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## Swing Pink Set for Saturday, April 8, 2017 in Dexter

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Lady Cats will host the 6th annual Swing Pink Softball Tournament on Saturday, April 8, 2017 with games slated to begin at 9:00 a.m. at the softball fields behind East City Park in Dexter.

The tournament will benefit the Ben Kruse 18FORE Life Foundation.

The 18 FORE Life Foundation originated in 2000, when four friends got together an decided it would be fun to raise some money for a good cause by hosting a golf tournament. In 2002, love offerings were sent out for the first time to families all over Southeast Missouri battling cancer and in need of love, hope, and encouragement.

After losing Ben Kruse in 2004, the event grew into much more than a golf tournament. The phrase Celebrate/Give/Remember was coined and guided the efforts of organizers, sponsors, volunteers and golfers as hundreds gathered for the 2005 event and over \$100,000 was raised. To date they have given over 1.9 million dollars in love offerings. They hope to break the 2 million dollar mark this year!

The Lady Cats will begin the tournament at 9:00 a.m. on Field B against Southland. There will be 16 teams participating in two brackets, in addition to pool play. The semifinals for Bracket B are at 1 p.m. and the championship at 5:00 p.m. the semifinals for Bracket A are at 3:00 p.m. and the finals are at 7:00 p.m.

The following games are set to be played along with the brackets:

Bracket A

11 a.m.

Field A - Van Buren (1) vs Portageville (\*)

Field B - Clearwater (4) vs Greenville (5)

Field C - Bernie (3) vs Southland (6)

Field D - West County (2) vs NMCC (7)

Bracket B

9:00 a.m.

Field A - Winona (1) vs Charleston (8)

Field B - East Carter (4) vs Neelyville (5)

Field C - East Prairie (3) vs Puxico (6)

Field D - Dexter (2) vs Advance/Zalma (7)

Pool Play

Field J - Twin Rivers (2) vs Bloomfield (3) at 9 a.m.

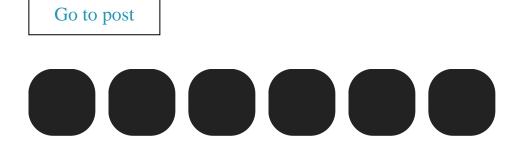
Field J - Senath (1) vs Holcomb (4) at 11 a.m.

Field C - Bloomfield vs Holcomb 5 p.m.

Field C - Senath vs Twin Rivers 7 p.m.

A Silent Auction will be held throughout the day and the winners will be announced at the end of the day. T-shirts will also be available. Long sleeve are \$20 and short sleeve are \$15.

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