



Figure Skating Club
of Cincinnati

Newsletter

Spring 2005

Twizzle

FSCC Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 15th, 2005

The Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati will host the annual meeting on Sunday, May 15th, 2005 at the Tennyson clubhouse. The meeting will begin following the Sunday afternoon club session.

The FSCC Officers are looking forward to meeting with the members to review the past year and to discuss the 2005-2006 season. Several committees will assist the board in reporting on club activities.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the rink for our pot luck meal. If you will not be at the rink, please contact Jody Shelden via e-mail (gshelden@cinci.rr.com) so she can add you to the list. We need drinks, utensils, appetizers, salads, main dishes, sides, and desserts.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Directions to Tennyson Clubhouse

- Turn left out of the Sports Plus parking lot onto Reading Road.
- Follow Reading Road until it forks to the right and becomes Lebanon Road (42).
- Head North for about 1/2 mile to East Kemper Road.
- Turn right onto East Kemper Road and follow for about 1 mile past Sharon Woods Lake to Tennyson Drive.
- Turn left into Tennyson. Clubhouse is just inside main entrance.

Calendar

Skate Nashville
Franklin, TN
April 28th - May 1st

USFS Governing Council
Columbus, OH
May 6th - 7th

Silver Skate 2005
Kettering, OH
May 13th - May 15th

Traverse City Cherry
Classic
Traverse City, MI
June 4th - June 5th

Buckeye State 2005
Columbus, OH
June 10th - June 12th



Tests Passed

Paula Sitawi - Hickory Hoedown

Alexis McDonell - Dutch Waltz, Preliminary FS

Holly McDonell - Pre Juvenile MIF

Ina Tobin - Adult Bronze MIF

Sabrina Shrider - Pre Preliminary FS

Lorin Hrack-McKoon - Pre Preliminary MIF

Kelley Brinkman - Juvenile MIF

Maureen Geier - American Waltz

Brooke Hoover - Pre Preliminary FS

Angela Messina - Pre Preliminary MIF

Katie Looby - Juvenile MIF

Stacy Nakamura - Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues

Rhonda-Lynn Owen - Adult Pre Bronze MIF

Judy Smith - Adult Bronze MIF

Mika Suntay - Pre Preliminary MIF

Lindsey Michael - Pre Preliminary MIF

Susan Osgood - Pre Preliminary FS

Next Test Session
November 2005

SCRIPS

The Scrips program will continue throughout the summer. Take some time to view the Great Lakes Scrip web site at www.glscrip.com.

There are many new vendors, updates and specials. Orders can be placed at the rink or by mail to:

Jody Shelden
6222 Ridge
Cincinnati, OH 45213

Classifieds

For Sale: Girls Riedell Silver Star boot size 3 ½ with a Wilson Coronation Comet blade. The boots were popped at the ankle, then only worn a few times before the skater discontinued in the sport. Blades are new as well. Gold metallic blade covers included. Skates go to the best offer made by May 31. Accepting offers of \$200 +. Please call Lisa at 706.8540 or e-mail your offer to Lastoughton@cinci.rr.com

For Sale: Brand new Jackson Competitor DJ2200 skate boots size 4.0 B. They have never been mounted or worn. Price is \$100. They were originally \$169. Contact Holly McDonell (513) 759-0984h, (513) 284-1960c, or email mcdonell23@aol.com

Skating Web Sites

US Figure Skating -
www.usfigureskating.org

South Eastern Great Lake Council -
www.seglskate.org

FSCC Coaches on the move!

This season, FSCC welcomed a new coach to the club, and sadly said goodbye to three others.

Dori Murray has joined the club as a coach this season. Dori has been a skating coach for many years, teaching with Sports Plus and Learn To Skate Cincinnati. She brings with her many years of professional skating experience. Dori skated in several professional shows across the country, including Paramount's Kings Island, the Cincinnati Zoo, and Cypress Gardens. We are very excited to welcome Dori to the club!

Lisa Stoughton has decided to take some time away from coaching to be with her children and concentrate on the business she and her husband Dean own, Golden Rule Maintenance and Construction. Lisa will be busy maintaining the books, setting appointments and taking care of marketing. Lisa said she misses all of her students and skating friends, and she hopes to return to the ice soon. Lisa has been a great supporter of the Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati and her enthusiasm will be missed.

Marcia Chaffee retired from coaching at the end of 2004. Marcia enjoyed a very successful coaching career, but decided it was time for a new challenge. Marcia will not be hanging up her skates for good though as she has decided to become a judge for US Figure Skating. She is currently a trail judge on the accelerated track, and hopes to have her first official appointment soon. Besides judging, Marcia has been doing more traveling with her husband Tom, and watching her daughter Brooke, who is a dance major, perform.

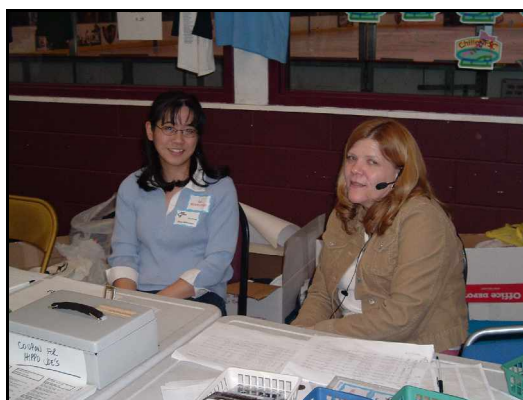
Dorothea Cassini will be moving to Phoenix with her husband Todd. Dorothea first came to Cincinnati in 1994 as a skater in the Kings Island ice show. Dorothea and Todd met while both working at Kings Island, and were married a few years later. They have a son named Adam who will start preschool this year. Dorothea began teaching at the rink in Northern Kentucky before moving to Sports Plus. Over the years, she has achieved many of the PSA ratings, and become known as one of Cincinnati's most respected coaches. Dorothea will continue to teach at a new rink being built in North Scottsdale.

Lisa, Marcia, and Dorothea... We will miss you all. Best wishes from your friends at the Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati

Skate Cincinnati 2005/Buckeye Open Update

Thank You to all who helped make Skate Cincinnati 2005 a huge success! Kelly Bixby and Pat Miller co-chaired this year's event. Skate Cincinnati has grown into a large competition and may become a two-day event in the future.

The Buckeye Open Adult competition is in the planning stage. The events are scheduled for November 2005. More information will be available soon.



Stacy Nakamura and Jody Shelden working the registration table at Skate Cincinnati

Around The Rink

Best Wishes to Lori and Larry Voss who announced they are expecting a baby in late September!

Jeff Privett was appointed as an official judge for US Figure Skating in November of 2004.

The new SEGL web site is now online. Visit at www.seglskate.org

Synchro News



The Youth Introductory's inaugural season saw them place better than 2 different teams at each of their competitions: placing 6th at Mid America and 6th at Tri States! The Teen Introductory's team of 8 skated their way to a 7th place finish at Mid America and a 5th place finish at Tri States, finishing better than at least 2 different teams at each competition! The Adult Introductory team had a busy schedule medalling with 4th place finish at Mid America, 4th place at Mid Western Sectionals, and 3rd place at Tri States!

Cincinnati Style hosted their annual banquet on April 8th, 2005 at the Normandy Church in Centerville, OH. Our heartfelt thanks to Anne Cossoboon for organizing the event.

Style would like to thank this season's team sponsors: Premier Gift Design, Foot Solutions, Mary Kay Cosmetics. Style would also like to thank Teresa Seitz for her efforts to coordinate the design and purchase of our fabulous team pins again this year! They were a hit!



In preparation for next season, Cincinnati Style will be hosting our 3rd annual Synchronized Skating Mini Camp - June 11, 12, 18 from 1PM to 7PM each day at Sports Plus. We will be host to Choeleen Loundagin's Inner Champion Mental Toughness Training seminar (www.innerchamp.com) on June 18th! The seminar is FREE to all participating in the synchro' mini camp. Registration for skaters interested in attending the seminar only will be \$65 (includes 1 skater + 1 parent). The seminar will host a separate track for skaters and parents! I have also contracted guest coaches for skating skills (hint: death spirals...pair spins...dance holds). And...this year, the camp will include a party!

Congratulations again to Anne Kisley, Ashley Malin, Brynn Shuller, Brooke Hoover, Lindsey Michael, Kurt Schwab, Molly Seitz, Rae Ann Brooks, and Sammy Jo Giesel on receiving awards for this season's Most Valuable Skater, Most Improved Skater, and Most Team Spirit.

Speaking of awards...help wanted to construct a trophy case for use at Sports Plus! If you are interested in helping with or coordinating this milestone achievement, please contact Susan Papert at synchro@skatecincinnati.org.



Come see Cincinnati Style at www.skatecincinnati.org - follow the Synchro' links

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Twizzle is a newsletter produced by the Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati for our members, coaches and others involved in the sport of Figure Skating.

Articles about skaters, competitions, training programs or other information that may be of interest to our members are welcomed. Photographs are also accepted.

The next issue will be published in late summer 2005. To submit articles or photos, please contact Jeff Privett.

FSCC Skaters Go For The Gold at Adult Nationals!

Kansas City was home to the most prestigious adult skating event of the season, the 2005 US Adult National Figure Skating Championships. This five day event brings together adult skaters from across the country to showcase the skills learned from hard work and dedication. While the competition is open to adult skaters of all ages and abilities, the level of difficulty is increasing every year. Competitors in the top events are now adding difficult double and even triple jumps to their programs. The Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati was represented at the championships by Dottie Janson, Cathy Brinkman, Stacy Nakamura, and Holly McDonell. Denise Mackey served as team coach. Lynn Stoike of the Northern Kentucky Skating Club joined the FSCC team in Kansas City. Holly McDonell placed 3rd in the Adult Bronze II qualifying round, which advanced her to the final round. Dottie Janson, skating in Adult Silver II, skated a personal best in the qualifying round, missing an advance to the final round by just one placement. Cathy Brinkman made the move up to Adult Silver this season. Cathy was pleased with her first outing as a Silver Lady at Adult Nationals. Stacy Nakamura had much to celebrate with a 6th place finish in her interpretive event, and a clean axel at her first appearance at these championships. Congratulations to all.



The FSCC Adult Nationals team.



Holly McDonell places 3rd in qualifying.

South Eastern Great Lakes Update

The Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati is a member of the South Eastern Great Lakes Council (SEGL). The Southern Eastern Great Lakes Council was formed for the purposes of encouraging all types of figure skating; to encourage and cultivate a spirit of fraternal feeling among ice skating clubs within the Council; to produce or cooperate in non-qualifying competitions, and generally to do and perform such acts as may be necessary, advisable, and proper, or incidental in the realization of the object and purpose of this Council; and to carry out the policies of United States Figure Skating.

The SEGL web site was launched in November 2004. Browsing the site you will find useful information including the SEGL calendar, which lists upcoming events, competitions, and tests within the member clubs of the council.

Mark your calendars for next years SEGL competition to be hosted by the Louisville Skating Academy in Louisville, KY on February 24th through February 26th, 2006.

Please contact
Jody Sheldon if you are
interested in summer ice.

Have a Great Summer!