

## **Service to Youth**

1998 - Jodie Trncak, choreographer for the GAT-TX Group Gymnastics team, prepared 150 gymnasts for Sweden in 1999.; Donna Kihneman, worked closely with Jodie Trncak in the development of Group Gymnastics in Texas ; Joc Erhenberger, life-long member of SOKOL Zizka, Dallas; Paul Chapman, Corpus Christi : Paul & his wife Janis, formed the S. Texas Emergency Corps, Coastal Bend community

## **Distinguished Service**

1998 - Vicki Bounds, Austin , Texas , Host Committee for GAT Gatherings and Convention Manager for the 1998 Gathering

1998 - Sharon Rhea, Austin , Texas , Sharon has served as GAT secretary for the past several years

1998 - Kay Brown, Paris , Texas . GAT President 1997-98.

1998 - Jerry Milan, Fort Worth , Texas , 1st President of GAT and was a major contributor to the HS Gymnastics Program in Texas

## **THE HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARD**

1998 - Bob Sanderson, Abilene , Texas . Bob is a long-time high school teacher and coach at Abilene High School , and is a rated men's judge. His teams have qualified for the State High School Championships for many years and his team won the Championships in 1987, a year in which he was voted the National High School Coach of the Year. As a rated judge, he has officiated at the Junior Olympic National and the Olympic Sports Festival in recent years. He served GAT at the post of Treasurer from 1990 to 1995, longer than any other person and is solely responsible for the development of the computer base for the organizations operations, including a credible accounting and budgeting system, which accommodates the rapid technological growth of the 21st century.

1998 - Billy Booth, Richardson , Texas . Coach of Richardson Recreational Gymnastics for over 25 years. As a coach, program director, and state USAG officer, Billy has been "Mr. Wonderful" in Texas Gymnastics since 1979. He has hosted numerous State, Regional, and National USAG meets, and has been recognized with two GAT Distinguished Service Awards, and numerous awards from the USAG. Billy continually helps coaches, judges, and gymnasts wherever he might be.