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IWU Softball Returns to New Field on Campus

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. -- The first softball game at the new Illinois Wesleyan field will be on Friday, April 14.

The Titans host College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin foe North Park in a 3 p.m. doubleheader at the new field, located north of the football field and east of Franklin Blvd. at the north end of the IWU campus.

Since 1998, IWU has played its home games at either Maxwell or O'Neil Parks.

Barb Cothren, who coached softball at IWU from 1980 to 1988, will throw out the first pitch at the game. Cothren, who joined the faculty in 1979, is head of the physical education department and is a former associate athletic director at IWU. She was IWU's volleyball coach from 1979 to 1983 and women's tennis coach from 1988 to 1998.

Illinois Wesleyan will put the field to the test right away, hosting an eight-team tournament this weekend. The teams and schedule:

POOL A: IWU, Eureka, Fontbonne, UW-Stevens Point

POOL B: Chicago, Maryville, Millikin, Ripon

Saturday, April 15

Field One (IWU field)

9:30 am - Illinois Wesleyan vs. Eureka

11:30 am - Ill. Wesleyan vs. UW-Stevens Point

3:30 pm - Illinois Wesleyan vs. Fontbonne

Field Two (Normal West)

9:30 am - UW-Stevens Point vs. Fontbonne

11:30 am - Fontbonne vs. Eureka

3:30 pm - Eureka vs. UW-Stevens Point

Field Three (Normal West)

9:30 am - Chicago vs. Ripon

11:30 am - Millikin vs. Chicago

3:30 pm - Ripon vs. Millikin

Field Four (Normal West)

9:30 am - Maryville vs. Millikin

11:30 am - Ripon vs. Maryville

3:30 pm - Chicago vs. Maryville

Sunday, April 16

10 am - A1 vs. B2

B1 vs. A2

A3 vs. B4

B3 vs. A4

12 pm - A1 vs. B1

A2 vs. B2

A3 vs. B3

A4 vs. B4

(IWU will play its games Sunday at new field with others determined around that.)