

The image is a promotional poster for the 2012 U.S.T.A. National Congress. It features a large, stylized house shape with a red brick facade and a grey roof. Several construction workers in blue shirts and green hard hats are shown working on different parts of the house: one on the roof, one on the chimney, one on a ladder on the left side, one on a ladder on the right side, and one on the ground at the bottom. The text is centered within the house shape.

**THE
2012 U.S.T.A.
NATIONAL CONGRESS**

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September 28 - 30, 2012

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USTA NATIONAL CONGRESS
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The Clock Tower Resort & Conference Center - Rockford, IL

You won't want to miss the 2012 United States Trampoline & Tumbling Association's National Congress. Come and join us in getting ready for the new season, spending time with our peers, gaining valuable information for our sport, learning new techniques & ideas, and having the chance to vote on a variety of issues. We are excited about the great clinicians we have contracted for this year's Congress!! In addition to our featured clinicians, we have excellent coaches with fantastic athletes - come & learn how they train their athletes to become their best!! Don't delay- make your reservations now.

ALL Clinics and meetings will be held at The Clock Tower Resort & Conference Center, 7801 E State Street, Rockford, Illinois ,61108 ☎ 815-398-6000 (*be sure to give the code word "USTA" when making your reservations). The deadline to receive our special motel rate is August 24, 2012. PLEASE stay at The Clock Tower so we can continue to keep our Congress fees low.

REGISTRATION:

- ❖ *Save \$\$\$!* Send in your coach registration form(s) and fee(s) postmarked by August 24 to save \$25!
- ❖ Be sure to fill out a separate registration form for each person attending.
- ❖ **Refund policy:** to request a refund contact Patti Lingenfelter (phone: 863-420-3905; fax: 863-420-2050; or e-mail, ustapatti@verizon.net) by September 1, 2012. There will be a \$25 processing fee. No refunds will be given after September 1, 2012. Remember, you can pay by credit card.

NOTE: Coaches who are also NTJC members must pay the coaches fee.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

To have a vote at the Congress Meeting - must have a 2013 USTA Team Membership (\$100), be listed as a coach on the Team Membership Form, have a 2013 Coach Membership (\$20), have had at least three (3) active athlete members during the previous competition year, and have had concurrent USTA Team Memberships since the 2010-11 competition season or have a 2013 Associate Membership pre-approved by the USTA Executive Board. All memberships must be applied for by September 1, 2012. Membership Forms are enclosed. The coach who votes at Congress must have a paid USTA Membership also.

The USTA Congress Meeting, which is held on the last day of Congress (Sunday, September 30, 2012), is when the discussions, voting, rule changes, elections, clarifications, etc. that affect your club and athletes take place. This meeting is free and open to all USTA members. Everyone has a voice and all current members who meet the requirements listed above have a vote. Even if you are only attending Sunday's Congress meeting, please return your registration form for planning purposes.

EACH PAID TEAM WILL RECEIVE ONE FREE GIFT AT THE CONGRESS MEETING!

<p>We will have a Silent Auction to raise money for our scholarship fund - If you or your club can donate something for the silent auction, please contact Patti at the National Office!</p>

OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

(National USTA Executive Board Nominees Only)



Nominee's Information

_____	For the Office of:	____ President
Name of Nominee		____ Technical Chair
		____ Recording Secretary
Address: _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____
Phone Number (Day): (____) _____		
IMPORTANT!		
Is this nominee a current U.S.T.A. member in good standing ?		Yes/No _____
Has this nominee been a U.S.T.A. member in good standing for at least the previous two years?		Yes/No _____

Nominator's Information

_____	_____
Print Name of Person Nominating this Candidate	Signature of Person Nominating this Candidate
Person making this nomination is a current U.S.T.A. Member in good standing. Yes/No _____	

REMEMBER TO ATTACH REQUIRED SUPPORT MATERIALS:

1. A written Acceptance from the Nominee
2. A biography stating the qualifications of the Nominee

Submit this complete form and support materials to:



U.S.T.A. National Office
PO Box 135067
Clermont, FL 34713-5067



DEADLINE - RECEIVED AT THE USTA NATIONAL OFFICE - SEPTEMBER 1, 2012
[for posting to the USTA web page by September 9]

2012 Featured Congress Clinicians!



GAIL WHITE, Twiststars Coach/Owner - Upper Level Tumbling

- ★ 29 Years of Coaching Experience, 9 Years as a Club Owner
- ★ USTA Technical Board Member
- ★ USTA Coach of the Year, 2002 & 2011
- ★ Coach of 2006 U.S.T.A. Nissen-Griswold Athlete of the Year
- ★ Coach of 2011 U.S.T.A. Top Tumbling, Trampoline, & Double-Mini Teams
- ★ Coach of 2012 U.S.T.A. 2nd Place Top Tumbling & 3rd Place Top Trampoline Teams
- ★ Coach of Numerous National Champions

HELEN & DON PERRY, Acrocheer Gymnastics & Cheer Coach/Owner - Lower Level Tumbling

- ★ Don - Certified P.E. Teacher & National Tumbling Champion
- ★ Don - Competitive Gymnast, 1st All American at Ohio State, 4th in Pan-Am Olympic Trials, 2nd in National Collegiate Gymnastic Championship
- ★ Don - Past President of Ohio & National High School Gymnastics Coaches' Assoc.
- ★ Helen - Worked and Trained with Don for 19 Years
- ★ Helen - Trained P.E. Teachers to Teach Tumbling
- ★ Helen & Don - Since 2004, Coached an Estimate of over 100 National Champions

UTE HEGER, GAR Coach - Lower Level Trampoline

- ★ 16 Years of Coaching Experience
- ★ Coach of 2012 U.S.T.A. Top Trampoline Team Athletes
- ★ Won 6 World Trampoline Titles
- ★ Coach of Numerous U.S.T.A. National Champions

NATE HARR, Aerials & Baranis Coach - Upper Level Trampoline

- ★ Junior & Senior Elite Double-Mini National Team Member
- ★ Junior Elite Trampoline National Team Member
- ★ 2007 - Ranked 3rd Senior Elite Double-Mini in the World
- ★ Coach of 2012 U.S.T.A. 2nd Place Advanced Overall Team
- ★ Coach of Numerous U.S.T.A. National Champions

DANNY IRISH, Irish's Gym Coach/Owner - Double-Mini

- ★ 35 Years of Coaching Experience
- ★ 2003 USTA Coach of the Year
- ★ USTA Technical Board Member
- ★ Coach of 2012 3rd Place Top Double-Mini Team
- ★ Coach of Multiple U.S.T.A. Top Team Athletes Since 2006
- ★ Coach of the 2012 Nissen-Griswold Cup Award Athlete
- ★ Coach of Numerous U.S.T.A. State & National Champions
- ★ Coach of 2011 World Age Group Double-Mini Gold Medalist

Preliminary Schedule of Events

Friday, September 28, 2012 (Early Registration during meetings)

- 1:00 p.m. Technical Committee Meeting
(Open to USTA & NTJC Members) No voice unless speaking on your proposal.
- 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Putting passes together (tumbling, trampoline, & d-mini) and watching videos w/P Lingenfelter

Saturday, September 29, 2012

- 8:00 a.m. Check In/Registration
- 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Tumbling - Sub-Novice through Intermediate..... Gail White
 Double-Mini - Skill Positions Danny Irish
 Trampoline - Positions & Twisting..... Nate Harr
- 8:30 - 11:50 a.m. NTJC Judges' Tumbling Session..... NTJC Committee
- 9:40 - 10:40 a.m. Tumbling - Sub-Beginner through Adv-Beginner..... Helen/Don Perry
 Double Mini - Upper Levels..... Danny Irish
 Trampoline - Beginner through Intermediate..... Ute Heger
- 10:50 - 11:50 a.m. Tumbling - Sub-Advanced through Elite..... Gail White
 Trampoline - Multiple Somi/Twists..... Nate Harr
 Double Mini - Safety & Proper Mounting/Running Techniques... Danny Irish
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch, Prizes & Fun
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Tumbling - Sub-Novice through Intermediate..... Gail White
 Double-Mini - Skill Positions Danny Irish
 Trampoline - Positions & Twisting..... Nate Harr
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. NTJC Judges' Trampoline Session..... NTJC Committee
- 2:10 - 3:10 p.m. Tumbling - Sub-Beginner through Adv-Beginner..... Helen/Don Perry
 Double Mini - Upper Levels..... Danny Irish
 Trampoline - Beginner through Intermediate..... Ute Heger
- 3:15 - 5:00 p.m. NTJC Judges' Double-Mini Session..... NTJC Committee
- 3:20 - 4:20 p.m. Tumbling - Sub-Advanced through Elite..... Gail White
 Trampoline - Multiple Somi/Twists..... Nate Harr
 Double Mini - Safety & Proper Mounting/Running Techniques... Danny Irish
- 4:30 p.m. Question & Answer Session Clinicians
- 4:30 p.m. How to Run a Business..... Paula Grigsby, Debbie Moser,
 Debbie Barber, & Gloria Herring (total of over +100 yrs experience)
- 6:00 p.m. State Chair Meeting..... Paula Grigsby
- 6:00 p.m. Ethics Committee Meeting.. Gloria Herring
- 6:00 p.m. Safety Committee Meeting..... Linda Billiet
- 6:30 - ? p.m. Awards Banquet, Presentation of Awards & More Fun!
- 8:00 p.m. NTJC Judges' Closed Book Re-Certification Testing - Trampoline & Double-Mini
- 8:00 p.m. Trampoline/Double-Mini Coach Certification..... Patti Lingenfelter

Sunday, September 30, 2012

- 8:00 a.m. Registration for USTA Congress Meeting. Open & Free for all USTA & NTJC Members
 Pay \$30 & Pick-up Safety Manual and Test
- 8:30 a.m. - ? USTA Congress Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Small Break for Lunch
- TBA Break in meeting for Election of Officers

REMINDER: To have a vote at the USTA Congress Meeting, your 2012-13 Team & Coach Membership Fees must be received "in-hand" by the USTA National Office by September 1, 2012 in addition to meeting all of the other voting requirements listed previously or be a paid 2012-13 Associated Member. All memberships expire 8/31/12. Forms enclosed. All coaches voting at Congress on Sunday must be listed as a coach on the current, paid club membership and have a current coach membership!

Except for demonstrators, no children will be allowed in any session!

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\$100 + tax per Night - 1 to 4 people**

**MOTEL ROOM BLOCK DEADLINE
August 24, 2012**



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Hours:

Friday, 4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday, 4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Sunday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

2012 U.S.T.A. NATIONAL CONGRESS - **COACH** REGISTRATION FORM



EACH COACH MUST fill out a separate entry form - make additional copies. PLEASE PRINT

Coach Name: _____

Team Name: _____

Phone# (____) _____ Fax# (____) _____ Email: _____

1. THE FOLLOWING FEES APPLY TO USTA COACHES AND INCLUDE A GIFT BAG, HANDOUTS, SATURDAY CLINICS, LUNCH & BANQUET (Does NOT include Coach Certification or NTJC Judge Re-Certification).

A. Early Registration - Postmarked or Registered by Credit Card NO LATER than August 24, 2012.

_____ 1st Team Coach \$145 or _____ Additional Team Coach - \$135

B. Regular Registration - Postmarked or Registered by Credit Card between August 25 and September 3.

_____ 1st Team Coach \$170 or _____ Additional Team Coach - \$160

C. Late Registration - Postmarked or Registered by Credit Card between September 4 and September 21.

_____ 1st Team Coach \$195 or _____ Additional Team Coach - \$185

D. Walk-in Registration (will NOT receive a Gift Bag, Lunch, or Banquet).

_____ 1st Team Coach \$200 or _____ Additional Team Coach - \$200

2. THE FOLLOWING FEES ARE FOR CERTIFICATIONS - Refer to Schedule for dates & times.

_____ Trampoline/Double-Mini Coach Certification - \$25

_____ NTJC Tumbling Re-Certification Tests - \$10 EACH

3. THE FOLLOWING FEES ARE FOR ADDITIONAL MEAL TICKETS

_____ ADDITIONAL SATURDAY LUNCH TICKETS - \$25 Each

_____ ADDITIONAL BANQUET TICKETS - \$35 Each

_____ YES, I will be attending Sunday's Congress Meeting on Sunday, September 30 at 8:30 a.m.

_____ YES, I know all current memberships expire August 31, 2012, and that my 2013 Team & Coach Fees must be paid on the USTA National web page no later than September 1, 2012, to be eligible to vote on tumbling proposals, events, dates, etc., but will have a voice.

_____ YES, I know that Teams with less than two concurrent USTA Memberships will NOT be eligible to vote at the USTA Congress Meeting, but will have a voice.

Payment Method Check Cash Money Order Credit Card (call in)

Mail registration(s) with payment to: Patti Lingenfelter, USTA National Office, PO Box 135067, Clermont FL 34713-5067 or email to ustapatti@verizon.net for credit card registrations. If you have questions, call (863) 420-3905 or 800-870-4133.

NTJC JUDGES

CONTINUING EDUCATIONS - RE-CERTIFICATION PROCESS MANDATORY FOR ALL JUDGES



RE-CERTIFICATION.

1. **Tests.** Testing for everyone as listed below. @ \$25 per discipline unless taken at Congress for \$10 (this year will be tumbling only). Closed book tests may be taken at USTA Congress or at any of the New Judge's Courses.
 - ◇ 1st year judges (going into 2nd year) - Closed Book Test
 - ◇ 2nd year judges (going into 3rd year) - Closed Book Test
 - ◇ 3rd year judges (going into 4th year) - Closed Book Test
 - ◇ 4+ year judges (going into 5th year and over) - Closed Book Test
 - ◇ 5+ year judges (going into 6th year) - Open Book Test in each event certified unless attending Congress, then only Trampoline & Double-Mini

Deadline to receive, take, and post tests is December 15. Re-certification Tests will NOT be mailed until paid for. Contact our N.T.J.C. Judging Coordinator, Cynthia Willoughby if you have any questions or if you do not receive your test(s) in the mail after you have sent payment. Cynthia Willoughby's telephone number is 606-780-8845 and her email is tumblenana1@aol.com.

2. **Congress Attendance.** Every judge MUST attend the full Congress sessions at least once every 4 years beginning in 2008/09.
3. **Yearly Course for the appropriate discipline(s).**
 - ◇ 1st year judges (going into 2nd year) - 4+ year judges (going into 5th year) - Attend a course.
 - ◇ 5+ year judges (going into 6th year), not having judged at least 2 meets the previous year - Attend a course.
 - ◇ 5+ year judges (going into 6th year), having judged at least 2 meets the previous year - Do not have to attend a yearly course.

- **OPTION 1** Attend Congress - Must attend the N.T.J.C. Sessions on Saturday, and at least the first four hours (or until after all rule proposals are discussed & voted on) of the USTA Congress Meeting on Sunday. *You will be able to take the closed book trampoline & double-mini RE-CERTIFICATION tests at Congress Saturday, September 29, at 8:00 p.m. (after banquet) or at a New Judge's Course by January 1, 2013. You MUST pre-register.*

- Early N.T.J.C. Congress Registration - \$25.

- The N.T.J.C. trampoline & double-mini Judge/RE-CERTIFICATION testing is scheduled for Saturday, September 29, at 8 p.m. - \$10 per discipline.

- **OPTION 2** Attend a New Judge's Course - Must register at least 3 weeks prior to course. The Registration Fees will be \$25 for each discipline. Course dates and locations will be posted in the October Newsletter and on the Web Page.

NEW this year - Re-certification tests must be prepaid. Re-certification Tests will NOT be mailed until payment is received.

NTJC MEMBERSHIPS must be postmarked by September 1, 2012!

If you do not pay your membership by the deadline, your name will be taken off the judging list for competitions AND you will have to start all over again.

Once we have received your NTJC Membership, we will need your NEW 2012 AAU Number and a picture before we can process your NTJC Badge which you will need before you judge this year. AAU Memberships are \$18.

To Re-certify at Congress, you must take the required RE-CERTIFICATION test and attend the USTA Congress (all Saturday N.T.J.C. sessions and at least the first four hours {or until after all rule proposals are discussed & voted on} of Sunday's Congress Meeting) OR a New Judge's Course by January 1, 2013.

2012 U.S.T.A. NATIONAL CONGRESS - NTJC **JUDGE** REGISTRATION FORM

»»» COACHES THAT ARE ALSO JUDGES MUST REGISTER AS A COACH ««« ««« «««

Coaches, if you want to use the NTJC Congress Session(s) as your re-certification, you must attend either the a.m. or p.m. session. If you are only a tumbling judge - attend the a.m. session; if only a trampoline and/or double-mini session - attend the p.m. session; if all three - attend either session.



EACH JUDGE MUST fill out a separate entry form. PLEASE PRINT,

Judge Name: _____

Phone# () _____ Fax# () _____ Email: _____

- 1. THE FOLLOWING FEES APPLY TO CERTIFIED NTJC JUDGES AND INCLUDES ALL OF THE SATURDAY NTJC SESSIONS: Registration - 8:00 a.m.; 8:30 - 11:50 a.m. - Tumbling; 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Trampoline; 3:15 - 5:00 p.m. - Double-Mini. (Does NOT include New Certification or Re-Certification Tests).
 - A. Early Registration - Postmarked or Registered by Credit Card NO LATER than August 24, 2012 - \$25
 - B. Regular Registration - Postmarked or Registered by Credit Card between August 25 & September 3-\$30
 - C. Late Registration - Postmarked or Registered by Credit Card between September 4 & September 21-\$40
 - D. Walk-in Registration - \$50

2. THE FOLLOWING FEE IS FOR RE-CERTIFICATION TEST - Refer to Schedule for dates & times.
_____ NTJC Trampoline & Double-Mini Re-certification Test - \$10 each discipline

3. THE FOLLOWING FEES ARE FOR MEAL TICKETS

#_____ SATURDAY LUNCH TICKETS - \$25 Each

#_____ BANQUET TICKETS - \$35 Each

_____ YES, I know I must attend all of the Saturday Judges' Sessions and at least the first 4 hours of the USTA Congress Meeting (while new rule proposals are discussed and voted on) to count toward my recertification.

_____ YES, I will be attending The USTA Congress Meeting on Sunday, Sept. 30, starting at 8:30 a.m.

_____ YES, I know all current memberships expire August 31, 2012 and that my Membership Fees must be postmarked to the USTA National Office no later than September 1, 2012, or my name will be taken off the judging list for competitions and I will have to start all over again. FORM ENCLOSED!

Payment Method Check Cash Money Order Credit Card (call in)

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Date _____

NTJC Membership/Dues Form

Send \$35 Membership Fees and Form to the USTA National Office, PO Box 135067,
Clermont FL 34713-5067 or email to ustapatti@verizon.net and pay by credit card.

First Name Last Name

Address

City State Zip

Phone 1 Phone 2 Phone 3

E-mail Address

2012-13 AAU #

Certified Judge Non-Judge Member

Certified In: _____ TUMBLING _____ TRAMPOLINE _____ DOUBLE-MINI

Section for Office Use Only

Dues Paid \$ _____ Check # _____ Date Received: _____

NTJC Number _____

DEADLINE: Postmarked no later than September 1, 2012

STATE CHAIRS & CLINICIANS -

STATE CHAIRS do not have to pay the registration fee to attend Congress (which does NOT include certifications - coach, judge); however we ask that you PLEASE fill out the registration form and submit it to the USTA National Office before the deadline.

REMEMBER, USTA RULES STATE:

State Chairs will receive a fifty-cent (50¢) stipend annually for each member athlete of their State as long as they fulfill the requirements of their position (**WHICH INCLUDES ATTENDING THE ENTIRE U.S.T.A. CONGRESS MEETING AND THE STATE CHAIR MEETING**).

State Chairs can send a representative to Congress, but will NOT receive the fifty-cent (50¢) stipend for the upcoming year unless approved by the U.S.T.A. Vice President.

If you do not plan to attend Congress, please contact the USTA National Office as soon as possible!

All U.S.T.A. Congress entry fees will be waived for all State Chairpersons **ONLY**.



CLINICIANS do NOT have to pay the registration fee to attend Congress (which does NOT include certifications - coach, judge); however, we ask that you PLEASE fill out the registration form and submit it before the deadline.