

THE 11TH ANNUAL

GREAT WEST GYM FEST

at the Coeur D' Alene Resort
February 24—26, 2012

"The Big 11!"

Remember...
The Deadline for
registration info is
January 20!



Yes, we're having our
boy's back competing
again in 2012!!

CONFIRMATION PACKET AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

NEW FOR THIS YEAR:

We would love for you to submit all of your
information online on the links we have provided!!

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR TEAM BEING ACCEPTED TO THE 11TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT WEST GYM FEST!

PLEASE READ THIS STUFF!

There are several forms and bits of information that we require back, and we are asking for your help in getting those back to us in as timely a manner as possible.

We know... we are coaches too, and we understand the time demands that you have, but we hope that you will take a few minutes to complete these forms and get them in the mail to us for two reasons:

1. It helps us get the meet organized, which not only keeps our hair from turning more silver than it is but also makes it more organized for you and your parents. And...
2. It makes sure that your team and their families get a chance to take full advantage of all the events and possible experiences they can. Many of our events will be limited in the amount of people we can accommodate, and we certainly don't want to turn you and your athletes and their families away if possible.

****Please note the many changes, including the new schedules and Men's session!****

**** All of the events are on a 'first paid, first served basis', and we cannot 'hold' or 'save' spots... once the spots are sold, we will have to say 'No' :(.** Please get your info back to us soon. This is a large meet, but more than that, it will be a special meet with a style and a class like no other meet you have ever attended... our goal is to make it the single best meet you and your team attend this or perhaps any season (until next year's GWGF!) and we are doing everything we can to make it as memorable and wonderful as we can. Please help us by returning your stuff!

**WARNING... WARNING... DANGER, WILL ROBINSON...
THIS YEAR, TO COMBAT SOME OF THE PROBLEMS FROM THE PAST, THERE WILL BE A
\$10/ATHLETE 'LATE FEE' FOR ROSTERS AND FULL PAYMENT NOT RECEIVED BY
JANUARY 20, 2012! YIKES! C'MON... YOU CAN DO IT!**

Please take advantage of the checklist provided at the end of the packet to assist you in compiling your packet, and we thank you for your help!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us at [208-664-0135](tel:208-664-0135). You have made a great choice in deciding to attend the GWGF, and we look forward to seeing you and your athletes in February 2012

Dave (The meet director)

GWGF 2012

CONTACT INFO...

DATE: Feb 24—26, 2012

VENUE(S): *Women:* Coeur d' Alene Resort
115 S. 2nd St.
Coeur d' Alene, Id. 83814

Men: IEGA
6360 Sunshine St
Coeur d' Alene, Id

WEBSITE: www.greatwestgymfest.com

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registration@greatwestgymfest.com (Paul)
program@greatwestgymfest.com (Paul)
Admin@greatwestgymfest.com (Deb)
Editor@greatwestgymfest.com (Rick)

PHONE: 208-664-0135 (Please DO NOT call the IEGA/FUNTASTICS number!)

****The best way to contact us is by email!****

SOME IMPORTANT NOTES AND CHANGES...

- ~ The final schedule will be announced when we have our tentative numbers.
- ~ We're also planning on having an Excel (Prep Op) /Level 3 session on Sunday!
- ~ Ice cream social tickets will be available online through Showclix.com through our online store as of January 8, and will sell out!
 - > The ICS will be scheduled so that ALL athletes can take part!
- ~ The athlete's gift will be the great **Destira Leos** again this year!
- ~ Gymnasts' "Midnight Dance Party" tickets will also be available via online store, and will sell out! ****With lower prices this year!****
- ~ Tickets for "Big Show" finals, and all sessions will be available through our GWGF ticket service as of January 6th, 2011! Keep an eye on the website for details!

SESSION TICKETS (AFTER JAN. 8TH):

<http://www.showclix.com/event/GreatWestGymfest>

GWGF 2012 SCHEDULE UPDATE!!!

This year we are very happy to be providing a men's competition as well, so we will be using two venues for 2012:

- › All women's competition will take place at the beautiful Coeur d Alene Resort
- › Men's competition will take place at the palatial main gym of IEGA at 6360 Sunshine Street, Coeur d Alene, Id. 83815

› The tentative schedule is designed to accommodate as many athletes as we can, as well as our judging needs. The final schedule will be posted as soon as we get the confirmations of team's final numbers. One way or the other, it will be similar to the version below:

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE (THIS WILL BE THE ORDER OF THE MEET. SPECIFIC TIMES WILL BE POSTED AS WE GET FINAL ENTRIES):

FRIDAY, FEB 24:

- ~ All level 7's (2 sessions)
- ~ All level 8s (1 or 2 sessions)
- ~ All level 9s (1 or 2 sessions)
- ~ All level 10's (1 session)

SATURDAY, FEB 25:

- ~ All Men's levels (at IEGA) (1 or 2 sessions)
- ~ Level 6 girls (1 session)
- ~ All (or most) level 5 girls (2 sessions)
- ~ Hang with the Olympians Ice cream Social
- ~ "Big Show" finals (With some Level 7s and Optional Boys this year!)
- ~ Athlete's Dance Party!

SUNDAY, FEB 26:

- ~ Remaining level 5's (if needed)
- ~ Level 4's (2 sessions)
- ~ Excel (Prep Ops)/Level 3s (1 session)

THE FINAL SCHEDULE WILL BE 100% BASED ON THE NUMBERS OF REGISTRANTS!

Please contact us at meetdirector@greatwestgymfest.com with any additional questions.
We will have the final schedule at team assignments posted as soon as we have final numbers from you!

WELCOME, AND PLEASE FOLLOW THE FOLLOWING EASY STEPS TO FINISH YOUR REGISTRATION.

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REGISTRATION LINK

> Please fill out the registration link provided to you by email and return it with the other requested information as soon as possible. **If you did NOT receive this link, please email registration@greatwestgymfest.com!*

REMEMBER:

- * > Full names (hopefully spelled right!)
- * > Age
- * > Date of Birth
- * > Level
- * > Leo sizes, using the Destira sizing chart on the website! ***Leo sizes must be submitted directly to Destira this year! We will NOT be handling the leo orders!*
- * > USAG number (all athletes and coaches MUST have a valid USAG number!)
- * > Coach's shirt sizes

**** WE ARE SORRY, BUT ANY ENTRIES RETURNED WITHOUT ALL OF THE ABOVE REQUESTED INFORMATION CANNOT BE PROCESSED! PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK ALL OF YOUR ENTRIES! THANK YOU!**** (I always wanted to sound tough like that!)

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HOTEL REGISTRATION

Our meet hotel is the world famous Coeur d' Alene Resort (host hotel and meet venue)! The Resort's toll-free number is (800)-688-5253, and the direct number is (208) 765-4000.

~ The Coeur d' Alene Inn is 208-765-3200 (Pool, hot tub)

~ This year, the Resort is offering a FREE breakfast for teams staying at the Resort!!!

~ Also, if your team books a total of 30 Room nights at the Resort, we will host a private pizza party for your team, COMPLETE WITH ONE OF OUR OLYMPIANS!

Wow!

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GYMNAST'S MIDNIGHT DANCE PARTY!

This year, we will be inviting all of our athletes to the Saturday night blowout "Midnight Dance Party" at the Resort! The party will go from 10:00—1:00 after the Big Show finals! This is one of our highlight events, as we have a terrific 'kid friendly' buffet, live DJ's and celebrities. This year, we are LOWERING the price to only \$16.00/ticket!
Strictly Limited to only 200 athletes!

< Tickets for the Saturday evening blowout can be purchased directly from our ticket service at !!. (Parents, siblings and athletes should all be included in your count. Coaches can attend the party for free, but we need their names and numbers by email. For coaches who wish to share in the buffet with us, the cost is \$10. Please note these numbers separately. Coach's meal tickets can be paid at the door!)

These tickets will be available through our online ticket service as of January 8!

**** NOTE 1:** All "Big Show" event finalists will receive their party ticket for free as a token of our congratulations. Any money paid for these athletes will be refunded to you at the meet!**

**** NOTE 2:** AS WE ARE STRICTLY LIMITED ON GUESTS, SORRY, WE WILL BE UNABLE TO MAKE ANY EXCEPTIONS OR ACCOMMODATE LAST MINUTE REQUESTS, EXCEPT FOR EVENT FINALISTS
(See note 1 above)

ALL TICKETS FOR THE PARTIES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE!**

THESE TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH SHOWCLIX IMMEDIATELY!

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THE WEBSITE...

All updates and changes will be posted on our meet website...

GREATWESTGYMFEST.COM

Including rotations, numbers, ticket sales etc, as they become available...

5 PRE-PURCHASING TICKETS FOR ALL DAYS

>The Saturday evening "Big Show" spectacular will be sold out (*we will only have seating for 1200 total spectators, including athletes, and it sold out last year in less than 2 weeks*) so order your Big Show tickets as close to Jan 8 as you can. We will sell a substantial amount of tickets to the local community after January 8th as well, and we have large crowds for all sessions.

> Our ticket system works on a daily basis, rather than individual sessions so that our patrons do not have to exit, repay and enter again between sessions, with the exception of the Big Show.

> They can also buy entire weekend passes for adults and children at a substantial savings. As of January 8th, please go to our ticket link on our website to order tickets for ALL sessions. Inland Empire Gymnastics Association (formerly Funtastics) **will NOT be handling ticket sales for GWGF this year.** There will only be limited ticket sales at the door, with on-site tickets being \$2.00 more at the door. **Please DON'T call the gym for tickets.**

To show you our appreciation, we are lowering the service charge on all ticket sales this year to save you money!!

ALL SESSION TICKETS GO ON SALE AS OF JANUARY 8, 2012 AT !

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THE BOTTOM LINE

(All prices are in US dollars.)

We have kept our prices the same for all athletes and session passes! No price increase!

Money for all items marked with an "*" **MUST** accompany registration packet for your entries and requests to be processed!

- * Meet entry for Level 8—Elite \$122.00
- * Meet entry for Level 5—7 \$112.00
- * Meet entry for Level 4 \$94.00
- * Meet entry for Excel (Prep Op) and Level 3: \$90.00
- * Meet entry for Optional Boys: \$112.00
- * Meet entry for Compulsory Boys \$94.00
- * Team entry (per level) \$50.00/team (3 scores count for all levels)
- * The Midnight Dance Party at the Resort \$16.00/person (All event finalists receive their ticket for free!)
- * "Hang with the Olympians" Ice cream Social \$20.00 (all guests need a ticket as we are on a space-limited boat)

Tickets can be ordered on our website **AS OF JAN 8, 2012!** (Tickets are \$2 more at the door IF AVAILABLE) **Please DON'T call IEGA/Funtastics for session tickets, as none will be available through the gym!**

- Pre-purchased tickets for Friday daytime \$18/adult \$12/child
- Pre-purchased tickets for Saturday day time (does NOT include the Big show!) \$14/adult \$9/child
- Pre-purchased tickets for Sunday/Monday \$14/adult \$9/child
- Pre-purchased tickets for "The Big Show" finals: \$22
- Athletes tickets for 'The Big Show!' \$5/athlete (Only 300 tickets available at this price. This is for the "athlete seating area" only!
- Pre-purchased 'All Access' weekend passes: \$44/adult \$30/child

Please note: ** FINAL REGISTRATIONS AND ALL ENTRY FEES ARE DUE NO LATER THAN JANUARY 20, 2012, THOUGH MANY SESSIONS AND ACTIVITIES MAY BE FILLED BY THAT TIME! THERE WILL BE A \$10/ATHLETE "LATE CHARGE" FOR ALL ROSTERS AND PAYMENTS NOT RECEIVED BY THEN! Sorry, and thanks for your understanding. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS ON ENTRIES AFTER JANUARY 20 FOR ANY REASON! **Note: All athletes, US or foreign, must have current USAG numbers for the 2012 season and all coaches must have valid professional numbers*. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT CURRENT NUMBERS FOR ALL ATHLETES AND COACHES!*

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"HANG OUT WITH THE OLYMPIANS" ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

> We ALWAYS have LOTS of Olympians and celebrities around and this year will be no exception! We are going to have a special "Hang out with the Olympians" Ice Cream Social again this year, where for only \$20, you get a great ice cream sundae, a Coeur d' Alene Lake cruise, a full color commemorative poster, and a chance to get autographs, take pictures and talk one-on-one to your favorite Olympians! This will be Saturday afternoon at the Resort! You can purchase e tickets via our online store as of January 8! Don't miss it!

Limited to 220 participants!

This year, the ICS will be at a time that ALL athletes can take part!

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AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION

~ The Resort offers transportation to and from Spokane International Airport on a 'by-request' basis. Please contact the Resort directly at 208-765-4000 and ask for Transportation.

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****NEW!** WOULD YOU LIKE A PRIVATE PIZZA PARTY WITH AN OLYMPIAN FOR YOUR TEAM???**

If your team books a minimum of 30 room nights at the Resort, we will schedule a PRIVATE pizza party, WITH AN OLYMPIAN for your team!! Please contact us at 208-664-0135 or meetdirector@greatwestgymfest.com for more information!

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TEAM COMPETITION

~ At GWGF, we believe that every athlete should have a chance to be a part of a team, so all of our teams for every level are made up of 3 athletes, with every athlete on your team being a part.

~ We have separate team awards for EVERY session, and the coolest team trophies ever!

The team fee is only \$50/level.

~ All teams with 3 or more athletes in a level will be automatically entered in the team competition UNLESS YOU SPECIFICALLY REQUEST TO BE WITHDRAWN!

**THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT... PLEASE READ IT!
THE NUMBER OF COACHES YOU NEED TO BRING...**

...Is very important, as we run a hyper-efficient, super-fast moving format.

We actually have Event Managers on every apparatus that will assist you in rotating to your next event on time... the entire meet is depending on every athlete being ready when it is their turn on floor, which means that 1/2 or more of your athletes will be "taken by the hand" from beam and staged on floor, usually well before your entire team is done on beam, guaranteed. WE WILL NOT WAIT FOR YOU!

This means that you **MUST BRING ENOUGH COACHES TO ADEQUATELY COACH AND SUPERVISE YOUR TEAM ON AT LEAST TWO (2) BUT POSSIBLY EVEN THREE (3) EVENTS!**

(Especially with large teams in level 4, 5, 6)

FREE BREAKFAST?!?

THIS YEAR, TO MAKE YOUR STAY MORE AFFORDABLE, THE COEUR D ALENE RESORT IS OFFERING A FREE BREAKFAST TO ALL COMPETITORS AND FAMILIES WHO STAY AT THE RESORT! THIS IS AN AMAZING VALUE, AND WILL SAVE YOU MUCHO \$\$ ON YOUR TRIP! PLEASE CALL THE RESORT AT 800-688-5253 TO BOOK YOUR RESERVATIONS!

COACHES... DON'T FORGET OUR WORLD-FAMOUS, NOT-SOON-TO-BE-FORGOTTEN-IF-YOU-CAN-REMEMBER-IT-THE-NEXT-MORNING COACHES PARTY AFTER THE FINAL SESSION ON FRIDAY! (SOMEHOW, IT ALWAYS SEEMS TO END UP ON SATURDAY, TOO!)

A SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT OUR FACILITIES...

****PLEASE** remind your people that **NO** outside food and drink except if purchased at the hotel or the concession will be allowed into the meet! C'mon... help us out, and besides, the concessions are great!

(We don't make any concession revenue, so it's not about the money!**)

PRE-SALE TICKETS AND PASSES **TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AS OF JANUARY 8, 2012!** **ALL TICKET PRICES ARE THE SAME OR EVEN LOWER** **THAN 2010 AND 2011!**

All tickets must be preordered through our website.

<http://www.showclix.com/event/GreatWestGymfest>

****Important note: IEGA/Funastics will NOT be handling any ticket sales for GWGF 2012!****
Only a very limited number of tickets will be available at the door, and will cost \$2.00 more.
MANY sessions were sold out in 2011, so don't wait! Once we are full, we are full!

Here are the prices for the tickets:

"Big Show" Event finals: \$22 (Only 900 available! This event WILL sell out quickly!)

"Big Show" Athlete's tickets: \$5 (Only 300 available at this price. You must enter an athlete's code (the code is athlete2012) to purchase these tickets. These are "floor" seats, and they are the first tickets to go!)

(Athletes who qualify to finals will have any monies paid for finals tickets refunded at the meet!)

* Weekend Passes: (Includes the BIG SHOW Finals and all sessions!)

Adults: \$44.00 (a \$70 value!)

Children: \$30.00 (a \$50 value!)

* Friday Passes: (Includes level 10/Open sessions!)

Adults: \$18.00

Children: \$12.00

* Saturday Daytime Passes: (Does NOT include the Big Show Finals!)

Adults: \$14.00

Children: \$9.00

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MUST BE PURCHASED ONLINE THIS YEAR!

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GWGF REGISTRATION CHECKLIST:

(This is to help make sure that you have all the information in order!)

- Completed Registration on our online link
 - > Please double check all the following:
 - ~ USAG Numbers
 - ~ Spelling of names
 - ~ Age and D.O.B
 - ~ Destira Leo sizes (Very important!)
 - ~ Level
- Check for all individual and team entries enclosed. (Remember there will be no refunds after January 20, 2012!)
- Hotel and travel reservations made (*Book flights into Spokane.*)
- Midnight Dance Party tickets ordered
- Sign up for the "Hang With The Olympians" Ice Cream Social
- Parent Information sheet copied and handed out to your parents
- Tickets for all sessions ordered through our website as of 1/8/12:
<http://www.showclix.com/event/GreatWestGymfest>
- Deposit for 2013 GWGF, February 22—24, 2013 (You will receive \$500 credit for a \$300 deposit if paid by March 30)*

*** You will receive additional information online and by e-mail regarding extra activities, session times, etc. "Final "session times will be posted in January, and 'Last minute' details will be posted by January 28!"**
Check our website at www.greatwestgymfest.com for more info, and if there is anything we can do for you, PLEASE don't hesitate to call us! Have a great season, and we will see you in February!*

**** PLEASE EMAIL ALL COMPLETED MATERIALS TO: ****
REGISTRATION@GREATWESTGYMFEST.COM

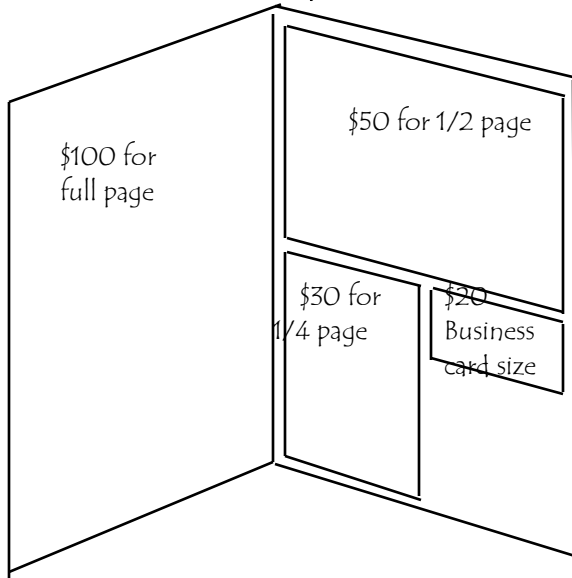
****YOUR REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE COMPLETE UNTIL COMPLETE PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED!!**

****MAIL PAYMENT FOR ENTRIES TO
GWGF
11805 E. NUNN ROAD
ATHOL, ID 83801**

We are so very glad
you are coming! See
you in February!

SOUVENIR PROGRAM AD'S

Please email your program ads to program@greatwestgymfest.com and mail your check for the correct amount to 'GWGF Programs'. 11805 E Nunn Rd, Athol, Id. 83801



~ All ads must be provided to us digitally "camera ready."

** All ads or 'Best wishes' requests must be received by Jan 25 to guarantee that they will be in the program**

These are beautiful programs with lots of interesting stuff included... they will be kept and treasured long after the meet!
MUST BE RECEIVED BY JAN 25, 2012!

Your name: _____ Phone: _____

Gym name: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

The gymnast you wish to sponsor/salute: _____ Level: _____ Age: _____

Size of the ad you want: Full page 1/2 page 1/4 page Business card
(Please circle)

What you wish the ad to say:

****Please Email to program@greatwestgymfest.com****

If this is for a company...

Which company: _____ Type of products or services you market: _____

Would you be interested in further sponsorship opportunities? Yes / No

Total enclosed: \$ _____

PARENT'S INFORMATION SHEET FOR THE 2012 GREAT WEST GYMFEST

Date: February 24—26, 2012

Women's Meet Site:

The Coeur d' Alene Resort Ballroom
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Coeur d' Alene, Id. 83814
(208) 765-4000

Men's Meet Site:

IEGA
6360 Sunshine Street
Coeur d' Alene, Id. 83815
(208) 772-9443

Food: 4 restaurants are on site at the Resort, and many others are available within walking distance of both venues. There are excellent concessions at both sites.

Meet Hosts: Great West Gymfest
11805 E. Nunn Road
Athol, ID. 83801
(208) 664-0135
(208) 772-9924 (fax)
meetdirector@greatwestgymfest.com

Meet website: www.greatwestgymfest.com

Nearest Airport: Spokane International Airport (GEG)
~ Approximately 35 minutes from the meet sites

Host Hotel: The Coeur d' Alene Resort
(800) 688-5253 or (208) 765-4000

Other host hotels: ~ Coeur d' Alene Inn
208-765-3200

****Ask for the Great West Gymfest rates!****

~ Tickets for all sessions can be pre-ordered on our website as of January 8, 2012. (Many sessions, including the 'Big Show' finals, level 4's, Level 10/Open sessions and the gymnast's parties were sold out last year!)

~ Airport transportation: The Resort has a shuttle on command. (call 208-765-4000 and ask for Transportation).

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

(ALL EVENTS AT THE COEUR D'ALENE RESORT, UNLESS NOTED. THIS IS THE TENTATIVE ORDER OF COMPETITION)

FRIDAY:

- ~ Level 7 (2 sessions)
- ~ Level 8 (1 session)
- ~ Level 9 (1 or 2 sessions)
- ~ Level 10/Open (1 session)

SATURDAY:

- ~ All Boys (At IEGA)
- ~ Level 6 girls (1 session)
- ~ Level 5 girls (2 sessions)
- ~ Hang with the Olympians ICS
- ~ Big Show Event Finals
- ~ Athlete's Dance Party

SUNDAY:

- ~ Level 4 (2 sessions)
- ~ Excel/Level 3 (1 session)

New this year!!! We will be showcasing some of our top Level 7's and Optional boys in the Big Show Event finals this year as well!

The Hang with the Olympians ICS will be scheduled so that ALL competitors can take part!