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Shrine Game co-captains announced for 2017



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Jordan Nerski is an 11 year-old boy that fancies himself the neighborhood handyman.

He's often found helping his granddad out in the garage or any neighbor that needs help around the house or outside.

He's a very busy boy that loves to be active and helping others. He's played soccer, Lacrosse, flag football with neighbors, baseball and would love to start Football in the fall.

Jordan has been in Boy Scouts for the last few years and worked really hard to get his Arrow of Light patch.

He is a very driven little man and is one of those kids that has an old soul that is forever giving and loving.

He would stay to help out rather than play with other kids and was seen more times last year at the Shrine Center than even some adults.

Jordan also has a huge heart for anyone be it a baby or elderly person, he will make time for you. Some of his goals is to be become babysitter certified so he can watch kids at the Shrine Center for events, and to eventually become a Shriner.

He's waiting for the day

he can join DeMolay.

If he could find a way to volunteer at the Shrine Hospital every day, he would be there with a smile and a happy heart.

He has made some good friends with past co-Captains and he's excited to be a part of this process.

Payton Gregory.

Payton is an 11 year-old, that is a 6th grader at Elton Gregory Middle School in Redmond. Payton has 2 older brothers, Trey is 16 and Landon is 14, and of course Mom and Dad. Payton is actively involved with Crossfit at Triumph Fitness. He also loves to play soccer and basketball and loves to swim! Payton wants to play football for the Oregon Ducks one day. He loves the Denver Broncos (Peyton Manning) and Camo!

It means a lot to Payton to be the East Co-Captain of the East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game, Shriners has helped him be independent and has given him the ability to play sports and be active.

Payton was born with a condition called Arthrogyrosis, this means some of his joints don't move as much as normal. The muscle around these joints are very minimal. He



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was born 6 weeks early at Legacy Emmanuel, weighing only 5 lbs. 2 oz and 17 inches long.

He had to stay in the hospital for a week, while the doctors ran a lot of tests. There is no cause for Arthrogyrosis, and typically it never gets worse. Payton started casting at just 6 weeks old for his clubbed feet.

When Payton was about a year old, his mom and dad learned about Shriners Hospital - Portland, and made his first appointment, where they met Dr. Sussman!

When Payton was about 1 1/2 he had his first surgery at Shriners where they put pins in both of his feet to correct the club feet. Payton had the cast on for 4-6 weeks.

From that point on, he has gone to Shriners every 6 months for checkup/clinic appointments where he meets with Dr. Sussman and his Care Coordinator to decide the next step in his treatment (x-rays, pictures, clinic, getting new AFOS, picking out new crutches, and of course, checking out the 7th floor playground).

Since Payton's first appointment he has had 4 major surgeries there. Payton's second surgery was

to remove one of the pins that didn't want to come out naturally. He then had a surgery that was to redo the pins, his club feet were very stubborn.

At that time he was in casts for 12 weeks.

His last surgery was to place pins in his knees and another pin put in one of his feet that still didn't want to correct.

That was the hardest surgery of them all, he was in so much pain and could no longer be the active boy that he was used to being.

Every surgery, every clinic appointment has been very successful and the doctor is always very open to every option about Payton's treatment. Payton more than likely will always need assistance to walk, either crutches or wheelchair and AFO's, But he could very likely surprise everyone someday and walk without assistance.

Payton's experience at Shriners Children's Hospital - Portland has exceeded the expectations and his family couldn't ask for a better place to treat his condition.

Thank you Shriners Hospital for Children - Portland!

Ladies golf and bridge

The Quail Ridge Ladies Golf and Bridge scores for June 21, 2017 are:

Golf Winners: 1st Flight Myrna Evans; 2nd Flight Kathy Hopkins; and 3rd Flight Roxanne McAdams.

Birdies: Myrna Evans

Bridge Winners: 1st Della Steele; 2nd Judy Karstens; and 3rd Carmen Ott.

For June 28, 2017:

Golf Winners: 1st Flight Jennifer Godwin; 2nd Flight Sammie Linzel and 3rd Flight Carol Irvine.

Bridge Winners: 1st Joan Colton; 2nd Judy Karstens; and 3rd Sandy Payton.

For July 5:

Golf Winners: 1st flight Linda Taylor; 2nd flight Kathy Corn; and 3rd Flight Myrna Evans.

Bridge Winners: 1st Joan Colton; 2nd Betty Combs; and

3rd Carol Arnstein.

For July 12:

Golf Winners: 1st Flight Linda Taylor; 2nd Flight Kathy Corn; and 3rd Flight Carol Irvine.

Birdie Judy Karstens

Bridge Winners: 1st Marlene Cross; 2nd Kathy Eidson; and 3rd Janice Smull.

For July 19:

Golf Winners: 1st flight Tie for 1st place Jennifer Godwin and Linda Taylor; 2nd Flight Tie Kathy Corn and Margo Kenworthy; and 3rd flight Carol Irvine.

Birdie Jennifer Godwin

Bridge Winners: 1st Shirley Dodson; 2nd Martha Cassidy; and 3rd Carol Irvine.

For July 26:

Golf Winners: 1st Flight Jennifer Godwin and Myrna Evans; 2nd Flight Karen Wollard; and 3rd Flight Carol Irvine.

Birdie: Jennifer Godwin

Bridge Winners: 1st Della Steele; 2nd Carol Arnstein; and 3rd Judy Karstens.

Fall salmon season opens

The popular Buoy 10 fishery at the mouth of the Columbia River opens on Tuesday, Aug. 1 with a mixed forecast for Chinook, coho and steelhead returns.

The biggest change for the 2017 fall season are restrictions on steelhead retention which include area-specific, 1-2 month steelhead retention closures and a one steelhead bag limit when retention is allowed.

Facing low expected returns of upriver summer steelhead, fishery managers adopted a series of "rolling closures" that progress upriver following the steelhead return to reduce the take of both hatchery and wild fish.

All steelhead (hatchery and wild) must be released as follows:

Buoy 10 upstream to The Dalles Dam during Aug. 1-31

The Dalles Dam upstream to John Day Dam during Sept. 1-30

John Day Dam upstream to McNary Dam during Sept. 1 - Oct. 31

McNary Dam upstream to Hwy. 395 during Oct. 1 - Nov. 30

Night angling is also prohibited except for registered anglers targeting Northern pikeminnow.

A total of 614,000 Chinook are expected to enter the Columbia this fall, which is slightly less than last year's actual return of 642,000 returning Chinook. The Buoy 10 fishery is the first Columbia River area that will encounter returning fall salmon. Effort and catch in other sections of the mainstem will build as the season progresses. Chinook retention seasons will vary by area to remain within harvest quotas.

Coho returns are predicted to be improved this year, with 319,000 adult coho expected to enter the river mouth, versus last year's actual return of 196,000. Hatchery coho retention is expected to remain open throughout the fall season.

The Buoy 10 fishery is scheduled to be open for retention of any adult Chinook salmon through Sept. 4 with a two fish/one Chinook daily adult bag limit. Chinook retention is expected to be closed during Sept. 5-30.

From Tongue Point upstream to Warrior Rock, retention of any Chinook will be allowed through Sept. 7, with a two fish/one Chinook daily adult bag limit. Chinook retention will continue from Sept. 8-14, but only for hatchery Chinook.

From Warrior Rock upstream to Hwy. 395 (Pasco, Wash.), Chinook retention is scheduled to be open all fall with a two fish/two Chinook daily adult bag limit.

A complete summary of 2017 Columbia River fall regulations are available on the ODFW website.

Meet East Queen Cymbrie Lagao

My name is Cymbrie Lagao and I am your 2017 East Shriner All-Star Queen. I am 17 years old and will be a jr this up coming year at RPA High School.

Here are some things about me...I enjoy reading, DC comic superheroes, Yu-Gi-Oh cards, RWBY, and my all time favorite is Harry Potter. I also enjoy hanging out in my room listening to music and writing stories. I enjoy swimming and playing computer games on my iPad and Computer as well. My favorite foods are nachos, tacos, and quesadillas. My favorite drinks are Apple juice and Lemonade. Guess you can say I'm a normal teenager.

I have a great family! They are all supportive and love me a lot. I have four sisters; Angel, Kelsey, Codie, and Cylie. My mom and dad are Phil and Heidi Lagao. We live in Sisters, Oregon and spend our summers and days off in Baker City at my Nanny and Pappa's.

I really enjoy hanging out with Shadow. He is my ASD-Asperger service Breaded Dragon. She and I like to hang out and read. She spends all of his time with me, is one of my best

friends.

You Shriners are amazing and I feel so lucky to have you in my life. Without you, I would not have my fingers today. Let me tell you a little about why I went to the Portland Shriners Hospital.

A couple years ago I was climbing on the freshly stacked hay in the hay barn at my Nanny and Pappa's. As I was coming down I slipped and in doing so, I reached out to stop myself from falling and I grabbed the tin metal roofing ledge. It was sharp, it cut my four finger to the bone on my right hand. At the time, I did not know how bad it was, I then started running to the house for help. My sisters Codie and Cylie helped me and called 911. I would like to thank them now, without their quick thinking I would not be here today. I then took a ride in the ambulance to Baker Hospital.

Once there, the Baker Hospital doctors said it was too bad for them to fix and I needed to go to Boise Hospital for surgery. We then took off to Boise to get my hand fixed, six hours later in surgery they were able to reattach my fingers.



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Cymbrie Lagao.

I then started rehab at Portland Shriners Hospital. During rehab they were great and wonderful. Lisa is my rehab therapist, she is supportive and helps me. While there, they helped me learn to write, pick up small objects, and hold items again.

Five years later I have 90 percent usage of my hand. I had surgery in October two years ago. With hard work and dedication the shiners, and my family we were able to get 90% back and 105% feeling in my tips where I did not have before.

I have always been around the Shriners and

East-West game. I am super excited to be able to have this opportunity and honored to be the East Queen again. Thank you for coming and supporting our amazing hospital and making all of this possible for all of us that are patients.

I love the Shriners and all they do for kids like me and others. You don't just fix the injury, you help us all regain the confidence we lost. With your help I have become confident and sure of myself to be able to stand up in front of you today.

Thank you all!

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