The Western Athletic Conference (WAC) is suing Fresno State in an attempt to try and keep the university in the conference until 2013.

"The suit is unfortunate," Fresno State President John Welty said in a statement. "We believe that all the issues can be resolved through discussion rather than through costly legal proceedings."

WAC Commissioner Karl Benson, however, dashed those hopes Tuesday morning by indicating that the conference would not negotiate an early-exit buyout with Fresno State. Respondents in the suit along with Fresno State include the University of Nevada and the Mountain West Conference (MWC).

The WAC alleges that both Fresno State and Nevada missed the conference's July 1 withdrawal date, meaning that neither school can leave the WAC for the MWC until June 30, 2012. Both schools wish to enter the Mountain West in time for the 2011 football season.

"If Fresno [State] or Nevada fail or refuse to participate as Members of the WAC through June 30, 2012," the suit declares, "there will be irreparable damage to the conference and its remaining members in that scheduling will be incomplete, and participation and competition for the student athletes will be adversely affected."

Fresno State and Nevada made national news when they announced that they planned on leaving the WAC for the MWC, following fellow 2010 WAC-member Boise State. The move came as a surprise considering that the conference had previously announced that it was done adding teams.

"The move is disputed is the amount of money that Fresno State and Nevada are required to pay the WAC for leaving the conference. Benson maintains that both schools are required to pay the $5 million stipulated by an agreement signed before the schools indicated their intention to leave. Fresno State has said that at the most it will pay $2.5 million, and some legal experts have indicated that they may not have to pay at all. According to the agreement, if Brigham Young University did not reach an agreement with the WAC by Sept. 1, it wouldn't then the resolution would not take effect and the money need not be paid."

By Tony Petersen
The Collegian

Campus car theft persists

By Ana Mendoza
The Collegian

With Fresno having one of the highest rates of car theft in the state, it is no surprise that Fresno State's campus is no stranger to car theft and break-ins. Recent incidents indicate that vehicle and property safety is still very much a concern for students.

"I really didn't think this would happen to me," said Ben Ingersoll, The Collegian's sports editor; whose 2002 Ford Escape was broken into, leaving his front-passenger window shattered with shards of glass left on the roof and windshield.

The incident happened Sep. 4 while his car was parked at Plaza Apartments next to The Bulldog Shop during the football game. It was parked from 3 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. His backpack, which was on the passenger front seat, was stolen. As a result, more than $120 worth of his personal belongings were taken.

"For the 2009-2010 academic year we had a total of 7 vehicles and 5 cars were recovered," said Amy Armstrong, public information officer from the Campus Police Department at Fresno State.

[There has been] one thief [this semester]," said Armstrong. "It has not been recovered."

Even though other valuable materials were in Ingersoll's car, an iPod, check book, golf clubs, and 2 sunglasses worth $200 total, only his backpack was taken. Ingersoll said that because he had a car alarm, it might have prevented other personal items from being stolen.

Car burglaries are nothing new for California and the City of Fresno. According to the Insurance Information Institute, California has the highest car theft rate in the country. When it comes to cities, Fresno is number five in the nation.

"If anything was to be stolen from my car, I would probably call 911 right away," said Nakei Vang, a sophomore in liberal studies.

Armstrong said students should instead call the University Police Department and report the incident. She also recommends that all students write down serial numbers for all valuable materials, such as laptops and other electronics. If these materials are stolen from their vehicles, the serial numbers should be given to the police. The officer will file a report and give students a case number.

Once the serial number is registered in their system, it will increase the possibility of materials being returned to the owner, if recovered, said Armstrong.

Many auto theft crimes, however, are not reported. Ingersoll is one more auto theft victim who did not report the crime to the police, but he did report it to his insurance company.

"Don't leave your things in plain sight," said Ingersoll.
in a post 9/11 world, our preoccupa-
tion with religious "literalism" has im-
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of religious "moderation" shields this kind of religious
lunacy. This was one of the many things
Sam Harris' polemic "The End of Faith.

Though both moderates and extrem-
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faith, Harris argued moderation poses
a problem for all because it dis-
courages harsh criticism directed
at religious literalism

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The Wellness Lounge launches with success

By Janessa Tyler
The Collegian

Health services on campus nowadays go beyond getting a Band-Aid and Tylenol. The services offered at the Student Health Center stretch to meet the needs of students so they can have a great academic year and enjoy a healthy lifestyle.

Their services range from physical exams and counseling to wart removal. The health center is also stocked with a pharmacy where students can receive prescriptions and over-the-counter medications.

The Health Promotion and Wellness Services started The Wellness Lounge three semesters ago in order for students to learn about the countless services available through the health center.

Coordinator for Health Promotion and Wellness Services Kathy Yarmo said the services focus primarily on education.

“The Wellness Lounge basically is a satellite of the health center,” Yarmo said. “It focuses on health promotion and wellness.”

The Wellness Lounge opened its doors on Sept. 13 and is located on the bottom level of the University Student Union (USU).

Colorful balloons decorated the doorway and rainbow lanterns hung from the ceiling on its opening day. Sugar-free punch, bananas, trail mix and granola bars were free to guests, as well as condoms wrapped in a red paper stating “no glove, no love.”

Physical Therapy Hour will kickoff Monday mornings starting next week. Blood pressure screenings started yesterday and will continue every Tuesday afternoon.

Wellness Wednesdays will start “hump day” off with a bang, followed by Nutrition Hour and Career Café. The Career Center will be hosting the Career Café every Wednesday afternoon.

“We have a career coach that will come in and look at people’s résumés,” Yarmo said. “There’s different aspects of wellness, and occupational wellness is one of them.”

Alcohol safety is another major aspect of wellness. The Wellness Lounge is the place to go if you have questions or concerns about how much and when to drink. Thursdays at noon will be dedicated to Happy Hour when students can play Guitar Hero and Dance Dance Revolution.

“Students can come in and play the interactive games and get information on partying safely,” Yarmo said.

Student Coordinator for the Alcohol Education Project Cayella Castaneda said their main goal is to get students more informed about alcohol safety and give them tips on how to moderate their drinking.

“Our main message is that we want students to party and have fun, but to do it safely,” Castaneda said.

Castaneda said Fall Harvest Fest is coming up Oct. 20 to celebrate National Alcohol Collegiate Awareness Week and Fresno State’s centennial celebration.

Wellness Student Coordinator Georgiana Negron said The Wellness Lounge spotlighted stress management in the past two semesters because it was, and still is, a top factor that interferes with academic performance among students.

“We focus on these specific issues so that students can get more help,” Negron said.

The Wellness Lounge is open for the remainder of the fall semester. Doors will be open every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Yarmo said students who have questions or concerns are welcome to come to the health center after The Wellness Lounge hours.

“We’re hoping that all of this will encourage students to utilize the services at the health center.”
Students get involved in SAFARI

Involvement fair helps students

By Maddie Shannon
The Collegian

The University Student Union (USU) balcony will be a zoo today from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. as the 5th annual Student Affairs Fair and Resource Information event (SAFARI) educates students about the on-campus services available to them.

SAFARI started in 2006 as part of Dr. Paul Oliaro’s plan to help students find programs they need in order to do well in college. Each of the offices under the division of Student Affairs has a table out on the balcony that will serve to make students aware of the many services and programs they have available to them.

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1. Old orchard spray
5. Per ___ (by the day)
9. Trim a steak, for example
14. Ranile
15. U2’s land, to its natives
16. Susan Lucci role on “All My Children”
17. Truce
19. Solitary one
20. 1970s dance craze
21. ___-frutti (ice cream flavor)
23. Windmill blade
26. Creaks and squeaks in the night
29. Anatomy class teaching aid
33. With opulence
34. Glass squares
35. Sedately dignified
37. PC-linking system
38. Windmill blade
39. Human or alien
40. Late percussion great Puente
41. Reptile on the Nile
42. Try a bite
43. Used picks on a vein
44. Anxiety
46. Indolence
48. Oft-pulled areas for athletes
49. ___ go bragh!
50. One who gives blood
52. Evidence of rain

DOWN
1. Symbol of St. Louis
2. In ___ of (standing in for)
3. Woeful exclamation
4. Take a break
5. Overcome in battle
6. Three, on a sundial
7. Write down the wrong answer, e.g.
8. Wrestling contest
9. Shoulder muscle
10. Like the Kama Sutra
11. Marathoner’s destination
12. Top of a card suit
13. Surfacing gunk
18. Legendary toy makers
22. Strip of gear, as a ship
24. Mr. Potato Head parts
25. Give the right, as to privileges
27. Makes joyful
28. Ecclesiastical districts
29. Bounded
30. Type of deli roll
31. Final version
32. Jeans brand
36. Bend ___ (listen attentively)
39. Low man in the chorus
40. Type of plate or soldier
42. Sawbucks
43. Calculator symbol
45. Shining flower!
47. Sleeping bag closure
51. Answer an invitation
53. June 6, 1944 remembrance
54. Farmer’s place, in a song
55. Feeble, as an excuse
56. Cheese tray item
57. Sun or moon, poetically
58. By way of
60. “___ a yellow ribbon…”

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Word of the Day
Cell phone samba
The erratic movements of a person trying to get better cell phone service.

Source: UrbanDictionary.com
Logan Harrell and the Fresno State defense lead the nation in sacks with eight. Harrell will be an integral force against the Aggies on Saturday.

By Vongni Yang
The Collegian

Images of Utah State quarterback Nick Foles have been all over the PlayStation Network this week with the release of NCAA Football 11. Foles is not the only Aggie you have to worry about.

"He's another year older," coach Pat Hill said of Borel. "He's a lot like Collaros, but Hill said that districts in football do not start off the same. Collaros style of play is similar to Borel, but Hill said that Borel is much more of a threat runner, "He can run it and he causes us a lot of movements, Hill said. "It's a no huddle team and motions, a little bit different from Cincinnati," Hill said. "You have to stay very disciplined when you play a team that does a lot of movement, shifts, motions and personnel changes."

The conference opener against Utah State will be a good test for a Fresno State defense that does a lot of movement, lining up different personnel all the time. "You have to give us some credit, we played pretty well against Collaros," Hill said. "We're going to have to play the same way against Borel." Collaros style of play is similar to Borel, but Hill said that Borel is much more of a threat rushing the ball. "Borel, he's talented and I think he's probably a better runner, Hill said. He can make a lot of things happen off of scramble.

Against seventh-ranked Oklahoma Borel kept the Sooners' defense on its heels after throwing for 341 yards and two touchdowns. Borel and the Aggies came up short in a upset losing 34-24. The Aggies rebounded after the Oklahoma defeat and trounced Idaho State 38-17. Borel completed over 80 percent of his passes for 255 yards and a touchdown. He also added another touchdown on the ground while rushing for 28 yards.

"As long as Utah State has Borel at quarterback, they have multiple threats on that football team," Hill said. "He can deal it to a lot of people. He can run it and he causes you to spend a lot of time keeping an eye on him. He's got a lot of weapons." With the loss of last season's leading rusher Robert Turbin, Hill said: "He's an excellent football player, but a lot of personnel changes."

Adding to the injury woes is sophomore running back Robbie Rouse, who tallied just 46 yards against the Bearcats and is expected to sit out this Saturday's contest nursing a shoulder and ankle injuries, adding to the team's injury woes. Reserve running back A.J. Hill has stepped into the coaching staff in recent practices. Hill is now active following a turf toe injury and will also take some handoffs from quarterback Ryan Colburn.

"He's an experienced small player also," Hill said of Rouse. "We've got to have a good football player it's a blow, but like the thing is we feel that we have players that will step in and pick up the flag."

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one of college football's most NFL-like defenses. Locker, who is looking to start like the Heisman candidate we all praised him to be, is batting on a similar performance to last week (289 pass yards, 4 touchdowns) to derail the Bearcats. The Cornhuskers national title hopes. A lot of NFL scouts should be watching this game, mostly because of Locker, but also because two Nebraska defensive players, cornerback Prince Amukamara and defensive tackle Jared Crick, are likely 2011 first round draft picks.

A. No. 9 Iowa at No. 24 Arizona

This game tops my list because I want to see the Wildcat's defense this weekend pinning two top-25 teams. In a somewhat dismal weekend for college football, these two teams should spice it up a little bit. Rarely talked-about Iowa travels over 1,500 miles to Tucson to take on the rising Wildcats for a game that should have Rose Bowl implications at the end of the season. Arizona quarterback Nick Foles has completed 83 percent of his passes this season and is in All-American form. Iowa is currently ninth in the country in total defense. Something has to give.

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Freshman Isaiah Burse, J.J. Stallworth and Matt Lindsey, will fill out the rotation, giving Hill plenty of options to turn.

"Somebody will pick up the flag," Hill said. "That's the saying around here.

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"We're looking forward to this challenge for us," Hill said. "I think they'll be a great game, but like the thing is we feel that we have players that will step in and pick up the flag."

In the season opener the 'Dogs are ranked 14th in total defense and first in the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) after giving up 234 yards of total offense. Utah State is 18th in the nation in total offense and second in the WAC after averaging 481.5 yards per game.

With an explosive offensive, Hill said that it will be a daunting task to contain Utah State's complex scheme.

"This team does a lot of shift and motions, a little bit different from Cincinnati," Hill said. "It's a no huddle team but a lot of personnel changes. They're changing personnel all the time.

"You have to be very, very careful with that," he added. "You have to stay very disciplined when you play a team that does a lot of movement, shifts, motions and personnel changes.

The conference opener against Utah State will be a good test for a Fresno State defense that is still trying to validate it's defensive prowess.

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‘Dogs limping into conference play

By Ben Ingersoll
The Collegian

A week after downsing Big East powerhouse Cincinnati in impressive fashion, Fresno State head coach Pat Hill has quite a few adjustments to make, and not all involve his team’s opponent each week. Since matchups such as No. 9 Iowa vs. No. 24 Arizona, Cal at Nevada and UCLA, the Pac-10 can either quiet nay-sayers or fuel their fire even more.

1. Denard Robinson vs. Massachusetts

UMass will have the tough task of keeping “Shoeelace” under 500 yards. If you think that’s a joke, think again—Robinson torched Notre Dame for 502 total yards by himself last week, solidifying himself as a true Heisman Trophy candidate. Football Championship Subdivision (FCS)UMass has little chance of going into the Big House and pulling off an upset. Robinson vs. Massachusetts—his performance against the Minutemen could keep him on the outside of Pac-10 talks.

2. No. 23 Houston at UCLA

The Pac-10 is notoriously good against out-of-conference foes, especially in meaningful games. Last season, of the seven Pac-10 schools that competed in a bowl game, five lost by an average of 14 points. The only two victories came from USC and UCLA, and they were against Boston College and Temple. Saturday will be a great way for the Pac-10 to prove itself. With matchups such as No. 9 Iowa at No. 24 Arizona, Cal at Nevada and No. 23 Houston at UCLA, the Pac-10 can either quiet nay-sayers or fuel their fire even more.

3. Virginia Tech vs. East Carolina

I won’t be watching this game because, quite frankly, I’ve lost all respect for the Hokies this season, but you can bet Boise State will be interested. Virginia Tech has been demoted to the nation’s perennial laughing stock after its five-point loss to PCS James Madison, and with each pathetic loss, Boise State loses a little credibility. Expect Virginia Tech to have a big game, because when you lose to a school that barely posted a winning record in the PCS last season, you don’t want to lay an egg the following week.

4. Rashad Evans vs. Fresno State

Although Wylie’s injury may be serious enough to warrant a full season recovery, there is a chance he could use a medical redshirt and gain another year of eligibility. “I think he really wants to play,” Hill said. “It’s got to be an injury that keeps him out for the season. This could be one of those injuries. You never know how they’re going to respond.”

5. Head Coach Pat Hill

It was announced this week that Fresno State’s do-it-all wide receiver Devon Wylie will miss a substantial portion, and perhaps all, of this season. Wylie is expected to undergo surgery tomorrow to heal a stress fracture. Wylie’s injury is deemed an injury that keeps him out for the season. This could be one of those injuries. You never know how they’re going to respond. Wylie could keep him on the sideline for 2010, it opens doors for the other starters to step in and newcomers to make an impact. True freshman Jalen Saunders saw limited action in the season-opener against Cincinnati and caught a critical 18-yard pass for a first down. With Wylie out, Hill said Saunders would likely fill the void in the return game as well, placing a big role on the 18-year-old native of Elk Grove, Calif. “Jalen hasn’t played in a lot of games yet but he made a heck of a catch on that low slant against Cincinnati,” Hill said. “I think he’s got some very unusual qualities for a true freshman as far as his composure. Nothing flusters him too much. He’s a lot like Rashad Evans in that way.”

Evans was hit by the injury bug last year also and was required to redshirt before the season began while nursing a hamstring injury. Both he and junior returnee James Hamler are the primary answers for the Bulldogs’ recent issues with depth at receiver.