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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. -- The Illinois Wesleyan University Inter-Fraternity Council will host a "Kids' Day on the Quad" at IWU on Saturday, April 18.

The IFC will host children from the Bloomington-Normal Boys and Girls Club beginning at 11:30 a.m. in a day that will include games, an opportunity to see IWU play baseball against Carthage, and a lunch on the quad. At 12:30 p.m. the IFC will make a check presentation to the Boys and Girls Club on the steps of the IWU Sheean Library.

In the event of rain, all events will be staged indoors at the Shirk Center.

"With all the negative press fraternites have received lately nationwide, we want to show there is a positive side to fraternity life on campus," said Sigma Chi member Kevin Kalus, a sophomore from **Peoria (Richwoods HS)** and public relations director for the IFC. "With many stories about what fraternities do wrong, one rarely hears about all of the good things fraternities do right. Our goal with 'Kids' Day on the Quad' is to show the public that fraternities are not just about parties. Rather, they are about joining together and helping the community in which they live."

For more information about "Kids' Day on the Quad", contact Kalus at 556-2852.

About Illinois Wesleyan University

IWU, founded in 1850, enrolls about 2,000 students in a College of Liberal Arts, College of Fine Arts, and a four-year professional School of Nursing. A \$15 million athletics and recreation center opened in the fall of 1994 and a \$25 million science center opened in fall 1995. The \$5.1 million Center for Liberal Arts, a facility housing 60 faculty offices, six classrooms, and other facilities for social science, humanities, business and economics, and interdisciplinary studies' faculty, opened in August 1997, as did a new \$6.8 million residence hall. The Carnegie Commission for the Advancement of Teaching promoted Illinois Wesleyan to a "Baccalaureate I" institution in 1994, a classification that places it among 159 highly-selective National Liberal Arts Colleges in the annual *U.S. News & World Report* rankings. *Barron's Profiles of American Colleges*, another respected college guide, rated IWU "highly competitive +" in its latest edition.