



President's Update

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To All NGJA Members,

Happy New Year Everyone! Here is an NGJA update for January 2018.

1. 2018 New Year's Resolution – "Comfortability leads to Contentment!" Don't let yourself get comfortable with the rules. Always prepare for your upcoming competitions and don't rely on studying at the event!
2. Get Ready for the 2018 NCAA Judging Season – be prepared to apply the FIG rules!
 - a. All "NCAA" Challenge routines used and evaluated in the December NCAA challenge are great for competition preparation! You can access any of these routines to prepare for your judging assignments anytime during the competition season. Go to "Latest JO News" at NGJA.org to access the routines or events you need!
 - b. Starting in January additional new NCAA routines will be posted every 2 weeks. These routines are evaluated by the NGJA Jr., Sr. and NCAA National Apparatus Leaders. Similar to the challenge routines, you can judge, review and compare your work at your pace. Again, these routines are great for competition preparation! You can access any of these routines to prepare for your judging assignments anytime during the competition season.
3. Get Ready for the 2018 JO Judging Season – all "JO" Optional, Compulsory and Technical Sequence routines used and evaluated in the 2017 fall JO challenges are great for competition preparation! You can access any of these routines to prepare for your judging assignments during the competition season. Go to "Latest JO News" at NGJA.org to access the routines or events you need!
4. NCAA Challenge Winners – The NCAA Challenge was an extremely close competition! With over 70 teams and 230 judges participating including 2 judges from Belgium, close to 30 teams had a chance to win in week 3. The top 20 teams were separated by less than 15 points. Congratulations to the top 5 teams:
 1. Chalk Art – Kathi-Sue and Danae Rupp with Didiere and Maurene Lefebure
 2. Michiganders – Jonathan Conrad, Andy Brown, Russ Young and Tony Mason
 3. Imperfect 10's – Jon Milcarek, Mike Cook, Charles Taylor and Svetlomidir Stanchev
 4. Da Bears – Mike Califf, Gregg Didech, Randy Gentile
 5. Naked Delchevs – Paul Evatt, Dave Johnson, John Clemens, Dan Robeiro
5. National Assignments Posted– Congratulations to all the judges chosen to judge the NCAA Championships,
6. Winter Cup, US Qualifier and P & G Championships. All assignments are posted under the membership tab at NGJA.org.

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