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Sent: Saturday, August 09, 2008 4:32 PM

To: fek9wnr@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: update on Joel Stefanski

Todd – This came in. Don't know if you know these folks. Janice

From: Mindy Stefanski [mailto:akgolfer@gci.net]

Sent: Friday, August 08, 2008 12:24 AM

To: Academy/Lucille McSorley; Adam-dkincaid@mtaonline.net; aski12001@yahoo.com; anneronbb@comcast.net; dns02@yahoo.com; gbturner@mtaonline.net; grrmay@gci.net; hoopscoach@mtaonline.net; cmenard@matsugov.us; cheneydd@bbmail.com; Wmtok-gm@hollandamerica.com; Dawn.Brettrager@matsuk12.us; swimmom24_7@yahoo.com; DMSpain@matanuska.com; diane@abctraveltime.com; francisnelson@hotmail.com; georgia_tompkins@yahoo.com; georgia.tompkins@matsuk12; helga@helgalarson.com; jmrandal@mtaonline.net; jwedge01@yahoo.com; mabryantalaska@yahoo.com; kellilyn84@hotmail.com; taylorlb@gci.net; getfit@alaska.com; nahanni911@rnsmtc.com; Leesa-leesapayne@hotmail.com; lisa.sanders.icng@statefarm.com; lseal@terraond.com; Lucille.McSorley@matsuk12.us; LynneSKlosterman@aol.com; Margo40@alaska.net; woodhawk@midrivers.com; plmconkey@aol.com; seamus@mtaonline.net; RepCarlGatto@legis.state.ak.us

Subject: Re: update on Joel Stefanski

Not the update I had planned. Joel had surgery yesterday. I checked on Joel's surgery progress and was told they were closing in OR. This was at the 4 hour mark... (At the 2 hr mark I was told it could take another 6 1/2 hours). Dr. Routt came out and took us back to his office to show us the 3D films of the pelvis and vascular system within the injury site... His news was serious. There were holes in the veins and arteries. He lost a lot of blood as the holes were uncovered. This prevented the team from doing much repair on the hip and the priority became stopping the bleeding. They packed the injury site within the pelvic area and finished. The mission became getting Joel back to stable. He is again in the ICU. If this is accomplished thru the night he will go to surgery in the morning to remove the packing and repair the vascular system and possibly remove his spleen. I don't believe there will be much if any repair on the the hip/pelvic area. If the vascular surgery goes well, they will schedule additional hip surgery later after he is stable again. As I write this he is stable and holding his own tonight. We are praying he will make it through and into surgery on Friday. Rowe and Saige are arriving in Seattle tonight with Mindy's sister Dawn and Joel's Mom and brother Mark will also be here.

We just don't know at this point.....

Love,
Mindy

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-----Original Message-----

From: Mindy Stefanski

Date: 08/06/08 19:22:51

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Subject: Fw: Forward this e-mail to announce the CaringBridge.org website for updates on Joel Stefanski

Hi Everyone! Some of you are already aware that Joel was in a terrible accident last Saturday, August 2nd, 2008 at the Alaska State Fairgrounds in Palmer, Alaska. Joel had volunteered to help replace the climbing poles that had been in the ground for about the last 20 years. New poles were in the ground and he was shortening the old original poles leaving 21 feet above the ground for another purpose. As the top of the first pole was cut and being guided off the base of the pole still in the ground, the base and fell with Joel roped to it. Some how with God's Grace Joel fell clear of both poles but took the full impact of the fall on his left side. Amazingly, "Superman" is still here. Joel's physical fitness was definitely in his favor. He has a very severe fractured left hip. The hip socket blasted apart and hip bone driven into his left pelvis. There are other internal injuries and is now stable. He was medivac'd to Harborview Regional Hospital in Seattle on Monday.

Tentatively surgery on his hip is scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday, August 7, 2008. The surgery on his hip will be a major surgery. With no complications he may be in the hospital about 2 weeks.... and no weight bearing on his left side (best case) for a minimum of 6 weeks. We may need to get creative to get back to Alaska. They put chest tubes in to eliminate all of the fluid that had accumulated in the chest wall from the impact of the fall. After you've had chest tubes, you are not allowed to fly for 4 weeks! Hey, we've never been on a cruise to Alaska!

Emails can also be sent from the www.harborview.com website. There is a place on the right side of the page "Email a Patient" that you can click on. Right now Joel's Room # is 937. I anticipate that changing once he is stable after surgery.

See below. My apologies that the site will be a bit unorganized.....hmm wonder

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why? I will try to update more clearly with better details as this long journey continues.

Thank you all so much for your thoughts and prayers. This is going to be a long recovery. Especially long for someone who has never been one to sit still for long, if at all. Once we get back to Alaska I'm sure Joel will need a few distractions besides me. So keep that in mind for things to do in your spare time...

Mindy and Joel

ps: feel free to forward this email to anyone I may not have on our email list.

-----Original Message-----

From: cbadmin@caringbridge.org

Date: 08/06/08 11:39:50

To: akgolfer@gci.net

Subject: Forward this e-mail to announce your new CaringBridge site

Dear Friends and Family,

I created a CaringBridge site to keep you up to date on **Joel Stefanski**. CaringBridge is a nonprofit organization that helps friends and families stay connected.

You can visit Joel's CaringBridge site at <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/joelstefanski>.

If your e-mail program does not allow you to click on the above link, just copy and paste the address into your web browser's address (or URL) location.

Please visit our CaringBridge site anytime. You can use the site to check in on Joel, read the journal entries and send us messages by signing our guestbook. When you register with CaringBridge and sign our guestbook, you will automatically receive e-mail notifications each time our journal is updated. Or, you can subscribe to receive these notifications even before you sign the guestbook. (Of course, you can unsubscribe from these e-mail updates at any time.)

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