

Congratulations to everyone from Region 5 who qualified and competed at the USEF Festival of Champions at the end of August at Lamplight in Illinois! We are so proud of your accomplishments.

The USDF convention is coming up quickly and it's time to book your hotel rooms, airfare and register for the convention and symposium. We are in Savannah, Georgia this year December 4th – 7th. Information and registration forms for the Convention are available at www.usdf.org/Convention/. All Group Member Organization's (GMO) were asked to designate their delegates for the USDF convention Board of Governors meeting by August 31st and if not determined by that date, the GMO president would become the delegate. If the GMO delegate/president is not able to attend the convention, a proxy for that delegate can be submitted at any time up until the night before the BOG meeting at the convention. The advantage for the GMO is that the delegate will be known and can receive communication from the USDF office earlier. GMO Delegates are included on a list of USDF delegates to receive e-mail communications containing pertinent information on issues that will come before the 2019 BOG meeting at convention. If GMO's have not yet sent in their delegate information, please do so as soon as possible.

I always encourage all of you to attend the convention and this location is a wonderful, historic town with many things to do and see on offer. If you are planning to attend the awards dinner on Saturday evening to pick up your rider medals or yearend awards, please let me know so we can save space for you at the Region 5 tables.

Don't forget, the Great American/USDF Region 5 Championships are coming up September 19-22 in Parker, Colorado. Entries closed August 26th but we usually accept late entries, so it's not too late! We hope to see everyone there to cheer each other on or to help volunteer!

Till next month!
Heather Petersen

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