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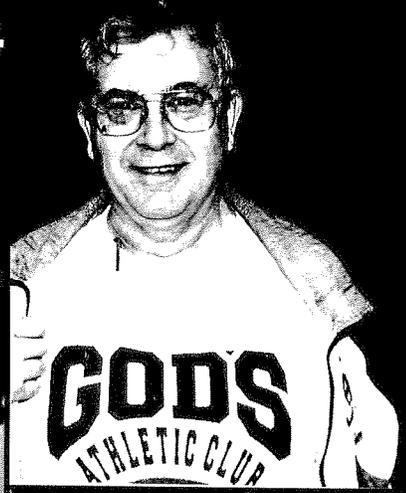
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# Your Vote Counts Only If You Cast It

**The USFA ballot selecting officers to lead the association for the next four years is in the mail. Don't ignore it!**

**BY STEVE SOBEL, USFA PRESIDENT**

I urge the membership to support the candidates of the USFA Nominating Committee with their vote in the election. The momentum of winning medals in international competition, of coaches supervising an international training program, of a Junior Olympic championship drawing 1240 fencers in 25 events with 121 fencers in Under-13 foil, shows we are on the right track. We cannot risk getting derailed as a result of inexperienced or ineffective leadership in the next administration.

The proposed slate of officers will provide the USFA with an outstanding leadership team. Donald Alperstein, USFA general counsel during my administration, is committed to a continuation of the current programs which have brought fencing to new heights. Tom DiCerbo, Sherry Posthumus, and Ralph Zimmerman as vice presidents, provide Don with an experienced and well informed support team. They have all worked in the current administration, and know what is needed to move forward. Andy Gearhart, an outstanding young fencer as secretary, and Bob Prifrel, longtime Minnesota Division Chair and father of nationally ranked junior fencers as treasurer, complete an excellent leadership team for fencing. We are also fortunate to have the opportunity to reelect as National Director Harvey Schiller, who was Executive Director of the USOC and is now President of Turner Sports. Be sure to give them your support and your vote.

**A message to coaches: Help your students, help the USFA, help yourselves. Be professional!**

Every year at the Junior Olympics there are numerous complaints from fencers and parents about coaching at the strip during the bout, in violation of the FIE rules. Each year prior to this important tournament I have specifically requested the Fencing Officials Commission to enforce the rules, but the situation is still not under control. I am therefore asking each coach to set the right example by coaching in accordance with the rules, and not in violation. Second, I am asking the coaches college to include professional ethics in their curriculum, which should include the importance of coaching within the rules, and finally, I am asking the coaches association (USFCA) to also emphasize this.

By an interesting coincidence in timing, the last issue of AMERICAN FENCING contained many tributes to one of our greatest coaches, Csaba Elthes. There wasn't a national championship in the past 15 years in which his students didn't win medals. His success was not diminished by the fact that he never coached a fencer during the bout in violation of the rules.

I can still remember Csaba watching a bout silently as his student lost. After the bout the student asked, "Csaba, what did I do wrong?" Csaba's reply was, "Sir, you didn't do anything right." The student walked away, sulked, and started to think, while Csaba smiled, knowing that the student would get his act together and win the next bouts.

There are numerous opportunities to coach a fencer under the rules at a tournament — before a bout, after a bout, and even in the one minute break in the middle of the bout during the direct elimination. Coaches, be professional and follow the rules.

***"We cannot risk getting derailed as a result of inexperienced or ineffective leadership in the next administration."***

**"Veteran Fencers Demand Recognition" — the USFA replies:**

In the last issue of AMERICAN FENCING Arthur Jaros, returning from a senior age fencing tournament, wrote, "there was a strong undercurrent of dissatisfaction with the apparent attitude of the USFA towards this older group who represent the cream of the fencers of bygone years, and who have managed to keep up their participation and enthusiasm for the sport over many years."

I disagree. The USFA has no "attitude" toward this group. First, let me point out that three of the six elected officers of the USFA are over the age of 60 (the president, a vice president and the treasurer), so clearly this age group doesn't lack representation at the highest policy level of our organization. Nowhere is there a complaint that older fencers are being denied the right to compete or the opportunity to fence, which is the primary function of the national governing body of an Olympic sport. Senior fencing events are scheduled at the site of the National Championships, and there are many other opportunities as well.

What is the recognition older fencers are not getting from the USFA, which he claims is why 250 have decided not to renew their membership? Specifically Jaros lists as the main points of contention that they receive inadequate publicity by the press and the USFA, that veteran fencing is not listed in the ratings on a national basis, and that the definition of veteran should not include fencers between 40-50. Lack of publicity is the first mentioned. How much press coverage did Iris Zimmermann get when she became the first world champion from the United States, or Cliff Bayer when he won a junior world cup event? Our emphasis on getting publicity must be

at the international level. Second, a national rating cannot be gained at a senior-age event because our rules specify that **no** rating can be earned at a **restricted** competition.

Our world champion Iris Zimmermann had to earn her rating not by competing against her peers (Under-15) but by competing against women foil fencers in an open event; Bill Goering maintains his rating by consistently making the top-24 in national open events. That's the way our rules read. Why is this a lack of USFA recognition? Is it no longer fun to fence without a national rating? Finally, if you want to change the definition of the age group, or any rules, these may, and have been, submitted to the USFA Board of Directors.

To my fellow senior fencers, I say sincerely that the USFA welcomes your participation. We want you to fence at clubs, and in all USFA competitions you choose to enter, as well as those restricted to seniors. When it comes to USFA resources (funds and volunteer effort), the administration must place a priority on youth development and international results in order to promote our Olympic status which benefits everyone in the sport. To provide greater recognition, and greater publicity, we need your help. The USFA has only six paid employees to serve an organization of over 10,000 members. We need your membership, your volunteer efforts, and your cooperation. To the 250 seniors who decided not to join the USFA, I encourage you to change your minds. The USFA needs you, and you need the USFA.

### A tribute to Terrence Gargiulo:

In an organization that desperately needs volunteer help, Terrence exemplifies volunteerism. He is one of the elected athlete represen-

tatives. At the Olympic Festival, he saw a need to explain the fencing to the untrained audience, and volunteered to be the announcer, doing a superb job. When the USFA needed to form a search committee to find an Executive Director, he called me to volunteer to serve as a member of the committee. When he fenced at a competition and saw a problem which needed to be corrected, He called me on the phone to discuss it. At the Junior Olympics, he conducted a parent's seminar every morning from 7:30 to 8:00 before fencing began to explain fencing to parents and answer questions they had. This is the behind-the-scenes help which often goes unnoticed. I noticed it, and it gives me great pleasure to publicly thank Terrence at this time for his help, support, and dedication to fencing and the USFA, as demonstrated by his many volunteer activities.

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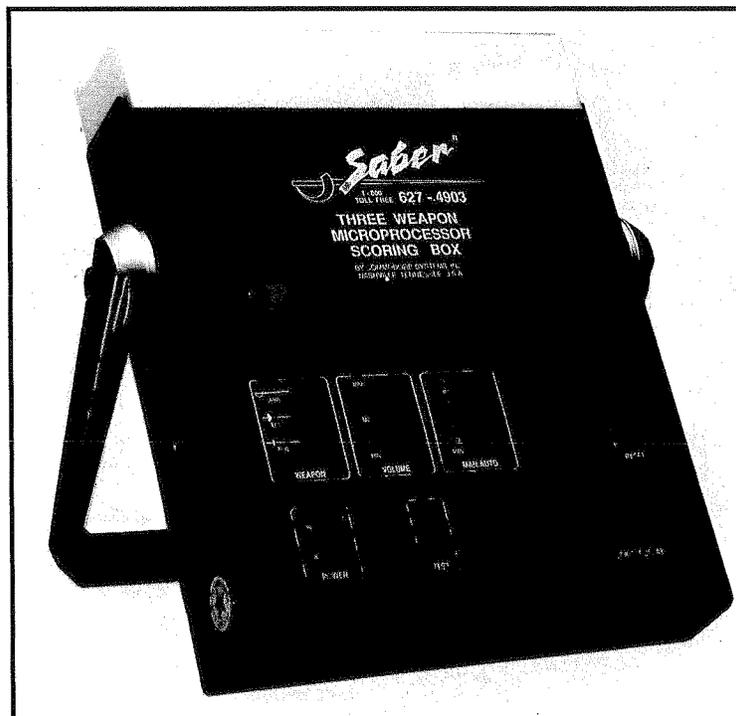
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**The Senior-Age Debate**

Arthus Jaros wrote in the Winter '96 issue of AMERICAN FENCING of his perception that senior-age fencers held an "undercurrent of dissatisfaction" towards the USFA. He cited three reasons for this criticism: exclusion of veterans from national classification and rating, the lack of meaningful recognition of this group by the USFA, and the inclusion of 40- to 49-year-olds in the veteran (senior-age) category. Jaros's words drew a significant response which we print below. But first, we need to clarify a couple of points made by Jaros:

Senior-age fencers can, and **do**, hold USFA national classifications, ratings gained in unrestricted competition, just as every other fencer in the USFA can and does. The only exception to this unrestricted competition requirement is in the Junior and Cadet National Championships which, because they are **championships**, are rated, even though restricted, competitions.

AMERICAN FENCING cannot publish the results of every competition (or even every competitor in those competitions we do publish). There simply isn't enough space.

We recognize senior-age fencers by publishing their results in the annual competition held in conjunction with the National Championships. We wish we could do more. Just as we wish we could report on major regional events like the Crescent City Open and the Heartland Circuit and the Nick Toth Memorial and the ....

As to the inclusion of 40- to 49-year-old fencers in the senior-age category, that criterion is decreed by the FIE, our international federation (i.e., the boss in such matters).

Now, here's what our readers had to say in response to Arthur Jaros's editorial.

THE EDITOR

**Let's Hear from the Winner**

To the Editor

I would like to take respectful exception to some of the comments made by Arthur Jaros in his piece entitled "Veteran Fencers Demand Recognition," ... while agreeing with others.

First, I must begin by saying that I, too, have some dissatisfaction with the USFA's practices regarding its Senior Age fencers. As the 1995 winner of the Senior Age Men's Foil event, I was a bit miffed that my medal — and a very nice one it was, too — had no engraving upon it whatsoever. No indication of the weapon; no identification of the event; and not even a simple "1995" to indicate the year....

Having said that, I will not dispute Mr. Jaros' statement that "It makes no sense to include any 40 to 49 year old, even those who have retired from all competitions except the Veteran's individual or team events." This is an opinion to which he is entitled, though, as I recall, many other sports make an age distinction as young as the age of 35. As a 45 year old who didn't qualify for Division I, I was happy to get the chance to compete in some sort of national competition.

I'm sorry that if by winning it I spoiled it for some of the older fencers — although I must say, when I was there, that several of them approached me and some of the other (relatively) younger competitors and thanked us for competing, believe it or not. "You've legitimized this event," was what one of my opponents actually said to me, after the finals. So, perhaps not all of the older fencers feel the

same way as Mr. Jaros on this matter. ...

There is another assertion with which I agree as well, although perhaps not in a manner which will please Mr. Jaros:

"The fencing technique of those below the age of 50 is quite different from that of older fencers ...." Quite true — in the year Uriah Jones won the Nationals at the age of 51 (I believe), my technique was **quite** different from his (I was 21), which could explain why I went out in the second round and he didn't. Personally I wish there had been a Veterans category then, as maybe some well-

**The year Uriah Jones won the Nationals  
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meaning friend would have convinced him to enter it instead of taking away the enjoyment of the younger fencers whom Uriah flattened on his way to the gold medal.

And I distinctly remember fencing Ralph Spinella in the final of the North Atlantic on his 63rd birthday. His technique, too, was clearly different from that of many of the opponents he helped knock out on **his** way to the finals. And, unless my memory is dim indeed, I believe I recall Albie Axelrod doing pretty well in the Nationals when he was well past his 50th birthday, getting at least as far as the semi-finals.

There is one statement [from Mr. Jaros], however, which I find rather offensive, i.e. that the technique of a fencer such as myself "frequently takes away all of the enjoyment of the competition from their older adversaries — not to mention their frequent lack of the traditional sportsmanship that has always singled fencing out as a sport for 'gentlemen and ladies.'"

Without taking this rather stark accusation too personally, I must say that I have fenced against more than one older fencer who has been arrogant, obnoxious and verbally abusive (and I am thinking here of "gentlemen" and "ladies" both), and that I have also fenced against **many** fencers far younger than myself who have been sportsmanlike, honest and fair. Personality and attitude are formed at an early age and, in my experience, rarely change much as life goes on.

In conclusion, I will say that I feel it was extremely useful for Mr. Jaros to write his piece and I hope it will encourage a constructive dialogue on the role of older fencers in the USFA. ...

B.C. MILLIGAN  
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**"Unfair Accusation" Draws a Response**

It is rare, if not unheard of, for me to write a letter to the editor in response to a magazine article. However, Mr. Jaros' article in the Winter 1996 edition of American Fencing demands a response.

As a 43 year old who has returned to fencing after a 16 year hiatus, I have found that despite the increased popularity of and participa-

tion in the sport, many of our former problems remain in one form or another. As in any field of endeavor, where problems exist, nothing will change until determined individuals step forward and call for (the) changes necessary to address the problems at hand. In this regard Mr. Jaros should be applauded for his efforts on behalf of veteran fencers.

On the other hand, I cannot abide Mr. Jaros's gratuitous and unjustified remarks concerning fencers in the 40 to 49 age group. ...

Grouping fencers into age categories is meant to allow them to

compete on a level playing field. It is also clear, however, that a variety of other factors have an impact on the competitive ability of fencers, whatever their ages may be. At some point age, or rather age

disparity, may become the determinative factor, but as between any two competitors where that point lies cannot be determined on an *a priori* basis. ...

Mr. Jaros calls for the exclusion of 40- to 49-year-old fencers because of his perception that their fencing technique differs from older fencers and on the younger fencers' lack of sportsmanship. In making these "accusations" Mr. Jaros has apparently lost sight of the fact that fencing is a competitive, even combative, sport. Accordingly, the goal of any fencer is victory by whatever legitimate technique is available. Inasmuch as Mr. Jaros has not branded the offending techniques as illegal, his comments in this regard must be viewed as irrelevant to the consideration of the issue he seeks to address.

As to Mr. Jaros' comments concerning the lack of "traditional sportsmanship" on the part of 40 to 49 year olds, Mr. Jaros had apparently forgotten that the essence of sportsmanship is fair play. It is submitted that Mr. Jaros' tactic of leveling an accusation of unsportsmanlike conduct against all fencers in a particular age group is patently unfair and certainly ungentlemanly.

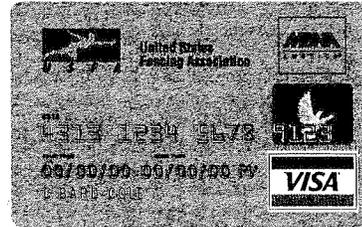
In the end it comes down to this: As fencers we all have an obligation to promote and work for the improvement of our sport, but to do this we must work together. Our purpose is not served by the unwarranted provocation of intra-fencing feuds.

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### **Mea Culpa, Mea Culpa ...**

The devils of dyslexia snuck past the proofreaders of AMERICAN FENCING with the result that the last issue contained some outrageous typos for which we apologize. Steve Mormando's name is **not** spelled "mo' better" Momando. And the internal twist given Albie Axelrod's monicker was equally unfortunate. We were obligated to write "I promise to pay close attention to copy" 500 times on the blackboard.

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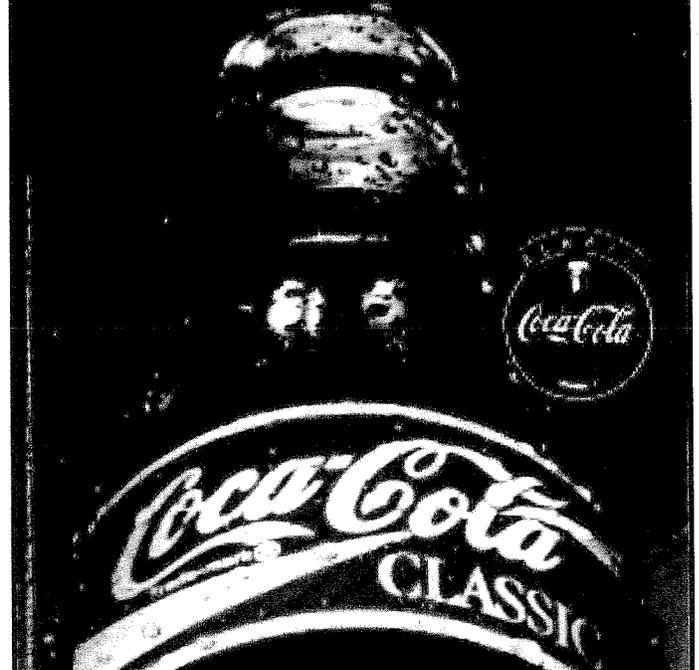
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## **ALWAYS AIM HIGH.**



# From Such a Tiny Thing Major Problems Spring

A common cause in the recent torrent of weapon problems seems to be choosing the wrong spring for the job.

BY JOE BYRNES

A number of recent experiences involving fencers and their point springs got me thinking: when did I last deal with springs? Don't bother getting out your big stack of old copies of this magazine; it's got to have been about ten years ago, and then I was only talking about what I regard as the regrettable tendency of fencers to try to reduce their spring pressure to optimistically low levels. I didn't say much about the springs themselves — probably on the assumption that you would naturally have one (per foil) or two (different kinds) per epee.

Recently I have encountered a number of cases in which the foil — let's confine ourselves to the foil for now — has a spring that just doesn't want to hold up the weight. Ah, ha, an experienced armorer thinks, what has this foil's owner been doing that's a bit on the naughty side, eh? But then, you notice the unmarred tape neatly wrapped around the tip. That certainly looks like a professional "factory" job; not many fencers, having stripped the tape to fiddle with the spring, would manage to restore the taping so neatly. Then you get the point open and note that the spring has had nothing done to it that you can see. And the barrel isn't dented or obviously out-of-round, and the point isn't hanging up on any nicks; everything is smooth — too smooth, because this nice new fresh-looking spring just isn't hacking it: put the weight on it and it dies.

What is going on here? First, let us consider another, related problem that I have also noticed happening with foils in this last year or so: the fencer brings one over that looks pretty new, but it has stopped working. It tests as an open circuit, with no continuity electrically: alas, that looks like a broken wire somewhere; the familiar lament, rewire time. Open the point and there is a nice clean spring. Test the continuity through the blade wire. Well, now, that's not what you expected to see: everything reads okay. So, reassemble the point — carefully — and the foil probably still doesn't work: open circuit again. Or, worse yet, reassemble it and it does work — for a couple of minutes — and then it goes dead again, just the way it was ten minutes ago. Open it up again, and once again, the spring looks okay.

The common denominator with these two cases — and I have several such of each variety in the last few months — is that the nice brand new spring, which may even have been put in there at the factory or shop where the foil was assembled, is the **wrong** spring. The difference between what is in there and what should be in there

may be very small, so small that, even with the two springs laid out before you, on your palm, say, and looking at them through a 3X magnifying glass, they don't superficially appear all that different. But they are. Each was designed for one particular manufacturer's make of foil point, and (case #1 above) is too weak to support the weight for any length of time (it may be a bit too short for where it has been installed). In case #2, the spring's diameter is wrong for the plastic cup down in the barrel. It tends to jump up and rest on the rim of that cup, thus breaking continuity. And you will have noted, even the factory or shop that put the thing together didn't get it right.



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Consider how much more likely it is that the individual fencer, replacing a foil spring with what happens to be available (in that little plastic box with the odd parts, or in the stock of spares at the club or school armory, etc.) will get hold of a wrong one.

Simply put, not all foil pressure springs are alike. Over the years there have been more different versions used than I would want to try to estimate. Even in one maker's line, there have been "early" and "later" versions of the house foil point that used different springs. The differences can be in diameter, as well as length, not to mention inherent resilience or strength. Some European

brands have even furnished special "competition" springs that are selected to be originally rather softer than the run-of-the-shop versions. Needless to say, you don't want to be trying to reduce their strength any further, or they may die on you during your warm-up.

The safest approach for the fencer, if circumstances permit, is to see to it that all your equipment is of the same type. In my years in this game I have more than once encountered a foil fencer who showed up for a competition with at least three different point systems in one bag of foils. Naturally, that meant at least three different point tops needed for replacement, almost certainly three types of spring and likewise three different types of point screw. If you were lucky, maybe two types of spring or screw might get you by. And what do you think the odds were that such a fencer would have the necessary parts for replacement? Some of the saddest fencers I've met have been ones who had picked up a nice foil on a European trip, perhaps out of necessity and, having brought it home, found that the spring had gone the way of all springs and needed replacement, only to learn that their new prize (naturally, they were very happy with it and wanted it to keep working just as it was) was a "sport" in this country and that no replacement parts were obtainable. Only once can I recollect an American fencer who had picked up such equipment in Europe with the forethought to lay in a stock of the necessary spare screws and springs. I would hope that others have done so, too, but if you ever have the opportunity for some such "real bargain," keep this advice in mind.

What to do? If you get all your equipment from one supplier, your chances are better at getting everything "en suite" as they of suits of

armor. But recollect that some of those surprised fencers I was talking about at the beginning of this column were carrying all-new foils from their regular suppliers. Errors do happen the strangest places. Be careful. Obviously, it can help, if you are dealing face-to-face with your supplier, to have a sample of what you need with you.

I hope these few remarks will prevent our members from such naive reactions as what I heard from one of you recently: "I need a new foil spring." "What kind of spring do you use?" "Foil." "What kind of foil?" "Aren't they all the same?" No, they are not, and never have been.

### Captain Plastron's Stripside Meditations

- ▼ Keep your knees bent and your head up.
- ▼ Old fencers never retreat; they just parry-riposte. Young, nimble fencers should draw at least two lessons from that fact.
- ▼ Right-of-way applies in all weapons. Enforcement will vary.
- ▼ The French describe fencing as a 'conversation of the blade'. You must always listen to your opponent, even if tactically you plan to interrupt or to finish his sentence for him. The worst mistake is to think you are in a monologue when you are not. Companies that promote classes on Effective Listening would do better to provide fencing lessons. They could eliminate the aerobics classes, too.

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# Basic Guidelines for Organizing a Fencing Club

Most of us want a feeling of permanency in our fencing relationships, too

BY EDWIN (BUZZ) HURST

For whatever reason, I have been asked a lot of questions lately about how a fencing club should be organized. Since for many of my years as a fencer the words "organized" and "fencing club" would not often appear in the same clause, I'm hopeful that this interest may signify a trend. I suspect that the creation of the USFA Member Club concept and the insurance coverage it can provide may have excited the circuits. Unfortunately, since there are several types of clubs and myriad ways each one can be structured, there isn't some pamphlet out there for clubs like, say "Ten Easy Steps to Building Your Own Munitions Factory." For that same reason, in this short column I have to be pretty general.

To begin with, I'm not going to talk about clubs that are established by coaches and in which all members are "customers" of the

coach. These kinds of clubs are small businesses like any other and should be operated that way.

For "amateur" clubs, the simplest molecular structure is simply a gaggle (pack? covey? pod?... ) of fencers who gather at some agreed upon time and location. Often one of them owns a machine which he or she can be depended upon to bring, so that also makes him/her the coach. Just a bit up the food chain is the fencer who lines up some classes at the local "Y" or Rec Center and a group of fencers from the community congregate around him and his students. These kinds of groups are usually recreational in philosophy and tend not to collect dues or have anything they'd want to spend the money on even if they did. They should be insured for their own safety but they don't know that. Neither entity requires much organization and besides that, they probably don't read this column anyway.

The next step up the line is considerably more complex: the group of fencers who formally establish a club that has a treasury, and some way of getting money into and out of it. The treasury may be a few dollars or it may be several kilobucks but you've got basically the same kind of duck. In a nutshell, the fencers have to create a governance structure with some form of elected officers, maybe a Board of Directors (if the club is large enough), and yes... by-laws!!! The same things I've said about the Division and Section by-laws I can say about club by-laws: think of them as a marvelous way to keep you from killing one another.

Generally, there are two classes in this particular phylum. One is the group of fencers who collect around a professional coach. The coach charges the fencers for instruction and may even have obtained the gym, but he does not further manage the affairs of the fencing group that has gathered around him. If those fencers wish to form a club, they obviously should consult with the coach. They may even find it appropriate to create a governing system where the coach is officially involved. Whatever they do, if they are going to have money in a till, separate from what they each pay the coach, they would be crazy not to establish written policies.

Our other class is the group of fencers who form at their own initiative and with the intent of establishing a reasonably permanent entity. They may only want to organize in order to pay for a club membership so they can enter a team in USFA events, or they may want to lease (or buy) a site, purchase equipment and hire professional coaches. If it's the latter, then you're talking about a formal business organization and you need to consult with real pros about the best way to set it up (particularly if you think you want to be a tax-exempt, non-profit club; an exercise very much akin to playing leapfrog in a mine field). If, however, your group is going to be a little more like the former, then here are a few things you ought to get on paper. (1) How will you decide club policy and who is responsible for day-to-day management? (2) How much spending authority will those managers have? (3) Will you have dues, special assessments, or a combination of both? (4) What are your requirements for membership (if any)? (5) If the club breaks up, how do you divide the money and the property?

There are many more questions that a savvy group would answer in advance, but the foregoing is at least a beginning. No matter how wonderfully happy everyone is when you first form your club, no matter how filled the air with convivial *bonhomie*, there will come a time when there will be a fang-baring disagreement among you. The club which has planned for that day will probably prosper. The club which hasn't will likely have the same permanency as a rock band. I leave it to the reader to pick which type you want to emulate.



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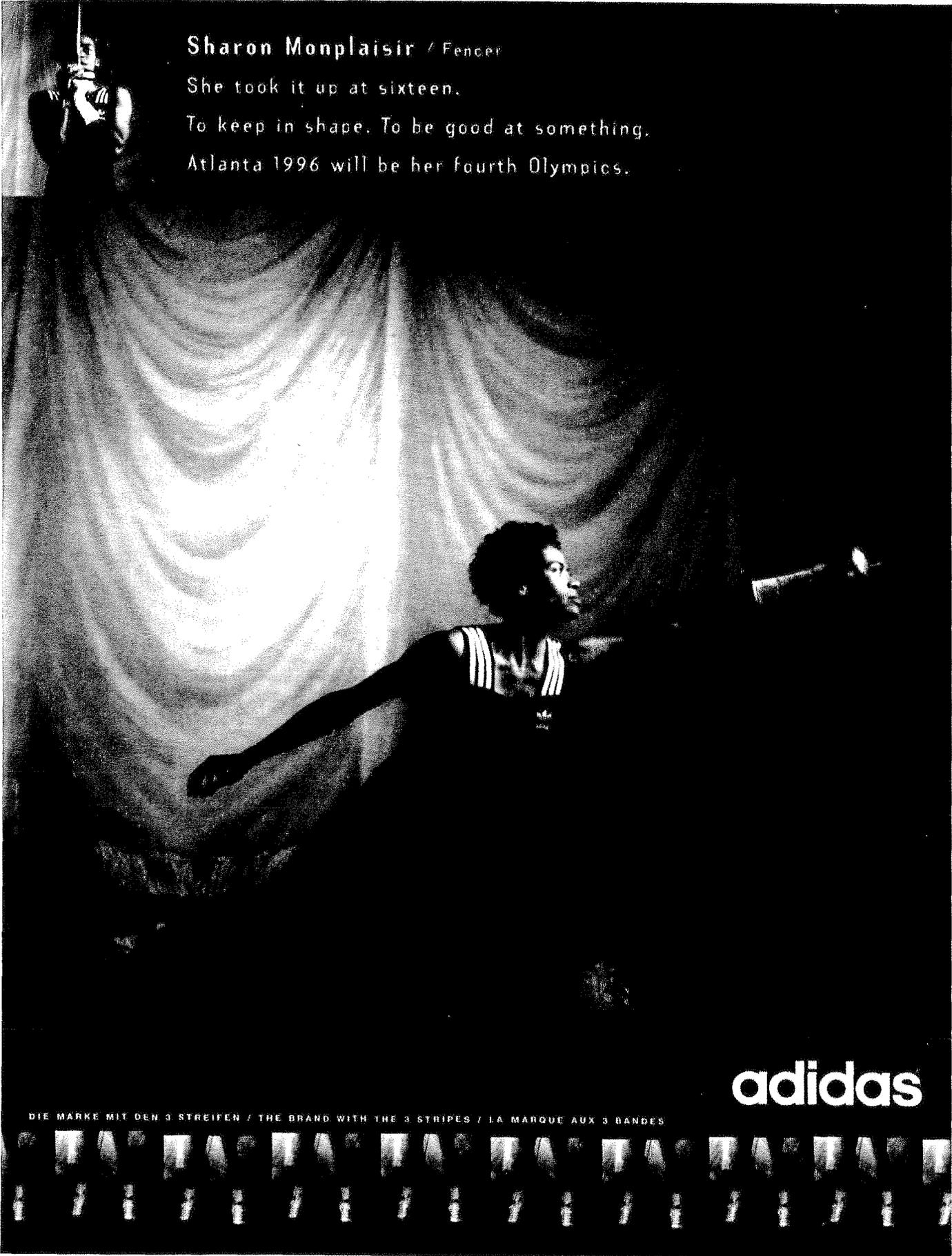
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# The JOs Rekindle Parent Participation

Parental involvement and support is key to our sports continued growth and development.

BY MARY ELLEN MAHON & TERRENCE GARGIULO

**D**uring the Junior Olympic Championships, the USFA facilitated a parents' round-table discussion each morning before the commencement of fencing. The goals of these discussions were to provide parents and coaches with an opportunity to network, sharing knowledge, experiences and uncertainties; to introduce parents to USFA administrators, coaches and staff; and to elicit feedback. Discussion covered a spectrum of fencing issues, and parental input proved an invaluable resource. Here are just two of the many questions raised along with a synopsis of the responses.

## What role should the USFA play in grassroots development?

The USFA can serve as a clearinghouse of information and best practices. Given the limited size of the paid staff and/or the volunteer organization, it is unrealistic to expect the USFA to provide direct

support to every outreach/recruit program, fencing club and division. Instead, the USFA can serve as an informational intermediary, linking member with member in order to get the job done. By collecting a database of member skills, experiences and interests, the USFA can offer this repository of knowledge to other members in need of such skills or expertise. In turn, fencing communities must provide the muscle to the organization's mindwork, the action to its philosophizing. The USFA empowers the local communities with the information it disseminates.

## When these JOs pass into history, how can parents stay networked?

First, use the Internet. Communicate with other parent members through email. Drop in on the two primary USFA sites: the discussion group at [rec.sport.fencing](http://rec.sport.fencing) and the informational web site at <http://www.usfa.org>

Second, identify and utilize fencing resources. Locate people with particular expertise and draw upon their knowledge: ask them to run workshops, consult to your local group, or help organize your fencing community. Need a newsletter? A referee's clinic? A guide for establishing not-for-profit status? A trading post for outgrown uniforms? Other fencers around the country can help.

The USOC has placed a priority rating on grassroots development of athletics during the coming quadrennium. Get involved with the Association's future: join us on the Internet, email AMERICAN FENCING's editor Candi MacConaugh ([EdAmFenc@usswim.org](mailto:EdAmFenc@usswim.org)) or write Shawn Shippnick, USFA Director of Tournament Services, One Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909.

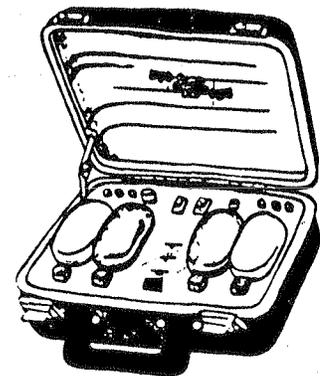
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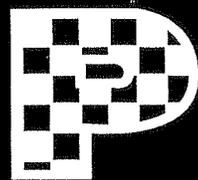
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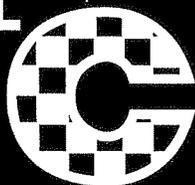
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# Mental Training to Deal with Distractions

Focus: Thinking about the right thing in the right way at the right time.

BY JOHN HEIL, PH.D.

In the last edition of *AMERICAN FENCING*, there was a discussion of the "cardinal skills" of mental training as identified by sport psychologists. This column looks at a specific application of mental training: dealing with distractions. To fence your best, you need to focus totally on fencing, to think about the right thing in the right way at the right time.

A distraction is any thought or feeling that interferes with your fencing (or with you doing your best at anything). Refocusing is an adjustment in your mind-set after a distraction.

In competition, there are many things that may distract you and break your concentration, leave you in a bad mood, or undermine your confidence. Often distractions arise from your environment—from the behavior of competitors or officials, or even teammates or coaches. Other distractions can arise from within you, from your own thoughts and feelings. Negative thoughts or feelings can be triggered by a variety of circumstances such as changes or disruptions in a

competition, malfunctioning equipment, or difficulty in executing your fencing actions. Internal distractions may also occur from self-doubt or from letting others' expectations weigh too heavily on you.

Worry is the most common form of distraction. First and foremost, worry is thinking that accomplishes no constructive purpose. It is usually circular, that is, you find yourself looping back over the same thoughts or concerns without feeling like you are getting anywhere. Worry often starts out as an attempt to solve a problem, but can quickly become a problem itself. All distractions, including worry, are a normal everyday part of life. It is what you do when distractions occur that really matters. This is why it is so important to have methods for dealing with distractions. The fencer who is able to refocus from worry gains an important competitive advantage.

## Methods for Managing Worry

Four methods will be briefly described: Problem Solving, Thought Saving, Thought Review, and Thought Stopping. To develop physical skills requires commitment and consistent effort. The same is true for mental skills. Take some time to experiment with these mental training methods. Be creative and modify them to suit your needs.

### PROBLEM SOLVING—CONVERTING WORRY INTO PRODUCTIVE ACTION

Uncertainty about how to solve a problem can lead to procrastination, and cause the problem to turn into worry. When this happens, you need to make a commitment to yourself to deal with the problem head-on. For each worry, create a list of possible solutions along with the pros and cons of each solution. This accomplishes two purposes. It breaks a larger problem down into smaller, more manageable parts and gives you a direction to take to make things different. If this does not move you toward a solution, seek advice from someone you trust. Some things in life cannot be changed. These need to be accepted. When this happens, it is important to be okay with yourself even though you are not able solve the problem.

### THOUGHT SAVING—TAKING A BREAK FROM WORRY

Great athletes, artists, and scientists have learned that after working on a problem for awhile you need to set it aside. The "Incubation Theory" suggests that at an unconscious level your mind can continue to work on a problem even as you go about other activities. When you train at fencing: you work then rest, work then rest. You need to do much the same thing with mental work. However, sometimes it can be very difficult to let a thought go. When this occurs, you may try saving your thoughts by writing them down on a piece of paper. You can return to them when you are refreshed, and ready to work and take up where you left off. This method is especially helpful at bedtime when you cannot sleep because you are preoccupied. Perhaps it is the night before a competition and you recollect some last minute details that you need to take care of. Rather than reminding yourself to remember as you sleep, get up and write it down and go back to sleep.

### THOUGHT REVIEW—MANAGING EXPECTATIONS

As a competitive athlete, you will always be subject to the expectations of others including teammates, coaches, and parents. Do not let yourself be weighted down by someone else's expectations. Discard those you do not need and hold on to those that energize you. Realize that most expectations which you carry for others and are worthwhile, are already yours to begin with—so there is nothing else you need to do with these. When distracted, refocus on the skills and attitudes that have helped you to be successful.

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### THOUGHT STOPPING—SHIFTING QUICKLY TO A POSITIVE FOCUS

Sometimes it is as if your logical side which is striving to be positive and achieve competitive goals is in conflict with your emotional side which has turned negative out of competitive anxiety or fear of poor performance. Thought stopping is a way for your logical side to talk to your emotional side so that your emotional side will truly understand. Thought stopping is a quick, intense technique for asserting your desire to excel and prevailing over your worst fears. It serves as the foundation of a powerful three-step refocusing technique which is described below.

1. STOP !!! Say it like you really mean it, so that you can feel a reaction
2. COMPOSE yourself with a smooth even breath deep into your belly.
3. REFOCUS on a key fencing thought or action.

For example, imagine you are in between bouts and find yourself feeling uptight and tense with thoughts darting through your mind. You take a moment to mentally step back and look at your thoughts. As you do this, you become aware of negative thoughts like "What if I do not win this bout?," "My next opponent is really strong today," "I don't know if I can win." Each time a negative thought occurs you grow even more tight and tense. Next, you need to identify refocusing thoughts or ideas. For example, you decide to refocus by saying

the word "confident" to yourself and then imagining executing a strong, precise fencing action that you feel will work against your opponent. Then, each time the thought occurs, you practice the technique

1. STOP !!!;
2. COMPOSE – a smooth even breath;
3. REFOCUS – key word "confident," imagine a strong fencing action.

Some additional ideas for managing worry include:

- A. Accept worry as normal. Do not worry about worrying.
- B. Because "worry happens," you need to find ways of managing it that work for you.
- C. Be aware of when you worry and about what—and have a plan to deal with it under different circumstances.
- D. Give up the work of worry and enjoy the mental peace and quiet.
- E. Learn to trust yourself, your training, and your coach.

**A WISE MAN ONCE SAID:**

**NO POINTS WERE EVER SCORED BY WORRY!**

*If you have questions or comments about this article or about mental training, contact Dr. John Heil, Chair, Sport Science and Technology, U. S. Fencing Association, c/o Lewis-Gale Clinic, 4910 Valley View Boulevard, Roanoke, Virginia, 24012.*

## OFFICIAL USFA COMMITTEE REPORT

# 1995 Nominating Committee Report

**A**s specified in the USFA By-laws, the voting members of the Association elected a Nominating Committee at the Annual Meeting of the membership in 1995. That committee was charged with nominating candidates for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and National Division Director to serve for the next quadrennium (1996 - 2000).

The members of the committee — Marcella Denton (Great Lakes), Greg Dilworth (Southwest), Nat Goodhartz (North Atlantic), Bob Largman (Mid Atlantic), Linda Levin (Pacific Coast), Candi MacConaugh (Rocky Mountain), Bill Murphy (Southeast), Lew Siegel (Metropolitan), Ro Sobalvarro (Midwest), and Mark Stasinis (Pacific Northwest) — represented not only geographic diversity (as there was one member from each section) but also a variety of constituencies, including coach, parent, administrator and referee. All members possessed long-term active involvement in the sport and the Association.

**PROCESS FOLLOWED TO GENERATE CANDIDATES:** A call for candidates was published in the Summer '95 issue of AMERICAN FENCING. Additional solicitations were made to the USFA Board of Directors and to the chairs of the USFA Divisions. Self-nominations and nominations by second party were received and distributed to members of the committee. In-person interviews were conducted with the candidates for the office of president.

**PROCESS FOLLOWED TO FINALIZE AGREEMENT ON THE**

**NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES:** A number of meetings were conducted with all committee members either present physically or by speaker phone. These meetings were held on September 22 and 23 in Colorado Springs, CO; on December 2 in Harvey, IL; and on December 14 and 15 in Tucson, AZ. Additional meetings were conducted by teleconference.

**FINAL PROCESS:** The individuals nominated for the various USFA offices have the consensus support of the members of the Nominating Committee. The candidates include Donald Alperstein for President; Tom DiCerbo, Sherry Posthumus and Ralph Zimmerman for Vice Presidents; Andy Gearhart for Secretary; Bob Prifrel for Treasurer; and Harvey Schiller for National Division Director.

The committee considered the compatibility of the group as well as the strengths of the individual members. The nominated candidates endorse both directions which need to be pursued by the USFA and the next administration: the development of grassroots efforts to establish a strong recreational base with strong youth programs and the continuation of support for elite programs which have shown constant improvement and tangible success.

The individuals proposed for office are compatible. Each nominee expressed a desire to work with the others and the group demonstrated a synergistic relationship during the selection process. The individuals offer geographic diversity as well as representing various segments of the fencing community: club coach, college coach, administrator, parent, referee, competitive fencer and recreational fencer. The Nominating Committee endorses the individuals and the group as one which will initiate actions to strengthen US Fencing and which will be receptive to input and responses from members of the USFA.

Respectfully submitted.

NAT GOODHARTZ, CHAIR

# Better Living Through Fencing

I'd been divorced for four months. *The New Times* had just informed me that, after being a featured contributor for its entire five year existence, my services would no longer be required. The woman I was in love with had just told me that I had self defeating tendencies, that I should be in therapy, and that she did not want to see me anymore. All this, after being dropped as a computer programmer when my bank was bought out and downsized. I needed to get my act together.

**I decided to start fencing again.**

I'd taken up fencing in college on a whim when I needed a PE credit; I discovered that I had a knack for it. I had never been athletic as a high school student but I had been competitive, playing first board for the chess team and enjoying verbal combat in the debate club. Then, and now, I had a lot of frustration and an unresolved killer instinct.

Fencing changed my life when, through it, I discovered the physical side of existence. For the first time in my life I was not living in my head; I was forced to react without thinking, to "be here now." After six months of study I fenced a member of the school's foil team and won.

The most difficult aspect of scoring with the foil was to understand right-of-way. What I didn't want to accept was that if both fencers extend their weapons and land in what would be a mutually lethal attack in a duel, the fencer who started first is the one who gets the point.

This often led to screaming arguments as to who had right-of-way and when did it shift. At foil competitions the sight of coaches shouting at referees with a ferocity that would frighten a baseball umpire is a universal.

I hate foil.

But I didn't always. After beating that varsity team member I thought foil was the **only** weapon to fence. I decided to try and make the fencing team. At the time I was 6' tall and maybe weighed 125 pounds, with long arms and good hand-

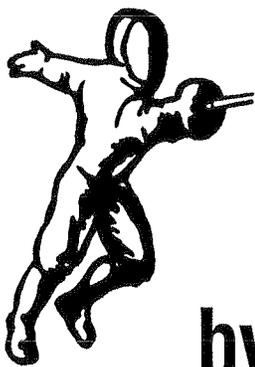
eye coordination. I had one trick that I used to defeat more experienced foilists. On their attacks I extended into their actions, hit them on the body, and leaped back out of range. The fencing coach watched me fence for a short while, took my foil away and said, "You fence epee."

I learned that with the epee there was no right-of-way and no limited target. Whoever hits first anywhere on the opponent's body gets the point. Wow!

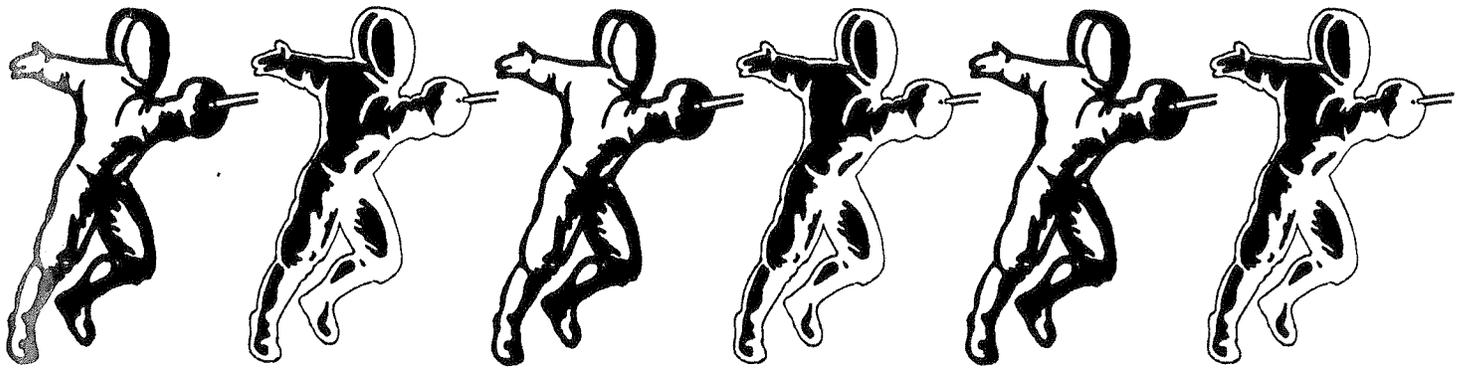
I trained four nights a week, started running, lifting weights and fencing on weekends. I made the team and fenced number one on the epee squad through college. After moving back to Miami I kept fencing. By the late 70s I had fenced in over a hundred 100 tournaments, winning and placing regularly, and in 1980 I won the Southeastern United States Epee Championship.

In the late 80s I met Arnold Mercado. A tall, thin man in his late 50s, he looked more like an author than an athlete or a coach. It turned out that he was a certified fencing master. He had studied fencing in New York and Paris and coached fencing at Rice University.

Mercado was giving private lessons at Palmetto Middle School's intermediate fencing class while the rest of the students were taking a group lesson. He watched me fence, and he stated that, although I won the bout, generally everything I did was incorrect. His theorized that fencing styles went through phases. The modern style resembled something like extremely athletic knife-fighting. As classical technique had developed from very practical concerns, top-level European coaches were returning to classical execution of basic



by  
**Tom White**



fencing actions. I started taking lessons and Arnold started rebuilding my style.

In 1991 I quit. I was burned out. Fencing, it occurred to me, was a mindless activity offering no practical skills and had nothing the public cared about. It was asymmetrical and unnatural, the participants moving up and down the strip like mutant fiddler crabs, one large claw and one useless claw. There was no money in it, the participants outnumbered the spectators — heck, the referees outnumbered the spectators — and the sport received no media coverage.

Three years later, December 1994, I was divorced, no longer published in Miami's hot weekly news and arts magazine, and dumped. Emotionally I had hit bottom. But I had learned something: mental attitude can make a difference in one's life and that defeat and age are truly states of mind. I resolved to fence again with the idea of perfecting my style regardless of my success in competition. Fencing for fencing's sake. This would be my therapy.

Arnold was pleased when I showed up at the fencing club. I was introduced to another of Arnold's theories: every action of the body affects the speed and accuracy of the blade. Speed, he maintains, was not a product of muscular strength but of efficiency. Accuracy comes from level hips and constancy of the sword, held so that the epee tip points slightly downward and to the left. The idea was to create a stable platform, from which to attack, defend or move in any direction. This was the basis of the traditional *en garde* position.

I have my seven-year-old daughter, Crissy, with me two out of every three weekends. On February 25, 1995 I left her with a sitter when I fenced in my first competition in three years. My thinking was that she would be a distraction, and that I could fence better if I didn't have to mess with her throughout the tournament.

The tournament was held at Miami Palmetto Middle School's gym. The field was

strong, the participants including the 1994 Southeastern United States champion, Dan Maristany. I fenced well, making it out of the preliminary round.

The qualifying round was comprised of five point bouts but soon I was introduced to the wonders of the new 15-touch bout used in the direct elimination round. I won my first bout, but in my second DE bout I squeaked by Wes McKinney, an excellent fencer from Fort Lauderdale, to qualify to fence for first place.

An upset had occurred on the adjacent strip while I had been fencing. Bob Cochran, 6' 3", 220 pounds, knocked Maristany out of the tournament. In the final match I fenced Bob close for a while. I tried to fence him with absence-of-blade, so as to not allow him to catch or deflect my blade and use his strength to force an opening for an attack.

At first I was successful, holding a four-point advantage at one stage, but like all good fencers he adjusted his strategy. Fine tuning his distance, left-handed Cochran held his blade wide and to the outside inviting an attack on the open target. His distance and timing were good, so that upon accepting his "invitation" my attack fell just short and with a strong beat he knocked my blade aside, forced open my defense and struck me with his counterattack. I was never able to adjust and I took second place. In my next lesson, Arnold emphasized the derobement and reviewing the *fleche*.

On March 12, 1995, I fenced in the Florida Gold Coast Divisional Championship. I traded weekends with Crissy's mother so that I would be able to, once again, fence with no distractions. During my third bout of the qualifying round time ran out while I was behind 2 to 3. The referee called victory for my opponent. Huh? The FIE (and consequently, the USFA) had changed the rule which called for a bout to be stopped with one minute remaining in order for the fencers to be notified of the time left. Now, time ran continuously but fencers could ask how much

time remained. I didn't know to ask. I lost the bout, but had enough victories to make it to the single direct elimination round.

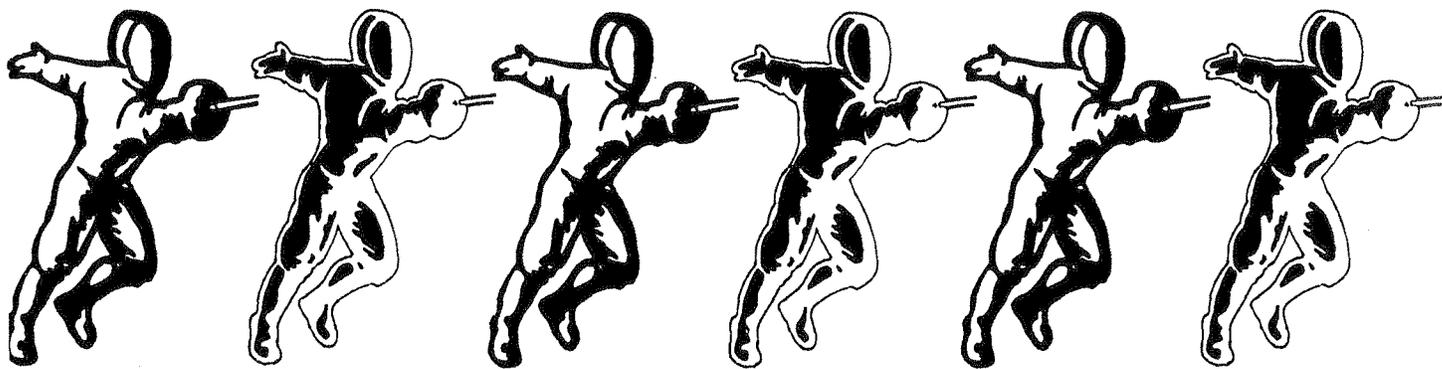
My epee style is left over from another era. There used to be two main schools, or styles, of fencing before international competitions caused a global, eclectic blurring of style. The French held that fencing actions should be quick, dexterous and light; the Italians emphasized strong aggressive attacks on the opponent's weapon to force an opening.

Italians fenced epee with the arm nearly extended, the point threatening the sword arm of the opposing fencer. The idea was that any attack by the opponent caused a weakness in his defense which could be immediately exploited. In order to strike the blade he would have to bend his arm which exposed the arm to a counterattack. This strategy could not be used in foil because right-of-way precluded attacking into an attack. When I was fencing well I knew I had the ability to interrupt an attack with a "stop thrust" to my opponent's wrist or hand.

My point was on and, once again, I made it to the final match. This time Dan Maristany had not been upset in a preliminary bout and he was fencing extremely well. I thought I had a chance to win. The bout started and I gave him an "invitation," deliberately, opening myself up to an attack thinking that I would be able to stop thrust. With a deceptively long lunge he hit me with a direct attack to the body. Then he did it again. Shortly I was four points down with the score progressing toward 15. I needed to do something; I fleched, scoring a point. Then I fleched again. He adjusted his distance to take that tactic away from me. We exchanged a couple of touches and he won the bout and the divisional championships. But I had qualified for the Southeast Sectional Championships.

Epee was scheduled for 11:00 am, Sunday. Crissy was scheduled to be with me that day and I was trying to figure out who I could

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leave her with. On Saturday in the midst of a game of POGS I asked her if she would like to go with me or if she would prefer to have someone watch her during the fencing. She said she wanted to go and after being told that it could last all day she said that she would have to take lots of things to do.

Sunday morning we arrived at the Florida Atlantic University gym at 10:30. Arnold was one of the tournament directors and he had no time to speak. I parked Crissy near the head table where Arnold could keep an eye on her and started warming up. Crissy took two sheets of attached formfeed paper and her markers, told me not to look, and made a banner which read, "Good luck Daddy!!" adding two of the most important words in any second grader's lexicon: "wow" and "neat." She started another drawing as I began stretching.

My first bout was against a fencer from Virginia named Hoffman. He had the look of an experienced fencer, tall and confident. The referee inspected each fencer's equipment for safety purposes. "Did you get your mask stamped?" Huh?

"No, sir," I said.

"Yellow card," the referee said as another fencer took my mask to the armorer's table to be inspected.

"Red card," Hoffman corrected the referee, "It happened to me in Chicago last week."

The referee looked up the rule and said, "Red card."

I started my first bout a point down. Hoffman had an unorthodox style, jumping in and out of distance and moving from side to side and shooting out his attack when I misjudged the distance. I was mentally off balance and lost the bout. Some start.

Walking over to Crissy I saw Bob Walch and his wife, Adrian, in the stands. They were friends of mine from the fencing club. I asked them if Crissy could sit with them and

they agreed. Bob told me later that his wife was bored out of her mind and that I couldn't have done her more of a favor than to leave Crissy with them. She drew pictures as I fenced the preliminaries.

I was fencing with an epee that had been put together by the armorer at the club. During my third preliminary bout I hit my opponent and the point failed to register. I got another epee from the five in my bag. My point was not on but I made it out of the preliminaries without another loss.

Before the start of the quarter-finals I warmed up by fencing a teammate I started getting in the stop hits. My point was on. Gonna' roll the bones. A referee inspected my epee and noticed one of the two screws missing from the tip. I replaced my second weapon with another from the bag.

Next bout a reprise with Joe Hoffman. I got Crissy out of the stands. She sat near the table which held the scoring machine at the strip where we would fence. I stopped all of Joe's attacks this time and won. He said that I was not the same person he had fenced in the first round.

I won my next bout and was seeded, with three other fencers with no losses, into the final of eight. As I plugged in my body cord, Crissy said, "Just do your best, Daddy, I know you can do it." I was beginning to love her naivete. I won my next bout. Two to go.

The winner of the next contest would fight for first place. Crissy told me, "Daddy, just say, I think I can, I think I can." For a moment I thought about explaining to her how she should take a more realistic point of view, then I told her, "I think I can."

Arnold walked over to me and said that my next adversary would be Dan Maristany. He said that when I got by Dan I would probably be matched against Campbell, a fencing instructor from a university in Virginia. Arnold was leading my mind; he put my immediate contest in the past with a victory for me. A

crowd was gathering to watch this penultimate bout.

Getting the first three touches on Dan forced him to change his game to one of constant attack. He varied his attack with mixed success. Eight minutes later the score stood at 14 to 10 in my favor. Dan, the defending Sectional Champion, poured it on. Dan suckered me into a premature attack, picked up my blade throwing it to the outside and lunged — 14 to 11 Maristany. Before I could regain my composure he struck again. 14 to 12, Maristany. Now he let loose a direct attack to my upper arm. 14 to 13, Maristany. He then hit me again with a lunge. 14 - 14 Maristany.

Arnold said softly, "Tai Chi," his coded advice to me to relax and let the tenseness out of my upper arm and shoulder. Before resuming my *en garde* position I walked toward the back of the strip and slowed my breathing, shaking out my right hand. Dan asked the referee how much time remained and was told 20 seconds. The referee asked, "Fencers ready?" and hearing yeses said, "Fence!" I fainted, Dan reacted, I fleched. My point landed clean, and clear — one light! Crissy said, "I knew you could do it."

Next ... Campbell. I got off to a fast start; when he caught on he was behind by three points. He hit me twice in a row at one point, but before he made a run at me I was able to take away his momentum with a stop hit to his wrist. ("Tai chi. I think I can") When the score 14 to 11. I knew what I had to do. I lunged, drawing his counter attack. We both landed — double touch. 15 to 12.

Arnold and Crissy sandwiched me with a hug. I didn't know if my life had turned around. I still needed a real job, and I wouldn't mind finding a girl friend, but I was sure feeling better.

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INTERVIEW WITH

# Carl Borack, USFA Team Captain

Less than three months remain before Atlanta hosts the centennial Olympic Games featuring the strongest American fencing team ever fielded.

INTERVIEWED BY TERRENCE GARGIULO

**Q:** Our international results during the past four years have been phenomenal. To what can we attribute this success?

**A:** That requires a multifaceted answer. 1. Our fencers are starting to compete in the international arena at a younger age. 2. Our fencers train harder and compete more seriously than their American predecessors. 3. Coaching in the US has really blossomed. There are a tremendous number of esteemed foreign coaches working side-by-side with the new breed of "home grown" American coaches. 4. When American athletes see their teammates earning strong international results, they believe they can do it too. 5. While we are still in the early stages of successfully implementing the Weapon Coordinator program, it has played a pivotal role in focusing our

fencers and coaches on the goal of achieving international results. 6. The current FIE World Cup format of one round of pools (with 80% promoted) followed by a direct elimination is better for us. This system significantly reduces the possibility of collusion which was formerly associated with the pool system. 7. International officiating has become consistent. By achieving results we have gained the respect and attention of other countries and their officials. Our athletes have also learned how to adjust their fencing for international officiating. 8. Lastly, the fall of communism has had a large impact

on the operating budgets of many European countries. As a result, it has been more difficult for them to produce strong fencers.

**Q:** With the Olympic Games only a few short months away, can you make any sort of predictions on our results?

**A:** The Olympics will be a difficult tournament for us. The format put in place by FIE President Rene Roch is strictly direct elimination without a first round for seeding. This is totally different from what our athletes have been experiencing all year. One exception to this has been Ann Marsh whose top-16 World Cup ranking means she has entered each tournament at the Direct Elimination round of 64. It is a shame that all fencers will be forced to deal with the "sudden death" environment the moment they step into the Olympic arena.

Our success in Atlanta depends largely on our athletes' performances in the remaining World Cups. World Cup ranking will determine the seeding for the Olympic Games; therefore, the better our seeding, the better our chance will be in both the individual and team events.

My hope is that we win at least one medal. With the hometown crowd behind us and the adrenaline of athletes flowing, we might see two medals joined by a few other significant results such as a top-six finish in a team event, and top-eight results in the individual events. We're hoping that local support will alleviate some of the pressure inherent to the excitement of the Olympic Games.

In my opinion, the men's and women's foil teams have a chance for a medal. This will be a much more difficult task for our men's team. However, with great effort on both teams' part I think they can do it.

As far as the individual competitions and results are concerned, it depends upon the match ups our athletes draw. There are a number of our fencers who, with the

*Carl Borack, left, helps Ann Marsh (center) hook up before her bout in the '92 Olympic Games in Barcelona.*



right opponents, could achieve significant results. Here are some highlights of recent results that lead me to these opinions:

- Felicia Zimmermann took 7th at the 1994 World Championships and 7th at the World Cup in Cuba this year.
- Ann Marsh has made three top-eight results at World Cups this year.
- Cliff Bayer was a World Cup finalist in Cuba and a top-16 finisher in the Men's Foil World Cup in Italy.
- Leslie Marx has two top-16 results and one top-four result.
- Michael Marx was a finalist this year at a Men's Epee World Cup in Portugal.
- Peter Devine eliminated the 1995 Men's Foil World Champion recently at the World Cup in Zurich.

It is important to remember that our young fencers are still learning, growing and improving every day. Their best is still in front of them.

I can promise you this: we will have the best trained and most internationally experienced athletes we have ever fielded. Our athletes have made tremendous sacrifices to get where they are now, and (they) undoubtedly possess the desire and determination to succeed.

**Q:** We have certainly come a long way in four years. What must we do to maintain this positive direction and competitive growth in the next quadrennial?

**A:** We need to get creative about our sport in terms of how we market it and how we approach potential sponsors. I think it is important to remember that in-kind support can play a key role in financing the efforts of our athletes. In addition, we need to appoint a national team director to work with the national coaches in each weapon and age grouping to create, administer and manage our national programs.

**Q:** What is your assessment of the Men's Foil Team's performance at the World Cup in Venice this weekend?

**A:** This was an extremely important competition for us. It was the largest and strongest field at any World Cup so far this season. We placed four in the top 64, three in the top 32 and one in the top 16. I do not think that America has ever placed three fencers in the top 32 at a Senior Men's Foil World Cup. If you consider that all of these fencers are under the age of 21, you realize what a formidable achievement it is. We also have two junior foil fencers, Alex Wood and Dan Kellner, who have made Junior World Cup finals this year. This is an indication that we are beginning to develop some depth.

**Q:** Would you like to speculate on the Olympic Games in Sydney in 2000?

**A:** I believe that Buckie Leach's goal of having the best women's foil team in the world by the year 2000 is a very realistic possibility. Our women's squad is young, strong, extremely motivated and pos-



Roger Miar

sesses a great work ethic. Hopefully, our fencers can find a way to balance their professional and educational goals with their fencing aspirations. The same can be said for our men's foil team and the youthful corps of saber fencers that Nazlymov, Korfanty, Burdan, Etropoliski and others are developing.

**Q:** There has been talk of establishing national training centers. Is this a viable strategy for strengthening our programs?

**A:** Yes! The standard has been set by Buckie Leach who has a training center in Rochester, New York where over 80% of the top (U.S.) women foil fencers train. Until we can coordinate and fund such centers, we need to continue to hold domestic camps that bring together our top juniors and seniors in a high quality and intense environment. These camps should be conducted both domestically and internationally and should, wherever possible, include foreign competitors.

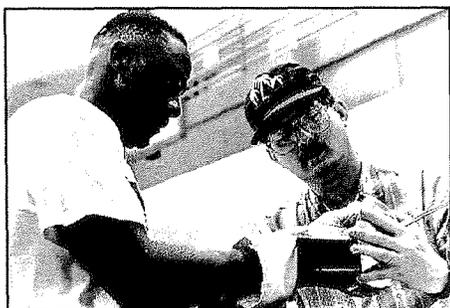
**Q:** How can Association member help the team's efforts in Atlanta?

**A:** Write NBC Sports in New York City to let them know that we want to see fencing during their Olympic coverage. NBC does not intend to show our sport. We need a massive campaign to motivate them. We cannot wait until July to do this!

The team warm-up was pretty standard; well, maybe a little more original than most. Members stretched, lapped the gym and played basketball to get the circulation going before practice. The Center provides equipment for those fencers who don't have their own, and a coach comes from a nearby club to instruct them. All this team needed was one extra piece of equipment in order to compete: a frame to secure their wheelchairs against the floor.

Enter Bill Freer. A rehab technologist who recycles medical equipment and a self-proclaimed handyman, Freer has provided the fencers at Shepherd Center in Atlanta, Ga. with the frames they need to compete. The club, which has been in existence for about two years, practiced for much of that time without frames. (Frames are available in

*Frame builder Bill Freer, right, adjusts Curtis Lovejoy's glove.*



Shoko Fukuda

Europe where wheelchair fencing has been a competitive sport since the 1950s. In the United States, however, the sport had a brief introduction in the 1960s but then virtually vanished until recently. Once a need arose for the frames, the prohibitive costs of purchasing them and shipping overseas kept Americans fencing without frames.)

"Fencing without a frame is like playing basketball in high heels," said Jeannine Freer, a team member who has been married to Bill for five years. Just as a basketball player in heels must decide between a winning shot and a turned ankle, so must fencers decide between a winning touch and an overturned chair.

The British wheelchair fencing team visited last summer to work with the fencers at Shepherd and was amazed by the lack of equipment. British fencers were not used to restricting their movements during a bout, and several fell out of their chairs.

The evolution of the Freers' fencing frame began as a square of brown plywood with two strips of wood across it to hold the

# Wheelchair Fencers Prepare for Atlanta

## Special equipment to debut at the Paralympic Games this summer.

BY ALLISON BRUCE

wheelchair's back wheels in place. Straps secured the chair. Three sets of wheels made the frame — with the fencer aboard — moveable. Mobility proved too expensive.

The next "competition frame" cost about \$1,000 and was constructed of plywood, steel, and aluminum. Each square frame connects to the opponent's frame with a steel bar, which allows the distance between frames to be adjusted to the reach of the shorter fencer. The area covered by two frames locked together must fit within the dimensions of the field of play, which is four meters by four meters.

The newer frame design folds to allow mobility and storage, and the straps used to secure the chair are adaptations of car seat belts. The frame also has linoleum on the bottom, so a fencer can easily slide it across the floor into position. Once the two fencers' frames are locked together, they do not shift. The frames prevent the fencers' angle from changing. Tony Boatwright, a fencer on the Shepherd team, feels that holding the angle is the most important advantage of the frames. As fencers lunge, they have a tendency to shift their chairs and expose more target area than they want to.

Wheelchair fencing was started by Sir Ludwig Guttman at Stoke-Mandeville Hospital in Aylesbury, England. He organized the International Wheelchair Games in 1948, and in 1955 the first international fencing competition took place. Wheelchair fencing has been part of the Paralympic Games since 1960. Seventy fencers from around the world are expected to compete this summer, and, for the first time in Paralympic history, the United States will enter a wheelchair fencing team.

Wheelchair fencers play standard five-point bouts but cannot retreat or advance to gain an advantage against their opponents. According to Jeannine, wheelchair fencing is "a very in-your-face kind of thing." To compensate for their fixed position, fencers duck blades, make half-turns, and lean forwards and backwards to avoid and score touches. All of these actions must be made without rising out of their seats. Boatwright fences epee and notes that epeeists grow especially tired fencing wheelchair matches because they must continuously defend instead of relaxing their arms during a retreat.

The Atlanta wheelchair fencing team practices once a week at both Shepherd and the Atlanta Fencer's Club with Maitre Gene Gettler and competitive fencer Walid Mahran. On this day, Mahran was leading practice. As the fencers waited for him to arrive at Shepherd, they played with Jeannine's black lab, Magic, and talked about their involvement in fencing.

When Mahran arrived, the fencers lined up for a formal warm-up. After stretching and doing push-ups against the wall, the fencers threw their masks back and forth. Finally, they shifted to bladework. Mahran coached the fencers on bladework out of a wheelchair though he is able-bodied. Fencers then joined with partners and ran a set of drills quite common to any fencing practice. Experienced fencers worked with those new to the sport, and Mahran gave pointers here and there. A good rapport between the members was obvious, and the advice given between fencers wasn't much different from that at any other practice.

Jeannine is classified as a quadriplegic, indicating varying levels of paralysis in the

upper and lower body, including the chest, arms, and hands. The other classification, paraplegia, is total or partial paralysis of the lower body. Because the wheelchair fencing community is so small, paraplegics and quadriplegics compete against each other. "I guess I'd compare it to men and women fencing against each other, due to the difference in strength," said Jeannine. The Shepherd club is made up of men and women, both paraplegic and quadriplegic, who all fence against one another.

Because several members of the team have limited use of their hands, Bill Freer has also created gloves for those fencers who have trouble holding a weapon. One he created for Curtis Lovejoy, a member of the team who is also an internationally competitive swimmer, was a three-weapon glove to which he had added extra leather and velcro. The velcro was attached to the tips of each finger and secured to the cuff of the glove when Lovejoy folded his fingers over the grip. As long as the adaptations don't extend a fencer's reach, they are allowed. Jeannine also has an adapted glove, plus a bowling brace to hold her wrist firm.

The fencers of the Shepherd team face different challenges when fencing, but they have also developed different styles. Jeannine started fencing in college and soon fell in love with the sport. "I love the sport—love the people," said Jeannine. Having played piano for ten years, she realized that her strong hand-eye coordination gave her a distinct advantage in fencing. When she saw a flyer at Shepherd for fencing, she immediately got involved.

The wheelchairs of today aren't the archaic contraptions often imagined or seen in hospitals. They're smaller, lighter, faster, and often have slightly splayed wheels to allow more control and maneuverability. Besides fencing, Shepherd has teams for basketball, canoeing, fishing, scuba diving, swimming, tennis, water and snow skiing, and quad rugby (which is a very intense game according to Lovejoy). Fencing is an easy sport to get involved with because fencers use their own chair and don't have to worry with the price or discomfort of specialized chairs. Also, once fencers have their fencing equipment, the other fees for the sport are minimal. Jeannine ruled out track and field because participants have to fold themselves up into the chairs, and she didn't want to

bother with swimming or scuba diving. "Fencing was something I knew and enjoyed," she said.

Many of Jeannine's teammates did not have fencing experience prior to coming to Shepherd Center. She remembers that, in the beginning, their styles were quite heavy-handed. Like any new fencer, many of them relied on strength instead of subtlety. An overzealous opponent can be especially difficult to defend against in wheelchair fencing because the experienced fencer cannot simply move out of range. Over time, members have learned that it's not strength, but style, that decides the bout. Jeannine has watched as her teammates have developed "different techniques, just

***"Fencing without a frame is like playing basketball in high heels,"***

like any fencing team."

Though the sport remains small, it is growing. Fourteen wheelchair fencers participated at the Junior Olympics in February, and the group at Shepherd continues to try to involve other centers with rec-therapy departments. With the Paralympics, the Freers hope that more people will become aware of the sport of wheelchair fencing.

Gene Gettler can only think of two instances when tournament participants objected to wheelchair fencers competing. Still, most fencers are receptive to the situation even though it's foreign to them. "The able-bodied community has welcomed us with open arms," said Jeannine.

**WHEELCHAIR  
FENCING OPEN #2  
RICHMOND, VA  
MARCH 16**

**Men's Foil**

1. David Baker
2. Joe Mueller
3. Bob Davis
3. Mario Rodriguez
5. Curtis Lovejoy
6. Rafael Ibarra
7. Roy Day
8. Roy Zook

**Men's Epee**

1. Roy Day
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**Men's Sabre**

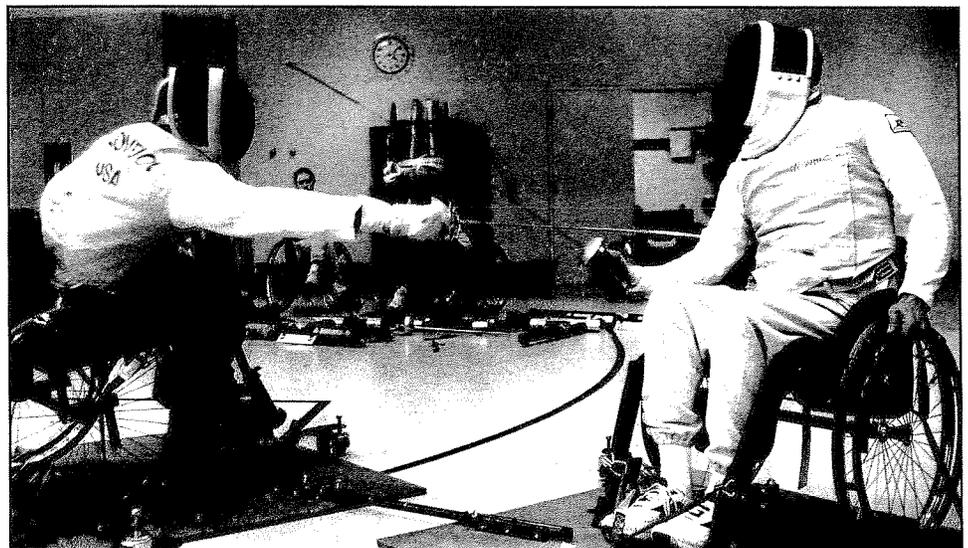
1. Mario Rodriguez
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3. Bob Davis
5. Roy Zook
6. John Loechle
7. Charles Foucht
8. Gerald Moreno

**Women's Epee**

1. Terri Cecil-Ramsey
2. Ella Chaffe
3. Andrea DeMello
3. Kathleen Winter

**Women's Foil**

1. Terri Cecil-Ramsey
2. Ella Chaffe
3. Andrea DeMello
3. Kathleen Winter



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# 1996 Junior Olympic Championships

## U20 Women's Sabre

1. McDowell, Amy St.Louis
2. Purcell, Caroline M Met.
- 3T Batson, Alysa E Ut/S.Ida.
- 3T Mustilli, Nicole Ind.
5. Mustilli, Marisa A NJ
6. Conley, Rebecca L N.Car.
7. Russo, Ariel L Huds-Berks
8. Bailey, Tiffany A N.Car.
9. Gaudette, Katherine V Ill.
10. Van Hulle, Pen. nlandEmp.
11. Proffitt, Cath. GulfCst.
12. Findley, Chloe N Kan.
13. Monahan, Kerry Huds-Berks
14. Rich, Bethanie G Ark/La/Ms
15. Kaplan, Maia R N.Car.
16. Goellner, Natasha L Kan.
17. Smith, Katherine M Mich.
18. Rostal, Mindy K Minn.
- 19T Eskra, Beth N Wisc.
- 19T Kaplan, Hannah E Ind.
21. Thurston, Molly Ark/La/Ms
22. Kearns, Cesia G Wisc.
23. Brazier, Gwen Alaska
24. Caffarelli, Tara Huds-Berks
25. Giisson, Caroline Alaska
26. Orsi, Sabina E NJ
27. Caputo, Elizabeth A NJ
28. Lotridge, Victoria A S.Tex.
29. Clark, Lindsey R NJ
30. Kauppila, Nissa M NewEng.
31. Woolf, Megan Minn.
32. Maibauer, Alisa M N.Ohio
33. Breech, Allyson L GulfCst.
34. Park, Jennifer J Wisc.
35. Scott, Jennifer A N.Car.
36. Polanichka, N. Harrisburg

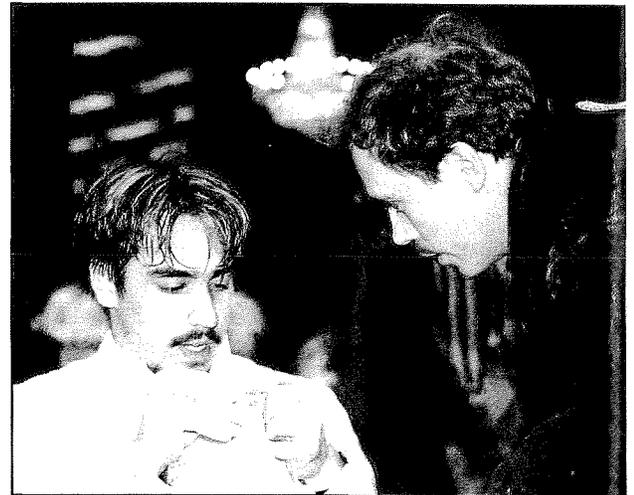
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1. Smart, Erinn L Met.
2. Breden, Ute K WestNY
- 3T Brown, Myriah H Ind.
- 3T Mustilli, Nicole Ind.
5. Katz, Jill B NewEng.
6. Calabria, Alison Capitol
7. Hai, Angela Met.
8. Zuckerman, Kath. S.Cal.
9. Mann, Elizabeth C Colo.
10. Cavan, Kathryn M Met.
11. Osborn, Ellice A Mich.
12. Jennings, Susan K WestNY
13. Rudkin, Kate A Colo.
14. Park, Jennifer J Wisc.
15. Fielding-Segal, StephaMet.
16. Dorf, Kristen M Minn.
17. Rostal, Mindy K Minn.
18. Carnick, Anna N WestNY
19. Schaefer, Esperance A Met.
20. Takagi, Melanie J Ga.
21. Van Hulle, Pen. InlandEmp.
22. Breden, Senta E Capitol
23. Flores, Lisa M Cent.Pa.
24. Acerra, Matilde E.J. NJ
25. Baugh, Chenoa Cen.Cal.
26. De Ieso, Gina NJ
27. Wilson, Elspeth M Colo.
28. Singleton, Angela V Okla.
29. Batson, Alysa E Ut/S.Ida.
30. Chin, Meredith M Phil.
31. Katz, Margo D NJ
32. Leahy, Jacqueline Colo.
33. Weeks, Sarah E NJ
34. Cox, Bethany A Ut/S.Ida.
35. Galto, Meredith A NJ

36. Lilov, Natasha NJ
37. French, Lesley K S.Tex.
38. Jackson, Claire L Cent.Pa.
39. Drewes, Jillian Cen.Cal.
40. Thomas, Jennifer D Ind.
41. Eskra, Beth N Wisc.
- 42T Alford, April C S.Tex.
- 42T Magno, Jamie L SanBern.
44. O'Neill, Austin H Westchstr.
45. Rich, Bethanie G Ark/La/Ms
46. Early, Elyse E GulfCst.
47. Kotlan, Dely J Ga.
- 48T Schulz, Ellen S Conn.
- 48T Wu, Felicia M N.Car.
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51. Logas, Heather L N.Cal.
52. Leslie, Lisa M NJ
53. Kabil, Amal A Ind.
54. Kebrdle, Margaret A Ind.
55. Sciubisz, Marta H Ill.
56. Conley, Rebecca L N.Car.
57. Barton, Brooke C Columbus
58. Bailey, Jennifer K Conn.
59. Szotyory-Grove, O. GulfCst.
60. Chin, Fiona C Phil.
61. Liu, Jennifer Ill.
62. Ferguson, Sarah K N.Car.
63. Einecker, Carla A Kan.
64. Moore, Debra A West.Pa.
65. Beecher, Jaime Lng.Isl.
66. Brewer, April B Ga.
67. Decker, Katharine Cen.Cal.
68. Prifrel, Megan M Minn.
69. Granzow, Elinor A West.Wa.
70. Toy, Allison K Lng.Isl.
71. Blumenauer, Pat. Lng.Isl.
72. Belsito, ChristineWestchstr.
73. Catanese, Joan C Ark/La/Ms
74. McDowell, Amy A St.Louis
75. Polanichka, Nic. Harrisburg
76. Webb, Jennifer M Wisc.
77. Roberts, Josephine S.Cal..
78. Hicks, Colleen Ill.
79. Pace, Michele Ut/S.Ida.
80. Groth, Tiffany M Ill.
81. Kamerick, Eliz. GateFla.
82. Rawlings, Jennifer GateFla.
83. Chan, Leakana SanBern.
84. Hsu, Yi-Ying S.Tex.
85. Thomann, Becky L N.Tex.
86. Mitzuk, Christine E Minn.
87. Hawk, Heather J Cent.Fla.
88. Estrela, Guida D NewEng.
89. Weiss, Dana A Conn.
90. Brown, Leah M Mt.Val.
91. Meggett, Jillian E West.Pa.
92. Phillips, Lois E S.Tex.
93. Scott, Jennifer A N.Car.
94. Nebert, Amanda J Alaska
95. Pippin, Amy L St.Louis
96. Bryant, Sarah L Columbus
97. Lagersen, S. Ark/La/Ms
98. Forschler, Leaa A West.Wa.
99. Conover, Elis. Columbus
100. Mills, Portia M E Capitol
- 101T Evans, Mary A Kent.
- 101T Nebert, Carrie M Alaska
102. Baker, Tina M Ariz.
104. Strucker, Maeve NewEng.
- 105T Gilliland, Crystal L Kan.
- 105T Litter, Abby M NewEng.
107. Glisson, Caroline I Alaska
108. Tate, Jennifer S Westchstr.
109. Gaseor, Meghan P St.Louis
110. Joseph, Jennifer Orng.Cst.
111. Smith, Karen Huds-Berks
112. King Emily H GldCst
113. Madrigal, Maya M S.Cal..
114. Walker, Tina Va.
115. Kao, Grace W Tenn.
116. Bede, Susanna B Mich.
117. Arnold, Ellen F Kent.
118. Eckelkamp, Mary K GulfCst.
119. Satterwhite, Amber N Tenn.
120. Waryasz, Jaclyn A Md.

## U20 Women's Epee

1. Korfanty, Alexandra E Ore.
2. Ament, Andrea E N.Ohio
- 3T Campbell, Lindsay K N.Ohio
- 3T Galto, Meredith A NJ
5. Wilson, Elspeth M Colo.
6. Mann, Elizabeth C Colo.
7. Lisagor, Jessica A S.Tex.
8. Moore, Debra A West.Pa.
- 9T Hurme, Kristina J S.Tex.
- 9T Rich, Caitlin C NJ
11. Mustilli, Nicole Ind.
12. O'Brien, Lauren A Colo.
13. Marchi, Estee M Colo.



Tip time: Lorin Kobashigawa tightens a screw while listening to tactics from Halberstadt assistant coach Michael Pederson.

- 14T Coley, Kari P Phil.
- 14T Hall, Wendy Colo.
- 16. Chin, Fiona C Phil.
- 17. Hobstetter, Sarah W N.Cal.
- 18T Boyer, Roxanna C BordTex.
- 18T Rudkin, Kate A Colo.
- 20. Katz, Sharon L Conn.
- 21. Sciubisz, Marta H Ill.
- 22. Schaffner, Michelle Ill.
- 23. McGalliard, Amanda K Phil.
- 24T Acerra, Matilde E.J. NJ
- 24T Anderson, Cath. N.Car.
- 24T Marano, Mario J Nat.
- 27. Brodsky, Anya G Met.
- 28. Gaseor, Meghan P St.Louis
- 29. Russo, Ariel L Huds-Berks
- 30. Anderson, Whitney R Colo.
- 31. Noe, Jessica M Wisc.
- 32. Wyne, Sarah J Ind.
- 33. Bosch, Jennifer A NJ
- 34. Anden, Erika M Mich.
- 35. Triggs, Heidi A Colo.
- 36. French, Lesley K S.Tex.
- 37. Van Hulle, Pen. Int.Emp.
- 38. Beckert, Christina A Met.
- 39. Chow, Estelle L NJ
- 40. Cavan, Kathryn M Met.
- 41. Magno, Jamie L SanBern.
- 42. Shwed, Kath. Columbus
- 43. Rich, Bethanie G Ark/La/Ms
- 44. Wilson, Gabrielle L Va.
- 45. Estabrooks, Anne E Conn.
- 46. Fisher, Daria M Conn.
- 47. Knight, Marta J NJ
- 48. Polanichka, N. Harrisburg
- 49T Byrd, Melanie R N.Car.
- 49T Collier, Gwen A West.Wa.
- 51. Klein, Carol E Cent.Pa.
- 52. Allen, Kimberley R Cent.Pa.
- 53. Peterson, Jessica C Wisc.
- 54. Mellman, Melinda A Kent.
- 55. Blumenauer, Pat Lng.Isl.
- 56. Thomann, Becky L N.Tex.
- 57. Rawlings, Jen.GateFla.
- 58. Venable, Kim N N.Ohio
- 59. Logas, Heather L N.Cal.
- 60. Heider, Kathryn A Minn.
- 61. Golia, Jennifer S Met.
- 62T Jones, Amanda C Ill.
- 62T McDaniel, Erin S Ark/La/Ms
- 64. Norton, Dianne E Ark/La/Ms
- 65. Ferguson, Sarah K N.Car.
- 66. Guenther, Patricia Columbus
- 67. Hagerty, Dianna L Ind.
- 68. Scott, Jennifer A N.Car.
- 69. Kamerick, Eliz. GateFla.
- 70. Andert, Kelly J Wisc.
- 71. Sechrist, Kathryn L Va.
- 72. Tennant, Ida L Va.
- 73. Kehoe, Veronica L Lng.Isl.
- 74. Proffitt, Cath. GulfCst.
- 75. Dohm, Kimberly S Mich.
- 76. Dunlop, Mary J NJ
- 77. Lane, Tara P Plains
- 78. Bennett, Sherin Y Ill.
- 79. Cox, Bethany A Ut/S.Ida.
- 80. Streit, Amanda L Wisc.
- 81. Bevilacqua, Charlotte S.Cal.
- 82. Levine, Jill I Lng.Isl.
- 83. Glod, Michaela V N.Car.
- 84. Graf Peters, E. Huds-Berks
- 85. Loring, Sarah L NewEng.
- 86. Saunders, Brynn A S.Jers.
- 87T Brazier, Gwen Alaska

- 87T King Emily H GldCst
- 87T Lane, Jessica E Plains
- 90T Kosmala, Marg. NewEng.
- 90T Sullivan, Amanda C Conn.
- 92T Bryant, Sarah L Columbus

- 33. Jacobson, Noah C Minn.
- 34. Bower, Brian NewEng.
- 35. Hunter, Alec C Alaska
- 36. Sly, George L West.Pa.
- 37. Goldsmid, Aaron P Met.

- 82. Romanski, Bob Ore.
- 83. Sweet, Charles M Wisc.
- 84. DeLapp, Kevin Mt.Val.
- 85T Bailey-Yavonditte, D. Huds-Berks

- 22. Cameron, Matt W Ill.
- 23. Queenan, Timothy P NJ
- 24. Manchen, Robert A N.Car.
- 25. Singh, Ranjeet G BordTex.
- 26. Kanavel, Charlie Cen.Cal.
- 27. Janca, Robert A S.Tex.
- 28. Austin, Jeffrey R NJ
- 29. Raphael, Darren R NJ
- 30. Wells, Jason V Piedmont
- 31. Tool, Frank D N.Cal.
- 32. Guarnaschelli, John D Kent.
- 33. Reagan, Dustin R Okla.
- 34. Singh, V. Ajay GulfCst.
- 35. Richardson, Sam. NewEng.
- 36. Bruckner, Raph. NewEng.
- 37. Farrell, Alexander G S.Tex.
- 38. Bernstein, Garrick D Met.
- 39. Beakley, Dana S NJ
- 40. Cutler, Robert A Westchstr.
- 41. Carlson, Jesse SanBern.
- 42. Seigel, Marc D NJ
- 43. Trainor, Patrick A S.Tex.
- 44. Padgitt, Tedd S SanDiego
- 45. Hill, Cameron D S.Cal.
- 46. Gallagher, Kelly NJ
- 47. Beakley, Jeremy E Ariz.
- 48. Costello, Hank N.Cal.
- 49. Cellini, Peter A Ariz.
- 50T Bright Jr, David E Piedmont
- 50T Lee, Mark E Conn.
- 50T Mosca, Michael P Okla.
- 53. Kozik, Darren M St.Louis
- 54. Pruitt, Henry C Ore.
- 55. Rabiaga, Greer M Ore.
- 56. Bhutta, Omar J West.Pa.
- 57. Leahy, Garrett Colo.
- 58. Slipher, Andrew C Ore.
- 59. Shaahid, Chaun W West.Pa.
- 60. Jablonowski, Andrew R Ga.
- 61. Lyons, James P NJ
- 62. O'Brine, Brendan NewEng.
- 63. Hamilton, Federico S Ariz.
- 64. Yach, Michael W Wisc.



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- 92T Ramsey, Tisha A Md.
- 94. Dennehy, Elaine M Mich.
- 95. Brauer, Deborah A Md.
- 96. Conover, Elis. Columbus
- 97. Reger, Reb. Huds-Berks
- 98. Rees, Amy C NewEng.
- 99. Kulla-Mader, Julia S.Cal.
- 100. Gallagher, Daphne GulfCst.
- 101. Glisson, Caroline I Alaska
- 102. Martin, Nancy E Westchstr.

**U20 Men's Sabre**

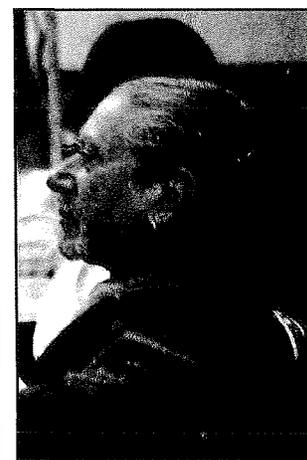
- 1. Lasker, Terrence Kan.
- 2. Palestis, Paul NJ
- 3T LaValle, David M Met.
- 3T Smart, Keeth T Met.
- 5. Summers, Jeremy S Kan.
- 6. Kelley, Graham Kan.
- 7. Colella, Jeffrey S NJ
- 8. Durkan, Patrick J Met.
- 9. LaValle III, Luke P Met.
- 10. Whitmer, Darrin S Mich.
- 11. Walther, Brian R Cent.Pa.
- 12. Clinton, Elliott Ore.
- 13. Crane, Robert F Ga.
- 14. Golia, Michael J Met.
- 15. Kim, Terry N NJ
- 16. Pekarev, Maxim NJ
- 17. Spencer-Ei, Akhnaten Met.
- 18. Owens, Robert G Ill.
- 19. Wallen, James R SanBern.
- 20. Kabil, Mohamed A Ind.
- 21. Mendez, Samuel Kan.
- 22. Glod, Richard E Ill.
- 23. Takagi, Michael J Ga.
- 24. Brooks, Graham WestNY
- 25. Loftin, Guy B Ill.
- 26. Parker, G. Colin Ga.
- 27. Bednarski, Andrew Ind.
- 28. Sudo, Mitsuhiro Met.
- 29. Pratt, Daniel W Ind.
- 30. Bias, Sean N BordTex.
- 31. Boling, Russell W Phil.
- 32. Sokol, Denis S.Cal.

- 38. Scheffler, Lee R NewEng.
- 39. Stahlhut, Michael T Ga.
- 40. Shaahid, Chaun W West.Pa.
- 41. Fabiani II, Rick H Kan.
- 42. Pack, Ronald NJ
- 43. Bruna, Sean P Ill.
- 44. Topper, Michael H Mich.
- 45. Krul, Alexander S.Cal.
- 46. Stuewe, Aaron C WestNY
- 47. Morehouse, Timothy F Met.
- 48. Hooper, Joseph C Ariz.
- 49. Crompton, Andre NJ
- 50. Torres, Gabriel D BordTex.
- 51. Baughman, Michael J NJ
- 52. Allen, Jeffrey Phil.
- 53. Martin, David C NJ
- 54. Eppich, James C Ind.
- 55. Friedman, Paul S.Cal.
- 56. Khouja, Ahmad Westchstr.
- 57. Kalmar, Andrew R La.
- 58. Gale, Andrew J N.Car.
- 59. Struzek, Shaun K Conn.
- 60. Spielman, Jordan D Lng.Isl.
- 61. Padgitt, Tedd S SanDiego
- 62. Gillig, Matt Harrisburg
- 63. Haro, Kevin D Wisc.
- 64. Woomer, Nick C Mich.
- 65. Purcell, Brian T Met.
- 66. Green, Peter W Ut/S.Ida.
- 67. Chung, James NJ
- 68. Ruddy, Braden P Mich.
- 69. Jen, James H Md.
- 70. Harmon, Rob C St.Louis
- 71. Reber, Terrell N Ark/La/Ms
- 72. Washburn, Jess W Minn.
- 73. Cutler, Robert A Westchstr.
- 74. Vincent, Daniel N.Tex.
- 75. Lewis-Meilus, Huds-Berks
- 76. Fitzpatrick, Ethan R Phil.
- 77. Pyng, Charles L Wisc.
- 78. Ferreira, Luke A NewEng.
- 79. Beisel, Sky S Alaska
- 80. Wardle, Mich. Huds-Berks
- 81. Baxter, Sean T Minn.

- 85T Thyssen, Olen P GulfCst.
- 87. Swartwood, John E S.Tex.
- 88. Cook IV, Norman R Va.
- 89. Drabant, Marc A Mt.Val.
- 90. Rupert, Ben Columbus
- 91. Chin, Rodney GateFla.
- 92T Bishop, Eric P N.Ohio
- 92T Sandler, Matthew F GldCst
- 94. Pharris, Brian S Ut/S.Ida.
- 95T Laman, Brian A Ga.
- 95T Poulos, Adam Huds-Berks
- 97. Mathias, Marc Ind.
- 98. Tanner, Daniel A Alaska
- 99T Dinwoodie, David SW Ohio
- 99T Bacri II, Mich. Huds-Berks
- 101T Chin, Brian Westchstr.
- 101T McMullen, Ryan T GulfCst.
- 103. Gellert, Max West.Wa.
- 104. Kvolos, Tyler K GateFla.
- 105. Smith, Justin D InlandEmp.
- 106. Thomas, David K GateFla.

**U20 Men's Foil**

- 1. Lu, Gang X NJ
- 2. Chang, Timothy Cen.Cal.
- 3T Basaraba, Gregory P Ga.
- 3T Fisher, Joseph E WestNY
- 5. Mangum, Joel B West.Wa.
- 6. Dupree, Jedediah Met.
- 7. McGill, Donald J Cent.Pa.
- 8. Pavlou Jr, George Lng.Isl.
- 9. Rosen, Peter Met.
- 10T Charles, Jonathan D N.Cal.
- 10T Longenbach, Reinh. A Met.
- 12. Lidow, David R Cent.Pa.
- 13. Fencer Excluded
- 14. Keckley-Stauffer, J. Cen.Cal.
- 15. Cohen, David A GulfCst.
- 16. Converse, Pat D Ga.
- 17T Merritt, Davis A NewEng.
- 17T Zucker, Sasha E Cen.Cal.
- 19. Flanagan, James P Minn.
- 20. Deveny, Clay Ga.
- 21. LeTowt, Nathaniel NewEng.



*Mike D'Asaro, coach at Westside Fencing Center.*

- 65. Jackson, Richard G Phil.
- 66. Da Silva, Paulo M NJ
- 67. Marks, Daniel A Phil.
- 68. Walton, Robert C Piedmont
- 69. Houlahan, Matthew Mt.Val.
- 70. Hendrix, John D St.Louis
- 71. Torres, Gabriel D BordTex.
- 72. Blas, Sean N BordTex.
- 73. Fink, Hendrik C Ariz.

- 74. La Fond, Andrew M Ill.
- 75. Travis, Robert P Met.
- 76T Benoit, Matthew D NorEast
- 76T Gurarie, Mark D N.Ohio
- 78. Tiomkin, Jonathan Lng.Isl.
- 79. Leslie, Joshua A Ore.

- 124. Braese, Bjoern SW Ohio
- 125. Corbiere III, Walter FConn.
- 126. Benson, James W NorEast
- 127. Kelley, Mark T Cent.Fla.
- 128. Carlino, Gregory J N.Ohio
- 129. Brichta, Patrick C N.Mex.

- 10. Kelsey, Weston Seth Ore.
- 11. Peterson, Kraig A WestNY
- 12. Burrell, Jason S Capitol
- 13. Dahl, Emil F N.Tex.
- 14. Chalfant, James D Phil.
- 15. Hunt, Tom P Ore.
- 16. Behler, Alan G Mich.
- 17. Williams, Robert K N.Car.
- 18. Casas, A. Brian Ind.
- 19. Rostal, Scott E Minn.
- 20. Gaither, James L N.Cal.
- 21. Hong, Richard Cen.Cal.
- 22. Orman, Jesse R Minn.
- 23. Zucker, Noah L Met.
- 24. Davis, Bryce R Ark/La/Ms
- 25. Kobashigawa, Lorin N.Cal.
- 26. Sullivan, James Ark/La/Ms
- 27. Moyston, Boris G NJ
- 28. Viviani, Jan J Met.
- 29. Sinkin, Joshua A WestNY
- 30. Oxman, Gavin J NJ
- 31. Fink, Hendrik C Ariz.
- 32. Tam, Timothy N.Cal.
- 33. Wang, Steve W NJ
- 34. Leslie, Joshua A Ore.
- 35. Gringeri, John C NJ
- 36. Hartman, Brian Westchstr.
- 37. Greenhouse, Rashaan Met.
- 38. Chilen, Luke P S.Tex.
- 39. Carlson, Jesse SanBern.
- 40. Keane, Matthew IOWA
- 41. Cohen, Joshua A NewEng.
- 42. Coleman, Chane SanBern.
- 43T Bogolyubov, Konstantin West.Wa.

- 83T Bacon, Matthew R S.Jers.
- 83T Busch, David R Minn.
- 85. Hudson, Jamal R NJ
- 86T Dreyer, Matthew W Lng.Isl.
- 86T Foster, Brian M NJ
- 88. Monaghan, CoreyCent.Fla.
- 89. Schaaf, Brook A S.Cal..
- 90. Rubenfield, Adam S N.Tex.
- 91. Brashear, Nicholas J Kent.
- 92. Matheke-Fischer, Micha Capitol
- 93T Filley, Nick J Ind.
- 93T Olson, Patrick M Alaska
- 95T Chen, Mark C NJ
- 95T Pietz, Jordan T St.Louis
- 97. Capdet III, Juan S.Cal..
- 98. Whitaker, Scott T Ind.
- 99. Ludvigson, Tad A NorEast
- 100. Speights, Eric V Capitol
- 101. Olson, Aaron S Minn.
- 102. Reichardt, Erik GateFla.
- 103. Embry, Michael E Kent.
- 104T Blase, John W Ill.
- 104T Rosenbaum, Jacob G N.Cal.
- 106. Nye, Howard L M Ill.
- 107. Forschler, Ben A West.Wa.
- 108T Batzler, Michael A Wisc.
- 108T Scott IV, Anthony Capitol
- 110. Medrick, Aron Westchstr.
- 111. Fackler, Peter M Westchstr.
- 112. Tardugno, Jared L NewEng.
- 113. Janzen, Joe J Minn.
- 114. Ellis, Brian W Conn.
- 115. Foote, Jesse W Ill.
- 116. Shinbaum, Jason Cent.Fla.

- 125. Dilanni, Isaac S.Cal..
- 126. Bell, Jarrod N GldCst
- 127. Tamm-Daniels, Riki S Tenn.
- 128. Hogg, Russell T BordTex.
- 129. Vickery, Dan Harrisburg
- 130. Levatino, Sean Huds-Berks
- 131. Smith, Ian A Ore.
- 132T Cowart, III, William HGa.
- 132T Foust, Blair Mich.
- 134T Silva, Steven M Orng.Cst.
- 136. Markowitz, Nathaniel W.Pa.
- 137. Betz, Justin P Okla.
- 138. Salelanonda, Pachai S.Tex.
- 139. Cureton, Jeff A Huds-Berks
- 140. Burke, Matthew N.Mex.
- 141T Eidschun, Chad Cent.Fla.
- 141T Ultery, Scott G Huds-Berks
- 143. Buonanno, Michael A Huds-Berks
- 144. MacPhee, Andrew C GldCst
- 145. Thompson, Andrew J Wisc.
- 146. DeMatt, RaymondWest.Pa.
- 147. Deeths, David M SanDiego



*The strategy session worked ... moments later Alden Clarke won the gold medal in U20 Men's Epee.*

- 80. Bowser, Tom M Va.
- 81T Kim, Tae Hoon Met.
- 81T Liu Jr, David NJ
- 81T Nye, Howard L M Ill.
- 84. Sabolch, Aaron NorEast
- 85. Brunengraber, Dan N.Ohio
- 86. Sirlin, Brian J Lng.Isl.
- 87. Davis, Bryce R Ark/La/Ms
- 88. Johnson, Martin C Cent.Fla.
- 89. Green, Peter W Ut/S.Ida.
- 90. Senn, Dan N Minn.
- 91. Brown, Seth D Okla.
- 92. Hamilton, Brian K West.Pa.
- 93. Gabler, Scott J S.Cal..
- 94. Barbanelli, Adam J Ill.
- 95T Cook IV, Norman R Va.
- 95T Tam, Timothy N.Cal.
- 97. Belisle, John W Wisc.
- 98. Coleman, Chane SanBern.
- 99T Hathaway, Adam D Ala.
- 99T Schaaf, Brook A S.Cal..
- 99T Sullivan, James Ark/La/Ms
- 102. Bacon, Matthew R S.Jers.
- 103. Orton, Nicholas L West.Pa.
- 104. Ahtone, Tristan G N.Tex.
- 105. Frelinger, Jacob J N.Car.
- 106. Murray, Manon J Ind.
- 107. McAneny, Bren M Capitol
- 108. Hasegawa, Bradley R N.Cal.
- 109. Axon, Logan M Ut/S.Ida.
- 110T Janzen, Joe J Minn.
- 110T Melius, Hans P GldCst
- 112. Form, David A NewEng.
- 113. Pierce, John F West.Pa.
- 114. Kuske, John B SanBern.
- 115. Cameron, John J Ark/La/Ms
- 116. Millis, Thomas A St.Louis
- 117T Eriksen, Kevin S NorEast
- 117T Hill, Aaron A GulfCst.
- 119. Struzek, Shaun K Conn.
- 120. Muenzer, Chris. N.Car.
- 121. Nicholson, Michael A N.Car.
- 122T Allen, Chris. SanDiego
- 122T Lutke, Cody C Ark/La/Ms

- 130. Bonomo, Jason W West.Pa.
- 131. Forschler, Ben A West.Wa.
- 132. Capdet III, Juan S.Cal..
- 133T Beisel, Sky S Alaska
- 133T Silva, Steven M Orng.Cst.
- 135. Banister, Simeon I WestNY
- 136. Marshall, John S Va.
- 137. Johnston, Dan NewEng.
- 138. Geraci, Nicholas S SW Ohio
- 139. Hunter, Alec C Alaska
- 140. Byers IV, William Columbus
- 141. Bowman, Dinh T West.Wa.
- 142T Hudson, Noah A Orng.Cst.
- 142T Strauss Jr, F.Huds-Berks
- 144. Peterson, Kraig A WestNY
- 145. Browne, Michael A Ind.
- 146. Bianca, Erik J Huds-Berks
- 147. Gooden, John W Kan.
- 148. Sampon, Matthew T Wisc.
- 149T Baes, James W Alaska
- 149T Cureton, Jeff A Huds-Berks
- 149T Keane, Matthew IOWA
- 152. Hodges, J Matthew Md.
- 153T Culler, Jimmy E N.Car.
- 153T Levin, David B Mich.
- 153T Lin, Dean C Mich.
- 153T MacPhee, Andrew C GldCst
- 153T Mahon, Brad Huds-Berks
- 158T Beatrice, Ryan-James Ind.
- 158T Beninson, Jonathan A Mich.
- 160. Brock, Nathan L Kent.
- 161. Norris, Christopher SW Ohio

**U20 Men's Epee**

- 1. Clarke, Alden F Colo.
- 2. Tribbett, Eric J Colo.
- 3T Accerra, Marco E NJ
- 3T Janca, Robert A S.Tex.
- 5. Shams, Ryan C N.Tex.
- 6. Rosen, Matthew L Phil.
- 7. Tool, Frank D N.Cal.
- 8. Singh, Ranjeet G BordTex.
- 9. Peng, Tom Cent.Pa.

- 43T O'Toole, Lawrence J Phil.
- 45. Singh, V. Ajay GulfCst.
- 46. Hilton, Andrew D Ga.
- 47. Slipher, Andrew C Ore.
- 48. Guarnaschelli, John D Kent.
- 49. Carlino, Jeff Columbus
- 50. Gurarie, Mark D N.Ohio
- 51. Muenzer, Chris. N.Car.
- 52. Griffin, Russ NJ
- 53. Foote, Michael D Ill.
- 54T Khantsis, David NJ
- 54T Scott, Justin D Cen.Cal.
- 56. Lowry, Peter A N.Tex.
- 57. Weber, David N Conn.
- 58. Rubino, Roberto Nat.
- 59. Kuske, John B SanBern.
- 60. Brunengraber, Dan N.Ohio
- 61. Fisher, John D Ind.
- 62. Cameron, John J Ark/La/Ms
- 63. Dirksen, Nathaniel W.Wa.
- 64. Treiber, Michael J Phil.
- 65. Amin, Daniel Kent.
- 66. McInturff, Kevin R Va.
- 67T Berman, Abraham J Lng.Isl.
- 67T St. Francis, John M Colo.
- 69. Hamann, Charles W Lng.Isl.
- 70. Marston, Jeffrey W NJ
- 71. Schliereth, Frederick Alaska
- 72. Emier, Matthew K Okla.
- 73. Younis, Ramsey M Kent.
- 74. Jordan, Matthew J Colo.
- 75. Strauss, Nathaniel S Met.
- 76. Eriksen, Scott J NorEast
- 77. Kozik, Darren M St.Louis
- 78. Leiseca, Michael GldCst
- 79. Abele, Jason R Columbus
- 80. Wesley, Alexander V Capitol
- 81. Kutchukian, Peter Huds-Berks
- 82. Harrigan, Sean T WestNY



- 117. Meier, Jason B Kent.
- 118. Johnston, Jos. Ark/La/Ms
- 119. Isenberg, Robert J NorEast
- 120. Murray, Michael Colo.
- 121. Sampon, Matthew T Wisc.
- 122. Yarnell, Dominique S.Cal..
- 123. Wilson, Stanley R GulfCst.
- 124. Hudson, Noah A Orng.Cst.

**U17 Women's Foil**

- 1. Smart, Erin L Met.
- 2. Rudkin, Kate A Colo.
- 3T Carnick, Anna N WestNY
- 3T Cavan, Kathryn M Met.
- 5. Takagi, Melanie J Ga.
- 6. Breden, Ute K WestNY
- 7. Rostal, Mindy K Minn.
- 8. Thompson, Hannah W.NY

- 9. Fielding-Segal, StephaMet.
- 10. Korfanty, Alexandra E Ore.
- 11. Wilson, Elspeth M Colo.
- 12. Katz, Emily L NJ
- 13. Singleton, Angela V Okla.
- 14. Thottam, Elizabeth L S.Cal..
- 15. Schulz, Ellen S Conn.
- 16. Borresen, Karen Phil.

- 17. De Ieso, Gina NJ
- 18. Ament, Andrea E N.Ohio
- 19. Liu, Jennifer Ill.
- 20. DiPalo, Melissa A Lng.Isl.
- 21. Thompson, Metta WestNY
- 22. Campbell, Lindsay K N.Ohio
- 23T Goodman, Moñica B NJ
- 23T Mills, Portia M E Capitol
- 25T Maro, Meghan A NewEng.
- 25T Walton, Kerry E NorEast
- 27. O'Neill, Austin H Westchstr.
- 28. Leahy, Jacqueline Colo.
- 29. Osborn, Elice A Mich.
- 30. Chin, Meredith M Phil.
- 31. Knutsen, Tamara A NJ
- 32. Toy, Allison K Lng.Isl.
- 33. Prifrel, Megan M Minn.
- 34. Brodsky, Anya G Met.
- 35. Beecher, Jaime Lng.Isl.
- 36. Shaahid, Sakinah N W.Pa.
- 37. Drewes, Jillian Cen.Cal.
- 38. Fielding-Segal, KimberMet.
- 39. Moore, Debra A West.Pa.
- 40. French, Lesley K S.Tex.
- 41. Phillips, Lois E S.Tex.
- 42. McCalliard, Amanda K Phil.
- 43T Early, Elyse E GulfCst.
- 43T Jacobson, Judith Ill.
- 45. Blumenauer, Pat Lng.Isl.
- 46. Thomann, Becky L N.Tex.
- 47. Breden, Senta E Capitol
- 48. Linton, Kimberly B S.Jers.
- 49. Leslie, Lisa M NJ
- 50. Huber, Janice K Wisc.
- 51. Mustilli, Marisa A NJ
- 52. Stewart, Rachel A Ga.
- 53. Haut, Megan E Wisc.
- 54T Ferguson, Sarah K N.Car.
- 54T Martin, Joanna C NJ
- 56. Mann, Elizabeth C Colo.
- 57. Baugh, Chenoa Cen.Cal.
- 58. Brewer, April B Ga.
- 59. Kebrdle, Margaret A Ind.
- 60. Zahrt, Lee A Ind.
- 61. Brosnan, Heather J Ore.
- 62. Cheng, Nancy S.Jers.
- 63. Hicks, Colleen Ill.
- 64. Bright, Elizabeth Piedmont
- 65. Weiss, Dana A Conn.
- 66. Decker, Katharine Cen.Cal.
- 67. Kabil, Amal A Ind.
- 68. Kauppila, Nissa M NewEng.
- 69. Gilliland, Crystal L Kan.
- 70. Chin, Fiona C Phil.
- 71. Aranow, Elizabeth Wstchstr.
- 72. Einecker, Carla A Kan.
- 73. Dorf, Kristen M Minn.
- 74. Pieper, Anna M Minn.
- 75. Frederick, Katharine S.Jers.
- 76. Bell, Jessica L S.Ind.
- 77. Sun, Hong Joo Met.
- 78. Roberts, Josephine S.Cal..
- 79. Schemmer, Kitty NewEng.
- 80. Granzow, Elinor A West.Wa.
- 81. Beard-Canfield, Marley N.E.
- 82. Laperriere, Anne R Mich.
- 83. Walker, Tina Va.
- 84. Bochkis, Irina M N.Car.
- 85. Madrigal, Maya M S.Cal..
- 86. Maibauer, Alisa M N.Ohio
- 87. Mellman, Melinda A Kent.
- 88. Jarrett, Nicole J Met.
- 89. Norton, Katie Ark/La/Ms
- 90. Hammett, Laura A Cent.Fla.
- 91T Nebert, Amanda J Alaska

- 91T Smith, Karen Huds-Berks
- 93. Meggett, Jillian E West.Pa.
- 94T Brazier, Gwendolyn Alaska
- 94T Nix, Emily D Ark/La/Ms
- 96. Eckelkamp, Mary K GulfCst.
- 97. Early, Elizabeth A GulfCst.
- 98. Forschler, Leaa A West.Wa.
- 99. Baly, Aline C NewEng.
- 100. Monahan, Kerry Huds-Berks
- 101. Black, Erin M NJ
- 102T Bocchini, Claire Ark/La/Ms
- 102T Castillo, Carmen H Kent.
- 104T Perry, Breanne M SanBern.
- 104T Satterwhite, Amber N Tenn.
- 106T Cox, Elizabeth A Ark/La/Ms
- 106T Hawk, Heather J Cent.Fla.
- 106T Joseph, Jennifer Orng.Cst.
- 109. Schreiber, Lea Huds-Berks

- 23. Dunlop, Mary J NJ
- 24. Chin, Fiona C Phil.
- 25. French, Lesley K S.Tex.
- 26. Jones, Amanda C Ill.
- 27. Thottam, Elizabeth L S.Cal..
- 28. Stevens, Ariene WestNY
- 29. Kabil, Amal A Ind.
- 30. McCalliard, Amanda K Phil.
- 31. Brosnan, Heather J Ore.
- 32. Saunders, Brynn A S.Jers.
- 33. Shaahid, Sakinah N W.Pa.
- 34. Drewes, Jillian Cen.Cal.
- 35. Noe, Jessica M Wisc.
- 36. Hagerty, Dianna L Ind.
- 37. Decker, Katharine Cen.Cal.
- 38. Shore, Laelah R Phil.
- 39. Moore, Debra A West.Pa.
- 40. Pieper, Anna M Minn.

- 65. Kehoe, Rebecca L Lng.Isl.
- 66. Biscoe, Kathleen A Wisc.
- 67T Ferguson, Sarah K N.Car.
- 67T Reger, Rebecca Huds-Berks
- 69. Graf Peters, Elizabeth Huds-Berks
- 70. Bennett, Sherin Y Ill.
- 71. Beard-Canfield, Marley NE
- 72. Forschler, Leaa A West.Wa.
- 73. Oakley, Brooke A Okla.
- 74. Andert, Kelly J Wisc.
- 75. Delahanty, Katherine Kent.
- 76T Athanas, Eliz. Huds-Berks
- 76T Lane, Berkley A Plains
- 78. Hammett, Laura A Cent.Fla.
- 79. Perry, Breanne M SanBern.
- 80. Goellner, Natasha L Kan.

- 24. Ruddy, Braden P Mich.
- 25T Rogers, Jason N S.Cal..
- 25T Topper, Michael H Mich.
- 27. Crompton, Andra NJ
- 28. Wardle, Michael Huds-Berks
- 29. Laux, Jon R Wisc.
- 30. Washburn, Jess W Minn.
- 31. Laman, Brian A Ga.
- 32. Kalmar, Andrew R La.
- 33. Hoover, Joseph C Ariz.
- 34. Suckhoff, Sam A N.Car.
- 35. Ferreira, Luke A NewEng.
- 36. Rose, Cameron J La.
- 37. Zagunis, Marten R Ore.
- 38. Sandler, Matthew F GldCst
- 39. Osmanski, John M Wisc.
- 40. Jacobson, Noah C Minn.
- 41. Bras, Rafael E NewEng.
- 42. Kasserman, Wyatt NJ
- 43. Brown, Nathaniel B Kent.
- 44. Dawson, Todd M Tenn.
- 45. Douglas, Camara U Kent.
- 46. Dewey, John C West.Pa.
- 47. Colbeck, Zachary R Minn.
- 48. Fitzpatrick, Ethan R Phil.
- 49. Levatino, Sean Huds-Berks
- 50. Parks, Jared M Phil.
- 51. Dickey, Andrew W S.Jers.
- 52. Fabiani II, Rick H Kan.
- 53. Gillig, Matt Harrisburg
- 54T Bishop, Eric P N.Ohio
- 54T Woomer, Nick C Mich.
- 56. Poulos, Adam Huds-Berks
- 57. Struzek, Shaun K Conn.
- 58. Callaghan, Matt NewEng.
- 59. Wengerhoff, Daniel B Ill.
- 60. Chin, Brian Westchstr.
- 61. Shao, Paul O Ill.
- 62. Kvols, Tyler K GateFla.
- 63. Daly, David Ind.
- 64. Balistreri, Anthony J Wisc.
- 65. Vincent, Daniel N.Tex.
- 66. Tepiak, Robert Ill.
- 67. Mathias, Marc Ind.
- 68. Magee, Andrew P Kent.
- 69. Bailey-Yavonditte, Dan Huds-Berks
- 70. Thomas, David K GateFla.
- 71. Dinwoodie, David SW Ohio
- 72. Gellert, Max West.Wa.
- 73. Buchi, Steven E Phil.
- 74. LeMoine, Vincent Ark/La/Ms
- 75. Eppich, James G Ind.
- 76. Dairymply, Freigh W Alaska
- 77. Howell, Randy R N.Car.
- 78. Spano, Nicholas Huds-Berks
- 79. Keene, Andrew B Ark/La/Ms
- 80. Beisel, Sky S Alaska



*Northern Colorado Fencers' coach, Andrea Lagan, is surrounded by just some of her 21 JO medal winners: clockwise from the top Daniel Vacca, Kasdon Ludwick, Lauren Perry, Cameron Perry, Blake Haberman, Fiona Stevens, Theron Haan.*

**U17 Women's Epee**

- 1. Smart, Erinn L Met.
- 2. Korfanty, Alexandra E Ore.
- 3T Campbell, Lindsay K N.Ohio
- 3T Coley, Kari P Phil.
- 5. Wilson, Elspeth M Colo.
- 6. Mann, Elizabeth C Colo.
- 7. Hobstetter, Sarah W N.Cal.
- 8. Mellman, Melinda A Kent.
- 9. Cavan, Kathryn M Met.
- 10. Rudkin, Kate A Colo.
- 11. Ament, Andrea E N.Ohio
- 12. Knight, Marta J NJ
- 13. Anden, Erika M Mich.
- 14. Walton, Kerry E NorEast
- 15. Tracy, Leah Ill.
- 16. Marchi, Estee M Colo.
- 17. Lisagor, Jessica A S.Tex.
- 18. Marano, Marlo J Nat.
- 19. Boyer, Roxanna C BordTex.
- 20. Brodsky, Anya G Met.
- 21. Kehoe, Veronica L Lng.Isl.
- 22. Borresen, Karen Phil.

- 41. Madrigal, Maya M S.Cal..
- 42. Roberts, Kimberly M NJ
- 43. Thomann, Becky L N.Tex.
- 44. Sun, Hong Joo Met.
- 45. McDaniel, Erin S Ark/La/Ms
- 46. Rangli, Roopa NJ
- 47. Martinez, Elizabeth S Colo.
- 48. Collier, Gwen A West.Wa.
- 49. Venable, Kim N N.Ohio
- 50. Phillips, Ginger Ark/La/Ms
- 51. Greenebaum, Jennifer LNJ
- 52. Chow, Estelle L NJ
- 53. Bell, Jessica L S.Ind.
- 54. White, Alexandra S.Tex.
- 55. Toy, Allison K Lng.Isl.
- 56. Lane, Jessica E Plains
- 57. Park, Gaelyn M Kent.
- 58. Overk, Cassia R NJ
- 59. Linton, Kimberly B S.Jers.
- 60. Zahrt, Lee A Ind.
- 61T Chan, Leakana SanBern.
- 61T Rimmer, Virginia Ark/La/Ms
- 63. Castillo, Carmen H Kent.
- 64. Frederick, Katharine S.Jers.

**U17 Men's Sabre**

- 1. Spencer-EI, Akhnaten AMet.
- 2. Crane, Robert F Ga.
- 3T Kabil, Mohamed A Ind.
- 3T Sokol, Denis S.Cal..
- 5. Owens, Robert G Ill.
- 6. Wallen, James R SanBern.
- 7. Sudo, Mitsuhiro Met.
- 8. Friedman, Paul S.Cal..
- 9. Glod, Richard E Ill.
- 10. LaValle, David M Met.
- 11. Parker, G. Colin Ga.
- 12. Colella, Jeffrey S NJ
- 13. Stuewe, Aaron C WestNY
- 14. Goldsmid, Aaron P Met.
- 15. Jones, Daniel N NJ
- 16. Kim, Terry N NJ
- 17. Pratt, Daniel W Ind.
- 18. Pack, Ronald NJ
- 19. Whitmer, Darrin S Mich.
- 20. Loftin, Guy B Ill.
- 21. Swanson, Paul A NewEng.
- 22. Romanski, Bob Ore.
- 23. Mendez, Samuel Kan.

**U17 Men's Foil**

- 1. Rosen, Peter Met.
- 2. Mangum, Joel B West.Wa.
- 3T Breden, Roland G Capitol
- 3T Dupree, Jedediah Met.
- 5. Fisher, Joseph E WestNY
- 6. Merritt, Davis A NewEng.
- 7. Kanavel, Charlie Cen.Cal.
- 8. Flanagan, James P Minn.
- 9. Jackson, Richard G Phil.
- 10. Leahy, Garrett Colo.
- 11. Clarke, Scott Colo.
- 12. Reagan, Dustin R Okla.
- 13. Cohen, David A GulfCst.
- 14. Allen, Graham S Ariz.

15. Bright Jr, David E Piedmont
16. St. Francis, John M Colo.
17. Pruitt, Henry C Ore.
18. Glinos, Harry Ill.
19. Jablonowski, Andrew R Ga.
20. Rabiega, Greer M Ore.
21. Singh, Ranjeet G BordTex.
22. Richardson, Sam NewEng.
23. Eriksen, Kevin S NorEast
24. Hiri, Kean D N.Tex.
25. Cameron, Matt W Ill.
26. Lee, Mark E Conn.
27. Thompson, Soren SanDiego
28. Trainor, Patrick A S.Tex.
29. Orton, Nicholas L West.Pa.
30. Brown, Seth D Okla.
31. Lamberth, Jesse R Phil.
32. Jew-Lim, Jonathan Cen.Cal.
33. Pavlou Jr, George Lng.Isl.
34. Jordan, Matthew J Colo.
35. Hill, Cameron D S.Cal.
36. Belislie, John W Wisc.
37. Struzek, Shaun K Conn.
38. Mulholland, Mark B N.Cal.
39. Form, David A NewEng.
40. Tool, Frank D N.Cal.
41. Cellini, Peter A Ariz.
42. Dreyer, Matthew W Lng.Isl.
43. Stuart, Joshua R Ore.
44. Burchard, Byron M N.Cal.
45. Gourley, Mike C NJ
46. Mosca, Michael P Okla.
47. Yach, Michael W Wisc.
48. Bowser, Tom M Va.
49. Bhutta, Omar J West.Pa.
50. LeDonne, John P NJ
51. Keane, Matthew IOWA
52. Maggio, Justin S Met.
53. Hasegawa, Bradley R N.Cal.
54. Rinehart, Joseph A Va.
55. Gargamelli, Christopher CN
56. Bianca, Greg Huds-Berks
57. Sabolch, Aaron NorEast
58. Browne, Michael A Ind.
59. Mautone, Steven M NJ
60. Brown, Don M Tenn.
61. Slifka, Nathan E NJ
62. Olmedo, Conrad L S.Cal.
63. Auffant, Eric A NJ
64. Goodrich, Ben Ut/S.Ida.
65. Brunengraber, Dan N.Ohio
66. Smith, Nathaniel L St.Louis
67. Farrell, Alexander G S.Tex.
68. Cohen, Yale E GulfCst.
69. Gurarie, Mark D N.Ohio
70. Langbein, Christopher Conn.
71. Walton, Forest E NorEast
72. Marshall, John S Va.
73. Banister, Simeon I WestNY
74. Deveny, Andrew T Ga.
75. Semisch, Christopher Phil.
- 76T Carlson, Jesse SanBern.
- 76T Womack, Todd Ark/La/Ms
78. Gardner, Eric J Ark/La/Ms
79. Allen, Chris SanDiego
80. Brzeski, Jon B Wisc.
81. Dawson, Todd M Tenn.
82. McAneny, Bren M Capitol
83. Haynes, Chad M N.Car.
84. Millis, Thomas A St.Louis
85. Beatrice, Ryan-James Ind.
86. Smith, Tyler S Tenn.
87. Carter, Jon Westchstr.
88. Fuller, Zachary W Phil.
89. Sinkin, Jeremy C WestNY

90. Bianca, Erik J Huds-Berks
91. Ahtone, Tristan G N.Tex.
92. DesRoches, Joshua A Ga.
93. Wampler, Kevin J Ariz.
94. Vogeler, Paul J Columbus
95. Kopani, Kamden R GldCst
- 96T Nowak, Matt Westchstr.
- 96T Nye, Howard L M Ill.
- 98T Busch, David R Minn.
- 98T Hodges, J Matthew Md.
100. Brown, Joseph E Capitol
101. Braunstein, Jonathan ENJ
102. Axon, Logan M Ut/S.Ida.
103. Hathaway, Adam D Ala.
104. Gault, Josh W InlandEmp.
- 105T Capdet III, Juan S.Cal.

120. Wood, Nick D Cen.Cal.
121. Carlino, Gregory J N.Ohio
122. Manna, Eric A Huds-Berks
123. Vickery, Dan Harrisburg
124. Smith, Matthew Columbus
- 125T Braese, Ford B InlandEmp
- 125T McMurray, Matthew N.Car.
127. Manfredo, Michael Huds-Berks
128. Barry III, Francis J La.
129. Everett Jr, R. Lee Va.
- 130T Grenwick, Richard J Mich.
- 130T Silva, Steven M Orng.Cst.
132. Brown, Britt N.Tex.
133. Ellvinger, Marc N.Mex.
134. Brewer, Scott D Columbus

- 148T Clarke, Kevin A SO.Ind.
- 150T Cowart, Kyle N.Mex.
- 150T Karns, Sean A N.Mex.
- 150T McCoy, Joshua M Kent.

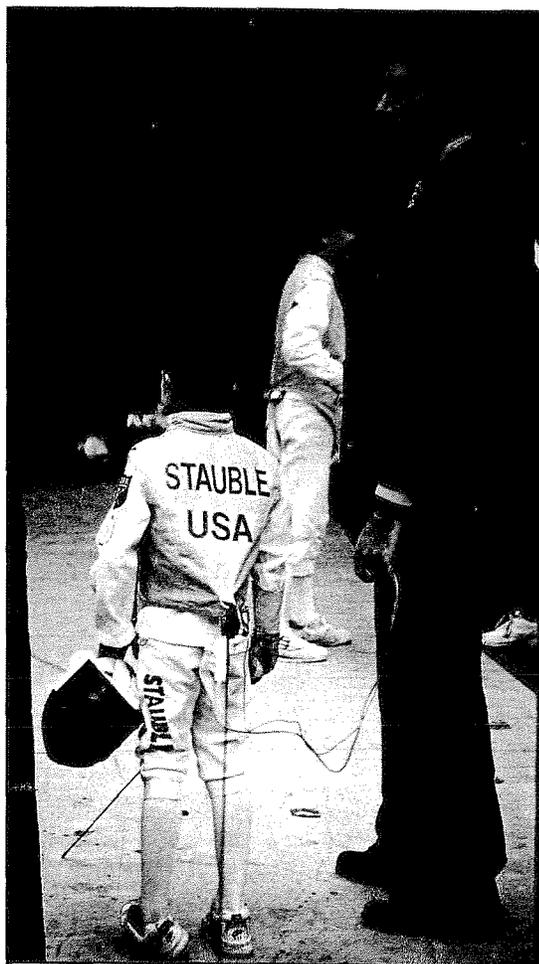
**U17 Men's Epee**

1. Greenhouse, Rashaan Met.
2. Kelsey, Weston Seth Ore.
- 3T Dahl, Emil F N.Tex.
- 3T St. Francis, John M Colo.
5. Viviani, Jan J Met.
6. Singh, Ranjeet G BordTex.
7. Da Silva, Lucas F N.Tex.
8. Chilen, Luke P S.Tex.
9. Easterling, Gemar L NJ
10. Lipsitt, Daniel J NewEng.
11. Wesley, Alexander V Capitol
12. Peterson, Kraig A WestNY
13. Allen, Graham S Ariz.
14. Kanavel, Charlie Cen.Cal.
15. Nye, Howard L M Ill.
16. Fromm, Nicholas Ill.
17. Fisher, John D Ind.
18. Isenberg, Robert J NorEast
19. Speights, Eric V Capitol
20. Braunbeck, Adam Kent.
21. Thompson, Soren SanDiego
22. Lowry, Peter A N.Tex.
23. Hilton, Andrew D Ga.
24. Eriksen, Scott J NorEast
25. Pangborn, Aaron R Ore.
26. Hobbs, Matthew R N.Tex.
27. Cooke, Ben Ark/La/Ms
28. Monnier, Camille S N.Ohio
29. DesRoches, Joshua A Ga.
30. Breden, Roland G Capitol
31. Gurarie, Mark D N.Ohio
32. Clarke, Scott Colo.
33. Hamann, Charles W Lng.Isl.
34. Baby, Brendan Ill.
35. Kopani, Kamden R GldCst
36. Leiseca, Michael GldCst
37. Slep, Mitchell W NJ
38. Matheke-Fischer, Micha Cap.
39. Younis, Ramsey M Kent.
40. Carlson, Jesse SanBern.
- 41T Brashear, Nicholas J Kent.
- 41T Casas, A. Brian Ind.
43. Bianca, GregHuds-Berks
44. Jonas, Jared B NJ
45. Dilanni, Isaac S.Cal.
46. Burchard, Byron M N.Cal.
47. Kutchukian, Peter Huds-Berks
48. Jordan, Matthew J Colo.
49. Emler, Matthew K Okla.
- 50T Keane, Matthew IOWA
- 50T Redwine, Jake B S.Tex.
52. Murray, Michael Colo.
53. Sinkin, Joshua A WestNY
54. Dirksen, Nathaniel C West.Wa.
55. Semanek, David Huds-Berks
56. Trainor, Patrick A S.Tex.
57. Yarnell, Dominique S.Cal.
58. Tool, Frank D N.Cal.
59. Brunengraber, Dan N.Ohio
- 60T Fitzgerald, Matthew C NJ
- 60T Harrigan, Sean T WestNY
62. Foust, Blair Mich.
63. Dreyer, Matthew W Lng.Isl.
64. Cowart III, William H Ga.
65. Capdet III, Juan S.Cal.
66. Markowitz, Nathaniel W.Pa.
67. Afrasiabi, Parueez J NJ

68. Katsoff, James P NJ
69. Ungar, Jonathan D Met.
70. Janzen, Joe J Minn.
71. Olmedo, Conrad L S.Cal.
72. Ben-Yaacov, Shai Phil.
- 73T Lutke, Cody C Ark/La/Ms
- 73T Pavlou Jr, George Lng.Isl.
75. Sabolch, Aaron NorEast
76. Wendelsdorf, Nikolaus KY
77. Park, David B Phil.
78. Laslavic, Alexander M NJ
79. Perotti, Daniel S N.Cal.
80. Williams, Reggie St.Louis
81. Smith, Nathaniel L St.Louis
82. Tobin, Nathan J Kent.
83. Shinbaum, Jason Cent.Fla.
84. Nicholas, Matt Ark/La/Ms
85. Montgomery, Josh SanBern.
86. Silva, Steven M Orng.Cst.
87. Collins, Charlie B N.Car.
88. Yancy, James A Ark/La/Ms
89. Cureton, Jeff A Huds-Berks
90. Epstein, Eric J Phil.
91. Rahl, Daniel S Mich.
- 92T Busch, David R Minn.
- 92T Chartier, David Wisc.
94. Eidschun, Chad Cent.Fla.
95. Fackler, Peter M Westchstr.
- 96T Anderson, Bret T N.Ohio
- 96T Dolan, Trevor L SW Ohio
98. Kusmez, Aii C Ind.
- 99T Carlson, Brian N.Cal.
- 99T Owad, Jurij J Huds-Berks
101. Brosman, Christopher Nev.
102. Rinehart, Joseph A Va.
103. Anderson, James BordTex.
104. Riggs, Patrick H BordTex.
105. Monaghan, Corey Cent.Fla.
- 106T Heroux, Paul P Colo.
- 106T Hood Jr., Douglas Ariz.
108. Garrett, Nathan J St.Louis
109. Haynes, Chad M N.Car.
110. Alpern, Noah BordTex.
111. Meier, Jason B Kent.
112. Langrall, Craig H Md.
113. Schlafer, John T Kent.
114. Burkett, Dixon M Alaska

**U15 Women's Foil**

1. Cavan, Kathryn M Met.
2. Takagi, Melanie J Ga.
- 3T Ament, Andrea E N.Ohio
- 3T Thompson, Hannah W.NY
5. Campbell, Lindsay K N.Ohio
6. Fielding-Segal, StephaMet.
7. Thompson, Metta K W.NY
8. Luitjen, Cassidy C S.Tex.
9. Leahy, Jacqueline Colo.
10. Stinetorf, Chloe L N.Cal.
11. Walton, Kerry E NorEast
12. Zagunis, Mariel L Ore.
13. Chin, Meredith M Phil.
14. Breden, Senta E Capitol
15. Frederick, Katharine S.Jers.
16. Duerson, Lauren M Ga.
17. DiPalo, Meilissa A Lng.Isl.
18. Cicala, Alexis NJ
19. Lindsay, Lavinia C Phil.
20. Thottam, Elizabeth L S.Cal.
21. Linton, Kimberly B S.Jers.
22. Pack, Catherine NJ
23. Maples, Bethanie A S.Tex.
24. Caputo, Elizabeth A NJ
25. Kehoe, Rebecca L Lng.Isl.
26. Delahanty, Katherine EKent.



*Bruce Gilman, like many officials at JOs, towers over his young competitors.*

- 105T Lopina, Dexter NJ
108. Hill IV, William E GulfCst.
109. Steingruebner Jr., Karl Lng.Isl.
110. Bales, James W Alaska
111. Townley, Stephen NewEng.
- 112T Hively, David P West.Pa.
- 112T Keene, Andrew B Ark/La/Ms
- 114T Levin, David B Mich.
- 114T McCracken, Dan Cent.Fla.
116. Braese, Niklas SW Ohio
117. Lin, Dean C Mich.
118. LeMoine, Vincent Ark/La/Ms
119. Monaghan, Corey Cent.Fla.

135. Dewey, John C West.Pa.
136. Montgomery, JoshSanBern.
- 137T Anderson, James BordTex.
- 137T Beisel, Sky S Alaska
- 137T Bowman, Dinh T West.Wa.
- 137T Wells, Frank C Kan.
- 137T Woo, Hyuk Met.
142. Alpern, Noah BordTex.
143. Grable, Ford B InlandEmp.
144. Melius, Hans P GldCst
- 145T Brosman, Christopher Nev.
- 145T Doss, Neil S N.Car.
147. Emerson, Dominic W.Wa.
- 148T Albuquerque, Peter SW Oh

- 27. Klein, Sophie V Lng.Isl.
- 28. McGalliard, Amanda K Phil.
- 29. Kaplan, Hannah E Ind.
- 30. Shaahid, Sakinah N W.Pa.
- 31. Laperriere, Anne R Mich.
- 32. Brosnan, Heather J Ore.
- 33. Kauppila, Nissa M NewEng.
- 34. Lewis-Turner, Jessica Phil.
- 35. Einecker, Carla A Kan.
- 36. Leighton, Eleanor T Ind.
- 37. Parks, Teresa C Ariz.
- 38. Trunzo, Erica Cen.Cal.
- 39. Caffarel, Tara A Huds-Berks
- 40. Cheng, Nancy S.Jers.
- 41. Maibauer, Alisha M N.Ohio
- 42. Joseph, Jennifer Orng.Cst.
- 43. Connell, Alexandra Cen.Cal.
- 44. Kearns, Cesia G Wisc.
- 45. Modiano, Sarah A Capitol
- 46. Gaillard, Amelia F Ga.
- 47. Castillo, Carmen H Kent.
- 48T Beard-Canfield, M. NorEast
- 48T Brown, Nissa S S.Tex.
- 50. Sun, Hong Joo Met.
- 51. Hammett, Laura A Cent.Fla.
- 52. King, Wendy B Ind.
- 53. Schemmer, Kitty NewEng.
- 54. Harrison, Lucy L Nev.
- 55. Spivey, Rachel E Ark/La/Ms
- 56. Pruzan, Amy P West.Wa.
- 57. Mills, Portia M E Capitol
- 58. Black, Erin M NJ
- 59. Brown, Beth J N.Ohio
- 60. Austin, Anne E Mich.
- 61. Hiss, Sophie C Okla.
- 62. Wang, Alexandra V Ill.
- 63T Crane, Christina E Ga.
- 63T Selkirk, Zane C Met.
- 65. Walker, Tina Va.
- 66. Lingler, Colleen J N.Ohio
- 67. Schreiber, Lea Huds-Berks
- 68. Park, Gaelyn M Kent.
- 69. Tenney, Lauren NewEng.
- 70. Early, Elizabeth A GulfCst.
- 71. Duncan, Jeannine J Minn.
- 72T Frumkin, Bonnie Ill.
- 72T Smith, Karen Huds-Berks
- 74. Bennett, Charity A Nev.
- 75. Li, Margaret S NewEng.
- 76T Cordi, Michelle A S.Cal.
- 76T Greenberger, Kara J Ill.
- 78. Huang, Jane Y Cent.Fla.
- 79. Park, Sarah S Okla.
- 80. Norton, Katie Ark/La/Ms
- 81. Blase, Elizabeth C S.Cal.

- 20. Frederick, Katharine S.Jers.
- 21. Russo, Ariel L Huds-Berks
- 22. Kehoe, Rebecca L Lng.Isl.
- 23. Maples, Bethanie A S.Tex.
- 24. Cockburn, Ashley Ark/La/Ms
- 25. Fulcer, Caitlin M Wisc.
- 26. Kehoe, Veronica L Lng.Isl.
- 27. Park, Gaelyn M Kent.

- 17. Buchi, Steven E Phil.
- 18T Friedman, Paul S.Cal.
- 18T Wardle, Michael Huds-Berks
- 20. Brown, Nathaniel B Kent.
- 21. Harmon, Richard St.Louis
- 22T Douville, David A Ga.
- 22T Keller, Brian C Columbus
- 24. Merrick, Thomas M Kent.

- 14. Fay, Benjamin T Ore.
- 15. Hiri, Kean D N.Tex.
- 16. Vogeler, Paul J Columbus
- 17T Cellini, Peter A Ariz.
- 17T Wampler, Kevin J Ariz.
- 19. Eriksen, Kevin S NorEast
- 20T DesRoches, Christopher Ga.
- 20T Deveny, Andrew T Ga.
- 22. Giinos, Harry Ill.
- 23. Burchard, Byron M N.Cal.
- 24. Jew-Lim, Jonathan Cen.Cal.
- 25. Axon, Logan M Ut/S.Ida.
- 26. Thompson, Soren SanDiego
- 27. Dewey, John C West.Pa.
- 28. French, Timothy L A S.Tex.
- 29. Banister, Simeon I WestNY
- 30. Zimmerman, Ryan P Okla.
- 31. DesRoches, Joshua A Ga.
- 32. Sinkin, Jeremy C WestNY
- 33. Ahtone, Tristan G N.Tex.
- 34. Daynes, Warren J Ut/S.Ida.
- 35. Landel, Bertrand NewEng.
- 36. Poon, Andrew L Ore.
- 37. Erickson, Peter S Cen.Cal.
- 38. Hnath, Brian Colo.
- 39. Ungar, Jonathan D Met.
- 40. Woodhouse, Enoch NwEng.
- 41. Clark, Noble B NorEast
- 42. Doss, Neil S N.Car.
- 43. Millis, Thomas A St.Louis
- 44. Cavan, James E Met.
- 45. Grenwick, Richard J Mich.
- 46. Brown, Joseph E Capitol
- 47T Gaseor, David J St.Louis
- 47T Terasek, Adam S Wisc.
- 49. Menaldino, Derek S Phil.
- 50. Bras, Alejandro L NewEng.
- 51. Sinkin, Gabriel M WestNY

- 59. Schmidt, Ben H NewEng.
- 60. Pangborn, Max J Ore.
- 61. Redwine, Jake B S.Tex.
- 62. Nowak, Matt Westchstr.
- 63. Stout, Andrew W La.
- 64. Ramirez, Benjamin P S.Tex.
- 65. Semanek, David Huds-Berks
- 66. Steingruebner Jr., Karl Lng.Isl.
- 67. Holden, Mark M S.Cal.
- 68. Max, Gregory NJ
- 69. Wilcox, Adam K N.Ohio
- 70. Carter, Jon Westchstr.
- 71. Chen, James Ill.
- 72. Decker, Alexander Cen.Cal.
- 73. Smith, Matt Columbus
- 74. Leach, George C Ark/La/Ms
- 75. Banks, Michael Colo.
- 76. Emerson, Dominic W.Wa.
- 77. McGarry, Chris K Wisc.
- 78. Carlson, Brian N.Cal.
- 79. Santi, Jared E Lng.Isl.
- 80. Roberts, Joshua Ark/La/Ms
- 81. Kopani, Morgan D GldCst
- 82. Leahy, Austin Colo.
- 83. Breen, Jeffrey A Phil.
- 84. Lafving, Brandon N.Tex.
- 85. Gooch, David B La.
- 86. Hively, David P West.Pa.
- 87. Anderson, James BordTex.
- 88T Levin, David B Mich.
- 88T Miller, Jeremiah J Ill.
- 90. Hendricks, Ben Ut/S.Ida.
- 91. Everett Jr, R. Lee Va.
- 92. Strocfolino, Nicholas N.Ohio
- 93. De Sesa, Gary Lng.Isl.
- 94. Hill IV, William E GulfCst.
- 95T Gezari, Solomon E Capitol



*A large part of the success of Louisville competitions is due to a great group of local volunteers.*

- 28. Sun, Hong Joo Met.
- 29. Bennett, Charity A Nev.
- 30. Brosnan, Heather J Ore.
- 31. Oakley, Brooke A Okla.
- 32. Golia, Jennifer S Met.
- 33. Hooser, Aubrey M S.Tex.
- 34. Goellner, Natasha L Kan.
- 35. Tenney, Lauren NewEng.
- 36. Lane, Berkley A Plains
- 37. Castillo, Carmen H Kent.
- 38. Loring, Sarah L NewEng.
- 39. Norton, Katie Ark/La/Ms
- 40T De La Llave, Laura NJ
- 40T Klein, Sophie V Lng.Isl.
- 42. Brown, Nissa S S.Tex.
- 43. Frumkin, Bonnie Ill.
- 44. Bocchini, Anna C Ark/La/Ms
- 45T Fahey, Blair J Huds-Berks
- 45T Harrison, Lucy L Nev.
- 47T Bright, Elizabeth Piedmont
- 47T Greenberger, Kara J Ill.
- 49T Hammett, Laura A Cent.Fla.
- 49T Kaplan, Hannah E Ind.
- 49T Venable, Kim N N.Ohio
- 52. Faulstich, Christine N.Ohio
- 53. Cordi, Michelle A S.Cal.
- 54. Fencer Excluded

**U15 Men's Sabre**

- 1. Whitmer, Darrin S Mich.
- 2. Wallen, James R SanBern.
- 3T Kasserman, Wyatt NJ
- 3T Loftin, Guy B Ill.
- 5. Sokol, Denis S.Cal.
- 6. Mathias, Marc Ind.
- 7. Zagunis, Marten R Ore.
- 8. Suchoff, Sam A N.Car.
- 9. Parks, Jared M Phil.
- 10. Magee, Andrew P Kent.
- 11. Rogers, Jason N S.Cal.
- 12. Diacou, Nicholas S Met.
- 13. Fabricant, Matthew NJ
- 14. Pratt, Daniel W Ind.
- 15. Parker, G. Colin Ga.
- 16. Dewey, John C West.Pa.

- 25. Clement, Luther C Kan.
- 26. Leighton, James B Ind.
- 27. DeMatteis, Jared W NJ
- 28. Goellner, Nicholas R Kan.
- 29. Kao, Robert NJ
- 30. Callaghan, Matt NewEng.
- 31. Newman, David A S.Jers.
- 32. Douglas, Camara U Kent.
- 33. Decker, Alexander Cen.Cal.
- 34. Jacobson, Noah C Minn.
- 35. Bishop, Eric P N.Ohio
- 36. Gellert, Max West.Wa.
- 37. Greene, Joseph T Ga.
- 38. Tedder, James A Ark/La/Ms
- 39. Diacou, Alexander A Met.
- 40. Emerson, Dominic W.Wa.
- 41. Berman, Thomas D S.Cal.
- 42. Jakus, David J Met.
- 43. Lane, Christopher Mt.Val.
- 44. Duncan-Hay, Tyler H Kent.
- 45. Spano, Nicholas Huds-Berks
- 46. Smith-Johnson, Zachary NC
- 47. Jones, Chris Ark/La/Ms
- 48. Garland, Elliott Phil.
- 49. Mills, Phillip F D Capitol
- 50. Helfrich, Alain M Ind.
- 51. Strocfolino, Nicholas N.Ohio
- 52. Zollman, Avi M Cent.Fla.
- 53. Caldwell, Jesse T Ga.
- 54. Laughlin, Grant West.Wa.

**U15 Men's Foil**

- 1. Breden, Roland G Capitol
- 2. Delgado, David A Ill.
- 3T Clarke, Scott Colo.
- 3T Fisher, Joseph E WestNY
- 5. Werk, Cory S.Cal.
- 6. Mulholland, Mark B N.Cal.
- 7. Jablonowski, Andrew R Ga.
- 8. Smith, Nathaniel L St.Louis
- 9. Lamberth, Jesse R Phil.
- 10. Tsao, Larry O N.Cal.
- 11. Solomon, Benjamin N.Ohio
- 12. Gerberman, Steven S.Cal.
- 13. Cohen, Yale E GulfCst.

*On the last day of the 1996 Junior Olympic Championships Lydia Johnson (left), Northern California, fences off against Indiana's Jessica Fisher in U11 Women's Foil.*



- 52. Snyder, Derek P S.Cal.
- 53. Rando, Gian-Carlo N.Tex.
- 54. Bowman, Dinh T West.Wa.
- 55. Buchi, Steven E Phil.
- 56. Mosca, Nicholas D Okla.
- 57. Hood Jr., Douglas Ariz.
- 58. Manfredi, Michael Huds-Berks

- 95T Koel, Jordan Wisc.
- 97. Wall, Robert SW Ohio
- 98T Bhutta, Daniel E West.Pa.
- 98T MacDonald, Scott Z Tenn.
- 100. Park, Daniel S Okla.
- 101. Bland III, Richard L NJ
- 102. Piantadosi, Steven T Md.
- 103. Tobia, Joseph S NJ

- 104. Gonzalez III, Trey Ark/La/Ms
- 105. Inan, Ali Cen.Cal.
- 106. Smith-Johnson, Zachary NC
- 107. Wood, Nick D Cen.Cal.
- 108T Alpern, Noah BordTex.
- 108T Saunders, Lance J S.Jers.
- 110. Bregman, Michael D Va.
- 111. Bales, James W Alaska
- 112. Peterson, Tory R Mich.
- 113. Ungar, Benjamin N Met.
- 114. Hanberry, Patrick Va.
- 115. Weir, Nathan M InlandEmp.
- 116. Davis, Brian Md.
- 117. Poland, David C Neb/S.Dak
- 118. Cone, Joseph S N.Car.
- 119. Aldama-Chase, Camilo S.Cal.
- 120T Manna, Eric A Huds-Berks
- 120T Testa, Chris Columbus
- 122. Goddard, Nick O Mt.Val.
- 123. Stanbro, Patrick W N.Mex.
- 124. Handfinger, Ben R N.Ohio
- 125. Albuquerque, Alex SW Ohio
- 126. Peterson II, Vern R Kan.
- 127. Barry III, Francis J La.
- 128. Jimenez, Ricardo BordTex.
- 129. Hughes, David N.Mex.
- 130. Carey, North J N.Mex.
- 131. Kohlhaas, Christian BordTex.
- 132. Pendergrass, Mark J Tenn.
- 133. Slotnik, Daniel E Conn.
- 134. Clarke, Kevin A SO.Ind.
- 135T Adams, Nathan M Ind.
- 135T Laughlin, Grant West.Wa.
- 137. Millman, Alexander J Conn.
- 138T Rogers, Josh. Neb.
- 138T Wilson, Peter C NorEast
- 140T LaFond, Ian NJ

- 140T Ross, Edward Huds-Berks
- 142T Ferguson, Thomas P Ind.
- 142T Royer, Jeffrey S SW Ohio
- 144. Zollman, Avi M Cent.Fla.

**U15 Men's Epee**

- 1. St. Francis, John M Colo.
- 2. Kelsey, Weston Seth Ore.
- 3T Chilen, Luke P S.Tex.
- 3T Matheke-Fischer, M. Capitol
- 5. Viviani, Jan J Met.
- 6. Werk, Cory S.Cal..
- 7. Breden, Roland G Capitol
- 8. Clarke, Scott Colo.
- 9. Solomon, Ben N.Ohio
- 10. Garcia, Javier NJ
- 11. Brashear, Nicholas J Kent.
- 12. Dupree, Ethan Met.
- 13. Semanek, David Huds-Berks
- 14. Foust, Blair Mich.
- 15. Steingruebner Jr., Karl Lng.Isl.
- 16. Rando, Gian-Carlo N.Tex.
- 17. Smith, Nathaniel L St.Louis
- 18. Redwine, Jake B S.Tex.
- 19. Sinkin, Joshua A WestNY
- 20T Chen, James III.
- 20T Kilgore, Justin B NJ
- 20T Thompson, Soren SanDiego
- 23. Alpern, Noah BordTex.
- 24. Breen, Jeffrey A Phil.
- 25. Gaseor, David J St.Louis
- 26. Wilson, Josphe L NJ
- 27. Burchard, Byron M N.Cal.
- 28. Fay, Benjamin T Ore.
- 29. Younis, Ramsey M Kent.
- 30. Garten, Wesley A Colo.

- 31. Murray, Michael Colo.
- 32. Jimenez, Ricardo BordTex.
- 33. Harris, James NJ
- 34. Wilcox, Adam K N.Ohio
- 35. Baldwin, Neal P Ind.
- 36. Johnson, Nicholas M N.Cal.
- 37. Gerberman, Steven S.Cal.
- 38T Clark, Noble B NorEast
- 38T Rahl, Daniel S Mich.
- 40. Dinwoodie, Doug SW Ohio
- 41. Hively, David P West.Pa.
- 42. Tobin, Nathan J Kent.
- 43. Inan, Ali Cen.Cal.
- 44. Ungar, Jonathan D Met.
- 45. Santi, Jared E Lng.Isl.
- 46. Poon, Andrew L Ore.
- 47. Garbowitz, Grant S.Cal..
- 48. Kilpatrick, Paul J Okla.
- 49. Poland, David C Neb/S.Dak
- 50. Huang, Sean C N.Tex.
- 51. Evert, Todd H N.Ohio
- 52. De Sesa, GaryLng.Isl.
- 53. Smith, Ian A Ore.
- 54. Heroux, Paul P Colo.
- 55. Echave, Christopher Capitol
- 56. Laudato, Stephen J Capitol
- 57. DesRoches, Joshua A Ga.
- 58. Schneider, Adam B WestNY
- 59. Gonzalez III, Trey Ark/La/Ms
- 60. Halloran, Brian Phil.
- 61T Kopani, Morgan D GldCst
- 61T Leach, George C Ark/La/Ms
- 63. Jordan, Andrew M Ind.
- 64. Eidschun, Chad Cent.Fla.
- 65. Erickson, Peter S Cen.Cal.
- 66. Doss, Neil S N.Car.
- 67. Method, Joseph C Capitol

- 68. Batzler, Craig Wisc.
- 69. Laiacona, Daniel Huds-Berks
- 70. Saunders, Lance J S.Jers.
- 71. Pietz, Jordan T St.Louis
- 72. Menaldino, Derek S Phil.
- 73. Sanders, Michael A S.Tex.
- 74. Ellison, Bradley A Ga.
- 75. Carlson, Brian N.Cal.
- 76T Anderson, Bret T N.Ohio
- 76T Bushu, Randy Colo.
- 78. Daynes, Warren J Ut/S.Ida.
- 79. Hunsicker, Samuel GulfCst.
- 80. Fencer Excluded.
- 81. Hood Jr., Douglas Ariz.
- 82. Bommarito, Nicolas P Mich.
- 83. Schlafer, John T Kent.
- 84. Snyder, Derek P S.Cal..
- 85. Brown, James C Ga.
- 86. Johnson, Kristian D Minn.
- 87. Jackson, Thos Ark/La/Ms
- 88. Cavan, James E Met.
- 89. Garner, Will M Kent.
- 90. Jackson, Kareem A Capitol
- 91T Emler, David E Okla.
- 91T Kohlhaas, Christian BordTex.
- 93. Rogers, Josh Neb.

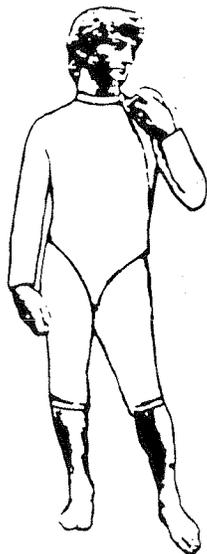
**U13 Women's Foil**

- 1. Thompson, Hannah W.NY
- 2. Leahy, Jacqueline Colo.
- 3T Breden, Senta E Capitol
- 3T Luitjen, Cassidy C S.Tex.
- 5. Delahanty, Katherine EKent.
- 6. Thompson, Metta WestNY
- 7. Park, Gaelyn M Kent.
- 8. Maples, Bethanie A S.Tex.
- 9. Zagunis, Mariel L Ore.

- 10. Hooser, Aubrey M S.Tex.
- 11. Stinetorf, Chloe L N.Cal.
- 12. Fisher, Jessica L Ind.
- 13. Hiss, Sophie C Okla.
- 14. Mills, Portia M E Capitol
- 15. Stevens, Fiona L Colo.
- 16. Duerson, Lauren M Ga.
- 17. Delahanty, Amy T Kent.
- 18. Leighton, Eleanor T Ind.
- 19. Jew-Lim, Sara E Cen.Cal.
- 20. Park, Rachael A Ind.
- 21. Korb, Erica M Phil.
- 22. Howard, Lindsey L Ind.
- 23. Kehoe, Rebecca L Lng.Isl.
- 24. Kerckmar, Anne B N.Ohio
- 25. Modiano, Sarah A Capitol
- 26. Faulstich, Christine N.Ohio
- 27. Schemmer, Kitty NewEng.
- 28. Austin, Anne E Mich.
- 29. Van Gieson, Lauren , NJ
- 30. Parks, Teresa C Ariz.
- 31. Perry, Lauren Colo.
- 32. Pruzan, Amy P West.Wa.
- 33. Providenza, Valerie C Ore.
- 34. Moffett, Sara S Capitol
- 35. Soderstrom, Paulina Ga.
- 36. Parks, Justine M Phil.
- 37. Barry, Maria B La.
- 38. Kopani, Adair M GldCst
- 39. Willock, Lauren W Kent.
- 40. White, Brynn E Kent.
- 41. Lanphear, Kristina M Minn.
- 42. Montgomery, Aubrey Phil.
- 43. Remaly, Megan A NJ
- 44. Miller, Caroline C N.Car.
- 45. Menaldino, Janeane R Phil.
- 46. Jordan, Katherine M Ind.

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- 47T Beard-Canfield, B. NorEast
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- 49. Nicoletti, Jessica A Nev.
- 50. LaVange, Kate N.Car.
- 51. Deal, Danielle N Ind.
- 52. Eriksen, Katie L NorEast
- 53. Kohlhaas, Julia C BordTex.
- 54. Ellison, Rachel S Ga.
- 55. Powell, Katherine M N.Car.
- 56. Hunter, Anne P N.Car.
- 57. Gaillard, Amelia F Ga.
- 58. Forschler, Rebecca W.Pa.

**U 13 Women's Epee**

- 1. Park, Gaelyn M Kent.
- 2. Delahanty, Amy T Kent.
- 3T Leighton, Eleanor T Ind.
- 3T Maples, Bethanie A S.Tex.
- 5. Kehoe, Rebecca L Lng.Isl.
- 6. Willock, Lauren W Kent.
- 7. Luitjen, Cassidy C S.Tex.
- 8. Remaly, Jessica L NJ
- 9. Wendelsdorf, Katherine KY
- 10. Delahanty, Katherine EKent.
- 11. Montgomery, Aubrey Phil.
- 12. Faulstich, Christine N.Ohio
- 13. Hooser, Aubrey M S.Tex.
- 14. Pietz, Priscilla L St.Louis
- 15. White, Brynn E Kent.
- 16. Pruzan, Amy P West.Wa.
- 17. Stevens, Fiona L Colo.
- 18. Korb, Erica M Phil.
- 19. Park, Rachael A Kent.
- 20. Schneider, Ruth B WestNY
- 21. Nicoletti, Jessica A Nev.

**U13 Men's Sabre**

- 1. Boorstin, Adam S.Cal..
- 2. Krul, Alexander S.Cal..
- 3T Diacou, Nicholas S Met.
- 3T Zagunis, Marten R Ore.
- 5. Clement, Luther C Kan.
- 6. Rogers, Jason N S.Cal..
- 7. Magee, Andrew P Kent.
- 8. Greene, Joseph T Ga.
- 9. Merrick, Thomas M Kent.
- 10. Vashro, Layne J Minn.
- 11. Goelner, Nicholas R Kan.
- 12. Decker, Alexander Cen.Cal.
- 13. Jakus, David J Met.
- 14. Douville, David A Ga.
- 15. Friend, John F Kan.
- 16. Duncan-Hay, Tyler H Kent.
- 17. Diacou, Ari M Met.
- 18. Caldwell, Jesse T Ga.
- 19. Garland, Elliott Phil.
- 20. Kvols, Tyler K GateFla.
- 21. Thomas, David K GateFla.
- 22. Hilton, Stephen A Ga.
- 23. Sachs, Daniel Huds-Berk
- 24. Helfrich, Alain M Ind.
- 25. Diacou, Alexander A Met.
- 26. Pounds, William F S.Jers.
- 27. Mills, Philip F D Capitol
- 28. Sternberg, John N St.Louis
- 29. Siegel, Jeremy Huds-Berks
- 30. Parker, Chris Huds-Berks
- 31. Laperriere, Neil R Mich.
- 32. Czaja, Michax III.

**U13 Men's Foil**

- 1. Gerberman, Steven S.Cal..
- 2. French, Timothy L A S.Tex.
- 3T Banks, Michael Colo.
- 3T Koop, Phillip R Ore.
- 5. Sanders, Michael A S.Tex.

- 6. Mosca, Nicholas D Okla.
- 7T Bras, Alejandro L NewEng.
- 7T Habermann, Blake Colo.
- 9. Solomon, Benjamin N.Ohio
- 10. Sinkin, Jeremy C WestNY
- 11. Carter, Jonathan Westchstr.
- 12. Vacca, Daniel Colo.

- 47. Testerman, Nicolas M Ore.
- 48T Marshall, Travis W Va.
- 48T Park, Daniel S Okla.
- 50. Aldama-Chase, Camilo S.Cal.
- 51. Holden, Ryan A Cent.Fla.
- 52. Moore, Brandon D Kent.
- 53. Ungar, Benjamin N Met.

- 86. Dastillung, Harry J SW Ohio
- 87. Scheffler, Steven D St.Louis
- 88. Male, Thomas J SW Ohio
- 89. Straus, David A N.Cal.
- 90. Galligan, Michael J GulfCst.
- 91. Butte, Eric B Cent.Fla.
- 92T Carey, Keith E N.Mex.
- 92T Sofaer, Joseph S Cen.Cal.
- 94T Baldwin, Neal P Ind.
- 94T Walsh, Chris C Huds-Berks
- 96T Cooper, Tad S.Jers.
- 96T Kennedy, Peter R Minn.
- 98T Forschler, David L W.Wa.
- 98T Stauble, Cory Kent.
- 100. Murphy, Carl N.Mex.
- 101. Slotnik, Daniel E Conn.
- 102. Adjemian, Aaron BordTex.
- 103. Siegel, Adam D Lng.Isl.
- 104. Dardnne, Mike S.Tex.
- 105. Schofield, Jack A Cen.Cal.
- 106T Batmanglij, Rostam Capitol
- 106T Crosswhite, Chas C GulfCst.
- 108T Burchill, Cory L Cent.Fla.
- 108T Good, Vaughn L Kan.
- 108T Millman, Alexander J Conn.
- 111. Remaly, Christopher J NJ
- 112T Haan, Theron E Colo.
- 112T Rathbone-Webber, Ben N.Cal.
- 114T Foy, William D SW Ohio
- 114T Piontek, Connor Ga.
- 116T Rosen, John M Met.
- 116T Sachs, Adam Huds-Berk
- 118T DuBose, Casey A BordTex.
- 118T Naebers, Michael C Mich.
- 120. Siegel, Jeremy Huds-Berks
- 121. Tulanko III, Mich. SW Ohio

- 16. Walsh, M. Devon Phil.
- 17. Cavan, James E Met.
- 18. Rose, Julian M Colo.
- 19. Inan, Ali Cen.Cal.
- 20. Alper, John N.Ohio
- 21T Bommarito, Nicolas P Mich.
- 21T Lu Sane, David NJ
- 23. Constantine, Adam E Met.
- 24T Bradley, Scott W BordTex.
- 24T Vacca, Daniel Colo.
- 26. Youdim, Anthony M N.Tex.
- 27. Myers, Seth A N.Ohio
- 28. Fitzsimons, Patrick C S.Tex.
- 29. Mariel, Joaquin N.Tex.
- 30. Testerman, Nicolas M Ore.
- 31. Ungar, Benjamin N Met.
- 32. Ramirez, Benjamin P S.Tex.
- 33. Saunders, Lance J S.Jers.
- 34. Metzner, Simon S.Tex.
- 35. Cahn, Michael J N.Ohio
- 36. Brown, James C Ga.
- 37T Habermann, Blake Colo.
- 37T Jimenez, Ricardo BordTex.
- 39. Ellison, Bradley A Ga.
- 40. Perry, Cameron D Colo.
- 41. Scheffler, Steven D St.Louis
- 42. Siegel, Adam D Lng.Isl.
- 43. Flack, Joshua B Kent.
- 44T Howard, Greg E Ind.
- 44T Kennedy, Peter R Minn.
- 44T Manco, Frank M N.Ohio
- 47. Wells, Andrew St.Louis
- 48. Solomon, Matthew N.Ohio
- 49. Vail, Bruce D Ga.
- 50T Sachs, Adam Huds-Berk
- 50T Ziff-Levine, Brian M Phil.
- 52T Baldwin, Neal P Ind.
- 52T Walsh, Chris C Huds-Berks
- 54. Gasperetti, Matthew A Ind.
- 55. Ross, Edward Huds-Berks



*Jacqueline Leahy displays the perfect form that earned her the U11 Women's Foil Championship.*

- 13. Mariel, Joaquin N.Tex.
- 14. Johnson, Nicholas M N.Cal.
- 15. Ramirez, Benjamin P S.Tex.
- 16. Metzner, Simon S.Tex.
- 17. Constantine, Adam E Met.
- 18. Youdim, Anthony M N.Tex.
- 19. Jimenez, Ricardo BordTex.
- 20T Hesky, Andrew A West.Pa.
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- 23. Hendricks, Ben Ut/S.Ida.
- 24. Sinkin, Gabriel M WestNY
- 25. Shadid, John W Okla.
- 26. Decker, Alexander Cen.Cal.
- 27. Olding, Robert S Cent.Fla.
- 28. Curtis, Clarke S S.Tex.
- 29. Wilson, Peter C NorEast
- 30. Myers, Seth A N.Ohio
- 31. Alper, John N.Ohio
- 32. Ludwick, Kasdon P Colo.
- 33. Leahy, Austin Colo.
- 34T Flack, Joshua B Kent.
- 34T Snyder, Derek P S.Cal..
- 34T Ziff-Levine, Brian M Phil.
- 37. Jarrett, Elliot S.Tex.
- 38. Cavan, James E Met.
- 39. Inan, Ali Cen.Cal.
- 40. Zimmerman, Ryan P Okla.
- 41. Bregman, Michael D Va.
- 42. Goddard, Nick O Mt.Val.
- 43. Peterson II, Vern R Kan.
- 44. Saunders, Lance J S.Jers.
- 45. Manco, Frank M N.Ohio
- 46. Halloran, Brian Phil.

- 54. Gardner, William G La.
- 55. Olding, Ryan S Cent.Fla.
- 56. Lee, Noah A NorEast
- 57. Bradley, Scott W BordTex.
- 58T Abbe, Daniel P Cen.Cal.
- 58T Piantadosi, Steven T Md.
- 60. Meidell, Philip R Ariz.
- 61. Gezari, Solomon E Capitol
- 62. Ross, Edward Huds-Berks
- 63. Kaplan, Justin S S.Cal..
- 64. Rohrbach, James H Va.
- 65. Geiser, Alexander Cent.Fla.
- 66T Grisak, Jesse G S.Tex.
- 66T Victor, Nathaniel M N.Ohio
- 68. Sirlin, Craig A Lng.Isl.
- 69. Vail, Bruce D Ga.
- 70. Woodhouse, Enoch O NewEng.
- 71T Hill IV, William E GulfCst.
- 71T Rose, Julian M Colo.
- 73. Pendergrass, Mark J Tenn.
- 74T Gooch, David B La.
- 74T Waikart, David Md.
- 76. Babington, Anthony St.Louis
- 77. Miller, Jeremiah J III.
- 78T Muri, Ethan M Cent.Pa.
- 78T Rosen, Zack West.Pa.
- 80. Kohn, Benjamin Neb/S.Dak.
- 81. Walsh, M. Devon Phil.
- 82. Bommarito, Nicolas P Mich.
- 83T Ciccarone, Michael J Conn.
- 83T Form, Stephen R NewEng.
- 85. Lawrie, William NJ

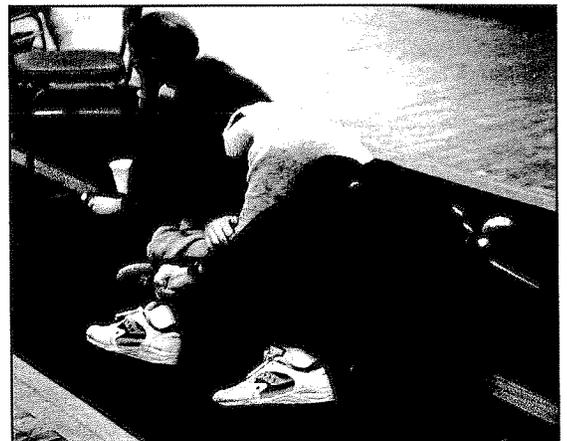
**U13 Men's Epee**

- 1. Solomon, Ben N.Ohio
- 2. Gerberman, Steven S.Cal..
- 3T Dupree, Ethan Met.
- 3T Sanders, Michael A S.Tex.
- 5. French, Timothy L A S.Tex.
- 6T Banks, Michael Colo.
- 6T Evert, Todd H N.Ohio
- 8. Halloran, Brian Phil.
- 9. Johnson, Nicholas M N.Cal.
- 10. Ludwick, Kasdon P Colo.
- 11. Fowler, Robert A Kent.
- 12. Jackson, Kareem A Capitol
- 13. Emler, David E Okla.
- 14. Snyder, Derek P S.Cal..
- 15. Jordan, Andrew M Ind.

**U11 Women's Foil**

- 1. Leahy, Jacqueline Colo.
- 2. Zagunis, Mariel L Ore.
- 3T Delahanty, Amy T Kent.
- 3T Willock, Lauren W Kent.
- 5. Kercksmar, Anne B N.Ohio
- 6. Fisher, Jessica L Ind.
- 7. Stevens, Fiona L Colo.
- 8. Jew-Lim, Sara E Cen.Cal.
- 9. Park, Rachael A Kent.
- 10. Parks, Teresa C Ariz.
- 11. Perry, Lauren Colo.
- 12. Schneider, Ruth B WestNY

*To sleep, perchance to dream ... of gold medals.*



- 13. Bennett, Jocelyn R Nev.
- 14. Providenza, Valerie C Ore.
- 15. Jordan, Katherine M Ind.
- 16. Kehoe, Marielle L Lng.Isl.
- 17. Leahy, Jane M Columbus
- 18. Lanphear, Kristina M Minn.
- 19. Kohlhaas, Julia C BordTex.
- 20. Brown, Mary E Ga.
- 21. Kopani, Adair M GldCst
- 22. Barry, Maria B La.
- 23. Deal, Danielle N Ind.
- 24. Moffett, Sara S Capitol
- 25. Abdikulov, Zoya III.
- 26. De La Llave, Pamela NJ
- 27. Beard-Canfield, Bryony NE
- 28. Wooten, Nikki Tenn.
- 29. Boyle, Elizabeth M III.
- 30. Ellison, Rachel S Ga.
- 31. Johnson, Lydia N.Cal.
- 32. Parker, Sarah J Ga.
- 33. Forschler, Rebecca W.Pa.

**U11 Women's Epee**

- 1. Park, Rachael A Kent.
- 2. Delahanty, Amy T Kent.
- 3T Schneider, Ruth B WestNY
- 3T Willock, Lauren W Kent.
- 5. Kehoe, Marielle L Lng.Isl.
- 6. Kercksmar, Anne B N.Ohio
- 7. Fisher, Jessica L Ind.
- 8. Helmich, Adria N N.Mex.
- 9. De La Llave, Pamela NJ
- 10. Stevens, Fiona L Colo.
- 11. Smith, Lauren E S.Cal.
- 12. Perry, Lauren Colo.
- 13. Brown, Mary E Ga.
- 14. Bennett, Jocelyn R Nev.

**U11 Men's Sabre**

- 1. Krul, Alexander S.Cal..
- 2. Clement, Luther C Kan.
- 3T Friend, John F Kan.
- 3T Koop, Phillip R Ore.
- 5. Hilton, Stephen A Ga.
- 6. Farr, Ian G Ore.
- 7. Sachs, Daniel Huds-Berk
- 8. Laperriere, Neil R Mich.
- 9. Diacou, Alexander A Met.
- 10. Caldwell, Jesse T Ga.
- 11. Craig, Stuart Kent.
- 12. Siegel, Jeremy Huds-Berks
- 13. Epstein, Jared P III.
- 14. Kastner, Brandon M Ind.
- 15. Baldwin, Scott A Ind.
- 16. Parker, Chris Huds-Berks
- 17. Czaja, Michax III.
- 18. Douville, Robert Ga.
- 19. Rubin, Anthony M S.Cal..

**U11 Men's Foil**

- 1. Perry, Cameron D Colo.
- 2. Woodhouse, Enoch O NewEng.
- 3T Habermann, Blake Colo.
- 3T Myers, Seth A N.Ohio
- 5. Farr, Ian G Ore.
- 6. Vacca, Daniel Colo.
- 7. Koop, Phillip R Ore.
- 8. Stauble, Cory Kent.
- 9. Bradley, Scott W BordTex.
- 10. Shadid, John W Okla.
- 11. Ungar, Benjamin N Met.
- 12. Schofield, Jack A Gen.Cal.
- 13T Heimsath, Benton S.Tex.
- 13T Moore, Brandon D Kent.

- 15. Scruby, Jess R N.Tex.
- 16. Victor, Nathaniel M N.Ohio
- 17. Hennig, Tommy A Va.
- 18. Galligan, Michael J GulfCst.
- 19T Hendricks, Ben Ut/S.Ida.
- 19T Manco, Frank M N.Ohio
- 21. Marshall, Travis W Va.
- 22T Flack, Joshua B Kent.
- 22T Powers, Andrew J NJ
- 24. Pacia, Adrian M Phil.
- 25. Haisell III, Robert Kent.
- 26. Boyle Jr., Brian H III.
- 27. DuBose, Casey A BordTex.
- 28. Baldwin, Scott A Ind.
- 29. Solomon, Matthew N.Ohio
- 30. Martin, Trevor E Capitol
- 31. Caldwell, Jon-Michael Ga.
- 32. Ernst, Evan S NorEast
- 33. Remaly, Christopher J NJ
- 34. Haan, Theron E Colo.
- 35. Adjemian, Aaron BordTex.
- 36. Burke Jr, Jay Kent.
- 37. Rea, David M Cent.Pa.
- 38. Siegel, Jeremy Huds-Berks
- 39. Barkley, Cy Tenn.
- 40. Dettlinger, Maxwell D Kent.
- 41. Garbowitz, Alexander S.Cal.
- 42. Bremer, Nicholas R Ga.
- 43. Crosswhite, Chas. GulfCst.
- 44. Willey, Hank S.Tex.
- 45T Christopherson, Aaron Minn.
- 45T Musselman, Jacob S.Tex
- 47. Heimann, Nicholas St.Louis
- 48. Orrall, Jamin Tenn.
- 49T Louton, Alexander Cent.Pa.
- 49T Streb Jr, Joseph Columbus
- 51. Orrall, Jake Tenn.

- 52T MacClaren, Robert WestNY
- 52T Parker, Chris Huds-Berks
- 54. Fowler, Matthew A Kent.
- 55. Rice, Brandon M St.Louis
- 56. Luitjen, Schedel B S.Tex.
- 57. French, Peter S.Tex.
- 58. MacDonald, Brock WestNY

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- 1. Vacca, Daniel Colo.
- 2. Scruby, Jess R N.Tex.
- 3T Myers, Seth A N.Ohio
- 3T Ungar, Benjamin N Met.
- 5. Perry, Cameron D Colo.
- 6. Moore, Brandon D Kent.
- 7. Habermann, Blake Colo.
- 8. Siegel, Adam D Lng.Isl.
- 9. Powers, Andrew J NJ
- 10. Solomon, Matthew N.Ohio
- 11. Flack, Joshua B Kent.
- 12. Stauble, Cory Kent.
- 13. Gasperetti, Matthew A Ind.
- 14. Haisell III, Robert Kent.
- 15. Boyle Jr., Brian H III.
- 16. Howard, Greg E Ind.
- 17. French, Peter S.Tex.
- 18. Manco, Frank M N.Ohio
- 19. Haan, Theron E Colo.
- 20. Christopherson, Aaron Minn.
- 21. Burke Jr, Jay Kent.
- 22. Bradley, Scott W BordTex.

**Special Age Group Recognition Awards: Foil**

U-11W Jacqueline Leahy, Northern Colorado Fencers; U-13W

Jacqueline Leahy, Northern Colorado Fencers; U-15W Melanie Takagi, Nellya Fencers; U-17W Anna Carnick, Rochester Fencing Center; U-20W Erinn Smart, Peter Westbrook Foundation; U-11M Cameron Perry, Northern Colorado Fencers; U-13M Steven Gerberman, Mori Fencing Club; U-15M Roland Breden, Capitol Division; U-17M Peter Rosen, Metropolis Fencing; U-20M Dan Kellner, Fencers Club/Columbia

**Epee**

U-11W Amy Delahanty, Louisville Fencing Center; U-13W Gaelyn Park, Louisville Fencing Center; U-15W Estee Marchi, Cheyenne Fencing Society; U-17W Lindsay Campbell, Alcazar Fencing Club; U-20W Kari Coley, Peter Westbrook Foundation; U-11M Cameron Perry, Northern Colorado Fencers; U-13M Benjamin Solomon, Alcazar Fencing Club; U-15M Weston Seth Kelsey, Oreg. Episcopal School FC; U-17M Rashaan Greenhouse, Peter Westbrook Foundation; U-20M Alden Clarke, Stanford University

**Sabre**

U-11M Luther Clement, Central (Kansas); U-13M Jason Rogers, Salle Gascon; U-15M James Wallen, Salle Saufen; U-17M Mohamed Kabil, New York Athletic Club; U-20M Terrence Lasker, Central (Kansas)

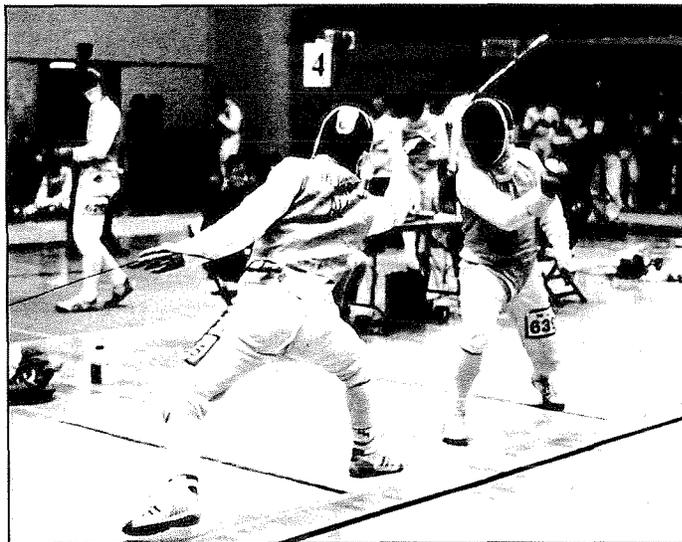
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**Halberstadt Hosts '96 Youth Women's Epee Camp**

The USFA's 1996 Youth Women's Epée Camp, held at the Halberstadt Fencers' Club in San Francisco March 30-April 6, 1996, was the first camp aimed primarily at developing the skills of age group fencers. Previous camps have either been primarily for elite senior fencers or have been training camps for specific international competitions. In spite of different spring break schedules a number of



*The '96 NCAA Fencing Championships, held at Yale University, entertained athletes from more than 40 colleges.*

elite youth fencers from across the country were able to attend.

The focus of the camp was (1) how to train and (2) fencing tactics. To help with tactics, National Junior Women's Epee Coach Gary Copeland led eight hours of tactical drills; Assistant National Women's Foil Coach Mike Pederson of the Halberstadt Fencers' Club led two hours of footwork, also emphasizing tactical applica-

tions; and National Women's Epee Coach Paul Soter of Halberstadt presented a seminar on Opponent Analysis. To help with understanding of training methodology, Soter presented seminars on Training Principles and Planning and Recordkeeping, and led four hours of instruction in physical training. Pederson and Soter rounded out the theoretical instruction with seminars on Nutrition, Electrical Equipment Repair, Competition and Ethics, and Time Management.

The fencers had plenty of opportunity to put these theories to the test on the strip: each logged between 120 and 150 bouts during the camp. Boutng against peers at camps may be the only time they can practice against opponents at their own physical and technical level, as opposed to boutng against senior men.

A copy of this report and an evaluation of each fencer has been provided to each participant and/or her coach.

Camps such as this not only teach essential skills and provide opportunities for high-volume boutng with peers, but also help develop a team spirit among the young fencers who will be together on their national teams in the future. It is hoped that age group camps will become a regular feature of the U.S. women's épée program.

## Going to the Games? Help for the Homeless

Like many members of the Association you may have tickets to the fencing events at the Olympic Games this summer; you may even have a way of getting to and from Atlanta. But, if the rumors we hear are even half true, you probably don't have a place to stay. An organization called Great Manors may be able to help. Great Manors is a licensed, local real estate/hospitality broker listing more than 5,000 properties (hotel rooms, apartments, homes) in all price ranges, each one within the 40-mile-in-diameter Olympic Ring. They can also provide ticket assistance, ground transportation and a number of other concierge services. Call 1-800-GUEST96 or visit Great Manors' web site: [http://www.websources.com/great\\_manors/](http://www.websources.com/great_manors/)

## Peter Westbrook Foundation Qualifies Four Fencers to Junior/Cadet World Championships

The not-for-profit Peter Westbrook Foundation (PWF), which uses fencing as a vehicle for working with inner-city youth, set a new American record by qualifying four athletes to the U20/U17 World Championships held this year in Belgium. Erinn Smart, Kari Coley, Rashaan Greenhouse and Akhnaten Spencer-El earned the right to represent the US at the annual championships based on their results at domestic and international events during the 95-96 season.

The Peter Westbrook Foundation, with membership now over 100 athletes, promotes athletic prowess balanced with an emphasis on academics by providing discipline, tutors, academic scholarships and a speaker's forum within the 30-week curriculum available to club members without charge. "The goal of PWF is to create college-bound athletes who will not only be successful academically but also who will serve as positive role models for generations to come, says Foundation Director Westbrook.

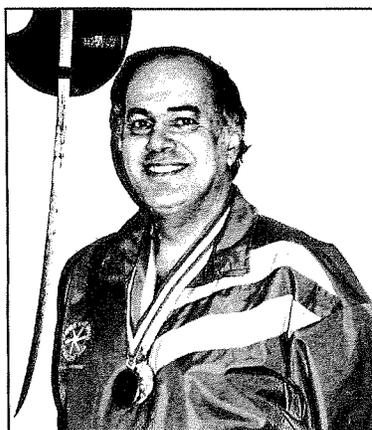
With the continued support of its sponsors including the United

States Olympic Committee and the YWCA, PWF hopes to use athletic success in fencing as a conduit to academic and social prosperity for inner-city youth.

## Iris Zimmermann Leads Team at Junior/Cadet World Championships

The U.S. "youth movement" continued to impress the international fencing world with 15-year-old Iris Zimmermann leading the

### Harvey Kerner 1943 - 1995



Harvey Kerner, one of the leading officials in the northeast, died on December 20, from a massive stroke incurred while shoveling snow. He was 52.

Harvey was a left-handed sabreur at Salle Santelli and competed in Metropolitan competitions from the 1950's to the 70's. At his death, he was co-president of the Westchester Fencers

Club, of which he had been a major benefactor for some years. He was also one of the busiest and most visible officials of the region. Besides divisional and sectional work, he had for several years assembled the officiating crews for West Point meets, as well as for the Middle Atlantic Conference intercollegiate championships. Last summer he did the same for the Empire State Games.

Harvey presided frequently in Germany, Poland, Italy, Hungary and especially France, where his officiating was held in such high esteem that, as a resident alien of that republic, he earned a "B" level international referee's license through its federation.

Harvey was exceedingly generous with his time and resources, and made both particularly available to newly arrived coaches by assisting them in obtaining employment and in becoming acclimated to the US. One such beneficiary is Orest Stetsiv, the new coach at West Point. In addition, for the past several years Harvey has been a host to the Russian fencers who attended the New York international sabre event.

A year ago, Harvey was an organizer and master of ceremonies for the testimonial dinner accorded Allan S. Kwartler by the West Point fencing team on his retirement as their coach. Kwartler had been Harvey's coach at Santelli's and was among his closest friends in fencing.

Harvey is survived by his wife, Lisa, and his son, Jonathan.

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**Junior/Cadet World Championships,**

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way for the American team. Zimmermann won a bronze medal in the women's foil event at the Junior World Fencing Championships in Tournai, Belgium, two days after making the finals and finishing fifth in the Cadet World Championships.

The U.S. team had other finalists: U.S. National Foil Champion, Cliff Bayer took 7th place in the Jr. Men's Foil; Monique De Bruin was 7th place in the Jr. Women's Foil; and Ryan Shams took 8th place in the Jr. Men's Epee. These outstanding results continue the winning trend that began two years ago at the Junior/Cadet World Championships in Mexico, continued last year in Paris, and follows on the heels of a very successful World Cup season this year. America's youth are stepping up and making their presence known, and the entire fencing world is taking notice.

The U.S. Five Weapon Relay Team, comprised of Iris Zimmermann, Cliff Bayer, Ryan Shams, Terence Lasker, and led by an exhilarating performance by 15-year-old Jessica Burke fencing like a seasoned veteran, defeated the Ukraine and Korea to place fourth. To put this result in perspective, please note that fencing powers Italy, France,

Hungary, and China all finished behind the U.S.

Other notable U.S. performances at these championships include: Dan Kellner, 14th in the Jr. Men's Foil; Erinn Smart, 12th place in Cadet Women's Foil; Jessica Burke, 10th place in Cadet Women's Epee; Spencer El Aknat, 13th in Cadet Saber; and Rashan Greenhouse, 16th, in Cadet Men's Epee.

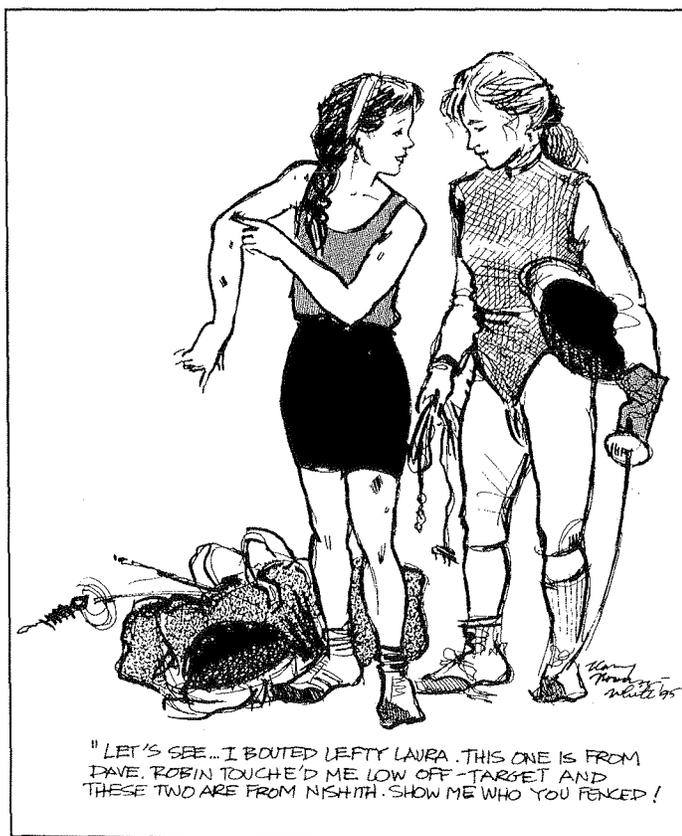
Congratulations are in order to this fine team and to their coaches.

Cadet Men's Epee	29. Kari Coley	24. Peter Devine
16. Rashaan Greenhouse	66. Lindsay Campbell	Junior Sabre
27. Arnold Casas	Cadet Women's Foil	18. Terrence Lasker
66. Weston Kelsey	5. Iris Zimmermann	20. Patrick Durkan
Cadet Men's Foil	12. Erinn Smart	24. Jeremy Summers
34. Joel Magnum	27. Ute Breden	Junior Women's Epee
35. Joseph Fischer	Junior Men's Epee	33. Jessica Burke
49. Jedediah Dupree	8. Ryan Shams	47T Lauren O'Brien
Cadet Sabre	33. Alden Clarke	51. Kari Coley
13. Aknat Spencer-El	65T Scott Rostal	Junior Women's Foil
25. David Lavalle	Junior Men's Foil	3T Iris Zimmermann
27. Robert Crane	7. Cliff Bayer	7T Mojique DeBruin
Cadet's Women Epee	14. Dan Kellner	33. Erin Smart
10T Jessica Burke		

**COACHES CAST DOWN GAUNTLET AGAIN**

The "Polish Lancers" professional three-weapon-team has once again issued a challenge to all other members of the USFCA. They will meet any professional fencing team at US Nationals for a winner take all purse. The Lancers — Janusz Steplowski, Ed Korfanty, Wes Glon — won last year's inaugural event.

For further information call Maitre Steplowski at 708-289-3961.



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The editor of the witty and insightful HAMMERTERZ FORUM, J. Cristoph Amberger, loves fencing, loves the thrill of a successful point-in-line, loves the twang of the blade as your opponent blunders into your artfully crafted trap. But, he loves the history of swordplay more. A few years ago he set out to blow up the myths that make out modern fencing bibliography, to find out how the sword was really used throughout the millennia, and, as he puts it, to discover "what factors triggered the evolutionary process that left such odd contraptions as the electric foil the sole heir to martial arts traditions that were old when Carolus Magnus crowned himself Roman Emperor."

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