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Piasa FC Launches New Professional Indoor Soccer Team Illinois Piasa to join PASL-Pro for 2010/11 season

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It's official. The new professional indoor soccer franchise for the St. Louis Metropolitan area is Illinois Piasa (pie-a-saw). Illinois Piasa will play in the Professional Arena Soccer League for the 2010/11 season. Illinois Piasa was preceded by their affiliate, Piasa FC, who has competed for the past three seasons in the PASL-Premier. Both Illinois Piasa and Piasa FC will play their home games at SFF Arena in Pontoon Beach, IL. PASL-Pro/Premier schedules are soon to be released.

Open Tryouts will be held Tuesday, October 12 from 6:30 pm-8:30 pm, and Wednesday, October 13 from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm at SFF Arena, 4141 Highway 111, Pontoon Beach, IL 62040. The cost is $10 per player. Please show up early to register.

"We're excited to be joining the PASL-Pro. The St. Louis metropolitan area is a great soccer community, and they deserve to have a top level indoor soccer team. I grew up around the Steamers and other franchises that have played in St. Louis. It taught me a lot about the game and the business. That's where my passion comes for the game comes from. I look forward to bringing that kind of energy back to our fans." Matt Williams, Owner & General Manager, Illinois Piasa.

Illinois Piasa will play in the new Pro Frontier Division of the Professional Arena Soccer League, which will consist of expansion teams and teams lacking natural geographic rivals. The Pro Frontier Division will join the Eastern and Western divisions in what will be a three-division alignment for the PASL-Pro's third season. Pro Frontier teams will play a 12-game schedule, while the other divisions will still play a full 16 games. Pro Frontier teams will be evaluated by the league throughout the season with the expectation of becoming a fully vested league member for the 2011/12 season.

A new website is being developed at www.illinoispiasa.com, which will have schedule and ticket information.

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SFF Arena's website is: www.soccerforfun.org

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