It has been a very good summer for the Olympic Movement, particularly for the United States Olympic Committee. At the 125th IOC Session recently held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, USOC Chairman Larry Probst was elected as a member of the International Olympic Committee, increasing the number of American members to four. Additionally, 1976 Olympic rowing bronze medalist Anita DeFrantz was elected to the IOC Executive Board and wrestling was reinstated to the Rio 2016 Olympic Games program. Congratulations to Larry, Anita and USA Wrestling. The countless hours of travel by USOC CEO Scott Blackmun and Probst have clearly helped strengthen our relationship with the IOC.

Additionally, congratulations to the Olympic Day team. In June 2013, 833 Olympic Day events were held across the country, featuring inspirational visits by 632 Olympians, Paralympians, hopefuls and coaches. Thank you to the Multi-Sport Organizations that hosted so many of these events and to everyone who volunteered to promote Olympism and inspire thousands of youth participants at Olympic Day events in 2013.

Finally, I want to thank the 62 Olympians and Paralympians who volunteered to help reverse childhood obesity through the World Fit Walk, held last spring. Athlete ambassadors spoke at 80 elementary and middle schools across the country, inspiring children to exercise, participate in sports and live healthier lifestyles. Approximately 31,300 students logged nearly 2 million miles as part of the six-week initiative. Congratulations to Cary Middle School in Dallas, and Beaumont Middle School in Lexington, Ky., for winning the World Fit National Championships for small and large schools.
Additionally, nine Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCA’s participated in the World Fit Walk with great success. More than 300 Olympians and Paralympians have registered on the World Fit website (worldfit.org) and are making a difference in their communities. We hope you will join us by registering online today. Together, we can improve the health of our nation’s children.

Yours in Olympic spirit,

Gary Hall, Sr.
U. S. Olympians Association President
When the Sochi 2014 Olympic Winter Games begin in February, speedskater Terry McDermott will be reminded of his gold medal-winning performance at the 1964 Games in Innsbruck, Austria.

He was the only American to return home from the 1964 Games with a gold medal in any sport.

But that’s not usually what gets people buzzing when they talk to McDermott about February 1964.

They want to talk about his post-Olympic celebration when he appeared on The Ed Sullivan Show on Feb. 9, 1964. That same night, The Beatles debuted on the show and 73 million viewers tuned in to watch.

Suddenly, the speedskater from Essexville, Mich., realized a whole new stratosphere of fame.

“I think a lot more people are actually more excited about the fact that I was on the show with The Beatles than they are about me winning the gold medal,” McDermott said with a laugh.

At the time, McDermott said he didn’t know much about The Beatles, but The Ed Sullivan Show helped catapult the British band into superstardom.

“My wife was able to come to New York and be with me for the show,” McDermott said of his wife, Virginia, whom he married months before the Innsbruck Games in September 1963. “We got to meet all the band members. They were very polite. I became a big fan after that.”

Meeting The Beatles turned out to be a fortunate perk for McDermott, but winning an Olympic gold medal is something that continues to impact his life.

After making his Olympic debut at the 1960 Olympic Winter Games in Squaw Valley, Calif., McDermott went on to win gold and silver medals in the 500 meters at the 1964 and 1968 Games. After retiring from speedskating, he then traveled to every Games through 2006 in various roles, including as team manager and broadcaster. He was even asked to recite the Olympic oath on behalf of the judges at the 1980 Games in Lake Placid, N.Y.

After placing seventh in the 500 in 1960, McDermott was not favored to win the event in 1964. The two-time defending Olympic champion Yevgeny Grishin of Russia was considered the top contender for gold.

McDermott said he was not deemed a gold-medal favorite because he had not competed at the world championships leading up to the 1964 Games. At the time, skaters also had to compete in both short and long track distances.

“I was only a sprinter, so I never skated at worlds,” McDermott said.

Outsiders might not have given McDermott a shot at the gold, but McDermott — dubbed the “Essexville Rocket” — certainly did. A month before competing in Innsbruck, McDermott skated in Norway as part of his final training, and he was ready to compete when he arrived in Austria for the Games.

At age 23, McDermott set an Olympic record in the 500 with a time of 40.1 seconds to win the gold medal. Norway’s Alv Gjestvang took the silver and Grishin claimed the bronze.

“Winning the gold medal really is something special,” McDermott said. “At least at that time, you’re the best in the world and when the national anthem plays, you are very proud.”

Following his gold-medal performance, McDermott continued to skate but took a break from rigorous training until two years later. He then went full force and qualified for his third Games, earning the silver medal in 1968.

For his accomplishments, McDermott was later inducted into the U.S. Speedskating Hall of Fame. He continues to skate and resides in Michigan, but spends his winters in Florida, which is where he plans to be during the Sochi Games.

Although none of his five children or any of his 11 grandchildren became competitive speedskaters, skating continues to be part of his family life. During the holidays, he will gather his relatives for a family skate at a nearby rink.
He keeps his Olympic medals tucked away in a drawer and only takes them out if someone asks to see them. Every now and then he will reflect upon his Olympic career.

But when asked about winning the gold medal nearly 50 years ago, he laughed and said, “I think it’s just a long time ago.”

McDermott is not the only American Olympic medalist who will be celebrating a milestone anniversary in 2014. Several athletes will be commemorating the 30th anniversary of their Olympic medal-winning performances from the 1984 in Sarajevo, and others will be celebrating the 20th anniversary of their performances from the 1994 Games in Sarajevo.

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Below are a few of the U.S. Olympic medalists who will celebrate Olympic anniversaries next year. For a complete list of medalists from the 1964, 1984 and 1994 Games, go to: Sports-Reference.com

- **Scott Hamilton, 1984 gold medalist (figure skating – singles)**
  Hamilton won the gold medal at the Sarajevo 1984 Games and later became one of the most renowned and entertaining skaters at the professional level. He has also served as a skating commentator for NBC and will be at the Sochi 2014 Olympic Winter Games. A cancer survivor, Hamilton has worked extensively with the Cleveland Clinic to help raise funds for cancer research.

- **Phil and Steve Mahre, 1984 gold and silver medalists (alpine skiing – slalom)**
  The twin brothers finished 1-2 in the slalom skiing event at the 1984 Games in Sarajevo.

- **Debbie Armstrong, 1984 gold medalist (alpine skiing – giant slalom)**
  Armstrong, was 20 years old when she won the gold medal in giant slalom at the Sarajevo Games. Fellow American Christin Cooper took the silver. In the first run, Armstrong recorded the second-fastest time behind Cooper. Although her time was the fourth-best in the second run, Cooper suffered a costly slip and Armstrong – who had never won a world cup race – captured the gold medal.

- **Bill Johnson, 1984 gold medalist, (alpine skiing – downhill)**
  Prior to the Sarajevo Games, no U.S. male skier had won an Olympic gold medal in the downhill event, but Johnson rewrote history in 1984. He tried to make a comeback at age 41, but crashed and suffered major neurological damage.

- **Tommy Moe, two-time 1994 medalist (alpine skiing – downhill and super-G)**
  A decade after Bill Johnson won the Olympic downhill crown, Moe gave Americans another reason to celebrate by winning gold in men’s downhill. He also earned the super-G silver medal.

- **Diann Roffe-Steinrotter, 1994 gold medalist (alpine skiing – super-G)**
  After winning the Olympic silver medal in giant slalom at the 1992 Games, Roffe-Steinrotter returned to win the gold medal in Lillehammer.

- **Dan Jansen, 1994 gold medalist (speedskating – 1,000)**
  One of the greatest sprinters in speedskating history, Jansen had a long road to Olympic gold. In 1988, one of his sisters died of leukemia the morning of the 500-meter final. Jansen fell during his race, and stumbled again in the 1,000. Four years later, he fell short of the podium once again. But in 1994, he struck gold in his eighth and final Olympic medal opportunity.

- **Bonnie Blair, 1994 gold medalist (speedskating – 500, 1,000)**
  Blair, who made her Olympic debut in Sarajevo, became one of the most decorated Olympic speedskaters of all time. She capped her Olympic career by winning both the 500- and 1,000-meter events at the 1994 Games. In doing so, she became a three-time Olympic champion in the 500 and successfully defended her 1,000 title from 1992. She finished her Olympic career with five gold medals and one bronze.

- **Nancy Kerrigan, 1994 silver medalist (figure skating – singles)**
  During the 1994 U.S. Figure Skating Championships, Kerrigan was struck on the knee. Tonya Harding—one of Kerrigan’s top competitors—later pleaded guilty to charges related to the attack. With extreme publicity following the “Tonya-Nancy” saga, Kerrigan recovered from her knee injury and performed a dramatic routine to take the silver medal at the Lillehammer Games Oksana Baiul of Ukraine, narrowly defeated Kerrigan for the gold.

- **Cathy Turner, 1994 two-time medalist (short track speedskating)**
  In addition to winning the gold medal in the 500 meters, Turner also teamed with Amy Peterson, Karen Cashman and Nikki Ziegelmeier to win the bronze medal in the 3,000-meter relay in Lillehammer.

- **Picabo Street, 1994 silver medalist (alpine skiing – downhill)**
  One of Team USA’s top alpine skiers, Street took home the silver medal in 1994 and followed that up four years later by winning the gold medal in the super-G in Nagano.

- **Rosalynn Summers, 1984 silver medalist (figure skating – singles)**

- **Kitty and Peter Carruthers, 1984 silver medalists (figure skating – pairs)**
  The sister-brother duo of Kitty and Peter Carruthers. No U.S. pairs team has finished higher than the Carruthers in the Olympic Winter Games since.

- **Liz McIntyre, 1994 silver medalist (freestyle skiing – moguls)**
  McIntyre placed second in the
women’s moguls competition in Lillehammer and went on to compete four years later in Nagano, where she placed eighth.

- **Billy Kidd, 1964 silver medalist (alpine skiing – slalom)**
  Kidd and his teammate, James Heuga, became the first U.S. men to earn Olympic medals in skiing at the Innsbruck Games. Heuga finished third in the slalom behind Kidd in 1964. Heuga was later diagnosed with multiple sclerosis.

- **Jean Saubert, 1964 two-time medalist (alpine skiing – giant slalom)**
  Facing tough competition from a pair of French sisters, Marielle and Christine Goitschel, Saubert placed second in the women’s giant slalom and third in slalom in Innsbruck.

- **Scott Allen, 1964 bronze medalist (figure skating)**
  At age 15, Allen was the lone U.S. figure skating medalist at the 1964 Olympic Winter Games after a plane crash killed U.S. athletes, coaches, officials and judges who were traveling to the 1961 World Championships.

- **Amy Peterson, 1994 two-time bronze medalist (short track speedskating)**
  Peterson earned two bronze medals in the 500-meter individual event and as a member of the 3,000-meter relay team at the 1994 Games.

- **U.S. men’s 5,000-meter relay team, 1994 silver medalists (speedskating)**
  The U.S. men’s 5,000-meter relay team, featuring Randall Bartz, John Coyle, Eric Flaim and Andy Gabel, earned the silver medal featured at the 1994 Games.
The 2014 NGB Golf Challenge will feature Olympic athletes and corporate clients, who will compete for $400,000 with the goal of reaching $1M in 2016. Participants must have USGA verified handicaps. Athletes will be selected to represent each National Governing Body, the U.S. Olympians Association, Olympians for Olympians Relief Fund, World Fit and Art of the Olympians.

A second event – The NGB Golf Classic – will also feature Olympians and corporate partners in a scramble event. USGA handicaps are not required to participate.

The inaugural event will take place in the fall of 2014. The location, date and sponsors are TBD.

Olympians interested in competing in the tournament should contact Dennis Berkholtz at denberk@msn.com or 435-714-9491. Please send your name, contact information and USGA handicap (if applicable).

From June 21-30, 2013, more than 200,000 Americans celebrated Olympic Day at 832 events in 690 cities across all 50 states. Americans also celebrated in 10 overseas locations, making 2013 the most successful Olympic Day celebration to date.

In addition to the record number of participants, more than 600 Olympians, Paralympians, coaches and hopefuls joined community-based organizations to share stories, promote Olympism and encourage active lifestyles as part of Olympic Day.

The U.S. Olympic Committee thanks everyone who contributed to the success of Olympic Day and for helping inspire Americans across the United States.

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2014 OLYMPIC DAY IS QUICKLY APPROACHING

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Recently, the United States Olympic Committee received a donation from two-time Olympian Tina Noyes, who graciously donated her 1964 and 1968 Olympic Winter Games parade uniforms. The 1963 U.S. junior women’s figure skating champion made six consecutive podium appearances at the senior national championships from 1964-69. When she was 15 years old, Noyes competed at the Innsbruck 1964 Olympic Winter Games where she placed eighth in women’s singles. She followed that performance with a fourth-place finish at the 1968 Olympic Winter Games behind Peggy Fleming, who won gold.

Both the 1964 and 1968 Olympic Winter Games parade uniforms were designed by Edelweiss—a ski-apparel manufacturing company. The 1968 uniforms were also worn by U.S. medal winners on the podium.

Donations such as Noyes’ benefit the USOC archival holdings in so many ways. The completeness of the uniform and the knowledge that they were worn by an American Olympian gives us the opportunity to capture the history of American Olympians, like Noyes.
Benita Fitzgerald Mosley was named chief of organizational excellence for the United States Olympic Committee in June 2013 and officially assumed the position in August 2013. As an Olympic champion and former National senior executive at USA Track & Field, Fitzgerald Mosley understands the needs of athletes. Previously, she served as the chief of sport performance for USA Track & Field since 2009. Her four years with the organization included the 2012 Olympic Games, where U.S. track & field athletes garnered 29 medals, representing the highest medal count for the U.S. in 20 years.

As many of you know, this is a homecoming of sorts for Fitzgerald Mosley, who previously served in a variety of roles for the USOC from 1995-2001, including director of the Chula Vista Olympic Training Center (1995-97), director of U.S. Olympic Training Centers (1997-2000) and director of public relations programs (2000-01). In her new role, Benita oversees athlete career programs, the athlete ombudsman’s office, diversity and inclusion, human resources, facilities, NGB organizational development, security, and strategic planning.

She also serves on the International Olympic Committee Women and Sport Commission, a role she undertook in March 2012.

We are thrilled to have her part of the USOC family once again.
ALUMNI IN HONOR

Lawrence Burton
(Track & Field, 1972)

World-class Olympic sprinter and former two-sport standout at Purdue University, Lawrence Burton was inducted into the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame on April 27, 2013.

The Melfa, Va., native is also a member of the Purdue Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 1996.

Burton was known as “The Fastest Man of Earth” after tying the world record in the 60-meter dash and setting a world record in the 200. He finished fourth in the 200 meters at the Munich 1972 Olympic Games.

Burton is a four-time Big Ten champion and two-time track & field All-American. A talented wide receiver, he also earned football All-America, all-conference and Academic All-Big Ten honors, and received the 1975 Big Ten Medal of Honor.

He was selected No. 7 overall in the 1975 NFL Draft by the New Orleans Saints, and played professionally for five seasons from 1975-79.

Donna de Varona
(Swimming, 1960, 1964)

At age 13, Donna de Varona was the youngest swimmer to compete at the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome. Competing in the preliminary round of the women’s 400 freestyle relay – which went on to win gold in the final – de Varona also became the youngest world record holder at the Games.

After setting 18 world records over the next four years, she earned two gold medals at the Tokyo 1964 Games in the 400-meter individual medley and as a member of the world record-breaking 400 freestyle relay team.

In 1965, she retired from swimming and launched her career with ABC, becoming the first female sportscaster in history. She was just 18 years old. She covered 19 Games, earning numerous broadcast awards and a place in the Paley Center Broadcasting Hall of Fame.

However, perhaps her most important contribution to the world of sport has been her role as an advocate for fair play, gender equality and athlete inclusion.

In the 1970s, she took a leave of absence from her television career to serve as a consultant to the United States Senate on two key initiatives: the restructuring of the United States Olympic Committee and Title IX legislation, which in 1972, helped create athletic scholarship opportunities for women. Since then, thousands of women have benefited from this law and have become influential leaders in both the national and global sport community.

Additionally, de Varona campaigned to reverse President Jimmy Carter’s call for a boycott of the Moscow 1980 Olympic Games by hosting the only anti-boycott story on network television. During the 1981 International Olympic Committee Congress in Baden Baden, Germany, she also helped organize what eventually became the first IOC Athletes’ Commission. She was appointed to numerous presidential initiatives, representing the U.S. in the movement to establish the World Anti-Doping Agency and United States Anti-Doping Agency.

She also served as a consultant to the organizing committee of the Los Angeles 1984 Olympic Games, which ushered in a new era with China participating for the first time and the advent of commercial sponsors.

Additionally, de Varona established the Women’s Sports Foundation in the late 1970s and served as the inaugural president. Since then, the foundation has raised more than $40 million to protect, promote and support female athletes and programs.

She has also served as chairwoman of the FIFA Women’s World Cup Organizing Committee, is a former board member for the USOC and International Special Olympics, and currently serves as a member of the IOC Women and Sport Commission.

In 2000, de Varona was honored with the Olympic Silver Order in recognition of her work on behalf of athletes and the Olympic Movement.

Gianni Merlo, president of the International Sports Press Association (AIPS) has praised de Varona for her tireless and constant work for gender equality and athletes’ rights.

“I have known Donna a very long time and have always admired her passion,
not only for her work as a broadcaster and sports journalist, but for her deep commitment to making the world a better place for athletes – especially women,” said Merlo.

The AIPS Power of Sport and Fair Play Awards were held June 30, 2013, at the Palace Hotel in Lausanne, Switzerland Sunday June 30 in the presence of the IOC President, Dr. Jacques Rogge.

**MILESTONES**

**Shannon Bahrke Happe**  
*(Skiing, 2002, 2006, 2010)*

Shannon Bahrke Happe and her husband, Matt John Happe, welcomed Zoe Bea Happe on July 23, 2013. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 ½ inches long. Bahrke Happe says it feels awesome to be a mom.

**Shannon Miller**  
*(Gymnastics, 1992, 1996)*

Two-time Olympic gold medalist Shannon Miller and her husband, John Falconetti, welcomed their second child, Sterling Diane Falconetti, on June 25, 2013. The couple named their daughter after her maternal great-great grandfather and paternal grandmother. Sterling weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19 ½ inches long. The Millers also have a son, John “Rocco” Miller, who was born in 2009.
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Edgar Newbold Black, IV
(Field hockey, 1956)

Edgar Newbold Black, IV passed away on June 1, 2013. He was 88.

Newbold was born in Haverford, Pa., and received a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Pennsylvania. He served as vice president of sales and marketing for Badger Technologies in Cambridge, Mass., and Pullman Kellogg in Houston.

An avid sportsman, he was a national-level figure skater and a member of the 1956 U.S. Olympic Men’s Field Hockey Team. After his athletic career, he became vice president of the United States Olympic Committee and the International Hockey Federation. Additionally, he served as the U.S. chef de mission at the Innsbruck 1964 Olympic Games, chairman of the USOC’s site selection committee and as a world figure skating judge.

Sharon Stouder Clark
(Swimming, 1964)

Sharon Stouder Clark passed away on June 23, 2013. She was 64.

Stouder Clark won four Olympic medals – including three golds – at the 1964 Olympic Games in Innsbruck. Her three winning performances came in the 100-meter butterfly, and as a member of the 400 freestyle and 400 medley relay teams. She also claimed the silver medal in the 100 freestyle. At non-Olympic meets that year, she twice set the world record in the 200 butterfly, knocking almost three seconds off the previous record.

A graduate of Stanford University, Stouder Clark was inducted into the International Swimming Hall of Fame in 1972 and the Stanford Swimming Hall of Fame in 1997. She was honored by the university for her contributions by lighting the Olympic torch in 1984 for the soccer events that took place at Stanford Stadium (north of the primary Games host in Los Angeles).

The Stouder Clark family asks that interested individuals make donations “In Memory of Sharon Stouder Clark” to the Buck/Cardinal Club Stanford Athletic Department, located at 641 E. Campus Drive in Stanford, Calif.

Jack Kelly
(Olympic sports administrator and consultant)

Jack Kelly passed away on July 24, 2013. He was 68.

Kelly was born in Newton, Mass., and earned degrees from Northeastern University and Purdue University. He spent 16 years as an officer with Tenneco and American General in Houston before entering sports administration as executive director of the 1986 Olympic Festival. He also oversaw the 1990 Olympic Festival in Minneapolis-St. Paul, and served as president of the Goodwill Games from 1990-96.

He returned to the Houston sports scene as CEO of the Space City Sports Commission, consulting on two Olympic bids and assisting in the city’s work with Super Bowl XXXVIII, the 2004 MLB All-Star Game, the 2006 NBA All-Star Game and 2011 Senior Olympics.

He also served as CEO of Smart Bug Inc., which produces radio devices that produced in-house broadcasts during the 2010 Olympic Winter Games, as well as national championships for figure skating and gymnastics. Additionally, he served as USA Baseball secretary-general from 2000-08.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy, two children and four grandchildren.
Sandra Phyllis Knott
(Track & Field, 1964)

Sandra “Sandy” Phyllis Knott passed away on June 26, 2013. She was 75.

Knott represented the United States in the 800 meters at the Tokyo 1964 Olympic Games. She was a strong proponent for physical fitness, and competed through 2007.

Knott earned her bachelor’s degree from Case Western Reserve University and master’s degree from the University of Washington. As much as she loved her professional career as a nurse practitioner, her true passion was running.

A woman of faith, she was also very active in the Episcopalian church. In 2005, she was reunited with her daughter, whom she gave up for adoption at birth.

She is survived by her daughter, Twylla Miller, son-in-law, Joel Miller, granddaughter Olivia Miller, and three sisters: Sherry Guerin, Suzanne Knott and Stephanie Tunia-Jackson. Knott was a shining star, who touched many people throughout her life. Her smile and spirit will be forever missed.

Edith Louise Master
(Equestrian, 1968, 1972, 1976)

Edith Louise Master passed away on Aug. 18, 2013. She was 80.

The daughter of Dr. Arthur M. Master and Hilda Altschul Master, Louise Master was a three-time Olympian. She won the bronze medal in team dressage at the Montreal 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal, becoming the second-oldest American woman to win an Olympic medal in any sport.

She is survived by her sister, Camilla M. Rosenfeld, brother-in-law, Isadore Rosenfeld, niece, Hildi Rosenfeld Silbert, and three nephews, Arthur Rosenfeld, Stephen Rosenfeld and Herbert Rosenfeld.

Gordon Edmund McKenzie
(Track & Field, 1956, 1960)

Gordon McKenzie passed away on July 19, 2013. He was 86.

Gordon ran for the NY Pioneer Club and his long athletic career included representing the USA (1953) in England; National AAU Cross Country Champion (1954); representing the USA in the Pan American Games in Mexico City (1955);
set a USA record for the 10,000 meters in the 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne; placing 2nd in the Boston Marathon (1960); competing in the 1960 Olympic marathon in Rome; placing 4th in the Boston Marathon (1961); winning the Atlantic City marathon (1961); inducted in the Road Runners Club of America (RRCA) Hall of Fame, Atlanta, Ga. (1984); inducted in the NYU Athletic Hall of Fame, NY, N.Y. (2003).

He is a veteran of World II, graduated from NYU in 1952 and went on to work as a civil engineer for the City of New York for 37 years. Gordon's passion for athletics was not confined to track and field; he held the title of Light Weight Boxing Champion in the Army while stationed in Panama and enjoyed being a lifeguard at Orchard Beach, N.Y. Always with athletics in his life, Gordon also worked as a Nassau County Track and Field official for 35 years. He and his wife, a track coach for Great Neck South for over 30 years, volunteered as coaches for the local CYO and PBC, earning commendations for their untiring and devoted inspiration and contribution on behalf of the youth of their community. Gordon was presented with a Proclamation of Appreciation from the Great Neck Board of Trustees in appreciation for over 50 years of community service.

Gordon was an amazing and devoted family man whose love and support for his family was unparalleled. He is survived by his beloved wife Chris of 58 years, three children; Tina, Adam and Stuart; brother Thomas of San Jose Costa Rica; and seven grandchildren (Sean, Kate, Gordon, Alex, Maggie, Kallie, and Andrew) and his two faithful dogs Rex and Copper. The void left in his family's hearts will never be filled.

Harry Parker
(Rowing, 1960)

Harry Parker passed away on June 25, 2013. He was 77.

Olympic rower Harry Parker finished fifth in single sculls at the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome. He was an omnipresent figure in rowing at both the collegiate and national levels for decades. He served as the U.S. Olympic Team in rowing from 1964-84, leading the men's eight to the silver medal in 1972 and the women's eight to the bronze medal in 1976. He also directed the first American women's eight team at a world championships event in 1975, leading the U.S. to the silver medal.

Parker began rowing as an undergraduate at the University of Pennsylvania in the mid-1950s. He was part of the winning crew at the 1995 Grand Challenge Cup at
Edward Stevens, Jr.
(Rowing, 1952)

Ed Stevens, Jr., passed away on June 9, 2013. He was 80.

Stevens Jr., was an Olympic gold medalist, naval officer and nuclear engineer, who lived in Richland, Wash., for more than 40 years.

He was a devoted husband to Mary Stevens, and a loving father to Ann and David Olsen, Tom and Tiffany Stevens, Jean Stevens, and Paul and Katherine Sevens. He is also survived by grandsons Nicholas, Dane, Owen and Henry, and his sister, Joan Redmann.

Amelia Wershoven
(Track & Field, 1956)

Amelia Wershoven passed away on June 7, 2013. She was 82.

Amelia competed at the 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne, Australia. She is survived by her husband, John E. Wood, and four children – Suzanne Barron (Keith), Brendan, Sean and Terence.

Gene Wettstone
(Gymnastics coach, 1948, 1956)

Gene Wettstone passed away on July 30, 2013. He was 100.

Gene Wettstone led Penn State University to a record nine NCAA gymnastics championships and coached the 1948 and 1956 U.S. Olympic Men's Gymnastics Teams.
Wettstone competed at the University of Iowa, where he won a national title. In 1939, he joined the coaching staff at Penn State, where he helped turn a fledgling acrobatics and tumbling student organization into one of the most successful gymnastics programs in the country. Despite most intercollegiate competition having been suspended during World War II, Wettstone led the Nittany Lions to its first national championship in 1948. Over the next 25 years, he led Penn State to more than 200 wins and eight national titles, including three consecutive from 1959-61.

He was inducted into the United States Gymnastics Hall of Fame in 1963, and retired from coaching after guiding PSU to the 1976 national title. The Gene Wettstone Award, given to the top Penn State gymnast, was introduced that year.

Wettstone is survived by his wife, Ann, six children, eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. His first wife, Eleanor Keen, passed away in 2006.
1. Brandi Chastain (soccer, 1996, 2000, 2004) attended the Charity Day at Cantor Fitzgerald on Sept. 11, 2013. Chastain was amazing with the Cantor community while representing the Olympic Movement. Inspiring friendly competition, she kicked off her shoes and raced one trader down the trading floor.


3. At the Ice Wars for Wounded Warriors event in Springfield, Mass. From left to right: Sharon Jewell (taekwondo, 1988); Michael Botticelli (figure skating, 1980); Mirai Nagasu (figure skating, 2010); Keith McCormick (modern pentathlon, 1976); Rob Jones (Paralympic rowing, 2012); Jim Dietz (rowing, 1976); Gary Piantedosi (rowing, 1976); and John Matthews (rowing, 1976). Front row: Kerry Togneri, president of Ice Stars for Wounded Warriors.

4. Dick Fosbury had trouble mastering the straddle – the standard high-jump technique – as a young high jumper in the early 1960s. So instead, he began doing a modified scissor-kick while leaping over the bar backwards and horizontal to the ground. As goofy as it looked, it worked. Dubbed the “Fosbury Flop” by a Medford, Ore., reporter, Fosbury caused a sensation when he won the gold medal at the 1968 Olympic Games with a leap of 2.24 meters. The Fosbury Flop is now the standard technique for elite high jumpers.
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