

PRESIDENT'S REPORT  
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Most of the work of CJI continues to be done by other people, which is greatly appreciated. Since the last meeting three months ago, there has been a successful state championships thanks to many people who donated their time and resources. Our state championships continues to be the largest in the country, bigger than the senior nationals and larger than some junior nationals. We were able to pay athletes who medaled in the state championships and who had competed in the senior nationals right at the tournament. Speaking of payment, I have spoken to Ryan Rebman and he assures me that the checks for both the fee due to CJI and for the referees are in the mail.

To date, we have confirmed players from Michigan, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Colorado coming to the Golden State Open who have contacted us for transportation from the airport. Justin Flores, Tony Mojica and AnnMaria De Mars will be among the coaches assisting at the Golden State camp to be held August 24-26.

Referee chair, Bernie Semel, continues to certify referees around the state. Southern Pacific Area vice-president Ed Shiosaki continues to keep our website maintained with matchless speed and efficiency.

Pacific Southwest vice-president Joe Ciokon organized the state meeting in San Diego.

Vice-president Mitchell Palacio is continually revising our coach education program to serve our members better, as he will detail in his report. He has some very exciting projects in the works.

Secretary Jerry Hays continues to provide daily information on judo news and maintain our registration records.

Mickey Davenport continues to organize development events in northern California.

Bill Caldwell, having just taken over as southern development chair, hasn't had time to do much but authorize sending checks to athletes, but I am sure that is very much appreciated.

Mac Takeda continues to insure promotions are handled consistently. He has achieved the near miracle of getting more people to come to the promotion committee meetings.

Thanks to our treasurer, Terry Kunihiro, and our out-going Law & Legislation chair, Walter Dean, we are fiscally sound and no one is suing us.

California Judo magazine continues to be published more or less quarterly.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone on the executive committee and all the committees of California Judo, Inc. for their outstanding efforts. I think CJI has

made some major strides in the past two years. The joint workouts in Fresno in January and at Cahill's last March are two activities I hope we can see continued in the future. Of course, everyone from around the state is invited to the Golden State camp.