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TIGERS BOYS BASKETBALL NEWS

8th Grade

The 8th grade boys opened 2020 with a home game versus Holy Spirit and a large crowd of parents and student supporters. The newly refinished home court shone brightly as the Tigers rolled out its updated offense. The Tigers showed early zeal against their Holy Spirit opponents as they traded buckets back and forth during the first part of the half. Zac F. led the Tiger attack down the lane with some flying floaters to put eight points on the board.

Yet, the Tigers gave up many gifts to Holy Spirit in the form of rebounds and the opponent pulled away with put-back buckets.

The Tigers showed great fortitude and tenacious defense in the second half. Luke H. helped spur a scoring rally with a trip to the free-throw line, a sweet pump fake and bucket, plus an assist to Jack M. who laid it in for two points. The guards distributed the ball around the floor more and more shots were flared. Yet the Christmas caloric-intake appeared to have caught up as the boys energy waned and the Tigers ended up with a loss. They look forward to their next away game Jan. 15.

5th Grade

It was back on the hardwood again for the Tigers 5th-grade boys basketball team as they took on the high-powered Chargers of St. Charles Borromeo on Monday, January 6th.

In the pre-game press conference, co-coach Shelly Umland told reporters, "We need to tame this Charger offense and play the way we play when we play if we want to ride happily into the sunset after this game.

The Tigers didn't need much time to burn off the Christmas cookies and a lead was quickly established in the first half. The Chargers didn't take it lying down, however, and as their offense caught fire, the two teams tore off at a blistering pace.

This clearly was the game that Nathan Narusiewicz had been waiting for. Narusiewicz put the "power" in power forward and drove home 6 thunderous points for the Tigers. His best performance of the season and clearly establishing him as a force to be reckoned with.

Luke "The Motivator" Jacobson played his signature high speed, low drag game and once again was the Tigers scoring leader with 15 points on the night. Jacobson was too hot for the Chargers to handle and in the second half, they double and triple-teamed the speedster in an attempt to limit the damage.

The Transfiguration Twin Towers got off to a rough start when Henry Hruby was thrown to the ground hard during a jump ball tie-up. But the Tigers are tough and the big man rubbed dirt on it and played on to finish with 2. Michael Marabella, the other half of the Twin Towers added 2 points of his own and snatched rebound after rebound in an attempt to take away the Chargers' ability to operate in the paint.

The whole Tiger had a key role in the game as it was all hands on deck to fight to keep the Chargers on a tight rein. Henry "Kirch" Kirchberg, Eli Feaman, Caleb Umland, Cam Bennett, the Brothers Gieser (Alex and Drew), and Juan Lopez-Munoz, Henry "Hurricane" Ahern, they all put everything they had into the tight game.

In the end, it was close, but not close enough for the Tigers. Despite a last-second effort to tie the game, the Tigers couldn't quite corral the Chargers. The final score was Tigers 27, Chargers 29.

In the post-game press conference, co-coach Hruby summed up the game, saying, "This was our best full-game effort of the year. We need to dust ourselves off and get back in the saddle, there's still half a season to play."

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TIGERS GIRLS BASKETBALL NEWS

8TH GRADE

Dateline: 12/11/19 Tigers vs St Ambrose at Tiger Stadium. The Iron 6 took on their Border Battle Rival at a sold out Mt Tabor Arena. "Protect the border" said Ella Geelhoed with her pregame Snickers bar in hand. The girls, still mad from a bad shooting performance at the ICS tournament came out with guns a blazing. Sami "McBuckets" McMenemy added "long range" to her hoops resume as she dropped 2 three pointers in the face of intense defense. St Ambrose was caught off their heels by the balanced attack and ball movement by the Iron 6. In the end it was too much and the Lady Tigers took home a 44-23 victory. Scoring: O'Neill 14, Johnson 13, McMenemy 12, Preiner 4, Buffalo 1.

Dateline: 12/18/19: Tigers vs. Faithful Shepard at Tiger Stadium. The Iron 6, led by Coach Scott Johnson, took on the defending 7th grade champion Faithful Shepard Crayfish at a sold out Mt Tabor Arena. The girls were locked in early and took a lead on the defending champions. A back and forth game as you would ever see with 9 lead changes. "We left it all on the court, Man" said Kendall Buffalo. In the end, with just seconds remaining, the Crayfish of Faithful Shepard took over for a 46-43 win. "We missed some free throws and let them back in the game" said Jordyn "Jo Jo" Preiner during her postgame protein smoothie time. "This team can play with anyone, we fear nobody" said Coach Johnson. Scoring: Preiner 14, O'Neill 10, McMenemy 9, Johnson 6, Geelhoed 4.

Dateline: 1/8/19: Tigers vs. Nativity. The Iron "5" in this one as Jordyn Preiner was out with the flu "Game changer in terms of defense and offense approach with only 5 but we'll figure it out" said Rhiannon O'Neill. The Iron 5 came out in a 2/3 zone and limited Nativity to points in the paint with their 2 6 foot centers. The girls battled hard and stayed in the game with 10 mins remaining but in the end Nativity's outside shooters got hot and the Tigers lost 33-19. "Tough loss but we found something from these girls today, they can adjust to adversity and give everything they have" said Coach Buffalo. Ref Rick Sonnek commented "that was as tough a effort as I've seen a team give this year in my refing games". A classy comment from a classy guy. Scoring: Johnson 10, O'Neill 4, Buffalo 3, McMenemy 2

The Girls will head back to Tiger Arena on Jan 15th to face the very tough Holy Spirit team at 4pm.

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Swim Team

Hear Ye—Hear Ye. The swim team is taking registrations for the Winter season. Practices start after the first of the year, but registrations should be submitted now. Mr. Kirchberg is our School Coordinator for the Swim Team. It is a great way to get exercise and learn some swimming strokes plus working as a team. We try to set up two practices a week and go to three or four meets. The end of the season concludes with qualified swimmers going to the CAA meet. The finals are held at the U of M Aquatic Center. There have been a number of forms submitted this past week, but we are accepting more.

If anyone wants to try it out to see if competitive swimming is for them let me or Mr. Kirchberg know and we will allow one or two practice days to check it out before committing to the team.

Athletic Director

Next weekend we have our 8th grade basketball tournament. Please, come if you are free to volunteer and help out. Come cheer on the tigers!

Event going on after Mass this Sunday in the gym.

What: Knights of Columbus Free Throw Shooting Contest

Who: Kids from age 9 – 14

When: 11:00am – 2:00pm Sunday January 12

Where: Transfiguration Gym

Below is an awesome article for parents to read. Submitted by Mr. Jacobson. Check it out!

<https://www.ncregister.com/daily-news/buffalo-bills-offensive-lineman-centered-on-christ>

Watch for volunteering opportunities. During the Winter sports season we will need help with the scoreboard. Thanks to all the families that have helped during the fall season and volleyball playoffs.

Be aware that coaches, assistant coaches and volunteers need to be current with the VIRTUS training.

Any student athlete that wants to play on more than one team in the same season can explore that option, just be aware of the chance of more time conflicts.

Anyone can join the Tiger Pride Booster Club at any time during the year. It is a fun group and the money they raise selling concessions helps with the school sports teams.

Any questions can be directed to Jim Weingartz or Abbey Luger. GO TIGERS!!!!!!!