Invention2Venture (I2V) is a huge success at IIT

By Smit Bavishi

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Professor Janusz Filipiak, Chairman and CEO of Comarch, delivered I2V’s opening keynote address. Prof. Filipiak’s talk focused on how Comarch’s close ties to various academic institutions across Europe helped Comarch gain exclusive access to a huge talent pool. This was crucial for Comarch’s business success. He also talked about the informal culture within Comarch to innovate and lead the IT industry in Eastern Europe.

Today, Comarch is Poland’s top IT company with offices all around the world. Its profit figures have been rising exponentially to innovate and lead the IT industry in Eastern Europe.

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One night every year, in the second week of April, the exceptional students and leaders on the IIT campus are all at one place. Recognized and appreciated for their contributions to the IIT campus and to student life, students from the different walks of campus, student organizations, and offices, are awarded the Clinton E. Stryker Distinguished Service Award. The annual awards ceremony took place on April 11. As always, the awards ceremony takes place following the reception and dinner for all of the award winners and their guests. Guests were able to mingle with the faculty, staff, and each other and soon, they were in lively discussion with IIT President Lewis Collins as well. Students talked among themselves about what an exciting year 2006-07 was. A large group of students were from Union Board which tasked them with their activities, programs, events and student mixers they organized. Another group of students at the ceremony were “Who’s Who of American Colleges” award recipients.

The awards ceremony started with opening statements from Doug Geiger, Dean of Students. Dean Geiger said that this was probably the first Stryker Awards dinner to take place with snow outside on the ground. He also acknowledged all the parents and guests and said some had come from as far away as Alaska. After his speech, IIT President Lewis Collins gave his welcome note to everyone. He said it was the 90th Anniversary for Clinton Stryker’s graduate from IIT or Armour Institute. Stryker received his degree in 1917 in Electrical Engineering.

The next session was on Idea Validation and Product Design by Marco Susani, Director for Design of Seamless Mobility at Motorola. Marco Susani’s team was behind the creation of the wildly popular Motorola Razr cell phone. Susani’s session focused on how the Razr concept was inspired and how it was eventually transformed into a commercial product that set new standards for the design of the next generation of cell phones.

Stanford Ovshinsky, President and Chief Scientist at ECD Ovonics, delivered the lunch keynote. Dean Harvey Kahalas from the Stuart School of Business introduced Mr. Ovshinsky. With over 350 patents, Mr. Stanford Ovshinsky, who never attended college, is considered to be “the Edison of our age” by the Economist. His keynote focused on the pioneering work he and his colleagues have been doing since the ‘60s in the field of renewable energy.

For over four decades Mr. Ovshinsky has been convincing politicians and the general public to shift towards the Solar-Hydrogen economy instead of our fossil-fuel based economy, which had lead to various problems across the globe. He believes that it has been extremely hard to bring change to the world;
Hey media, is this over yet?

By Colin Emch-Wei

A&E EDITOR

A few months ago, I wrote an article that questioned mass media’s interest in reporting memoirs over important topics. You may think of this as a continuation to that article.

Approximately one week ago, the infamous radio show host John Imus made the infamous study of university students. This study received major attention and was praised for its accuracy. This is a very important study, and we should all pay attention to it.

However, this study is not the end of the story. It wasn’t. Imus has continued to be publicly scrutinized, and every possible person who was connected to this case, no matter how far removed from the situation, is still being discussed. Imus and Stuebner are picking up the pieces.

Why, oh why is this still an issue? Racially themed commentary is not a new phenomenon. We’ve seen it every day, and in every medium without similar repercussions (don’t believe me? Watch an episode of House M.D. and count the number of jokes until a black joke is uttered.) None of these said instances are followed with outrage even though some of them are even more racially charged than others (think of, well, anything on “Chappelle’s Show”). Nobody gets fined, nobody gets publicly indicted. How come Imus didn’t get the same treatment?

Before anybody decides to call me a bigot, let me explain a few things. I’m of biracial background, of both Swiss and Taiwanese descent. Some of my very best friends are black. I lived in South Carolina for a number of years. I was just as shocked as you were when Imus insulted the ridiculously talented black woman who hosted a show. I thought Imus should have apologized publicly for his mistake, the paid the FCC fine, and made a genuine apology. But even this mistake was damage. This is why I think media is twisting the knife and creating essentially a circus with their continual feeding of the flames. On Sunday, Imus’ YouTube channel debuted with a video titled “Why is Imus no longer wearing his cowboy hat?”

Maybe he wants to show off his hair. Perhaps he was inside and had polished it removed. The point is, this question is completely stupid and serves no other purpose than to make sure the situation is still on people’s minds and to give them something else to chew over and make a big deal out of.

What more does Imus need to do to right his wrongs? Community service? Apologize to everyone single person in the country? There really isn’t much else this man can do but live in his earned shame and try to pick up the pieces of his now shattered career. So let’s leave it alone, and get back to our regularly scheduled programming.

And the crappiness journalism isn’t limited to this event. When Anna Nicole Smith died, the media blew out of proportion the legal battle to claim her child and her body. Now it’s doing the same thing with the paternity tests for said child. This is getting to be ridiculous.

Mass media, let’s make a deal: you stop publishing this drivel and feeding the flames, and we’ll let you do your work and have our backs.

If you would like to contribute to the Opinion Section or would like to see something else, please contact Josh.

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Buy it on eBay, your guide to savings

By Abhishek Gunduguri

TECHNEWS WRITER

No, this article is not part of the new branding campaign. And no, I do not agree with Colin Emch-Wei when he says “I’m not sure it’s working”. I believe the branding campaign with ‘creatively’ spelled words is actually getting the right message to the right people. It’s not new, but it’s working.

The media, I’m of the belief, is throwing out the wrong message when we have those words on the I94 or on the radio. The media needs to reach out and connect with people.

Back to the topic of this article. Why did I give a brand-name product? You wouldn’t believe what happened. I had just entered the IIT TechMart, which is an auctioning website; and on google’s search engine. There is a something they announce on the TV ads, radio messages, their own website and on google’s search engine. You can buy anything on eBay. You can get anything on eBay. But when paired with Caitlin Hubbard’s genuine concerns (and I, for one, can’t understand why she wants to continue service started on eBay, your guide to savings
[ University CALENDAR ]

- Architecture Pro-Seminar: Tooling
  Tues., April 17 @ 6:30 p.m.
  Crown Hall, Lower Core

  Tues., April 17 @ 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.
  Library Learning Center (LLC)

- Night of the Noisë at the Bog
  Wed., April 18 @ 8 p.m.
  The Bog

- Humanitës Writing Contest Reception
  Fri., April 20 @ 2:00 p.m.
  M T C C , M c C l o s k a Auditorium

- Day of Silence
  Wed., April 18 - All Day
  Campuswide

- Let's Get Some Shoes
  Wed., April 18 @ 8 p.m.
  Hermann Hall Auditorium

- Campus Chill Out Broadcåst & the Greening of IIT
  Join more than 40,000 students, faculty and staff all across the US who will tune into a live, national broadcast on how college and universities are innovating practical, solutions to the climate crisis. Learn how these bold, visionary projects are fostering energy independence while creating new jobs for a better future.
  View the broadcast live at 2 p.m. on April 18 in Hermann Hall.

  There are many ways in which IIT has been working to increase energy efficiency and reduce its carbon footprint. IIT will be detailing some of these initiatives in the weeks surrounding Earth Day (April 22), starting with the Distributed Hot Water System.
  The vision of the university’s energy plan is to provide an efficient and effective energy system that enables and facilitates the planned expansion, while supporting the facilities, faculty, staff and research space, with the objectives of providing the required reliability to the facilities, managing costs, providing for peak power cost mitigation, reducing the campus’s carbon footprint, and providing for employee and student safety.
  The Distributed Hot Water System design began with Phase I, in which the commissioned 60,000 lb. boiler was replaced with two higher efficiency 20,000 lb. boilers in February of this year. This maximizes the efficiency of steam production to accommodate the planned heating load of Phases II & III.
  Phase II involves the installation of a high efficiency hot water steam plant, which will reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 5.9 million pounds annually by achieving 92% - 95% efficiency across full range of loads, and provide the lowest possible life cycle cost. The project, which will be completed in May of this year, is expected to maximize efficiency of heating production and delivery, minimize the impact on facility resources, and provide flexibility for added loads and integrating future sustainable design elements.
  Phase III, which is planned for 2008, will involve the installation of a high efficiency hot water plant to allow the steam plant to move to low pressure eliminating 247 requirement imposed by the city, and further reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 5 million pounds annually.

- [4] Stars of the Month
  Congratulations to the Stars of the Month for February and March.
  [4] Stars of February:
  Professor/Instruction: Dr. Michael Lee (CS)
  Student: Aylofsky Rojz (Chem)
  Grad Student: Kazuha Katagiri (ARCH)
  T.A.: Michael Woods (CS)
  [4] Stars of March:
  Professor/Instruction: Dr. George Zai (AM)
  Student: Edward Suda (ARCH)
  Grad Student: Yuan Cao (ECE)
  T.A.: James LeWau (CSE)

- Graduate Students Needed as Judges for IPRO Day
  Graduate Students are needed as judges for IPRO Day 2007. The IIT Interprofessional Projects Conference, will be held on Friday, April 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The conference will include presentations and exhibits from 45-50 teams covering a wide range of topics such as the art of wind energy, a custom clothing venture, energy efficient lighting design using LEDs, developing extremely affordable products for the rural poor of the world, and many others.

- Interprofessional Projects Research Scholar Program
  The IIT Interprofessional Projects Research Scholar Program is looking for volunteers to assist them at the IPRO Projects Day Conference. Graduate Students are needed to serve as judges and help with awards. Volunteers are needed from 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Rewards for volunteering include seeing some of your fellow students present their work, getting a better understanding of what an IPRO is, and payment of $25 plus lunch. It’s a great opportunity to see what’s going on at IIT and get a little reward in the process! Only volunteers with a social security number will receive a $25 honorarium.

- CSL Undergraduate Summer 2007 Research Scholarships
  The CSL undergraduate summer research scholarship as stated by Professor Kraus is to provide “financial support to students, allowing them to participate in research between school terms, catalyzing their scholarly activities and products, and to provide CSL with the opportunity to see what’s going on at IIT, as appreciative students and faculty have let CSL know how much this opportunity means to them.”

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- Students Needed for CMC Focus Groups
  The Career Management Center is looking for students to participate in several focus discussions, to learn what students need in order to improve services and connect students with their ideal careers. By participating in these focus groups, you have the opportunity to make a significant impact on how the university helps students find the opportunities they want, how to get them, and how to keep them!

- Volunteer for the IPRO Day Challenge
  The Interprofessional Projects Projects Program is looking for volunteers to assist them at the IPRO Projects Day Conference, on Friday, April 27. The CSL Undergraduate Summer Research Scholarships will be awarded at this event. If you are interested in participating, sign up here, http://ipro.iit.edu/registration/apply.html, and for more information, please contact csay@iit.edu.

- The IIT Interprofessional Projects Research Scholar Program is now accepting applications for Fall 2007 Interprofessional Leadership Fellows. Motivated undergraduate students with at least two semesters remaining, and with interest in developing their leadership skills and professional development, are eligible to apply. If selected, a $500 cash award is made upon completion of program requirements. Visit the interprofessional projects Program website, http://ipro.iit.edu/home/index.php?id=107 for more information about this opportunity and how to apply. If selected, a $500 cash award is made upon completion of program requirements. Visit the interprofessional projects Program website, http://ipro.iit.edu/home/index.php?id=107 for more information about this opportunity and how to apply.

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Collins talked about the events in 1917, about hazing of freshmen students, no voting rights for women and about the White Sox being good enough back in 1917. He also talked about Clinton E. Stryker and how he contributed to IIT as a teacher, alumni, trustee and benefactor.

Clinton E. Stryker believed in development of students out of the academic focus and he contributed to a fund to help students receive awards for their services. Thus, an award was created and named in his honor. Collins also talked about the Leadership Academy’s contribution to not only development of IIT’s students, but also students in the Chicago Public Schools. He also praised the students who were responsible for Bringing Back the Bog, Jason Tenenbaum, Brandon Lloyd and Vishal Kadakia. Collins wore a bandage because he said he had a sour arm from bowling.

The first award was presented to the “Distinguished Staff” (non-Faculty) person. The winner of this year’s award was Bruce Fisher, Director of the Leadership Academy and Director of Research and Service. Director of Psychology department, Ellen Mitchell spoke a few words in praise of Mr. Fisher. “Bruce is a modest guy, and he would squirm at my remarks, and for that I would like to publicly apologize. The reason that we nominated him for the award is that he is the best hire I ever had. He represents the university with the highest standards of conduct, ethics, decorum, and he delivers on what he promises. He demonstrates extraordinary sound judgment. Bruce is the select few who think deeply about difficulties and whether or not they are doing enough to make things better. Top performers contribute 4 times more than an average performer; whether or not they are doing enough to make things better. Top performers contribute 4 times more than an average performer; whether or not they are doing enough to make things better. Top performers contribute 4 times more than an average performer; whether or not they are doing enough to make things better.

The next award was given to the “Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant.” It was presented by Daniel Ferguson, Associate Director for the IPRO programs. The award recipient was Candace Say who has worked as a TA with the IPRO office while being a full time Masters student in Architecture. The next award was presented, the “Outstanding Student Employee of the Year,” was awarded to Bradley Ford, for his dedicated work to the Campus Conference Center and Auxiliary Services. He was praised highly by the Director of Auxiliary Services and also by the Assistant Director of Housing, Kevin Gunnerson for his dedication to work and his positive attitude.

The next award was given to the IPRO Scholars; Michael Cansu, Abhinav Papatla, Sherrie George, Rachael Wasserman and Mohammad Mahmoud. Another award for the IPROs was Alyana George who received the “IPRO Leadership Fellow.” This was also the first time this award was given out and thus Mr. Ferguson acknowledged Ms. George as the first award recipient for this award. The “Outstanding First Year Involvement” award was next in line and Mary Taylor Blasi presented this award to Ray Ballard, freshmen in Chemical Engineering, who has been part of SGA, RHA and Union Board.

Robin Matthias, UB’s advisor said a few words about Mr. Ballard and added that he is such a wonderful individual to work with. Mr. Ballard took the chance to talk to the audience and said “most of you know that I can’t refuse the opportunity to speak in the presence of a microphone. I thank my mother and sister who have come here from Alaska. I also say the reason I came here is that when you come to IIT, you can participate immediately. SGA recruited me immediately during orientation.”

The next award was for “Outstanding Student Organization” and it was presented to Union Board. The UB executive members were there to receive the award. Vishal Kadakia spoke on the occasion and he said that he was honored to be the President of Union Board this year and talked about the achievements of UB. He also honored the current, the next executive board and the advisor of Union Board.

The most anticipated award of the evening, the “Richard Babcock Leadership Award,” was announced by President Collins. President Collins talked about the recipient of the award, Michael Morley, and said he had an unbelievable list of achievements. Collins also said he was responsible for the nation-wide ad campaign for IIT in the form of the pumpkin launch campaign.

Collins said that even with his involvement in a lot of organizational activities, Morley virtually remained a straight-A student. Morley took the opportunity to follow the act that his parents and said a few words: “This university does not run on one person, it is a lot of students. It is all of you guys. It is great working with such great people and thanks a lot guys.”

After those awards, the “Clinton E. Stryker Distinguished Student Service” awards were handed out to the following students: Elizabeth Blitzer, John Donnini, Medhavi Gudavada, Caitlin Hubbard, Vishal Kadakia, Melissa Lee, Brandon Lloyd, Sourabh Manijerak, Emily Moore, Michael Morley, Priscilla Mulhall, Dheera Rajpal, Elijah Stine and Sugano Ziswa.
Last Week’s Solution

Across
1. Raise (4)
2. Pledge (4)
3. Exceptional (11)
4. Scorch (4)
5. Quote (4)
6. Self-defense aerosol (4)
7. Encounter (4)
8. Awful (3)
9. Beast of burden (3)
10. Likely touchdown time (1,1,1)
11. Statute (3)
12. African antelope (3)
13. Sport squad (4)
14. Performer (11)
15. Status (4)
16. Nuisance (4)

Down
1. Designer name (5)
2. Rule expressed in symbols (7)
3. Salad fish (4)
4. Small island (4)
5. Fortress wall (7)
6. Actor, ... Sandler (4)
7. A single time (4)
8. Stir (7)
9. Pays attention to (5)
10. Sprocket (3)
11. Conclusion (3)
12. Advantage (5)
13. Bison (7)
14. Abate (3,4)
15. Daring deed (4)
16. Beach breakers (4)
17. Song for two (4)
18. Cable (4)
19. Chocolate substitute (5)
20. Simple (4)
21. Possess (3)
22. Untruths (4)
23. Unmodified information (3,4)
24. Stark (7)
25. Unpleasantly damp (4)
26. Statue (3)
27. Matched group (3)
28. Teen hero (4)
29. Membranous sac (4)
30. Peru’s capital (4)
31. Sport squad (4)
32. Untruths (4)
33. Stylish (4)
34. Pace (4)
35. Chocolate substitute (5)
36. Likely touchdown time (1,1,1)
37. Simple (4)
38. Statue (3)
39. African antelope (3)
40. Floor covering (3)
41. Possess (3)

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This Day in TechNews History...

Volume 63, Issue #11, 4/16/1929, Page 1: Houses To Dress For Junior Week
The actual content of this article is under heavy debate. Some argue that during “Junior Week” the houses on campus actually came to life and dressed gaudily; others are much less literal and argue that it was actually the members of the houses that dressed, to break their yearlong vow of nudity. Both seem pretty reasonable.

Volume #27, Issue #9, 4/15/1941, Page 1: Terrible Talks Terrify Students In Torture Test
In the months before the United States entered World War II, IIT assisted in testing new torture techniques to be used in case worse came to worst. The first test was performed on IIT students by making them watch three consecutive crappy movies and measuring their stress levels to see whether they would theoretically crack. In order to maintain secrecy, the tests were performed under the guise of science, and no “state secrets” were involved.

Volume #57, Issue #18, 4/15/1955, Page 1: Deans of Women Discuss Immaturity
While morality was always the hot topic on any bed of discussion around the nation, IIT chose to specifically focus on immaturity among their female students. Among the concerns among the deans included: “They go out dancing all night and never call to say when they’ll be back” and “they hit the snooze alarm twice before rising from bed last Monday.” The deans then proceeded to do their taxes, watch Masterpiece Theater, play a round of golf and visit the bead store.

Volume #66, Issue #11, 4/17/1959, Page 3: I Read Tech News! (Photo)
This photo, in fact, portrayed someone actually reading Tech-News—not a popular pastime before 1997. Before then, instead of trying to read TechNews students often tried to “solve” TechNews. It was a popular pastime, trying to eliminate redundant variables and balance the “equation of the week.” What many IIT students did not realize, however, was that there was no spellcheck, and the typical IIT student in those days spoke an entirely different dialect of typo. Thankfully, after 1997 readership flourished and remains at high levels today.

Volume #92, Issue #3, 4/14/1972, Page 7: This Headline is Ghostwritten
In what was perhaps one of the most obnoxious example of unchecked recursion to be demonstrated in a newspaper, a writer declared: “I did not write this article, it was written for me by a ghostwriter.” Unfortunately, when one considers that the ghostwriter is in fact writing those exact words, an infinite loop occurs wherein every word, an infinite loop occurs wherein every word in those days spoke an entirely different dialect of typo. Thankfully, after 1997 readership flourished and remains at high levels today.

In a dramatic call to arms, one writer demanded that IIT rise up and recognize the seventh day of the week as a day of rest. The article argued that this “Sun Day,” the brightest day, was one immune to the doom and gloom of the workweek that this “Sun Day,” the brightest day, was one of the week as a day of rest. The article argued that this “Sun Day,” the brightest day, was one.

ONLINE/SIDESHOW EDITOR
By Joe Kaiser
100 habits worse than cussin’
By Joe Kaiser
1. Binge-drinking
2. Calorie-counting
3. Nail-bitting
4. Hebo-naming
5. Racial-shaming
6. Cuss-wikipediaing
7. Word-parsing
8. Zig-popping
9. Animal-killing
10. Person-killing
11. Home-owning
12. Country-bombing
13. Purse-stealing
14. Country-bombing
15. Linus-using
16. Martha Stewart-Living
17. Cubs-cheering
18. Head-smashing
19. MySpace-having
20. Dave Matthews-listening
21. Leg-breaking
22. Leg-breaking (other people)
23. Leg-breaking (other people’s children)
24. Video-blogging
25. How-cast-denying
26. Comic-Sansing
27. Porn-star-naming
28. Do-you-need-a-children’s-menu?-pretending
29. Flow-charting
30. Tongue-piercing
31. Penis-Wentzing
32. Chicken-butting
33. Toe-stabbing
34. Number-skipping
35. Number-skipping
36. Date-ripping
37. Grand Theft Auto-initiating
38. Drink-spilling
39. Navy-cooking
40. Counterstrike-camping
41. List-making
42. Sara-Lea-riding
43. Lady-Lamping
44. Ghost-Riding (Whip)
45. Ghost-Riding (School Bus)
46. Ghost-Riding (Tank in Iraq)
47. Coach-choke
48. Wii-punishing
49. Polka-refusing
50. Glass-breaking
51. Red-henning
52. Hindenbarging
53. Beautiful-trucking
54. Memento-spoiling
55. Beautiful-trucking
56. Document-nonsaving
57. Discount-novocasing
58. Paper-recycling
59. Guitar-Improperstoring
60. Infinitive-splitting
61. Nuclear-Clubbing
62. Coffeetable-book-buying
63. Scroll-Locking
64. Counterstrike-camping
65. Dane-cooking
66. Historic-Place-Demolishing
67. Drink-spilling
68. JFK-quoting
69. Peer-pressuring
70. Chain letter-forwarding
71. AMA-watching
72. Gosford-Parking
73. Class-skipping
74. Infinitive-splitting
75. Kill-stalking
76. College-ad-campaign-rewriting
77. Underwear-ripping
78. Free-birding
79. Teapot-donning
80. TechNews-rewriting
81. Uranus-aboutlaughing
82. Bridge-buming
83. Flag-buming
84. Latin-learning
85. About-black-people-not-caring
86. bathtub
87. Washington-Capitals-owning
88. Chelsia-building
89. Child-overprotecting
90. Fund-misappropriating
91. Scroll-Locking
92. Car-Magazine-Subscribing
93. Pan-Fluting
94. Alley-geoing
95. DRM-Encoding
96. Depression-having
97. Kate-tampering
98. Accent-mocking
99. Possession-coveting
100. Word-saundering

A Joke
How do you know when your dog is sick?
When it doesn’t get up in the morning to make you breakfast!
**WHAT’S HOT, WHAT’S NOT**

**By Stephanie Herrera**

**Hot: Tyrus Thomas**

Tyrus Thomas finally breaks out. He’s having an amazing second half with the potential to be rookie of the year. That spot will be promised to him if the Bulls go all the way. He scores his career high, 17 points, against the Cleveland and the wonder boy Lebron James. Cleveland being the competition for the 2nd place spot for playoffs, Thomas hardly lets the pressure get to him. That same game he was 9-11 from the field and 9-10 from the line, adding 8 boards, 3 steals and 3 blocks all in 39 minutes. A break out game like this only confirms his potential to dominate this league. Rumor has it he doesn’t plan on going anywhere anytime soon. Even though my heart is with Kevin Garnett I have to watch out, because this 20 year old rookie look like he’s going to be giving the dominants a run for their money.

**Not: Ben Gordon’s Pants**

Ben Gordon brings back the 70’s with a large increase in short-to-knee ratio. The picture speaks for itself. You can’t even see the bottom of his number. Come on Ben, you can’t be one of the best point guards in the NBA and walk on the court lookin’ like Steve Urkel.

**WHAT GOING ON AROUND TOWN**

**By Stephanie Herrera**

**NBA Bulls**

Killing their opponents in the last to showings, Bulls securing the number two spot in the playoffs. Cleveland, a half game behind, shows no chances in taking the spot away from us. Cavaliers have to go 100% in there next 3 games in order to tie with the Bulls. Even with a tie Bulls win the spot. Let’s hope they can make past the first round in the playoffs this year. They have the personnel, they have the coach and I sure they have the desire, given all the trash talking going on about them having the potential to be a great team. They are a great team, right now! My prediction: Bulls and Suns in the Finals.

**MLB White Sox**

After a loss in the home opening series against Cleveland, Sox show great potential once again. Sox are 5-5 so far, but after an embarrassing performance by Scott Podsednik to lose the second game in the series against the Oakland, the Sox managed to pull out of the series 2-1. Expect great things from Darin Erstad though. He sits in the second spot in the batting order and shows potential of being a key part of the Sox this year. In the home opener he had a homerun in his first time up at bat. Since then he’s had 3 RBIs and 3 stolen bases.

**MLB Cubs**

Cubs are playing in a predictable fashion, still winless at home. Cub blew a 5-0 lead in the fifth inning against the Reds. Zambrano gave up four runs and was taken out with the bases loaded, just in time for Will Ohman to walk the next two batters with the bases loaded. Cubs lose 6-5. If you are still a Cubs fan, more power to you. You guys live the second spot in the batting order and shows potential of being a key part of the Sox this year. In the home opener he had a homerun in his first time up at bat. Since then he’s had 3 RBIs and 3 stolen bases.

**MLB Chicago Fire**

Fire wins season opener against New England 1-0. Tending goal was Matt Pickens. He had an amazing save in the second half when Andy Dorman from the Revolution attempted to tie up the game. Pickens leaped in the air with a one handed punch, shooting the ball above the goal. Goal credited to an assisted header of the post into the net. Justin Mapp had the cross goal pass to Lagan Pause who headed it credited to an assisted header of the post into the net. Justin Mapp had the cross goal pass to Lagan Pause who headed it.

**HEALTH TIP OF THE WEEK**

If you know you are going to eat a big meal, adjust your exercise plans so that you exercise vigorously the day before. Your body will burn off the calories from the meal better. Also, just because food is on your plate doesn’t mean you have to finish it. Best advice is to finish eating when you’re full. Don’t wait until you can’t breathe unless you unbuckle your pants and pass out from a food coma. “Quit when you’re comfortable!”

**LINE UP**

**Baseball**

Tuesday, April 17 at Bradley at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 18 at Calumet at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 19 vs. Trinity Christian at 3:00 p.m.

Friday, April 20 at Trinity International at 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 22 at Cardinal Stritch at 1:00 p.m.

**DO YOU KNOW SPORTS?**

**Answer to last week’s question:**

D. Paul Konerko

Shark finishing is my game, although not really possible in my home country of Sweden. That’s why I moved to Florida. Who am I?

A. Mathias Gronberg
B. Jesper Parnevik
C. Anders Hansen
D. Soren Hansen

Answer in next week’s issue 12.