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NEWS RELEASE

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BLOOMINGTON, Ill-- Native-American rights expert and environmentalist Walt Bresette will speak at 8 p.m., Thursday, April 18, in the C-101 lecture hall of Illinois Wesleyan University's Center for Natural Science Learning and Research.

Bresette, a Lake Superior Chippewa from the Red Cliff Reservation in Northern Wisconsin, co-authored the award-winning treaty rights book, "Walleye Warriors, which documented a grassroots multicultural effort in support of Chippewa treaty rights he helped develop and lead between 1983-91.

In 1995, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Carol Browner appointed Bresette to one of 25 seats on the EPA's National Environmental Justice Advisory Council.

Bresette, who was born on the Fourth of July, has lectured on treaty and environmental issues at the University of Michigan Law School, Harvard University, and numerous other colleges and conferences across the U.S.

A noted storyteller, last year Bresette received one of 13 project grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting to produce a 13-part radio series, called "All My Relations." The series looksx at people, places, issues and values through Bresette's eyes.
