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- **USAG Changes** Please stay alert as there have been significant changes and will continue to be exciting changes coming.
- **RBUS / Member clubs** One of these changes. This year in order for meet directors /clubs to receive a sanction and TO appear on the Illinois meet schedule you must be either a **member club** (cost but well worth it) or a **RBUS** (free Registered Business) If you are not presently on of these please do so IMMEDIATELY. WE don't want to keep you off the schedule because of it .. Forms can be found on the USA Gymnastics site membership Become a member link
- Changes have also been made in the **actual Membership structure**. I think you will like them please visit the usa-gym.org membership site to read up on it.. To much to include in this format.
- **Pre-Placement** USA Gymnastics University is asking that we all look at our profile on our USA Gymnastics page. USA Gymnastics is well into their new initiative for Education and Certification (I know in the past This was started and died off) but they are well into this program and you can see by just looking at your profile.. When you visit the site you will either be signed in or will have to sign in. Then once you click on the Member Services page a wealth of information shows up about you from your membership ,your sanction, What certifications that you presently hold.. Under Education and learn about the University you can **pre-place** yourself into the University program.. In other words (grandfather) what you have already accomplished to what you have registered. After you have done U101 Which everybody has to take. please get started on this during the summer when you might have a little free time.. Once season starts your time might not make it a possibility
- **Illinois USA Gymnastics Meet Procedures**
  - **Phase One:**
    - All meets that were held last year and want to stay on same weekend.
    - We start by filling the oldest meet that have keep their weekend first and then go next and next.
    - The best way and fairest is to go by weekends of the year. There are few weekends a year that end up having 5 weekends. These change from year to year and if you choose to take the 5th weekend understand that you will be first priority on the next years 5th weekend and that is the only meet that will change dates and not loose its. If only 4 weekends then you will move to the 4th as long as the judges can handle or move to one of the new 5th weekends ranking.
    - Only one meet at this time will be awarded per club . There will be a chance to add another meet in Phase Four
  - **Phase Two :**
    - All meets above that might have lost their weekend do to lack of judges, holidays would be the first up for second phase.
    - Then those that want to change dates.
  - **Phase Three :**
    - All new meets from clubs that do not already have a meet on the calendar.
  - **Phase Four:**
    - Clubs wanting a second meet.
- Please do not request a meet until your correct Phase

**Right now we will be taking Phase One requests ONLY:**

Anyone that held a meet last year, that is staying the same weekend as last year. Only one meet can be requested. No others at this time will be accepted, so if you

send one it that is not for Phase One it will be sent back to you and you will have to send during the correct Phase.

- Email this information to [ILMeets@ILUSAG.com](mailto:ILMeets@ILUSAG.com) ....Club Name....Club #....Member/RBUS.....Meet Director....USAG#.....Email.....Meet Name & Dates.....Levels.....Scoring Program If you are not using one of the scoring programs please contact Cyndi Zimmerman and she will tell you what format it must be in.

**Calendar** Please keep your eye on the Illinois Calendar link to the left of the Website for 2012-2013 Calendar of events. The Level 8, 9, 10 State meet has been voted on and posted on the ilusag.com . The remainder of the State Series will be posted mid Week

- **TOPS State Testing** Gymnastic Academy of Rockford will be hosting a state testing July 28, 2012 in their gym. Interested athletes and coaches have to sign up through the USAG website

- **Gymnastics tour for Olympic Legend Olga Korbut** Chicago Sports and Entertainment Partners, [www.chicagoSEP.com](http://www.chicagoSEP.com), is currently planning a gymnastics tour for Olympic Legend Olga Korbut in celebration of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of her historic performance at the 1972 Olympic Games. Olga will provide hands-on training for both your students and coaches while sharing stories from her legendary career. Clubs and schools interested in participating should contact Jessica Judge for further details

at: [jessica@chicagosep.com](mailto:jessica@chicagosep.com) You can follow Olga directly on Twitter at: @OlgaKorbut1

- **W200 Development Coaches Course Hands On Training** Please see information below regarding this course being held at Oak Lawn Park District July 15
- **"Do you know the Way"** Those that will be going to the Olympic Trials and National Congress we will be taking our annual **Illinois Picture** at the front of the Vendor area. This will be done most likely Friday or Saturday around the Lunch hour... Please keep your ears open and look on the website for exact time
- **Special Olympic New Routine Clinic When:**Sunday June 24th **Where:** Gymkhana **Who should come:** programs that presently do Special Olympics programs / those that are thinking of it
- **Secret USA Classic** once again thanks to so many for making this meet a success. Please read the following from Cindy Morano Subject: Thank You - 2012 Secret U.S. Classic Volunteers

Hi Everyone, Thank you for volunteering for the 2012 Secret U.S. Classic Gymnastics competition. You contributed and were a part of an incredible three days of gymnastics.

I am inspired when I look at how everyone came together to contribute to the success of this year's event. It is amazing what has been accomplished and what possibilities there are for the future.

The 2012 Secret U.S. Classic was a total "Team" effort. Everyone had a "Let me know what I can do" attitude. I was under the impression that the 2011 Cover Girl equipment volunteers were good; however, this year's equipment volunteers were BETTER. You were AMAZING!!!! Tear-down was completed in three hours - Unbelievable!! A special thanks to the UIC Gymnastics and Niles West Gymnastics Teams - we greatly appreciated your assistance at this event.

The youth volunteers were mature and delivered outstanding performances - Great job girls!

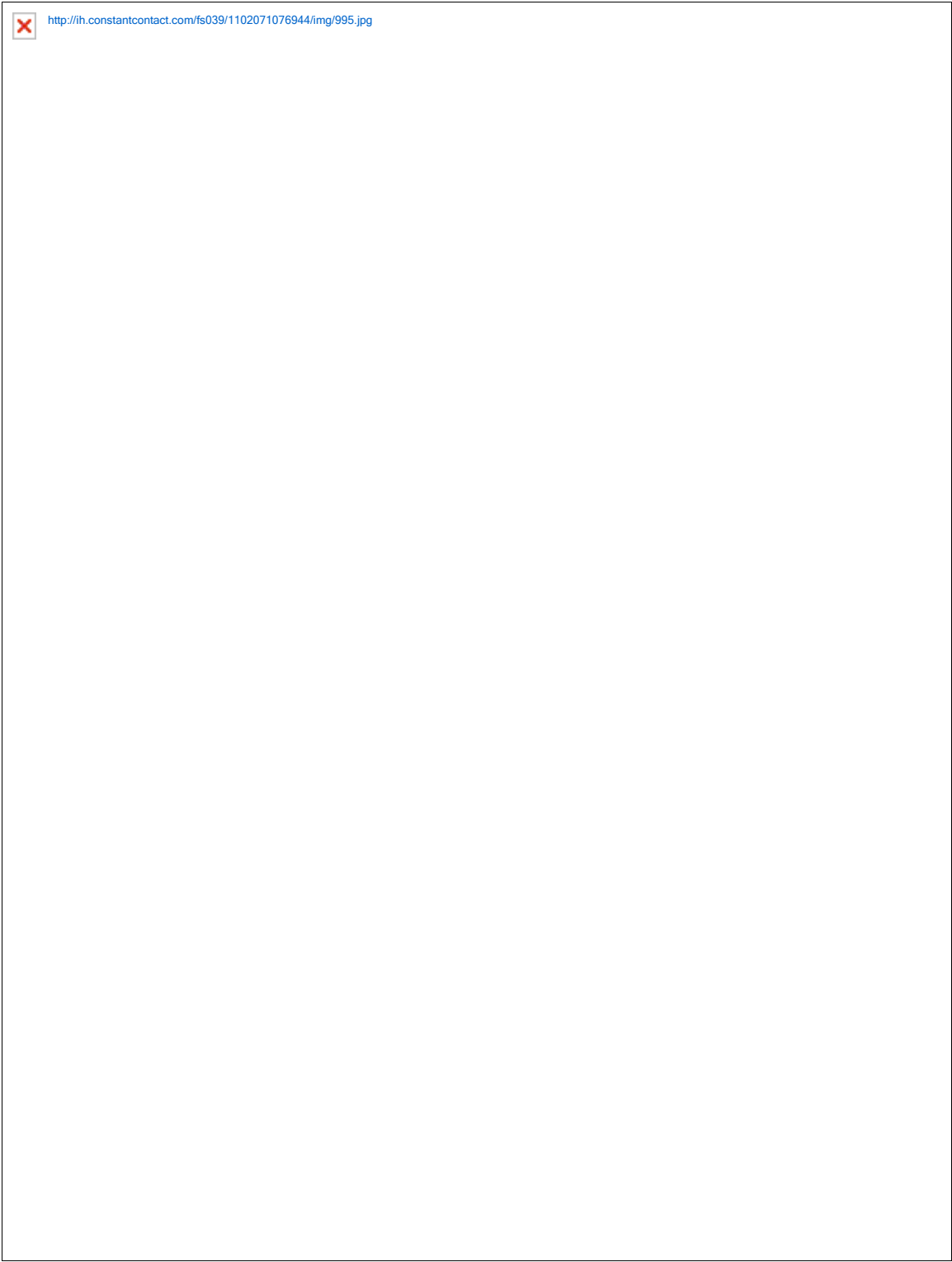
A special thank you to all of the "out of town" volunteers that traveled from Indiana, Minnesota, South Dakota and Michigan and contributed to success of this event. Illinois greatly appreciates your dedication and commitment to the 2012 Secret U.S. Classic. Thank you for joining us.

I sincerely appreciate everyone's hard work, dedication, positive attitudes & continued support .Thank you. Cindy Morano 2012 Secret U.S. Classic Volunteer Coordinator

- **Good Luck Anna Li** She will be competing at the Olympic Trials in San Jose
- **Finally on a personal note** .....Wow and a very Deep hearted Thank you : Kim and I would like to thank all our "Gymnastic Family" from the bottom of our hearts for the unbelievable surprise given us at the Recent Illinois Women's Awards Banquet.. Words can not express how appreciative we are of all of you and what this has done for the both of us. Thank you very very much. Kim is in charge of where and when we go. We will update when we know. Once again thanks you again.....unbelievable



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As always have a "Happy Handstand"