

## Locals suit up for Shrine Game

The Daily Astorian

The 63rd annual East West Shrine All-Star Football Game will kick off at 5 p.m. Saturday in Baker City.

Showcasing some of Oregon's best football players (Class of 2015) from the Class 1A to 4A levels, the game caps a week full of activities for the players, including a visit to the Portland Shriners Hospital for Children.

A pre-game parade also takes place at 11 a.m. Saturday in Baker City.

Three local players will suit up for the West squad: Seaside's Calvin Pollard, Astoria's Josh Raichl and Knappa's Ryan Simpson.

The game will not be televised live, but will air on ROOT Sports Network during the following times:

Aug. 3, 9 p.m.; Aug. 5, 9 a.m.; Aug. 6, 7:30 p.m.; Aug. 9, 12 a.m.

### The complete West roster:

Tate Barnes, Central Linn



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From left to right, Seaside's Calvin Pollard, Ryan Simpson of Knappa, and Astoria's Josh Raichl will all be playing their final prep football game Saturday in Baker City.

Dylan Bigsby, Banks  
Taylor Clark, Dayton  
Joseph Dotson, Siuslaw  
Coop Early, Molalla  
Jovani Garcia, Monroe  
Noah Giberson, Kennedy  
Oren Hills, Santiam Christian  
Justin Hynes, Lost River  
Joe Keller, Yoncalla  
Joey Krupsky, Scappoose  
Peter Lahti, Taft  
Drew Matthews, North Bend  
Jordan McDevitt, South Umpqua  
Micah McLeod, Clatskanie  
Blake Minten, Regis  
Alex Norris, Lowell  
Sean Orrison, Days Creek

Calvin Pollard, Seaside  
Josh Raichl, Astoria  
Ryan Simpson, Knappa  
Handsome Smith, Gladstone  
Zach Smith, Crook County  
Zachary Smith, Gladstone  
Tucker Stultz, Scio  
Angus Swan, Oakland  
Jeff Tripp, Rainier  
Michael Weber, Horizon Christian  
Andrew Werst, Salem Academy  
Kai Wolfe, Camas Valley  
**West Coaches**  
Dennis Dunlea, Lost River  
Eli Wolfe, Camas Valley  
Kyle Bras, Scio  
Gary Prince, North Bend

## Harber makes pro debut

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Astoria's Conor Harber — who recently signed a contract with the Milwaukee Brewers' Pioneer League affiliate in Helena — made his professional baseball debut over the weekend, as the Helena Brewers hosted the Billings Mustangs Saturday.

Trailing 5-2, Harber took the mound in the sixth inning in relief of starter J.B. Kole, faced four batters and struck out one, with no hits or walks allowed. The strikeout came on a wild pitch, which allowed Zach Shields to reach first. Harber retired the next two batters in order.

Drake Owenby pitched the final three innings for Helena, which lost 9-6.

Conor Harber, left, and father Pat Harber pose together following Conor's professional baseball debut last week in Montana.

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## Museum to take ownership of historic Howard Hughes plane

Associated Press

PORTLAND — Legendary mogul Howard Hughes' Spruce Goose, a gigantic historic wooden airplane whose fate was mired in a financial dispute, will permanently stay in Oregon.

The Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum has reached an agreement with the Aero Club of Southern California to take full ownership of the plane in the coming weeks, said California attorney Robert E. Lyon, who represents the Aero Club. Lyon said the agreement was reached in early July.

The McMinnville-based nonprofit has been home to the Spruce Goose for more than two decades, but it still owed a payment to the California club from which it bought the plane.

The details of the agreement were not disclosed. But the dispute centered on

the original purchase terms, which in addition to the \$500,000 price tag also included a percentage of the museum's earnings from displaying the Spruce Goose.

"It's comforting to know it will finally be in its resting place where it will be properly taken care of," Lyon said.

Dubbed a flying boat, the Spruce Goose has a 320-foot wing span — larger than a football field — and floats that allow it to land on water.

Originally envisioned as part of a fleet of flying boats that would deliver cargo and troops over the heads of U-boats during World War II, the Spruce Goose was built in 1947 by Hughes with \$18 million in federal funds. Hughes, an oil and film industry tycoon, also spent \$7 million of his own money on the project.

The plane was made almost entirely of birch wood — a material that was not crucial to the war effort.



AP Photo

In this Oct. 29, 1980 file photo, Howard Hughes' wooden flying boat the "Spruce Goose," is towed by a tugboat from its hangar in Long Beach, Calif.

Hughes, a passionate aviator, flew it only once, on Nov. 2, 1947, in a mile-long test flight above California's Long Beach Harbor.

Hughes then stored it in a special hangar, and it never

flew again. After the tycoon's death in 1976, the Smithsonian briefly contemplated cutting up the plane and putting its pieces on display. But aviation enthusiasts protested and vowed to keep the legendary

plane intact, said Lyon, who remembers as a boy seeing the airplane's giant wings trucked from Culvert City to Long Beach in 1946.

The Aero Club of Southern California acquired the aircraft,

he said, and put the Spruce Goose on display in a hangar.

In 1992, the Spruce Goose was sold to Delford Smith, the founder of Evergreen International Aviation. The plane was transported to McMinnville in pieces by truck and barge, re-assembled and restored by a team of experts.

Smith founded the museum in 2001, with the Spruce Goose as its centerpiece housed in a giant glass and steel building.

In recent years, the museum was embroiled in a state investigation and the bankruptcies of Evergreen Aviation and Evergreen Vintage Aircraft, a for-profit affiliate of museum that owned its real estate and many of its planes.

But the state said it won't take enforcement action against the nonprofit. A settlement reached in May resolved both bankruptcies and secured several of the museum's airplanes and its real estate.



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