



Chalk Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Ohio Gymnastics Institute, Inc.

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Red, White, & Blue Meet

Sunday September 13th, 2009

Don't miss this opportunity to see the TEAM OGI Competitive Team compete!

Drawing Winners

Drawing from first 200 currently enrolled students enrolling for fall:

Cailor Sundstrom

Drawing from new & returning students enrolling 1st week of open registration:

Reese Snyder

Each Athlete Will Receive A Free Month Of Class!

Calendar

September '09

- 7 OGI Closed- Labor Day
- 12 National Gymnastics Day!
- 13 Red, White, & Blue Intrasquad Meet
- 18-20 Region 5 Congress in Illinois

October '09

- 24-25 Annual Team OGI Halloween Party For Competitive Team

November '09

- 26-27 Closed for Thanksgiving

2009 Banana Split Club Members

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| Kaeleigh Blough | Alexis Charles |
| Kelly Charles | Morgan Cheeks |
| Nevaeh Cruz | Christina Danko |
| Kerry Hammond | Mackenzie Hammond |
| Sydney Heinbaugh | Madelyn Merlo |
| Garrett Miller | Abbie Orr |
| Morgan Priddy | Sydney Russell |
| Alexa Simeonsson | Kasey Solic |
| Alex Tatebe | |

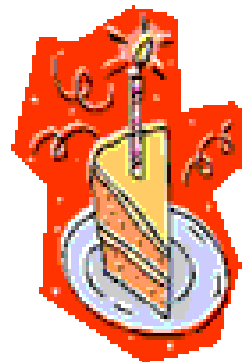


September Birthdays

Elly Beshara
Mia Cuckovich
Nicole Dobrilovic
Samantha Homa
Caitlin Leger
Megan Mayle
Alexis Paolone
Christina Tucker
Joey Williams

Mya Caggiano
Ron Danadic
Quinn Fulmer
Jordan Joseph
Jacob Lesko
Bryanna Morris
Maryn Pechatsko
Zachary Tucker
Isabella Wolford

Ashley Chmelik
Anastasia Dilts
Maddie Hammond
Jared Klucinec
Nicole Mattessich
Lindsey Osborne
Kara Pirone
Bridget Welsh



Athlete of the Month

We are proud to announce that our September Athlete of the Month is Connor Waldorf. Connor is the 7 year old son of Jackie and Casey Waldorf. Connor currently resides in Lordstown with his parents and 4 year old sister Samantha, who he affectionately refers to as "Sis". This fall Connor will be entering 2nd grade at Lordstown Elementary School.

Connor, who just accepted an invitation to our competitive team this past June, is currently a Level 5 on our Boys Rookie Team. In the gym, Connor's favorite event is Rings. Connor also enjoys the Floor Exercise where he is currently learning his Round-off-back - handspring.

When Connor is not in the gym, he enjoys fishing, soccer, basketball, running, and golf. Connor also enjoys spending time with his 2 Great Danes, Mara and Appa.

When Connor grows up he would like to compete for the Ohio State University Men's Gymnastics Team. When he graduates he would really enjoy participating in Motocross.

The one thing that most people don't know about Connor is the only way he will eat cheese is if it is in his Macaroni & Cheese. No cheeseburgers, cheese and crackers, or plain cheese!

We look forward to seeing all the great things that Connor will accomplish in his rookie season here at Team OGI and expect to see exceptional things from him in the years to come!

Congratulations Connor Waldorf
OGI's September Athlete of the Month!



Staff Spotlight

Ron Ferris opened the Ohio Gymnastics Institute in May of 1986 with less than 40 students. Since that time the company has grown to over 20 employees and over 700 students and has operated in three different facilities.

As a competitor, Ron lettered in gymnastics as a Junior and Senior at Annandale High School in Virginia. Ron also received a Varsity Letter all four years of college at James Madison University in Virginia. Ron attended JMU as a walk-on and was selected as the team All Around. Voted MVP for 3 years and team captain for 3 years, Ron received a gymnastics scholarship for Sophomore, Junior and Senior years and competed at the NCAA Regional Championships in 1979 at LSU on Vaulting and Horizontal Bar.

Some of Ron's professional accomplishments:

- Currently a member of the Board of Directors for USA Gymnastics
- Currently a member of the AAU National Gymnastics Executive Committee
- Currently the Boy's USA Gymnastics Chairman for the State of Ohio
- Currently the Lake Erie District AAU Boys' Gymnastics Sport Chairman
- Brevet Men's Gymnastics Judge from 2000 to 2004.
- Nationally Rated Men's Gymnastics Judge from 1979 to present
- Currently the Chairman of the Blaine Wilson Ohio Classic, one of the largest boys' gymnastics meets in the U.S.
- Currently the Meet Director for the AAU Winter Nationals
- Currently a member of several national committees with AAU

Web master for the following websites;

www.MyTeamOGI.com , www.OhioBoysUSAG.org ,
www.LakeErieAAU.org , www.WinterNationals.org ,
www.blainewilsonohioclassic.com

Accomplishments

Emerson Fletcher learned her Glide Kip and Long Hang on the Uneven Parallel Bars!

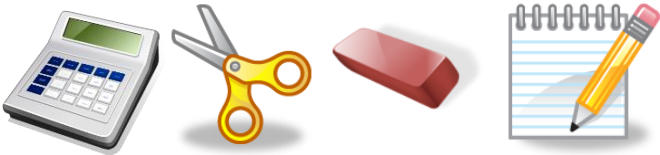
Mackenzie Hammond made her Glide Kip and Long Hang Kip on the Uneven Parallel Bars and is excited about being a Level 5! She also enjoyed the Visa Championships!

Mia Marciano earned her Beginner Advancement Certificate & Trophy!

Megan Ross made a Free-hip-handstand on Uneven Parallel Bars!

Kasey Solic was excited to watch the Visa Championships! She also enjoyed learning new gymnastics skills at Woodward Gymnastics Camp!

Emily Wyant learned Giants on the Uneven Parallel Bars!



Open Gym

Fridays 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Sundays 4:30 – 6 p.m.

\$9.50 each

2009 Summer Intra Class Competition Results

Girls Beginner

Jordyn Jones			1 st BB	2 nd FX	1 st Tramp	
Kiara Sfikas	1 st V			1 st FX	2 nd Tramp	

Girls Novice

Alyssa Shephard	3 rd V	3 rd UPB	1 st BB	3 rd FX	3 rd Tramp	3 rd Rope
Faith Slater	2 nd V	1 st UPB	3 rd BB	2 nd FX	1 st Tramp	2 nd Rope
Brooke Testa	1 st V	2 nd UPB	2 nd BB	1 st FX	2 nd Tramp	1 st Rope

Girls Intermediate

Morgan Leonard	1 st V	3 rd UPB	4 th BB	2 nd FX	3 rd Tramp	3 rd Rope
Olivia Slater	2 nd V	1 st UPB	2 nd BB	3 rd FX	2 nd Tramp	1 st Rope
Maia Totterdale	2 nd V	2 nd UPB	1 st BB	1 st FX	1 st Tramp	2 nd Rope
Christina Tucker	3 rd V	4 th UPB	3 rd BB	4 th FX	4 th Tramp	4 th Rope

Trampoline & Tumbling

Jordan Joseph					1 st Tramp	2 nd Rope
Jade Larney				1 st FX	2 nd Tramp	1 st Rope

Vault (V), Uneven Parallel Bars (UPB), Balance Beam (BB), Floor Exercise (FX), Trampoline, Rope

Outstanding Medal Winners

Jade Larney & Maia Totterdale

Congratulations Athletes! We Hope To See You At The Fall ICC!

Students Say...

I like Gymnastics because I love having Mrs. Lauren as a coach!

- Mackenzie S. ~ Girls Pre Team, Age 6

I like gymnastics because it is challenging and you feel good when you learn something new!

- Alexa S. ~ Girls Novice Team, Age 8

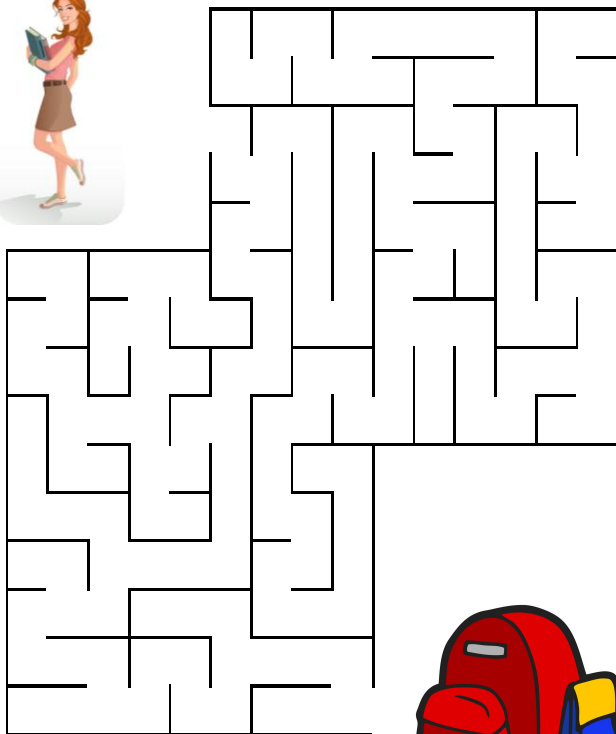
Gymnastics Is The Sport That I Love Because The Way It Makes Your Body Feel While Doing A Skill, Like You Can Do Anything!

- Kaeleigh B. ~ Girls Advanced Team, Age 11

School Days

Can You Help Layla Find Her Back Pack?

See If You Can Find These School Related Words!



S Y H S E Q E K N M
 X C F F F F R V Z J
 W Y H R O O W J I Y
 Y P R O W Y P M W A
 B I E E O O L O G O
 U J M N T L L O S P
 X O O S C L E R K U
 H O S J E I B S X P
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 K D F R I E N D S K
 P I R T D L E I F E

APPLE
 BOOKS
 FIELD TRIP
 LUNCHBOX
 SCHOOL

BACK PACK
 BUS STOP
 FRIENDS
 NOTEBOOK
 STUDENT

BELL
 CLASSROOM
 HOMEWORK
 PENCIL
 TEACHER