



TONY WHITAKER

GYMNASTICS COACH & CLUB OWNER

OBJECTIVE

Illinois USA Gymnastics
Xcel Silver Bronze
Administrative
Committee Chairman

SKILLS

- Leadership
- Communication
- Organization
- Problem Solver
- Dedication
- Teaching



EXPERIENCE

CO-OWNER • GYM STARS ETC • 1998 - CURRENT

My wife Carole and I are completing our 21st year of running Park District programs, Day Care programs and our own facility. We have been in the Xcel competitive program for the last 3 years with Bronze, Silver and Gold competitors.

HEAD COACH/MANAGER • 1975 - 1998

Served as a coach and/or manager for various clubs. Including Gymnastics Academy of Rockford and Northern Illinois Academy of Gymnastics, which is now Energym.

USAG WOMENS JUDGE • 12+ YEARS

Served as a judge for the women's program in Kentucky and Illinois on and off between 1978 and 1995

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE OR LEADERSHIP

USAG ILLINOIS STATE COMMITTEE • 15+ YEARS

Served in various capacities including Elite Chairman, JO Chairman and State Meet Chairman. I fully understand the time involved in being a Volunteer on this committee. I appreciate all this sport has done for me and would like once again to give something back to the gymnastics community.

MY CONNECTION TO THIS PROGRAM

- Our club has been doing the Xcel program since the 2016/2017 season with competitors in the Bronze, Silver

and Gold levels.

- We are one of the few programs that has had Bronze competitors during that time. It is exciting to see more clubs have Bronze level competitors.
- This is the only competitive program we offer so I am dedicated to the structure, viability and continuation of this program.
- I feel that I understand the positive options this program offers a club owner.
- I believe that the Xcel program is a great training ground for future coaches.
- I love the fact that this program can offer a competitive experience for athletes that may not fit the JO Program.
- The Xcel program can also be a stepping stone to future JO Athletes.