

USA CAPTURED 11 MEDALS AT PAGU CHAMPIONSHIPS



Corrie Lothrop wins and Olivia Courtney (L) is second.



Far Left: Danell Leyva

A USA delegation traveled to Rosario, Argentina, for the Pan American Gymnastics Union Individual Event Championships, Nov. 22-23. The gymnasts earned 11 medals and all five U.S. gymnasts advanced to the final round, with the women finishing 1-2 on all four events.

During day one, Samantha Shapiro of Los Angeles/All Olympia Gymnastics Center took first on the uneven bars with a score of 15.425, and Corrie Lothrop of Danvers, Mass./Hill's Gymnastics, won the title on vault with a 14.375, as well as the bars silver, 14.350. Olivia Courtney of Orlando, Fla./Orlando Metro, was second on vault with a score of 14.313.

During day two, Shapiro scored a 15.775 to finish first on balance beam, followed by Lothrop in second at 15.575. Courtney posted a 15.175 to take the top spot on floor exercise with Lothrop in second with a 14.975.

On the men's side for day one, Danell Leyva of Miami, Fla./Universal Gymnastics, finished second on pommel horse with a score of 14.550. Glen Ishino of Santa Ana, Calif./SCATS-HB, finished fifth on pommel horse with a 13.900. Leyva also placed sixth on the floor exercise with a 13.075.

During day two, Leyva placed first on the horizontal bar with a score of 15.775 and Ishino was fourth with a 15.050. Leyva earned a silver medal on parallel bars with a score of 15.075 and Ishino was fifth with a 14.550.

PAGU CHAMPS



L to R: Danell Leyva, Corrie Lothrop, Samantha Shapiro, Olivia Courtney, and Glen Ishino.



Olivia Courtney



Samantha Shapiro



Corrie Lothrop



Danell Leyva



Glen Ishino



USA delegation members.

USA WINS 18 MEDALS AT PAN AMERICAN TRAMPOLINE AND TUMBLING CHAMPIONSHIPS



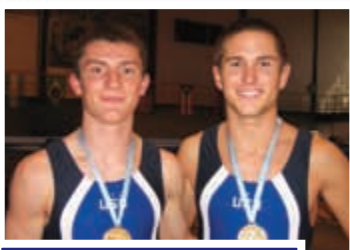
L to R: Austin White, Logan Dooley, Michael Devine, Steve Gluckstein.



Kalon Ludvigson



L to R: Alaina Hebert, Alaina Williams, Nani Vercruyssen



Steve Gluckstein and Logan Dooley.



USA delegation members.

The USA earned 18 medals, 10 in the senior division and eight in the age-group competition, at the 2008 Pan American Trampoline and Tumbling Championships in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Dec. 6-7. The U.S. athletes claimed five gold, three silver and two bronze medals at the senior level, and five gold, two silver and one bronze in the age-group competition.

Kalon Ludvigson of Sterling, Utah/Team Revolution, won gold medals in senior men's tumbling and double mini-trampoline. He placed first in tumbling with a score of 76.00 and set a new world record for degree of difficulty with a 14.80. Austin White of Irvine, Calif./World Elite Gymnastics, finished fifth with a 63.10. Ludvigson won double mini with a score of 74.30. Leanne Seitzinger of Stafford, Va./Novak's Gymnastics, earned the gold medal in senior women's tumbling with a 64.20 and Amy McDonald of Richardson, Texas/Eagle's Wings Athletics, finished fourth.

In senior synchronized trampoline, Logan Dooley of Lake Forest, Calif./World Elite Gymnastics, and Steven Gluckstein of Atlantic Highlands, N.J./Head Over Heels, placed first for the men with a score of 48.10. Alaina Hebert of Broussard, La./World Elite Gymnastics and Alaina Williams of Amarillo, Texas/The Matrix Trampoline Team, finished third for the women with a score of 41.30.

In the senior team competition, Hebert, Williams and Nani Vercruyssen of Honolulu, Hawaii/Hawaii Academy, won the women's trampoline gold medal. The men's team of Dooley, Gluckstein and Michael Devine of Winnebago, Ill./J & J Tumbling and Trampoline, finished fourth.

The USA claimed two medals in senior men's trampoline. Devine earned a score of 38.50 and Dooley posted a 38.30, to finish second and third, respectively. Canada's Jason Burnett won the gold medal with a 39.60. For the women, Vercruyssen won the silver medal with a 35.20 and Hebert finished eighth. Canada's Rosannagh MacLennan placed first with a 37.00.

Aubree Balkan of Carlsbad, Calif./Bounce California, won the silver medal in senior women's double mini with a score of 68.60, and Sarah Prosen finished fourth with a 66.10, just one tenth of a point out of third place. Canada's Julie Warnock won the gold medal with a 69.90.

Winning medals in the age-group competition were: Jake Jacobson of Rocklin, Calif./American Powerhouse T&T, two silver in 11-12 year-old men's trampoline and double mini; Dakota Earnest of Plains, Texas/Acrospirits, gold in 15-16 year-old women's trampoline; Jeffrey Gluckstein of Atlantic Highlands, N.J./Ultra Twisters, gold in 15-16 year-old men's trampoline; Conor Murphy of Lake Forest, Calif./Team OC, gold in 15-16 year-old men's tumbling and bronze in double mini; and Lisa Van Orden of Pingree, Idaho/Team Revolution, two gold in 15-16 year-old women's double mini and tumbling.

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Leanne Seitzinger



Logan Dooley and Steven Gluckstein

event results

Lothrop Wins in Belgium

A USA delegation of three gymnasts-Corrie Lothrop of Hill's Gymnastics, Olivia Courtney of Orlando Metro and Amanda Jetter of Cincinnati Gymnastics Academy- traveled to Belgium Dec. 13-14 for an international competition with Romania, Netherlands and Belgium.

The USA gymnasts swept the all-around. Lothrop, 16, won the title with a score of 58.350 followed by 16-year-old Courtney in second with a 58.050 and Jetter, 14, in third with a 57.100.

The USA coaches on the trip included Kelli Hill, Christi Barineau and Mary Lee Tracy.

All-Around Rankings

1. Corrie Lothrop 58.350
2. Olivia Courtney 58.050
3. Amanda Jetter 57.100

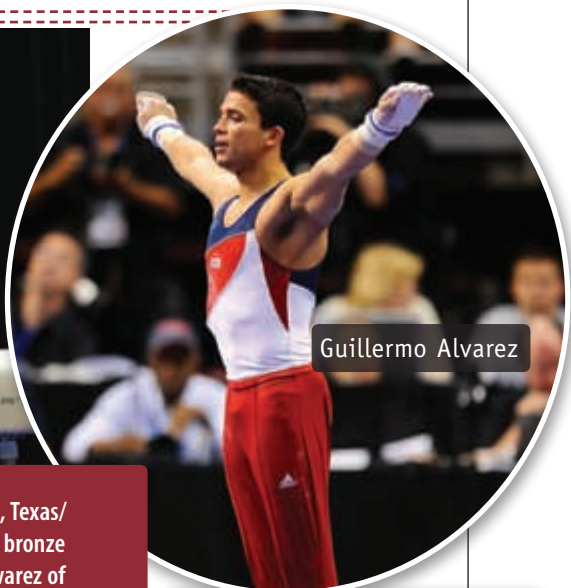


event results

Alvarez and Legendre Win Bronze Medals at Toyota Cup



Steve Legendre



Guillermo Alvarez

Steven Legendre of Flower Mound, Texas/ University of Oklahoma, won the bronze medal on vault and Guillermo Alvarez of Denver/Team Chevron won a bronze medal on floor at the 2008 Toyota Cup in Toyota City, Japan, held on Nov. 15-16.

Legendre earned a combined score of 15.825 for his two vaults – handspring double front (16.050) and Kasamatsu one-and-a-half (15.600) to finish third behind Romania’s Daniel Popescu and Alin Jivan.

Alvarez earned a score of 15.550 on floor to finish third behind Japan’s Makoto Okiguchi and Japan’s Kohei Uchimura. Alvarez opens his floor routine with a piked double Arabian.

Legendre also tied for fifth on floor (14.800), and took sixth place on high bar (14.600). Alvarez took eighth place on pommel horse (14.300) and eighth place on parallel bars (12.750). ☒

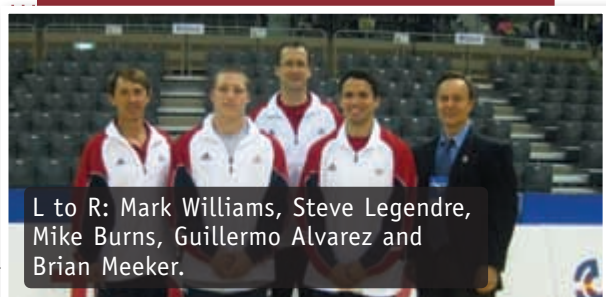
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Guillermo Alvarez far right.



Steven Legendre far right.



L to R: Mark Williams, Steve Legendre, Mike Burns, Guillermo Alvarez and Brian Meeker.

event results

Rhythmic Group National Championships

Plainfield, Ind., Dec. 6, 2008 -----



The FIG Senior Champions



The Intermediate Champions

RESULTS:

Beginner

1. Rhythmflex: Bethesda, MD
Gaithersburg, MD
2. Princeton Gymnastics:
Princeton, WV
3. Rhythmic Dreams: Boston,
MA Newton, MA
4. RhythMix: Deerfield, IL

Intermediate:

1. Rhythmflex: Bethesda, MD
Gaithersburg, MD
2. California Rhythms: Los
Angeles, CA
3. Princeton Gymnastics:
Princeton, WV
4. Rhythmflex: Bethesda, MD
Gaithersburg, MD

Advanced:

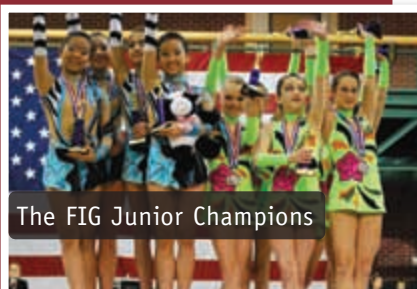
1. Twin Cities Rhythmics:
Mound, MN
2. Princeton Gymnastics:
Princeton, WV
3. Tampa Bay: Valrico, FL
4. Tampa Bay: Valrico, FL
5. RhythMix: Deerfield, IL

FIG Junior

1. Aviator: Brooklyn, NY
2. Rhythmflex: Gaithersburg, MD

Senior

1. North Shore Rhythmics: Glenview, IL



The FIG Junior Champions



The Beginner duo from RhythMix

