

Service to Youth

1996 - Wally & Laura Brochardt, Texas Special Olympics honors; Larry Laznovsky, has served as President of the Southern District SOKOL since 1983.

Gold Honor

1996 - Marta Karolyi, Coach of Dominique Moceanu, Kerri Strug; Women's Olympic Team Head Coach

1996 - Kerri Strug, 1995 World Championship Team, 1996 Olympic Gold Medal Team

1996 - Dominique Moceanu, 1995 World Championships Silver Medal, 1996 Olympic Gold Medal Team

1996 - Bela Karolyi, Coach of Dominique Moceanu, Kerri Strug

Distinguished Service

1996 - Lee Stout, Lee served as President of the Texas High School Gymnastics Coaches Association for the past three years.

1996 - Kevin Muenz , Texas State Chairperson. Serves on Region 3 board & member of the Mike Sims Scholarship Committee.

1996 - Jim McKinney, currently President of TGJA, & Regional Technical Director of the NGJA.

1996 - Gil Elsass, Region 3 Men's Chairman. Has been instrumental in the expansion & development of TX Men's Programs.

THE HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARD

1996 - Cheryl Medley Jarrett, Capital Gymnastics, Austin. After a competition career at San Angelo High School and SWTSU, she and husband Jim built Capital Gymnastics into a major national training center in the 1980's. No coach in Texas has more Honor Awards than they for coaching national level athletes. Serving as GAT President three times, 1986-87, 1988-89, and 1994-95, she was the first and only person to serve in that office more than once in the organization's history. Cheryl pioneered the "Educational" Module – Friday educational and professional development program – for GAT at the 1987 Gathering. This educational step forward placed the "Texas Gathering" in the forefront of regional and state organizations to the United States . Cheryl has been awarded the Distinguished Service Award four times, more than any other member in the Association's 31-year history, and has been recognized with the prestigious Honor Award nine times. She is the first of her coaching generation to be elected as Honorary Life member of GAT.