



In Touch

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From the Director Of Coaching

I am excited to write to you this month about a few new faces that will be joining our coaching staff. In the recent weeks we have hired 5 new faces to our staff to help in a number of different capacities. There is starting to be quite a bit of growth within the Academy and it is an exciting time for us and a great opportunity to bring some good young coaches on board.

We have been able to hire Brandon Ermels to coach our new Super 20 team this summer. The Super 20 team will be the badly needed link between the u18 age group and the PDL. This team will offer kids that are just graduating high school and already into their first year of college the chance to play at a high level and truly act as a reserve team to the PDL. Our goal is to identify the best local and regional talent to help win a title in this age division. Helping Brandon and also coaching our U19 team this summer will be Dustin Kralik. Both Dustin and Brandon are local high school coaches, Brandon at Waukee and Dustin at Norwalk. Dustin will also be working with the Academy in the fall with duties to be assigned as needs are assessed. Bradon will be at Waldorf College in the fall and will be pretty busy with his time in Forest City, but we expect to have in the summer and spring.

Also joining the staff are two PDL players, Armin Mujdzic and Travis Yoakum. Both Armin and Travis will be overseeing the Jr. Menace program and have done a great job already with our fast growing development program. Our Jr. Menace program has seen numbers almost double this season and we are now at almost 50 kids. Travis and Armin both recently attended and received their "D" coaching license and will continue their education and growth as coaches in our Academy. Coach Yoakum is also coaching our recently formed U14 boys team. This is a new team that we have added in the spring and we are excited to see it develop under Travis and his leadership.

Helping Travis and Armin this spring will be former Drake standout Elise Rau. Elise will be involved with the Jr. Menace program this spring before she heads to a job with the MLS team Colorado Rapids. With these three coaches on board for our Jr. Menace program, we expect a fun and enjoyable spring for our younger participants.

As many of you are involved in high school soccer at the current time, I thought it exciting and important to mention another proud Academy fact. Almost all of the premier high school programs in the city are filled with Academy players. Schools such as Ankeny, Dowling, Waukee, Norwalk, Valley, Roosevelt, Hoover, Ames, and North all have familiar Menace Academy faces dominating the high school score lines this spring.

All in all, it is an exciting time to be a part of the Menace and I hope to see all of you soon.

Yours in soccer

Casey

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MENACE ACADEMY TRY OUT DATES

**TRYOUT COST IS \$25 - \$10 IF POSTMARKED BY 5/13/07
ALL PLAYERS ATTENDING TRYOUTS WILL RECEIVE A
TRYOUT T-SHIRT AND TICKET TO A MENACE GAME!**

BIRTH DATE GUIDE	
U11	8/1/96 - 7/31/97
U12	8/1/95 - 7/31/96
U13	8/1/94 - 7/31/95
U14	8/1/93 - 7/31/94
U15	8/1/92 - 7/31/93
U16	8/1/91 - 7/31/92
U17	8/1/90 - 7/31/91
U18	8/1/89 - 7/31/90
U19	8/1/88 - 7/31/89

AGE	1st Try Out Date	2nd Date
U11's & 12's	May 29 th 5:30-7pm	June 4 th 6-7:30pm
U13's & 14's	May 29 th 6:30-8pm	June 5 th 6-7:30pm
U15's & U16's	May 30 th 6-7:30pm	June 6 th 6-7:30pm
U17's & U18's	May 31 st 6-7:30pm	June 7 th 6-7:30pm
U11/U12, U13/U14		June 9 th 9-10:30am

Call 515-457-6034 for more information or visit the web at
www.menacesoccer.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Menace Midwest Inviational

May 19-20

Your help is needed in making this Menace tournament run with great success!

Call Tawnya at 457-6034 to sign up today!

*Champions aren't made
in the gyms. Champions
are made from
something they have
deep inside them -- a
desire, a dream, a
vision.*

Muhammad Ali

SUMMER SOCCER CAMPS



AGES: 5-14
COST: \$100

Early Registration \$25 OFF
Register by May 1, 2007 for only \$75!
Receive a FREE game ticket to the
Menace home opener on May 5th

Sibling \$10 OFF each sibling
Take \$10 off when sending more
than one child to camp

*Only one discount may be applied to each
camper registration.

CALL 515-457-6034 or go to
www.menacesoccer.com to register today!

2007 Camp Locations

Check which session you would
like to attend:

June 11-14th
Stuart (WCV Sports Complex)

June 18-21
Des Moines (Aliber Soccer Com-
plex-63rd & Grand)

June 25-28
Norwalk (McAninch Sports
Complex)

July 9-12
Ankeny (Prairie Ridge Sports
Complex)
Perry (Perry Fields)

July 23-26
West Des Moines/Waukee
(Teamwork Acres)

FREE SOCCER BALL
FREE CAMP T-SHIRT

USL—Super Y League

The Des Moines Menace offer a unique and competitive opportunity for players throughout the summer. Super Y-League (SYL) is specifically designed for elite players who aspire to compete at the highest levels of soccer. In fact, many SYL teams are affiliated with the professional, national and international clubs that will one day house their current athletes.

Dates of Travel:

July – 7 and 8th.
July 12,13,14 and 15th.
July 20th and 21st.
July 26, 28 and 29th.



Age Groups:

U15 Boys
U16 Boys
U17 Boys
U20 Boys

Estimate Cost:
\$850

Call 515-457-6034 or email tmm@menacesoccer.com for more information or visit
www.uslsoccer.com





*Don't forget
Mother's Day!
May 13th*



2007 Season Tickets

All 2006-2007 Academy players will receive a free season ticket for the 2007 PDL Season this spring. Parents and siblings take advantage of your 1/2 price season tickets. Tickets include playoffs and open cup games if applicable.

- Preferred parking pass
- 10% off Merchandise Card

Contact cri@menacesoccer.com or call 515-226-9890

Menace Sightings

May Home Games:

May 12th vs Sioux Falls Spitfire

Diamond Dig FREE, soccer Balls at the door, \$1 Hot Dog and \$1 Beers

May 19th vs St. Louis Lions

\$1 Hot Dogs, Mascot Game, Waukee FD/PD, T-Shirt Giveaway

TO PURCHASE TICKETS GO TO IOWATIX.COM

Academy Information

How To Find Out the Information You Need

Check the Menace Website for all up-date information

Call the Weather Hotline for any questions about weather-related cancellations

Hotline Number: 515-457-6378

Contact Your Team Manager and/or coach. They'll often have the answer or know how to find it.

Call the Front Office. You can contact Tawnya Mann at 515-457-6034 when you have questions.

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