

Fast Track of Illinois Newsletter

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|  | <h2>MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT</h2>  |  |
| <p>Opportunity does not knock, it presents itself when you beat down the door.</p> <p>Kyle Chandler</p> | <p>Athletes, Coaches, Parents and Friends,</p> <p>It has been a tremendous year so far us here in Illinois. We sponsored and/or worked on several track and field meets. Our sponsorships covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The Dorothy Dawson Indoor Invite at University of Illinois.- The Midwest Zone Indoor Youth Championships at Purdue University.- The National Indoor Youth Zone Championships in Maryland.- The USATF Association Masters & Open Indoor T&F Championships in Sterling. <p>Although the meets were indoor, all were met with challenges from a season of severe weather. Many of you persisted and the attendance was good. Thanks so much for your support.</p> <p>As the indoor season has come to an end, we look forward to the outdoor season and, hopefully, better weather. Our summer schedule includes the following meets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- USATF Illinois Association Masters & Open T&F Championships, June 14, TBD- USATF Illinois Association Junior Olympics T&F Championships, June 21 – 22, Lisle | <p>For the fall season, we have scheduled the following meets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- USATF Illinois Association Junior Olympics Cross Country Championships, Naperville, November 15.- USATF Illinois Association Masters & Open Cross Country Champions, Naperville, November 15.- USATF Region 7 Junior Olympics Cross Country Championships, November 22, Naperville. <p>We are again asking each of our members, coaches and parents to volunteer at all of our upcoming events. Our goal is to improve the quality of our meets and have an increase in participation by all athletes. Please check our website for information on upcoming sanctioned events. A volunteer form will be provided there.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Brenda Kimbrough</p> |

MASTERS NEWS



From L-R:
Nicole Lincoln (W45),
Merle Mensey (W65),
Carol Pratt (W 55),
Barb Lauff (kneeling,
W45)

The 2014 USATF IL Open and Masters Indoor Championships were held Saturday, February 15th at the Westwood Sports Facility in Sterling, IL.

There were approximately 50 athletes attending the Championships meet. All events were represented by athletes from 5 states!!

Shown above are the women who competed in the Throws. Records were set by outstanding Masters athlete Merle Mensey. Her results were:

Pending American Record: Shot Put: 9.20m. Pending World and National Record: Weight Throw: 15:23m. Pending American Record: Super Weight: 10:22m.

Of considerable thanks and mention is to Jamero Rainey, who provided six USATF officials for the meet. Certified USATF IL officials add to the quality and integrity of the meet. Thank you to all volunteers who helped make this meet a success!

We are looking forward to the 2015 USATF IL Indoor Championships and encourage as many Open and Masters athletes to participate as possible!

Masters athletes are encouraged to participate in the USATF IL annual meeting on Sunday, April 27th. More information is on the USATF IL web-site.

For more information regarding the USATF IL Open and Masters meets, please contact the USATF IL Office or Barb Lauff, USATF IL Masters Chair, at lauffline@comcast.net.





Indoor Youth Results

USATF Youth Indoor National Championships Landover, MD

Illinois was well represented at the USATF National Meet.
Congratulations to the latest All-Americans:

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| Brandon Adams | Aurora Flyers | 13-14 55M, 200M, LJ |
| Joshua Bruce | Aurora Flyers | 13-14 55M, 200M |
| K. Jackson | Aurora Flyers | 15-16 TJ |
| Likkaya Keyes | Aurora Flyers | 13-14 400M |
| Derric Lee | Aurora Flyers | 15-16 55H |
| D. Meadows | Aurora Flyers | 8&u 400M |
| Chas McKinney | Aurora Flyers | 11-12 400M, LJ |
| Chav Mckinney | Aurora Flyers | 9-10 SP |
| Miles Miskel | Aurora Flyers | 8&u 55M, 200M, LJ |
| Eden Short | Aurora Flyers | 13-14 800M |
| Ezekiel Tulloch | Aurora Flyers | 15-16 LJ |
| Boaz Turner | Aurora Flyers | 11-12 800M |
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| Alyssa Durrant | Elgin Sharks | 13-14 3000RW |
| Heather Durant | Elgin Sharks | 9-10 1500, 800M |
| Janeth Ortega | Elgin Sharks | 8&u 1500M, 800M |
| F.Quinones | Elgin Sharks | 11-12 1500RW |
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| Logan Hodge | Illinois Rush | 11-12 SP |
| Kai Lincoln | Illinois Rush | 8&U SP |
| Myles Lincoln | Illinois Rush | 11-12 55H, HJ |
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| Eriko Darcy | UCTC | 11-12 400M |
| Tuviya Love | UCTC | 11-12 SP |
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| Peyton Erdal | Waukegan Invaders | 9-10 1500M, 800M |
| L Garriques | Waukegan Invaders | 13-14 1500M, 800M |
| Jesse Knuckles | Waukegan Invaders | 11-12 800M |
| Dustin Macuiba | Waukegan Invaders | 17-18 3000M, 1500M |
| Emma Milburn | Waukegan Invaders | 15-16 1500M, 800M |
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| Bailey Heselton | Zephyrs | 8&u LJ |
| T. Haynes | Zephyrs | 11-12 55M, 200M |



2014 Events

May 4 Association Semi-Annual Meeting
Benedictine University
Lisle

June 21-22 USATF Illinois Junior Olympics T&F Championships
Benedictine University,
Lisle

June 24-29 USA Youth Outdoor T&F Championships
Indiana University,
Bloomington, IN

July 10-13 USATF Region 7 T&F Championships,
Huntington University
Huntington, IN

July 21-27 USATF National Junior Olympics T&F Championships
Turner Stadium,
Humble, TX

October 26 Illinois Association Annual Meeting
TBA

November 15 USATF Illinois Junior Olympics, Open & Masters Cross Country Championships
Naperville

November 22 USATF Region 7 Junior Olympics XC Championships
Naperville