

# ILLINOIS NAWGJ

## MAY 2007

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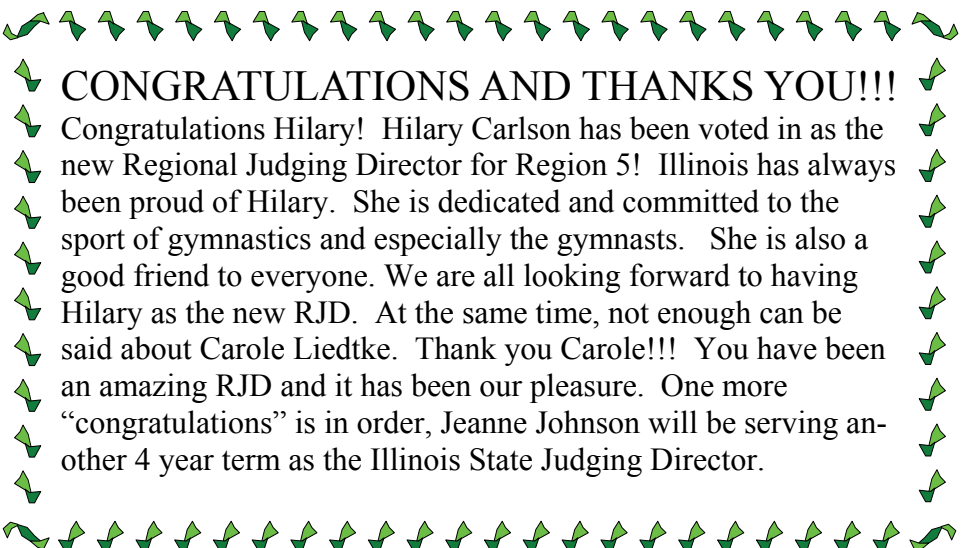
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Hilary Carlson-Test Administrator

### ELECTION TIME

This newsletter has important and timely information regarding elections for the Illinois NAWGJ Board. Please read this newsletter carefully. All Illinois Governing Board Member positions are up for election. The following is a list of eligible candidates: Mary Lou Ackman, Betty Axelson McClelland, Michelle Barbieri, Sharon Barbato, Betty Bennett, Brooke Bennett, Kristin Boeck, Susan Brosnan, Jenny Caccione, Hilary Carlson, Suzanne Carmona, Tanya Chmielewski, Donna Debolt, Linda Drummond, Dianne Durham, Kathy Elg, Betsy Ellis, Lisa Ellis, Heather Forbes, Kathy Gebhardt, Elizabeth Greene, Amy Grimes, Judy Harwood, Jessica Holtz, Arika Hoyt, Debbie Hugelier, Ann Jacobson, Judy Durr, Christie Kearns, Leigh Ann Klaus, Natalie Koga, Mary Kraus, Carrie Marquardt, Linda McDonald, Beth Miller, Teresa Millmore, Stacey Mooney, Cindy Morano, Paula Noe, Arlene Norris, Sarah Oberhauser, Sandy Oldham, Melissa Oltz, Cathy Peebles, Debbie Pulley, Marteena Putzek, Jill Roberts, Mary Joe Roehrig, Judy Redmond, Richard Sabel, Toni Sandoval, Sharon Sargeant, Cheryl Schuh, Mary Ann Sedlacek, Beverly Stevens, Billie Stone, Dawnita Teague, Amy Tritt, Debbie Tritt, Susan Uhlir, Michelle Wicklander, Sue Woloszyk, Cyndi Zimmerman.

If you think you are an eligible candidate and your name is not listed be sure to contact Jeanne Johnson. Also, any change in address should be sent to the National NAWGJ office and to Jeanne and Debbie Pulley. The ballots are sent by mail and the correct address is required.

 **CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS YOU!!!**  
Congratulations Hilary! Hilary Carlson has been voted in as the new Regional Judging Director for Region 5! Illinois has always been proud of Hilary. She is dedicated and committed to the sport of gymnastics and especially the gymnasts. She is also a good friend to everyone. We are all looking forward to having Hilary as the new RJD. At the same time, not enough can be said about Carole Liedtke. Thank you Carole!!! You have been an amazing RJD and it has been our pleasure. One more “congratulations” is in order, Jeanne Johnson will be serving another 4 year term as the Illinois State Judging Director.

## THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD

The Illinois State Board has 9 members including the State Judging Director.\* All positions are up for election, except SJD. Positions up for election are: North Assigner, South Assigner, North Judges Cup, South Judges Cup, Education, Newsletter, Treasurer/Professional Benefits Administer and Administrative Assistant.

**Illinois State Judging Director** Directs the State NAWGJ Association, chairs the State Governing Board and delegates responsibilities, attends al State meetings and National State Judging Directors Meeting, is responsible to the Regional Judging Director, from page 61 State Judges Director Guide.

**North Assigner, South Assigner** The assigner receives judges request form, tracks availability, assigns meets based on guidelines, contracts meets, collects assigning fees and maintains assigning accounts.

**North Judges Cup, South Judges Cup** Meet Director and Chair of Judges Cup Committees, responsible for budget and site and directs the Judges Cup Meet.

**Education** Directs education for new judges, continuing education for current judges and those testing up, works on recruitment, monitoring and assists with State Congress.

**Newsletter** Publishes a minimum of 4 newsletters a year (usually 10) distributes by mail and e-mail. The newsletter person is responsible for Illinois NAWGJ website.

**Treasurer/Professional Benefits Administrator** Maintains all accounts, signs checks and pays bills, prepares the tri-annual financial report, records and pays professional benefits

**Administrative Assistant** Records minutes, assists in additional projects as needed, assists with Congress and Training Camps



STATE GOVERNING BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORM

Letter to Candidate Notifying Eligibility - STATE GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER

Date: May 1, 2007

You are eligible to run for the office of STATE GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER for the term of 2 years. If elected your term would BEGIN ON JULY 15, 2007 and end on JUNE 30, 2009.

If you are interested in running, please complete the form below regarding your qualifications and background and return to the State Judging Director by June 1, 2007.

(Request RETURN RECEIPT, please) Failure to respond (postmarked by the deadline date) indicates that you do NOT wish to run for office. This application will be COPIED and sent out with the ballot.

STATE GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

RATING \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION APPLYING FOR \_\_\_\_\_

NAWGJ BACKGROUND:

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PLEASE DO NOT ADD PAGES. THIS IS THE ONLY PAGE TO BE SENT WITH THE BALLOT.  
SEND TO THE STATE JUDGING DIRECTOR:

Jean Johnson  
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## **ELIGIBILITY FOR STATE GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

- A. All National, Regional, State and At-Large Directors and Officers shall be 21 years of age.
- B. All State Governing Board Members shall be certified judges for a minimum of one year (12 months).
- C. Must live in the state that is the address on record with the national office unless RGB has approved otherwise.
- C. A candidate must be in good standing under the canons and disciplinary rules of the NAWGJ Code of Professional Responsibility.
- D. Must meet eligibility requirements 90 days before ballots are to be sent.

## **DUTIES OF THE STATE GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

Be elected in order to vote. If they are not elected, they may not carry out duties which allow them to handle funds, issue contracts, vote on SGB issues, or write newsletters or anything in print on behalf of the NAWGJ.

Be responsible to the State Judging Director.

Represent the state where address is on file with the national office unless special circumstances are stated in a petition to the SGTB in writing.

Be present at all Governing Board meetings and present, discuss, and vote on pertinent issues.

Fulfill the specific duties as outlined by the State Judging Director for the Board position held.

Approve the budget for Judges' Cups or other special events.

Consult with the State Judging Director about expenditures of more than \$200.00 for depreciable items and \$100.00 for non-NAWGJ activities or expenditures for gifts or donations.

Expenditures incurred by a State Governing Board Member must be approved in writing by the State Judging Director.

Enforce the adherence to high ethical standards in judging.

Failure to attend two consecutive State Governing Board Meetings shall constitute an automatic suspension. A proxy will not fulfill the attendance requirement. A proxy may be designated if they are a current elected member of the SGB and must be approved by the State Judging Director.

Failure to comply with the responsibilities of this office could result in removal from office after review by the State Governing Board.

## Illinois Clinic Opportunities

Illinois will be hosting two great clinics. The first will be held in conjunction with the USAG State Congress. Judging lectures will be held on Saturday July 28<sup>th</sup>, with the emphasis being on compulsories. A one or two day rate will be available. This schedule allows you to attend many of the coaching lectures that are missed when there is two days of judging lectures.

The September Illinois NAWGJ Clinic is still in the works. It will be a full weekend, two days of lectures. Two weekends are proposed: September 15, 16 and September 29, 30. We are looking into bringing in an out-of state clinician.

In addition, Regional Training Camps are an excellent place to spend time in the gym. They are held the first weekend of August, September, October, and November. If the High Tech Training Camp (October) or the Forward Progress Camp (November) is held in Illinois, there will be a clinic opportunity for judges.

If you have educational concerns or requests, please take the time to e-mail both Kathie Gebhardt and Sandy Oldham.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

June 16—TESTING in Bloomington @ 1 pm.

June 22-24- Region 4 Congress in Coralville, IA

July 26-29– Illinois State Congress @ Itasca Park District

July 29— TESTING @ Itasca @ 1 pm.

Aug. 16-18—National Congress in San Jose, CA (in conjunction w/VISA Championships)

Sept. 8/9 or 15/16– Illinois NAWGJ Clinic- Testing TBA in conjunction with Sept. Clinic  
(please check website for more information).

Sept. 21-23—Region 5 Congress in Indianapolis, IN

### IMPORTANT:

Ballots will be mailed out. There are two important details. Check your mailing address on the Illinois website to be sure it is accurate. To get onto the **Judges' Only Section** of the website you must use your USAG # (for name) and a password (that you have given Debbie) \*\*\*\*\* If address is not correct please notify both Debbie and Jeanne ASAP. Ballots will be mailed out June 15th. If you do not receive yours with-in ten days, you must contact Jeanne.

All HEAD JUDGES who where at any state meet: Please send to Kathie Gebhardt any odd things that you can remember that happened at the state meets on your event (for ex: floor—doing the last pass the same as the first pass—so they didn't have three different saltos—or if using modified capital cup format warm ups do not have to be in order...Stuff like that.

Also if any one has any clinic topic ideas that they would like me to bring up or go over or find out about. Send all ideas to me at [Gymjudge59@aol.com](mailto:Gymjudge59@aol.com)

Kathie

### JO Nationals - Volunteer Opportunities

Carol Arnaut and Char have been given the task for finding judges for our Level Ten JO Nationals in Mason , Ohio on May 19 and May 20. We are excited to have you as assignors help us by forwarding this e-mail to all of the judges on your e-mail list in your area so that we can use a variety of judges for this task. It is truly wonderful to have this meet in Ohio and **we need judges to assist with master scorers with computer skills, routine timers, fall timers, and line judges. To volunteer, judges need to send an e-mail to both Carol and Char so that we can try to use as many judges as possible with this great opportunity. Specifically, list in your e-mail to us your 1,2,3 preferences in what you would like to do, if you want 1 or 2 sessions and what day(s) are best for you.** Please go to [Ohio Nawgj.com](http://OhioNawgj.com) if you would like to look at the meet site address, the dates, and times and jobs. We will work together to fill the spots and to share the fun. Carol will provide a hotel room with four to a room if we need for you to spend the night to volunteer. This is a great way to earn some fun CPE credits as well. We hope you can volunteer as it will be a great way to watch an excellent level of gymnastics and to see Region V at their best. Let Carol and Char know if you have any questions and we hope to hear from you soon. Thank you, Char and Carol

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