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## ***B&W Pantex to Co-Host Earth Fest 2009***

B&W Pantex will co-host Earth Fest 2009 with Wildcat Bluff, Xcel Energy, and Allied Waste. The celebration is a free community event for children at Wildcat Bluff Nature Center.

The Earth Day Celebration will be held Saturday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free activities will teach children the importance of taking care of the environment. Planned activities include environmentally friendly games, arts and crafts, guided hikes to the Bluff, KidPrint from Potter County Sherriff's Office, and Coffee Memorial Blood Frisbee toss.

"This is a great opportunity to encourage children to learn about conservation and recycling," said Debra Halliday, B&W Pantex Community Relations Coordinator. "When children become more aware of these issues, they often teach their parents the importance of protecting the environment."

The first Earth Day was held on April 22, 1970, as a way of promoting awareness about taking care of the environment. B&W Pantex will continue in that spirit with informational booths about recycling and energy conservation.

In addition to Pantex, Xcel Energy, Wildcat Bluff and Allied Waste volunteers, representatives from the community will have exhibits to educate on energy conservation, clean air, clean water, clean soil and recycling.

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