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Omni Elite Basketball Camp at the Ark at Ambrose Crossing

January 26, 2021 (BRUNSWICK, OH) – Former professional basketball player brings opportunity to young athletes.

At a time when many of us need the inspiration, Brunswick native and Saint Ambrose alum, Brian Kortovich, a.k.a. "Smokin Aces," has returned to his hometown to bring an amazing opportunity for young athletes in the area. With the blessing of Saint Ambrose Catholic Parish's Father Bob Stec, **Kortovich will host a basketball camp for grades 3 through 8 on Monday, February 15, 2021.**

The Presidents' Day camp will also be the tip-off to the Omni Elite program — a platform to inspire and educate youth through the game of basketball and life experiences. Founded in the spirit of Kortovich's mentor and friend, the late and great Joe Mackey Sr. Owner of the iconic gym, "The OMNI," once located in Middleburg Heights, many may also remember Mackey Sr. for his dedication to aspiring athletes throughout the northeast Ohio area. Through this program, Kortovich will be continuing Mackey Sr.'s legacy by providing athletes access to learning the proper fundamentals and unique skills of the game from elite instructors and local high school coaches.

When asked why he chose Saint Ambrose to initiate this endeavor, Kortovich references Father Stec's commitment to the community as an inspiration, and recalls how growing up a member of the Saint Ambrose community really helped develop his strong faith. Despite challenges and setbacks throughout his basketball journey and life experiences, Kortovich did not let his faith and relationship with God waiver and instead turned toward his faith which in turn enabled him to be bold, continue to dream big and keep charging on throughout the ups and downs of life.

The Omni Elite Basketball partnership with Saint Ambrose also allows Kortovich to host the camps at The Ark at Ambrose Crossing. Kortovich frequents the state-of-the-art complex and says that when he first visited the 28,000+ square foot multipurpose facility that he was most impressed with the 8,500 square foot hardwood full-court and the 8,000 square foot turf area. Ambrose Crossing is also home to the Saint Ambrose Littlest Angels Preschool, NEO Tech Collaborative (a nonprofit technology collaborative), and the Saint Ambrose Athletic Boosters.

For more information on Saint Ambrose alum, Brian Kortovich and to sign-up for the up-coming Omni Elite Basketball Camp, visit www.OmniEliteBasketball.com.

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