ESPN Welterweight Title On Line at Showboat May 24 -

One champion and two with visions of holding a title will highlight the monthly ESPN boxing card Friday, May 24 at the Showboat Hotel, Casino, Country Club and Bowling Center.

It will not be a title fight for Eric "The Prince" Martin and Troy "Schoolboy" Wortham, but, nonetheless, a title will be on the line when the two welterweights fight for the ESPN tournament championship in the 12round main event.

However, the fight which will be watched very closely will be the semi-main event.

North American Boxing Federation champion David Braxton will square off against Tony Cerda in a nontitle junior middleweight contest.

Day Memorial The Weekend card is promoted

Georgetown's Pat Ewing has year-old son

NEW YORK - Patrick Ewing, who won acclaim as college basketball's premier player at Georgetown, has a son who is about to celebrate his first birthday, it was disclosed Wednesday.

Commenting on a story that appeared in Wednesday's editions of the New York Post, Washington attorney David Falk said the All America center ''is extremely proud" of the boy and loves him a great deal.

Falk, who represents Ewing, said the player has not tried to hide the fact that he has a son.

"When he is Massachusetts, he visits him on a regular basis. He has signed the birth certificate as his father. He has supported the son financially and will continue to do so. He has no intent whatsoever to do anything other than proudly identify himself as the father," Falk said.

The Post reported that Patrick Ewing Jr. weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces when he was born last May 20, and lives with his mother, Sharon D. Stanford, and grandmother in Massachusetts.

'The mother is a former high school sweetheart," according to Falk. He said that Ewing "is not desireous of commenting on the relationship publicly. It's a private matter.

"He's fun and exciting," Stanford said of her son. 'He's a very friendly baby who caters to everybody. He doesn't have a problem with anybody. He's very loveable.

by Bob Arum's Top Rank Inc. in association with the Showboat. Boxing starts promptly at 6 p.m. Doors open to the Showboat Sports Pavilion at 5 p.m. Veteran Las Vegas matchmaker Mel Grebb assembled the card.

Tickets are priced at \$15 for reserved ringside seats and \$10 for general admission. Tickets are on sale -Monday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion Ticket Office (702) 385-9192

And, as usual, the card will be blacked out in the Southern Nevada area, as are all ESPN cards from the Showboat.

Both main event fighters are looking that a victory, coupled with the ESPN Welterweight Championship belt, will spiral them into the Top 10 in world rankings.

The undefeated Wortham, 21, Hartford, Conn., with a record of 21-0 and 12 knockouts, appears to have the upper hand. Martin, 24, San Francisco, Calif., comes with a 16-4-2 record and five knockouts.

Wortham comes off his toughest victory yet, an 11round decision over Robert Mendez in Atlantic City, N.J., that earned him a right for the championship battle.

"It was the guttiest performance I have ever seen,' claims Mac Buckley, Wortham's manager. "He had the flu for two weeks prior to the fights, plus he was coming off exams at school (he is a junior in college). He absolutely stopped in the fourth round, just died. He fought the rest of the way on

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Fight schedule

(c-denotes defending champion)
May 16 at Atlantic City — Duane Thomas
Mark McPherson, 10, junior middleweights;
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May 77 at Stateline, Nev. — Mark Breland vs. Vince Dunfee, 6, welterweights; Meldrick Taylor vs. Nery Reyes, 6, lightweights; Tyrell Biggs vs. Grady Daniels, 6, heavyweights; Francesco Damiani vs. Larry Roberson, 6, heavyweights

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May 19 at San Juan, Puerto Rico — c-Rocky Lockridge vs. Wilfredo Gomez, 15, WBA junior lightweight title.
May 20 at Reno — c-Larry Holmes vs. Carl Williams, 15, IBF heavyweight title; Marvis Frazier vs. James Tillis, 10, heavyweights.
May 22 at Atlamtic City — Johnny Bumphus vs. Rich Baranek, 10, weiterweights.
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May 25 at Miami — Milton McCrory vs. Luis Santana, 10, junior middleweights.
June 1 at Paris — c-Carlos Santos vs. Louis Arcaries, 15, IBF junior middleweight title.
June 5 at Atlantic City — Tyrone Crawley vs. Charley "Choo Choo" Brown, 12, lightweights.

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June 6 at Las Vegas — c-Michael Spinks vs.

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MacDonald, 12, light-heavyweight title; clos DeLeon vs. Alfonzo Ratiff, 12, WBC
sierweight title; c-Davey Hilton vs. Dennis
rne, 12, Continental Americas welterweight

June 11 at Atlantic City — Bernard Taylor
vs. Tyrone Downes, 10, featherweights.
June 20 at Atlantic City — Tony Anthony
vs. Jesse Ferguson, 12, heavyweights.
June 22 at Atlantic City — Donald Curry vs.
Pablo Baez, 10, junior middleweights.
Jame 30 at Las Vegus — c-Jimmy Paul vs.
Robin Blake, 18, 18F lightweight title.
July 14 at Monte Carolo — C-Mitton McCrory vs. Carlos Trujillo, 12, WBC welterweight
title.

sheer guts. He got himself to Showboat on Jan. 24 in an a draw after almost knocking Mendez out in the final a berth in the finale. round. But he didn't have

the extra round. Wortham arrived Thursday, May 16, in Las Vegas to train for the match. He will work out in the Showboat Sports Pavilion. Times have not been announced.

anything left. He then took

Buckley feels Wortham's biggest detriment is that "he is still physically immature. He is just a young kid. He is still learning." The marketing major, with a minor in business, has fought in five different weight divisions, from junior lightweight to junior middleweight.

Martin, meanwhile, is considered the "Great Hope of the West" in the nationally televised event. He defeated Reggie Miller at the

eight-round decision to earn

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