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Event: Illinois Wesleyan Student Senate presents speaker Earvin "Magic" Johnson

Date: Nov. 19 (Tuesday)

Time: 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6 p.m. for a Health Awareness Fair preceding Mr. Johnson's speech. Booths at the fair will inform visitors about safe sex, HIV/AIDS awareness, and other health concerns.

Admission: Free to all IWU students, faculty, staff. There will be a \$5 suggested donation for others who would like to attend. All donations will go to the McLean County AIDS Taskforce.

Location: Illinois Wesleyan Shirk Center Arena, 302 Emerson St., Bloomington

Background: Mr. Johnson will speak about his life and HIV, and how having a positive attitude can help overcome obstacles.

In addition to playing 13 years in the National Basketball Association, Mr. Johnson founded the Magic Johnson Foundation after retiring from the Los Angeles Lakers in 1991. Under his vision, the Foundation actively works to support community-based organizations and develops programs that serve the health, educational and social needs of those residing in inner-city communities.

An avid believer in philanthropy, Mr. Johnson continually finds time to lend his support to organizations such as the "Make a Wish" Foundation, the United Negro College Fund, the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Starlight Foundation, the American Heart Association, the Urban League and is also currently on the Board of Trustees for the American Cancer Society Foundation.

Mr. Johnson has earned five NBA championship rings, led the Los Angeles Lakers to nine appearances in the NBA finals and was a member of the Original Dream Team, winning a gold medal at the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona. During his career with the NBA, Mr. Johnson also won three MVP awards and played in 12 All-Star Games. As vice president and co-owner of the Los Angeles Lakers, Mr. Johnson is still very much a part of the team.