



## Summer Newsletter 2023

Dear Members,

I hope that everyone is enjoying some down time this summer. The gymnastics season seems very long and it is important to relax and rejuvenate afterward. Summer is the time for rest but also for learning. This summer the Region 6 Congress will be held in Rhode Island on August 11-13. It is a great place to send staff to learn from the best clinicians and to keep updated on information.

Sincerely,

Larry Goldsmith  
NYS Chairman

Click on Regional Congress link: [Regional Congress](#)

### State Board Elections:

There are 13 members of the NY State Board. **Two of those positions are up for reelection.** The responsibilities of these positions are to attend approximately 5 meetings per year to contribute to the discussions and voting of the topics. All board members must adhere to the confidentiality of the USAG NYS Board.

They are:

Position #1-- XCEL Representative - this is a voting position and the person represents the XCEL program.

Position #2-- DP Representative - this is also a voting position and the person represents the DP program.

If you would like to apply for this position on the board, please send me your resume as soon as possible at lgoldny2@gmail.com. **Resumes must be received by July 26th.**

The voting will take place through Election Buddy, which is the USA Gymnastics voting platform.

Dan Hassoun has been a member of the state board for many years and has done a great job representing the membership with a knowledgeable voice as a coach in all decisions of the NY State Board. Dan is retiring from coaching and from the state board. NYS Gymnastics thanks him for his many years on the board. His expertise will be missed.

The state board will be meeting at Regional congress where we will finalize the dates and levels for the 2024 state meets.

### **Current USA Gymnastics Minutes**

It is important to go onto the USA Gymnastics website and read the current minutes from the DP, XCEL, Tech and Admin. committees from this past May. There are decisions which will affect training this summer: Ex: moving up from Level 4, the Level 5 Bar dismount, individual event specialists, coach on the floor exercise, etc.

### **Competitions**

USA Gymnastics has approved two items from the 2023 Women's Technical Committee meeting that will affect the judges' compensation package as stated in the *Women's Program Rules & Policies*. Starting **August 1, 2023**, the below items will be current:

Assigning fee: Increase of \$3.00 to \$5.00

- Any assigning fees collected prior to 8/1/23 will reflect the current \$3.00/per judge fee.
- Any assigning fees collected 8/1/23 and after will reflect the new fee of \$5.00/per judge fee.
- Judges hourly rate: Increase of \$1.00 per hour for all judges' ratings (Dev and Xcel)

### **Congratulations**

**Michele Archer** is our newly elected **Regional Administrative Chair (RACC)**. Michele was the Massachusetts state chair for many years and I am sure she will do a fantastic job as the Regional Chair. Her address is:

Michele Archer  
287 Ashby Rd.  
PO Box 294  
Ashburnham, MA  
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Please remember to send \$2 per gymnast to Michele for each USAG sanctioned meet that you host. You must also send \$4 per gymnast to USAG- NY to me at 41 Brook Ct., East Amherst, NY 14051

Congratulations to **Rochester Gymnastics Academy (RGA)** and Barry and Youlia Coss and staff for being the **NY State DP Club of the Year**. Congratulations as well to their elite gymnast Kiern Finnell who recently won the All Around at the American Classic.

Congratulations to **Kennett Gymnastics** and John Smales and staff for being the **NY State XCEL Club of the Year**.