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The Illinois Legends Athlete Award honors coaching and judging legends Erna Wachtel and Sandy Oldham. The applicant must possess the highest personal character traits and exemplify the ideals that the Legends Award is recognizing.

This year the winner is Keira Neikes. Keira received a plaque at a ceremony in her gym arranged by Christi Kearns, her coach and also the IL-NAWGJ Education Chairperson.

Coach Christi Kearns nominated Keira based on the following:

Exceptional work habits.

Her passion for gymnastics.

Her inspiration to younger gymnasts.

Keira was an outstanding student and active in school organizations and church. She is a volunteer for the non-profit Elle Project, as well.

Keira was not only an exceptional athlete, but an excellent coach at SIGA.

Keira will continue her education at Indiana University majoring in Aviation and more importantly a member of the ROTC.

CONGRATULATIONS KEIRA!!!

6,7,8 Regional Moved to OHIO

This year Illinois was to be the host for the Level 6,7,8 Regional Championships. After an extensive but unsuccessful search for facilities to host a two gym Capital Cup format competition, the Regional Committee voted to explore availability in other states.. Two sites were found, one in Indiana and one in Ohio. The Committee then voted on the Ohio site (see Regional Committee minutes). Norbert searched 17 different locations in Illinois, none were available for the dates needed.

Regional Leotard Design Contest

The winner for the Illinois entry into the Regional Leotard Contest was Olivia Sour, a senior at Mattoon Academy of Gymnastics in Mattoon, IL.



We would like to thank the 15 designers who submitted their entries for their participation. The Illinois Administrative Committee will have GK send a version to Olivia for her winning design. This leotard was submitted along with the other 4 state winners and below is the final leotard design, which includes three

Illinois colors. This will be the Illinois Regional Leotard for the 2025 Regional Competitions. All states will have the same leotard design with their colors and State names.

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