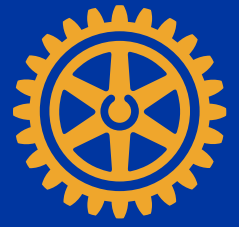


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Emily Mellish

Shriners Hospital for Children's National Patient Ambassador



**Shriners Hospitals
for Children®**

Emily Mellish is 12 years old and has been a Patient of Shriners Hospitals since she was 6 months old. In her short life, she has endured 28 surgeries on her back and leg. Emily has always been and continues to be very outgoing, passionate, and inspirational with a "never give up" attitude. She has been described as "feisty" "resilient" and a "fireball"!

She LOVES to be on stage, to speak, sing, and tell jokes. Emily really loves to share her story. Because of her involvement in Shriners in Erie, Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia, and her winning attitude, she has been selected to serve as the National Patient Ambassador for the Shriner's Hospitals for Children.

Emily, of Erie, along with a young girl from Chicago, will spend the year telling their stories of perseverance in the face of adversity and the way Shriner's Hospitals for Children have made a difference and impact in their lives.

Mellish was born with spina bifida, severe scoliosis and other health issues. Her treatment at Shriner's has allowed to be an active, young girl who loves dancing, swimming, crafts and fundraising.

Shriner's selects two patients to represent the hospitals every year. Mellish said she is honored to be picked. She has been an ambassador for the Erie hospital since she was a toddler stealing the microphone at the annual community day. "I am looking forward to going to all of the 21 of Shriner's Hospitals," said Mellish. "I want to want to share my story to others and I want to inspire and make everybody smile."

Her hobbies include swimming, dancing, making crafts, bike rider, sewing and creating new ways to raise donations for Shriners Hospitals. Dogs and zebras are Emily's favorite animals and her favorite color is blue.

She began Beads 4 Needs in 2012, and has since raised over \$90,000 in donations for the hospitals.

Supporting Cast:

President: Dennis Lagan

Greeter: Nick Cianci

Invocation: Mark Louis

Pianist: Bruce Gingrich

Song Leader: Lisa Graff

Sgt at Arms: James Hynes

Speaker Intro: Lisa Watkins

Nov. 8th Program Schedule:

-BREAKFAST MEETING-

**7:30am Buffet | 8:00 am Meeting
in the Conference Room at the
Manufacturer & Business Association**

NOVEMBER 15:

Lee Penman

Innovatel

Noon Lunch Meeting @ The Sheraton

NOVEMBER 22:

NO MEETING

Happy Thanksgiving!

NOVEMBER 29:

Carolyn Taylor

Dyslexia

Noon Lunch Meeting @ The Sheraton



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CONGRATULATIONS *to* LISA GRAFF!

on the new job position at
Erie Homes For Children And Adults (EHCA)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY *to you!*

We want to send birthday wishes to
Bernadette Hattjar (Nov.5), Joseph Herbert (Nov.7)
Tom Tupitza (Nov.7), Lori Barber (Nov.8)
-and- **Michael Barrett (Nov.9)**

We hope you enjoy your day!

