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BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— Illinois Wesleyan University will welcome students and their families Sept. 19-21 during **Family Weekend**. Activities will include games, picnics and award-winning entertainment by comedian Tracey Ashley and mentalist Chris Carter.

Ashley will take the stage Sept. 19 at 8 p.m. She was a semi-finalist on NBC's *Last Comic Standing* Season 5 and has been nominated as Best Female Performer by *Campus Activities* magazine. She presents her seamless storytelling and sharp topical humor at college campuses and comedy clubs across the country.

Carter returns to Illinois Wesleyan on Sept. 20. A 1987 Illinois Wesleyan alumnus, Carter is a mentalist and entertainer who blends people-reading skills with the power of suggestion and a heavy dose of theatre for his performances. He repeatedly ranks among the highest-rated college campus entertainers.

Tickets are \$20 per family member, except for the enrolled IWU student, and include Ashley's show, a picnic lunch on Saturday, entrance to the women's soccer game Saturday afternoon and Carter's performance. The deadline for pre-registration is Sept. 12.

Other activities for families include a bike tour of Bloomington; billiards, shuffleboard and board games at Tommy's; an International Clue Night at the International House; and women's volleyball matches at the Shirk Center.

Family Weekend also provides a way to give back to the community. During this year's Summer Enrichment Program, students focused on homelessness in the Bloomington-Normal community. Families can donate clothes, non-perishable food items and hygiene products in donation boxes at several event venues throughout the weekend.



Comedian Tracey Ashley



Mentalist Chris Carter

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