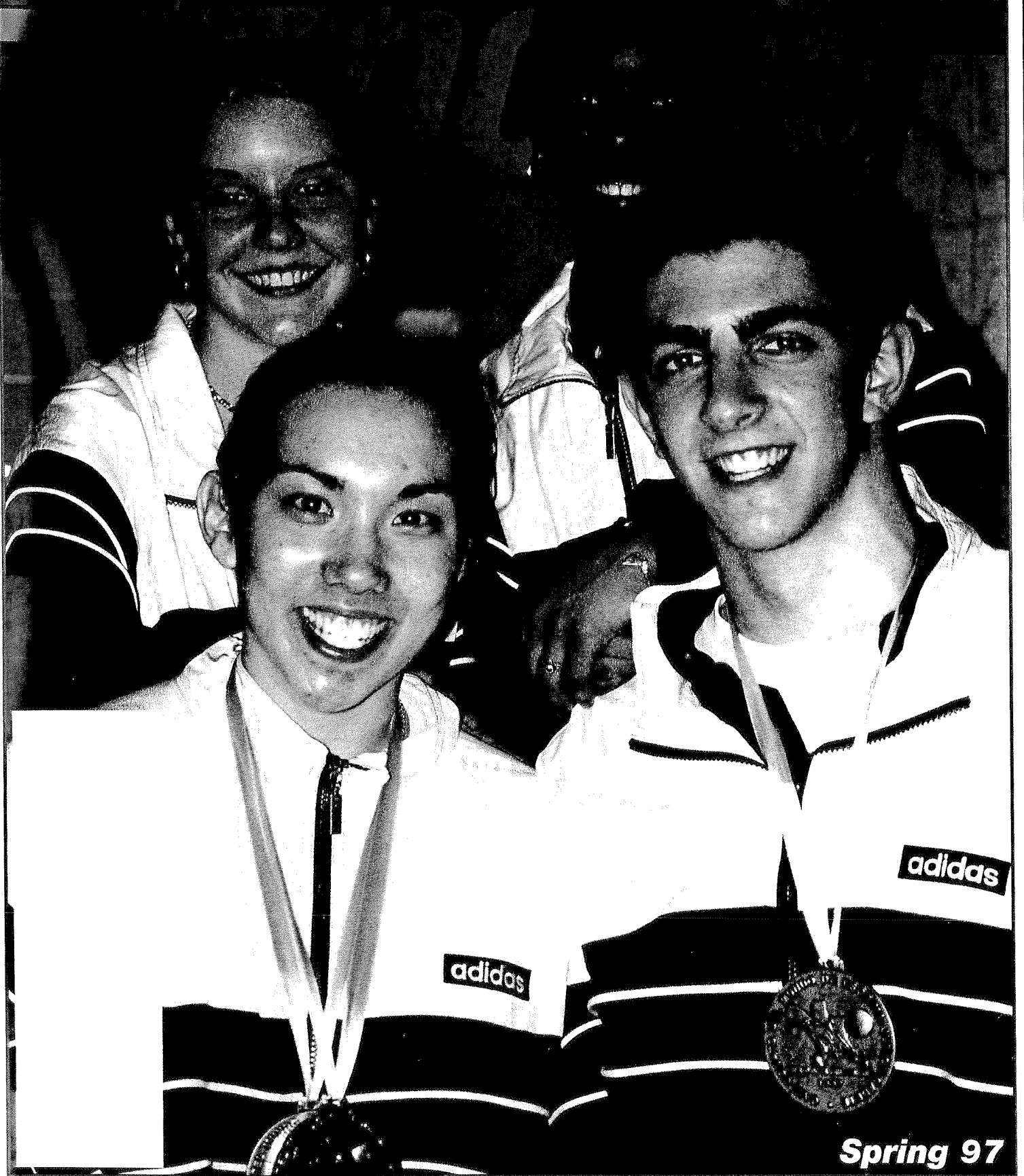


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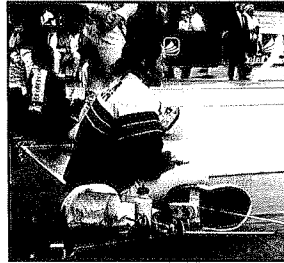
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What's Real ... and What's Not ... About the USFA Bylaw Changes

No rhetoric, no scare tactics, no old jealousies triggering an attempt to mislead the membership.

BY CANDI MACCONAUGHA, EDITOR

This is really your magazine. That's why it's the rare occasion when I assert an editor's prerogative to reserve a page for my own opinion. But, there have been so many charges and counter-charges swirling about the proposed bylaws changes that I feel an obligation — as a member of the Board of Directors that twice voted to adopt the changes as well as your editor — to set the record straight.

Postings to the internet and position papers widely circulated by those opposing the bylaw changes would have you believe that the revision represents a “power grab” on the part of the current administration, that this is an attempt to “pack” the Board with representatives supportive of the President's policies. A look at the numbers illustrates the absurdity of that misstatement:

The new Board is a member-driven assembly, not an elite group of political cronies. With the sole exception of the athlete representation required by the USOC, every member is either voted on directly by the membership (the six officers and the ten section representatives) or approved by the USFA Congress — a body elected by the membership at the sectional and divisional level.

More importantly, because the majority of non-athlete Directors (ten from the Sections, four from Congress) are elected specifically to represent the membership, local and grassroots needs should receive high priority. Under the proposed changes, these Directors will serve on the Board because they want to, not because it is a secondary aspect of their local responsibilities as it now the case.

The Athlete Issue

Much has been made of the USOC imperative that elite athletes, elected by their peers, comprise 20% of our Board. Trust me, you may quarrel with the wisdom of the demand, but the USOC has the power to make it.

Title II of the Amateur Sports Act of 1978 creates and governs the National Governing Body system, under which the USFA operates. The Act specifies that “no amateur sports organization is eligible to be recognized ... as a national governing body unless it ... demonstrates that its board of directors ... includes among its members individuals who are actively engaged in amateur competition in the sport ... or who have represented the United States in international amateur athletic competition ... (and that) membership and voting power held by such individuals is not less than 20 percent”

Further, the Act gives the USOC the authority to recognize NGBs. And under Section 201(c), the USOC is required to police the NGBs for compliance with this and other mandates and to suspend or revoke NGB status for noncompliance.

The USOC has used its oversight authority to interpret the Act; specifically it has whittled down “athlete” to include only those who are, in the words of the USOC Board of Directors, “competing at a level of proficiency appropriate for selection to a national team in that sport.” While we might disagree in concept and in practice with this definition, the law of the sandlot prevails: it's their ballpark and ball, hence they get to make the rules. Unfortunately, the legal costs of challenging the USOC are prohibitive although other NGBs, as adversely affected by USOC definition as the USFA but with greater resources, are considering taking on Big Brother.

The Cost of Decertification

The USOC rules us out of compliance with their governance requirements. If they continue to do so, the financial consequences of decertification could be devastating to fencers at every level. Without USOC support (\$350,000+ per year) and underwriting (the national office at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, team logistics and funding from the Olympic to the World University games), the USFA would revert to an organization run out of the trunks of volunteer cars. That worked in 1977, but our expectations have escalated in the past 20 years. Few of us would willingly return to the days of no national competition for any but the most elite athletes, no coach development programs, no insurance coverage to protect clubs, no financial support for USFA teams, no age-group competitions to motivate and develop our talented youth (can your community mount an Under-17 competition with 100 competitors?).

Most painful of all would be our elimination from competition in the Olympic Games. An Olympic medal at a fully attended Games is in sight; without the right to compete under the United States Olympic Committee umbrella, we may never witness the accomplishment of that dream.

I urge you to vote for the Board of Directors restructuring. The future of our athletes — young and old, recreational or elite — depends on it.

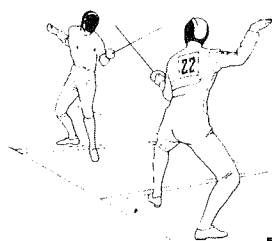
Westbrook's Winning Way

Peter Westbrook's fencing legend includes 13 National Championships in Mens Sabre, three gold medals in the Pan Am Games and a bronze medal in the 1984 Olympic Games, plus participation in five additional Olympics. Until recently, however, his legend was spread solely by word of mouth.

Now you can read all about the legend and what motivated him in *Harnessing Anger: The Way of an American Fencer*, written by Westbrook with Tej Hazarika. Westbrook recounts that, as a child, he had a lot to be angry about: a father who abused his mother, a home in the housing projects of New Jersey and a future that seemed without redemption. But, thanks to the foresight of his mother, Westbrook's life took a different turn when she enrolled him in a private school where he was to take his first fencing lessons.

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, the book lover's bible, calls *Harnessing Anger* “an inspiring memoir about being poor and biracial; learning confidence and self-control; understanding the cultural differences within our country; and mastering the psychology and politics of competition and winning.”

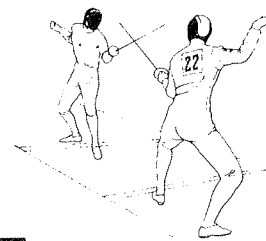
Westbrook channeled his anger into winning and enjoyed a 25 year career in competitive fencing. But the Westbrook legend is really about life lessons, applicable to even the most sedentary. The book is available at all Barnes & Noble and Borders bookstores.



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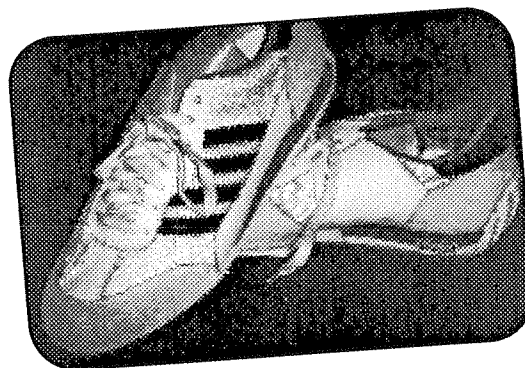


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USFA Members: Take a Bow!!

US Fencing is healthier than ever, thanks to the contributions of thousands of Association members.

BY DONALD W. ALPERSTEIN, USFA PRESIDENT

The year is not even half over and already the USFA has recorded a number of significant milestones.

We've crossed the 10,000-member threshold for the first time in our more than 100-year history. In fact, we've shattered it! By the time this issue of AMERICAN FENCING hits your mailbox, our membership will likely be 12,000 strong.

Likewise, complete revamping of our National Championship Tournament structure has increased participation beyond our most optimistic projections. Reducing the number of events at the Junior Olympics had little effect on the number of entrants, and the Summer Nationals will draw a record number of fencers from around the country in a multitude of skill and age groups. Assigning the Division I National Championships a weekend of its own and raising qualification criteria resulted in a leaner, stronger and more meaningful competition for America's most accomplished fencers.

These developments show that we are maturing as an organization and that fencing is healthier in the United States than it has been in a long time. At all levels, from the public schools, rec centers and clubs through our international teams, we are making progress and doing a better job of serving our members' needs. By working together and striking the optimum allocation of resources among many demands, we can continue to improve, and we can achieve what we set out to accomplish.

Let me give you an example. During Easter week, American fencers at the Junior/Cadet World Championships attained a level of performance that as few as five years ago many at home and around the globe said we would never reach. Our team returned with a gold, a silver and a bronze medal. Two other fencers made finals. During the entire decade of the 1980s, not one American made it to the final eight. To what do we owe this improvement? Who turned around our programs and enabled the USA to become a respected player in international fencing?

I have my answer: this has been an organization-wide accomplishment involving thousands of people from all segments of the USFA.

As the results began to arrive from Tenerife, I received many congratulatory calls, letters and email messages. I was pleased to accept on behalf of the USFA, but on each occasion I recalled an event I witnessed at the 1994 National Championships.

The USFA had just hired an outsider to serve as its executive director. This man, who had no previous experience with fencing, was attending his first competition. Before arriving in Salt Lake City he tried to familiarize himself with the organization, but the process was incomplete. I stood nearby as he was introduced to Ralph Zimmerman, now a vice-president of the USFA. The new executive

director promptly opined that Ralph must be proud indeed of his daughter, Felicia, who was accomplishing so much in the sport. With characteristic aplomb, Ralph replied that while he was honored anyone would think him related to such a fine person and competitor as Felicia, he felt compelled to set the record straight.

Well, so too do I.

No individual or group can take sole credit. Our increasing strength in international competition, our growing membership, the burgeoning number of competitors in divisional, sectional and national events reflect the contributions of many. Every club that solicits new fencers, every coach who perfects her craft,

every parent who chaperones a team trip, every athlete who exhibits good sportsmanship advances the cause of fencing locally and internationally.

Technicians across the country devote untold night and weekend hours to keeping old and finicky equipment working so that on Saturday or Sunday we will be able to hook up and fence.

Referees as dedicated as the competitors about improving their skills — from the ranks of the unrated to the eight who presided in the Atlanta Olympic Games — foster an environment in which competitors believe that their results fairly reflect the quality of their fencing, not chance or favoritism.

Many members concentrate on administrative tasks. Local bout committees (or, as we call them in the Colorado, meet managers), share credit side by side with those Americans who now regularly serve as Directoire Technique or Arbitrage at major FIE events. Division officers make sure that every member has a place to compete, have fun and hone skills. Others participate in deliberations of committees or the Board of Directors, helping reach the decisions that improve the fencing environment and allocate the limited resources available to the USFA.

This very magazine reflects the work of contributors who span the spectrum from our grassroots to professionals with world-wide reputations, all prepared for the press by a tireless volunteer editor.

My predecessor, Steve Sobel, wrote often in these pages that fencing is an individual sport but a team effort. He was right. In the end, when the referee says "Fence!" in a high school gym or "Allez!" on a World Championship stage, the combatant is on his or her own. But that fencer would not be where he or she is without the contributions of all those who devote time and energy to the USFA.

You are a vital component of Team USA, whose results are celebrated on page 16 of this issue of AMERICAN FENCING. So when you see Iris Zimmermann's World Championship Gold medal, or Andrea Ament's picture in SPORT'S ILLUSTRATED, take a moment

**“You are a vital
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to congratulate them, their coaches and yourself on jobs well done. Take pride in their accomplishments. You helped make them possible.

And Now, the Bad News

In contrast to the satisfaction derived from our recent accomplishments at home and abroad, I was appalled and embarrassed at the recent Division I Nationals by the total lack of recognition given our national championship finalists. The medal bouts were so poorly attended that one could hardly tell something important was going on. Not only did the competitors deserve an appreciative audience, but certainly those who had been earlier vanquished could have picked up a point or two by observing the commendable skills of those still fighting for the national crown.

Where were the spectators? I'm not speaking of the public. I'm talking about fencers, those who already understand and appreciate our sport.

We bemoan the lack of attention we receive in the media and from the broader sports community. But frankly, if we don't care enough to pay attention, why should they? If nothing else, I would think the coaches of eliminated fencers would want their charges to learn something by watching the victors. Certainly, the finalists have earned our respect, and we should recognize their accomplishments. Moreover, I have no doubt that any coach whose student was competing for a medal would feel that his fencer deserved the rapt attention of throngs of appreciative onlookers. Those who have attained the position to which every coach and fencer aspires deserve no less.

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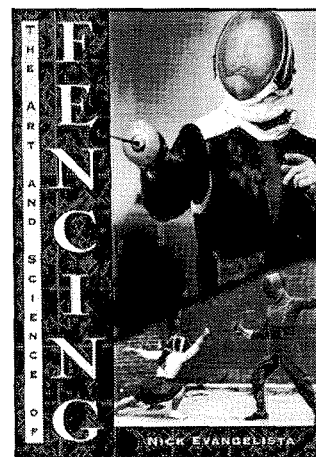
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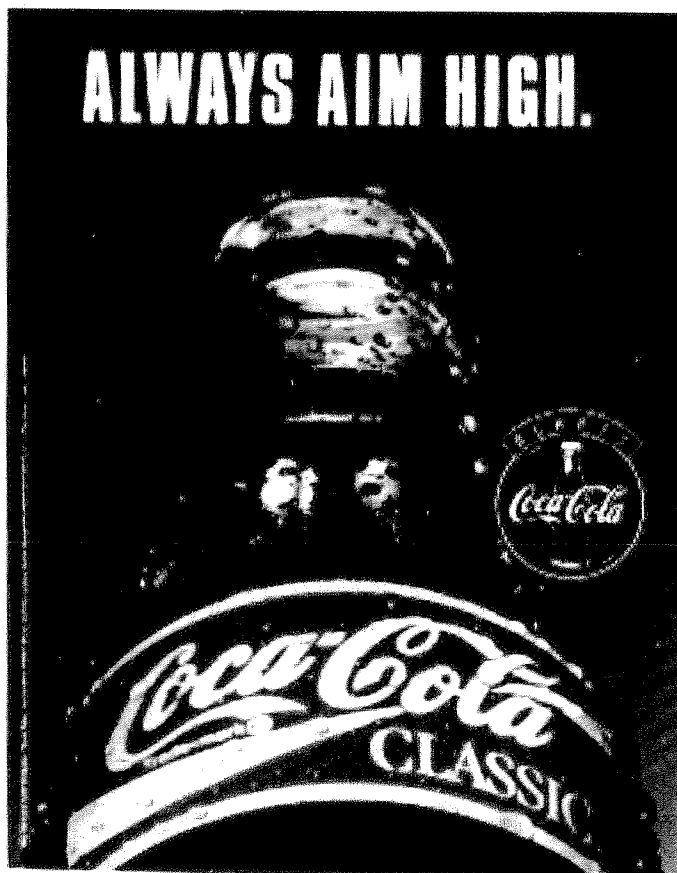
James DeWitt's article (AMERICAN FENCING, Winter 97, *Help for the College Bound Fencer*) was helpful in bringing collegiate information to our readers.

In collegiate fencing there is one combined NCAA Championship in which both men and women compete toward a team title. It is one of the few sports in which there is no difference between a Division I, II or III institution. The academic requirements and eligibility rules may differ between divisions, but the level of competition in fencing varies little. A Division I institution may fence any number of Division I, II or III school teams during the season.

The list of institutions with recognized NCAA varsity fencing programs can change from year to year. My suggestion to the high school senior who is writing letters of introduction to various programs and coaches would be the following: If you are not positive about the name of the coach at the institution, request that information from the school's athletic department or simply write: Dear Coach. Ask the current coach at your school of choice to send you information on financial aid or scholarship packages. If you are interested in fencing at the NCAA level, request a current list of institutions from the NCAA at 6201 College Boulevard, Overland Park, Kansas 66211-2422.

Some of the schools which were listed in the chart printed in AMERICAN FENCING, Winter '97 are not NCAA programs but rather club programs. The NCAA's current list of varsity level collegiate programs and their coaches follows.

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The Care & Feeding of Real Spectators

"Fencing is not a spectator sport!" How many times have you heard that bromide? Like most bromides it diverts thinking about a subject that might find exceptions or even call it in question. In this case it may also cover embarrassment over not knowing how to attract spectators to fencing. After all, are not spectators a sign of successful endeavors, social acceptance and value? Let us examine the subject in spite of the bromide.

I submit there are two kinds of spectators, fencing spectators and real spectators. The former come primarily to see the fencing, the latter come primarily to be entertained. The distinction is not a semantic one; they have differing needs, as I shall explain.

The most important thing real spectators need is a fixed schedule, so they know when to show up and what time to commit. Organizers rarely satisfy this critical need, so it is not surprising that real spectators don't show up. Three hours is about as long as real spectators will stay. Fencing spectators might like a schedule, but it is not critical, because they will attend and leave on their own schedules.

The second thing real spectators need is a degree of comfort about the proceedings. Information on directions and parking, comfortable seats, access to food and restrooms all fall into this category. Again, except for the latter, these are not critical needs for the fencing spectator; they have information, will sit on benches and bring their own food.

The third thing real spectators need is to learn what is going on.

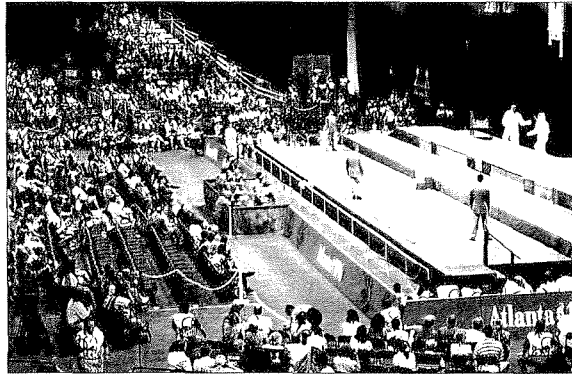
A program that explains the rules, a list of players, scoreboards to show bout and tournament progress, an announcer to explain the process are all necessary. The fencing spectator considers these niceties not needs.

The fourth thing that real spectators need is entertainment, a show, a reason for coming. Music, color, excitement, someone or something to cheer for, and above all instant replay video meet this need. Fencing spectators are entertained by the fencing, but can appreciate the above. They might even get used to them.

So, if we satisfy the needs of real spectators, will they come? They did at the Olympic Games, but that may be a special case. Why not test the premise at our reformatted National Championships in February and in May. Could we not have a three session individual schedule, say from 9am-noon for the preliminaries, 2-

5pm for the direct elimination from 32 to 4, and a final of four from 7-9pm? Could we not have team finals in the relay format with a bronze medal match follow by a gold medal match? Even fencers could love this schedule, and it might work for any major tournament.

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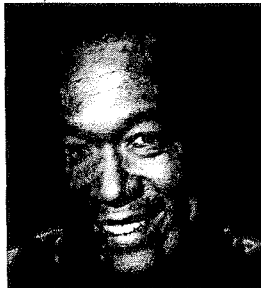
Peter Westbrook is widely considered the greatest American fencer of the twentieth century. *Harnessing Anger: The Way of an American Fencer* tells the story of how the son of an African-American father and a Japanese mother rose to the top of a sport traditionally dominated by white Europeans.

This is a book that delves into Westbrook's trials and tragedies, disappointments and successes, on the fencing mat and off. There are many fencing anecdotes, and life anecdotes—but Pete's response to life's tribulations is always that of a champion fencer: quick and decisive.

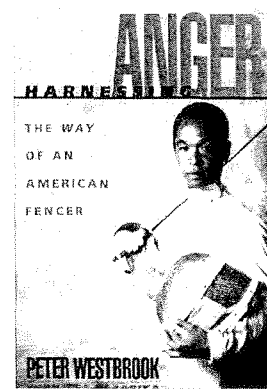
To Pete Westbrook, "harnessing anger" means controlling one's fury and channelling it in a positive direction. Westbrook's success in what he once called "that strange white sport," is really just one expression of the self-discipline which has led him to beat the odds, again and again.

The story of the life of this remarkable champion extends in significance beyond the competitive arena. *Harnessing Anger: The Way of an American Fencer* is more than just the story of a successful athlete.

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What Does “Sanctioning” Have to Do with a Great Competition?

There are some pretty good reasons why it's a smart idea to fence by the rules.

BY EDWIN (BUZZ) HURST

For some time the realization has gradually crept over me that many of you out there are unsure or downright confused about what a sanctioned tournament is, who sanctions one, and who gets to fence in one.

These questions could become suddenly and startlingly pertinent if some claim should be made against the division officers and they look to the USFA's insurance carrier to come to their rescue.

They will find that an insurance company can be quite rigorous in discovering some reason why it won't have to pay; any of you who believe otherwise must still be leaving carrots out for the Easter Bunny. For the rest of you, it obviously behooves a division to make sure all its "i"s are dotted and its "t"s crossed.

So, what is a sanctioned tournament? The simplest answer is that it is one which appears on a USFA schedule: the National Calendar, a Section schedule, or most commonly, a Division schedule. An event that was arranged too late to appear on a schedule could still be sanctioned if it is approved by the Division executive committee and sufficient notice is given to the membership.

Obviously, a sanctioned tournament must comply with all safety and procedural rules mandated by the USFA, especially as regards the condition of the equipment of the fencers allowed to participate. If you're asking the musical question, "How do you make sure of that?" the answer is to have at least one official representative of the Division (preferably an officer) at each competition - perhaps carrying an Uzi.

Another question that often screams from the lips is: So what ... who cares whether a tournament is sanctioned as long as everybody has fun? Well for starters, I suspect the insurance company cares. Secondly, the USFA cares.

Secondly, not only can't one earn a classification in a non-sanctioned competition, but the rule book actually says that USFA members can not even fence in one. In fact, the rule book goes on to point out that a member could be expelled from the USFA for so

doing. Now, I've never heard of the Board of Directors doing such a thing, or even discussing it, but then I've never heard a good reason for fencing in an unsanctioned tournament, either. None of the foregoing prevents a division from sanctioning "fun" events (T-shirt foil, parrot sabre, swimfin epee, etc.) as long as safety rules are being observed and an official representative of the division is present.

O.K. If there are no further questions, we'll move on. Who gets to fence in sanctioned competitions? Well, folks, this will come as a shock to some but U.S. Fencing Association tournaments are for U.S. Fencing Association members only. Just because dear old Uncle (on your mother's side) Lothar always wanted to fence in a tournament and "just might join if he likes it" cutteth no ice with either the USFA or the insurance company. If one does not belong to the USFA one doesn't fence in a USFA tournament, period.

Any tournament held under the auspices of a USFA Division is, by definition, a USFA tournament, therefore...

Let's say that, just for purposes of discussion, the bout committee decides to let dear old Uncle Lothar fence anyway, and naturally in his first bout he trips over his own feet, falls against the scoring table, and snorts up a lung. He of course has no medical insurance and, since he is not a USFA member, his medical costs aren't covered by that insurance. A week later, when each officer receives his or her own personalized copy of dear old Uncle Lothar's lawsuit, I wouldn't even bother contacting the USFA insurance carrier unless you want to give them a good chuckle. Bye the bye, if any of you reading this

Non-sanctioned tournaments are not covered by USFA insurance and it could cost you a bushel to successfully defend against even the most frivolous lawsuit.

believe that just because someone's legal claim against you has absolutely no merit, it won't cost you an arm and a leg if you are not insured, you need to talk to your nearest attorney very soon.

The one exception to the member only rule, at least that I know of, is that someone with a valid F.I.E. card could fence in any tournaments that weren't qualifiers to a National championship, since those are reserved for US citizens. Howsoever, if our visitor settles down in the county, he's got to join the USFA, F.I.E. license or not.

One last thing concerning the distinction between "open," "closed" and "restricted" competitions. These appellations are fairly well defined in the USFA Operations Manual and so I'm going to let you look it up yourself on page 8 (yeah, I know ... so borrow somebody's). What is not explicitly stated in the Ops Manual is that professionals can fence in most competitions other than qualifiers, as long as these pros are members in good standing of the USFA and the division has not specifically declared the competition "amateur only."

A professional is not eligible for our national championships, and therefore he or she could not be eligible to compete in qualifying competitions since they are defined as early rounds of those championships.

Lajos Stephen Csiszar 1903- 1997

Lajos Stephen Csiszar, 93, a fencing coach known by almost all simply as "Maestro," died Thursday afternoon, February 20th, at Allegheny University Hospitals, East Falls, Philadelphia. In December, he had undergone open heart surgery.

Lajos Csiszar was born in Transylvania, (Hungary) now a part of Romania. He turned professional at 25, and became a world renowned fencing coach in Hungary in the 1930s and 40s.

Maestro Csiszar trained fencers in Hungary with Italy's "Papa" Santelli, who emigrated to Hungary and who is widely regarded as the Father of Modern Sabre Fencing. Although offered positions in the United States prior to the beginning of the Second World War, Csiszar stayed in Hungary, supporting his coach and mentor in his later years. Eventually, after the Second World War, he received a contract to teach fencing at the University of Pennsylvania. He and his wife, Margit, moved to the United States in 1948.

He was the fencing coach of the University of Pennsylvania from 1948 to 1974, guiding the team to Penn's first NCAA Championship (in any sport) in 1953, and another title in 1969. He created nine NCAA champions and 27 All-Americans while at Penn. In Philadelphia, Maestro worked with literally dozens of Olympians and US National Team members, creating many of them from their first lessons. Still active in fencing are Dr. Nikki Franke and David Micahnik, currently head coaches at Temple and Penn, respectively. He has over 20 US National Individual and Team National

Champions with his club, Salle Csiszar. Salle Csiszar was a dominant force in American fencing, taking numerous National titles in all weapons, the most recent the Sabre Team Championship in 1994.

Maestro Csiszar was the fencing coach for the 1956 US Olympic Team in Melbourne, a coach of the US Team at the World Championships of 1970, the Pan-American Games of 1971, and a special advisor for the US Olympic team in Munich, 1972. In addition to coaching at Penn, he coached for a while with his good friend Georgio Santelli, son of Papa Santelli, and at the New York Athletic Club. He also taught fencing at Camp Tecumseh near Center Harbor, New Hampshire, a private boys' sports camp, every summer from 1956 to 1994.

Maestro Csiszar was inducted into the Helms Hall of Fame which honors excellence in amateur sports, and recognized by the City of Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania State Senate. Recently, he also received the Santelli Award from the Hungarian Fencing Federation, recognizing contributions to the sport of fencing. He was the first recipient to be recognized outside of Hungary.

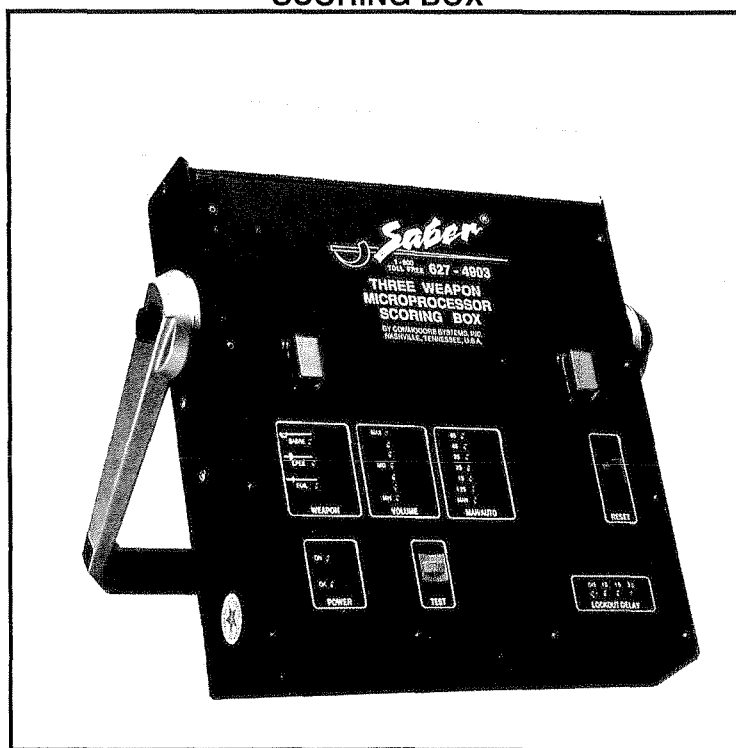
He is survived by Margit, his wife of 50 years, his two daughters Dora Csiszar Beothy and Agnes Csiszar Bakken, grandchildren Elizabeth and Andrew Beothy, Michael, Peter, and Grace Bakken, and his devoted students both in Europe and the United States.

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Blades in the Olympic Spotlight

Broken blades occur less frequently now that the FIE threatens decertification for a manufacturer's test failure.

BY JOE BYRNES

“Say, mister, look at this!” It was an earnest-looking sub-teen at one of our big New Jersey high-school-age bashes, presumably a non-fencing younger sibling of one of the competitors, and probably attending his first competition. He was holding out the broken end of a foil blade. I was tempted to make a smart remark, but he looked so very earnest that I merely said “Yes, that’s a neat break,” or something of the sort. He was clearly puzzled, and I concluded that he couldn’t have seen very many competitions. But his evident surprise set me to thinking.

It’s true: we don’t see nearly the number of broken blades these days that we used to. One of my memories of the sabre events at the 1964 Olympics is the recurrent tinkle of breaking blades; it went on all day long. (In those bad old days, fencers used to do a lot of improper grinding on their blades to make them lighter, with the aim of getting a “nice balance” — and in the process altering the temper and making them very breakable indeed.)

In recent years, with the improvements in blade metallurgy, the number of broken blades has dramatically dropped. It is not entirely a result of the use of maraging steel, either. After all, sabre blades aren’t made of that stuff; and some very acceptable non-maraging epee blades are now on the market, bearing — legitimately — the FIE logo and certification.

The current FIE system, such as it is (and I would not want people to think that I disapprove of it; it has been modified in the right direction since it was first imposed some years ago) calls for sample lots to be annually verified out of any given manufacturer’s produc-

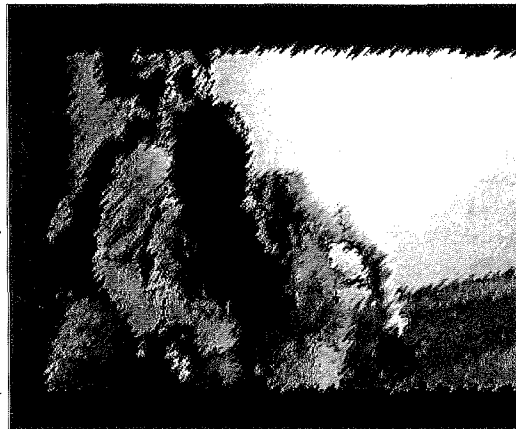
tion. Failure to submit the samples, as well as failure to pass a severe continuous flexing torture test, subjects the manufacturer to having his production decertified, or non-certified.

A possible weakness rests in the fact that one must assume that the manufacturers are actually furnishing genuinely random, and representative, samples of their production, and not specially selected, or specially fabricated, lots for testing. And the ultimate responsibility for complying strictly with the FIE requirements rests with the manufacturers. The FIE does not have the authority or power to send a secret police squad to the forge and confiscate a batch of blades for

testing. Probably that’s just as well, but there are tales — some definitely true, others merely rumors — about strange things that have happened with certain production runs from certain manufacturers. As one knowledgeable figure on the international scene put it in Atlanta last summer: “It is a scandal.” And what else is likely to be new?

At the Games we had the opportunity, if we were close to the TV monitors, to see demonstrated something that most of us have more or less known for years, but perhaps have never had the opportunity to appreciate fully. It will be interesting to see, when the tapes of the fencing finals

from Atlanta are made available, if they are, whether they will retain the instant slow-motion replays that were a regular feature, and that proved so very enlightening. Anyone who has done some fencing is



Computer Enhancement by David Lee

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used to the idea that a blade, in any weapon, will make notable excursions, let us call them, during parry actions particularly. In fact, they are whipping around like — well, like whips. It takes a slow-motion replay to make really clear just how extensive this sort of action is. In real time, it all happens so fast that you don’t have a chance to appreciate what is going on.

We had, as usual, the fencers — nearly all of them of one distinguished fencing country (no names, please, to protect the guilty) — who have regularly, certainly in recent years, insisted on using blades all selected at the upper end of the range of stiffness permitted by the FIE regulations, as measured by the tests described in the rule book (Articles 207, 308, and 406).

In fact, at more than one international event that I have been

associated with, this particular country's fencers have shown up with weapons, and spare blades, that simply would not pass on a flex test, because they were simply too stiff. It was notable in Atlanta that, using, as they were forced to do, the few of their weapons that would pass, their blades still did not make quite as startling excursions as did most of those being used in the Games.

On the other hand, the competitors of another of the famous fencing countries — again no names, to protect the innocent — prefer their blades near the other end of the range. These fencers' weapons were definitely making all the usual flourishes all over the place. Clearly, some very different methods of point control are involved, and fencing style will be affected by the basic choice of tool.

A historically-minded purist might argue that any modern fencing weapon is a joke, in terms of what the original intention of any sword was, but we really would not want to use blades stiff enough to do real injury, would we? That way might lead to "ultimate fencing," or something of the sort.

A recent rumored development, that may or may not prove out, involves some experiments that I have heard of, which are using extreme cold treatments (long after the conventional heat treatments) to render blades, in theory at least, even more resistant to breaking and damage. It is definitely too early to know whether this idea is going to work, or, if it works, whether it can be done at a cost that will be deemed reasonable. Stay tuned, as they say.

A Special Thank You to Joe Byrnes

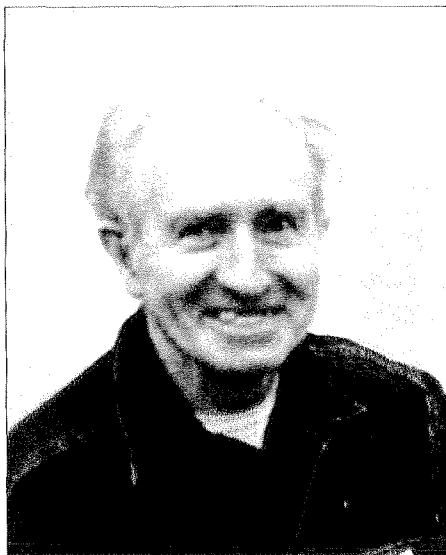
Twenty five years ago Joe penned his first "Technical Talks" for AMERICAN FENCING Magazine.

In those days, the official Association publication was a 32-page pamphlet edited by the indefatigable Ralph Goldstein and published six (6!!) times a year. Steve Sobel was the newly elected President (his first of two terms!) of what was then called the AFLA, Amateur Fencers League of America. A feature article in one of Byrnes's earliest issues highlighted Neil Diamond, a premiere fencer in his youth at New York University, who gave up his sabre for the guitar ... and years of success in the recording and film industries. It was a long, long time ago.

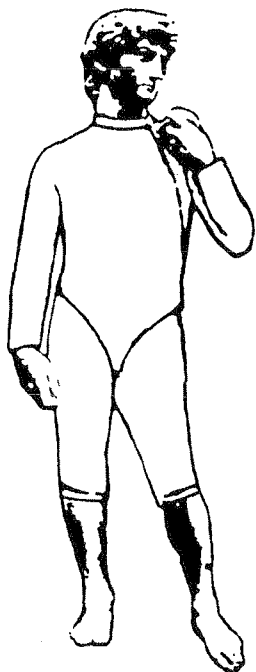
Little about US fencing has remained unchanged in the 25 years since "Technical Talks" debuted. Little, that is, except the reliability and the relevance of the column itself. Byrnes is an editor's delight: he's never missed a deadline, never chosen a topic that wasn't of interest, and never failed to elicit

an "ah ha!" from even the most technophobic.

In this year of Joe's Jubilee — 25 years of "Technical Talk" — please join me in thanking him for graciously taking the time to improve our understanding of our sport.



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How to Manage Stress and Avoid Burnout

Those most susceptible to burnout are perfectionists, strongly concerned about the needs and expectations of others, who have difficulty backing off from their goals without feeling guilty.

BY DR. RICHARD GORDIN AND DR. JOHN HEIL

As the year 2000 approaches, the benefits, demands and hazards of competitive sport grow by leaps and bounds. As the commitment of American fencing to international success grows, so, inevitably, do the pressures. Innovations in the technical and tactical aspects of fencing and developments in the sport sciences have expanded the "ways and means" of striving for competitive excellence — giving the athlete more and more ways to gain an edge. With added possibilities for training and competition come added demands for time, energy, knowledge and finances. As the race for success calls for more-MORE-MORE, balance becomes a critical issue. So success is linked not only to the ability to assimilate new ideas and practices, but also to the ability to prioritize and to carefully manage time and stress. Those who do this well will thrive; however, growing pressures and expectations can leave coaches and athletes at risk for burnout.

In his early work on this subject, Maslach (1982) defined burnout as a state of mental emotional and physical exhaustion, brought on by persistent devotion to a goal, when the day-to-day demands of achieving this goal outstrip the individual's personal endurance. In

virtually all cases of burnout, there is some degree of failure to set and accept realistic goals. Burnout is also likely to occur when long-term goals are overly ambitious — and when failing to progress as expected, the coach or athlete can only think to push harder and harder. Fender (1989) observed that many people who experience burnout work too hard, too long, and too intensely simply out of dedication to what they are doing.

Stress is a naturally occurring process that all coaches and athletes experience as part of the daily demands encountered in the pursuit of athletic excellence. The stress experienced by fencing coaches and competitive fencers can become detrimental to performance and lifestyle, if stressors go unchecked and coping skills are not utilized. All intensely dedicated individuals should become aware of the warning signs associated with excessive stress and burnout.

Those who are most susceptible to burnout are perfectionists, strongly concerned about others' needs and expectations, and have difficulty backing off from their goals once set without feeling guilty. This sounds like a description of most good coaches and athletes. Without possessing these attributes, one is less likely to achieve at the highest levels possible.

The common signs and symptoms of burnout include: feelings of constant frustration and impatience; a sapping of energy and enthusiasm; preoccupation with what is wrong; and, feeling thwarted in the search for solutions. Burnout can also show itself in the form of poor sleep, persistent aches and pains, nagging minor physical ailments or the cold that will not go away. Increasing use of caffeine, alcohol, and tobacco are signs of stress which inadvertently worsen symptoms. In the end, the individual loses the ability to relax and enjoy himself or herself when the opportunity is available.

Athletes are susceptible to stress especially when the struggle to balance competitive needs conflicts with responsibilities to work, school and family. Coaches are chronically vulnerable to burnout because of the intense and varied demands placed upon them. Coaches are ultimately responsible not only to their athletes (and the parents of their younger athletes), but also to club or school administrators and to their national governing bodies. Coaches must stay abreast of rule changes, technical developments, and advances in sport science—and are expected to be good at maintaining equipment too. They must guide athletes in regular training,

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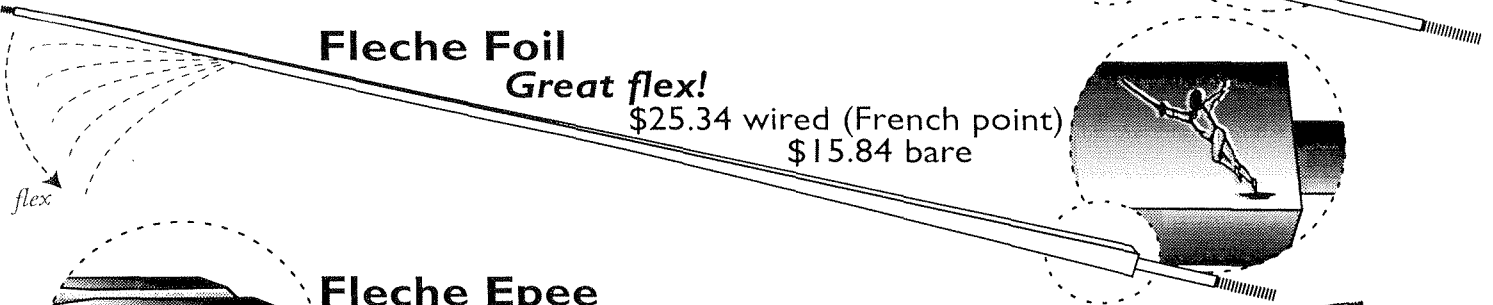
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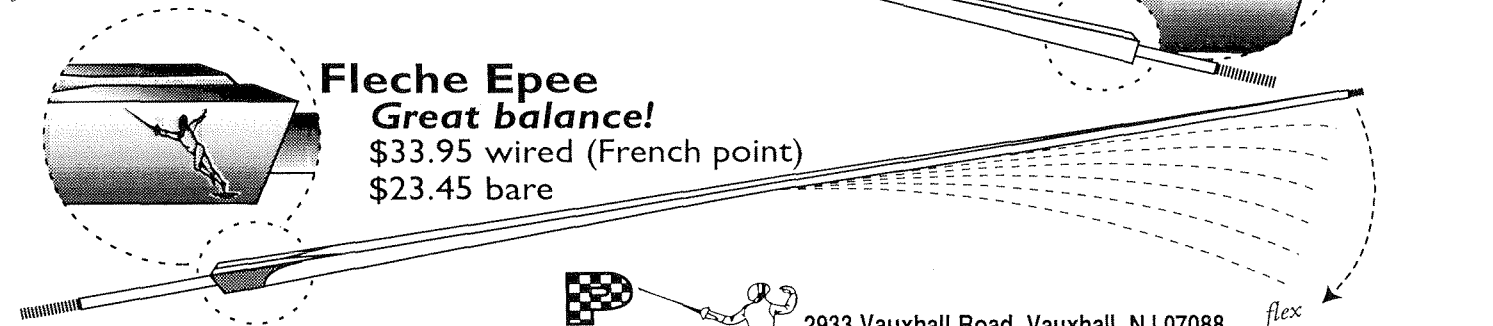
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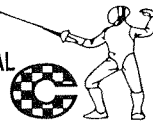
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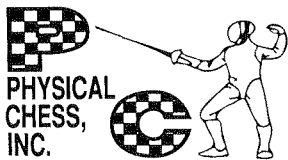
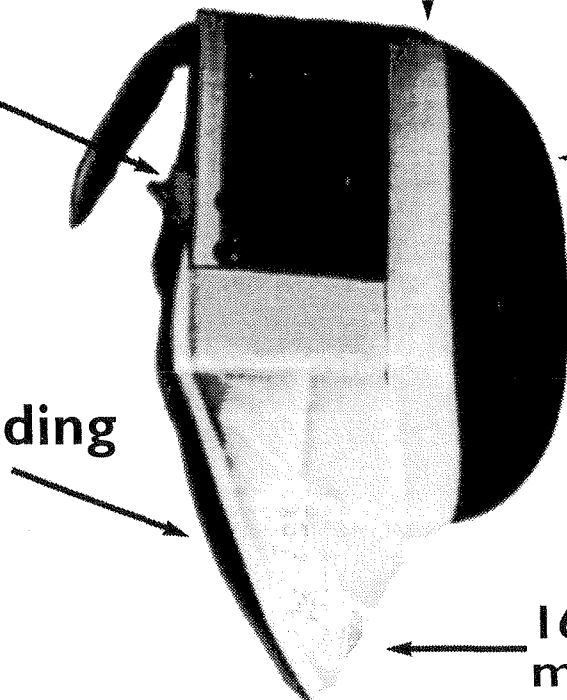
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NCAA Varsity Fencing: a Critical Assessment

BY NELSON GRIMES, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY TEAM CAPTAIN, 1991-92

I sat there in silence watching as others got up to speak in front of the packed Agricultural Pavilion at Michigan State University. It was a very cold winter night on January 29th and everyone who was there had come to try to sway the university from its plan of slashing varsity programs when they could be growing them.

Less than two weeks ago I got the call late on

hearing and the announcement, my good friend and former teammate Karl Neumaier and I worked into the wee hours of the night. Stamping and mailing, calling anyone with connections to the university or friends who might send or write letters of support, including the USFA office in Colorado Springs. Our coach launched a similar campaign among the faculty and other influential alumni. All of a sudden, the phone

bill didn't matter, the possibility of being caught using company time for personal business didn't matter, the fact that we

We defended the program with economic, cost effective figures ... we defended the gender equality of fencing ... but the panel remained stonefaced. It became apparent that this hearing was just a formality.

The decision had already been made.

Sunday the 17th from my former coach, Fred Freiheit, that the university planned to cancel the varsity status of men's fencing and men's lacrosse and raise the status of women's crew to varsity level. The proposal caught everyone off guard. The coach had asked for years if the program was in danger and had always been reassured that it was not. This time however, it had actually happened and the program was facing elimination at the end of the 1997 season.

In recent years we may not have had the outstanding teams which Michigan State had in the past, but we were respected. We were a tradition in the region which was due in much part to the former coach at Michigan State, Charles Schmitter. He had learned foil at Yale from Robert Grasson, Saber from Georgio Santelli in New York, and was the first U.S. born man to become a trained maestro in the Mangioretti school of Milan, Italy. But tradition didn't matter to those in charge.

In the small amount of time between the formal

were surviving on an average of four hours of sleep a night didn't matter. What was being taken away wasn't just an old varsity team, to those who had been a part of it, it was their second home.

Now struggling against the sleep lost in the previous weeks, I listened as others spoke to the University. My mind began to drift — due to the importance of the subject about which I was going to speak, more than fatigue. I thought about friends from other universities who had gone before and wondered if they had felt the same way when their programs came under fire. I recalled the University of Wisconsin cutting many of their non-revenue sports in the 1990-91 school year, including fencing. Soon after, the University of Illinois and Northwestern cut their men's teams. Other names began to float into my head: Annapolis, Cornell, and now... now it was our turn.

Turning my attention back to the hearing, we who defended the program made a last effort to show that our sport could work within the parameters that the

university set. Some spoke of the history of the program at the university, others spoke of the youth movement now on the rise in the USFA. Still others spoke about the types of alumni which the program had produced, the majority of whom had gone on to get a post graduate degree or some higher professional degree. We defended the program with economic, cost effective figures demonstrating that the program ran on a budget of \$20,000 including the coach's salary (a drop in the bucket for a university of this size). We defended the gender equality of fencing as a sport where men and women compete on equal terms. But the panel remained stone-faced, silent, aloof, and it became apparent that this hearing was just a formality. The decision had already been made.

Not My Problem

Many people reading of my experience might say, "Well, that is your college program, not mine," or "Nothing can be done for non-revenue sports."

Well, let me shed a different light on the subject. There are currently 44 colleges in the NCAA which have varsity programs according to Bill Goering (former officer of the USFA). If that number drops below 40, then the NCAA championships are in jeopardy of being canceled and the status of the sport as a varsity activity falls into question. With Michigan State dropping it's program, the number now drops to 43, one step closer.

In the last few years, the USFA has experienced incredible growth in new membership; the majority of new members are under 20 years old. A majority of these young people will want to attend college some day. And those who want to continue fencing will look for a varsity program which offers scholarships first, a varsity program which doesn't have scholarships second, and a college where fencing is a club sport last.

With this incredible growth, both in youth and in older fencers, it is hard to understand why the number of colleges and universities where fencing is a varsity activity is dwindling. But the problem is real, and it needs to become an issue now.

What Can I Do?

Whether you are a young competitor, a parent of an aspiring fencer, an alumnus of a program, or are just concerned, there are several things you can do to help. The key word is INVOLVEMENT.

1. Parents of collegiate fencers should get to know the coach or coaches of the team their child competes for. Ask them questions about the status of the program, and if possible write a letter of support to the athletic department of the university. This keeps the university informed of the interest in the sport.
2. Frequently money speaks louder than words to colleges. Donations to the university for the

fencing program attracts attention. The donations don't have to be sizeable: 100 people donating 50 dollars each says more than 5 people donating 1,000 dollars. The donation of equipment should be brought to the attention of the university as well.

3. Making a club into a varsity activity is a harder



task, but this is largely due to the popularity of the sport and politics. Frequent letters sent to the President, the Director of Finance, and the Athletic Department bring the sport to the attention of those in charge. But contact and good relations with the administrative powers at the university needs to be initiated and a relationship established for varsity status to have any real chance.

These are just a few suggestions of things which can and should be done.

For my former team it is too late, the varsity status will end at the end of the 1996-97 school year. But this fate does not have to happen to others.

It is a horrible experience watching something you love and worked hard for fade away due to university politics. A line needs to be drawn in the sand so that others won't share this fate. This line begins with fencers as a whole taking an interest in college and university programs.

The USFA should also meet with all the existing college and university coaches and try to determine what can be done to strengthen existing programs and to organize a united front. (*The USFA has established a Task Force to pursue just such an approach — Editor*) An attack on one program should bring the reaction from all of us.

We should all feel the loss when a varsity program is canceled. This limits choices for students who wish to become future competitors.

Rashaan Greenhouse had former National Champion Donna Stone coaching him during the JO finals but will there be a NCAA varsity program to carry him through college fencing? Photo by Elizabeth Veneskey

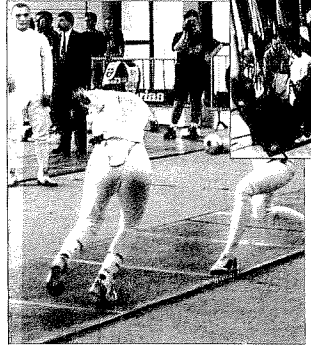
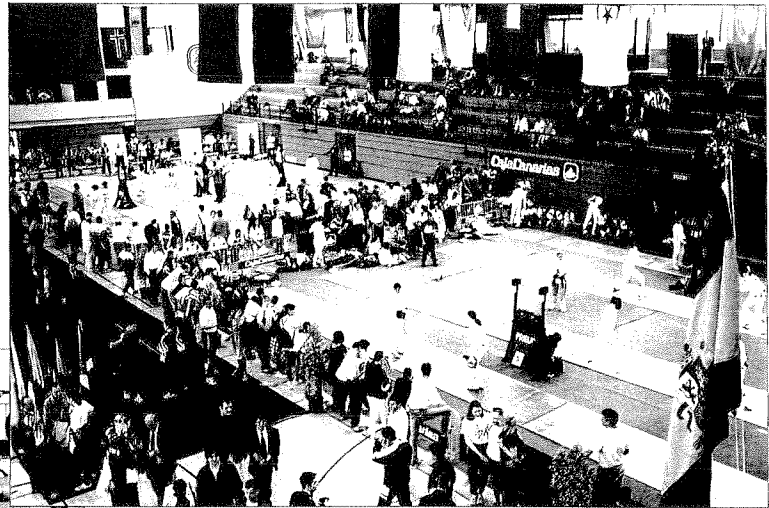
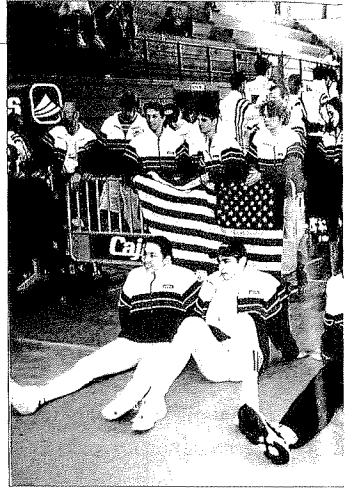


What's gold, silver bronze and red, white, blue and Gimme a "U" ... Gimme

BY BOB LARGMAN

Maybe USFA Team sponsor Adidas was onto something. A stand-out team deserved stand-out parade uniforms. Just as the Junior/Cadet World Championship team sweatsuits were unique, so were the team's results a singular distinction. With the

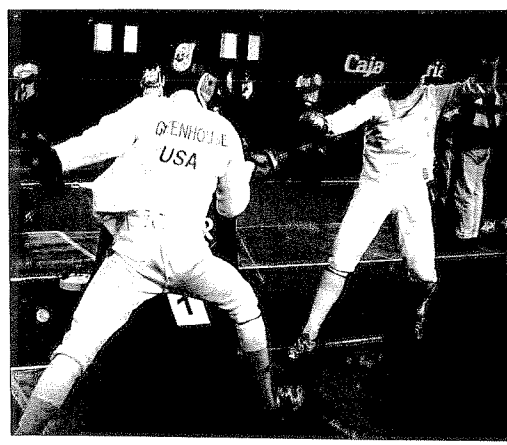
of Tenerife, the 1997 edition of the USFA's Junior/Cadet World Championship team numbered 58 strong. It was evident that they were not off to the Canary Islands for a spot in the sun. Supported by an experienced cadre — coaches Nat Goodhartz, Aladar Kogler, Buckie Leach, Michael Marx and Vladimir Nazlymov (who also served as Captain), armorers Dan DeChaine and Ron Herman, assistant captain George Masin, trainer Peter Harmer and sport psychologist (and AMERICAN FENCING columnist) John Heil— Team USA staged a week-long performance that put the world on notice that international medals have a home in the New World.



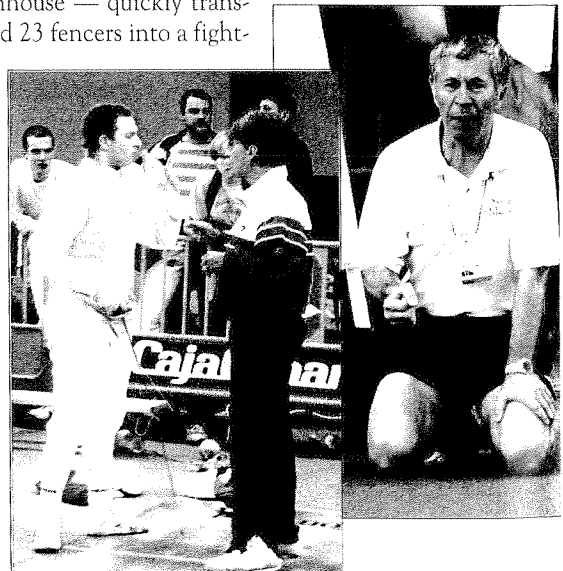
introduction of black into the tradition red, white and blue color scheme, this new-look Team USA became the most decorated in USA fencing history and performed with unequalled success.

Arriving in Puerto de la Cruz on the Spanish island

The sense of team-man-ship these young (but experienced) fencers displayed immediately identified them as a group apart. The seasoned veterans — Lasker, Bayer, DeBruin, Zimmermann, Smart, Burke, Greenhouse — quickly transformed 23 fencers into a fight-



PHOTOS TOP LEFT to BOTTOM RIGHT: Andrea Ament, youngest team member, carries the flag in Opening Ceremonies. Tenerife venue. Jessie Burke launches her fleche. Rashan Greenhouse. Coach Nat Goodhartz with Alex Wood during the break. Sabre Coach Nazlymov's ferocity is legendary.



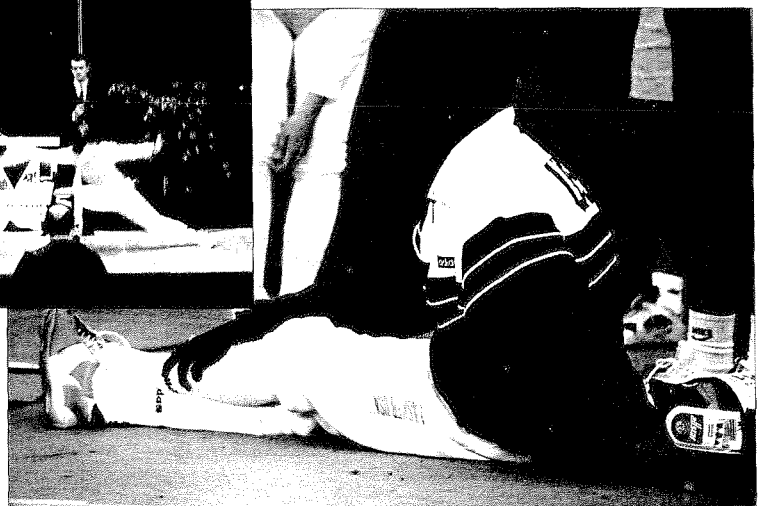
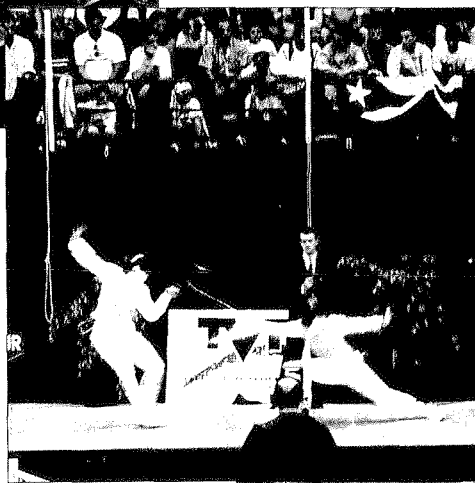
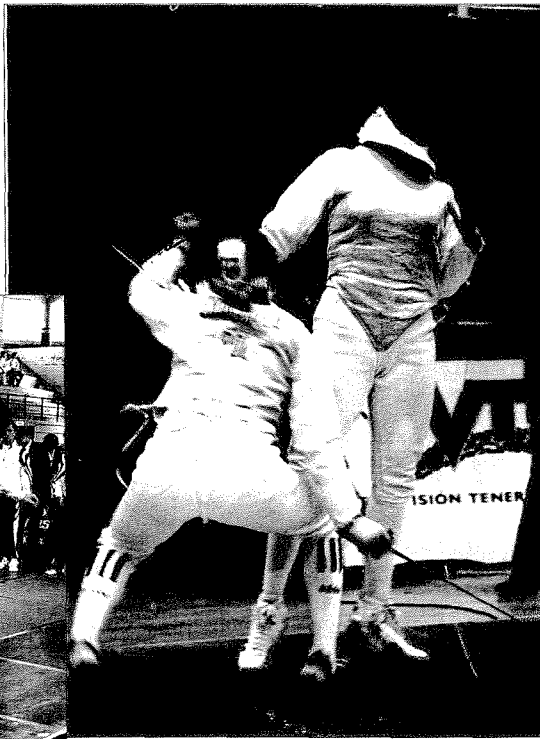
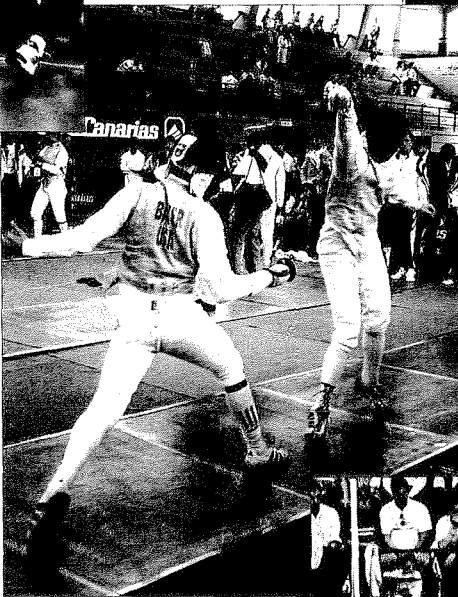
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ing, cheering machine.
From the first day of competition, the world had to take notice of Team USA, not only because of their striking sweats but also because of their very

impressive performances on the strip. Errin Smart fought her way to the final round in Under-17 Women's Foil. In the same competition, Iris Zimmermann took center



UNDER-17 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

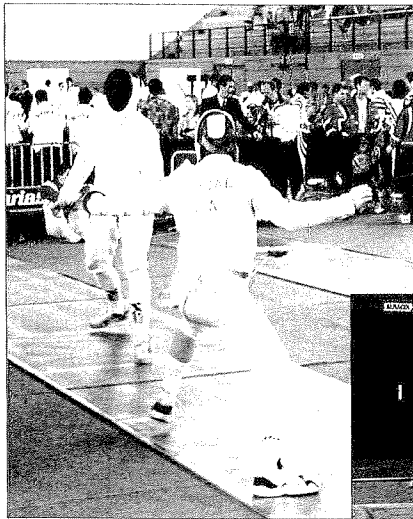
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- Joseph Fisher
- Davis Merritt
- Scott Clarke
- Weston Seth Kelsey
- Rashaan Greenhouse
- Jan Viviani
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- Kate Rudkin
- Andrea Ament
- Daniel Pratt
- David LaValle
- James Wallen

UNDER-20 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

- Iris Zimmermann
- Monique DeBruin
- Erinn Smart
- Cliff Bayer
- Alex Wood
- Peter Rosen
- Rashaan Greenhouse
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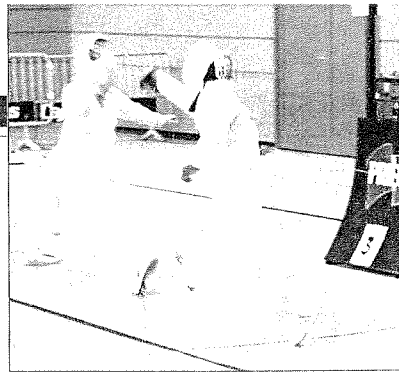
PHOTOS CLOCKWISE FROM THE TOP: The group gathers to cheer on the 5-weapon team. Iris Zimmermann knows it's her touch. Terrence Lasker: the calm before the storm. Zimmermann's speed on the finals strip blurs an attempt at capture. Cliff Bayer avoids the flick.

stage for the raising of the American Flag in recognition of her achievement: gold medalist and world champion for the second time! Iris' potential for future international success defies comprehension: she'll still have one more year of Junior eligibility after the Olympic



Games in 2000 (she is currently ranked third in the senior standings). So as Team USA celebrated like a bunch of crazed raccoons dancing around a dumpster, the future was so bright they had to wear shades!

Day Two and Team USA couldn't be stopped. Under 20 Men's Foil highlighted the day's schedule and Cliff Bayer was prepared for his final appearance at the Junior World Championships. Put the letters U-S-A on Bayer's back and he becomes the patriot about whom Patrick Henry spoke so passionately. To Bayer, earning a medal to honor his country, his coach and his family were the only things on his mind. When this World Cup finalist focuses with single-minded intensity he cannot be denied. Bayer charged into battle. Undeclared in the first round and seeded sixth in the elimination round, Bayer tore through his opponents. The final score was 15-8 against a Swiss opponent to get into the round of 32. He followed with a 15-7



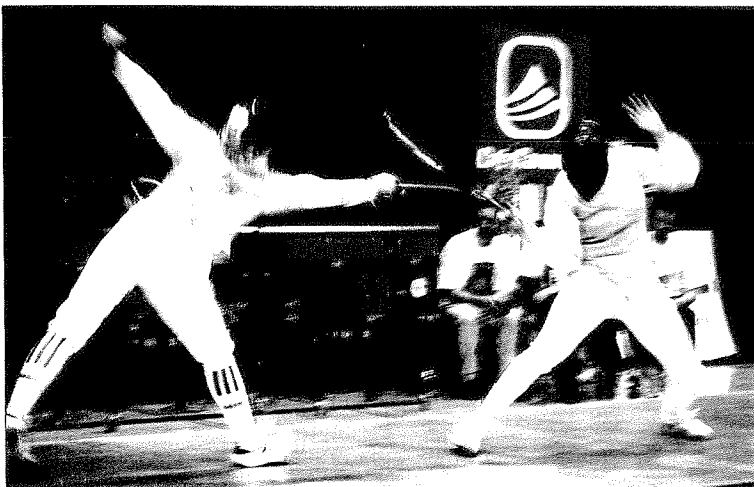
dismissal on an Austrian to gain the semifinal round of 16. Continuing his crusade to the finals, he brought an end to the medal dreams of Poland's Andre Witkowski.

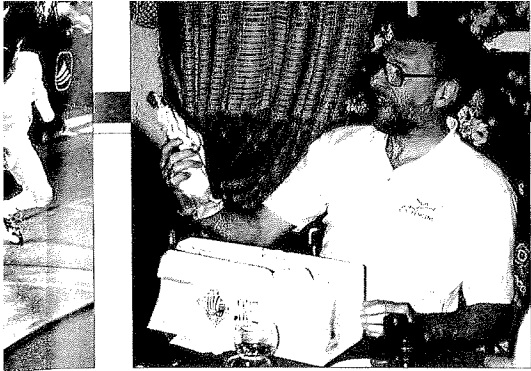
Like the perennial Final Four performances of the North Carolina Tarheels, the Final Four of fencing was Bayer's domain. Up stepped Italy's Marco Ramacci, ready to join his two countrymen already in the medal round. In a well-developed bout, Bayer dismantled the Italian 15-12 and fell to the floor in exhaustion and pride. Day Two, medal two—a bronze for Cliff Bayer.

What more could Day Three hold? Only Women's Foil held the answer, this time in the Under-20 classification. Team USA offered a lineup that had to be the envy of the fencing world: DeBruin, Smart and Zimmermann. When the sun set at the conclusion of fencing that day, the USA captured



three of the top-10 places. Germany, Poland, Italy, Romania, Hungary, none of the traditional fencing powerhouses could match the Americans that day. Erinn Smart placed 10th, Monique DeBruin proudly fenced her way to the finals taking 7th, and Iris Zimmermann completed the medal trifecta with a silver. At the conclusion of the competition, the Junior World Cup for Women's Foil was awarded to Zimmermann, in recognition of earning the most points in competition during the year.





Team USA earned acclaim for American fencing — from a very dramatic come-from-behind victory by Alex Wood over a Japanese opponent to make the 32, to a heated and controversial bout in which David LaValle was thwarted by poor officiating, Team USA put in a stellar performance.

A PRIVATE MOMENT WITH A WORLD CHAMPION

by Steve Sobel, Former President USFA

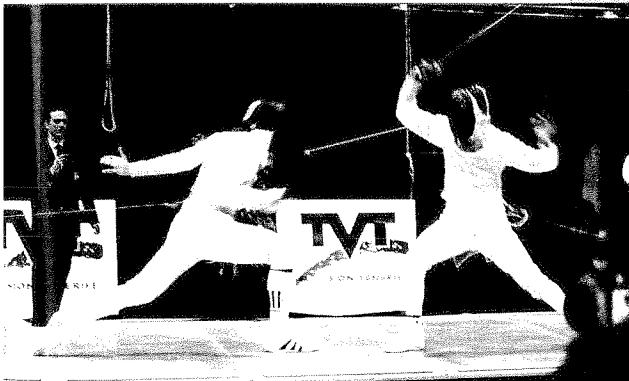
Last summer Iris Zimmermann went to Atlanta to watch the Olympic Games. She attended a reception held for the fencing team at a country club prior to the start of the fencing events. At that reception I was asked to introduce the fencers to the members of the club. After the introductions were made and I left the podium, I realized that I introduced all the fencers on the team but never introduced Iris Zimmermann, the only fencer in the United States to win a world fencing championship.

I went to Iris and apologized for my oversight. She immediately replied that I had no reason to apologize. I had introduced the US Olympic Team and she hadn't earned the right to be introduced with that team. She quickly added, however, that she had every intention of earning the right to the introduction.

It is now less than a year after that conversation. Iris has won her second Under-17 World Championship, placed second in the Under-20 World Championships, and won the National Championship in Women's Foil. When I looked her up in my USFA membership roster so that I could send her a letter of congratulations, I couldn't find her name. My roster is the list of USFA voting members and Iris isn't old enough to vote.

Iris has demonstrated by her outstanding fencing that she is a champion with great potential. She has also proven, in one brief conversation, her humility, diplomacy and maturity far beyond her teenage years. It is a great honor for the USFA to boast a World Champion. It is a greater honor when that champion is a person everyone can respect and look up to as a role model for fencing and the Olympic movement.

Congratulations, Iris. Keep winning on the strip, and keep being the wonderful person you are.



Photos clockwise from the top left: Terrence Lasker, sabrist. Rashaan Greenhouse deftly parries an attempted toe touch. The team celebrates George Masin's 50th birthday. Scott Rostal's stance says "come and get me." Cliff Bayer avoids the attack and counters to the flank. Iris Zimmermann's golden bout. Moment of victory. The traditional team toss. Zimmermann calls home. Bayer's blade wiggles in for the touch. Red, white and blue support the team. All photos Bob Largman and George Masin.

Results

Gold	1
Silver	1
Bronze	1
Top 8	2
Top 12	3
Top 16	2
Top 24	2
Top 32	2

Ah, the sights of fencing: graceful lunges, glittering lames, gleaming white uniforms... What's that you say? Can a sort-of barely beige be considered "gleaming"?

FENCING

By Eileen Descallar

While the USFA has deemed it acceptable for pastel colored uniforms to be worn; most of us still wear the traditional — ahem — white uniforms: glove, jacket, knickers, socks and (mostly white) shoes with a variety of lames. All this brilliance takes some maintenance. In the interest of keeping our sport untarnished and our uniforms lasting longer, here are a few cleaning tips gathered from veteran fencers and the people who make our equipment.

Jackets and Knickers

These two elements are perhaps the easiest yet deceptive to clean parts of our visible uniform. The biggest and most obvious tip that applies to all parts of your uniform: Wash often! Washing frequency depends on your rate of perspiration. According to Wanda Collins with Quality Control at Triplette Competition Arms, "You have to watch out for the salt. Salt wears away the fibers and the more you perspire, the more salt you produce." Collins should know, she's had over twenty years of experience in the textile industry before joining Triplette. Pre-soaking in one of

the commercial pre-soakers is a good idea as well. Don't wait for that tiny stain to get another layer on it.

When washing, follow the instructions on your jackets. There are usually two very important "Don'ts" on the label: 1. Don't use chlorine bleach 2. Don't tumble dry in high heat. Chlorine bleach cleans by breaking dirt down. It also breaks down the fabric. So unless you want your opponent's blade making a hole where that stain was, don't bleach your uniform. This holds especially true for synthetic materials such as nylon.

Don't tumble dry. Hang dry or dry flat, use low heat if you must. Another tip for non-synthetic fibers: store clothing away from direct sunlight to keep it from yellowing and do not store it while wet. Kevlar in particular has "bad reactions to ultraviolet light and being wet" according to American Fencers Supply Production Manager and Haberstadt coach, Colé Harkness.

Rust Stains

Rust stains may be the most common stain on our uniform. They are also notoriously hard to remove. The easiest way to deal with rust is to avoid it. In the ideal world we would all keep our damp items well away from our blades to keep rust from not only our uniform, but from our weapons as well. Clear nail polish makes an inexpensive protectant for the metal elements on your jacket — buttons, buckles, etc. What to do if the stains are already there? Tessa Stephens, Blade's secretary, offers this solution: "Use lime or lemon juice, just squeeze it directly on the spot and let it dry."

For the really determined, there is also this variation on the home remedy. Naturally acidic lemon juice and vinegar can be used to lessen some stains. Apply a mixture of equal parts lemon juice and vin-



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egar to the stain, let soak for one minute, apply again and hold the affected area over steam. Rinse with cool water. This is obviously an involved process but it works on minor stains, which you should catch as early as possible. For tougher stains, a brush and elbow grease may help. Stain still there? You can always take Harkness' advice: "Tell them it's blood."

Masks

With removable bibs outlawed by fencing's governing bodies, masks present a washing dilemma — how to clean the cloth while avoiding the metal mesh areas and creating that enemy of our entire uniform, rust.

Three methods of mask cleaning seem to be the most popular. Bibs and forehead rests can be cleaned using a brush and some mild soap and water. Avoid soaking your bib all the way through. Use a brush and be sure to allow enough time for your mask to fully air-dry before putting it away.

Harkness describes the following method as told to him by an Uhlman manufacturer, "Wrap your mask in a towel and throw it in the washing machine," Harkness adds with a laugh, "I couldn't tell if he was joking or if he just didn't care about his mask, his machine, or both."

Our third method may save you a call to Maytag. Harkness suggests, "Use a big bucket, water and Woolite. Dunk your mask several times." To avoid rust and mildew, let your mask dry in a well-ventilated area. Harkness found this method worthwhile for FIE stainless steel masks

Lames and Gauntlets

Perspiration may be the greatest threat to the life of your lame or gauntlet. But improper washing runs a close second. Collins warns that washing lames in

ammonia, baking soda or Woolite is damaging. Woolite, while a gentle soap, actually coats lame fibers so they eventually will not conduct electricity. Collins suggests cold water and Ivory Snow, a specially formulated detergent also recommended for allergy sensitive people. Collins adds, "Just dip the lame and hang dry. Do not wring or twist and rinse thoroughly." To emphasize her point she added, "We had a fellow throw his lame in a washing machine and return it in shreds."

Wondering about the green areas on your copper lame? If you haven't seen this attractive sight, check out any of the donated equipment at your local college or highschool. Unfortunately nothing can be done about the stains. But that doesn't mean all is lost.

According to Harkness, discoloration doesn't necessarily mean your lame won't pass but you should look out for a "deep flaky green — that means trouble." For both types of lame materials, copper or stainless steel, Harkness offers this advice, "Never pack a lame when wet and try not to store in plastic, it collects moisture. A hanger is a good idea."

Gloves

Washable gloves are just that, washable. Follow your label instructions or just throw them in the machine, gentle cycle. For non-washable gloves, and perhaps all parts of our uniform, we have this last piece of advice from Al Couturier, Maestro of Salle d'armes Couturier, "Wear it until you can't stand it anymore...and then buy a new one."

Illustration opposite page by Nancy Norcross-White

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UNDER-17 MEN'S EPEE

- 1 St. Francis, John M, Colorado,
- 2 Kelsey, Weston Seth, Oregon,
- 3T Peterson, Kraig A, Western NY,
- 3T Viviani, Jan J, Metro NY,
- 5 Eriksen, Scott J, Northeast,
- 6 Chorn, Elliott R, North Tex,
- 7 Greenhouse, Rashaan O, Metro NY,
- 8 Clarke, Scott, Colorado,
- 9 Hilton, Andrew D, Georgia,
- 10 Afrasiabi, Parveez J, New Jersey,
- 11 Chilen, Luke P, S. Texas,
- 12 Heroux, Paul P, Colorado,
- 13 Solomon, Benjamin J, North OH,
- 14 Merritt, Davis A, New England,
- 15 Mattern, Cody M., Oregon,
- 16 Liou, Solomon, New Jersey,
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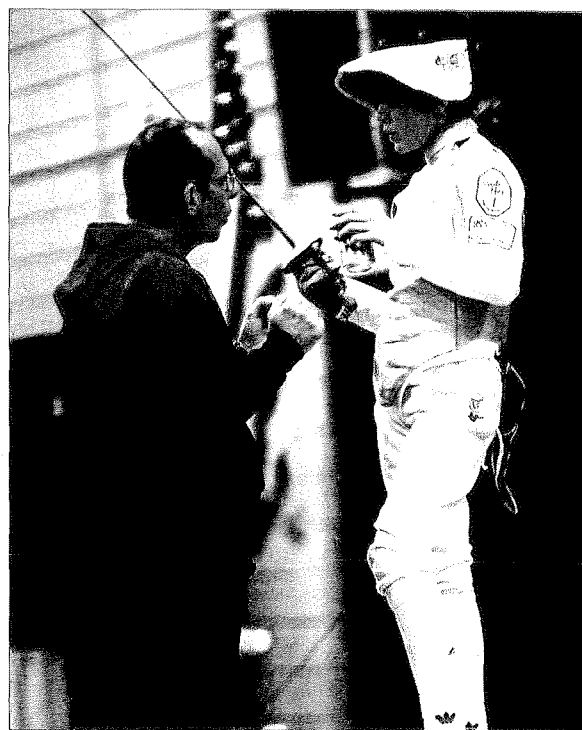
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- 60 Silva, Steven M, Ornge Cst CA,
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- 62 Hnath, Brian, Colorado,
- 63 Smith, Nathaniel , St. Louis,
- 64 Slika, Gabriel A, New Jersey,
- 65 Fehskens, Kevin P, New Jersey,
- 66 Dilanni, Isaac, South CA,
- 67 DesRoches, Joshua A, Georgia,
- 68 Buckner II, Lloyd H, Capitol,
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- 69T VanLandingham, Ben B, Indiana,
- 71 Hendricksen, Marc R, Phila.,
- 72 Matheke-Fischer, Michael O, Capitol,
- 73 Leeds, Chris, Colorado,
- 74 Bralow, Robert, Phila.,

- 80 Erickson, Peter S, Central CA,
- 81 Rich, Matthew, New England,
- 82 Pfeil, Shawn H, North CA,
- 83 Richards, Scott, Long Island,
- 84 Ungar, Jonathan P, Metro NY,
- 85 Roberts, Joshua B, Ark-LA-Miss,
- 86T Cooke, Benjamin T, Ark-LA-Miss,
- 86T Maguen, Jonathan, South CA,
- 88T Burkett, Dixon M, Alaska,
- 88T Gross, Brian J, North OH,
- 90 Mok, Michael, Illinois,
- 91 Lowe, Christian ,Capitol,
- 92 Vreeland, Nicholas D, North TX,
- 93 Santi, Jared E, Long Island
- 94 Snyder, Derek P, South CA
- 95 Sate, Matt, Ark-LA-Miss
- 96 Webb, Josh D, N. Carolina
- 97 Gallinaro, Andrew S, New Eng
- 98 Cavan, James E, Metro NY



Left: Finalists in U-17 Men's Foil, (l. to r.) Merritt Davis, Garrett Leahy, Samuel Richardson, Michael Mosca, Joseph Fisher, Scott Clark, Soren Thompson, JM St. Francis. Below, Coach Poujardieu with U-17 medalist Cassidy Luitjen. All photos Elizabeth Veneskey.

- 18 LeDonne, John P, New Jersey,
- 19 Sinkin, Joshua A, Western NY,
- 20 Garcia, Javier, New Jersey,
- 21 Wardle, Michael F, Huds-Berk,
- 22 Thompson, Soren, San Diego,
- 23 Murray, Michael, Colo.,
- 24 Flanagan, James P, Minn.,
- 25 Fromm, Nicholas, Illinois,
- 26 Gerberman, Steven B, South CA,
- 27 Laiacona, Daniel J, Huds-Berk,
- 28 Pruitt, Henry C, Oregon,
- 29 Breen, Jeffrey A, Phila.,
- 30 Younis, Ramsey M, Kentucky,
- 31 Rabiaga, Greer M, Oregon,
- 32 Gurarie, Mark D, North OH,
- 33T Lafving, Brandon, North Tex,
- 33T Nye, Howard , Illinois,
- 35 Capdet III, Juan, South CA,
- 36 Gaseor, David J, St. Louis,
- 37 Shahriari, David J, Phila.,
- 38 Howard, Zakee, New Jersey,
- 39 Lowry, Peter A, North Tex,
- 40 Dirksen, Nathaniel , Western WA,
- 41T Fitzgerald, Matthew C, New Jersey,
- 41T Sanders, Michael A, S. Texas,
- 43 Chen, James, Illinois,
- 44 Feldon, Jon, New England,
- 45 Laslavic, Alexander ,Georgia,
- 46 Gacs, Kalman J, New England,
- 47 Kilgore, Justin B, New Jersey,
- 48 Orr, Evan N, S. Jersey,
- 49 Elder, Jeff W, Wisconsin,
- 50 Foust, Blair A, Michigan,
- 51 Reno, Tim, Hudson-Berk,
- 52 Wolf, Brian A, Western NY,
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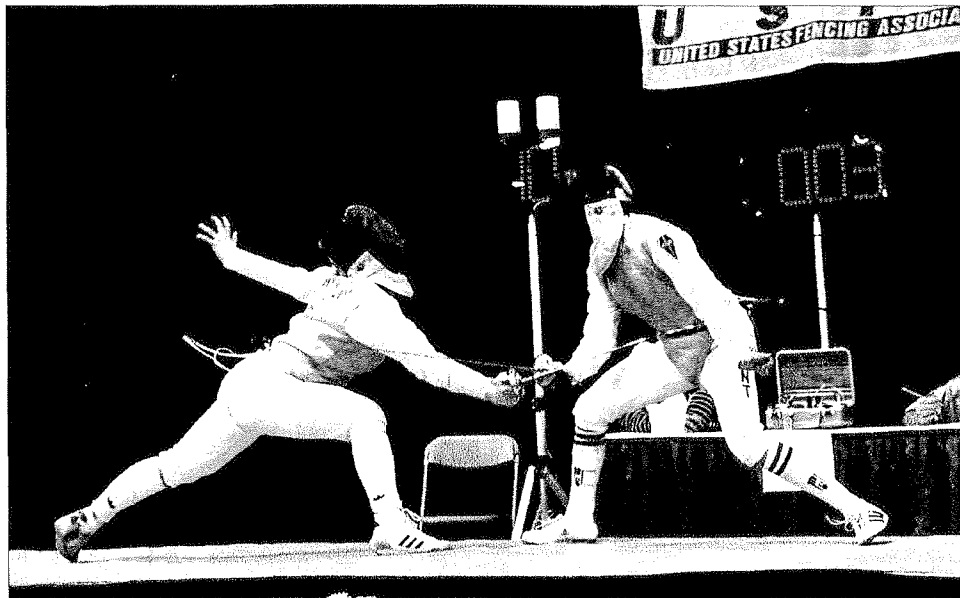


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- 103 Watt, Christopher, Northeast

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- 106T Pirie, Ben, New England
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- 109 Menaldino, Derek S, Phila.,
- 110 Benerofe, Seth B, Westchester,
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- 112 Metzner, Simon, South TX,
- 113 Smith, Levii S, Alaska,
- 114 Humber, Jordan M, New Eng
- 115 Mangham, Tanner, Ark-LA-Miss,
- 116 VanDevender, Barney, N. Car
- 117 Hetherington, Jason W, New Eng
- 118 Alpern, Noah, Border TX,
- 119 Emlier, Matthew K, Oklahoma,
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- 3T Richardson, Samuel S, New Eng
- 3T St. Francis, John M, Colorado
- 5 Mosca, Michael P, Oklahoma
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- 7 Fisher, Joseph E, Indiana
- 8 Leahy, Garrett, Colorado
- 9 Beau, Jeremy, Central FL
- 10 Breden, Roland G, Capitol
- 11 Cellini, Peter A, Western NY
- 12 Kreidman, Michael J, Long Island
- 13 Mulholland, Mark B, North CA
- 14 Delgado, David A, Illinois
- 15 Catania, Frank, New Jersey



Above: Andrea Ament parries Katie Cavan's attack in their U-20 medal bout.
Below: Ament and Cavan and their medals. Photos: Elizabeth Veneskey

- 21 Banister, Simeon J, Western NY
- 22 Breen, Jeffrey A, Phila.
- 23 Gerberman, Steven B, South CA
- 24 Lopina, Dexter, New Jersey
- 25 Pearson, John, So. Texas
- 26 Pruitt, Henry C, Oregon

- 32 Goodman, Jacob, Westchester
- 33T Walton, Forest E, Northeast
- 33T Werk, Cory, South CA
- 35 Heroux, Paul P, Colorado
- 36 Mattern, Cody M., Oregon
- 37 Nowak, Matthew G, Westchester
- 38 Carter, Jonathan H, Westchester
- 39 Cohen, Yale E, Gulf Coast TX
- 40 Dwyer, Brendan C, North CA
- 41 Brown, Joseph E, Capitol
- 42 Vickery, Daniel S, Harrisburg PA
- 43 Kopylec, Jason K., Connecticut
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- 46 Axelrod, Matthew C, New Jersey
- 47 Schmidt, Ben H, New England
- 48 Liou, Solomon, New Jersey
- 49 DesRoches, Christopher, Georgia
- 50 Bras, Alejandro , New England
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- 52 Smith, Nathaniel , "St. Louis, MO"
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- 54 Ketterhagen, Mark, Wisconsin
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- 58 Sinkin, Jeremy C, Western NY
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- 60 Shahriari, David J, Phila.
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- 62 Townley, Stephen G, New England
- 63 Gaseor, David J, "St. Louis, MO"
- 64 Hiri, Kean D, North TX
- 65 Eriksen, Scott J, Northeast
- 66 Harris, Shaun W, Connecticut
- 67 Stanciu, Alexandru, Phila.
- 68 Bertucci, Carlo, Westchester
- 69 Webb, Josh D, N. Carolina
- 70 McFadden, Corey L, New Jersey
- 71 Metzner, Simon, So. Texas
- 72 Eaton, Christian , Mt. Valley CA
- 73 Hnath, Brian, Colorado
- 74 Dewey, John C, Western PA
- 75 Anderson, Jakob R, So. Texas
- 76 Dhanaliwala, Akbar, New Jersey

- 77 Brzeski, Jon B, Wisconsin
- 78 Haines, Andrew C, New England
- 79 Gross, Brian, N. Ohio
- 80 Laiacona, Daniel J, Hud-Berk
- 81 King, Robert F, Capitol
- 82 Clark, Noble B, Northeast
- 83 Stravino, Daniel P, Long Island
- 84 Hsu, Robert, Metro NY
- 85 Catino, Matt J, New Jersey
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- 87 Brown, Don M, Tennessee
- 88T Fessler, Ed, Western PA
- 88T Leach, George C, Ark-LA-Miss
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- 91 Bianca, Erik J, Hud-Berk
- 92 Guter, Avi A, Hud-Berk
- 93 Ferland, Benjamin S, New England
- 94 Clarke, Christopher, Ark-LA-Miss
- 95 Best, Michael W, Harrisburg PA
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- 106 Rasmussen, Justin A, Wisconsin
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- 120 Clarke, Phelps B, N. Carolina
- 121 Smith, Jeffrey B., Gulf Coast TX



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- 20 Vogeler, Paul J, Columbus OH

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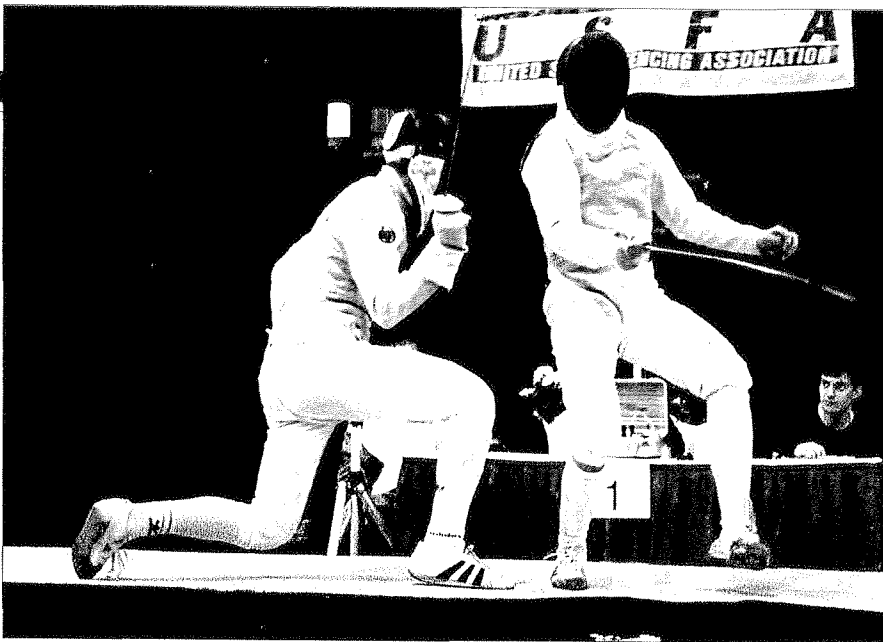


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- 126 Menaldino, Derek S, Phila.
- 127 Ward, Conor C, Minnesota
- 128 Woodhouse, Enoch O, New England
- 129 Dawson, Todd M, Tennessee
- 130 Santi, Jared E, Long Island
- 131 Cooper, Ian P, New England
- 132 Hughes, David, New Mexico
- 133 Keyser, Carlton H, Connecticut
- 134 Ozier, Drew W, New England
- 135 Casler, Ryan P, Western NY
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- 145T Chemers, Alexander, Maryland
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- 155T Roberts, Joshua B, Ark-LA-Miss
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- 158 Caro, Michael,
- 159 Hohensee, Michael A, Northeast
- 160 Matheke-Fischer, Michael O, Capitol
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- 166T Hesky, Andrew A, Western PA
- 166T Kim, Scott B, San Bernar CA
- 166T Quan, Michael S, South CA
- 166T Stanbro, Patrick W, New Mexico
- 170T Form, Stephen R, New England
- 170T Sherman, Scott K, Illinois
- 172 Altbush, Eric W, New England

UNDER-17 MEN'S SABER

- 1 LaValle, David M, Metro NY
- 2 Sokol, Denis, South CA
- 3T Pack, Ronald, New Jersey
- 3T Whitmer, Darrin S, Michigan
- 5 Owens, Robert G, National
- 6 Balistreri, Tony J, Illinois
- 7 Goldsmid, Aaron P, Metro NY
- 8 Crompton, Andre, New Jersey
- 9 Parker, G. Colin, Georgia
- 10 Pratt, Daniel W, Indiana
- 11 Fabricant, Matthew, New Jersey
- 12 Lee, Jeff H, NJ
- 13 Rogers, Jason N, SoCal
- 14 Lee, Ivan J, Met
- 15 Yilla, Ahmed, Met
- 16 Gulish, Jeremy, NJ
- 17 Tedeschi, John F, NJ
- 18 Topper, Michael H, Mich
- 19 Washburn, Jess W, Minn
- 20 Friedman, Paul, SoCal
- 21 Wallen, James R, San Bern CA
- 22 Shao, Paul O, IL
- 23T Novo, Andrew West.
- 23T Silva, Steven M, Orange Cst
- 25 Mahen, Andrew, NJ
- 26 Zampieri, Jos. A, NJ
- 27 Ferreira, Luke A, New England
- 28 Wolff, Jason M, South CA
- 29 Thomson, Vern R, Mt. Valley CA
- 30 Wardle, Michael F, Huds-Berks
- 31 Zagunis, Marten R, Oregon
- 32 Hergenhan, Thomas A, Long Island
- 33 Buchi, Steven E, Phila. PA
- 34 Ferris, Jonathan K, Michigan
- 35 McAsey, James W, Long Island
- 36 Loftin, Guy B, Illinois

- 37 Baxter, Sean T, Minnesota
- 38T Kao, Robert, New Jersey
- 38T Smith, Levii S, Alaska
- 40 Magee, Andrew P, Kentucky
- 41 Tedder, James A, Ark-LA-Miss
- 42 Douglas, Camara U, Kentucky
- 43 DeMatteis, Jared W, New Jersey
- 44 Siebert, Kitzeln B, Kansas
- 45 Fitzpatrick, Ethan R, Phila. PA
- 46 Jacobson, Noah C, Minnesota
- 47 Swanson, Paul A, New England
- 48 Kasserman, Wyatt, New Jersey
- 49 Romanski, Bob, Oregon
- 50 Mathias, Marc, Indiana
- 51 Bartron, Samuel P, Huds-Berks
- 52 Gillig, Matthew R, Maryland
- 53 Dewey, John C, Western PA
- 54 Cliffe, Ian S, Wisconsin



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- 55 Beau, Jeremy, Central FL
- 56 Chou, Edward, New Jersey
- 57 Wengerhoff, Daniel B, Illinois
- 58 Berman, Thomas D, South CA
- 59 Cuzner, Jon D., North CA
- 60 Maguire, David F, Long Island
- 61 Hooks, Daniel N, New England
- 62 Gomez, Juan M, Metro NY
- 63 Mazor, Dan, New Jersey
- 64 Perry, Clint S., Mt. Valley CA
- 65 Seidel, Brian, New Jersey
- 66 Giroux, John E, Huds-Berks
- 67 Palatsky, Brent J, New Jersey
- 68 Baehr, Michael F, Huds-Berks
- 69 Sternberg III, Robert V, St. Louis
- 70 Callaghan, Matthew, New England
- 71 Willett, Ryan T, New England
- 72 Shanklin III, Robert E, Capitol
- 73 Levitt, Jeff B, New Jersey
- 74T Gonzalez III, Arthur, Ark-LA-Miss
- 74T Lane, Christopher, Mt. Valley CA
- 76 Coe, Jeffrey P., Metro NY
- 77 Dolata, Philip P, Huds-Berks
- 78 Bohanan, Luke P, New Jersey
- 79 Wilhelmson, Hans B, New England
- 80 Burstein, Richard D, New England
- 81 Dickey, Andrew W, S. Jersey
- 82 Cutler, Jeffrey L., Westchester
- 83 Casler, Ryan P, Western NY
- 84 Leighton, James B, Indiana
- 85 Courtney, Matthew B, Mt. Valley CA
- 86 Webb, Josh D, N. Carolina
- 87T Jang, Ken, Illinois
- 87T Odes, Quentin I., Illinois
- 89 Jones, Christopher, Ark-LA-Miss
- 90 Gellert, Max, Western WA
- 91 Ferraro, Matthew F, Metro NY
- 92T Horowitz, Andrew D, Connecticut
- 92T McIntosh, Ian M., Mt. Valley CA
- 92T Pfeil, Shawn H, North CA
- 95 Snyder, Richard M., Phila. PA
- 96 Vespa, Jon E, Western NY
- 97 Bishop, Eric P, No. OH
- 98T Brewer, Scott D, Columbus OH
- 98T Kim, Scott B, San Bernar CA
- 100 Day, Douglas S, Ark-LA-Miss
- 101 Smith, Christopher, S. Jersey
- 102 Estes, Aaron L, Maryland
- 103 Mills, Philip F D, Capitol
- 104 Humber, Jordan M, New England

UNDER-17 WOMEN'S EPEE

- 1 Ament, Andrea E, No. OH
- 2 Thomann, Becky L, North TX
- 3T Cavan, Kathryn M, Metro. NY
- 3T Hobstetter, Sarah W, North CA
- 5 Greenebaum, Jennifer L, New Jersey
- 6 Chilen, Hannah, South TX
- 7 Shore, Laelah R, Phila. PA
- 9 Campbell, Lindsay K, No. OH
- 10 Brodsky, Anya G, Metro NYC
- 11 Kabil, Amal A, Indiana
- 12 Rangl, Roopa, New Jersey
- 13 Stevens, Ariene, Western NY
- 14 Chin, Meredith M, Phila. PA
- 15 Thottam, Elizabeth, South CA
- 16 Tracy, Leah, Illinois
- 17 Moore II, Debra A, North CA
- 18 Dunlop, Mary J, New Jersey
- 19 McDaniel, Erin S, Ark-LA-Miss
- 20 Decker, Katharine, Central CA
- 21 Shaahid, Sakinah N, Western PA
- 22 Conley, Monica A, New Jersey
- 23 Wangner, Lauren M, Long Island
- 24 Caputo, Elizabeth, New Jersey

- 25 Toy, Allison K, Long Island
- 26 Sun, Hong Joo, Metro NYC
- 27 Peng, Kathy, New Jersey
- 28 Orsi, Sabina E, New Jersey
- 29 Megowan, Christine, So CA
- 30 Klein, Sophie V, Long Island
- 31 Delahanty, Katherine, Kent
- 32 Pieper, Anna M, Minnesota
- 33 Doherty, Kathleen, Illinois
- 34 Overk, Cassia R, New Jersey
- 35 Walton, Kerry E, Northeast
- 36 Boyer, Roxanna C, Border TX
- 37 Spivey, Rachel E, Ark-LA-Miss
- 38 Larsen, Donna J, New Jersey
- 39T Lindsay, Lavinia C, Phila. PA
- 39T Marano, Marlo J, South TX
- 41 Firoz, Elnaz F, New Jersey
- 42 Blount, Ellen M, Phila. PA
- 43 Mills, Portia M E, Capitol
- 44 Chin, Fiona C, New England
- 45 Rupert, Eva L, Connecticut
- 46 Li, Natasha K, Illinois
- 47 Park, Gaelyn M, Kentucky
- 48 Pierce, Rebecca M, Indiana
- 49 Lawrence, Maya A, NJ
- 50 Dimou, Vicki, Long Island
- 51 Frambach, Kate M, Wisconsin
- 52 Golia, Jennifer S, Metro NYC
- 53 Cockburn, Ashley, Ark-LA-MS
- 54 Kehoe, Veronica L, Long Isl
- 55 Martinez, Elizabeth, Colorado
- 56 Athanas, Elizabeth, HB
- 57 Wong, Genevieve, South CA
- 58 Maibauer, Alisa M, No. OH
- 59 Fringer, Joni, Illinois
- 60T Mohrin, Mary E., New Jersey
- 60T Seitz, Katharine, Huds-Berk

- 75 Beard-Canfield, Marley I, Northeast
- 76 Horvitz, Shelby A, Colorado
- 77 Fulcer, Caitlin M, Wisconsin
- 78 Cheng, Nancy, S. Jersey
- 79T Castillo, Carmen H, Kentucky
- 79T Tenney, Lauren, New England
- 81 Sullivan, Elizabeth, New England
- 82 Benoit, Aletta, Hawaii
- 83 Bruzelius, Emilie A, New England
- 84 Ghio, Emily J, South CA
- 85 Perry, Breanne M, San Bernar CA
- 86 Hagerty, Dawn M, Indiana

UNDER-17 WOMEN'S FOIL

- 1 Ament, Andrea E, No. OH
- 2 Rostal, Mindy K, Minnesota
- 3T Cavan, Kathryn M, Metro NYC
- 3T Leahy, Jacqueline, Colorado
- 5 Moore II, Debra A, North CA
- 6T Fielding-Segal, Stephanie, MetNYC
- 6T Luitjen, Cassidy C, South TX
- 8 Katz, Emily L, New Jersey
- 9 Takagi, Melanie J, Georgia
- 10 Walton, Kerry E, Northeast
- 11T Selkirk, Zane C, Metro NYC
- 11T Thompson, Hannah M, Western NY
- 13 Breden, Senta E, Capitol
- 14 Boutsikaris, Liza A, New Jersey
- 15 DiPalo, Melissa A, Long Island
- 16 Shore, Laelah R, Phila. PA
- 17 Prifrel, Megan M, Minnesota
- 18 Boyer, Roxanna C, Border TX
- 19 Woolf, Angie, Minnesota
- 20 Campbell, Lindsay K, No. OH
- 21 O'Neill, Austin H, Westchester
- 22 Thottam, Elizabeth, South CA



National Epee Coach Aladar Kogler with U-20 Epee Champion Rashaan Greenhouse during his gold medal bout. Photos this page Elizabeth Veneskey.



U-17 Women's Foil medal winners (l-r): Andrea Ament, Mindy Rostal, Kathryn Cavan, Jacqueline Leahy, Debra Moore, Stephanie Fielding-Segal, Cassidy Luitjen, Emily Katz

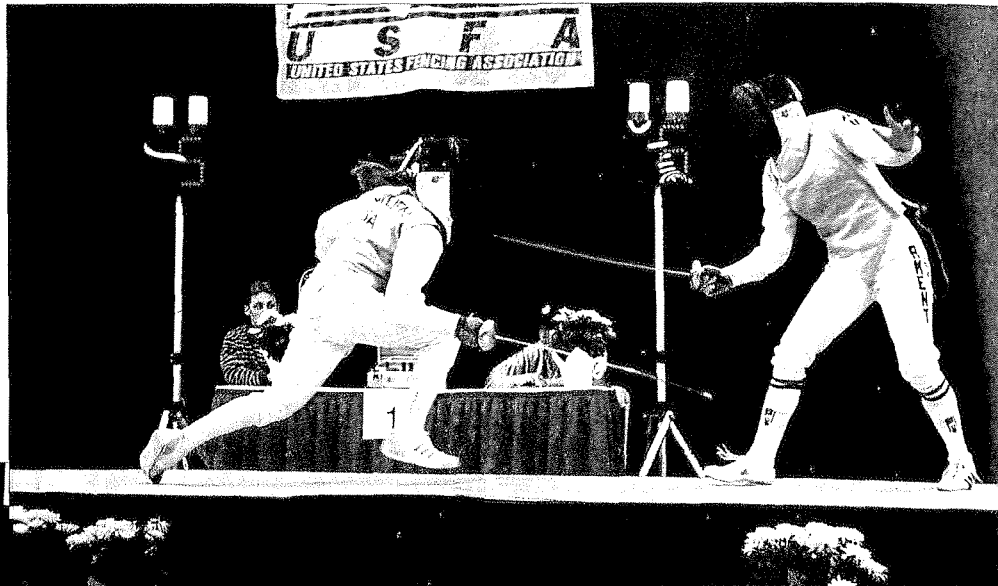
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- 63 Lawrence, Emily, Capitol
- 64 Kranz, Ashley A, New Jersey
- 65 Schafer, Kristina L, New Jersey
- 66T Hobbs, Dana M, Long Island
- 66T Wendelsdorf, Kate V, Kentucky
- 68 Shore, Rebecca A, Phila. PA
- 69 Linton, Kimberly B, S. Jersey
- 70T Kebrdle, Margaret A, Indiana
- 70T McMenamin, Sarah, Connecticut
- 72 Ferris, Cathleen A, St. Louis
- 73 Montgomery, Aubrey R, Phila. PA
- 74 Mell-Taylor, Erin, New Jersey

- 23 Connell, Alexandra, Central CA
- 24 Park, Gaelyn M, Kentucky
- 25 Thompson, Metta K, Western NY
- 26 Linton, Kimberly B, S. Jersey
- 27 Black, Erin M, New Jersey
- 28 Chin, Meredith M, Phila. PA
- 29 Zagunis, Mariel L, Oregon
- 30 Osborn, Ellice A, Michigan
- 31 Chin, Fiona C, New England
- 32 Smith, Karen, Huds-Berks
- 33 Bozovic, Ana, Metro NYC
- 34 Sun, Hong Joo, Metro NYC
- 35 Lewis-Turner, Jessica L, Phila. PA

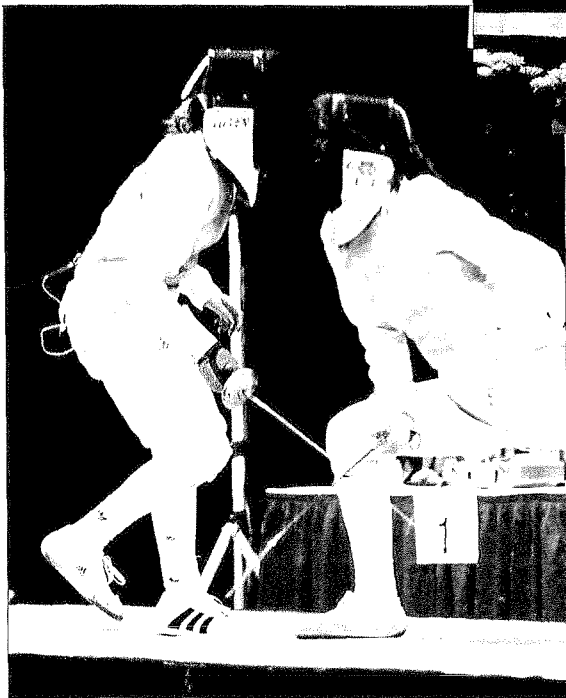
- 36 Perry, Breanne M, San Bernar CA
- 37 Beard-Canfield, Marley I, Northeast
- 38 Foellmer, Nele J, Connecticut
- 39 Lehr, Vivian, Illinois
- 40 Kebrdle, Margaret A, Indiana
- 41 Shaahid, Sakinah N, Western PA
- 42 Schoenthaler, Antoinette, Long Isl
- 43 Lawrence, Maya A, New Jersey
- 44 Klein, Sophie V, Long Island
- 45 Orsi, Sabina E, New Jersey
- 46 Martin, Joanna C, New Jersey
- 47 Poh, Jean Z, New Jersey
- 48 Lindsay, Lavinia C, Phila. PA
- 49 Lapointe, Bethany S, Northeast
- 50 Schulz, Ellen S, Connecticut
- 51 Brodsky, Anya G, Metro NYC
- 52 Blumenauer, Patricia A, Long Island
- 53 Schemmer, Katharine, New Eng
- 54 Hooser, Aubrey M, South TX
- 55 Li, Margaret S, New England
- 56 Staudinger, Lauren F, Westchester
- 57 Blount, Ellen M, Phila. PA
- 58 Cheng, Nancy, S. Jersey
- 59 Caputo, Elizabeth, New Jersey
- 60 Brown, Nissa S, South TX
- 61 Mustilli, Marisa A, New Jersey
- 62 Athanas, Elizabeth, Huds-Berks
- 63 Maibauer, Alisa M, No. OH
- 64 Mink, Abbey H, New England
- 65 Toy, Allison K, Long Island
- 66 Brown, Beth J, No. OH
- 67 izzolino, Stefanie, New Jersey
- 68 Spivey, Rachel E, Ark-LA-Miss
- 69 Kearns, Cesia G, Wisconsin
- 70 Strucker, Nadja, New England
- 71 Maro, Meghan A, New England
- 72 Symonds, Samantha L, Gulf Coast TX
- 73 Baskind, Sharon L, New Jersey
- 74 Biase, Elizabeth, South CA
- 75 Shore, Rebecca A, Phila. PA
- 76 Cregar, Genevieve, Indiana
- 77 Mannino, Anna M, New Jersey
- 78 Woolf, Megan, Minnesota

- 79 Imholt, Christie, Connecticut
- 80 Benoit, Aletta, Hawaii
- 81 Hobbs, Dana M, Long Island
- 82 Crane, Christina, Georgia
- 83 Huang, Jane Y, Central FL
- 84 Verrone, Kerry E, New Jersey
- 85 Casagrande, Tai T, New England
- 86 Cockburn, Ashley J, Ark-LA-Miss
- 87 Joyal, Alycia, New England
- 88 Proctor, Wyley, New England
- 89 Ward, Karin, New Jersey
- 90 Lifter, Abby M, New England
- 91 Cali, Mary J, Wisconsin
- 92 Castellano, Margaret M, Harrisburg
- 93T James, Deya, New Mexico
- 93T Webb, Nancy E, Ark-LA-Miss
- 95 James, Samantha A, North TX
- 96 Dwyer, Carly A, New England
- 97 Eaton-Salners, Margaret R, Capitol
- 98 Early, Elizabeth, Gulf Coast TX
- 99 Roberts, Josephine, South CA
- 100 Appel, Kira, New Jersey
- 101 Kabil, Amal A, Indiana
- 102 Leighton, Eleanor T, Indiana
- 103T Korol, Madeline, Illinois
- 103T Montgomery, Aubrey R, Phila. PA
- 105 Yu, Juliette J, Illinois
- 106 Ziotoff, Alisa S, Connecticut
- 107 DeFabio, Erica C, New Jersey
- 108 Kauppila, Nissa M, Northeast
- 109 Hughes, Erica A, Virginia
- 110 Nebert, Amanda J, Alaska
- 111T Chrissoverges, Naomi, Ark-LA-Miss
- 111T Mills, Portia M E, Capitol
- 113 Trunzo, Erica, Central CA
- 114T Cordazzo, Kristin, Westchester
- 114T Granzow, Elinor A, Western WA
- 116 Estrela, Guida D, New England
- 117 Revak, Kelly R, San Diego
- 118 Stone, Marcy B, New England
- 119 Colimon, Rita Y, Westchester
- 120 Johnson, Sarah E, New Jersey

- 121 Rutkunas, Jennifer, Long Island
- 122 Morse, Danielle M, Capitol
- 123 Graf Peters, Elizabeth ,Huds-Berks
- 124 Ferris, Cathleen A, St. Louis
- 125 Roell, Ashley E, North TX
- 126 Mervosh, Elizabeth ,Western PA
- 127 Blair, Rachel K, Michigan
- 128 Woods, Amanda M, Michigan
- 129 Myers, Kari A., S. Jersey
- 130T Allen, Sara E, San Diego
- 130T Ceraldi, Louisa, Western NY
- 130T Qualls, Melissa L, San Bernar CA
- 130T Seale, Virginia C, Ark-LA-Miss
- 134 Krasner, Rebecca E, Northeast



Above: Andrea Ament (right) in her winning U-20 Women's Foil bout with Cassidy Luitjen. Ament went on to win the silver medal. Left: Face off! Photos Elizabeth Veneskey.



- 52 LeDonne, John P, New Jersey
- 53 Schnabel, Glenn A, Long Island
- 54 Oakley, John-Rolf, Western WA
- 55 Liou, Solomon, New Jersey
- 56 Steiner, Paul H, Illinois
- 57 Lipsitt, Daniel J, New England
- 58 Coleman, Chane A, San Bernar
- 59 Capdet III, Juan, South CA
- 60 Hobbs, Matthew R, North TX
- 61 Foote, Michael D, Illinois
- 62 Homan, Adam D, Indiana
- 63 Sinkin, Joshua A, Western NY
- 64 Macri II, Michael F, Huds-Berk
- 65 Sullivan, James S, Ark-LA-Miss
- 66 Howard, Zakee, New Jersey
- 67 Pfeil, Shawn H, North CA
- 68 Solomon, Benjamin J, North OH
- 69 Elder, Jeff W, Wisconsin
- 70 Jordan, Matthew J, Colorado
- 71 Ketterhagen, Mark, Wisconsin
- 72 Peele, Dana S, New Jersey
- 73 Kane, Geoffrey P, Columbus OH
- 74 Matheke-Fischer, Michael O, Capitol
- 75 Dodge, Justin R, Wisconsin
- 76 Rabiaga, Greer M, Oregon
- 77T Brown, Seth D, Oklahoma
- 77T Dilanni, Isaac, South CA
- 79 Younis, Ramsey M, Kentucky
- 80 White IV, Charle, North TX
- 81 Smith, Levii S, Alaska
- 82 Rich, Matthew, New England
- 83T DesRoches, Joshua A, Georgia
- 83T Trainor, Patrick A, South TX
- 83T Bacon, Matthew R, S. Jersey
- 83T Johnston, Joseph, Ark-LA-Miss
- 87 Botel-Barnard, Eric, Phila. PA
- 88 Marston, Jeffrey W, New Jersey
- 89 Alulis, Jeffrey D, Conn.
- 90 Moon, Ryan T, Colorado
- 91 Olmedo, Conrad L, South CA
- 92 Baby, Brendan, Illinois
- 93 Epstein, Eric J, Phila. PA
- 94 Dirksen, Nathaniel ,Western WA
- 95 Laslavic, Alexander , Georgia
- 96 Heroux, Paul P, Colorado
- 97 Murray, Michael, Colorado
- 98 Kilgore, Justin B, New Jersey
- 99 Gabler, Scott J, South CA
- 100T Keane, Matthew, Iowa

- 100T Lee, Michael C, New Jersey
- 102T Montgomery, Joshua P, San Bernar
- 102T Brichta, Patrick C, New Mex.
- 104 Cowart III, Willi, Georgia
- 105 Kusmez, Ali C, Indiana
- 106T Wesley, Alexander , Capitol
- 106T Foust, Blair A, Michigan
- 108 Millis, Thomas A, St. Louis
- 109T Dibble III, George S, Colorado
- 109T Nicholas, Matthew D, Ark-LA-Miss
- 111 Afrasiabi, Parveez J, New Jersey
- 112 Kim, Bobby K, New Jersey
- 113 De Sesa, Gary Bouro, Long Island
- 114 Womack, Terry, Ark-LA-Miss
- 115 Caseor, David J, St. Louis
- 116 Marantette, Stephen P, New England
- 117 Ostovar, Payam, No. Carolina
- 118 Moulton, Samuel T, New England
- 119 Gutman, Jarrod, New England
- 120 Ciccone, Gregory J., Long Island



Katie Cavan knows it's her touch. Photo Elizabeth Veneskey.

UNDER-20 MEN'S EPEE

- 1 Greenhouse, Rashaan O, Metro NYC
- 2 Burrell, Jason S, Capitol
- 3T Kelsey, Weston, Oregon
- 3T Orman, Jesse R, Minnesota
- 5 Wang, Steve W, New Jersey
- 6 Rostal, Scott E, Minnesota
- 7 Chilen, Luke P, South TX
- 8 Viviani, Jan J, Metro NYC
- 9 Hartman, Brian D, Westchester
- 10 Nye, Howard, Illinois
- 11 Gold, Roni, New England
- 12 Davis, Bryce R, Ark-LA-Miss
- 13 Acerra, Marco E, New Jersey
- 14 St. Francis, John M, Colorado
- 15 Garcia, Javier, New Jersey
- 16 Yarneli, Dominique, South CA
- 17 Pruitt, Henry C, Oregon
- 18 Peterson, Kraig A, Western NY
- 19 Chorn, Elliott R, North TX
- 20 Hong, Richard, Central CA
- 21 Tribbett, Eric J, Colorado
- 22 Eriksen, Scott J, NorthEast
- 23 McInturff, Kevin R, Virginia
- 24 Senn, Dan N, Minnesota
- 25 Leslie, Joshua A, Oregon

- 26 Casas, Arnold B, Indiana
- 27 Singh, Ranjeet G, Border TX
- 28 Griffin, Russ, New Jersey
- 29 Fromm, Nicholas, Illinois
- 30 Hamann, Charles W, Long Island
- 31 Grant, Dave A., Illinois
- 32 Gardner, Eric J, Ark-LA-Miss
- 33 Leiseca, Michael, Gold Coast
- 34 Gaither, James L, North CA
- 35 Dalmedo, Eric A, Metro NYC
- 36 Benson, James W, NorthEast
- 37 Klinger, Michael, New Jersey
- 38 Siebold, Dirk R, Colorado
- 39 Slep, Mitchell W, New Jersey
- 40 Hilton, Andrew D, Georgia
- 41 Cameron, John J, Ark-LA-Miss
- 42 Vickery, Daniel S, Harrisburg
- 43 Gurarie, Mark D, North OH
- 44 Wolf, Brian A, Western NY
- 45 Lowry, Peter A, North TX
- 46 Pope, Mark A, New Jersey
- 47 Behler, Alan G, Michigan
- 48 Fitzgerald, Matthew C, New Jersey
- 49 Blazure, Matthew, New Jersey
- 50 Rubenfield, Adam S, North TX
- 51 Flanagan, James P, Minnesota

- 121 Kolakowski, Derek B, New England
- 122 Carlson, Jesse, San Bernar
- 123 Campos, Jon M, Illinois
- 124T Emler, Matthew K, Oklahoma
- 124T Bianca, Gregory T, Huds-Berk
- 126 Levatino, Sean T, Huds-Berk
- 127 Keitel, Philip L, Huds-Berk
- 128 Bussiere, Chris, Conn.
- 129 Bryant, Zach, South IN
- 130 Lane IV, George, New Jersey
- 131T Burke, Matthew, New Mex.
- 131T Bralow, Robert, Phila. PA
- 133 Sabino, Nicholas A, New England
- 134 Orr, Evan N, S. Jersey
- 135 LeMoine, Vincent P, Ark-LA-Miss
- 136 Benoit, Aaron A, Hawaii
- 137 Nomura, Alexander, Central CA
- 138T Scott, Brian A, South CA
- 138T Fackler, Peter M, Westchester
- 140T Bushu, Randy, Colorado
- 140T Chang, John S, Hawaii
- 140T MacPhee, Andrew C, Gold Coast
- 140T Day, Douglas S, Ark-LA-Miss
- 144 Beisel, Sky S, Alaska

- 51 Pieper, Anna M, Minnesota
- 52T Mellman, Melinda A, Kentucky
- 52T Proffitt, Catherine, Gulf Cst
- 54 Polanichka, Nicole J, Harrisburg
- 55 Carnick, Anna N, Western NY
- 56 Cordazzo, Kristin, Westchester
- 57 Rupert, Eva L, Conn.
- 58 Conley, Monica A, New Jersey
- 59 Roberts, Kimberly M, New Jersey
- 60 Kabil, Amal A, Indiana
- 61 Chilen, Hannah, South TX

- 104T Nichols, Jessica M, New England
- 104T Perry, Sara A, New England
- 106 Dennehy, Elaine M, Michigan
- 107 Delahanty, Katherine, Kentucky
- 108 Cavanagh, Emily T, New England
- 109 Hagerty, Dawn M, Indiana
- 110T Lathrop, Anne, Indiana
- 110T Lawrence, Emily, Capitol
- 112 Mills, Portia M E, Capitol
- 113 Patashnick, Jennifer L, New England
- 114 Paru, Dana C, New England

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- 1 Breden, Ute K, Western NY
- 2 Ament, Andrea E, North OH
- 3T Takagi, Melanie J, Georgia
- 3T Luitjen, Cassidy C, South TX
- 5 Cavan, Kathryn M, Metro NYC
- 6 Fielding-Segal, Stephanie, Metro NYC
- 7T Rostal, Mindy K, Minnesota
- 7T Zuckerman, Katherine, South CA
- 9 Brown, Caitlin A, South TX
- 10 Schaefer, Esperance, Metro NYC
- 11 Park, Jennifer J, Metro NYC
- 12 Thompson, Hannah M, Western NY
- 13 Katz, Emily L, New Jersey
- 14 Fielding-Segal, Kimberly, Metro NYC
- 15 Geiger, Macy G, Georgia
- 16 Weeks, Sarah E, New Jersey
- 17 Prifrel, Megan M, Minnesota
- 18T Beecher, Jaime, Long Island
- 18T Selkirk, Zane C, Metro NYC
- 20 De Ieso, Gina, New Jersey
- 21 Belsito, Christine, Westchester
- 22 Borresen, Karen, Phila. PA
- 23 De Villa, Emily C, New Jersey
- 24 Barnes-Hopkins, Marisa S, Phila. PA
- 25 Campbell, Lindsay K, North OH
- 26 Gordon, Judit, Central PA
- 27 Powell, Manushag N, Conn.
- 28 Leahy, Jacqueline, Colorado
- 29 Thompson, Metta K, Western NY
- 30 Mustilli, Marisa A, New Jersey
- 31 Strucker, Maeve, New England
- 32 Boyer, Roxanna C, Border TX
- 33 Alford, April C, South TX
- 34 Mann, Elizabeth, Colorado
- 35 Brodsky, Anya G, Metro NYC
- 36 Zagunis, Mariel L, Oregon
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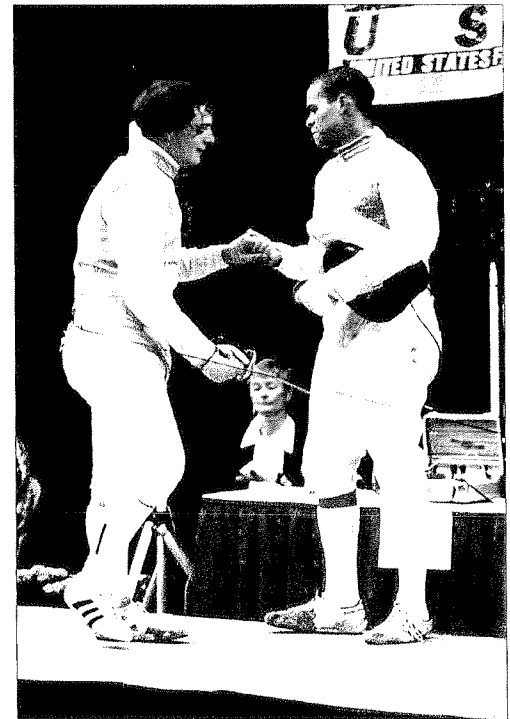
U-20 Women's Epee medalists (l-r): Alexandra Korfanty, Caitlin Rich, Andrea Ament, Arlene Stevens, Kathryn Cavan, Mary Dunlop, Elizabeth Mann, Whitney Anderson.

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- 1 Korfanty, Alexandra, Oregon
- 2 Rich, Caitlin C, New Jersey
- 3T Ament, Andrea E, North OH
- 3T Stevens, Arlene, Western NY
- 5 Cavan, Kathryn M, Metro NYC
- 6 Dunlop, Mary J, New Jersey
- 7 Mann, Elizabeth, Colorado
- 8 Anderson, Whitney R, Colorado
- 9 Hurme, Kristiina, South TX
- 10 Mustilli, Nicole, Indiana
- 11 Powell, Sarah J, Phila. PA
- 12 Hobstetter, Sarah W, North CA
- 13 Coley, Kari P, Phila. PA
- 14 Allen, Kimberley, Oregon
- 15 Shaahid, Sakinah N, Western PA
- 16 Lisagor, Jessica A, South TX
- 17 fencer excluded
- 18T Acerra, Matilde E., New Jersey
- 18T Thomann, Becky L, North TX
- 20 Walton, Kerry E, NorthEast
- 21 De Ieso, Gina, New Jersey
- 22 Chin, Meredith M, Phila. PA
- 23 Dahan, Maytal, South CA
- 24 Blumenauer, Patricia A, Long Island
- 25 Nichols, Katherine, No. Carolina
- 26 Moore II, Debra A, North CA
- 27 Uzzeil, Valerie J, New England
- 28 Simpson, Anne, New England
- 29T Lawrence, Maya A, New Jersey
- 29T Park, Gaelyn M, Kentucky
- 31 Chambers, Joy C, New England
- 32 Linton, Kimberly B, S. Jersey
- 33 Galto, Meredith A, New Jersey
- 34 Brodsky, Anya G, Metro NYC
- 35 Bosch, Jennifer A, New Jersey
- 36 Anden, Erika M, Michigan
- 37 Campbell, Lindsay K, North OH
- 38 Weiss, Dana A, Conn.
- 39 Yemini, Tamar, New Jersey
- 40 Thottam, Elizabeth, South CA
- 41 Sun, Hong Joo, Metro NYC
- 42T Overk, Cassia R, New Jersey
- 42T Decker, Katharine, Central CA
- 44 Triggs, Heidi A, Colorado
- 45 Chin, Fiona C, New England
- 46 Leighton, Eleanor T, Indiana
- 47 Golia, Jennifer S, Metro NYC
- 48 Rich, Bethanie G, Ark-LA-Miss
- 49 Kebrle, Margaret A, Indiana
- 50 Kehoe, Rebecca L, Long Island

- 62 Borresen, Karen, Phila. PA
- 63 Phillips, Ginger, Ark-LA-Miss
- 64 Moroney, Marybeth C, New Jersey
- 65 Zahrt, Lee A, Indiana
- 66 Gaseor, Meghan P, St. Louis
- 67 Rangl, Roopa, New Jersey
- 68 Boyer, Roxanna C, Border TX
- 69 Frans, Xiomara B, New Jersey
- 70 French, Lesley K, South TX
- 71T Maibauer, Alisa M, North OH
- 71T Fulcer, Caitlin M, Wisconsin
- 73 Caputo, Elizabeth, New Jersey
- 74 Westall, Cristina L, St. Louis
- 75 McDaniel, Erin S, Ark-LA-Miss
- 76 Andert, Kelly J, Wisconsin
- 77 Greenspan, Allison M, New England
- 78 Lane, Tara P, Plains TX
- 79 Wangner, Lauren M, Long Island
- 80 Thurston, Molly, Ark-LA-Miss
- 81 Ferguson, Sarah K, No. Carolina
- 82 Wong, Genevieve, South CA
- 83 Kehoe, Veronica L, Long Island
- 84 Athanas, Elizabeth, Huds-Berk
- 85 Benoit, Aletta, Hawaii
- 86 Webb, Catie A, New Jersey
- 87T Martinez, Elizabeth, Colorado
- 87T Ferris, Cathleen A, St. Louis
- 89 Noe, Jessica M, Wisconsin
- 90T Knight, Marta J, New Jersey
- 90T Firoz, Elnaz F, New Jersey
- 92 Tracy, Leah, Illinois
- 93 Ruf, Margaret A, Wisconsin
- 94 Biscoe, Kathleen A, Wisconsin
- 95 Reger, Rebecca L, Huds-Berk
- 96T Campos, Monica M, Colorado
- 96T Kosmala, Margaret C, New England
- 98 Jones, Amanda C, Illinois
- 99 Blount, Ellen M, Phila. PA
- 100 Knorr, Katherine, New England
- 101T Marano, Marlo J, South TX
- 101T Harris, Jessica L, Illinois
- 103 Schafer, Kristina L, New Jersey

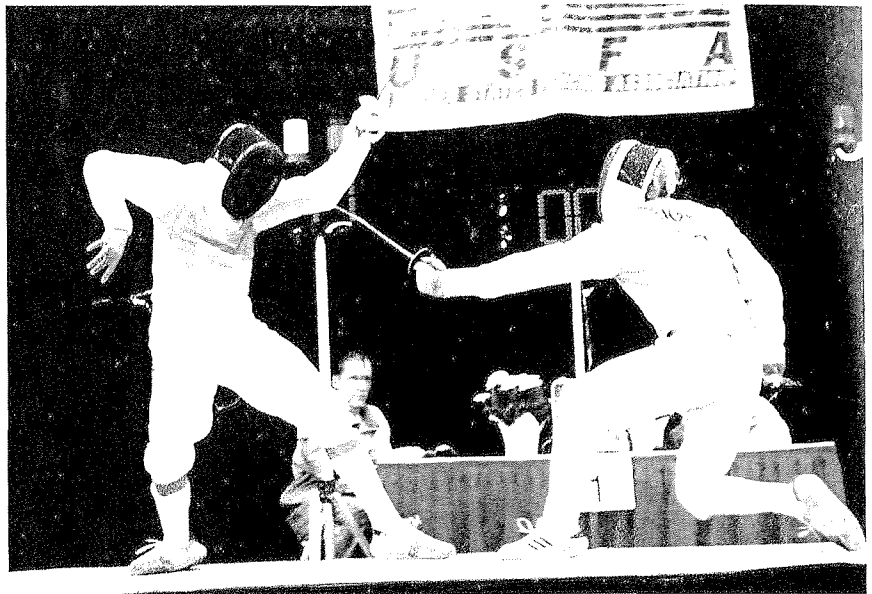
Davis Merritt congratulates eventual U-20 Men's Foil gold-medal winner Ayo Griffin as Griffin advances to the finals. Photos this page Elizabeth Veneskey.



- 38 Rajfer, Elynn R, New Jersey
- 39 D'Acunto, Jennifer L, New Jersey
- 40 Chin, Fiona C, New England
- 41 Osborn, Elice A, Michigan

- 42 Rich, Bethanie G, Ark-LA-Miss
- 43 Toy, Allison K, Long Island
- 44 Hicks, Colleen, Illinois
- 45 Lapointe, Bethany S, NorthEast
- 46 Kebrdle, Margaret A, Indiana
- 47 Romanek, Karla L, Westchester
- 48 Miranda, Tara E, New Jersey
- 49 O'Neill, Austin H, Westchester
- 50 Maro, Meghan A, New England
- 51 Schemmer, Katharine, New England
- 52 Shore, Laelah R, Phila. PA
- 53 Boutsikaris, Liza A, New Jersey
- 54 Thottam, Elizabeth, South CA
- 55 Chin, Meredith M, Phila. PA
- 56 Sun, Hong Joo, Metro NYC
- 57 Goodman, Monica B, New Jersey
- 58 Walton, Kerry E, NorthEast
- 59 Blumenauer, Patricia A, Long Island
- 60 Cheng, Nancy, S. Jersey
- 61 Linton, Kimberly B, S. Jersey
- 62 Szotyory-Grove, Orsolya E, Gulf Cst
- 63 Leslie, Lisa M, New Jersey
- 64 Estrela, Guida D, New England
- 65 Polanichka, Nicole J, Harrisburg
- 66 Cummings, Janet P, No. Carolina
- 67 Breden, Senta E, Capitol
- 68 Chen, Lilia, New England
- 69 Von Hoff, Theresa A, Long Island
- 70 Strucker, Nadja, New England
- 71T Webb, Jennifer M, Wisconsin

Ayo Griffin gets caught flatfooted in his U-20 foil finals match with Joel Mangum. Photo Elizabeth Veneskey.



Jedediah Dupree awaits his gold medal bout with Ayo Griffin. Dupree took home the silver. Photo Elizabeth Veneskey.

- 71T Mastrangelo, Andrea M, New Jersey
- 73 Lehrer, Vivian, Illinois
- 74 Mannino, Anna M, New Jersey
- 75 Wiltz, Aimee L, New England
- 76 Lathrop, Anne, Indiana
- 77 Nebert, Carrie M, Alaska
- 78 Epstein, Erin E., Illinois
- 79 Martin, Joanna C, New Jersey
- 80 Lewis-Turner, Jessica L, Phila. PA
- 81 Ferguson, Sarah K, No. Carolina
- 82 French, Lesley K, South TX
- 83 Foellmer, Nele J, Conn.
- 84 Hughes, Erica A, Virginia
- 85 Park, Gaelyn M, Kentucky
- 86 Li, Margaret S, New England
- 87T Gaseor, Meghan P, St. Louis
- 87T Woolf, Angie, Minnesota
- 89 Nebert, Amanda J, Alaska
- 90 Neumann, Catherine, New England

- 91 Early, Elyse E, Gulf Cst
- 92 Sibert, Rebekah M, North CA
- 93 Pendergast, Amy E, New England
- 94 Roell, Ashley E, North TX
- 95 Heffernan, Amy R, Metro NYC
- 96 Simpson, Anne, New England
- 97T Kearns, Cesia G, Wisconsin
- 97T Trunzo, Erica, Central CA
- 99 Brown, Beth J, North OH
- 100 Proctor, Wyley, New England
- 101 Cockburn, Ashley J, Ark-LA-Miss
- 102 Lorberer, Miranda G, Huds-Berk
- 103 Haut, Megan E, Wisconsin
- 104 Thomas, Jennifer D, Indiana
- 105 Catanese, Joan C, Ark-LA-Miss
- 106 Durrett, Melody S, Colorado
- 107T D'Acunto, Gina, New Jersey
- 107T Athanas, Elizabeth, Huds-Berk
- 109 Carter, Stephanie, Gulf Cst

- 110 Graf Peters, Elizabeth, Huds-Berk
- 111 James, Samantha A, North TX
- 112 Stevens, Roxanne, Western NY
- 113T James, Deya, New Mex.
- 113T Leighton, Eleanor T, Indiana
- 115 Eaton-Salners, Margaret R, Capitol
- 116 Tinianow, Tracy K, Colorado
- 117 Bosch, Jessica A, New Jersey
- 118 Lee, Tammy A, South CA
- 119T Symonds, Samantha L, Gulf Cst
- 119T Connell, Alexandra, Central CA
- 121 Eurdolian, Alexandria, New England
- 122 Perry, Breanne M, San Bernar
- 123 Huber, Janice K, Wisconsin
- 124 Dwyer, Cristin A, New England
- 125 Brennand, Melanie A, New Mex.
- 126 Revak, Kelly R, San Diego
- 127T Gaither, Anne J, South CA
- 127T Cali, Mary J, Wisconsin
- 127T Roberts, Josephine, South CA
- 130 Granzow, Elinor A, Western WA
- 131T Morse, Danielle M, Captiol
- 131T Woods, Amanda M, Michigan
- 131T Lagersen, Sarah M, Ark-LA-Miss
- 134 Tuck, Natalie A, New Mex.

- 21 Singh, V. Ajay, Gulf Cst
- 22 Mosca, Michael P, Oklahoma
- 23 Cohen, Yale E, Gulf Cst
- 24 Hayes, Charles C, Indiana
- 25 Mones, Jesse A, Long Island
- 26 Mulholland, Mark B, North CA
- 27 Cohen, David A, Gulf Cst
- 28 Tsao, Larry O, North CA
- 29 Richardson, Samuel S, New England
- 30 Cutler, Robert A, Westchester
- 31 Senn, Dan N, Minnesota
- 32 Townley, Stephen G, New England
- 33 Bruckner, Raphael J, New England
- 34 Belisle, John W, Wisconsin
- 35 Semisch, Christopher, Phila. PA
- 36 Cameron, Matt W, Illinois
- 37 Cellini, Peter A, Western NY
- 38 Werk, Cory, South CA
- 39 Slifka, Nathan E, New Jersey
- 40 DesRoches, Christopher, Georgia
- 41 Shahriari, David J, Phila. PA
- 42 Otten, Marc L, Westchester
- 43 Queenan, Timothy P, New Jersey
- 44 Trainor, Patrick A, South TX
- 45 Padgitt, Tedd S, San Diego
- 46 Farrow, Nicholas U, Phila. PA
- 47 Leahy, Garrett, Colorado
- 48 Rabiaga, Greer M, Oregon
- 49 Orton, Nicholas L, New Jersey
- 50 Farrell, Alexander, South TX
- 51 Banister, Simeon I, Western NY
- 52 Kanel, Charlie, Central CA
- 53 Kreidman, Michael J, Long Island
- 54 Jew-Lim, Jonathan, Central CA
- 55 LeDonne, John P, New Jersey
- 56 Vogeler, Paul J, Columbus OH
- 57 McInturff, Kevin R, Virginia
- 58 Lafving, Brandon, North TX
- 59 Gerberman, Steven B, South CA
- 60 Peele, Dana S, New Jersey
- 61 Bhutta, Omar J, Western PA
- 62 Da Silva, Paulo M, New Jersey
- 63 Eriksen, Kevin S, NorthEast
- 64 Osserman, Brian D, New England
- 65 Osserman, Stephen A, North CA
- 66 Sirlin, Brian J, Long Island
- 67 Singh, Ranjeet G, Border TX
- 68 Pavlou Jr, George, Long Island

UNDER-20 MEN'S FOIL

- 1 Griffin, Ayo, Metro NYC
- 2 Dupree, Jedediah, Metro NYC
- 3T Lidow, David R, Central PA
- 3T Mangum, Joel B, Western WA
- 5 Fisher, Joseph E, Indiana
- 6T Chang, Timothy, Central CA
- 6T Reagan, Dustin R, Oklahoma
- 8 Rosen, Peter, Metro NYC
- 9 Shams, Ryan C, North TX
- 10 Merritt, Davis A, New England
- 11 Clarke, Scott, Colorado
- 12 Thompson, Soren, San Diego
- 13 Liu Jr, David, Phila. PA
- 14 Keckley-Stauffe, Joshua, Central CA
- 15 Jackson, Richard G, Phila. PA
- 16 Filner, Aaron, Metro NYC
- 17 Charles, Jonathan D, North CA
- 18 Breden, Roland G, Capitol
- 19T Delgado, David A, Illinois
- 19T Pearson, John, South TX

- 69 Bright Jr, David E, "Piedmont, SC"
- 70 Smith, Nathaniel, St. Louis
- 71 Torres, Gabriel D, Border TX
- 72 Bacon, Matthew R, S. Jersey
- 73 Hiri, Kean D, North TX
- 74 Lyons, James P, New Jersey
- 75 Lapointe, Robert C, NorthEast
- 76 Maggio, Justin S, Metro NYC
- 77 Yach, Michael W, Wisconsin
- 78 Alpern, Noah, Border TX
- 79 Lopina, Dexter, New Jersey
- 80 Farmer, Benjamin S, Long Island
- 81 Menaldino, Derek S, Phila. PA
- 82 Gourley, Mike C, New Jersey
- 83 Benson, James W, NorthEast

- 119 Sinkin, Gabriel M, Western NY
- 120 Grenwick, Richard J, Michigan
- 121 Eaton, Christian, Mt. Valley
- 122T Miloslavsky, Eli M, New England
- 122T Keane, Matthew, Iowa
- 124 Ungar, Jonathan P, Metro NYC
- 125 Gurarie, Mark D, North OH
- 126 Dawson, Todd M, Tenn.
- 127 Millis, Thomas A, St. Louis
- 128 Dwyer, Brendan C, North CA
- 129 Hnath, Brian, Colorado
- 130 Brown, Joseph E, Capitol
- 131 Kolakowski, Derek B, New England
- 132 Montgomery, Joshua P, San Bernar
- 133 McGraw, Christopherr, South CA

- 168T Lee, Bonjwing, Illinois
- 170T Stanciu, Alexandru, Phila. PA
- 170T Nomura, Alexander, Central CA
- 172 Stanbro, Patrick W, New Mex.
- 173 Sinkin, Jeremy C, Western NY
- 174 Leonard, Jason S, Huds-Berk
- 175 Isenberg, Robert J, NorthEast
- 176T Gardner, Eric J, Ark-LA-Miss
- 176T Browne, Michael A, Indiana
- 178T Mesiya, Michael J, Conn.
- 178T Bhutta, Daniel E, Western PA
- 180T Eubank, Austin, Plains TX
- 180T Marder, Matthew A, Oregon
- 182 Chang, John S, Hawaii
- 183T Bianca, Erik J, Huds-Berk

- 26 Fitzpatrick, Ethan R, Phila. PA
- 27 Jones, Daniel N, New Jersey
- 28T Rogers, Jason N, South CA
- 28T Balistreri, Tony J, Illinois
- 30 Purcell, Brian T, Metro NYC
- 31 Bailey-Yavondit, Daniel C, Huds-Berk
- 32 Wardle, Michael F, Huds-Berk
- 33 Douglas, Camara U, Kentucky
- 34 Coiella, Jeffrey S, New Jersey
- 35 LaValle III, Luke P, Metro NYC
- 36 Swanson, Paul A, New England
- 37 Ferreira, Luke A, New England
- 38 Stahlhut, Michael T, Georgia
- 39 Bednarski, Andrzej, Indiana
- 40 DeMatteis, Jared W, New Jersey



Following the sudden death of USAF Vice President Tom DiCerbo, a number of his friends established a Junior Olympics Sabre trophy in his memory. Ralph Zimmerman (photo left) accepted the trophy on behalf of the USAF at the Board of Directors meeting in Marlborough. The next day Patrick Durkin (right) received the trophy after winning the U-20 Sabre Championship. Photo Elizabeth Veneskey.

- 84 Cho, Dannie, New Jersey
- 85 Leslie, Joshua A, Oregon
- 86 Seigel, Marc D, New Jersey
- 87 Mautone, Steven M, New Jersey
- 88 Hamilton, Brian K, Columbus OH
- 89 Sampson, Matthew T, Wisconsin
- 90 Walton, Forest E, NorthEast
- 91 Gaseor, David J, St. Louis
- 92 Lech, Peter L, Michigan
- 93 Peyton, Jeffrey B, Illinois
- 94 Landel, Bertrand, New England
- 95 Gabler, Scott J, South CA
- 96T Coleman, Chaneé A, San Bernar
- 96T Dreyer, Matthew W, Long Island
- 96T Pruitt, Henry C, Oregon
- 99 McMurray, Matthew S, No. Carolina
- 100 Clark, Noble B, NorthEast
- 101 McGinty, Eli G, Central CA
- 102 Sullivan, James S, Ark-LA-Miss
- 103 Catania, Frank, New Jersey
- 104 Gazit, Idan, Westchester
- 105 Vickery, Daniel S, Harrisburg
- 106 Form, David A, New England
- 107 Wangensteen, Kjell M, Minnesota
- 108 Ngo, Jacky C, Central CA
- 109 Womack, Terry, Ark-LA-Miss
- 110 Johnston, Daniel R, New England
- 111 Hill, Aaron A, Gulf Cst
- 112 Nelson, Charles J, Minnesota
- 113 Cameron, John J, Ark-LA-Miss
- 114 Allen, Christopher, San Diego
- 115 Lee, Mark E, Conn.
- 116 Brown, Seth D, Oklahoma
- 117 Davis, Bryce R, Ark-LA-Miss
- 118 Murray, Brian L, No. Carolina

- 134 Carlino, Gregory J, North OH
- 135 Chew, Davin J, Metro NYC
- 136 Hesky, Andrew A, Western PA
- 137T Braunstein, Jonathan E, New Jersey
- 137T McAneny, Bren M, Capitol
- 139 Ward, Conor C, Minnesota
- 140 Fessler, Ed, Western PA
- 141 Levin, Joshua, New Jersey
- 142 Haynes, Chad M, No. Carolina
- 143 Leach, George C, Ark-LA-Miss
- 144 Caliman, Alexander, Central PA
- 145 Olmedo, Conrad L, South CA
- 146 Hochstetler, David J, Guilf Cst
- 147 Langbein, Christopherr, Conn.
- 148 Bacon, Darren J, S. Jersey
- 149 Lin, Dean C, Michigan
- 150 Lipman, Jonathan H, Illinois
- 151 Thompson, Andrew J, Wisconsin
- 152 Smith, Tyler S, Tenn.
- 153 Gargamelli, Christopherr, Conn.
- 154T Ketterhagen, Mark, Wisconsin
- 154T Cunningham, Aron B, Phila. PA
- 156T Vandiver, Benjamin M, New England
- 156T Schmidt, Ben H, New England
- 158 Brown, Donald S, Gulf Cst
- 159 Hughes, David, New Mex.
- 160 Beisef, Sky S, Alaska
- 161T Choi, David W, South CA
- 161T Walsh, William E, Illinois
- 163 Brichta, Patrick C, New Mex.
- 164 LeMoine, Vincent P, Ark-LA-Miss
- 165 Galera, Randall J, Alaska
- 166 Levin, Garrett A, Illinois
- 167 Best, Michael W, Harrisburg
- 168T Farrow, Adam M, New England

- 183T Piantoni, Dan, Huds-Berk
- 185T Oakley, John-Rolf, Western WA
- 185T Szuchman, Jeffrey J, New England
- 185T Brzeski, Jon B, Wisconsin
- 188 Guter, Avi A, Huds-Berk
- 189 Rosen, Jonathan E, New England
- 190 Platt, Jesse M, New England

UNDER-20 MEN'S SABER

- 1 Durkan, Patrick J, Metro NYC
- 2 Smart, Keeth T, Metro NYC
- 3T Crane, Robert F, Georgia
- 3T Sokol, Denis, South CA
- 5 Owens, Robert G, NATIONAL
- 6 LaValle, David M, Metro NYC
- 7 Walther, Brian R, Central PA
- 8 Bower, Brian, New England
- 9 Takagi, Michael J, Georgia
- 10 Spencer-El, Akhnaten A, Metro NYC
- 11 Golia, Michael J, Metro NYC
- 12 Whitmer, Darrin S, Michigan
- 13T Topper, Michael H, Michigan
- 13T Pratt, Daniel W, Indiana
- 15 Crompton, Andre, New Jersey
- 16 Mountain, Luke W, New England
- 17 Lee, Ivan J, Metro NYC
- 18T Yilla, Ahmed K, Metro NYC
- 18T Pack, Ronald, New Jersey
- 20 DeLapp, Kevin, Mt. Valley
- 21 Friedman, Paul, South CA
- 22 Glod, Richard E, Illinois
- 23 Sudo, Mitsuhiro, Metro NYC
- 24 Morehouse, Timothy F, Metro NYC
- 25 Lam, Arthur, Western NY

- 41 Wallen, James R, San Bernar
- 42 Martin, David C, New Jersey
- 43 Stuewe, Aaron C, Western NY
- 44 Fabricant, Matthew, New Jersey
- 45 Lee, Jeff H, New Jersey
- 46 Mathias, Marc, Indiana
- 47 Mahen, Andrew, New Jersey
- 48 Washburn, Jess W, Minnesota
- 49 Padgitt, Tedd S, San Diego
- 50 Loftin, Guy B, Illinois
- 51 LaValle, Michael P, Metro NYC
- 52 Berman, Thomas D, South CA
- 53 Buurma, Jacob S, New Jersey
- 54 Morgenstern, Michael, New Jersey
- 55 Chung, Kyusik, Conn.
- 56 Ferris, Jonathan K, Michigan
- 57 Kim, Terry N, New Jersey
- 58 Allen, Jeffrey A, Westchester
- 59 Romanski, Bob, Oregon
- 60 Zagunis, Marten R, Oregon
- 61 Torres, Gabriel D, Border TX
- 62 Bras, Rafael E, New England
- 63 Gulish, Jeremy, New Jersey
- 64 Zampieri, Joseph A, New Jersey
- 65 Goldsmid, Aaron P, Metro NYC
- 66 Garnevicus, John J, Metro NYC
- 67 Siebert, Kitzeln B, Kansas
- 68 Kasserman, Wyatt, New Jersey
- 69 De Sesa, Gary B, Long Island
- 70 Lafferty, James M, Metro NYC
- 71 Lathrop, Eric W, South IN
- 72 Novo, Andrew R, Westchester
- 73 Karl, Scott F, Colorado
- 74 Rosenberg, David S, Conn.
- 75 Cuzner, Jon D., North CA

- 76 Keene, Andrew B, Ark-LA-Miss
- 77 Baxter, Sean T, Minnesota
- 78 Cwiklinski, Michael T, New England
- 79 Dewey, John C, Western PA

- 89 Jacobson, Noah C, Minnesota
- 90 Gonzalez III, Arthur, Ark-LA-Miss
- 91 Zee, Anthony, Western WA
- 92 Smith, Joel A, Illinois

- 102 Maguire, David F, Long Island
- 103T Silva, Steven M, Orange Cst
- 103T Sandler, Matthew F, Gold Coast
- 105 Polydoros, Mark, Illinois
- 106 Levatino, Sean T, Huds-Berk
- 107 Wood, Ryan E, Colorado
- 108T Shanklin III, Robert E, Capitol
- 108T Martin, Keith E, New Jersey
- 108T Konter, Harris M, Georgia
- 111 Belisle, John W, Wisconsin
- 112 Gelfert, Max, Western WA
- 113 Courtney, Matthew B, Mt. Valley
- 114 Gillig, Matthew R, Maryland
- 115 Efstathiou, Evangelos, New England
- 116 Bredehoeft, Michael K, No. Carolina
- 117T Chang, John S, Hawaii
- 117T Beisel, Sky S, Alaska
- 119 Bishop, Eric P, North OH
- 120 Woomer, Nick C, Michigan
- 121 Yach, Michael W, Wisconsin
- 122 Lane, Christopher, Mt. Valley
- 123 Boling, Russell W, Phila. PA
- 124T Leighton, James B, Indiana
- 124T Brewer, Scott D, Columbus OH
- 126T Kim, Scott B, San Bernar
- 126T Cliffe, Ian S, Wisconsin
- 128 Simms, Brendan D, Huds-Berk

- 5 Pack, Catherine, New Jersey
- 6 Rich, Bethanie G, Ark-LA-Miss
- 7 Mazur, Natalia A, New Jersey
- 8 Gaudette, Katherine, Illinois
- 9 Rupert, Eva L, Conn.
- 10 Eskra, Beth N, Wisconsin
- 11 Filkins, Jessie M, Illinois
- 12 Wells, Carly E, Illinois
- 13 Orsi, Sabina E, New Jersey
- 14 Mason, Shannon M, New Jersey
- 15 Kearns, Cesia G, Wisconsin
- 16 Caputo, Elizabeth, New Jersey
- 17 Yi, Eunice, Illinois
- 18 Strucker, Margo, New England
- 19 Ferris, Cathleen A, St. Louis
- 20 Kaplan, Maia R, No. Carolina
- 21 Cox, Elizabeth, Ark-LA-Miss
- 22 Thurston, Molly, Ark-LA-Miss
- 23 Clark, Lindsey R, New Jersey
- 24 Norton, Dianne E, Ark-LA-Miss
- 25 Dowd, Meaghan V., Huds-Berk
- 26 Zahrt, Lee A, Indiana
- 27 Mervosh, Elizabeth, Western PA
- 28 D'Orlando, Alexandra, Metro NYC
- 29 Wade, Kristina A, Phila. PA
- 30 Pettiss, Katie A, Phila. PA
- 31 Kasprowicz, Aneta, New Jersey
- 32 Armbruster, Anne L., Indiana
- 33 Woolf, Megan, Minnesota
- 34 Fryszczyn, Catherine, New Jersey
- 35 Kauppila, Nissa M, NorthEast
- 36 Hitchings, Julia E, Westchester
- 37 Phillips, Ginger, Ark-LA-Miss
- 38 Hughes, Erica A, Virginia
- 39 Capp, Lena H, Maryland



Sabre medalists Marisa Mustilli, Caroline Purcell, Nicole Mustilli, Amy McDowell, Catherine Pack, Bethanie Rich, Natalia Mazur, Katherine Gaudette. Photo Elizabeth Veneskey.

- 80 Bartron, Samuel P, Huds-Berk
- 81 Kucharski, Szymon P, Central PA
- 82 Daly, David, Indiana
- 83 Packard III, William, Indiana
- 84 Kao, Robert, New Jersey
- 85 Dickey, Andrew W, S. Jersey
- 86 Thomson, Vernon R, Mt. Valley
- 87 Wernet, Joseph P, Columbus OH
- 88 Buchi, Steven E, Phila. PA

- 93 Tedder, James A, Ark-LA-Miss
- 94 Callaghan, Matthew, New England
- 95 Smith, Levii S, Alaska
- 96 Moran-Gates, Taylor, New England
- 97 Magee, Andrew P, Kentucky
- 98 Booth, Chris, Tenn.
- 99 Miller, Philip W, Metro NYC
- 100 Willett, Ryan T, New England
- 101 Beam, Brian K, New Jersey

UNDER-20 WOMEN'S SABRE

- 1 Mustilli, Marisa A, New Jersey
- 2 Purcell, Caroline M, Metro NYC
- 3T Mustilli, Nicole, Indiana
- 3T McDowell, Amy A, St. Louis

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Men's Epee

- 1. Normile, Jon, Metro NY
- 2. Rosenberg, David, Metro NY
- 3T Clarke, Alden F, Colorado
- 3T O'Loughlin, Chris S, Metro NY
- 5. Kahn, Jeremy M, N. Carolina
- 6. Thompson, Tristram S, National
- 7. Demirchian, Gagik, So. Calif.
- 8. Viviani, Jan J, Metro NY
- 9. fencer excluded
- 10. Wormack, Anthony W, Capitol
- 11. Hansen, Eric J, North CA
- 12. Clarke, Scott, Colorado
- 13. Hentea, Julian G, New Jersey
- 14. Thompson, Soren, San Diego
- 15. Moreau, John A, So. Texas
- 16. Casas, Arnold B, So. Calif.
- 17. Zucker, Noah L, Metro NY
- 18. Tribbett, Eric J, Colorado
- 19. Losey, R. Gregory, So. Texas
- 20. Carpenter, John D, So. Calif.
- 21. Marx, Robert, Oregon
- 22. Kovanda, Cassidy, Nebr.-S.Dak
- 23. Orman, Jesse R, Minnesota
- 24. Christie, Scott M, So. Texas
- 25. Tausig, Justin D, Metro NY
- 26. St. Francis, John M, Colorado
- 27. Hoffman, Joe, Virginia
- 28. Krause, Daniel F, Western WA
- 29. Loeffler, Carl, So. Calif.
- 30. Castillo, Alejandro, North CA
- 31. Schindler, Sergey M, North CA

- 32. Aufrichtig, Michael N, Metro NY
- 33. Train, Timothy D, Maryland
- 34. Masin, George G, Metro NY
- 35. Greenhouse, Rashaan O, Metro NY
- 36. Rostal, Scott E, Minnesota
- 37. Losey, Adam L, So. Texas
- 38. Mehall, Michael J, So. Calif.
- 39. Cerutti, Franco, So. Calif.
- 40. Blat, Robert, Minnesota
- 41. Richards, Dick, Maryland
- 42. Kelsey, Weston Set, Oregon
- 43. Kim, Michael C, Central CA
- 44. Thompson, Bryan N, Capitol
- 45. Naidich, Edward J, Capitol
- 46. Stewart, Robert B, Oregon
- 47. Lang, Markus G, Iowa
- 48. Ringwald, Kelly P, So. Calif.
- 49. Bonner III, Herman M, Philadelphia
- 50. Herrera, Benn P, North CA
- 51. Nye, Howard L M, Illinois
- 52. Arenberg, Jeffrey A, Central CA
- 53. Berman, Abraham J, Long Island
- 54. Hunt, Tom P, Oregon
- 55. Yen, Stanley K, New England
- 56. Gold, Roni, New England
- 57. Varney, Douglas, Illinois
- 58. Alexander, Charles H, San Diego

Men's Foil

- 1. Bayer, Cliff S, Metro NY
- 2. Kellner, Dan J, Metro NY
- 3T Devine, Peter E, Metro NY
- 3T Lu, Gang X, New Jersey
- 5. Longenbach, Zaddick X, Metro NY
- 6. Bruckner, Raphael J, New England
- 7. Weber, Alan E, Metro NY
- 8. Gargiulo, Terrence L, New England
- 9. Borin, James F, Connecticut
- 10. Wood, Alexander, Western NY

- 11. Gearhart, Andy R, Western NY
- 12. Rosen, Peter, Metro NY
- 13. Lidow, David R, Central PA
- 14. Basaraba, Gregory P, Georgia
- 15. Dupree, Jedediah, Metro NY
- 16. Foellmer, Oliver K, Connecticut
- 17. Fisher, Joseph E, Indiana
- 18. Siek, Jeremy G, New England
- 19. Hamza, Maher, Gulf Cst, TX
- 20. Chang, Timothy, Central CA
- 21. Kaihatsu, Edward, Illinois
- 22. Chilton, J. Kenneth, So. Calif.
- 23. Conway, Rob, Michigan
- 24. Merritt, Davis A, New England
- 25. Reagan, Dustin R, Oklahoma
- 26. Keckley-Stauffer, Joshua, Central CA
- 27. Riffaterre, Jason P, Metro NY
- 28. Clarke, Scott, Colorado
- 29. Hoffman, Joe, Virginia
- 30. Bennett, Philippe, Metro NY
- 31. Pavlovich, Robert R, Metro NY
- 32. Douraghy, Jamie M, So. Calif.
- 33. Cohen, David A, Gulf Cst, TX
- 34. Furrow, Nicholas U, Philadel.
- 35. Harkins, Craig T, Georgia
- 36. Davis, Donald J, Maryland
- 37. Stifel, Andrew, Capitol
- 38. Hayenga, Gary M, Wisconsin
- 39. Cellier, Brad F, Western PA
- 40. Charles, Jonathan D, North CA
- 41. Carrillo, Robert D, So. Calif.
- 42. Chang, Gregory, New England
- 43. McGill, Donald J, Central PA
- 44. Anderson, Robert J, Metro NY
- 45. Converse, Pat D, Georgia
- 46. Brunner, Stanton, Western NY
- 47. Maurin, Mike A, Utah/S/ Dak.
- 48. Madril, Robert J, New Mexico

- 49. Cho, Michael H, Michigan

Men's Sabre

- 1. Lasker, Terrence L, Kansas
- 2. Spencer-El, Akhnaten A, Metro NY
- 3T Skarbonkiewicz, Adam T, Oregon
- 3T Summers, Jeremy S, Kansas
- 5. Raynaud, Herby, Metro NY
- 6. Smart, Keeth T, Metro NY
- 7. D'Asaro II, Michael, Metro NY
- 8. Summers, Timothy M, Kansas
- 9. Friedberg, John, Metro NY
- 10. Palestis, Paul, New Jersey
- 11. Guy, Dmitriy, San Diego
- 12. Korfanty, Edward, Oregon
- 13. Pollack, Jonathan, Kansas
- 14. Maggio, Jonathan S, Metro NY
- 15. Liliov, Serge, New Jersey
- 16. LaValle III, Luke P, Metro NY
- 17. Clinton, Elliott, Oregon
- 18. LaValle, David M, Metro NY
- 19. Cordero, Jerome W, Long Island
- 20. Bednarski, Andrzej, Indiana
- 21. Crane, Robert F, Georgia
- 22. Mormando, Steve, Metro NY
- 23. Anthony Jr., Donald K, SW Ohio
- 24. Stuewe, Aaron C, Western NY
- 25. Schiffman, Jeff M, Kansas
- 26. Pratt, Daniel W, Indiana
- 27. Magliore, Rotchild, Metro NY
- 28. Parker, G. Colin, Georgia
- 29. Friedman, Paul, So. Calif.
- 30. Whitmer, Darrin S, Michigan
- 31. Takagi, Michael J, Georgia
- 32. Early, E Keith, Central CA
- 33. Hanna, Sean G, Metro NY
- 34. Milgram, Daniel J, Central CA
- 35. Chute, Chris M, New England
- 36. Stahlhut, Michael T, Georgia

- 37. Weber, Alan E, Metro NY
- 38. Heck, Steven D, Maryland
- 39. Goldsmid, Aaron P, Metro NY
- 40. Lam, Arthur, Western NY
- 41. Loffin, Guy B, Illinois
- 42. Weiss, Allan J, New Jersey

Women's Epee

- 1. Burke, Jessica B, Western NY
- 2. Marx, Leslie M, Western NY
- 3T Carpenter, Kathryn, Metro NY
- 3T Maskell MD, Laura, Oregon
- 5. Le, Nhi Lan, Georgia
- 6. Spilman, Elisabeth, Orange Cst
- 7. Miller, Margo L, So. Calif.
- 8. Cathey, Sarah E, Minnesota
- 9. Ament, Andrea E, North Ohio
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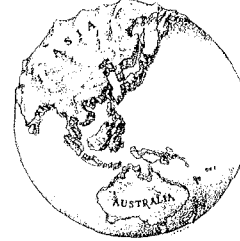
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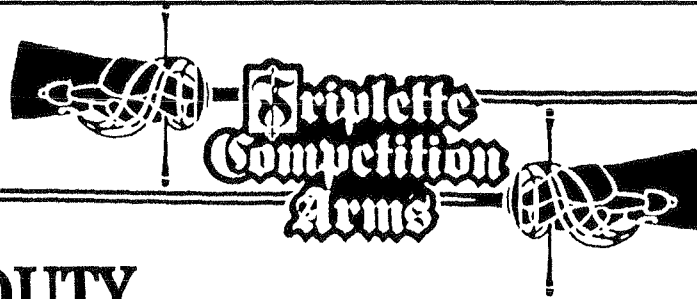
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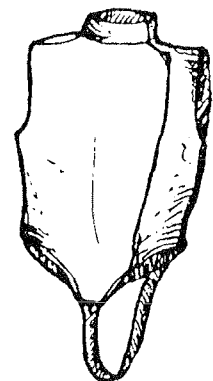
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devise travel plans, and have the answers at strip side when the athlete needs direction.

Coaches often play a large role in the athlete's life off the strip providing counseling on personal issues, being sure that injury and health problems are well addressed, and so forth. In a sense, there is pressure for coaches to try to become "all things to all people". Leadership demands require coaches to look after everyone's well-being other than their own—and generally coaches tend to overwork. In some cases, coaches can lose perspective regarding their personal and professional development, and their mental and physical well-being.

While stress is inevitable for coaches and athletes, burnout is avoidable. The initial step in combating burnout is recognition of its causes and consequences and an openness to finding solutions. Coaches and athletes need to keep perspective as they balance competitive and life-style decisions. They need to create adequate opportunities for rest and enjoyment, incorporate routine strategies for stress management, and utilize available social support resources.

One well known coach has suggested to us that a meeting of coaches be planned to allow sharing of ideas for training and competition. For coaches to meet when they are not caught up in the immediate demands of competition and can focus on their personal needs and goals could bring many benefits. Potentially this might include: a shared vision for the sport, a better sense of camaraderie, mutual support—and some fun too. Who better to "blow off steam" with than those who best know the joys and sorrows of sport.

Sport psychologist and track and field coach, Vernacchia (1995) has suggested the following ways to alleviate stress for coaches: cultivate an advocate (or advocates) for one's program; select good assistant coaches and delegate responsibility; and, strive to find enjoyment in the process of training and competition.

As always, it is essential to test one's ability to turn life's pressures into challenges while retaining the joy for the sport. Scheduling time to enjoy activities away from the competitive environment is an essential component of all time and stress management strategies. The ability to set and modify goals so that they remain realistic is the glue that holds the rest together.

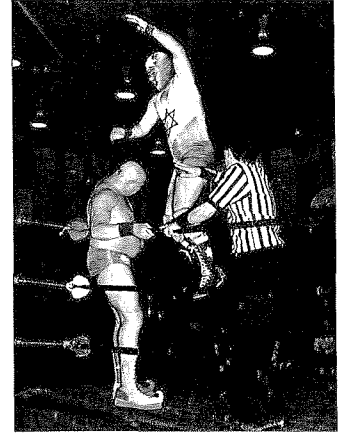
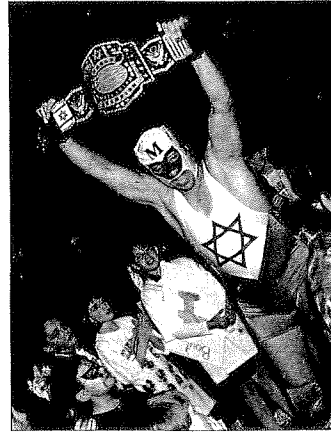
Good stress management pays ample dividends in all aspects of life and sport. It is the difference between simply surviving and thriving—and a good example to set for those to whom coaches and competitive athletes are role models.

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'97 Maccabiah Games Fund Raising Event



Maccabiah Games fencing chairman, Jeff Bukantz, also known as the Mighty Maccabee, drew more than 300 spectators for Maccabiah Mania which raised money for fencers in this summer's games, to be held July 14 - 24 in Israel. The Mighty Maccabee defeated the Iron Sheik, a former World Wrestling Federation champion.

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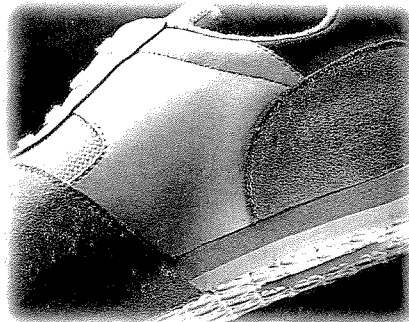
NEWSWEEK Magazine published a special issue earlier this year focusing on the growth and development of children, from birth to three years old. One section described those most basic reflexes (like sucking) which dominate an infant's behavior, reflexes which gradually disappear during the first year of life. One of the most interesting is called the tonic neck (or fencing) reflex. If you turn an infant's head to one side, the arm on the same side straightens while the other arm bends. And who said the fencing stance was unnatural?

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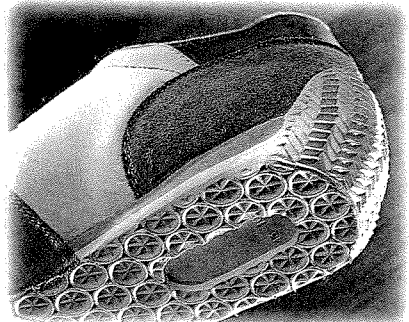
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