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Awards and Member At Large Reports

Awards

USMS announced several awards at the national convention, and several SPMS members were recognized for swimming accomplishments or extraordinary volunteerism.

3 SPMS swimmers were honored at the International Masters Swimming Hall of Fame (IMSHOF) annual ceremony held Friday evening, September 28th, 2018:

- Maurine Kornfield (Rose Bowl Masters) – inducted into IMSHOF
- Jurgen Schmidt (Mission Viejo Masters) - inducted into IMSHOF
- Nicolas Granger (Rose Bowl Masters) – selected by *Swimming World Magazine* as one of the top 12 masters swimmers of 2017

Erika Stebbins (UCLA Bruins Masters) was awarded the Kerry O'Brien Coaching Award

The Dorothy Donnelley Award recognizes volunteer service that has contributed to the growth, improvement, or success of U.S. Masters Swimming locally, regionally, and/or nationally. Two SPMS volunteers were recognized:

- Alina DeArmas
- Anita Cole

The following SPMS awards are due soon:

[Coach of the Year Award](#) – Coaches Chair is responsible for this award, which is presented at the SPMS Short Course Yards Championships.

The purpose of this award is to recognize the SPMS swimming coach who has demonstrated outstanding coaching qualities, club development and overall SPMS participation.

Jeff Taylor has formed a committee and, working with Dan Wegner, sent out a request for nominations which are due 11/1/18.

[Swimmer of the Year Award](#) – Awards Chair is responsible for this award, which is presented at the SPMS Short Course Yards Championships.

The purpose of the award is to recognize SPMS swimmers each year, male and female, who have displayed exemplary commitment to Masters swimming, achieved personal success at SPMS swim meets and/or open water events, and have been an inspiration to others.

I drafted an email and asked Dan to send it to our membership. Nominations are due 10/31/18.

[Jim Marcus Appreciation Award](#) – SPMS Chair is responsible for this selecting the winner of this award, which is announced at the SPMS Short Course Yards Championships presented at the SPMS Annual Meeting.

The purpose of this award is to express special thanks to individuals or groups who have made significant contributions to Southern Pacific Masters Swimming.

[Steve Schofield Distinguished Service Award](#) - SPMS Chair is responsible for this selecting the winner of this award, which is announced at the SPMS Short Course Yards Championships presented at the SPMS Annual Meeting.

The purpose of this award is to recognize outstanding long term service to Southern Pacific Masters Swimming.

[Contributor of the Year Award](#) - SPMS Chair is responsible for this selecting the winner of this award, which is presented at the SPMS Annual Meeting.

The purpose of this award is to recognize outstanding contributions to Masters Swimming during the year preceding the year in which the award is presented.

[Open Water Contributor of the Year Award](#) – Need to discuss who selects the recipient and where it is announced.

The SPMS Open Water Service Award honors individuals who have made significant service contributions to promoting and building excellence in USMS open water swimming in the following ways:

- Embodies the USMS mission, vision, goals, and objectives through open water swimming service;
- contributes to open water notably in several roles (i.e., USMS Open Water/Long Distance national committees, LMSC open water/long distance chair, event and/or safety director, official, coach, clinician, and/or volunteer);
- contributes to open water notably at different levels of USMS (i.e. national, zone, LMSC, and/or local); or
- demonstrates extraordinary measurable service achievement and impact.

Club Swimmers of the Month:

No nominations were received.

Any SPMS coach can nominate their SPMS members. The nomination form is located here:
<https://www.spmasterswim.org/club-swimmer-of-the-month-award-nomination>

Member at Large

Face to Face Meeting

The face to face meeting will be held November 15th at 6:30 PM the Pasadena El Torito located at 3333 Foothill Blvd, Pasadena, CA.

Meets

I did not attend any meets. I heard the Mission Viejo SCM meet went well. I plan to attend the UCLA meet and Zones, and the Spooky Shoot unless the pool issues lead to cancellation.

USMS Convention

Several of us attended the USAS annual convention and related events.

I submitted a request to be on the USMS Open Water and Long Distance Committees.

Feedback

None this month.

Respectfully submitted by Becky Cleavenger