

2005 Service to Youth

2005 - THE HOLZAPFEL FAMILY : JON, JENNIFER AND WESLEY: The Holzapfel family have been very supportive of their children's activities, especially gymnastics. They have done numerous presentations at school board meetings and their dedication to gymnastics has helped establish the gymnastics program in the Grapevine Colleyville ISD for boys and girls. Jon served as president of the Booster Club for two years, was publicity chairman for three years, photographer, videographer for coaches training and made several presentations to the school board to prevent the termination of gymnastics programs when the District was facing severe budget constraints. The list goes on, donation of Sports tickets and meal certificates for numerous fund raisers, that the family organized, coordinated and assisted in search for coaches, assisted in the organization of the first ever meet, the 2005 District II Championships, hosted at Grapevine Colleyville ISD. Jennifer served as Booster Club Treasurer for three years, organized judges assistants for the 2005 District II Championship and was organizer of the Gymnastics Banquet for three years. Wesley has got his start and inspiration to work hard at Cartwheel Gymnastics since age three. He coached the boys team in high school when there was not a boys' coach. He spoke in front of the school board in a effort to ensure funding for the gymnastics program. Along with his father, he actively sought coaches and gymnasiums to keep the program at the high school alive and he became a Nationally Certified Judge during his senior year. It is indeed a pleasure for GAT to award this family our Service to Youth Award.

2005 - DIANE CALLISON: New Caney: Mother, grandmother, nationally rated judge, educator, professional; that is Diane. In more than 20 years, she has served on the boards of USAG and NAWGJ. She is the USAG South Competition Chairperson for Texas and enjoys working with new meet directors in the organization of their events. She has directed countless competitions including International events over the years and has provided the list of GAT Honor and Merit recipients for the Women's USGA for the past several years. Diane has served as speaker at many GAT Conventions. We are pleased to award Diane with the GAT Service to Youth Award.

COLLEGIATE HONOR AWARDS

2005 - TEXAS WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY - Brisa Fuentes TWU; coached by Frank Kudlac , Tim Rivera; 2005 USAG Collegiate Uneven Bars Champion, All American, Uneven Bars. Frank Kudlac TWU; coach of Brisa Fuentes; coach of 2nd Place Team 2005 USAG Collegiate Nationals. Tim Rivera TWU; coach of Brisa Fuentes; coach of 2nd Place Team 2005 USAG Collegiate Nationals.

2005 - UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-AUSTIN - Women's Team 2005 Women's NAIGC National Championship Team; NAIGC Championships, Buffalo, NY;

Nicholas Beard UT, Austin; NAIGC National Rings Champion, 8th Floor, NAIGC Championships, Buffalo, NY. Light Townsend UT, Austin; NAIGC National High Bar Champion, 4th AA, 3rd Floor, 9th Rings, 10th Parallel Bars, NAIGC Championships, Buffalo, NY.

2005 - TEXAS A & M UNIVERSITY - Megan Ortego TAMU; NAIGC National Balance Beam and Floor Champion, 5th AA, 12th Uneven Bars, NAIGC Championships, Buffalo, NY.

2005 - PRIDE OF TEXAS AWARD

The following five gymnasts have worked for the past several years, under the leadership of Cheryl Jarrett, preparing to film, present and teach the New Compulsory Routines for USA Gymnastics. They have traveled, worked long hours, taught coaches, judges, athletes the new routines while still continuing training for their own competitions. All of this was done in the most professional manner representing TEXAS like real champions. Never quitting, never complaining about the long hours - - just a sking if "anyone" needed help. Everywhere they traveled, endless accolades of appreciation for their professionalism at such a young age. And, of course, the country stands in AWE of Texas and what we represent. That is what the PRIDE OF TEXAS is all about. Congratulations and Thank You ladies, for caring enough to be the BEST!

ABIGAIL COLE 2005 PRIDE OF TEXAS AWARD

HEATHER ELSWICK 2005 PRIDE OF TEXAS AWARD

ABBIGALE THOMAS 2005 PRIDE OF TEXAS AWARD

CASSIE TYCAST 2005 PRIDE OF TEXAS AWARD

McKENZIE WOFFORD 2005 PRIDE OF TEXAS AWARD