

# FL NAWGJ News



March 2022

## Celebrating FL NAWGJ Judges

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It's "Throwback Time"!  
Do you know who these  
FL NAWGJ judges are?

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY – MAY YOUR DAY BE WONDERFUL!!



Tabatha Richardson.....March 1  
Phyllis Niemi.....March 7  
Tiffany Brodbeck .....March 10  
Katerina Konvalinka ...March 14

Aimee Sparkman .....March 15  
Kamryn Harrington .....March 18  
Michelle Donovan .....March 19  
Jill Andrews.....March 22



# Celebrating the 2022 Winter Olympic Games



**Erin Jackson:** Gold medalist in the Women's 500m speed skate. Erin is from Ocala, FL and first skated at 8 years old when she did figure skating.



**Shaun White:** Even though he came in 4<sup>th</sup> and didn't win a medal in the 2022 Games, you have admit that Shaun White is the G.O.A.T. of snowboarding. His career is impressive. White has participated in **five** Winter Olympics in his career. At the 2006, 2010, and 2018 Winter Olympics, he won gold in the [snowboard halfpipe](#) event. White has also participated in the Winter X Games, where he has won a medal every year since 2002.



**Nathan Wei Chen** is the 2022 Olympic champion, a three-time World champion, the 2017 Four Continents champion, a three-time Grand Prix Final champion, and six-time U.S. national champion in figure skating. At the junior level, Chen is the 2015–16 Junior Grand Prix Final champion, 2013–14 Junior Grand Prix Final bronze medalist, and 2014 World Junior bronze medalist. Chen also helped the U.S. Olympic team win the bronze medal in the 2018 team event, and the silver medal in the 2022 team event.



**Chloe Kim:** Chloe won Gold again this Olympics! At the 2018 Winter Olympics, she became the youngest woman to win an Olympic snowboarding gold medal when she won gold in the women's snowboard halfpipe at 17 years old.



**Jessie Diggins:** Jessica is an American cross-country skier. At the 2022 Winter Olympics, Diggins won the bronze medal in women's sprint, making her the most decorated American cross-country skier of all time.

# Samantha & The Circus!



Hey Everybody! **Samantha Taylor** is a FL NAWGJ judge from Tallahassee. She is also a cast member of the FSU Flying High Circus. It is the only collegiate circus with a big top tent in the nation, with staff who are mostly circus alumni and performers who are all current students. This year they are celebrating their 75th anniversary! The upcoming show series is called “Cosmic”.

For 75 years the Flying High Circus has been dazzling audiences with its annual spring showcase and Halloween shows. Each showcase offers a different theme while the acts remain the same keeping favorites like flying trapeze, juggling, and quartet adagio front and center.

If you do find yourself in the audience and once the show is over, feel free to join Samantha and the rest of the cast for a chance to say hello, take pictures, and get a closer look at the spectacular costumes!



**Come on out  
and enjoy  
the show!!**



**Hope to  
see you  
there!!**

Visit **[circus.fsu.edu](https://circus.fsu.edu)** for more info,  
performance dates and tickets.



# Calendar & Reminders

**March 1..... 2022 CPE is being accepted (deadline 5/31/22)**

March 4-6 ..... Tim Rand, Ft. Lauderdale

March 5-6 ..... ~~Super Heroes Bash, UFFC, Clermont~~ **CANCELLED**

March 5-6 ..... All Handstands on Deck, Bayside, St. Petersburg

March 5-6 ..... Daytona Do Right, ACE Daytona, Hilton

**March 7..... Deadline for National Congress registration fee.**

March 11-13 ..... Charity Challenge, LCG, Wesley Chapel

March 11-13 ..... That Sea Turtle Meet, Destination, Panama City

March 11-13 ..... Rock Super Star, Ft. Lauderdale Stars

March 12-13 ..... Leprechaun Classic, Meet Expectations, Longwood

March 18-20 ..... Coral Reef Invite, Coral Reef, Weston

March 25-27 ..... Level 8, 9 & 10 State Meet, LCG, Wesley Chapel

March 25-27 ..... Level 7, Platinum & Diamond State Meet, LCG, Wesley Chapel



## Answers to the Throwback Challenge

1. Sharyn Strickland
2. Amy Diuguid (top row, far right)
3. Kevn McNamara (bottom row, far left)

Need CPE Clinic hours and wondering where you can get them?

Check out the clinic listings on the USA Gymnastics website at

[USA Gymnastics | USA Gymnastics University - Live Courses](#)

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR Upcoming Events in 2022

- ❖ May 21, 2022 – National/Brevet test prep clinic with Evelyn & Cookie, Valencia College Downtown location. Registration coming soon!
- ❖ June 5-12, 2022 – Special Olympics USA Games at WWSC Disney World.