3 Olympians Included On Caesars Gymnastics Roster

LAS VEGAS — Although the United States did not compete in the 1980 summer Olympic Games in Moscow, each sport did select their "Olympic Team." In the sport of gymnastics, many 1984 team members will be the same, as has been evidenced by the outstanding results of recent international competitions. One man who has been training constantly toward victory in the 1984 Olympics is BART CONNER, who was also a participating member of the 1976 Montreal Olympic team. Conner has promised to "unveil" some routines this Sunday that he will continue to perfect right through until the Games, including a controversial press-to-handstand during the Pommel Horse routine.

Two-time Caesars winner JIM HARTUNG returns to the event to defend his title. Hartung took first place in the Floor Exercise and Still Rings, and took second in the Horizontal ("high") Bar, Vault and Pommel Horse to edge out a victory in 1981 over Conner, who had three first place routines in the Pommel Horse, Parallel Bars and Horizontal Bar. SCOTT JOHNSON took third last year, tieing with Hartung for first place in the Floor Exercise. This year's meet looks like a showdown between these three top gymnasts, along with 1980 Olympian PHIL CAHOY.

Every competitor in this year's Caesars Palace Gymnastics Invitational is a major international gymnast, representing the United States in a broad spectrum of competitions.

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