Waterloo receives two nights of PTL

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When the Prime Time League reconvenes next month, the North Liberty Community Center won't be its sole locale.

For the first time in its existence, PTL games will be played outside of the Iowa City corridor as league commissioner Randy Larson revealed Friday that the Cedar Valley SportsPlex in Waterloo will be the host for contests played the nights of June 26 and July 17. News of Waterloo receiving PTL games this summer was first reported Friday morning by Pat Harty of the *Iowa City Press-Citizen*.

This move was done in part to accommodate Northern Iowa, who has decided to have players play the PTL again following a two-year hiatus. The league only used four teams in 2012 when UNI first pulled out of it and went back up to six teams last summer minus the Panthers' participation.

Another item of note is that PTL games will now only take place on Thursday evenings this summer. Following the league's draft on June 15, the first night of action will be June 19 in North Liberty, followed by the first of the two evenings in Waterloo the following week. North Liberty will host both semifinal games on July 24, as well as the PTL title game on July 31.

Scheduling is similar to last summer in that there will be one game played at 6 p.m. Central, followed by two games happening simultaneously at 7:30 p.m. Central each of the first five weeks before playoff games. According to a release sent out by Larson on Friday, all 11 players Iowa currently has on

scholarship as well as walk-ons Kyle Denning and Okey Ukah are expected to participate this summer.