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# NEWSLETTER

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You hard work and dedication throughout this past year are greatly appreciated. May you have a prosperous New Year filled with Peace, Joy, and Success!

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**SCAM ALERT!** We have been advised that some of our members have been contacted by a man from another country who said his daughter competed gymnastics and was going to be in town for 10 weeks. He asked for a price quote for lessons. So while later, he emailed and said they had a death in the family and had to change plans - they would be flying in on a specified date. He said he sent out a check for the lessons and asked them to let him know when it arrived. Once it arrived, the check was for \$3,500. He wanted them to Western Union him the balance because his "Associate" was supposed to pay for the plane tickets with that money. The bank advised to wait to see if it cleared and of course, it didn't.



**WELCOME and GOOD LUCK**

to our new State Chairs -

Georgia - Jim Dowling

Nebraska - Jolene McCandless Linder

South Carolina - David Johnson



Many of you responded and completed the required Safety Certification for your clubs. Thank you! Those clubs who still need to become certified are:

Aerials & Baranis, Michigan  
Carroll Power Tumbling, Iowa  
Elite Tumblers, Indiana  
Flipfastics Power Tumbling, Illinois  
Gail Frederick Gym, Kentucky  
Head Over Heels, Alabama  
Reflex Gymnastics, Florida  
Sooner T&T, Oklahoma  
Team Tri-Cities, Tennessee  
Twiststars T&T, Illinois  
West Kentucky Tumblers, Kentucky

If our records are incorrect or you have any questions, please contact the National Office so we can help you!

NTJC NEWS



The 2010 USTA National Championship Judging Survey is on the web page - [usta1.org](http://usta1.org). If you are interested in judging Nationals - complete the survey and return it as instructed. Don't wait - do it NOW! The correct USTA fax number is 863-420-2050 and the email is [ustapatti@verizon.net](mailto:ustapatti@verizon.net). DO NOT forget to follow up to make sure it was received!

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The 2010 USTA National Team Trial Packets have been mailed. To be eligible to try out for the National Team:

Athlete's team must have competed in the 2009 USTA National Championships.

Athlete must have competed in the advanced division of the applicable event.

## Congratulations...

Jessica and Mark Robinson, Wight Power Tumbling (IL), on the birth of their twin daughter and son. PROUD Grandparents are Terry and Gigi Wight.

## Get Well Wishes...

Rose Rysavy, Elite Power Tumbling (IA), who is undergoing chemo.

John Williams, Gipson's Gymnastics (AL).

## Deepest Sympathy...

Gail White (Twiststars Tumbling & Trampoline (IL), on the passing of her mother.

LeRoy & Merrill McDaniels, L&M Gymnastics, (IL), on the passing of his mother.

Rohn Baker, Skillsville (MI), on the passing of his father.

David Gipson, Gipson's Gymnastics (AL), on the passing of his father.

Dan & Dawn Irish, Irish's Gym (IL),

- on the passing of their long time coach and friend, Dorothy Hewerdine.
- on the passing of their athlete, Natalie Johnson.

Thank you for the lovely floral arrangement and plant sent in memory of Mary Hutchinson.

Gail White and family

Thanks for putting the work out for Natalie's family. Please forward our Thank you to Paula, Jackie, Jerri Ann & Michael Bumphrey, Jumpin' J's, Llaina's Dance, Flight Club, Red Hot Tumblers, Jill & Ashley Schwalm, Patti, Linda, the Awesome Parents at the Canton Classic, Loker's, and Studio 50. We Love You for all you do. This is an organization that shows compassion, love, and victory when standing together. From the Christmas Classic, "It's a Wonderful Life," even George Bailey would be proud of us! Again thank you!

Love Danny & Dawn Irish - Irish's Gym  
Mike & Stephanie Johnson

Together, the USTA collected over \$1,500 in memory of Natalie Johnson. Her parents did not have any insurance to cover the cost of her funeral.

If you would like to send your condolences, the address is:

Mike & Stephanie Johnson  
107 Miami Drive  
Loda, IL 60948

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