



10TH PAN- HOMENETMEN GAMES

7/21/17 – 7/28/17

Yerevan, Armenia

The games, a highly anticipated tradition whereby hundreds of Homenetmen's youth from around the world assemble to meet, compete, and strengthen their Armenian spirit and identity, occur every four years in a country where Homenetmen has a functional presence and a well-organized chapter. This year's tournament will be held in Yerevan Armenia for the third time.

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Congratulations on being selected to partake in the 10th Pan Homenetmen Games taking place in Yerevan Armenia from July 18, 2017 to July 28, 2017. As you are well aware of, this honor is bestowed upon a select few from the Western United States Region. It is both an honor and a privilege to participate as a Western U.S.A. athlete. You are expected to represent the Region in the best light possible. Below is a list of basic information and expectations that we, the Western U.S.A. Organizing Committee (WUSAOC).

WESTERN UNITED STATES ORGANIZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Aram Thomas – Chairman
- Quint Chemnitz – Vice Chairperson
- Sarkis Kadehjian – Advisor
- Nora Ounjian – Advisor
- Siamanto Avakian – Advisor
- Tamar Kilijian – Advisor
- Maral Leon – Advisor

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- The WUSAOC will be the final decision makers with respect to all items pertaining to the 10th Pan Homenetmen Games and the Western United States Delegation.
- The WUSAOC will conduct nightly informational meetings with the coaches and athletes at which time the agenda for the following day will be given.
- All disciplinary issues will be handled by the WUSAOC at the time of the infraction and, if warranted, the parents of minors (under age 18) will be notified. For the most severe actions, participants may be sent home at the family's expense.
- The WUSAOC will attend all games that the Western U.S.A are participating in (schedule permitting).
- All athletes will be traveling and staying with their team/Region.
- Athletes who are minors (under 18 years old) will not be allowed to travel alone while in Armenia. Parents who are traveling with minors must obtain permission from the coach prior to taking their child away from the team during the tournament. Family and friends who reside in Armenia will not be allowed to take an athlete away from their team while in Armenia.
- Our hopes are that the athletes (and all those traveling with us) will not only look at this event as an athletic tournament, but also as a chance to explore the roots of our ancestors and take advantage of the opportunity to become culturally and socially aware of our Armenian brothers and sisters around the world.
- Each participating athlete was chosen to participate in these games by the coaches and the WUSAOC for a reason. We hope that the athletes will continue to show the respect and sportsmanship they have shown in local tournaments while representing the Region in Armenia.
- All participating athletes, coaches, and spectators are expected to abide by the rules and regulations outlined on the Code of Conduct sheets (attached).

COST BREAKDOWN

All athletes, coaches, and committee members may reduce the amount due by participating in team organized fundraising events, WUSAOC organized fundraising events, or through private donations. For more information regarding fundraising please contact your coach or a member of the organizing committee.

The projected cost for the trip is \$2,750, and includes the following:

- Airline travel
- Ground transportation
- Hotel stay (based on double occupancy)
- Continental Breakfast
- Lunch
- Tournament fees
- Uniforms (2 sets, home and away)
- Three (3) official WUSA t-shirts (to be worn during warm up and while attending games)
- Two (2) official WUSA polo shirts (to be worn for the opening and closing ceremonies)
- Excursions organized by the Games Committee
- Educational and Historical Seminars
- Entrance to the Barehantes on the final evening (Victory Gala Ball)

WESTERN U.S.A. PARTICIPATING TEAMS

The western U.S.A will be participating in the following events (subject to change based on the Participation numbers in the tournament).

- Senior Men's Basketball (2 teams)
- Senior Women's basketball (2 teams)
- Junior Men's Basketball (2 teams)
- Junior Women's Basketball (1 team)
- Senior Men's Soccer (2 teams)
- Men's Futsal (1 team)
- Women's Volleyball (2 teams)
- Men's Volleyball (1 team)
- Men's and Women's Swimming
- Men's and Women's Track & Field
- Men's and Women's Chess
- Men's and Women's Table Tennis
- Men's and Women's Tennis

TRAVEL INFORMATION

All athletes and coaches traveling with the Western U.S.A will be staying at the Marriott Hotel for the duration of their stay. We understand that some athletes and coaches may have family or friends that are willing to provide accommodations for them but the WUSAOC has decided that all participants must stay with the rest of the delegation in order to provide a safe and manageable environment for all.

Please note that the delegation will leaving Los Angeles on July 18, 2017, and departing Armenia on August 1, 2017. Flight times, numbers and additional information will be made available as soon as the reservations are finalized.

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<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/evnmc-armenia-marriott-hotel-yerevan/>

The WUSAOC has 200 airline tickets for the delegation through a travel agent. Family and friends who plan on attending as spectators must secure their own travel arrangements. The WUSAOC will be more than happy to share the travel company's information who is helping us with our travels so guests may have the best opportunity to accompany their family member or friend on the trip. The WUSAOC will not be responsible for organizing travel for spectators. Please contact a committee member if you have any questions regarding this topic.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of the risk of injury while participating in any Homenetmen athletic, social, and/or scouting event (hereinafter "Activity") and as consideration for the right to participate in the Activity, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, or personal representatives, knowingly and voluntarily enter into this "Waiver and Release of Liability" (hereinafter "Agreement") and hereby waive any and all rights, claims or causes of action of any kind whatsoever arising out of my participation in the Activity, and do hereby **RELEASE, WAIVE, FOREVER DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE** Homenetmen, its affiliates, managers, members, agents, attorneys, staff, volunteers, heirs, representative, predecessors, successors and assigns, for any physical or psychological injury, including but not limited to illness, paralysis, death, damages, economical or emotional loss that I may suffer as a direct result of my participation in the aforementioned Activity, including traveling to and from an event related to this Activity, **REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE INJURY, DAMAGE OR DEATH IS CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF HOMENETMEN OR OTHERWISE.**

INFORMED CONSENT: I have been informed of and I understand the various aspects of the Activity. I understand that as a participant in the Activity, I could sustain serious personal injuries, illness, property damage, or even death as a consequence of not only Homenetmen's actions, inactions or negligence, but also the actions, inactions or negligence of others, and that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time. I further understand and agree that any injury, illness, property damage, disability, or death that I may sustain by any means is my sole responsibility.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I understand that there are potential dangers incidental to my participation in the Activity, some of which may be dangerous and which may expose me to the risk of personal injuries, property damage, or even death. I understand that these potential risks include, but are not limited to: travel; consumption of food; weather conditions; criminal activities; negligent or willful acts of other participants; negligent first aid operations or procedures of Homenetmen; and other risks that are unknown at this time. **I KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, BOTH KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF HOMENETMEN,** and assume full responsibility for my participation in the Activity.

INDEMNITY: I, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, or personal representatives, **AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS, DEFEND AND INDEMNIFY** Homenetmen from any and all liability, including any and all claims, demands, causes of action (known or unknown), suits, or judgments of any and every kind (including attorneys' fees and litigation costs), arising from any injury, property damage or death that I may suffer as a result of my participation in the Activity, **REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE INJURY, DAMAGE OR DEATH IS CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF HOMENETMEN OR OTHERWISE.**

I acknowledge that Homenetmen and their directors, officers, volunteers, representatives and agents are not responsible for errors, omissions, acts or failures to act of any party or entity conducting a specific event or activity on behalf of Homenetmen.

To the extent that statute or case law does not prohibit releases for negligence, this release is also for negligence on the part of Homenetmen, its agents, volunteers and employees.

In the event that I should require medical care or treatment, I agree to be financially responsible for any costs incurred as a result of such treatment. I am aware and understand that I should carry my own health insurance.

I acknowledge that I have carefully read this Agreement and fully understand that it is a release of liability. I expressly agree to release and discharge Homenetmen and all of its affiliates, managers, members, agents, attorneys, staff, volunteers, heirs, representatives, predecessors, successors and assigns from any and all claims or causes of actions and I agree to voluntarily give up or waive any rights that I otherwise have to bring legal action against Homenetmen for personal injury or property damage.

This Agreement was entered into at arm's-length, without duress or coercion and is to be interpreted as an agreement between two parties of equal bargaining strength. Both the Participant, _____, and Homenetmen agree that this Agreement is clear and unambiguous as to its terms, and that no other evidence will be used or admitted to alter or explain the terms of this Agreement, but that it will be interpreted based on the language in accordance with the purposes for which it is entered into.

CHOICE OF LAW/SEVERABILITY: I hereby agree that this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of California and that this Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by such law. I further agree that if any portion hereof is held invalid, the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full force and effect.

In the event of an emergency, please contact the following person(s) in the order presented:

<u>Emergency Contact</u>	<u>Contact Relationship</u>	<u>Contact Telephone & Email</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I, the undersigned participant, affirm that I am of the age of 18 years or older. I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDES A RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AN AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY HOMENETMEN, AND IS A CONTRACT. MOREOVER. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS AGREEMENT CANNOT BE MODIFIED ORALLY. I UNDERSTAND I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

Participant's Name: _____

Participant's Address: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN WAIVER FOR MINORS

In the event that the participant is under the age of consent (18 years of age), then this release must be signed by a parent or guardian, as follows:

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of _____, named above, and do hereby give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on behalf of this individual.

Parent / Guardian Name: _____

Relationship to Minor: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Medical Consent Authorization

Personal Information

Full Legal Name: _____ Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: Female _____ Male _____

Information for Medical Treatment

Physician's Name and Location of Practice: _____

Physician's Phone #: (____) _____

Medical Insurer/Health Plan: _____ Policy #: _____

Allergies to Medications: _____

Allergies (Other): _____

Please note all conditions for which the athlete is currently receiving treatment and or Medications:

Existing Medical Problem	Medication Taken	Dosage Taken	Dosage Frequency
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Medical Consent Authorization:

I grant my authorization and consent for _____ myself _____ my child for any Homenetmen Athletic Committee Member to administer general first aid treatment for any minor injuries or illnesses experienced by the athlete. If the injury or illness is life threatening or in need of emergency treatment, I authorize the person in charge to summon any and all professional emergency personnel to attend, transport, and treat myself/my child and to issue consent for any X-ray, anesthetic, blood transfusion, medication, or other diagnosis, treatment, or hospital care deemed advisable by, and to be rendered under the general supervision of, any licensed physician, surgeon, dentist, hospital, or other medical professional or institution duly licensed to practice in the country in which such treatment is to occur. I agree to assume financial responsibility for all expenses of such care.

This authorization is effective through: _____. Signed this _____ day of _____, 2016.

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

HOMENETMEN Western U.S.A. Region Model Athletic Code of Conduct

PREAMBLE:

Homenetmen's mission is to prepare exemplary and law abiding citizens by providing physical and health education, endowing the mind and soul with the finest spirit of sportsmanship, and developing an understanding of responsibility and honor as they strive for individual and collective excellence.

It is essential for parents, coaches and officials to encourage youth athletes to embrace the values of good sportsmanship. Moreover, adults involved in Homenetmen sports events should be models of good sportsmanship and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect and self-control.

I therefore pledge to be responsible for my words and actions while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in a Homenetmen related event and shall conform my behavior to the following code of conduct:

1. I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
2. I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
3. I will not use drugs or alcohol while at a Homenetmen event and will not attend, coach, officiate or participate in a Homenetmen sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
4. I will not engage in the use of profanity.
5. I will treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, or ability.
6. I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
7. I will not initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
8. I will be honest to myself and others by following the rules of the game.

I hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the foregoing while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in a Homenetmen event, I will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

1. Verbal warning issued by the Western U.S.A Organizing Committee.
2. Written warning issued by the Western U.S.A Organizing Committee.
3. Suspension and/or immediate ejection from any Homenetmen organized sporting events.
4. I will be responsible for all financial charges that result from any disciplinary action imposed on me.

Print Name

If under 18 Parent/Guardian Signature

Signature

Date