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## August/September News



### Upcoming Events:

- Sep 2-Oct 2— Collect your FREE SOCCER BALL at Farm & Fleet
- Sep 2–Nov 19— Chevy Fundraiser
- Sep 9-11— SASA Governors Cup
- Sept 17th— MILLKIN DAY
- Sep 23-25— Morton Pumpkin Classic

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## Midstate RAISING THE LEVEL, with iSoccer!

Midstate Soccer Club's partnership with fun exciting new program 'iSoccer' is well underway!

The club is committed to 'raising the level' of all its players and offers iSoccer to all those on a Midstate travel team. iSoccer is a video-based motivational program that Midstate has incorporated to develop



the technical ability of our players.

The first 'assessment' night, Aug 8, was a lot of fun with over 80 travel players taking their first test. Results are recorded on our iSoccer



page and can be viewed alongside team-mates scores to enable the kids to have some friendly competition.

If you missed the assessment night, a make up ses-

sion has been arranged for Wed 14th Sept at 6pm at the main complex.

## iSoccer STARS of the month are:

- Tucker Mathieson,
- Brianna Haag,
- Mackenzie Velchek,
- Bryce Shumaker
- Maggie Curlin
- Parker Schanefelt



## Jurgen Klinsmann takes the helm for U.S MNT

A new era has begun for the U.S Men's National team! Jurgen Klinsmann took over as head men's coach in July of this year. Klinsmann was a World Cup Winner as a player, and also led Germany to the semi-finals of the World cup as a manager.

What does this all mean for U.S Youth Soccer?

Well, Klinsmann is an advocate of player development, and views his new role as a process to not only help the current players along, but to produce world class players for the future. He has a vision that includes trying to develop

creative players at a young age, and has as strong focus on the future of the game in the U.S.

Exciting times for both the US team & youth soccer!



## Chevy Youth Soccer Clinic a Success!

Thank you to Chevy for their on-going commitment to youth soccer in Decatur!

Chevrolet provided Decatur with a free clinic Tuesday 30th Aug at our very own Midstate complex. This was a great opportunity for our young players to learn some new skills from the UK Elite company who ran their clinic for over 100 kids!

Thank you to all for attending and participating in the raffles etc.

Remember all Midstate travel players are participating in the Miles Chevrolet raffle which ends November 19th. Each player should have received 10 raffle tickets to sell. These are \$5 each, 3 for \$10. If you have not received these yet, or need more tickets, please email [cbonner@decparcs.com](mailto:cbonner@decparcs.com) and we will get these to you.



## Record numbers (137) at Midstate Summer Camp!

Thank you to all 137 campers who helped Midstate record its highest ever numbers for summer camp August 1-4!

Huge thanks to all of our guest coaches for making the camp such a great success! Guest coaches included Chad Jones (Head men's Millikin coach), Emily Johnson (Head women's coach Millikin), Joe Morelli (ex professional), Mark Hansen (EIU assistant coach), Josh Alford (DOC Little Illini)!



## Midstate day @ Millikin Sep 17th

Midstate is teaming up with Millikin University this fall to offer a Midstate day!!

Midstate players will get a chance to attend a Millikin men's & women's game, lead University players out on to the field, and partake in half-time activities on the field. Saturday September 17th

Women's game– 1pm

Men's game– 3pm

Come out and support your local university and wear your Midstate gear! Special thanks to Chad Jones, Emily Johnson & Millikin for helping coordinate this event!



## Goal policy/education

One of our primary objectives is that children have safe soccer areas. To that end, soccer goals should remain securely anchored to the ground and nets firmly attached to the goals.

In an effort to keep the goals and nets secure and children safe, you are required to advise your children/soccer players and any other person accompanying you for whom you are responsible that the following is strictly prohibited: moving any soccer goals and any

use of a soccer goal that is inconsistent with soccer-related activity, including without limitation, playing, climbing, or hanging on any part of the soccer goal. This especially applies to children climbing on or hanging from nets or goal frames. **According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, these activities can result in serious injury, including death**

If you observe any child inappropriately using a soccer goal

or net, immediately and politely ask the child to stop. If the activity continues, please notify a coach or referee as soon as possible. Players violating this rule may be forced to sit out, at the coach's discretion.

Finally, if you see any soccer goal that is not anchored down or any net that is not firmly secured to the goal, please notify a Midstate Soccer Club staff member, coach or referee immediately.

## Fall Academy in full swing!



Midstate's Fall youth academy is well underway! 3 weeks into our one of our largest and most fun programs and we have already had themes such as 'crazy socks night' and 'bring a book to donate night'.

Midstate's youth academy is a fun way to develop coordination & motor skills, as well as basic soccer movements. We focus on a non-competitive environment to enable players to be creative.



## Decatur Celebration Weekend Winners!

Thank you to all those who volunteered, helped and stopped by the Midstate booth over the Celebration weekend! Trophies were awarded to those players who scored highest on juggling & shooting contests! If you haven't claimed your prize yet, call the DISC on 429-3472 to claim. Win-

ners: Alex Stehr, Rylan Lawson, Grant Reid, Christian Schanefelt, Andrew Gottman, Logan Frommelt, DJ Hames, Brad Munos, Jake Shumaker, Bryce Shumaker, Brennan Weirman, Jacob Albert, Joella Livingston, Erin Henne, Naomi White, Kaitlyn Mahoney, Addie Fyke, Megan Leighton, Delaney Bowling, Anna Cluvern Kara

Mechling, Jena Sams, Malorie Harder, Madison Hoff!



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2nd & 3rd group Summer Campers!



## Get to Know...

### Maggie Nashland

Team: HS girls

Position: Goalkeeper

Favorite Soccer Teams: Man Utd & Western New York Flash

Favorite Food: Fish & Chips

Most Memorable Soccer Moment:

“Winning regionals last year in triple over-time!!”

### Tobi Joseph

Team: U11 boys

Position: Forward

Favorite Soccer Teams: Barcelona & Man United

Favorite Food: Pizza

Most Memorable Soccer Moment:

“Winning the 3v3 Championship in Indianapolis with Midstate this year!!”

### Jake Stahl

Team: U13 Boys

Position: Midfield

Favorite Soccer Team: Man United

Favorite Food: Ice Cream!

Most Memorable Soccer Moment:

“!Winning the Champaign tournament!”

