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HUNTINGTON

Gymnast Wins State Crown

Jacqueline Kohos, 13, of Huntington, won first place in the all-around competition at the USAG Level 7 state gymnastics championship held February 3 in upstate Ithaca.

Kohos placed first in the 13/14-year-old age group with an all-around score of 36.725 (out of a possible 40.00) to win the state championships.

An eighth-grade honors student at Oldfield Middle School, Kohos still finds time to be involved in various school clubs, including Student-Tutors. Becoming state champion takes hard work and discipline with most nights spent at Gold Medal Gymnastics Center in Greenlawn where she is coached by Tammy Marshall, Oskar Romero and Jay Graham.

Kohos continues a long history of success at Gold Medal, which has produced USAG national, regional and state champions, as well as full-scholarship college gymnasts at University of Michigan; University of Maryland; William & Mary; and University of Pittsburgh.

Head coach Tammy Marshall was not surprised with Jacqueline's success. "She has really stepped up this year and had a great week in practice leading up to States," she said. "She has a great work ethic and she really deserves to be state champ. We are all really proud of her."

Jacqueline has now moved up to USAG Level 8 where she will get to compete along with her twin sister, Meryl Kohos.



Jacqueline Kohos of Huntington recently won a state gymnastics championship in USAG level 7 competition.

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