

GYMNASTICS UPDATE

McDonald's International Mixed Pairs Victors

Phoebe Mills and Kevin Davis combined to defeat eight tandems of gymnasts during the International Mixed Pairs competition in Allentown, Pennsylvania, March 8. Mills, victor in the 1988 McDonald's American Cup, and Davis combined for a total score of 39.275 which was just enough to best the Soviet Union's duo of Svetlana Baitova and Igor Korobchinsky by .075. Gabriela Potorac and Marius Toba, men's American Cup champion, of Romania, placed third. *(Photo by Loren Fisher)*



1980 Olympian Honored

Chicago, Ill. — Ron Galimore, a member of the ill-fated 1980 U.S. Olympic Gymnastics team, was honored recently at the 18th annual Blackbook awards banquet. Blackbook is a directory of predominantly black organizations that is published by the National Publications Sales Agency Inc. of Chicago.

Galimore, founder of the Talahassee, Fla. based Athletic Training Center, U.S.A. received a business and professional achievement award at the banquet. Chicago Cubs outfielder Andre Dawson, 1987 National League Most Valuable Player, also received this award.

Former Chicago Bears running

back Walter Payton was on hand to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award. This award was significant to Galimore because his father, the late Willie Galimore, was the first great Bears running back.

Galimore was the first collegiate gymnast to score a perfect 10.00 in competition when, on national television, he performed this feat at the 1981 NCAA Championships, beating

Peter Shields of Courtland State in the process. "When I landed, I felt like it was one of the best vaults I had done," said Galimore in a 1984 interview in USA Gymnastics. "I was happy not only for the 10.00, but because I was put in a high pressure situation and I performed. I was a competitor at that point instead of letting the pressure situation psyche me out."★

