

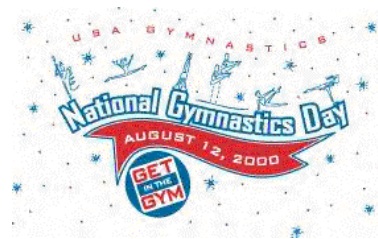


Illinois State Administrative Committee Chairman's Report August, 00

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Lets Have a Great Fall

National Gymnastics Day: Hope you are all planning activities to Celebrate the 2nd annual National Gymnastics Day, what a wonderful lead in to the Olympics, and the hopeful increase in enrolment. Please find included a copy of the Governors Proclamation.



State Training Camp 2000: Our Annual State Training Camp was held at the Aerial Gymnastics Arena June 23rd for the Level 5,6 and June 24th Level 7,8..

I would like to thank Ron Barr, Don McPherson for the use of the Facility, Todd Gardiner Clinician procurator, Dan Miller Camp director, . Thanks also Go out to the Clinicians, **Vaulting:** Sean Bowland , Hong Jiang **Uneven Bars:** Edgar Pulido, Troy Wright,

Beam: Kim Bendixen, Beth Beneventte, Mary Joe Roehrig **Floor:** Nicki Ciccarelli, Deirdre Niziolek **Tumbling:** Bob Kubin, Kelly Dominick

Thanks, also goes out to the NAWGJ for once again helping out with the Camp. Kathy Elg, Sandy Oldham, and Pam Noe.

TOPS Testing: Recently Naperville Gymnastics was the host for the Regional TOPS testing. We had 134 participants, with 2 sessions. Naperville and Palmers had gymnasts representing Illinois. Pictures were taken of all participating gyms.

Betty Okino: Have you watched the Disney channel lately. Did you recognize the Host of **Z-Games. Its Betty Okino**, Former Olympian, She was an athlete at the following Illinois Clubs; IGI, Causes, Gym Corner. If you have not seen the show watch it, it's pretty cool.

Lanyards to be worn at all USAG sanctioned events: New for next year all Pro-members will be required to wear their Professional Number Card at all times when at a Sanctioned Event. The State will be providing Lanyards (The strap and Plastic protector) to you and the logistics in how we will get them to you will be determined later. Region 5 will be using the same Lanyard.

Illinois Rules and Policies (Red Book): This publication will once again be sent to you in August. We hope to send it to all Clubs with registered Gymnasts in 1999-2000, and the NAWGJ members. If you wish to have a copy, and do not represent either, please contact Norbert via written format requesting a copy and the address that you would like it delivered. There will be a \$5.00 Shipping and Printing charge for any additional Copies.

National Congress I will once again be attending the National Congress in Boston as your representative. We will be having our State Chairman's workshop all Day Thursday. I am once again honored to been asked again to make a presentation to the other State Chairs on the Topic STATE

TRACKING of Gymnasts,. I will be staying at the Host hotel Marriot Copley. If you have any questions while in Boston please contact me there.

National Congress Clinicians: Each year we have respected people from our state that have been chosen as Clinicians for the National Congress. This year is no exception. Congrats to the following People **Teri Crumley, Todd Gardiner, Leonard Isaacs, Don McPherson, Tim Schlosser, Butch Zurich.**

HALL Of Fame Dinner If any one is going to the National Congress and is planning on attending the Hall of Fame dinner please contact Norbert Immediately. We are attempting to put together a Region 5 Table. Please contact me so that we can get this together.

(Change in date) State Congress, Training Camp 2001: Wendy McGrath and Suzie

Kinsman will once again Team up and Co-Chair the State Congress, Training Camp 2001. They have already started on the

undertaking and will try and set it up similar to the Regional Congresses. There will be topic for both the Novice coaches and the Higher level Coaches as well as Business and Cheerleading. Thank you both of you for volunteering for this.

Safety Course Aug 5th Crystal Lake. Call the national office to register or use the Fax form found in your technique Magazine.

USAG Athlete numbers on Line If you have not already done so we can now register our Athletes on line If you have not already received your info in the mail it might be on the way. I have personally done this with some of our athletes (those attending the Region 5 Super Training Camp. I was very quick and easy (if you follow the directions). We received our new numbers emailed back to us in a mater of minutes.

Meet Directors be vigalent Please With the onset of the New system for USAG Athlete numbers, one of the Changes made is that of the Number itself. The Athletes now will have the same number their entire career (unless they quit for a time period and then come back). This will make your life extremely difficult. The only way that you will know if the athletes number has been registered for this year is by checking with the USAG on line **or/and** having all the athletes cards checked as part of the check-in procedure prior to entering your meet.

Both of these MUST be DONE.

Unfortunately in life, there are those coaches that choose not to follow the rules or are extremely busy and forget to register them. It is very simple and quick now for them to get their athletes number

There will be no exceptions to this or again the Sanction of the meet (insurance) could be in jeopardy.

