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Symposium: Panel discussions today

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said. "They care about their community and being pioneers for their sport."

Messing said the "mission statement" for the World Cup's organizing committee is two-fold.

The first goal of the committee is "staging a breakthrough event — putting on an event that is of the quality and standards typically present in men's events," she said.

"We want to open floodgates for other women sports properties."

The second goal is "to inspire the next generation of female athletes," Messing added.

The World Cup will be held in seven different U.S. cities in June and July of 1999.

Messing is just one of several influential women in the world of women's sports business who will be taking part in the symposium, which is put on by the James H. Warsaw Sports Marketing Center and will continue today.

Donna Lopiano, executive director of the Women's Sports

Foundation and on the list of The Sporting News' 100 most influential people in sports, gave a short opening address Thursday and will take part in two of today's panel discussions.

"This is just the right time to get involved with women's sports," Lopiano said, noting the negative image of many of today's male professional athletes and the saturation of the men's sports market.

"We want to see what happens when we give girls a chance to play," she added.

The topic of the symposium is "Shattering the Glass Ceiling" and, although open to the public, is geared toward students in the University's sports marketing program.

"We want to make sure the Warsaw Center is socially responsible," said Rick Burton, director of the Warsaw Center.

By bringing in leaders of the sports business world, Burton said the Warsaw Center "now prepares students for leadership in the future."

Today's portion of the symposium will begin at 9 a.m. at the Downtown Athletic Club with the panel discussion titled "Buried in the Back: Is the Coverage Enough?" Panelists will include Katy Steding of the Portland Power, Sharon Barbano of the Women's Sports Market Report, and Lopiano.

The second panel discussion, titled "Cashing In: A Closer Look at Sports Sponsorships," is set to begin at 11 a.m. and features Jackie Thomas of Nike, Diana Imhoff Popow of the Seattle Seahawks, and Sue Ziehler of Peter Jacobsen Productions.

The symposium will conclude at 3 p.m. with the final panel discussion, titled "On Deck: Women Putting on the Show." Panelists for that discussion include Dina Gilbertie of the NHL, Linda Weston of the Portland Power, and Messing.

All panel discussions will be held at the Downtown Athletic Club.

UO: Stanford second in Pac-10 pitching

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Although the Golden Bears don't present any real matchup problems for the Ducks, Oregon doesn't have to search too hard to find its motivation for the doubleheader. Despite being a game behind the Ducks in the Pac-10 standings and eight games behind them in overall record, California still ranks No. 21 in the country, while Oregon dropped out of the top 25 nearly two weeks ago.

To add more salt to the wound, Oregon is 2-0 against the Bears this season.

"We know we can beat them twice more," Planché said. "It will be an important series, but really not any more important than any other series."

Stanford is a different story all together. The Cardinal has been ranked in the top 15 virtually all season

and shut out the Ducks 4-0 in the team's last meeting on April 5.

Like Oregon, Stanford has had a season of milestones. Unlike Oregon, most of them are pitching related. The Cardinal (35-16, 13-11) ranks second in the Pac-10 in pitching with a combined 1.35 earned run average.

"Both [California and Stanford] have good pitching staffs," Gamez said. "Runs will be hard to come by, which means that we need to execute our short game very well and be ready to play."

Junior Becky Blevins (20-8), who leads Stanford in ERA and wins, is the leader of the staff and will likely get the Game 1 start against the Ducks. Oregon will likely counter with Jennie Cook (20-15) in Game 1 and Bethany Smith (13-9) in Game 2.

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