



Sister City Soccer Cup begins

The 2010 Sister City Soccer Cup began Thursday at Stebner Soccer Complex in Hermantown, featuring boys and girls U15 and U16 teams from the Twin Ports and squads from Vaxjo, Sweden. The yearly youth soccer tourney that began in 1999 concludes on Saturday with championship and third-place games in four divisions. Swedish players and their escorts arrived in Duluth on June 26 and are set to return to Sweden on July 9 after completing their visit with a trip to the Mall of America and Valley Fair and a farewell banquet at the DECC. Above: Ellen Holgersson (4) of the Vaxjo Girls U-16 team heads the ball during soccer action against Duluth on Thursday afternoon. The game ended in a 0-0 tie. *Clint Austin / caustin@duluthnews.com*