



THE SKATING CLUB OF BOSTON

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Summer 2011

Heart of the Community



The summer brings a host of programs, community outreach and media events to the Frog Pond. Here, Frog Pond Freddy and Skating Club president Joe Blount greet Boston Mayor Tom Menino's wife Angela at the Spray Fountain opening on June 29. For more on what we've been doing at the Frog Pond, including free Thursday morning yoga classes and a flower-arranging seminar, see Susan Withrow's story and photos on page 10.

President's Letter

Dear Members,

As we move into our 100th Anniversary year we do so with great anticipation for the future of The Skating Club of Boston, our members, our programs and future programs that are in the development stages.

In my May letter I mentioned the outstanding work and progress our Long Range Planning Committee had accomplished over the last two years and was fully aware of the possible developments that were presented to the membership at Awards Night June 8, 2011. The negotiation that were required to accomplish the resulting Letter Of Intent (LOI) with Harvard on a piece of land one half a mile from our present location required extreme confidentiality and I commend the Board of Governors for their adherence to those requirements.

There have been many Board members who have contributed to the Long Range Plan and the future of the club dating back to mid 1990's and they are to be congratulated on their perseverance, the expenditure of their time and talent and the constant effort to be the best we can be. I intend to list those who have contributed over the years and hopefully the research will be completed in time for my next letter.

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President's Letter

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The Letter of Intent has a number of milestones and requirements on both parties; we are working toward those milestones and are in the process of preparing information so you are fully informed of the process, requirements and schedule. We are committed to providing full information and will schedule a series of membership meetings. I know members are interested in the details, however we have some issues to resolve so we can present a clear picture of the direction we are going.

The conceptual design that was presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting required a piece of land of approximately eight to ten acres. The site we have been able to negotiate, that keeps the club in Boston and Brighton its present and original home, is five plus acres and requires adjustments to the building program, size, layout and visuals. All of these will be accomplished without compromising either the original program discussed at many Long Range Planning sessions or the concept presented to you in 2009. Our goal is to be in our new facility in the fourth quarter of 1013; aggressive, plenty of work to do but doable.

We had a successful Boston Open Competition, thanks to the Committee and its Chair Tammy Thierwechter for an outstanding event. As always, we continue to receive positive comments from coaches, skaters and parents on our hospitality and smooth event schedule.

We are running programs at Frog Pond and continue to receive positive comments from many people associated with the Boston Common. If you have a chance visit and enjoy. Summer at Frog Pond poses challenges that we are not accustomed to dealing with (like water safety!) but we have overcome them and have developed a positive program for all to enjoy.

U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills program increased its Basic Skills membership by 3.25% during the 2010-2011 season. This is a positive sign for skating grass roots efforts. Full memberships were down slightly and the goal for 2011-2012 will be to retain and increase membership. As a club we have done well during this time frame a look to continued success.

The first event that will launch our 2012 year will be the host for 2012 New England Regional Championships, September 30-October 4, 2011. The format has changed; the competition will start on Friday and run through the following Tuesday. The Committee has already spent many hours in planning this event and we expect that it will be a successful as any previous U.S. Figure Skating event we have hosted. Your support is appreciated.

Given the number of events and programs we run each year, we are always looking for additional volunteers to lessen the load on all committees and Board Members. I ask you to look at the events we run, pick a committee or a small function in a committee or event and lend a hand. We have many things on our plate and we need to pull together to lessen the load on all.

Some of the events / committees to consider:

2012 New England Figure Skating Championships – Club surface
 2012 U.S. Synchronized Skating Championships – DCU Center, Worcester
 100th Anniversary Celebration
 Basic Skills Competition

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Chips is the official publication of The Skating Club of Boston and is edited by **Barb Fritz**.

Your editor can use your help! Compiling competition results, editing tests passed, and news sections are all open for your involvement. Join in!

The deadline for submissions for the next issue is **October 15**, to editor @chipsboston.com. The editor reserves the right to edit for length, clarity, and accuracy.

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“A” student Andrew

At Chips, we love to hear good news about our skaters, members, and Club staff. Our readers are probably familiar with Championship Pairs competitor Andrew Speroff, who with his partner Gretchen Donlan was named Most Improved skater at our Awards Banquet in June. Our reporter found out that Andrew was named to the Dean's List for Spring 2011 at Ashford University, where he is a senior with plans to graduate in January 2012 with a Bachelor's degree in Sports Management. Andrew has really found an affinity for the physical and nutritional science behind competitive sport (especially skating, where he excels) and plans to pursue a Master's degree in Sports Science. In addition to his work both on and off the ice with Gretchen and their coaches, Andrew works 16-20 hours a week at the Boston Sports Club in Weymouth.

Managing school and skating is hard for any student-athlete. Andrew moved to Boston in April, 2009 to begin skating with Gretchen. His parents, Brian and Judy, live in Colorado Springs and each work two jobs to help cover Andrew's training and school expenses. School happens wherever Andrew goes – his classes are conducted online. His dad jokes that the only time he's without his laptop is when he's on the ice, training. In fact, that laptop has accompanied Andrew to competitions in Russia, Germany and Mexico, allowing him to stay connected to his instructors, fellow students and, of course, his work.



Andrew Speroff poses with his pairs partner, Gretchen Donlan

Success in school (making the Dean's List at Ashford University means having a cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.5 or above) and in skating have gone hand-in-hand for Andrew, thanks to lots of hard work. He has been to 5 Senior and 8 Junior National championships. Andrew's skating training, including on- and off-ice work, averages 5-1/2 hours a day, and he puts in similar time for coursework. It doesn't leave a lot of time for fun and games, but to anyone who's ever seen Andrew in Ice Chips, it's obvious that he's an amazing performer, and his sense of humor comes across even holding Gretchen in a treacherous lift.

Bobby Martin, the pair's coach, says Andrew and Gretchen have been exemplary in their work ethic since they started skating together, and he thinks they're the model of efficiency at the rink. This fall, they hope to put even more time in to their training. Learning to balance life and school is truly essential and they're a great example for other skaters to follow, remembering there is life outside the rink. "Slow and steady wins the race," says coach Carrie Wall of Andrew, referring to his determination to get through school while skating at such a high level. "It'd be easy to say 'I'll just take this semester off,' but that's not Andrew. He's very focused, and determined to graduate. And skate, and train, and work."

Carrie talked of the team's recent trip to the Liberty Summer Competition, and said she and her young children stayed at the same hotel as Andrew and the Donlan family. "He's amazing with kids; he gets right down to their level to play with them," adding that Andrew will be a first-time uncle when his sister has a baby girl this fall. Like Bobby and Gretchen's mother Kim, Carrie has great things to say about Andrew as a skater, partner to Gretchen, and student-athlete. It's truly nice to hear that an outstanding athlete is a role model in his off-ice endeavors as well.

Do you have good news about someone at the Club? We need to know about it! Write to editor@chipsboston.com!

Stephen: home again

He's back and ready to hit the big stage again. Stephen Carriere, now looking leaner and taller (he insists he's still 5' 7"!) returned to his Boston home and training base in December after a disappointing injury caused him to withdraw from Nationals in 2011. Now working with coach Suna Murray, Stephen says he felt he "needed to be home again" after two seasons training in Wilmington, Delaware with former coaches Priscilla Hill and Sharon Tashjian. He warmly says they trusted his decision to return to Boston last winter after Nationals.

"Training away from home helped me toughen up a bit," said Stephen, noting that living on his own in a new city made him rely on himself completely instead of having the family support system he'd had in Boston. That's hard, especially at an age (he's now just 21) when most of his contemporaries are either living in dorms or with their families. Stephen says he learned a lot about himself as a person, not just as an athlete, in those two seasons in Delaware, which he has found really valuable. "I was proud of being independent, but something didn't feel quite right."



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He's returned to the training ground where he found great success: in 2007, Stephen had a fantastic season, capped with winning the Junior World Championship. Considered a veteran of the Championship men's division, he has a lot of experience for his age, having competed in numerous Grand Prix events, the 2008 World Championships and other international events in addition to qualifying for four U.S. National Championships. Asked what he thinks of the current men's field, he says there always seems to be a solid group of skaters, which just helps to push him harder.

His goals for the next season are what they've always been, Stephen says: he wants to skate in the Olympics. "For this year, I am simply hoping to come back, better and stronger than I have ever been." He skated well enough at the Liberty Summer Competition to win the men's event, and Suna said skating officials took notice. When we asked Stephen about upcoming Grand Prix assignments, he smiled and said he's fully prepared to work his way from the ground and back up again, from the Regionals to Sectional to Nationals route – and that's what he's totally focused on.

Stephen's time away from Boston, and perhaps the injuries he's had to contend with, have brought also him a new level of humility. He responds gracefully when tackled by our reporter between sessions, and seems genuinely pleased to be back at the Club, to be healthy and to be skating well. His skating shows his new maturity and confidence. "He's a good kid," Suna says of her student, "He's happy, and it shows."

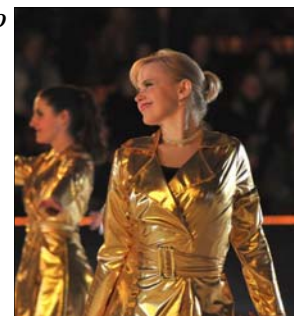
An excellent student throughout his high school years, he said his first priority when he returned to Boston was to resume his studies at Boston College. "I did not know exactly what I was doing with skating (last December) but I knew I had to get back into school." He's also been assisting Suna with some of her skating students, which he loves. He said he's even had the chance to choreograph programs for a few skaters, and has really enjoyed that.

The team, and the regimen, keeping Stephen strong and sleek on the ice these days, in addition to Suna, is Mike Cook for off-ice and Mika Tapanainen and George Leung for recovery. Summer training days find him in the rink early for an off-ice workout, and three skating sessions starting at 8 am. In early August, Stephen was off to Detroit to visit his friend Alissa Czisny and do some training with Yuka Sato; he has a similar trip planned to Colorado Springs. "Working vacations," Suna called the trips in a recent interview with icenetwork.

Outside the rink, Stephen's interests have broadened into photography, which he's become quite serious about. He hopes to explore the world of magazine publishing in the future. As an elite-level athlete, he's also very interested in athletic training and conditioning. He makes time for relaxation including a lot of reading, and watching 'So You Think You Can Dance.' The mix he's created, and his return to his hometown and home club, seems to be working – we're excited to see the results.

Editor's Turn: Judges

We've discussed volunteers, and the opportunities for giving back to our sport, in several issues. No one really does for our sport what judges do. They allow us the ability to take tests and progress up through the levels of learning and competing, and to perform alongside and compete against other skaters at events at our own Club, regionally, nationally and even internationally. They're all unpaid volunteers, most of whom have been involved in skating since they were children. In this issue, **Chips** talks to judges **Ann Buckley, Jessica Bussgang, Wendy Enzmann, John LeFevre** and **Bill Rowe** to find out how they became involved in skating, what they enjoy most about the sport, and what we can learn from each of them.



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Any good competition begins with an introduction of the panel, which seems like a good place for us to start as well:

Ann Buckley, Essex, MA: Test judge for singles and pairs, Competition judge for Synchronized Team skating (Junior Sectional Level). Competed in Adult Masters Synchro.

Jessica Bussgang, Wellesley, MA: National judge for singles and pairs. Gold medalist in free skating and figures. Competed in Regionals and first-ever Inter-Collegiate championships while studying at Tufts; skated in Ice Chips.

Wendy Enzmann, Stow, MA: International singles, pairs and synchronized judge, Novice Sectional level dance judge. National referee, technical controller, technical specialist, data operator, and video replay operator. Competed in seven U.S. National championships in singles and pairs, and at the International level in junior ladies. After 'retiring' from competitive skating and marrying her pairs partner, Alexander, she competed for two seasons with the Haydenettes, winning the first recognized ISU Precision competition in Helsinki, Finland.

John LeFevre, Colorado Springs, CO: Current National singles, pairs and dance judge. The former Executive Director of U.S. Figure Skating, John was a world singles and dance judge and international dance referee, appointments he had to give up when taking the Directorship at USFS. When he retired from USFS, he was reappointed at the national level. Competed in dance.

Bill Rowe, Medford, MA: Sectional level judge for singles and pairs. Regional technical controller (singles) and National data operator (singles / pairs / dance). Bill started skating in graduate school and was an adult competitor.

Why'd you become a judge? Chips wanted to know what led our judges to become involved at this highest level of our sport.

For several, it was family in one way or another. Wendy said, "My aunt, Carolyn Pierce, handed me a clipboard at a local test session when I was about 16 and told me I should try judging. From that moment, I was hooked and really enjoyed the challenge of doing my best to judge accurately and fairly." John's parents were both judges, and very active in the skating world; he was appointed at age 18. Jessica had judging mentors, including Shirley Holdsworth and Ann Greenthal, who helped get her involved. She echoed Wendy's comment about wanting to be fair, saying that when she first started competing she was intimidated by the judging panel. She didn't understand the process then, so when she began judging, it was the desire to be fair and give feedback to the skaters that really drove her to continue. Ann had stopped competing with her Masters synchro team and neither of her daughters were competing, but she wanted to stay involved in the sport. She said she especially wanted to be involved with families just coming into the skating world and adults who continue to skate for joy. Bill's story is that of a smitten volunteer: he'd served on the organizing committee for Boston 2001 Nationals and had met a number of judges who got him interested in their side of the sport.

Editor's Turn: Judges continued

What is the most rewarding part of being a judge?

Here, the warm spirit of all of our judges was very clear. John said, "Being front and center for skaters' performances and being able to reward them when they do well." In the same vein, Ann admires "witnessing a skater or team accomplish their goals...It's always nice to see from their reaction that they have met their personal objective for that performance." Jessica noted she was passionate about skating as a young girl, and loves being able to give back to her sport as an adult. She really enjoys watching skaters do their best and seeing their improvements from one event to the next. Bill and Wendy mentioned working with both the athletes and coaches at all levels to reach their full potential. Wendy also talked about the wonderful relationships she has forged with skating colleagues around the world, and being able to continue those friendships through officiating.

How has the IJS changed your role as a judge?

The International Judging System (IJS) involves technical panel officials who "call" the elements, so judges no longer compare and rank skaters against one another, Wendy explained. The new technical roles have created new opportunities for Bill, who like Wendy may find himself wearing multiple hats at a given competition. Jessica told us that even though the requirements of judges have changed, she still finds herself paying rapt attention to how well elements are skated, as she was trained to do. The actual scoring process being done on a small computer makes things a lot faster, she says. Jessica used to spend a lot of time doing "very fast calculations" of marks, to assure that rankings correlated with skaters' performances. Now, she says, the actual scoring is automated and she doesn't have to worry about the mathematical details, allowing her to focus completely on her judging. John agrees that the computer's doing the placement is much easier, and makes judging less stressful on the national level. All of our judges are very concerned with fairness and doing their job well.

What do you think would surprise most people about judging?

John, showing the love for skating that rang through all of our judges' responses, said, "That we are looking for great performances – not errors, although we have to take them into account." On the practical side, all officials are volunteers; they are not paid for their work and many use their vacation time to travel to and officiate at events. Ann noted that judges (and technical panel officials) also attend judges' schools to keep current with requirements as they change each season, at their own expense. "We always want to be sure we've done our best for each skater," she said. She reminded us that while judges have to evaluate each skated element quickly and accurately, they also have to do so without video replay. Jessica and Bill both noted that judges are available for and interested in critiquing skaters after competitions, to discuss how they can improve, a part of officiating they both find very rewarding. Jessica mentioned that at the recent Liberty Summer Competition, judges and technical specialists conducted the critiques together. Parents are welcome to attend these sessions.

What are the qualities of a good judge?

Our experts agreed: good communicators, extremely knowledgeable about skating and its rules, analytical, fair, honest, approachable and encouraging to athletes and coaches. Jessica added, "Creative, because you might be asked to evaluate different styles, and judges need to have an open mind with regard to different kinds of music, choreography, skating and skaters."

What would you most like to tell skaters, as a judge?

From John, who's been judging since 1960: "That we (judges) want you to win or pass the test – we want to see your personal best." So even though the panel is busy watching and evaluating, they want the best for all of us! Bill added that skaters should do what they can do well. "I'd much rather see a program with simple elements done well with great performance skills than a program with poorly executed, difficult elements."

Jessica counseled, "If you make an error, don't let it cloud the rest of your performance; be resilient and show that you can rise to the occasion." Wendy added, "Show the judges you enjoy what you do and have fun! They like to be entertained! Also, have a personal goal for each time you step on the ice, whether it's short term or long term." Ann suggests that skaters remember that skating, like life, isn't always fair. There are falls, unfortunate judging calls or

Editor's Turn: Judges

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team situations – but the important part is how you deal with the small disappointments, and how they affect your athletic character. She quoted Michelle Kwan who said her 'finest moments aren't necessarily when you finish first, but simply when you gave your best...when you did it heart and soul and held nothing back.'

Anything you'd like to tell skaters' parents?

Wendy encourages parents to cheer their children on (in skating or any other sports) and support them; Jessica suggests an annual parent / coach / skater conference as a great way to set goals and understand what is involved in achieving them. Bill advises that parents and skaters become experts on the rules and how they are scored, instead of relying only on their coaches. "Skating skills are the key to everything," he says, "so help your skater understand that working on edges and turns rather than (just) doubles and triples will have a big benefit down the road."

Ann noted that even a skater who is training well can have an off day, and sometimes that day happens during a test session or competition. She referenced Michigan football coach Lloyd Carr who once said 'experience is what you get when you don't get what you want.' She suggests parents help their skaters look for the positives in every performance, regardless if they didn't get the result they'd worked for. And John says it simply: "Trust us. We know what we're doing."

Judges have lives outside the rink. We asked our judges, just for interest, what they do when they're not watching us intently. It's impressive, and worth a recap (and many thanks to them!)

Ann Buckley is a recent Board Member of the Skating Club. She and her husband recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary; they have two daughters. She worked in the corporate world before returning to graduate school, has done and continues to do extensive volunteer work, and now works on special projects as a part-time consultant.

Jessica Bussgang is the Chief Marketing Officer at a law firm, and she also coaches college and graduate school applicants. She serves on the board of a medical device start-up. Her husband and children (17, 15 and 11) are very supportive of her involvement in skating; her assignments often take her out of town. She's able to plan for her National assignments in advance and generally does either a Regional or Sectional event each year; when invitations come in for other events she consults with her family and their schedules.

Wendy Enzmann is a kindergarten teacher in Stow, MA. She's married to Alex Enzmann (also a National judge) and they have three kids, 17, 14 and 13. Wendy has a BA in Criminal Justice in addition to her teaching degree. In addition to judging / officiating at tests and competitions, she typically spends 30-40 hours per week on committee work as chair of the Technical Panel Committee. This level of commitment is not unusual for many of USFS' officials who serve as chairs or are on committees in our volunteer-run organization.

John LeFevre is president of the Broadmoor Skating Club, a volunteer position which he admits is a full-time commitment. A lawyer for 30 years in Washington, DC, John worked at the Federal Trade Commission until his retirement. He then served as Executive Director of US Figure Skating. He is also on several music boards in Colorado Springs, attends concerts regularly and sings in a choir. The Chief Referee of the first Adult Nationals in 1995, John has been a great friend to the adult skating community.

Bill Rowe works in Research and Development for a pharmaceutical company, and right now he is working on two new drugs for Cystic Fibrosis. He tells *Chips* it's very challenging to balance work, judging and family, so he uses a lot of his vacation time for judging.

Next time you see these judges, or any of their colleagues on a panel, we hope you'll know they're there to support you, and to help you to keep improving as a skater.

*Have an aspect of skating you'd like to see explored in **Editor's Turn**? Please contact me at editor@chipsboston.com*

2011 Club Awards

Each year, the Club awards skaters and members who have shown talent, service to the Club, and spirit. On June 10, the Skating Club held its Annual Awards dinner featuring an exhibition headlined by our International singles competitors Ross Miner, Yasmin Siraj and Harrison Choate, as well as the winners of the recently-held Club Competition. Volunteers were given beautiful floral boutonnieres to recognize their service to the Club, and the House Committee created a lovely setting with rinkside and Lounge dining to accommodate the large crowd.

Club Awards

The Weld Award – *Ross Miner*

In honor of A. Winsor Weld, founding President of U. S. Figure Skating and second president of the Skating Club of Boston. This award is presented to a member who is the *most outstanding skater* for the current season.

Blanchard Award – *Colin McManus, Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff*

In honor of Theresa Weld Blanchard, the first National Ladies' Champion and longtime editor of *Skating* magazine, presented to a member or members who are the *most improved skater* for the current season.

Robert L. Black Award – *Harrison Choate*

Established as a memorial to Bobby Black in 1992 by his family, friends and associates, this award is given to a skater who is competing at the Junior or Senior level. Both *skating and academic achievement* is taken into consideration when selecting the recipient.

The Spirit of Tenley Albright Award – *Courtney O'Regan*

Established in 2009 to honor Tenley Albright's perseverance and commitment to skating despite an extended injury or illness. This award is given to an active Club member who has overcome significant injury and continues to demonstrate high standards of sportsmanship and Club spirit.

The Spirit of Ice Chips Award – *Mary Naphtal*

Created in honor of Emily and Shep Holt for their 60 consecutive years of skating in Ice Chips, the recipient of this award demonstrates an enduring and exceptional commitment to The Skating Club of Boston and to Ice Chips.

The Wright Award – *Alan Heinold*

In honor of Mary Louise Wright and Benjamin T. Wright, in recognition of their service as skating officials over many years to The Skating Club of Boston, U. S. Figure Skating, the International Skating Union (ISU) and the Olympic Games, the Wright Award is presented to an active member who has served for ten years or more as an officer, Board member, committee chair, and / or skating official (referee, judge or accountant), and U. S. Figure Skating and / or the ISU or the Olympic Games in similar capacities.

The President's Award – *John Frieling*

Presented at the discretion of the President to an individual who has consistently and quietly served on behalf of The Skating Club of Boston for a period of not less than ten years, and merits recognition by the membership. The award is intended to celebrate the concept of selfless contribution which perpetuates the spirit of membership on which the Club was founded.

Club Competition Awards

Marion Proctor Trophy – *Dierdre Farrell*

Awarded to the winner of the Beginner Free Skating event

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2011 Club Awards

Maribel Y. Owen Trophy – *Madeline Gupta*

Awarded to the winner of the Preliminary Free Skating event

Tufts Bowl – *Maria Minaeva*

Awarded to the winner of the Intermediate Free Skating event

Tenley Albright Award – *Isabelle Dost*

Exceptional artistic impression during Free Skating events, Intermediate and above

Cecelia Colledge Award – *Nicole Lee*

Creative imagination, interpretation, and expression

President's Letter

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Junior Activities Committee – JAC

Halloween Party – JAC

Holiday Pageant – JAC

New Members' Tea

Mary Louise Wright Memorial Exhibition – JAC

Awards Banquet

Parents Committee – to be established at the August Board Meeting

Friday night dinners / House Committee

Send-offs - Regional, Sectionals, U.S. Championships

I'm sure I missed a few but you get the point; please consider supporting one or more of these events. You will get to know more members, make friends and contribute to the club.

Hope you enjoy the remainder of the summer.

Joe Blount
President

Huai-Ti Lin: Flying High!

Readers will remember an article in the August 2009 Chips newsletter about adult skater Huai-Ti Lin, then working on his Ph.D at Tufts in Biology. He called himself "a student of motion" in his academic studies, and we thought that applied to his studies on the ice with coach Tom McGinnis as well.

Now a post-doctoral fellow at Harvard University, Huai-Ti and another researcher were profiled in an August 1,

2011 article in the Boston Globe on research they are doing with pigeons. The team is studying how pigeons are able to navigate at high speeds while flying around obstacles. The Globe reporter says their research, in which pigeons are outfitted with small backpack recording devices to study their motion, could help build better, smaller spy planes. Possibilities might include unmanned planes small enough to fly into disaster sites such as forest fires to assess damage.

The article says that pigeons' eyes are on the sides of their heads, enabling the birds to see 300 degrees, almost as if they have eyes on the backs of their heads. We'll have to ask Huai-Ti if that's anything like a good free skater with eyes 'on the back of his head' navigating a busy free skate session.

At any rate, we're very proud of Huai-Ti, who presented his team's work at a conference in Glasgow in July.

Summer Splash at Frog Pond

by Susan Withrow

If you haven't been to the Frog Pond this summer, be sure to drop by during your next visit downtown. Hundreds of children enjoy the fun and refreshment in the wading pool and spray fountain during a sunny summer day. Local residents, summer camp and care participants, as well as tourists visit Boston Common daily to splash in the water, ride the carousel, and enjoy a refreshing snack or meal under the Frog Pond Café Jumbrella.



Participants in the Frog Pond Garden Party design take-home floral arrangements

Resting in the shadow of the Gold Dome State House, adjacent to the Freedom Trail, and parked beside the Tadpole Playground, the Frog Pond is a lively place year-round. In addition to providing the best outdoor skating facility in Boston, we are also fulfilling our goal to provide fun and friendly activities in a clean safe environment for the citizens and visitors in our historic city.

Throughout the spring and summer we hold several entertaining special events at the Frog Pond, many in partnership with worthy local organizations. This year we have worked with the MSPCA-Angell Animal Medical Center, the World Association of Flower Arrangers, the Friends of the Public Garden, Reach Out and Read, ArtStreet, Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Boston, Zoo New England, and of course the City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department.

The Frog Pond is also a place of peace and tranquility in the early mornings, especially on Thursdays when we host free yoga at 9:00 am. Our following is growing steadily each week and we were recently featured on WCVB's Chronicle episode about Tremont Street. These sessions run through mid-October, so please drop in and join us.



Yoga enthusiasts enjoy free classes every Thursday morning at 9.

There is more to come in the fall when we break out for Hip Hop Day on Saturday, September 24. Then before you know it, the temps will drop and it will be back to skating on Frog Pond starting in November.

The Frog Pond truly is the place to go for four season fun and we welcome all Club members to enjoy this gorgeous facility in the heart of Boston Common. The Skating Club of Boston is proud to manage the Boston Common Frog Pond under our public/private partnership with the Boston Parks and Recreation Department. Your questions and participation in our activities at Frog Pond are always welcome, and you may contact Director of Programming Cheri Rigby at cheri.rigby@scboston.org.

For all the latest information and event listings, go to www.bostonfrogpond.com or friend us on facebook. We will see you at the Frog Pond!

Tests Passed

- Grace Austin** - Preliminary Moves
Emilia Bartel - Preliminary Free
Katarina Bartel - Preliminary Free
Jin Y. A. Baseman - Intermediate Moves
TJ Carey - Pre Juvenile Moves
Kassandra Skye Carpentier - Pre Juvenile Free
Caitria Catania - Preliminary Moves
Dayoon Chang - Pre Preliminary Moves, Pre Preliminary Free
Katherine A. Chin - Novice Free
Cassandra Cole - Intermediate Free
Caroline Depietri - Pre Preliminary Free, Juvenile Moves
Kyra L Fasano - Pre Juvenile Free
Victoria A Fater - Intermediate Moves
Paige Felton - Pre Preliminary Moves
Adrianna Grinder - Intermediate Moves
Talia Gruber - Preliminary Free
Madeline A Gupta - Preliminary Free
Julia P. F. Jeffries - Pre Preliminary Moves, Pre Preliminary Free
Karina Jha - Pre Preliminary Moves
Sarah T. Jones – Senior Moves
Sofia Hennessey - Pre Juvenile Free, Juvenile Moves, Juvenile Free
Alyson Hughes - Juvenile Free
Jilly Hughes - Preliminary Dance
Gabriella Izzo - Preliminary Free, Pre Juvenile Moves, Juvenile Moves
Julia E Kermond - Pre Preliminary Free, Preliminary Moves, Preliminary Free
- Meenal Khandaker** - Pre Preliminary Moves, Pre Preliminary Free
Caitlin Kwan - Novice Moves
Alanna Kubik - Intermediate Moves
Nicole A. Lee - Pre-Juvenile Pair, Juvenile Pair
Natalie Rose Eldredge Levinson - Preliminary Moves
Avital Liberzon - Preliminary Moves
Katherine Lin - Preliminary Free
Rebecca Lin - Pre Juvenile Free, Juvenile Free
Jennifer Litchfield - Pre Preliminary Free
Kaitlin M. Manning - Junior Free
Teodora Markova – Senior Moves
John F McKenna Jr - Pre-Juvenile Pair, Juvenile Pair
Ever McMillan - Preliminary Moves
Maria Minaeva - Intermediate Free
Haruna Morimoto - Pre Preliminary Moves
Rachel D Moss - Preliminary Free, Pre Juvenile Moves
Bryna H.M. Oi - Pre Gold Dance
Anna Pandolfi - Preliminary Moves
Gemma M Parker - Pre Preliminary Moves, Pre Preliminary Free
Madeline Patrick - Juvenile Moves, Juvenile Free
Tallia Popowycz - Intermediate Moves
Erika Pun - Pre Preliminary Moves
Jessika Pun - Pre Preliminary Moves
Elise A Requadt - Pre Juvenile Moves
Annabelle E Rie - Preliminary Free
Katie Rosen - Intermediate Free
- Olivia Schmahmann** - Preliminary Free
Michaela Smith - Pre Preliminary Free, Pre Juvenile Free, Juvenile Moves
Robin H Song - Pre Juvenile Moves
Katarina Stephan - Preliminary Moves
Mia Tarallo - Juvenile Moves, Pre Juvenile Free
Zoe M Videlefsky - Pre Preliminary Moves, Pre Preliminary Free
Jennifer Volcker - Juvenile Moves
Amanda Wang - Preliminary Dance
Christine Wang - Pre Bronze Dance
Madeleine S Weiler - Preliminary Moves
Grace T Western - Preliminary Free
Cassandra White - Preliminary Moves
Craig White - Preliminary Moves
Jessica White - Preliminary Moves
Olivia White - Preliminary Moves
Samantha J Winawer - Pre Juvenile Moves
Joelle E Young - Intermediate Free
Bryna H.M. Oi - Pre Gold Dance
Elizabeth Y. Zhang - Pre Gold Dance

Chips congratulates all of our Club skaters who have passed their tests! If you don't see your result here, please look for it in our Fall issue—we print results based on those available on the US Figure Skating website. The results posted here are from May and June, 2011 and were available as of July 29, 2011.

New Members

Family Members

**David and Sheila Roberts
(Alexandra)**
Needham, MA
D. Young / F. Palascak

**Mr. John and Mrs. Elizabeth
Atkins
(Marietta)**
Topsfield, MA
L. Blount / A. Farkas

**Mr. William and Mrs. Mary
Pepicelli
(Marissa)**
Stoneham, MA
A. Plazonja / C. Stevenson

**Mr. John and Mrs. Eliana Izzo
(David, Gabriella)**
Brighton, MA
S. Murray / W. Naphtal

**Mr. Robert Strosse
(Victoria M.)**
Branford, CT
C. Stevenson / P. Johansson

**Mr. Gary and Mrs. Sima Galstain
(Mary)**
Belmont, MA
S. Murray / S. Minaev

Single Members

Ms. Catherine Larkin
Dorchester, MA
C. Stevenson / P. Johansson

Mrs. Alyssa Hicks Blackwell
Chicago, IL
K. Donlan / R. Martin

Introductory Members

**Mr. Yoshiyuki Mochida
(Hanna)**
Brookline, MA
C. Stevenson / P. Johansson

**Mr. Stephen and Mrs. Taryn Burr
(Juliet, Stephen)**
Boston, MA
L. Blount / M. Rowe

**Mr. David and Mrs. Grace Campos
(Sara)**
Belmont, MA
L. Blount / J. Wong

**Mr. Tom and Mrs. Reisa Clardy
(Lily)**
Hudson, MA
D. Volpicelli / S. Meller

**Dr. Xiang Dong & Mrs. Muning Mi
(Anning)**
Northborough, MA
D. Volpicelli / M. Garrahan

**Mr. Richard and Mrs. Margaret
Perse
(Ali, Zoey)**
Newton, MA
A. Buckley / A. Jacobs

**Mr. Patrick Powdermaker & Ms.
Ruth Goldman
(Benjamin, Lucy (Powdermaker))**
Newton, MA
A. Buckley / L. Magill

**Mr. Ted and Mrs. Doreen Schipani
(Ava, Joseph)**
Belmont, MA
A. Buckley / L. Magill

**Mr. Phil and Mrs. Rachel
Abercrombie
Belmont, MA**
K. Donlan / L. Tufts

**Mr. Robert A. and Mrs. Susan
Balke
(Eleanor, Ethan)**
Winchester, MA
A. Buckley / L. Magill

**Mr. Kimitushi and Mrs. Terumi
Sugiyama
(Mirei, Saaya)**
Arlington, MA
A. Buckley / M. Naphtal

**Mr. John and Mrs. Muna Vitale
(Concetta, Sabah)**
Brighton, MA
L. Blount / A. Farkas

**Mr. Bernardo and Mrs. Amidei
Barbiellini
(Alessandro, Anna Maria)**
Brookline, MA
L. Blount / A. Farkas

**Mr. Timothy and Mrs. Donna
Cooke
(Alexander, Camille, Simone)**
Brookline, MA
L. Blount / T. Lescinski

**Mr. Enrico Vietri
(Elena)**
West Roxbury, MA
C. Csank

**Mr. & Mrs. Michael Morrow
(Arden)**
Newton, MA
A. Munger / C. Allan-Piper

MetroWest Members

**Ms. Laura Hayes
(Caili)**
Norwood, MA
P. Carey / M. Garrahan

**Ms. Natasha Roginskiy
(Alexandra)**
South Easton, MA
P. Carey / M. Garrahan

**Ms. Diana Tashjian
(Kayla)**
Hatchville, MA
P. Carey / M. Garrahan

**Ms. Christina Gordon
(Caroline, Kathleen)**
East Bridgewater, MA
D. Volpicelli / S. Meller

**Ms. Kristy Grinder
(Adrianna)**
Holliston, MA
D. Volpicelli / M. Garrahan

New Members

Mrs. Josee Juliano
(Maddey)

Hanover, MA

D. Volpicelli / S. Meller

Ms. Gloria Montanaro
(Nikki)

Whitman, MA

D. Volpicelli / S. Meller

Ms. Joan Sjogren
(Kristen)

Shrewsbury, MA

D. Volpicelli / D. Jarvis

Mrs. Deborah Smart
(Jillian)

Hanson, MA

D. Volpicelli / S. Meller

Ms. Heather Clang
(Lauren)

Mansfield, MA

K. Donlan / R. Martin

Ms. Terry Housmann
(Maggie)

Fairbault, MN

D. Volpicelli / S. Meller

Ms. Kimberly Locke
(Rachel)

Sharon, MA

A. Jacobs / R. Martin

Ms. Judi MacSweeney
(Erica)

Canton, MA

K. Donlan / W. Napthal

Mr. Robert and Mrs. Joan Trivella
(Abigail R., Kelly M.)

Brooklyn, CT

D. Volpicelli / S. Meller

Ms. Alicia Yaghobbian
(Elena)

Mansfield, MA

K. Donlan / R. Martin

Synchro Members
Miss Stephanie M. Arrington

Hamilton, VA

C. Stevenson / P. Johansson

Miss Heather Fielding

Boulder, CO

C. Stevenson / P. Johansson

Miss Alexandra Leppo

South Easton, MA

C. Stevenson / P. Johansson

Miss Marissa Pavio

Lexington, MA

C. Stevenson / P. Johansson

Miss Hannah Puhov

Shrewsbury, MA

P. Carey / D. Boundourin

Membership Changes
To Family

Mr. & Mrs. Josh Basseches (Amy Perry)

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Parker (Meredith)

Mr. Patrick Suspanc & Mrs. Sandra

Jerez

Mr. & Mrs. William A. Depietri (Beth)

To Single

Ms. Kristin Tudisco

To Synchro

Miss Domenica Fuller

To Supporting Non-Skating

Mr. & Mrs. Henry Son (Judith)

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Crugnola (Katherine)

To Junior

Miss Alexandra Volpicelli

Miss Nicole Fugate

to Non-Resident

Dr. Paul Wang & Dr. Gloria Wu

Miss Pamela Glennon

to Theatre on Ice

Miss Fiona Maguire

Goodbyes
Betsy Talbot

To note with sadness the passing of Elizabeth C. "Betsy" Talbot on June 30, 2011. As a competitive figure skater, Betsy was the U.S. Novice Ladies Champion in 1939, and the New England Senior Ladies champion in 1944. She later became a figure skating coach, followed by a long career as a figure skating judge, both nationally and internationally. She was named an honorary national judge by the U.S. Figure Skating Association in 2005. Betsy was an Honorary Member of The Skating Club of Boston, and served on the board from 1962 – 1964). She was the Club Senior Ladies Champion in 1941.

Barbara Denning

To note with sadness the passing of Barbara Denning on June 19, 2011. Mrs. Denning was a member of the Club since 1975 and a much-admired Club Official.

Janet Hugenberger

Janet Hugenberger died on August 4, at the age of 97. With her late husband, Dr. Paul Hugenberger, and their seven children, she was a long time and devoted member of the Skating Club of Boston. A talented musician and gifted landscape painter, with an unerring eye for color--and a huge heart, she doted on her family and host of friends, and followed skating and the Skating Club with continued interest all her days.

Chips thanks Christie Allan-Piper, Colleen O'Brien, Rachel Torrence, Kim Donlan, Sarah Brannen, Susan Withrow, Cindy Stevenson, Gloria Miner, Joe Blount, Doug Zeghibe, Luis Chuki and Stephen Carriere for their help with this issue! We welcome your submissions, photos and article ideas at editor@chipsboston.com.

Competition Results

Compiled by Rachel Torrence

2011 Southern Connecticut Open

April 9, 2011

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group B

Teodora Markova – 2nd

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Championship Round

Teodora Markova – 2nd

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group A

Teodora Markova – 4th

2011 Colonial Open

May 13 – May 15, 2011

Pre-Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group A

Elise Requadt – 4th

Caroline Depietri – 5th

Cassie Gennis – 7th

Madeleine Weiler – 10th

Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group A

Kassandra Carpentier – 2nd

Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group B

Grace Zhang – 3rd

Emily Marquis – 7th

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group A

Tori Rotella – 1st

Alanna Kubik – 2nd

Jin Baseman – 6th

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group B

Alexandra Iovanna (MetroWest) – 3rd

Teodora Markova – 4th

Valerie Chen – 6th

Lindsey Stevenson – 7th

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Final Round

Teodora Markova – 2nd

Alanna Kubik – 3rd

Jin Baseman – 5th

Alexandra Iovanna (Metrowest) – 6th

Tori Rotella – 7th

Valerie Chen – 8th

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group A

Isabelle Dost – 1st

Maria Minaeva – 3rd

Teodora Markova – 5th

Alanna Kubik – 6th

Cassandra Cole – 8th

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group B

Rebecca Jacobs – 3rd

Giorgina Giampaolo – 8th

Caitlyn Smith – 9th

Victoria Xu – 10th

Nicole Lee – 11th

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate Group A

Giorgina Giampaolo – 6th

Cassandra Cole – 9th

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate Group B

Caitlyn Smith – 2nd

Nicole Lee – 5th

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Final Round

Maria Minaeva – 1st

Isabelle Dost – 4th

Rebecca Jacobs – 6th

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate Final Round

Giorgina Giampaolo – 6th

Caitlyn Smith – 7th

Nicole Lee – 10th

Novice Ladies Short Program

Colleen MacInnis – 2nd

Julia Marie Rapela – 4th

Courtney Phillips – 15th

Novice Ladies Free Skate

Colleen MacInnis – 4th

Katherine Chin – 10th

Christine Magill – 14th

Junior Ladies Short Program

Rachel Zeppi – 1st

Kayla Thierwechter – 8th

Junior Ladies Free Skate

Rachel Zeppi – 2nd

Competitive Test Track Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group A

Samantha Winawer – 6th

Competitive Test Track Pre-Juvenile Girls Free Skate

Mia Tarallo – 4th

Competitive Test Track Intermediate Ladies Free Skate

Joanna Masley (MetroWest) – 7th

Juvenile Showcase

Victoria Fater (MetroWest) – 1st

2011 North Shore Open

June 3, 2011 – June 5, 2011

Preliminary Girls

Grace Zhang – 5th

Pre-Juvenile Girls Free Skate

Victoria Fater – 2nd

Juvenile Girls Free Skate

Teodora Markova – 3rd

Rae Deveney – 4th

Competition Results

Intermediate Ladies Short Program

Teodora Markova – 2nd

Novice Ladies Short Program

Alexia Rogers – 2nd

Katherine Chin – 5th

Colleen MacInnis – 6th

Novice Ladies Free Skate

Alexia Rogers – 2nd

Colleen MacInnis – 3rd

Christine Magill – 5th

Competitive Test Track Novice Ladies

Jacqueline Raftery – 4th

Juvenile Girls Showcase

Victoria Fater (MetroWest) – 1st

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Imagica TOI Boston – 1st

Adult TOI

Imagica TOI Boston – 1st

2011 Boston Open

June 17, 2011 – June 18, 2011

No Test Girls Free Skate Group B

Kayley Tivnan (MetroWest) – 5th

Pre-Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group A

Natalie Levinson – 1st

Caroline Depietri (MetroWest) – 2nd

Cassandra Gennis – 3rd

Jessie Liu – 5th

Pre-Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group B

Elise Requadt – 5th

Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group A

Grace Zhang – 1st

Faith Olivia Graces – 3rd

Emily Marquis – 4th

Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group B

Kassandra Carpentier – 1st

Lily Schaefer – 6th

Pre-Juvenile Girls Free Skate

Jordan Sims – 4th

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group A

Jin Baseman – 1st

Lindsey Stevenson – 3rd

Jaden Cheng – 6th

Rae Deveney – 9th

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group B

Tori Rotella – 1st

Teodora Markova – 2nd

Alanna Kubik – 3rd

Alexandra Iovanna – 7th

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Final

Jin Baseman – 1st

Teodora Markova – 2nd

Alanna Kubik – 3rd

Tori Rotella – 5th

Lindsey Stevenson – 8th

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group A

Maria Minaeva – 1st

Rebecca Jacobs – 4th

Alanna Kubik – 5th

Lina Takaoka – 6th

Caitlyn Smith – 7th

Anupama Rao – 10th

Cassandra Cole – 11th

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group B

Isabelle Dost – 1st

Jin Baseman – 3rd

Teodora Markova – 4th

Victoria LoRusso – 7th

Lauren McCabe – 11th

Victoria Xu – 13th

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate

Maria Minaeva – 1st

Isabelle Dost – 3rd

Rebecca Jacobs – 5th

Caitlyn Smith – 7th

Lina Takaoka – 8th

Victoria Xu – 9th

Cassandra Cole – 11th

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Final

Rebecca Jacobs – 1st

Isabelle Dost – 4th

Teodora Markova – 5th

Jin Baseman – 7th

Alanna Kubik – 8th

Lina Takaoka – 9th

Novice Ladies Short Program

Alexia Rogers – 2nd

Colleen MacInnis – 4th

Heidi Munger – 5th

Christine Magill – 6th

Olivia Pastore – 9th

Jessica Lin – 10th

Novice Men Free Skate

Liam Beatson – 1st

Junior Ladies Short Program

Rachel Zeppi – 2nd

Melissa Lee – 3rd

Lauren Lampiasi – 5th

Brianna Coviello – 7th

Junior Ladies Free Skate

Jenelle Herman – 1st

Rachel Zeppi – 3rd

Melissa Lee – 8th

Junior Men Short Program

Harrison Choate – 1st

Junior Men Free Skate

Harrison Choate – 1st

Senior Ladies Short Program

Marissa Castelli – 1st

Olivia Gibbons – 2nd

Ursula Munger – 4th

Competition Results

Senior Ladies Free Skate

Yasmin Siraj – 1st

Senior Men Free Skate

Stephen Carriere – 1st

Pre-Gold Dance

Elizabeth Zhang – 2nd

Competitive Test Track Beginner Girls Free Skate

Nicole Rezza – 1st

Gemma Parker – 2nd

Emma Condie – 3rd

Competitive Test Track Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group A

June Kim – 2nd

Annabelle Rie – 5th

Competitive Test Track Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group B

Paige Whouley – 4th

Caitria Catania – 5th

Competitive Test Track Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group C

Samantha Winawer – 2nd

Grace Western – 4th

Competitive Test Track Pre- Juvenile Girls Free Skate

Amanda Gollaher – 2nd

Kate Lummis – 3rd

Competitive Test Track Juvenile Girls Free Skate

Amanda Wang – 3rd

Competitive Test Track Intermediate Ladies Free Skate

Katie Rosen – 1st

2011 Liberty Summer Competition

Aston, PA June 17, 2011 – June 18, 2011

Pre-Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group B

Madeleine Weiler – 4th

Pre-Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group C

Elise Requadt – 3rd

Preliminary Girls Free Skate Group A

Kassandra Carpentier – 1st

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group B

Jin Baseman – 1st (41.48)

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group C

Alanna Kubik – 1st (40.83)

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Group D

Alexandra Iovanna (MetroWest) – 10th
(31.07)

Juvenile Girls Free Skate Final Result

Jin Baseman – 6th (40.63)

Alanna Kubik – 14th (36.89)

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group B

Cassandra Cole – 11th (22.91)

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group C

Rebecca Jacobs – 1st (30.77)

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group D

Isabelle Dost – 1st (31.25)

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group I

Jin Baseman – 2nd (27.05)

Alanna Kubik – 6th (24.36)

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Final Results Group A

Rebecca Jacobs – 3rd (30.45)

Jin Baseman – 9th (26.92)

Intermediate Ladies Short Program Final Results Group B

Isabelle Dost – 1st (30.84)

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate Group A

Cassandra Cole – 12th (34.63)

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate Group C

Rebecca Jacobs – 2nd (51.43)

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate Group D

Isabelle Dost – 2nd (50.25)

Intermediate Ladies Free Skate Final Result

Isabelle Dost – 2nd (52.76)

Rebecca Jacobs – 3rd (50.78)

Novice Ladies Short Program Group A

Colleen MacInnis – 7th (26.70)

Novice Ladies Short Program Group B

Katherine Chin – 10th (24.59)

Novice Ladies Short Program Group F

Heidi Munger – 7th (27.66)

Novice Ladies Free Skate Group A

Colleen MacInnis – 9th (48.94)

Novice Ladies Free Skate Group B

Heidi Munger – 5th (52.58)

Competition Results

Novice Ladies Free Skate

Group C

Julia Rapela – 8th (48.11)

Junior Ladies Short Program

Group C

Jenelle Herman – 1st (40.47)
Brianna Coviello – 6th (29.99)

Junior Ladies Free Skate

Final Result

Jenelle Herman – 8th (66.71)
Rachel Zeppi – 15th (56.68)

Junior Men Short Program

Harrison Choate – 7th (44.36)

Junior Pairs Short Program

Kloe Bautista (All Year FSC) and Tyler Harris – 6th (34.64)

Junior Pairs Free Skate

Kloe Bautista (All Year FSC) and Tyler Harris – 7th (49.75)

Senior Ladies Short Program

Group A

Alexandria Shaughnessy – 9th (33.13)

Senior Ladies Short Program

Group B

Marissa Castelli – 9th (31.49)

Senior Ladies Free Skate

Group A

Alexandria Shaughnessy – 9th (58.50)

Senior Ladies Free Skate

Group B

Yasmin Siraj – 3rd (88.12)

Senior Men Short Program

Stephen Carriere – 1st (71.76)

Senior Pairs Short Program

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir (Colonial FSC) – 2nd (49.35)
Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff – 4th (36.52)

Senior Pairs Free Skate

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir (Colonial FSC) – 2nd (87.75)
Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff – 3rd (85.38)

2011 Collegiate Championships

Sun Valley, ID—July 21-24, 2011

Senior Ladies Short Program

Ursula Munger – 17th (28.46)

Senior Ladies Free Skate

Ursula Munger – 13th (58.10)

Senior Ladies Final

Standings

Ursula Munger – 15th (86.56)

Lake Placid Ice Dance Championships

Lake Placid, NY—July 28-30, 2011

Intermediate Solo Pattern Dance Initial

Cassandra Cole—7th

Intermediate Solo Pattern Dance 2

Cassandra Cole—7th

Gold Solo Short Dance

Sarah Jones—7th

Bronze Solo Short Dance

Kirsten Sjogren—2nd

Juvenile Pattern Dance Initial, Dance 1

Kassandra Carpentier and Thomas Carey—11th

Juvenile Pattern Dance Initial, Dance 2

Kassandra Carpentier and Thomas Carey—11th

Juvenile Pattern Dance

Initial, Dance 3

Kassandra Carpentier and Thomas Carey—10th

Juvenile Free Dance

Kassandra Carpentier and Thomas Carey—19th (18.91)

Bronze Solo Series Dance 1

Kirsten Sjogren—4th

Bronze Solo Series Dance 2

Kirsten Sjogren—5th

Bronze Solo Series Final

Kirsten Sjogren—5th

Intermediate Solo Series Dance 1

Kirsten Sjogren—4th

Open Tango

Alexandra Iovanna and Matthew Swinton—8th

Open Fourteenstep

Alexandra Iovanna and Matthew Swinton—6th

Pre-Gold Solo Series Dance 1

Elizabeth Zhang—1st
Sarah Jones—7th

Pre-Gold Solo Series Dance 2

Sarah Jones—6th
Elizabeth Zhang—8th

Pre-Gold Solo Series Final

Elizabeth Zhang—4th
Sarah Jones—7th

Bronze Solo Free Dance

Cassandra Cole—1st

Junior Short Dance A

Kaitlin Hawayek (Detroit SC) and Michael Bramante—3rd (46.50)

Junior Free Dance

Kaitlin Hawayek (Detroit SC) and Michael Bramante—2nd (64.77)

The Last Word

Senior Short Dance A

Anastasia Cannuscio (Univ of Delaware FSC) and Colin McManus—3rd (45.22)

Senior Free Dance

Anastasia Cannuscio (Univ of Delaware FSC) and Colin McManus—5th (67.08)

Indy Challenge Pair Competition

Indianapolis, IN—July 29-31, 2011

Senior Pairs Short Program

Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff – 10th (45.79)

Senior Pairs Free Skate

Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff – 7th (92.28)

Fall Ice Changes

The Fall Ice Schedule is out, and members will notice small, but important changes. The Club's Ice Committee has the difficult balancing act of trying to make sure all of our audiences have ice for their favorite uses. In a larger facility, we'd have the ability to run concurrent programs; with one sheet of ice, we constantly have to make choices.

The **Wednesday Club Dance** sessions have been changed to **Public Dance**, with an important distinction: Club Members will still be able to come and skate without (additional) fee; these are member sessions for them. A number of our Club dancers were consulted before making this change, and they felt this would allow non-club coaches as well as partners to come and skate on Wednesdays, creating an even nicer atmosphere. All skaters, both members and non-members, will be asked to sign in, and non-Club coaches will pay a professional fee to teach. There is no change to the Friday night Club Dance sessions. The Public Dance sessions previously held on Thursdays have become rental ice, and have been contracted by Team Excel.

Moves in the Field may now be skated during any Free Skate session with the exception of the combined Dance / Free sessions. Previously, Moves were permitted during the first 10 minutes of a session, or at any time during the session when working with a coach. As safety is of the highest concern during any session, skaters are asked to remember to look out for others when doing Moves patterns, just as they would when practicing footwork, jumps or spins.



Hazy, Humid Days of Summer! Summer skaters will recognize artist (and Club Coach) **Christie Allan Piper's** wonderful image of skating on our summer ice! Atmospheric conditions can cause "rain" to fall from the ceiling, fog, and puddles, making coaches and students alike feel the need for some kind of special skating head protection. We thank Paul Danner and his staff for managing to make wonderful ice despite the up-and-down weather, and we thank Christie for creating this fantastic illustration for Chips!

Original artwork by Christie Allan-Piper