



TORO TALK

THE PREMIER CLUB JUST FOR GIRLS

Meet Jose Vargas

Toro Family

I'm so thrilled to be part of this organization. Toro soccer is one of the best girls soccer program in the United States. My goal is to continue pushing the club to strive for success. Helping these young female athletes to become successful not only in soccer but off the field as well has been a dream of mine.

Sincerely,
Jose Vargas
Toro Interim Director of Coaching



Toro Diaper Drive: How you can help.



We have a fun competition going on between our Toro teams and it is all for a good cause!

This year Toro will be apart of the Diaper Drive for the Lydia House. The Open Door Mission's Lydia House provides emergency assistance to women and children fleeing domestic abuse and violence. 94.1 FM sponsors a diaper drive to help free up the Lydia House resources for other necessities. This year Toro will help out by collecting as many diapers as we can for their Diaper Drive.

When: Saturday December 17, 2011

Time: 4:30-6:30pm

Where: Going Vertical/All Seasons

We will have a Total Team Diaper Contest:

1. For the Academy (U8-U11)
2. For the Premier (U12-U18)

The teams that collect the most diapers at each of the two levels, will receive the following prize:

Academy Team winner - Will receive a special team jersey for the spring and a free Pro Training Session.

Junior/Select Team winner - Will receive a Nike Dry fit training jersey.

Additionally, all the girls in the Academy will be invited to an early evening of fun and games at Going Vertical while we are in the process of collecting diapers for all the teams in Toro. We will have prizes and activities for all Academy girls that want to participate. We also want to give a big thanks to Lou Rotella for donating one of his trucks to transport all the diapers.

Get out and start collecting diapers today!

From the Board

Director of Coaching:

As a board we feel it is important to keep our members up to date on our search for a new Director of Coaching. Currently we are in the interview process for a new Toro DOC and plan to keep interviewing as long as possible to find the best fit. Toro has had a number of highly qualified individuals apply for the available position. A hiring committee of volunteers was formed to oversee the interview process to insure that we get the right person to take over at Toro. As this process moves forward, the board feels confident that Toro will have a new Director of Coaching in the near future.

We understand that this has been a difficult time for many of you, as it has for us as well. Please know that we want nothing but the best for Toro players and families, and that through this whole process you have been our number one priority. As soon as we have selected the new Director of Coaching we will inform all of you. If you have any questions about information that you have heard dealing with the DOC position, please feel free to email those questions to toro.soccer@yahoo.com.

Volunteers:

One area we feel that has lapsed is our communication to our Toro members. The board wants to bridge that gap and strengthen the connection between ourselves, the Toro staff and our families; to do that we need your help. If becoming more involved in Toro is something you have thought about in the past, then this is your opportunity. We have a number of ideas/committees that we would like to see incorporated into Toro, but need your help. Contact: toro.soccer@yahoo.com if you are interested.

“When one door closes, another opens; but we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one that has opened for us.”

- Alexander Graham Bell

Tiny Toros Micro Program Coming this Spring



This spring Toro will start up their Tiny Toros Program. Girls age 3-6 years of age will have the opportunity to come out and learn skills, teamwork, and a little competition. This program is geared towards teaching individual fundamentals of soccer in a fun atmosphere.

Tiny Toros will be lead by Keri Leece, one of our current Academy coaches. She has been involved with coaching for over 10 years at all levels and currently holds her C License. “I am excited to start up this program for our little ones. The thrill of watching your players grow and learn from your coaching can’t be beat. This opportunity is something I have looked forward to for a long time.”

Tiny Toros will be a “Give Back” type of program. Along with current staff members as coaches for the Tiny Toros we will also incorporate Toro players as part our staff. Current players become our future coaches and there is no better way to started than now. We are looking for U15-U18 players that are interested in volunteer coaching our Tiny Toros.

Registration for Tiny Toros will be posted on our website by January 1, 2012. If you are a current player interested in helping out with Tiny Toros please contact Keri at: zarullu@yahoo.com.

Coaches Corner



Looking to get your coaching license or advance to the next license? Nebraska State Soccer offers a number of coaching course that could benefit everyone in our staff.

Contact Jose to see out Toro can help you further your coaching education.

Player Profile: Jenna Schmidt

By Chad Gleckler

Jenna is a tall, slender girl just waiting for her body to catch up with her brain. Jenna joined SoccoLoco last fall with tons of potential but not a lot of experience. Over the last year she has without a doubt become one of our most improved players. Jenna is very attentive during both practices and games. She listens to direction and works to execute the drills with precision. She along with her parents have that commitment to the game that we coaches love to see. When Jenna started with SoccoLoco she learned how to play more of a defensive position. This last fall she has taken on the task of an offensive attacker. As a coach it has been very rewarding to watch her growth. I look forward to Jenna's continued development and knowledge of this awesome game we call "Soccer!"



Coming Soon



By the new year we will have Toro Soccer Club's Facebook page up and running. Like us and share your team accomplishments, get the latest club information and connect with the club. Details will be out soon!



Omaha Sports Physical Therapy, PC will offer Injury Assessments to Toro players this winter. This opportunity is part of Toro's commitment to providing players with the information they need in injury prevention. We hope you will take advantage of this assessment.

For more information on what the test is and why it is important and for details on the dates and time check our website: www.torosoccer.com this January. Your coaches will also be provided with information in the near future.

