US Lacrosse Chapter Newsletter - November 2009

National Convention Registration

• **LEARN** from some of the best in the game. Register now for the 2010 US Lacrosse National Convention, which will be held at the Baltimore Convention Center from January 15-17, 2010.

• **LEAD** and **INSPIRE** others by joining the 2010 speaker line-up for the 2010 US Lacrosse National Convention. Presenting at the Convention will put you and your program in front of thousands who are eager to encourage the expansion of the fastest growing sport in the country! Learn more about becoming a speaker.

Other highlights of this year's event include: legendary coach Lou Holtz, the convention's keynote speaker; the U.S. Men's National Team and the 2009 U.S. Women's Gold Medal World Cup Team in action on the Live Field sponsored by Warrior/Brine; the Men's and Women's Socials, sponsored by Lacrosse Unlimited; and the Youth Excellence Awards Breakfast, co-sponsored by Champion and Dick's Sporting Goods. View a complete schedule of speakers and events.

2009 Chapter Compliance

If you haven't already done so, please get a head start on the next compliance requirement: The 2009 Participation Survey. This information is used to compile the overall participation survey - a **very** important marketing tool for US Lacrosse. The **deadline** for submitting this document is **December 31st, 2009**. Learn more. Should you have any questions about submitting this document, please contact Lindsay Comodore at lcomodore@uslacrosse.org.

The Chapter Operations Manual is also available online here.

Co-President of the Tennessee Chapter Awarded Bronze Service Star

Geoff Starron, co-president of the Tennessee Chapter of US Lacrosse, was awarded a second bronze service star to his Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal Oct. 26th. As co-president of the TN Chapter of US Lacrosse, Starron was key in bringing the chapter into compliance with US Lacrosse guidelines and transitioning the chapter to new stable leadership - all during off duty hours while physically attending the 20-week

long Military Intelligence Captains Career Course at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz. Read more about Starron.

Fast Break Chicago

With the support of the Illinois Chapter, US Lacrosse was able to hold a Level 1 Institutional Clinic and Official's Training at Orr High School. There were 66 attendees for the Level 1 Clinic and 16 attendees for the Women's Officials Training. LaxWorld was the sponsor for the event, providing giveaways such as dry erase boards, stickers, lanyards and visors for participants. Thanks to all that helped to put on this successful Fast Break event!

U.S. Women's National Team Clinic Host Chapter Areas

US Lacrosse and the 2009-2010 U.S. Women's National Team will offer 14 clinics in 11 states this winter, providing the unique opportunity for youth and high school girls' lacrosse players to learn from the best in the U.S. Find a clinic near you.

2010 Champion® Challenge

The 2010 U.S. Men's and Women's National Teams will participate in the 2010 US Lacrosse Champion Challenge event at Disney's Wide World of Sports in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Jan. 30-31. The U.S. Men's team will play Army and Duke, while the U.S. Women's teams will play Notre Dame, Florida, and Duke. The teams will also host clinics for youth in grades 3-12.

Champion CHALLENGE A US LACROSSE EVENT 2010

US Lacrosse will work in conjunction with the Gulf Coast, Orlando and South Florida chapters in order to recruit volunteers for this event. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Lindsay Comodore.

U-19 WNT Coaching Position Open

The US Lacrosse Women's Division National Teams Committee is now accepting applications for the position of 2011 U.S. U-19 Women's National Lacrosse Team Head Coach until Nov. 29. Learn more and apply.

Tax Filing Notification from US Lacrosse

Please read the important following 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 - Silver Lacrosse Cuff Bracelet

Show off your lacrosse pride with this great Silver Lacrosse Cuff Bracelet! Get it now for $21.99 ($19.79 Members). Visit the online store to take advantage of this great offer!