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Application for USA Gymnastics University Pre-Placement: Available Until 7/31/2014

USA Gymnastics recognizes that a vast majority of our members have completed and are actively involved in many of the educational opportunities the university has to offer. Those who are interested in achieving the highest level in the certificate program within the university will also have the opportunity to be pre-placed at a higher level than the entry level. These applicants must have vast work experience/achievements and completed higher education through USA Gymnastics University. For more info please follow this link <https://usagym.org/pages/education/pages/about.html#placement>

State Series Meets 2014-15 The Illinois USAGymnastics Administrative Committee will be meeting July 23rd....One of the topics will be establishing next years State Series Meets.

Regional Committee Meeting Norbert will be traveling to Indy July 24th for the regional Committee meeting.....Topics will be training camps, Level 9, 10 Regional meet format, qualifying scores, National and Eastern meets. If you have any input please email me before Wednesday 23rd.

Election 2014 Thank you to the Illinois Elections Commission (Commissioner Amanda Sowa Non USAGym member, Chairman Terry Theobald, and Wendy McGrath for

conducting this years election. 2014 Election Report Up for elections this year was the

following, Level 3, Level 5, Level 8, Secretary and Elite. The Level 5, 8, Secretary and Elite Chairman ran unopposed.

The Level 3 nominees were Nick Becker and Cindy Morano. Cindy Morano WON the Level 3 Chairman vote. The Total votes for Level 3's was 69. 3 votes not counting because of expired USAG#'s. Thanks to all members that casted a vote. Terry Theobald, III.

USAGymnastics Election Chairman May 20, 2014

Xcel Update

The following minutes have been approved and are posted on the USA Gymnastics website:

NJOC and Joint JO/Tech - <https://usagym.org/pages/women/minutes/njoc.html>

NXC - <https://usagym.org/pages/women/minutes/nxc.html>

NTC and Joint JO/Tech - <https://usagym.org/pages/women/minutes/ntc.html>

Please distribute to your membership.

State Congress We would like to thank those that attended this Event June 20-23. Thank you to Marilyn Anderson of Itasca Park District for the use of their building and all her hard work. Thank you to our special guest TAMMY BIGGS National Team Staff and NANCY GIBSON Region 5 Xcel Chairman.. Also thank you for all our clinician, (listed in order of appearance) Cindy Morano, Nick Becker, Mary Lou Ackman, Steve Francis, Amy, Delany, Heather Forbes, Kathy Krebs, Don McPherson, Linda McDonald, Denise Olsen, Don Houlton, Judy Redmond, Shane Sanders, Marco Bravo, Jason McDonald, and Hilary Carlson.. Thank also to the 2 Certifications administrators Edgar Pulido (safety) and Cindy Morano (Hand on Fundamentals Preschool). Thanks also to Cyndi Zimmerman and the Illinois Committee members that spent their weekend .

Team Illinois Elite Program

Secret U.S. Classic - August 2nd (Chicago)

Junior Elite Scheduled to Compete:

- Marissa Oakley,
- Gabby Perea,
- Anastasia Webb,
- Mackenzie Sedlacek,

U.S. Challenge - August 1st (Chicago)

Hopes 10/11 Scheduled to Compete:

- Eliana Lazzari,

American Classic - July 5th (TX)

- Marissa Oakley, 52.950 (Qualified to U.S. Championships)
- Gabby Perea, , 51.800
- Mackenzie Sedlacek, 51.400

Illinois Qualified Elites

Juniors (Name, First meet qualified)

- Marissa Oakley, CA
- Gabby Perea, Buckeye
- Anastasia Webb, CA

- Mackenzie Sedlacek, TX

Hopes 12/13 (Name, First meet qualified)

- Mackenzie Sedlacek, CA

Hopes 10/11 (Name, First meet qualified)

- Eliana Lazzari, Buckeye

Annual Banquet Illinois hosted our Annual Awards Recognition Banquet May 18th. Over 530 people in attendance. Please view the pictures on the Illinois Website where we honored all our State Champions, Regional and Eastern, National Qualifiers, Lifetime Achievement Awards, Erna Wachtel Awards, and Our graduating Seniors. Thanks to Cyndi Zimmerman and the Illinois Banquet Committee, and members of the Illinois State Administrative Committee for a job well done.

Volunteers Needed For 2014 Secret U.S. Classic

For the fifth straight year, Chicago area will host the final qualifying event for women's gymnastics for

the P&G Gymnastics Championships, that will be held in Pittsburgh, PA. on August 21-24, 2014. USA Gymnastics is again partnering with Illinois Gymnastics on this event. We look forward to putting on another remarkable event here in Chicago and hope that your hard work, dedication and support continues to bring these meets to Chicago.

We would like to invite you to partner with us as a volunteer on this exciting upcoming event. The U.S. Classic, which features some of the USA's top female gymnasts, is scheduled for August 2, 2014 at the Sears Centre Arena, 5333 Prairie Stone Pkwy, Hoffman Estates, IL 60192. Beginning July 31 and running through August 2, there are opportunities for all interested volunteers with multiple dates and shifts available. All volunteers are requested to register for a minimum of four (4) volunteer hours.

To register as an adult volunteer: (Adults only 18 years and older)

Please go to the USA Gymnastics website:

<http://secretclassic.com/> and follow the directions in the

Volunteer section of the U.S. Classic. Copy and paste this URL into your browser.

Volunteers are

needed for the following positions:

Accreditation; Equipment; Light Equipment/Signage; Staging

Assistants; and USA Gymnastics Fulfillment Table.

To register as an equipment volunteer (ages 16 & older):

If you are available and would like to volunteer for equipment positions (set up & tear down) please

register through the USA Gymnastics website and then contact Steve Cacchione at

usacubs@aol.com

and Cindy Morano (email listed below).

If you have additional questions, please contact Cindy Morano by email at

cindymorano@hotmail.com

; Norbert Bendixen at norbertil@aol.com

We hope you will join us at this prestigious event.

Life Time Achievement

ERNA WACHTEL AWARD COMMITTEE..... THANKS the GENEROUS DONORS AND IL

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for making it possible to award 3 scholarships to the following outstanding gymnasts:

Gianna Scala,

Amelia Rafferty,

Alyssa Bossle,

We are grateful for this support that made it possible to continue Erna Wachtel's legacy through this award.

USA Gymnastics New Online Registration System

USA Gymnastics launched a new online registration system on Wednesday, May 28th. The new registration system will provide our members a more efficient and streamlined approach to the way they interact and conduct business with our organization. While we believe that you and our members will find the new system very easy to navigate, we have established a new Club Administration How to Guide. This guide will provide club administrators a step by step overview of all the new features. [Click here](#) to view. Please feel free to share this information on your state/regional website.

Special Olympic State Judge Thanks to the following Illinois NAWGJ Judges for taking a weekend out of their summer to help and judge our Illinois Special Olympians at their state competition in ISU. Thanks to Hilay Carlson, Jeanie Johnson, Betty Axelson, Betsy Ellis, Toni Sandoval. Thank also to Bob Conkling and his ISU Staff, Former and present gymnasts for being great hosts.

Judges Interested in All Star Trip... Any National, Elite, or Brevet Judge that would like to be considered to travel on October 20-26, 2014 to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic should contact Char Christensen and Kittia Carpenter by June 1, 2014. Expenses are paid by the judge with a donation from Region 5 RJD, Hilary Carlson. It is an educational and fun opportunity to be a part of the Region 5 All Star Trip. If more than one judge is interested, the Region 5 Committee will make a final decision. Thank you for considering this opportunity !Norbert Bendixen

2014 JUDGES VOLUNTEER FORM FOR REGION 5 TRAINING CAMPS

Thank you for volunteering for our Region 5 Training Camps as a Judging Volunteer. Everyone who completes this form will be assigned provided you meet the August 1, 2014 deadline. Please visit [Judge Updates](#) to complete your registration form today.

This form is for judges only that want to either do a judging session or be a technical assistant on an event using your judging knowledge. Only sign up for the number of day or days you would like to be assigned.

If you would like to be considered for a coaching position, please complete the Region 5 Coaching Volunteer form by visiting the [Training Camp Website](#).

If you have questions, you can e-mail charchristensen@icloud.com. You will receive a confirmation e-mail with event assignments prior to the Region 5 Training Camps. Thank you for being a Region 5 leader and volunteer.

Training Camp Registrations Open Posted: 05 Jun 2014 08:12 AM PDT

New Training Camp Website has been launched.

2014 Region 5 Summer Camp Registrations have begun.

You can register today for:

Super Camp, Hi-Tech, NCAA Showcase

Other Camp Registrations will be open soon!

You can also complete your Coach or Judge Volunteer Forms.

Visit <http://trainingcamps.region5.com> for the most recent information and to complete your registrations.

When registering, please sign up for [Training Camp Updates](#). This will ensure that you receive any updates made on the Camp Website. These would include host hotel information, schedules, staff lists and other helpful information as you plan your trip.

As always have a "Happy Handstand"

Illinois USA Gymnastics State Administrative Committee Chairman