US Lacrosse Chapter Newsletter - January 2010

Did You Turn In Your Participation Survey?

There are still a few chapters who have not turned in the 2009 Participation Survey to US Lacrosse. Please check with your chapter leadership and if you have not yet completed it, send it to Lindsay Comodore. This information is compiled annually to create US Lacrosse's Participation Survey, a very important marketing tool for US Lacrosse. The Chapter Operations Manual is also available online here. Should you have any questions about submitting this document, or would like the 2009 Participation Survey template sent to you, please contact Lindsay Comodore.

Champion Challenge to Be Televised!

ESPNU will broadcast the U.S. men's national team vs. Duke and the U.S. women's national team vs. Duke games, part of the 2010 Champion Challenge at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. The U.S. men's national team game will air on Jan. 31 at 10 p.m. with a re-airing on Feb. 2 at 4 p.m. The U.S. women's national team game will air on Feb. 1 at 12 a.m. with a re-airing on Feb. 2 at 2 p.m.

US Lacrosse will head down to Florida this weekend for the fifth annual Champion Challenge, working in conjunction with the Gulf Coast, Orlando and South Florida chapters to recruit volunteers for the event. This weekend marks the competition debut of the 2010 men's national team, who have two exciting games this summer to prepare for - Team USA will take on the MLL All-Stars on July 8 in Boston, Mass., and will compete for the gold at the 2010 FIL World Championships in Manchester, England.

2011 U.S. Women's U19 Team Tryouts

The first round of the tryouts for the 2011 U.S. women's U19 team will be held in conjunction with your local sub regional tryouts for the 2010 USL Women's Division National Tournament. Eligible athletes must register to tryout for their 2010 USL Women's Division National Tournament Sub Regional Team in order to stand for selection. Waivers are available for special circumstances. Learn more about procedures, eligibility requirements and waivers. Questions about the U19 tryouts should be directed to Stacie Wentz, and any questions about sub regional tryouts may be emailed to Liz Piper.

Another Successful Convention Completed

to all who attended the 2010 US Lacrosse National Convention presented by Champion! All convention attendees ess the event's presentations and handouts via the Convention Online Library for the entire year. Learn how to log Did you miss this year's convention? Catch up on all the exciting action with Matt DaSilva's convention blog on azine.com, and check out the video made by Ultimate Athlete about their experience at the convention expo hall

Special CEP Offer for 2010

US Lacrosse Member Program administrators who pledge to require training for their coaches for the 2010 season will receive **free unlimited Level 1 online courses** for all of their coaches now through April 2010. e the best way to spread the word to the lacrosse programs in your area, so please share this message with the leagues and programs in your chapter! Learn more here or contact Mark Kamyszek for details.

Tax Filing Notification from US Lacrosse

Please read the following important statement regarding the way you will file your 2009 tax return: When you file your chapter's tax return for 2009 and subsequent years, the first name in the name block must be the name of the parent organization, aka: US Lacrosse, Inc. The second line is the name of the subordinate filing, aka: the chapter. In speaking with the IRS, we know previously filed returns do not have to be corrected. However, this is the standard naming format you should use going forward. Please also make sure that you use the tax ID of the subordinate aka: the chapter, and not that of the parent, aka: US Lacrosse, Inc. (even though the parent's name is on the tax return). Read about more "tax tips."

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact Erin Sturgis directly at esturgis@uslacrosse.org or 410-235-6882 x132. We appreciate your cooperation and diligence with all IRS matters.

US Lacrosse Store - Items of the Month

Men's Softshell Jacket - $44.99 ($40.49 - member)
Great jacket that works with your movements. Lightweight, but built for performance. Added thumb holes for those work outs in cold weather.

Women's Full Zip Hoodie - $31.99 ($28.79 - member)
Stay warm and look cool in this full zip hoodie. Perfect for those cold, winter nights or cool summer walks on the beach.