



OJI Presidential Notes

June 2019

In an effort to stay in-touch and provide timely information about OJI activities and regional events, it is planned to distribute these "Notes" directly to all members of OJI plus anyone else wishing to receive these e-mails. They will also be posted on the OJI web site. If you wish to be removed from this e-mail list, please contact me using reply to sender (please DO NOT use "reply all"). Similarly, if you are not currently on the "direct e-mail" list and wish to be added please contact me stating your request.

- 1) DAMAC Judo Club hit by tornado – Let's get it operational again! Last Monday three tornadoes hit the Dayton area and caused damage in Trotwood, Dayton, Huber Heights and Beavercreek, as well as several other outlying areas. Fortunately no-one in the Dayton area was killed (there was one death in Celina from this line of storms) but numerous people were injured and a significant amount of property damage was recorded. The Judo community here was spared (to my knowledge) from any injury but they did encounter property damage, including the DAMAC dojo. Much of their equipment and their facility is no longer usable. A fund has been established to assist with their recovery and reopening in a new location. If you can help, please send donations (checks payable to DAMAC) to Dayton Martial Arts Center, 926 W. Fairview Ave., Dayton, OH 45406 or support the "Go Fund Me" account that was set up to rebuild their program. Further info is on the OJI website and Facebook page.
- 2) Marti Malloy Clinic – Scheduled for Saturday, September 28th at the Kettering Rec Center, 2900 Glengarry Drive, Kettering, OH – Full information and entry forms are available on the OJI website under "Upcoming Events". This should be beneficial for all – Marti (2012 Olympic Bronze Medalist) is very personable and a great clinician.
- 3) Attention High School Judoka – Any currently registered OJI judoka (USA Judo or Auxiliary Member of OJI) who is currently in high school (grades 9-12) who ends this school year (June) with a GPA (for this year only) of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 system) may be qualified to be recognized for their academic achievement. Please verify that you meet all requirements as listed on the OJI website at http://www.ohiojudo.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&layout=edit&id=216 and

submit your application prior to July 1, 2019 to Russ Scherer, 510 Silvercrest Terrace, Beavercreek, OH 45440.

- 4) OJI BoD Summer Meeting – The Summer meeting of OJI is scheduled for Sunday, July 21, 2019 at the home of Russ Scherer, 510 Silvercrest Terrace, Beavercreek, Ohio 45440 starting at 2:00PM. Agenda items should be sent to Laura Suzuki at suzuki.laura@gmail.com, with a copy to Russ Scherer at rschererjudo@gmail.com no later than June 21, 2019.
- 5) OJI Website Updates – Please review the website for updates on upcoming events, new info and procedures to **register your club with OJI for 2019**, (see http://www.ohiojudo.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=123&Itemid=484) as well as other recent changes.
- 6) Club Advertising on OJI Trailer – Ohio Judo, Inc. is offering clubs the opportunity to have their club logo affixed to the mat trailer to support the mat program and advertise their club. The one-time fee of \$250 covers the cost of the decal and supports the mat and trailer program. If your club is interested, contact Russ Scherer.

Special Notes:

- 1) If your club is not yet registered with OJI for 2019 yet, please consider joining us and send in your club form with \$25 to Russ Scherer per procedures outlined on the OJI website.

Upcoming Events (check the OJI web site for additional details and an updated listing):

Ohio Events - **National Events & Ref Eval Sites** - Other Events

- 6/20-22/19 - Greatest Camp on Earth (Matthews, NC)
- 6/22/19 - State of Michigan Games (Grand Rapids, MI)
- 6/28-30/19 - **USA Judo National Junior Olympics (Anaheim, CA)**
- 7/6-7/19 - **USJF/JA Grassroots Nationals (Staten Island, NY)**
- 7/13-14/19 - **Tohkon Classic AND Komatsu Cup (Chicago, IL)**
- 7/21/19 - **OJI Board of Directors Meeting (Beavercreek, OH)**
- 7/26-31/19 - **USA Judo OPEN International Championships (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)**
- 8/3-4/19 - Fight Like a Girl Camp (Portage, MI)
- 8/18/19 - Balch Memorial Golf Outing (Sterling Heights, MI)
- 9/7/19 - America's Cup (IN)
- 9/21/19 - **Rock & Roll Capital of the World Judo Tournament (Lorain, OH)**
- 9/28/19 - **Marti Malloy Judo Clinic (Kettering, OH)**
- 10/6/19 - **Irwin Cohen Memorial Judo Championships (Franklin Park, IL)**
- 10/13/19 - **Morris Cup (Burnt Hills, NY)**
- 11/2/19 - Great Lakes Open (Grand Rapids, MI)

If you have information about any other events that would be of interest to OJI members, please reply to this e-mail (do not send info that applies only to your club). Also – Please verify all info prior to

travel – *We are not responsible for the accuracy of this information.* Look for another issue in June.
Hope to see you at a future event.

Russ

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President - Ohio Judo, Inc.