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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### SLIDE PRESENTATION ON "SEARCHING FOR HUMAN ORIGIN IN AFRICA"

CHARLESTON, IL--The public is invited to a free slide presentation, "Searching for Human Origin in Africa," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3, in Eastern Illinois University's Life Science Building, Room 201.

Presenter Glenn Conroy, professor in the Department of
Anatomy and Neurobiology and the Department of Anthropology at
Washington University in St. Louis, is an expert on South African
Australopithecus, a genus of extinct apelike men from Africa who
made tools and walked erectly.

In 1991, he was featured in <u>Newsweek</u> for the discovery of a 10-15 million-year-old pre-human ancestor fossil jawbone and has been published in <u>Science</u>, <u>Nature</u> and <u>American Journal of Physical Anthropology</u>.

The presentation is sponsored by the Eastern's Zoology Club.

