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## **Saint Mary's College names new head coach of soccer program**

Athletic Director Lynn Kachmarik is pleased to announce the hiring of Caryn Mackenzie as the new head coach of the women's soccer program. Mackenzie will step into her position immediately to continue recruiting efforts for next season and to work with the team during their non-traditional season of training.

Mackenzie comes to Saint Mary's after having been the head girls soccer coach at John Adams High School since 1993, and before her move to Adams, the head girls soccer coach at Riley High School, her first head coaching position, for four seasons. For seven seasons, beginning the year of her move to Adams, Caryn was a head coach for the Junior Irish Soccer Club. This year she will be completing her 20<sup>th</sup> year as the Girls' Athletic Director and Physical Education Teacher at The Stanley Clark School in South Bend. While at Stanley Clark she has coached both the girls' soccer and basketball teams for the 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades.

Caryn brings a tough, competitive, and disciplined style to the game, harnessed through years of successful coaching and playing. A 1984 graduate of Quincy College (now Quincy University) she captained the soccer, basketball and softball teams during her career there and participated in the Quincy United Soccer Club tour of Scotland in 1982.

She has coached at some of the most prestigious soccer camps at the local and national levels including the University of Notre Dame camp, Mike Berticelli's Soccer School, the University of Texas at Austin's girl's soccer camp, and in the World Cup Soccer Day Camp. Caryn has also been a featured soccer clinician for the NSCAA National Convention (1999). She has earned both the NSCAA National as well as Advanced National Soccer Coaching License.

Joining Caryn in her move to Saint Mary's will be long time assistant Ramzi Bualuan, the Director of Undergraduate Studies in Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Notre Dame. Ramzi has been coaching with Caryn for 10 years, and has himself been a head coach with the Junior Irish program for nine seasons.

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