, please contact Fred Loxsom at (860) 465 – 0368 or email him at loxsomf@easternct.edu.

It is the policy of Eastern Connecticut State University to ensure equal access to its events. If you are an individual with a disability and will need accommodations for this event, please contact the Office of University Relations at (860) 564-5735.

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