

# SPORTS

## UNLV powerlifters compete in the Soviet Union

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Reporter

Three UNLV students, freshman Joe Dentice, freshman Brandon Keith, and sophomore Maryann Helm have been selected to represent the United States and the state of Nevada at the 1990 International Powerlifting Competition. The competition will take place in the Soviet Union, in Leningrad and Moscow, Nov. 23-30, 1990.

This first annual competition will bring powerlifters from all over the United States to com-

pete against the Soviet Union. A similar competition held last June was won by the United States. The competition is organized primarily by two organizations, The Natural Athlete Strength Association and the Association for International Cultural Exchange Programs.

There were over 1,100 applicants vying for selection to the US team. Applicants were judged on their past performance, enthusiasm, potential and training program. Team member, Joe Dentice, will compete in the 198-pound weight class. Dentice has

18 years of weight lifting experience and looks forward to testing himself at an international level. Dentice has various powerlifting titles including 14 consecutive state titles to seven national titles. Teammates Maryann Helm and Brandon Keith also have state title recognition, with Helm capturing the state title and Keith placing fourth in their respective weight classes this year.

Unlike the snatch and the clean-and-jerk, powerlifting is not yet an Olympic event. The main difference between Olympic lifting events and powerlifting is that

the former involves a lift overhead, while the latter includes squat, bench press and dead lift. When asked about the difference between the two, Dentice replied, "The Olympic lift is more of a technique lift, whereas powerlifting is more strength concentrated."

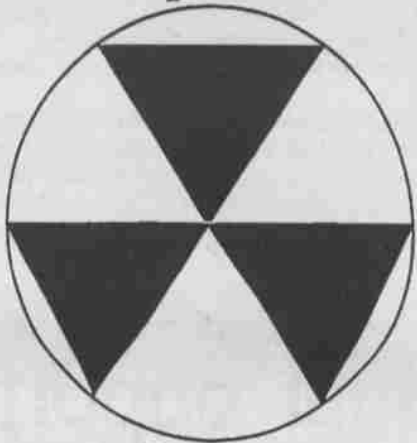
Dentice said he feels privileged in participating in the competition, but admitted to some frustration with the lack of support the United States gives its athletes. He noted that the United States does not provide

any type of support for the training of its athletes. It is up to the individual athlete to provide for his or her own financing, a task that can be almost insurmountable.

There has been an account set up to provide for financing contributions to the athletes. The account is at Valley Bank, account #088357497. All contributions are tax deductible. Additional information about making contributions can be obtained by contacting Mark Landwehr, acting sports editor, at the Yellin' Rebel office, 739-3478.

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