

# Olympians Newspage



*The Northern California Olympians offer fellowship to members of past and current Olympic teams; coordinate member appearances at youth, community, and corporate events; and support the creation of an active, visible, nationwide (and eventually worldwide) Olympian organization.*

## Upcoming Events Welcome Home Dinner to Celebrate—and Benefit—Olympians

In November in San Francisco, the NCO will host its SIXTH quadrennial celebration in 20 years(!) to welcome home athletes from Athens and celebrate the 2002 Winter team.

**THE SCOOP:** *The Northern California Olympians and BASOC Welcome Home Dinner; Wednesday, November 3, Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco; 5:00 p.m. press/VIP reception, 6:00–7:00 p.m. general reception; 7:00 p.m. dinner; Raj Mathi from NBC 11 will emcee; dress is business attire.*

**THE GOALS:** 600 attendees including 2004 and 2002 Olympians, NCO members and guests (that's you) and general public; 68 tables sold to sponsors—that's you, too, in helping finding companies who will purchase tables. Each NCO member is asked to sell ONE; each Board member to sell THREE. Table sponsors are Gold: \$10,000, Silver: \$5000 and Bronze: \$3000, plus a \$20,000 opportunity for Presenting Sponsor and \$15,000 for VIP Reception sponsor. To date, we've sold four:

**Providian Financial  
Pier 39  
Marsh Risk & Insurance  
Bruner Family Foundation  
Coldwell Banker—Silicon Valley**

NBC will provide video and studio time for our now-famous, Barbra Higgins-produced highlight film.

**THE TICKETS:** Sponsorship packages can be customized to fit each individual sponsor's needs; all include a table of ten and features scaled to the value of the sponsorship. Individual ticket prices are \$200. NCO member tickets are \$100 for yourself and one guest only.

EVERY DIME WE MAKE AFTER EXPENSES ARE PAID GOES DIRECTLY TO ATHLETES TRAINING FOR FUTURE GAMES via the NCO GRANT PROGRAM—THE CHIEF RAISON D'ETRE FOR THE NCO. So get on the phone and call in your chits and contact Helen Mendel at 925.829.3018 for additional information or for help in closing the deal.

We—and current and future Olympians—are counting on you.

## Olympic News Northern Californians Populate Athens Games

When the Olympic Games opened in the tradition of their birthplace—Athens, Greece—on August 16, Northern Californians carried forth our tradition of sending a large, talented and diverse contingent who call this area home. Whether by birth, residence, place of study or choice of training and whether wearing the stars and stripes or the colors of the world, we cheer these men and women for two weeks of summer, then will greet them in person at our *Welcome Home Dinner* this fall (see info at left). We are honored to call them Northern California Olympians.

## 2004 Northern California Olympians:

### Badminton

Howard Bach, San Francisco

### Boxing

Vicente Escobedo, Woodland  
Andre Ward, Oakland

### Canoe/Kayak

Rami Zur, Berkeley

### Cycling

Levi Leipheimer, Santa Rosa  
Mary McConeloug, Fairfax  
Christine Thorburn, Menlo Park

### Gymnastics

Jennifer Parilla, Lake Forest  
Jason Gatson, Upland

### Judo

Charlee Minkin, Half Moon Bay  
Ellen Wilson, Salinas

### Rowing

Jamie Schroeder, current Stanford, straight  
Sabrina Kolker, Stanford grad, Canada  
Samantha Magee, current Stanford, women's eights  
Matt Deakin, San Francisco, men's eights  
Mary Whipple, Sacramento, women's eights  
Alison Cox, Turlock, women's eights  
Megan Dirkmaat, San Jose, women's eights  
Pete Cipollone, Cal, men's eight  
Laurel Korholz, Cal, women's eight

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Luke Walton, Cal, men's pair

### **Men's and Women's Spares**

Mike Altman, Marin County

### **Sailing**

Paul Cayard, Kentfield

### **Soccer**

Brandi Chastain, San Jose

Joy Fawcett, Cal grad

Julie Foudy, Stanford grad

Aly Wagner, San Jose

### **Softball**

Jessica Mendoza, Stanford grad

Lauren Lappin, Stanford, alternate

John Rittman, Stanford, assistant coach

Chloe Kloezeaman, Notre Dame-Belmont grad, Greece

Lindsay James, Sequoia High grad, Greece

### **Swimming**

Jenny Thompson, Stanford grad, 50 free, 100 fly

Natalie Coughlin, Cal grad, 100 back, 100 free

Haley Cope, Cal grad, 100 back

Kristen Caverly, current Stanford, 200 back

Tara Kirk, Stanford grad, 100 breast

Dana Kirk, current Stanford, 200 fly

Markus Rogan, Stanford grad, Austria, backstrokes

Teri McKeever, Cal coach, asst. coach

Richard Quick, Stanford coach, asst. coach

### **Synchronized Swimming**

Alison Bartosik, Santa Clara

Tammy Crow, Cal

Erin Dobratz, current Stanford, Clayton

Anna Kozlova, Santa Clara

Sara Lowe, Sunnyvale

Becky Jasontek, Santa Clara

Lauren McFall, Los Altos

Kendra Zannotto, Los Gatos

### **Table Tennis**

Khoa Nguyen, San Jose

### **Tennis**

Bob Bryan, Stanford grad

Mike Bryan, Stanford grad

### **Track and Field**

Grace Upshaw, Menlo Park, long jump

Kristin Heaston, Mt. View, shot put

Nicole Teter, Palo Alto, 800

Stacy Dragila, Auburn native, pole vault

Calvin Harrison, Salinas native, relay pool

Toby Stevenson, Stanford grad, pole vault

Jonathon Riley, Stanford grad, 5,000

Grant Robison Stanford grad, 1,500

Stacy Dragila, Auburn native, pole vault

Bryan Clay, Azusa, track & field

Monique Hennagan, Stockbridge, track & field

### **Triathlon**

Barb Lindquist, Stanford grad

Victor Plata, Santa Cruz

### **Women's Volleyball (beach)**

Kerri Walsh, Saratoga, Stanford grad

### **Women's Volleyball (indoor)**

Ogonna Nnamani, current Stanford

Logan Tom, Stanford grad

### **Men's Volleyball (indoor)**

Gabe Gardner, Stanford grad

### **Women's Water Polo**

Margie Dingeldein, Stanford grad

Ellen Estes, Stanford grad

Jackie Frank, Stanford grad

Ericka Lorenz, Cal grad

Heather Petri, Cal grad

Brenda Villa, Stanford grad

### **Men's Water Polo**

Tony Azevedo, current Stanford

Layne Beaubain, Stanford grad

Wolf Wigo, Stanford grad

Dan Klatt, Fresno

Jeff Powers, San Luis Obispo

### **Wrestling**

Stephen Abas, Fresno

Eric Guerrero, Santa Clara

Patricia Miranda, Saratoga, Stanford grad

This list capably compiled and generously provided by Keith Peters of the *Palo Alto Weekly*, John Crumpacker of the *San Francisco Chronicle*, the USOC and Anne Cribbs.

### **Cribbs to Run for U.S. Olympians Presidency**

Long-time NCO leader *Anne Warner Cribbs* aimed to lead the U.S. Olympians organization in the position soon to be vacated by *John Naber* (1972, 1976 Swimming) when she submitted her candidacy statement in early August. The body of that statement follows. Elections will be held in November. More info to come.

"I've been honored to serve as a Vice President of the U.S. Olympians over the past four years, and have come to see even more clearly the power and influence Olympians from all over the world can have on our communities. Olympians are an extraordinary resource: one

that has the power to inspire future generations.

"A strong chapter organization must be at the heart of our effort—working hand in hand with the USOC Olympic Alumni office. As President of the Northern California Olympians for the past 12 years, I have led the development of a number of specific tools: our database, our newsletter, our special events—including our quadrennial Welcome Home Dinner, "Training for 2012" youth program, 5K "Circle" run—and our networking. The NCO continues to be pleased to share these tools with other chapters.

"I believe that Olympians from past teams are a great but under-utilized resource. In this time of concern about obesity and lack of physical fitness, I challenge each Olympian to be a voice for lifelong fitness in their own community, setting an example, inspiring youth and adults alike and creating a 'culture of fitness.'

"I welcome the opportunity to serve this organization as President for the next four years, as we work with the USOC to strengthen the organization of Olympic alumni, serve the goal of the Olympic Charter—"to contribute to building a peaceful and better world by educating youth through sport,"—and provide fellowship for Olympians from past and current teams to enjoy and celebrate their own Olympic experience.

"In the Olympic Spirit...."

-Anne Warner Cribbs  
1960 Swimming

### **BASOC is Busy**

If you know *Anne Warner Cribbs* (1960 Swimming) and the other energetic folks of the Bay Area Sports Organizing Committee board and ranks, you won't be surprised to hear that they are busy—busy bringing high-caliber sports competitions of all flavors to the San Francisco Bay Area. Here's a summary of recent coups and activities:

- San Francisco and Houston, Texas are finalists (Olympic bid redux!) to host the 2009 Summer National Senior Games—aka, The Senior Olympics—the world's largest multi-sport event for adults over the age of 50 featuring 18 disciplines and 15,000 athletes.
- Conversations continue to host the

2011 Track & Field World Championships at Stanford;

- Mayor Gavin Newsom has pledged his support for the Bay Area to host the 2007 Jr. World Championships in Table Tennis (complete with Chinese television and at least 10 million viewers!). The bid is due next February;
- Negotiations continue on the procurement of land for the Monterey Horse Park, a legacy project of the 2012 Bid. The effort is led by an active board and an advisory committee composed of national leaders in all equine disciplines. Visit their web site at [www.montereyhorsepark.org](http://www.montereyhorsepark.org).

And an update on the 2012 IOC selection: the candidates have been narrowed to Paris, London, New York, Madrid and Moscow. Reports say that New York ranked fourth in technical marks. Madrid recently made a public commitment to the environment, similar to BASOC's plan.

## Event Report

### Olympic Night at PacBell...er, SBC...Park

NCO and BASOC celebrated their 5th annual Night at the Giants on Wednesday, August 4th. Fun, food, great baseball and an on-the-field ceremony to salute the Olympic Games in Athens were enjoyed when San Francisco took on the Cincinnati Reds. Three NCO members and esteemed Olympians from three different generations were honored—*Alex Tarics* (1936 Water Polo), *Jeff Float* (1984 Swimming) and *Ted Murphy* (2000 Rowing)—along with BASOC committee members *Anne Warner Cribbs* (1960 Swimming), *Michael Bruner* (1976, 1980 Swimming), *Barbra Higgins* (1984 Fencing), *Marilyn King* (1972, 1976, Track & Field), *Jan Corwin* (1988 Medical Staff), *Rob Weikert* and *Jim Woolwine*, while Welcome Home Dinner information flashed on the scoreboard.

It was another great night at the ballpark.

### Memberabilia

*Katrina Radke* (1988 Swimming) was named U.S. Swimming's Age Group Swimmer of the Year for the 30-34 age group. Katrina swam lifetime bests in the

## Mark Your Calendar!

**August 25:** NCO Board Meeting, Orinda, 6 p.m. (where we can view a TV!)

**September 21:** NCO Board Meeting, location TBD, hosted by Barbra Higgins

**November 3:** NCO Welcome Home Dinner, Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco

**November 16:** NCO Board Meeting, location TBD, hosted by Kim Carlisle

**December 6:** NCO Holiday Party, Location TBD

All board meetings 7 to 9 p.m. except where noted differently. For location and directions, e-mail [cribbasaw@pacbell.net](mailto:cribbasaw@pacbell.net). Watch your (snail and email) mailboxes for more info on this year's special events.

50 and 100 free, qualifying her for the U.S. Olympic trials and placing her 4th at the U.S. Nationals in the 50, about which she says: "I am thankful and blessed that I have fully recovered from Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and that I could make it back to the Olympic Trials and the Nationals after 12 years of no training. I feel lucky that I have had a great coach, Ross Gerry, be able to wake me from the 'dead' and get me back in shape enough to compete at a top level." Katrina recorded a sprightly 25.89 in a 50 free time trial at the Trials, which would have placed her 10th going in the semis, and a 25.92 at the Nationals, leading qualifiers into the finals...*Greg Massialas* (1980-88 Fencing) returned to his homeland for the Athens Games as alumni athlete, fencing coach, and NCO representative to the VISA Olympic Alumni Center. Greg sent this message via email on Friday, August 13th as we were preparing this newsletter for printing: "Greetings from Athens. We are all having a great time going swimming in the sea and generally enjoying life along the coast. Yesterday we saw the flame go by Cape Sounio and we are ready to see the Opening Ceremony tonight (today has been declared a national holiday)"... *Debby De Angelis* (1976 Rowing) is also

in Athens working as an international technical official for FISA, the international rowing federation...the beautiful *Kristi Yamaguchi* (1994 Figure Skating) graced the cover of the March issue of San Francisco Peninsula's *Gentry* magazine. The story focused on The Always Dream Foundation created by Kristi to "find innovative ways to provide funding and encouragement for a diverse range of programs for children and young adults." Originally founded in collaboration with The United Way, the Foundation is now an independent public charity serving California, Nevada and Hawaii...Art is the prominent theme now in at least three Northern California Olympians lives—all aquatic (it must be something in the water): *Kimberly Carlisle* (1980 Swimming) is launching The Carlisle Enterprise, a corporation formed by seven entities—art gallery(s), photography, writing, film, publishing, music and eventually a ranch for the rescue and rehabilitation of racehorses (the equine breed, not Olympians—perhaps an idea she hadn't considered?)...A key artist in her Between Waters Gallery (opening in September at the Allied Arts Guild in Menlo Park) is the amazing *Gregory Burns*, (1992-2000 Paralympian, Swimming), prolific painter of acrylic and oil on canvas and world traveler with his abundantly creative wife, Hsiao Hsing (nee Angie). They have collaborated on a gorgeous book of his art and her design and photography that will be published in November and available from Gregory and at the gallery...And speaking of books, athletes and collaborations, Olympic water polo goalies *Jack Bowen* (2000) and *Sean Nolan* (2000) have published *The Way of the GoalKeeper*, with compelling photography by Sean and insightful text by Jack. They will present their book at an artist's opening on August 21 from 12 to 2:30 p.m. at Torrefazione Italia Café, 295 California (at Battery) in San Francisco...more next issue!

**NEW BASOC WEBSITE** now up and running—new url [www.basoc.org](http://www.basoc.org) (old one [www.basoc2012.org](http://www.basoc2012.org) still works too)

### Dues are Due!

To keep pace with rising costs, your dues of \$40 per year continue to fund our ability to bring you Olympic news, invitations, opportunities and fellowship.

Make your check payable to the *Northern California Olympians* and send along with the adjacent membership form to membership chair *Jan Corwin* (1988 Medical Staff) at 501 Tahos Road, Orinda, CA 94563-2918.

And if you'd rather not hassle with sending a check each year, a single sum of \$1000 will purchase a membership in the NCO for life and is tax-deductible to the extent the law allows. Charitable gifts are welcomed. All membership fees and gifts not used for operating expenses go directly to athletes via the NCO Grant Program.

The NCO would like to conduct more communication by e-mail, so please e-mail [jcorwin@dnai.com](mailto:jcorwin@dnai.com) with your e-mail address, whether or not it has changed recently.

Visit the NCO Web Site, [ncolympians.org](http://ncolympians.org) for news, event and membership information.

### Update Us

**And while you are sending your dues, send this, too!**

If you've relocated recently or changed your cell number or e-mail address, please let Jan Corwin know by completing the attached form and mailing to 501 Tahos Road, Orinda, CA 94563-2918 or e-mailing Jan at [jcorwin@dnai.com](mailto:jcorwin@dnai.com).

### NCO New Member/Member Update Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, ST, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Profession \_\_\_\_\_

Olympic Sport(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to work on the Welcome Home Dinner?

yes

no

Would you be interested in serving on the NCO Board?

yes

no

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**Welcome Home Dinner is Nov. 3!  
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