



OJI Presidential Notes

April 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) Deadline to pre-register for the 2nd Annual Kettering Classic Judo Tournament is **May 11, 2019** – All information can be found at http://www.ohiojudo.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=474:2019-05-18-2nd-annual-kettering-judo-classic&catid=81&Itemid=278
- 2) OJI Open Judo Championships Results – The 2019 Championships were held on Sunday, March 31st in Sylvania, Ohio. The event was hosted by Judan Judo of Toledo and the results are posted on the OJI website at http://www.ohiojudo.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=501:2019-ohio-open-state-championships-results&catid=87&Itemid=479
- 3) Awards Nominations – We are soliciting nominations for consideration of two categories of recognition – 2018 OJI outstanding Judoka awards and OJI Hall of Fame Initial Inductees. The criteria for each of these awards can be reviewed on the OJI website at http://www.ohiojudo.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=217&Itemid=506 If you wish to nominate someone, please submit an e-mail document prior to 4/29/19 to Russ Scherer at rschererjudo@gmail.com listing the accomplishments of your nominee that you feel qualify him/her for that award. The OJI Executive Committee will then review all nominees and select the most outstanding nominees.
- 4) Final call for High School Seniors – Any Ohio Judoka with an overall GPA of 3.5 or higher (on a 4.0 system) please contact Russ Scherer at rschererjudo@gmail.com to find out if you are eligible for a small scholarship aid for your first year of college. Please contact Russ prior to the end of April.

- 5) Save the Date – Saturday, September 28, 2019 – OJI will be hosting a clinic by Marti Malloy (2012 Olympic Bronze Medalist) at the Kettering Rec Center, 2900 Glengarry Drive, Kettering, OH. Further information and registration forms can be found on the OJI website in the near future.
- 6) 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.
- 7) 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

- 4/27/19 - Indiana Open Championships (Portland, IN)
- 4/27-28/19 - **Liberty Bell Classic (Bryn Athyn, PA)**
- 4/28/19 - Indiana Judo Mini Camp
- 5/4/19 - **Akiya Memorial Shiai (Cleveland, OH)**
- 5/4/19 - National Judo Duals (Chicago, IL)
- 5/5/19 - **OJI Board of Directors Meeting (Kettering, OH)**
- 5/18/19 - **Kettering Judo Classic (Kettering, OH)**
- 5/26/19 - **AM/CAN Challenge – (Buffalo, NY)**
- 6/1-2/19 - **USA Judo Senior National Championships (Las Vegas, NV)**
- 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)**
- 7/26-31/19 - **USA Judo OPEN International Championships (Ft. Lauderdale, FL)**
- 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)**
- 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 January. Hope to see you at a future event.

Russ

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