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TURNSTONE ENDEAVOR GAMES KICKS OFF TODAY

Fort Wayne, IN –As part of the University of Central Oklahoma Endeavor Games we have the first games of the Endeavor Games Series. The 2017 Turnstone Endeavor Games, presented by Parkview Physicians Group, will feature events for seven sports, including air rifle shooting, boccia, goalball, sitting volleyball, swimming, table tennis, track and field and wheelchair basketball. The event also will offer sports clinics for air rifle shooting, boccia, goalball, swimming and track and field, as well as classifications for swimming and track and field. There will be sports happening at Turnstone, 3320 North Clinton Street, The X Count, 5301 Merchandise Dr and at Carroll High School, 3905 Carroll Rd.

Turnstone is a not-for-profit organization providing therapeutic, educational, wellness and recreational programs to empower people with disabilities throughout northwestern Indiana.

“Turnstone is pleased to partner with UCO and the Endeavor Games in being their first partner in creating the Endeavor Games Series,” said Mike Mushett, CEO of Turnstone.

“Turnstone and the Fort Wayne community are excited about extending the games to the Midwest. Combining Turnstone’s event hosting experience and facilities with the Endeavor Games expertise, brand and resources promises to produce a first-class event.”

The UCO Endeavor Games has grown in participation over the past 17 years, showing there is a demand nationwide for such competitions.

“It has been a dream to expand the Endeavor Games model for several years,” said Katrina Shaklee, co-founder of the UCO Endeavor Games and senior director for the UCO Wellness Center.

UCO will host the second event of the series, the 18th annual UCO Endeavor Games, June 8-11 on Central’s campus. The UCO Endeavor Games will feature 10 sports, including archery, air rifle

shooting, cycling, powerlifting, 4-on-4 sitting volleyball, swimming, table tennis, track and field, 3-on-3 wheelchair basketball and wheelchair softball. Registration will open later in the spring.

Thank you to all of the great partners: United States Paralympics, Hanger Clinic, Disabled Sports USA, University of Central Oklahoma, Parkview Physicians Group, Parkview Sports Medicine, Visit Fort Wayne, Adaptive Sports USA, Challenged Athletes Foundation, Touchstone Energy Cooperatives-Your Local REMC, College Park and Classic Café.

Full schedule of the weekend's activities is attached.

For more information about the Endeavor Games Series, visit www.endeavorgames.com.

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