

November 3, 2011

Members of the NHSGA:

First I want to thank all of you for being members for the 2010-2011 gymnastics year and ask for your continued support. Please remember to renew your memberships as soon as possible. I have attached a membership form to this e-mail. This letter is being sent to all our members that submitted their e-mail with their 2010-11 membership. Remember to send in your 2011-2012 membership registration as soon as possible.

We had our Executive Board meeting in October and I have attached the minutes to the e-mail as well. I feel we had a very productive meeting based on your survey feedback from last year's SSI, I feel we will have another outstanding Senior Showcase planned for 2012. The meet will be held in the same facility as last year, Estero Community Center, and the gymnast/coach host hotel is once again the DiamondHead Resort in Ft. Myers Beach, FL. The dates are May 18 and 19, 2012.

The All American Yearbook and Calendar are almost done. You will be able to download them from the www.nationalhsga.com website when it is finished. You will be able to print as many copies for relatives as you want. I will send out another e-mail when it is available. About the website, I am in the process of creating a new one, so please watch for the e-mail when I complete it.

If you have any items that you would like discussed at the Senior Showcase Membership Meeting in 2012, please send me your concerns or ideas. We are hoping to expand on the number of states that come to the Senior Showcase Invitational. If you or someone you know has a connection with the following states, PLEASE consider recruiting them for our meet. We need your help to find connections for: Delaware, Georgia, Maine, Vermont, Colorado, Minnesota, North Dakota, North Carolina, Alaska, South Dakota, and Ohio.

If you are a state liaison or lead coach we would like you to find something from your state to send to FL to put into the goodie bags. If you bring it to the meet it might be too late to get into the goodie bags. The address to send the goodie bag items is: 2177 Macadamia Lane, St. James City, FL 33956. The "theme" for 2012 SSI will be "Flip Flops."

We would like to make our association a place where you, the members, can share ideas that work for you. I would like to add more hints and tips on the "Coaching Tips" page of our website—if you are struggling with something send out an e-mail, maybe we can help you. We do have a Facebook that you can become members of as well. This would be a great place to share ideas and brainstorm solutions. Bethany Mihaly is in charge of our Facebook page, it is "National High School Gymnastics Association" please become a "friend" of the NHSGA and keep updated.

We would also like to add a "Where Are They Now" section on the website. This would highlight former high school gymnasts and what they are doing now. Whether it be competing in college gymnastics or making a difference somewhere else in the world.

Thanks for all you do for the world of gymnastics.

Happy Handstands,

Margie Canfield
NHSGA President