

REMINDERS-UPDATES-HOUSEKEEPING

- ❖ CPE's are due. If your CPE's are finished send them to CPE Coordinator Hilary Carlson <hilarycarlson@comcast.net>. If you are still working on them you have until the end of the summer. If you received your initial rating after August 1, 2016 you do not have to turn in CPE's for this past year.
- ❖ If you are eligible for the National or Brevet course you may now submit your forms. Send your Course Eligibility form to Char Christensen <charchristensen@icloud.com> You have until November 1, 2017 to submit your form.
- ❖ USA Gymnastics memberships are due to be renewed by July 31, 2017. There is a new course by Safe Sport, U110 The US Olympic Committee Safe Sport Course. All Pro Members are required to take this course and it is free of charge. You may renew your Pro Membership prior to taking the course. A completion date has not yet been determined but it will most likely be prior to the end of the competitive season.
- ❖ NAWGJ memberships are due by July 31, 2017. Most members worked Judges Cup and are paid through 2018. If you have questions about your expiration date go to www.nawgj.org and check your membership profile.
- ❖ All members need to go into their membership profile on Gymjas and add current dates when all memberships are complete. You can enter your availability at any time. For each weekend, if you have a meet preference please list your preferred meets. This year we will honor judge's preferences to the best of our ability taking into consideration gym phase priority and gym preferences.
- ❖ Judges Cup hotel reimbursement, you must send the official form to Sue Woloszyk sewsue811@gmail.com with a hotel receipt with your name for reimbursement.
- ❖ The last day to register for Region 5 Congress is July 7th. Contact Kathy Krebs kmkrebs@comcast.net to register.
- ❖ Region 5 Congress banquet, Illinois NAWGJ will once again pay for any judge who would like to attend the banquet. Last year we had two Illinois NAWGJ tables! Contact Kathy Krebs kmkrebs@comcast.net before the deadline if you would like to attend.
- ❖ AAU Clinic, there will once again be an AAU Clinic free to Illinois NAWGJ members. This year's clinic will be Sunday August 27th at Itasca Park District. Contact Linda McDonald lindailsjd@gmail.com if you would like to attend. Once the new Education Chair is elected they will take over clinic registration.
- ❖ Illinois State Congress is being held at Aspire Gymnastics July 7-8. Go to Illinois USA Gymnastics website to register. The cost is \$25.

Upcoming Exams

- ❖ July 9th Aspire Gymnastics
- ❖ October 1st Phenom Gymnastics

Exams are also being administered at all Regional and National Congress. Go to usagym.org to see a complete list of exams being given in the US.

Please check out the fabulous job Cheryl has done on the new website.

- ❖ Just about everything you need is now on the website. Everything is neatly laid out and organized for easy access.
- ❖ The Guidelines have been removed as they are out of date with current policies. The Administrative Assistant will be updating these and they will be available online by the fall. Nothing can be done until after the summer SJD National meeting to comply with upcoming changes that might take place.
- ❖ Past minutes will all be available soon. The years are on the website and soon you will be able to click on those years to see past minutes.

I am receiving many questions about the upcoming election.

- ❖ Voting takes place July 1-15.
- ❖ The candidate's applications will be sent to all voting members just before midnight June 30th.
- ❖ You have 15 days to vote, plenty of time to read over the applications
- ❖ Elected officers take office August 1st

Education will have a new chair and Administrative Assistant is up for election so:

- ❖ After August 1st the new Education Chair will send out a registration form for the Cookie Batsche Clinic taking place September 30-October 1, 2018. Registrations will go to the new Education Chair since they will be assuming all responsibilities of the preparation of and running of the clinic. This is a free clinic for all Illinois NAWGJ members.
- ❖ Please hold off until after August 1st to send copies of your USA Gymnastics Pro Membership card and receipt of your NAWGJ membership. These go to the Administrative Assistant. The results of the election will determine where those cards are to be sent.

I am receiving many questions about assigning and what this change involves.

- ❖ We no longer have a north and a south assigner. Three people are running for two assigning positions. You will vote for two people and the two with the most votes will be the new assigners.
- ❖ Assigning will no longer be the decision of one person. The two assigners and the SJD will meet in September and in either late October or early November to map out assignments as a team.
- ❖ One assigner or the SJD will be in charge of sending contracts to judges for all meets taking place on weekends they are assigned to manage. Example: Assigner A is assigned to the first and third weekends in January and Assigner B is assigned to the second and fourth weekends of January. The assigners will send the contracts to all judges assigned to all meets for their weekends. They will manage their weekends for any cancelations or last-minute emergencies.