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AK-SAR-BEN CORONATION BALL ANNOUNCES PAGE HONOREES

July 28, 2008, Omaha, NE – The Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation Ball Committee has announced the names of the Pages of the Royal Court for the 2008 Coronation Ball titled *Jewels of the Heartland* scheduled for Saturday, October 11, 2008 at the Qwest Center Omaha. A tradition of the Heartland since 1895, the mission of the Coronation Ball is to promote, recognize and celebrate volunteerism, philanthropy, and civic pride. All proceeds raised benefit the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Scholarship Fund.

The Royal Court is comprised of Princesses, Countesses, Escorts, Heartland Escorts, Standard Bearers and Pages from the region and reigned by a King and Queen who remain a mystery until the actual coronation ceremony. A Page is a child in elementary school whose family has actively contributed to their community in Nebraska or western Iowa.

The 2008 Girl Pages of Ak-Sar-Ben are:

Miss Katherine Roe Andersen, daughter of Leslie and David Andersen; Miss Ava Brooke Bettger, daughter of Jennifer and Richard Bettger; Miss Halle McCartney Brannon, daughter of Patti and Curt Brannon; Miss Madigan Sandra Brodsky, daughter of Heather Smith; Miss Madison Renee Bryant, daughter of Robin and Paul Bryant; Miss Camryn Leigh Burkhalter, daughter of Kim and Kurt Burkhalter; Miss Rachel Edith Doll and Miss Sarah Elizabeth Doll, daughters of Laura and Jay Doll of West Des Moines IA; Miss Emelia Ann English, daughter of Sally and Rick English; Miss Isabel Mariko Gerdes, daughter of Ms. Pamela Watanabe-Gerdes and Mr. Kyle Gerdes; Miss Samantha Monaco Hasebroock, daughter of Jane and Mark Hasebroock; Miss Courtney Claire Heider, daughter of Cindy and Scott Heider; Miss Hannah Elaine Jepson, daughter of Jennifer and Dr. Brett Jepson; Miss Corinne Claire Johnson, daughter of Lisa and Robert Johnson; Miss Katherine Elizabeth Jones, daughter of Jeanie and Lance Jones; Miss Evelyn Margaret Kay, daughter of Laurie and Charles Kay, Jr.; Miss Kelly Elizabeth Mahoney, daughter of Catherine and Dr. Jeffrey Mahoney; Miss Hope Marvin, daughter of Michelle and Samuel Marvin;

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Miss Beverly Guadalupe Maxwell, daughter of Pamela and Charles Maxwell III; Miss Margaret Theresa McGowan, daughter of Ms. Kimberly McGowan; Miss Olivia Katherine Murphy, daughter of Stephanie and James Murphy; Miss Erin Elizabeth Pritza, daughter of Judy and Dr. Randy Pritza; Miss Abigail Warner Reed, daughter of Mindy and Timothy Reed; Miss Josephine Claire Reed, daughter of Stacia and Robert Reed, Jr.; Miss Charlotte Rose Simon, daughter of Kim and James Simon; Miss Mallory Marie Stamm, daughter of Marjean and Dr. David Stamm; Miss Amelia Mae Stokes, daughter of Mrs. K. Paige Stokes and Dr. Jonathan Henning and Christopher Stokes of Lincoln; Miss Megan Campbell Sunderland, daughter of Janel and John Sunderland; and Miss Brennan Kayle Zatechka, daughter of Jennifer and Dr. Robert Zatechka.

The 2008 Boy Pages of Ak-Sar-Ben are:

Master John Harrison Boggust, son of Paula and John Boggust; Master Aden Michael Boyle, son of Dana and Michael Boyle, Jr.; Master Daniel Patrick Brokke, son of Kimberly and Gregory Brokke; Master Nolan Robert Carpenter, son of Kimberly and John Carpenter; Master Saunders Kenneth Cohen, son of Elizabeth and Martin Cohen; Master Samuel James Delperdang, son of Leslie and Kirk Delperdang; Master Nathan Allyn Dillon, son of Tanya and Blake Dillon; Master John Paul Doran, son of Sharon and Dr. Stephen Doran; Master William Miskell Draper and Master Zachary Fitzgerald Draper, sons of Kelli and J. Scott Draper; Master Colin Patrick Duffy, son of Melissa and Patrick Duffy; Master Joseph Davis Geary, son of Carol and Michael Geary; Master William Kent Grisham, Jr., son of Mr. W. Kent Grisham, Sr. and the late Suzanne Grisham; Master Joshua James Gromowsky, son of Amy and Jeffrey Gromowsky; Master Thomas Raymond Halgren, son of Drs. Victoria and John Halgren; Master Mitchell Thomas Kahre, son of Sally and Michael Kahre; Master Chad Raymond Lemke, son of Sandra and Todd Lemke of Papillion; Master Parker Durham Lundgren, son of Kristin and Drew Lundgren; Master Cole Andrew Lyons, son of Julie and Mark Lyons; Master Elijah Levi Marburg, son of Debra and Daniel Marburg; Master Henry Matthew Medlock, son of Anne and Matthew Medlock; Master Parker William Mentzer, son of Karine and Philip Mentzer; Master Izak Robert Nikunen, son of Christine and David Nikunen; Master Aaron Louis Norton and Master Leo Thomas Norton, sons of Susan and Michael Norton; Master Ross Anthony Pantano, son of Stephanie and Anthony Pantano; Master Aidan Gerard Ryan, son of Karen and Daniel Ryan; Master Jack William Terry, son of Robyn and The Honorable Lee Terry; Master Joel Christopher Tinley, son of Cynthia and Christopher Tinley of Council Bluffs, IA; Master William Jacob Wilson, son of Mary and Jeffrey Wilson.

The 2008 Standard Bearers of Ak-Sar-Ben are:

Miss Talia Brienne Head, daughter of Nina and Dr. Gilbert Head and Mr. Scott Thomas Quinn, son of Teri and Ronald Quinn.

The annual Coronation Ball is organized through the year-long dedication of nineteen volunteers led by Women's Ball Committee Chairman, Ann Hergenrader.

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“Our committee and all the families of the court are outstanding examples of the spirit of volunteerism in our region,” Hergenrader said.

The Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation Ball is one of several recognition programs the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation offers as part of their mission “to build a more prosperous Heartland, where communities can flourish and every child can succeed.”

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