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Inaugural Division I Softball Invitational in Central Florida to feature four top 10 ranked teams

Clermont, Fla. – The National Training Center (NTC) will host the inaugural Dot Richardson’s National Collegiate Softball Invitational (DRNCSI), Friday, February 12 through Sunday, February 14, 2010, at Legends Way Ballfields in Clermont, Fla., and will feature eight National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I softball teams.

The teams scheduled to attend are University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), University of Central Florida, University of Tennessee, University of Tennessee – Chattanooga, Florida Atlantic University, University of Michigan, University of Georgia and University of Oklahoma.

For the 2009 season, the participating teams were ranked as follows according to NCAA Division I RPI Rankings:

University of California, Los Angeles	No. 4
University of Georgia	No. 5
University of Michigan	No. 6
University of Oklahoma	No. 8
University of Tennessee	No. 12
Florida Atlantic University	No. 84
University of Central Florida	No. 100
University of Tennessee-Chattanooga	No. 117

This event will be the first tournament of the season for the Division I schools. Each team is scheduled to play five games and the games will count toward their NCAA Division I rankings for the 2010 season.

The event is named after two-time Olympic gold medalist in softball, Dot Richardson, MD. Richardson, who is the National Training Center Director/Medical Director and oversees the softball complex, is also a UCLA alumnus, where she earned most valuable player three times and was named a four-time collegiate All-American athlete.

“The NTC is so excited to be bringing the elite level of college softball to Central Florida,” commented Richardson. “Having this number of highly ranked Division I softball teams meet in the southeast for competition is a very rare and special occasion. Everyone should come and enjoy the best of the best in our sport.”

Richardson hopes that this event’s success can lead to the potential to host additional NCAA elite competitions at Legends Way Ballfields.

The event will be open to the community and tickets will be available at the gate. Ticket prices are \$10 per day for adults 13 and older and \$5 per day for children age six through 12. A three-day pass is available for \$25 for adults 13 and older and \$10 for children ages six through 12. Children age five and under are free. Advance tickets are available now through February 5, 2010, for a discounted price of \$20 for a three-day event pass for adults 13 and older. To purchase advance tickets, please email NTC Softball Coordinator Bob Boark, bob.borak@ntcsoftball.com, by February 5, 2010. For more information, please contact Bob Borak, bob.borak@ntcsoftball.com. Legends Way Ballfields is located at 2350 Legends Way, Clermont, Fla., 34711.

**Tentative Schedule of Events
as of 1/13/2010**

Friday, February 12, 2010

12:00 p.m.:	Stadium Field	University of Tennessee-Chattanooga VS Florida Atlantic University
	Field 2	University of Michigan VS University of Tennessee
2:00 p.m.:	Stadium Field	University of Tennessee VS Florida Atlantic University
	Field 2	University of Michigan VS University of Oklahoma
5:00 p.m.	Stadium Field	University of Georgia VS University of California, Los Angeles
	Field 2	University of Oklahoma VS University of Central Florida
7:00 p.m.	Stadium Field	University of Central Florida VS University of California, Los Angeles

Saturday, February 13, 2010

11:00 a.m.	Stadium Field	University of Oklahoma VS Florida Atlantic University
1:00 p.m.	Stadium Field	Florida Atlantic University VS University of California, Los Angeles
	Field 2	University of Oklahoma VS University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
3:00 p.m.	Stadium Field	University of Tennessee VS University of California, Los Angeles
	Field 2	University of Michigan VS University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
5:00 p.m.	Stadium Field	University of Georgia VS University of Michigan
	Field 2	University of Central Florida VS University of Tennessee
7:00 p.m.	Stadium Field	University of Georgia VS University of Central Florida

Sunday, February 14, 2010

9:00 a.m.	Stadium Field	University of Michigan VS University of California, Los Angeles
	Field 2	University of Tennessee VS University of Oklahoma
11:00 a.m.	Stadium Field	University of Georgia VS University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
1:00 p.m.	Stadium Field	University of Georgia VS Florida Atlantic University
	Field 2	University of Central Florida VS University of Tennessee-Chattanooga