

ILLINOIS DRILL TEAM ASSOCIATION

AUGUST HEARTBEATS 2010

COACHES FORUM PRESENTATION

IDTA continues to go green! The informational Coaches Forum presentation is completely on-line this season. There is also narration with the presentation so make sure your volume/sound is enabled.

Following the presentation is an assessment that one coach from each team must complete in order to compete in our post-season competitions (pending qualification). This must be completed prior to the qualifying performance. Coaches will receive an email within 1 week confirming your successful completion of the assessment.

This will be available from the website beginning August 1.

PUSH THE LIMIT

The third IDTA Push the Limit workshop was a huge success! It was held at the Holiday Inn & Conference Center in Urbana and many Illinois dance team members participated. The girls learned a variety of routines including krump, jazz, hip hop, lyrical, pom, kick and modern from professional choreographers. The girls had a great time and learned different styles and types of dance throughout the workshop. Coaches also participated in daily workshops where they learned how to perfect their routines and how their routines will be judged throughout the year. Push the Limit was phenomenal and we would like to thank all of the teams and coaches who participated!

IDTA MEMBERSHIP

It is time to begin thinking about the new IDTA 2010-2011 season. The new membership forms have already been put on our web site. (idta.org). There has been a change that will hopefully cut down on some of the paperwork.

This year the signature page has been streamlined for your convenience. Please have your participants, administrator, coach, and parents all sign the one form. That will cover you and your team for the season. Please enclose the signed form, the application, and a listing of your assistant coaches along with your check and send it to the address on the bottom of the application. If you have kept your coaches name badge and pouch from last season, please indicate that on the form. I will then email you with your confirmation that you are registered. If you need a new badge, please don't hesitate to ask for one.

The earlier you join IDTA, the earlier you can accept qualification. Remember coaches, you have to complete the **IDTA Coaches Assessment Survey**. This will take a few minutes of your time, but will make you aware of the rule changes for IDTA.

If there are any membership questions, please email me ASAP. I will try to help you in any way that I can. Good luck this season. Thanks for supporting IDTA!!!

Toni Royster
Membership Coordinator
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2010-2011 CONTEST SCHEDULE

We are still looking for a Contest Host in the Northern part of the state for December 11th, 2010. If you are interested in hosting please contact Orella Gansmann at ogansmann@althoff.net

11/13/10	Showcase of Stars, Mattoon H S	Lynn Gelatka, lynn_marie22@hotmail.com	see web	see web site
11/20 21/10	Judge Seminar- Clinton, IL	Cyndi Kraemer, CKRAEMER65@aol.com	see web	see web site

IDTA CONTESTS

Contest fee for all Regional Contests is \$70 for 2 routines and \$15 each for added routine. Non member fee is \$85 for 2 routines

Mail your entry to the contact person at the address noted in the Mail To column!

Date	Event/Location	Contact	Due Date	Mail To
12/11/10	Belleville East H S	Orella Gansmann ogansmann@althoff.net	11/26/10	1502 Hampton Ct., Belleville, IL 62223
1/8/11	Belleville East H S	Tara Zobrist, tzobrist79@hotmail.com	12/22/10	2555 West Blvd., Belleville, IL 62221
1/15/11	Charleston H S	Mary Buchar, mbuchar2000@yahoo.com	12/28/10	1603 Lincoln, Charleston, IL 61920
1/15/11	Edwardsville H S	Hilary Mitchell, ehs_dance_team@yahoo.com	12/28/10	3380 Garvey Ln, Edwardsville, IL 62025
		Michele Gillaspie, michelegillaspie@aol.com		
1/15/11	Bureau Valley H S	Lisa Hatten, lisahat10@yahoo.com	12/28/10	100 Fairview Ct., Walnut, IL 61376
1/22/11	Rolling Meadows	Kelly M-Pfeiffer, rm_poms@yahoo.com	1/7/11	2901 Central Rd., Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
1/22/11	Althoff Catholic H S	Orella Gansmann, ogansmann@althoff.net	1/7/11	1502 Hampton Ct., Belleville, IL 62223
1/22/11	Villa Grove	Brooke Triplett, bttriplett@vg302.org	1/7/11	400 N Sycamore St., Villa Grove, IL 61956
1/29/11	Clinton H S	Stephanie Reynolds, Stephanie.reynolds@countryfinancial.com	1/14/11	1200 Hwy 54 West, Clinton, IL 61727
1/30/11	Waubonsie Valley	Erinn Moore, erinn_moore@ipsd.org	1/14/11	2590 Ogdon Ave, Aurora, IL 60504
2/5/11	Marion H S	Laura Sanders, lsanders@marionunit2.org	1/21/11	1501 So Carbon, Marion, IL 62959
2/5/11	Tuscola H S	Dee Lenzi, deelenzi@yahoo.com	1/21/11	500 So Prairie St., Tuscola, IL 61953
2/12/11	Triad H S	Amy Wysocki, amy.wysocki@triadunit2.org	1/28/11	703 East Hwy 40, Troy, IL 62249
2/12/11	Dunlap H S	Alisha Morrow, lishamorrow@gmail.com	1/28/11	5220 W Legion Hall Rd., Dunlap, IL 61525
2/12/11	Hononegah H S	Tamara Cain tburns25@verizon.net	1/28/11	626 Cassandra Way, So Beloit, IL 61080
2/19/11	Pittsfield H S	Kimberly Bauer, ktlb4@irtc.net	2/4/11	201 E Higbee, Pittsfield, IL 62363
2/19/11	Benton H S	Mindy Thackrey, opds5678@yahoo.com	2/4/11	511 E Main, Benton, IL 62812
2/19/11	Unity H S	Stephanie Labayen, LabayenS@Unity.K12.il.us	2/4/11	1127 C R 800 N, Tolono, IL 61880
2/26/11	Highland H S	Michelle Deets, mdeets@highlandcusd5.org	2/11/11	12760 Troxler, Highland, IL 62249
2/26/11	Downers Grove H S	Toni Royster, TRoy684190@aol.com	2/11/11	4436 Main St., Downers Grove, IL 60515
2/26/11	Fieldcrest H S	Tina Fortner, fortner@fieldcrest.k12.il.us	2/11/11	1 Dornbush Dr., Minonk, IL 61760
3/5/11	JV/Jr H Finals, Bloomington H S (tentative)	Orella Gansmann, ogansmann@althoff.net		1502 Hampton Ct., Belleville, IL 62223
3/12/11	State Contest, U of I	Orella Gansmann, ogansmann@althoff.net		1502 Hampton Ct., Belleville, IL 62223

JUDGES SEMINAR

We are always looking to expand our team of judges. If you are aware of anyone who would be a good judge for IDTA, please direct them to view the information on the website. Judges must be at least 21 years and have a background/experience in the performing arts. The judges' seminar is November 20-21.

DANCE PAWS / CAPEZIO PIROUETTES ARE ALLOWED!!

The National Federation of High School Associations changes shoe ruling! ☐Teams **will now be allowed** to wear Dance Paws/Foot Thongs. ☐IDTA will support this change. ☐Dance Paws/Foot Thongs allow the look and feel of barefoot performing, but provide protection to the ball of the foot. The Capezio Pirouette is another option. This is half ballet shoe that covers the ball of the foot but leave the heels bare. This type of shoe may actually provide a more uniform look than the dance paw since toes will be covered.

IHSA AD HOC COMPETITIVE DANCE COMMITTEE SUMMARY

As you may or may not be aware, IHSA hosted a meeting on June 9 to discuss the possibility of the IHSA establishing a state dance series. The persons in attendance that are associated with IDTA were Michelle Deets, Cyndi Kraemer, Debby Bradshaw, and LuAnne Navarra. The minutes of the meeting are available to view on the IHSA website at <http://www.ihsa.org/org/advmin/2009-10/10-dance-adhoc-minutes.pdf>

Should an advisory committee decide to pursue a state dance series, it would **not** take affect this season. **An IHSA state dance series will NOT take the place of IDTA** - we will co-exist and may even complement one another. It was discussed that the IHSA state dance series would offer just a select few categories of competition such as Pom, Open Dance, Kick, or may even develop a new category that includes a variety of styles in one routine. This again would be decided by the Advisory Committee. Coaches may ask, why only these?☐ IHSA does not see themselves giving out 7 or 8 State Championships to accommodate all the categories offered by IDTA. This is where Co-existing, and not replacing our organization, comes into play.

If the advisory committee approves an IHSA dance series, there will be some impact to all performance teams: competition season limitation (November - April), contest limitations, coaching qualifications, coaching school - camp - clinic limitations. The details would be established by the committee.

Let me assure you, IDTA will continue to provide the same opportunities for our participants: team competition, solo competition, individual scholarships and recognition, Showcase of Stars, and Push the Limit summer workshop.

If you have not already completed the IHSA emerging sport application for competitive dance, please do so. It is extremely important to be included. We do not want decisions made based on only a few teams - we all need to be represented!

FALL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING---MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The Executive Board (all Officers, Board of Directors and Regional Representatives) will meet on Sunday, September 19, at 11:30 AM at Clinton High School. Lunch will be served. Michelle Deets will be emailing the Board members with an agenda and directions closer to the date of the meeting.

HEARTBEAT INFORMATION

If you are no longer coaching or would like the Heartbeats sent to different email address, please contact me with the current information. Thanks Tara Zobrist tzobrist79@hotmail.com

SURVEY RESULTS ARE IN!
MICHELLE DEETS

Thanks to all who replied to our latest survey regarding the use and quality of technology. An overwhelming 80% responded to keep the jump-drive critique instituted at select contests last year. Therefore IDTA will again use this form of judging for the upcoming season. We will inform you via the Heartbeats which contests will be using this format. The cost will NOT go up for contest hosts that are asked to offer this technology.

Regarding post-season DVD's: IDTA was also extremely disappointed in the loss of the Jr. High and JV routines from the Finals DVD's. Measures will be taken so that this never happens in the future.

Some other complaints that we received will also be addressed this year. Many of you wanted to be able to purchase a DVD of just your team's routines at Finals and State—this will once again be offered to coaches this year. Also, the team name will appear on the DVD screen and the announcer will not be cut off when announcing the team that is taking the floor.

We appreciate your feedback and will always use your input to make the IDTA experience the best it can be for coaches and teams!

THANKS TO OUR 2010-2011 IDTA VOLUNTEERS!

The officers would like to thank the following people for their willingness to serve this organization for the upcoming 2010-2011 season. With their help, we will continue to provide the high standards that IDTA is recognized for!

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