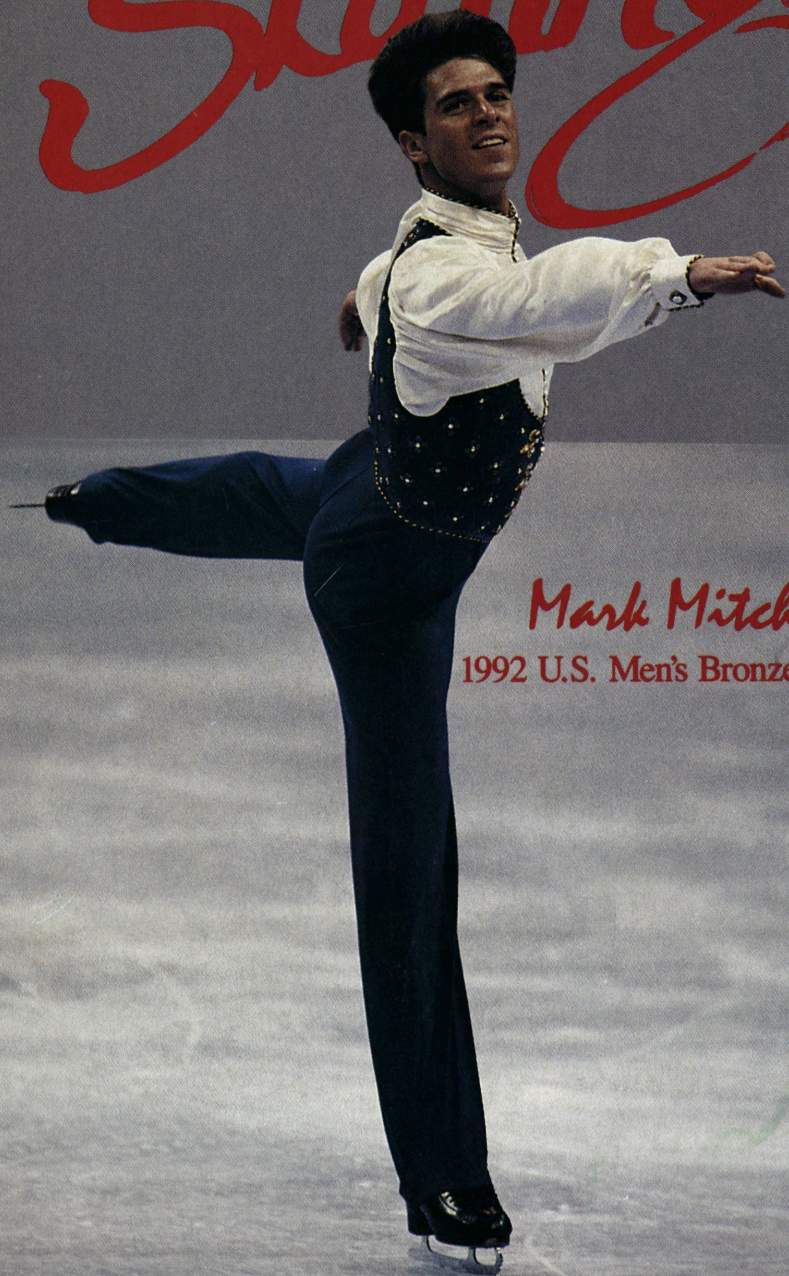


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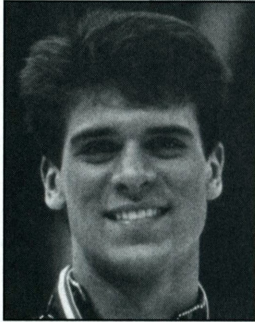


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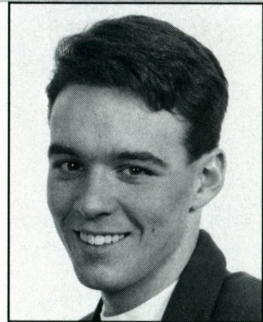
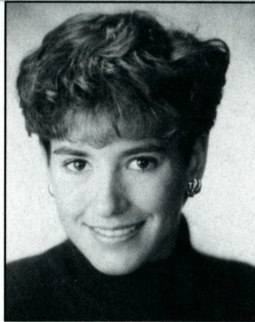
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News Briefs

Membership in The United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA) has reached the 100,000 mark. According to a tally taken in September 1992, there were 57,135 people registered under the USFSA's Skate With Us learn to skate program and 45,311 athletes, officials, coaches, and supporters registered under the USFSA's standard membership program.

The 1992 membership figure of 102,446 shows an increase of 14,313 additional members during the 1992 membership season. Increased participation levels within the USFSA's Skate With U.S. program accounted for over 10,000 additional members. During the last four years the total number of USFSA members has more than doubled.

"It is with great pleasure that I recognize the registration of 100,000 skaters in USFSA. This achievement points out the success of the USFSA's Skate With U.S. program as well as its ongoing test and competitive programs," said Dick Gold, Membership Committee Chair. "This mile-

stone fittingly marks an unprecedented third consecutive year of growth within the Association."

"The addition of 14,000 new members in '92 reflects our determination to make skating available to as many people as possible at the grassroots level," added USFSA President Claire W. Ferguson.

"The USFSA is meeting its goals, and it shows in the tremendous growth of its membership."

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The Women's Sports Foundation recently announced the winners of the Sudafed Sportswoman of the Year Award. The winners are golfer Pat Bradley in the Professional category and track and field star Jackie Joyner-Kersey in the Amateur category. Kristi Yamaguchi was among the finalists in the Amateur category.

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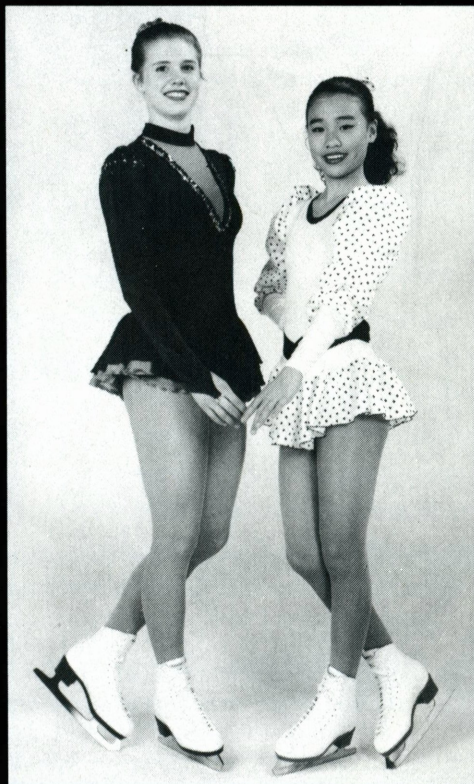


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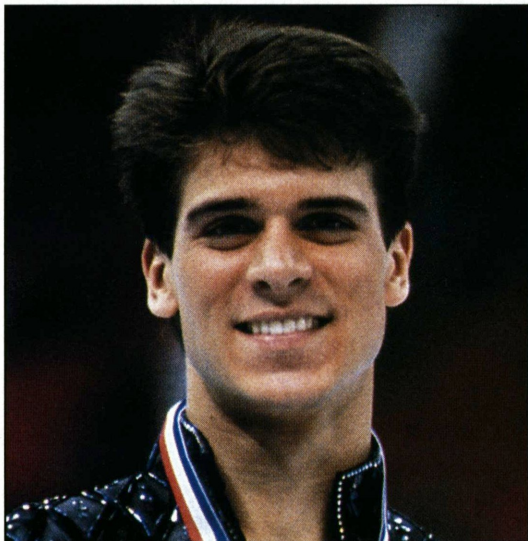
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Applications can be obtained from the Women's Sports Foundation, 342 Madison Ave., Suite 728, New York, NY 10173, 1-800-227-3988. Deadlines for the 1993 grant periods are March 15 and July 15, with funds awarded three months after the application deadline.

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Mark Mitchell: Still Mr. Nice Guy



HOWEY CAUFMAN

by Deb Vestal

Mark Mitchell glanced around the room at the grade schoolers in his Hamden, Conn., hometown. The children bobbed and fidgeted as he spoke.

"Find what you are good at and really go after being the best you can be at it," said Mitchell as he matched the fidgeting with his USA uniformed torso. "The best doesn't mean winning or standing on top of the podium but giving it everything you have. Then you can feel satisfied with how you did."

Mitchell noticed one of the fidgeters had raised her hand. "Does that mean you are going to keep skating until the next Olympics?"

A stunned Mitchell sat silently, not knowing how to answer the question. His third place at the U.S. Championships in Orlando

hadn't earned him an Olympic berth. In his disappointment, he wasn't sure he wanted to continue.

An affirmative answer to the girl cemented his desire to try one more time. As he reflected on that day in February, "I was telling these kids to really go after what they want. I told myself I wouldn't be giving myself a fair chance if I knew there was another chance for the Olympics two years down the road and I didn't go after it.

"If I don't make it, then hey, that was everything I had. But if I didn't go for it, then I wouldn't have given everything."

The numerous school speaking engagements cemented his determination. Promising himself not to break his vow, he returned to Boston and threw himself into training. He first approached coach Ronna Gladstone and

said his free skating music from *On the Waterfront* was history. He wanted something completely new—to Strauss.

Gladstone learned through her five years with Mitchell that some battles were unwinnable. Mitchell, although easy going and willing to compromise on some issues, was not willing to compromise on this one. Gladstone hoped the new program would ignite the spark and return the love of skating to her talented student. She stepped aside.

Mitchell's regular choreographer, Sandra Bezic, was in Albertville. He needed and wanted someone to give him a completely new image. Longtime Janet-Lynn-coach Slavka Kohout returned from 15 years of retirement and was just what Mitchell needed.

Five weeks later, Mitchell and the new program arrived together at their first World Championships. Armed with the spark and the knowledge that he belonged there all along, Mitchell wowed himself and the audience for a fifth place finish. His promise to the grade schooler would be kept. He made the first step to the 1994 Olympics.

Mitchell's 17-year march to the World Championships was a long one. Following his sister Donna, Mitchell began skating at the age of 6. The 13-year-old Mitchell was a skater at the 1981 World Championships in Hartford along with hundreds of others.

He retrieved flowers for Elaine Zayak and Scott Hamilton and David Santee. And he hoped as he skated in the opening and closing ceremonies that he wouldn't be the one that ruined the show by tripping. "I was so nervous then," said Mitchell with a laugh. "I was glad I got through it."

That year Mitchell began making his coaching decisions. Since skating meant daily travels of an hour or more, Mitchell was often on his own with a car full of other skaters. By age 17, Mitchell rose to U.S. Junior champion.

The transition to Seniors was tough. After placing 15th in his first year, he made the



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decision to move to Boston. "I chose Ronna because I needed someone to care about me as a person, the whole person, not just the skating part."

Within three years of approaching Gladstone, Mitchell had the bronze medal in his hands. "It was always there," said Gladstone about Mitchell. "I taught him to bend his knees—nothing major. He had a lot of building up to do and we did it gradually."

"I just made him love skating and feel good about himself. He's a great skater."

The move to Gladstone was the first of many decisions Mitchell made. He lives alone in Boston. His family—parents, brother, and sister—live two hours away. "I go home quite often because I am real close to my family," said Mitchell. "I only know skating people in Boston. When I go home I completely get away from skating. That is why it is so nice to go home."

Regarding his decision to live alone, "In this sport, people are always watching you. It is nice to get away," he explained. "If I want to have people near me, I can have that. If I want to be alone, I can have that too."

His days are routine. He is at the rink every day at 11:00 a.m. and skates until 3:30 p.m. The early hours are on his own. The last hour the 12-, 13-, and 14-year-olds join him and give him a chase around the ice. "I get a kick out them. I really do," said Mitchell with a laugh. "They look at me like their older brother. It is so much fun because they are young and ambitious. It keeps a little bit of it alive in me."

One of Mitchell's regrets about getting older at the ripe age of 24 is that most of his peers have moved on or retired from skating. One of his closest friends in skating is Holly

Cook, who also won a U.S. bronze medal in 1990.

Mitchell traveled to Halifax to cheer Cook on to her World bronze medal. All he remembers from that competition is his incredibly sweaty palms that did not leave him all week. "I really miss not having her at competitions. We had such a good time together," said Mitchell with a wide grin. "We still keep in touch."

Mitchell admits that there are no serious relationships with women in his life right now. When he is not skating he is attending Massachusetts Bay College two nights a week majoring in business. School now is a diversion from the intensity of skating. For a year and a half after high school, he just skated. "I didn't do so well (in skating)," admitted Mitchell. "I need to have something else."

When skating overwhelms him and he dwells on one aspect of life and not his whole life, he remembers the advice given to him by his parents. "My parents always made sure I had a normal life. They used to tell me, 'Mark, you are a person first and then a skater.' I think that is the best advice I've ever received."

Gladstone echoes his parents when she says, "All I have ever wanted is for him to come out of all of this as a good person. That is very important."

He says he tries to make his life as normal as possible with school, skating, and relationships when possible. But the relationships with women are the most difficult to fit into his busy schedule. "I tried," said Mitchell with a shake of his head. "But they want you 24 hours a day and I can't do that. Maybe when it is all over."

"The best doesn't mean winning or standing on top of the podium but giving it everything you have."

A faraway look in his eye indicates that 1994 is the end—win, lose, or draw. He has no regrets along the way—either for not being named to the 1990 World Championship Team nor the 1992 Olympic Team. Skating has meant much more to him than a medal or a placement on a team. He says the highlight is and always will be the World and Olympic Tour of Champions.

Even though he was not on the 1990 World Team, he was invited to perform on the tour with then World bronze medalist Cook. "That first year was the best. Ever since I have been young, I have always said I want to make it on the tour. It is exciting. It is fun. I love it. The tour is the best thing that has happened in my skating along with the people I have met."

Mitchell is sure that his life will be entertaining people when his competitive days are through. He likes the autographs, the traveling, the spotlights, and the excitement. And he has also thought of trying his hand at choreography.

When his skating career is over, he will have no regrets when it is time for him to move on. He can see himself in a business suit with hopefully a career in marketing or advertising.

For now, he plans to continue on with what he loves—skating. Although he says he doesn't have the style of Paul Wylie, the charisma of Christopher Bowman, or the jumping expertise of Todd Eldredge, he has a little bit of what all those men possess along with consistency. He has the whole package. "I take what I have and I do it pretty well," said Mitchell with a nod of his head as a vote of confidence.

"But what I have most of all is the love of skating. I thought last February it was gone. I really did. But no, it's back. It took a little searching but I found it. It's still there."

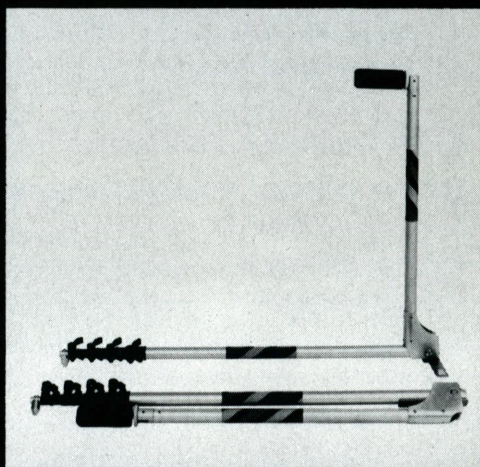
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An Interview with USFSA President Claire W. Ferguson

With 1993 Regional and Sectional competitions just behind us and U.S. Championships in January, Skating readers are interested in how the USFSA determines sites for these and other competitions and how the competitions are funded.

SKATING: How far in advance of the actual competitions are sites selected?

FERGUSON: Most competitions are selected at least two years out. Sites for the USFSA Regionals, Sectionals, Juvenile-Intermediate Nationals, Precision Nationals, and Skate America are all selected two years in advance. The U.S. Championships site is named three years in advance, however.

SKATING: Who initiates the selection process?

FERGUSON: The USFSA does. The three USFSA Sectional Vice Chairs make the final selection on sites for Regionals and Sectionals based on an application process within their respective sections. This year roughly 450 USFSA clubs were solicited to query interest and qualifications for hosting the U.S. Championships. Those who responded will be sent an application package at the appropriate time. Nationals sites rotate annually based on the three sections of the country—Pacific Coast, Midwestern, and Eastern. The prospective sites for Nationals are then narrowed to three by the Competitions Committee and those three present a package to the USFSA Board of Directors at its annual meeting for a final selection. U.S. Precision Nationals, Juvenile-Intermediate Nationals, and Skate America competitions are

selected through a bidding process that culminates in a sanction given by the Board of Directors.

SKATING: There are those who feel that more time and money is being funneled into the "elite" events and not into the grassroots level. Is this true, and if so, why?

FERGUSON: Our Nationals is a viable commercial product. Event tickets usually sell out, and for sponsors and television that is their main interest—our Championships and the visibility it draws. The profits generated from this event then go into the operating budget for the Association in order to give back to the various skater programs at the grassroots level. That's why it is absolutely crucial that we continue building our commercial base or the "elite" level so that possibly we can funnel even more of this money back to Regionals and Sectionals. Nothing is more important than our grassroots level—it's the lifeblood of our Association.

Skate America is an international invitation. We do put money into it but it also gives our officials—whether they're music coordinators, accountants, judges or trial judges—a chance to participate in an international competition in this country. It also provides a forum for some of our high level skaters (not necessarily World Team members) to compete against high level skaters from other countries.

When we're talking about precision—Snowflake International, which includes over 1,000 people from all over the world—each country pays to send its own team, but we pay to put on the event. The reason we are funding it is to encourage precision skating and to encourage the international events now that precision has been sanctioned by the ISU. If we don't fund it, we won't be a part of it.

SKATING: In recent years, some clubs and LOC's have lost a significant amount of money hosting Regionals or Sectionals. Have costs skyrocketed or could this be more of an event management problem?

FERGUSON: It is probably both. We hope to ease the event management by hiring an in-house staff member. This person will have the time to spend studying the issues surrounding placements for Regionals and Sectionals

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Tonia Kwiatkowski: In Control

by Bill Griesmer

As a young girl Tonia Kwiatkowski's first love was gymnastics not skating. Although she was in a different sport, the style was still unmistakably her own.

At age 8, Kwiatkowski wanted to try out for the Junior gym team. Her mother refused. But Kwiatkowski was insistent and her mother finally relented. She was the youngest one to try out. She would never make the team at that age, right?

Wrong.

For as long as she can remember, Kwiatkowski has liked being in control of her own decisions. When she was young, she also briefly tried pair skating and ice dancing. "I'd be scared to let someone throw me," says Kwiatkowski. "I like to be in control of my own skating and doing my own thing."

Her resolve may have been pushed to the limit after the 1990-91 season. After finishing fourth at the U.S. Championships in 1991, Kwiatkowski and others were full of hope for the 1991-92 season. However, last season proved to be a year of difficulty for her.

"It was a tough year," says Kwiatkowski. "Jill (Trenary) came in and needed lots of time with Carol (coach Carol Heiss Jenkins). Sometimes I could have used more lessons. And, Carol was gone a lot."

Kwiatkowski was selected to compete at the NHK Trophy—an international competition—but the timing of the competition could not have been worse for her.

"The NHK Trophy was two weeks before Nationals," explains Kwiatkowski. "Maybe I looked ahead a little bit. I was excited but I'd rather have been at home to prepare for Nationals."



These factors combined for an eighth place finish at the NHK Trophy that year. When finished, Kwiatkowski was forced to prepare for Nationals in a very short period of time.

"It was really hectic. It gave me only a few days to rest and catch up on sleep. Then, it was back to the rink."

Due to timing conflicts, she was forced to skate in the Eastern Great Lakes Regionals; a diversion from her previous annual routine. For a person who for the past five years only had to skate in Sectionals to qualify for Nationals, this was a change of schedule.

At 1992 Nationals, Kwiatkowski was beaten for the World and Olympic Team alternate berth by fellow Winterhurst FSC skater Lisa Ervin.

In the end, though, Kwiatkowski says it came down to skating and she makes no excuses. "Lisa skated great. I didn't skate my best. I can't do anything about it but practice and come back hard this year. You learn to adapt to things and take each year as it comes."

Kwiatkowski may be considered one of the "new breed" of skaters, one who is involved with much more than skating in her life. This is a quality that Jenkins seems to

naturally instill in all of her skaters. Kwiatkowski is a senior at Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, Ohio, this year and recently declared a double major in communications and psychology.

While the pace of a world-class skating career and a full college load may sound like an impossible burden to some, Kwiatkowski says she would not have it any other way. In fact, she claims it helps her. "Everyone asks me how I do it but the more I do, the better I am," explains Kwiatkowski. "It releases pressure for me to do other things.

"If I skate bad, the whole day isn't wasted," she continues. "I can still get an A or B on a test. Also, I could have an injury and never skate again. Then, I'd have something to fall back on."

With Kwiatkowski's activities come a grueling schedule. A typical day for her includes classes from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and skating from noon to 2:30 p.m. Also a coach involved in the USFSA's Eligible Skater Instructor Program (ESIP), she teaches skating for one hour each day.

"I think it helps me," says Kwiatkowski. "It definitely gives you a different perspective. I see them making the same mistakes I made and still make."

Kwiatkowski's training regimen also includes ballet twice a week and weight training three times a week. As she progresses, Kwiatkowski finds these disciplines increasingly important.

"I want to improve my consistency and choreography," says Kwiatkowski. "I want to make every step or movement mean something. I've worked hard on the artistic side of my skating. I want the speed, jumps, and artistry to compliment each other.

"Weight training helps to give me more strength on the ice and my upper body strength has helped on my rotations and jumps. I can pull in tighter, faster rotations."

Kwiatkowski may also have an advantage in her home training rink. Looking around the Winterhurst Ice Rink, one can see Ervin,

Aren Nielsen, and Craig Heath—other national and international contenders that train there.

"It helps to motivate you when you can see your competition. It makes you skate harder and do better."

Although some competition is inevitable, Kwiatkowski says there is no bitter rivalry at the rink. On the contrary, they are all friends. "We talk and joke around."

Kwiatkowski attributes much of the friendly atmosphere to her coach, Carol Heiss Jenkins. "Carol is a people person. She promotes a good atmosphere. She's such a good role model around the rink."

A former World and Olympic champion herself, Jenkins has coached Kwiatkowski since she was 8. Kwiatkowski holds a high regard for her coach's experience and modest demeanor.

"She understands what you're going through," says Kwiatkowski, "because she's been through it. She's been to competitions and knows the nerves, but, she also knows how to turn them around and make those nerves work for you.

"She's such a nice person. We have such a friendly relationship. She's so unaffected. She was named to the Women's Sports Foundation Pioneer Hall of Fame last week. I read it in the paper. I saw her that day and she never mentioned it."

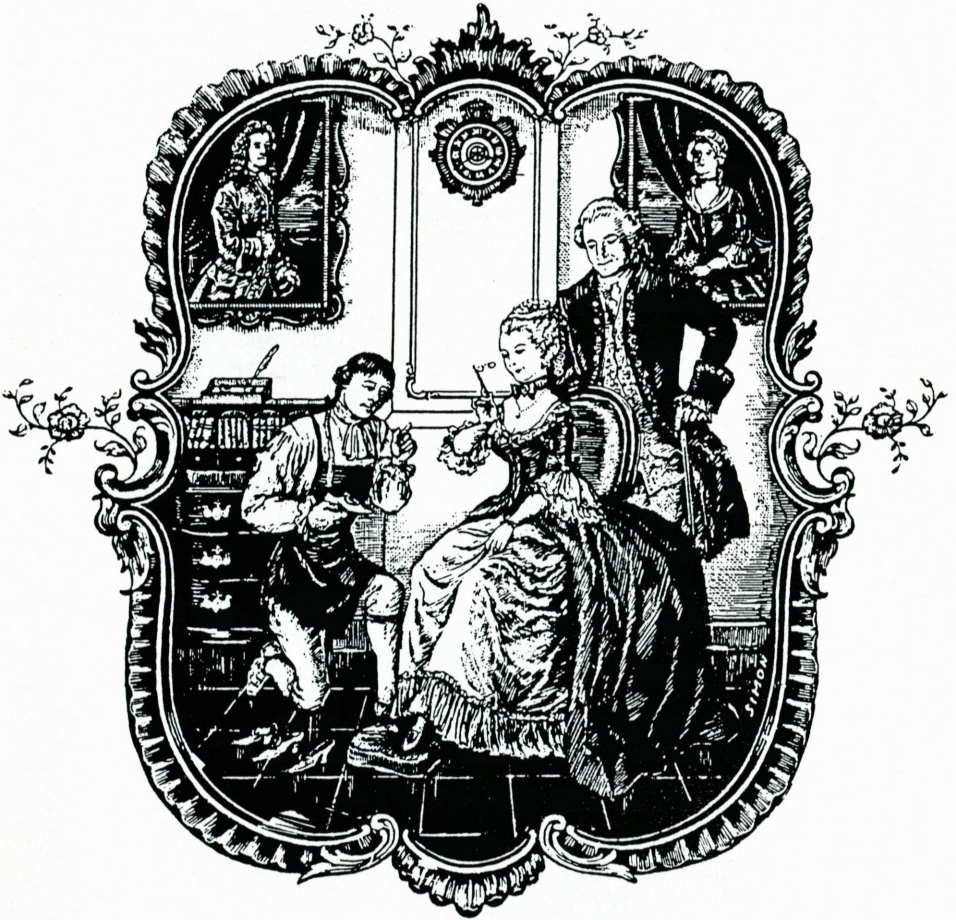
Kwiatkowski plans to try to duplicate her coach's record. Looking to the future, Kwiatkowski is working to make the 1993 World Team, and in 1994, she will shoot for World and Olympic team berths. "They're realistic goals. It would be a dream come true and so few make it."

Kwiatkowski now is clearly happy with her life. "I'm 21 and in control. I do what I love to do.

"You have to love what you're doing, so do it for yourself."

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Self-Confidence in Athletes

by Caroline Silby

The world of competitive figure skating is one of continuous challenge. The enormous tension associated with athletic competition can be overwhelming for some athletes. Skaters who become overly focused on outcome and achievement ignore the rewards inherent in the actual process of realizing their dreams. Often skaters stop dreaming or dismiss dreams as being too innocent or naive. As the great basketball player Pistol Pete Maravich stated, "A dream is just a great big challenge you place on yourself." Far too often, skaters spend time convincing themselves of their inability to live the very dream they created. Enjoying the process of realizing one's dreams, involves making choices regarding the "mental game" of skating.

One such choice is believing in oneself versus being filled with self-doubt. Many skaters choose to doubt themselves by telling their well-trained bodies they are unprepared and incapable of meeting the demands of the performance. These athletes often justify

their negativism with such statements as "I'm just being honest" or "I'm just being realistic." If they visualize or believe in success that has not actually been experienced, they think they are lying to themselves. These athletes have not chosen to be *confident*.

There are a variety of definitions of confidence, but highly successful athletes seem to crystallize its meaning. Chip Lohmiller, kicker for the 1992 Super Bowl Champion Redskins states "Most times you know before you kick it whether you'll make it. Certainly you know as soon as your foot hits the ball. Of course, you're not going to make every kick. That's just part of the game. But you have to believe you'll make every kick. You can't ever have any doubt." Jack Clark, professional baseball player, describes a mental state for hitting that requires knowing "When I go up to the plate I'm a confident hitter. I don't think there's a pitch I can't hit." Ricky Henderson, professional baseball

Confident athletes dwell on accomplishments and capabilities not on failures and inconsistencies.

player for the Oakland Athletics, relates, "...Every time I'm thrown out, I think it was a mistake. I figure I got a bad jump, the dirt was bad, or maybe it was a one-in-a-thousand play by the pitcher or catcher. I've never hit a stretch when I've lost confidence in my ability to steal. I never think about failure."

These athletes believe in what they can do, and are empowered by a deep belief and trust in their ability to create athletic excellence. As the Reebok shoe ad states, "I believe if you look at yourself and see what is right instead of what is wrong that is the true mark of a healthy individual." Confident athletes dwell on accomplishments and capabilities not on failures and inconsistencies.

Many skaters fear confidence will foster arrogance. Confidence is a private belief in

one's ability to produce a behavior that will lead to a desired outcome. This should not be confused with an outward expression of self-belief or arrogance. Arrogance is not highly valued in our society and arrogant athletes often alienate themselves from their peers. However, both arrogant and confident athletes possess the necessary trust in their ability to be successful in skating. This trust is the foundation from which such skaters' dreams unfold. 1992 Olympic Gold Medalist Nelson Diebel says "I hate arrogance outside the pool, but when I'm on the blocks, I'm looking at the other swimmers and I'm saying, 'These guys actually think they can beat me?'"

Confident athletes possess a deep belief in their skills and ability to control their skating destiny. There is an awareness that the power to conceive and create skating excellence rests within the athlete. These skaters focus on fostering thoughts, attitudes, feelings, and behaviors which will guide them in the attainment of their dreams. Skaters who choose to believe in others' abilities rather than their own, see limitations and are unable to let go of fear and self-doubt. Skaters who concentrate on their abilities to produce a great performance free the mind of intrusive thoughts allowing the body to perform as it has been trained. Possessing confidence does not guarantee that skaters will realize their dreams. However, it does provide the best chance for discovering one's potential and enjoying the process of reaching for new horizons.

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"By adding Kristi Yamaguchi and Paul Wylie we have assembled one of our strongest casts ever for this tour," said Gary Swain, Vice President of North American Events for International Management Group, the tour producer. "With Sandra Bezic directing the show and the tour playing a number

of new venues, we hope to bring this tour to more people than ever before."

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This year's show promises a personal look at the skaters through their music and performances. New production numbers are being composed that will highlight each skater's unique and individual style.

"Our cast is made up of skaters with a broad range of styles and talent," said Bezic, who is making her first appearance as director of the Discover Card production. "This show is a platform where they can express themselves artistically and athletically. We also present a rare opportunity for audiences to see these individuals as soloists and working together in an ensemble."

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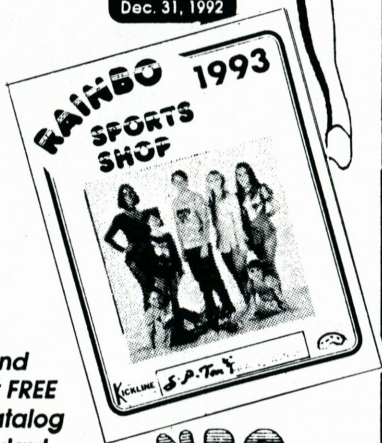
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1984 Olympic Champion **Scott Hamilton** was recently named Honorary Chairman of the 1994 World Junior Figure Skating Championships to be held at The Broadmoor World Arena in Colorado Springs, Colo., from November 30 to December 5, 1993. In addition to his Olympic title, Hamilton reigned as U.S. Champion and World Champion in figure skating from 1981 to 1984. Among other honors Hamilton has garnered are membership in the World Figure Skating Hall of Fame as well as the U.S. Olympic Hall of Fame. He also was the first recipient of the prestigious "Olympic Spirit Award" inaugurated for the 1984 Olympic Winter Games.

As Honorary Chairman, Hamilton, who overcame a debilitating childhood disease to become a champion, will serve as a role model to encourage the youth of the world to make positive commitments in life.

The World Junior Championships are a showcase for future Olympic and World champions. Previous World Junior Champions include 1992 Olympic Champion Kristi Yamaguchi, 1992 Olympic Silver Medalist Paul Wylie, 1988 Olympic Champion Brian Boitano, and World Medalists Christopher Bowman, Tiffany Chin, and Elaine Zayak. This international competition will feature over 100 of the world's top-ranked skaters between the

ages of 12 and 18, vying for medals in men's and ladies' singles, pairs, and ice dancing events.

50-YEAR JUDGE AND SPOUSE DOMINATE SENIOR GAMES

Paul Church, a recent addition to the USFSA roster of 50-year judges, and his wife, **Marie**, a USFSA judge for almost 40 years, gave outstanding performances at the 10th annual New York State Parks' Senior Games last summer.

Paul placed second in the softball throw (195 feet, 4 inches) and finished third in singles tennis, putting (21 feet), and the 50-yard breaststroke. Marie won the 50- and 100-yard backstrokes plus the 50-yard freestyle in swimming. She also won the softball hit (177 feet, 8 inches) and placed second in the softball throw (133 feet, 6 inches).

BIRTHS

Barbara (Underhill) and Rick Gaetz are the proud parents of twin girls born on September 15 in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada. They have been named Stephanie Elizabeth (the oldest) and Samantha Shirley.

Jacki Hanson-Spiteri and **George Spiteri** announce the birth of their daughter, Jenise Lanae, born September 20. Jacki, a former Pacific Coast competitor in singles and pairs, is now a skating instructor in the San Francisco area. George is president of SP-Teri, a skating boot manufacturer based in South San Francisco.

CLUB NEWS

Last August, the **Lansing SC** held its first seminar for skaters, parents, and professionals. The program was organized and conducted by National Judge and Sectional Referee Gary Clark, Gold Judge and Regional Referee Lynne Robertson, and

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International Dance Judge and National Dance Referee Margaret Faulkner.

The seminar began with a discussion of what judges look for during tests and competitions. General guidelines were identified which the skater should follow when performing figures, designing and performing free skating programs, and preparing mentally for competitions.

Following the discussion, the coaches, parents, and skaters divided into three groups and a more detailed question-and-answer session was conducted. After lunch, the participants had the opportunity to judge mock competitions in figures and free skating with volunteer skaters acting as the contestants.

This interactive format proved to be highly successful based upon comments from the participants. The opportunity for skaters to talk openly with the judges helped to ease their fears and allowed them to become more comfortable with the judging process. Parents found the sessions valuable in understanding skating from the perspective of prominent judges in the sport.

Skaters and coaches were given an opportunity to exhibit figures, free skating programs, and compulsory dances for verbal and written comments by the judges. Since all who took part in the seminar found it to be a very worthwhile experience, the Lansing SC plans to hold more of these events in the future.

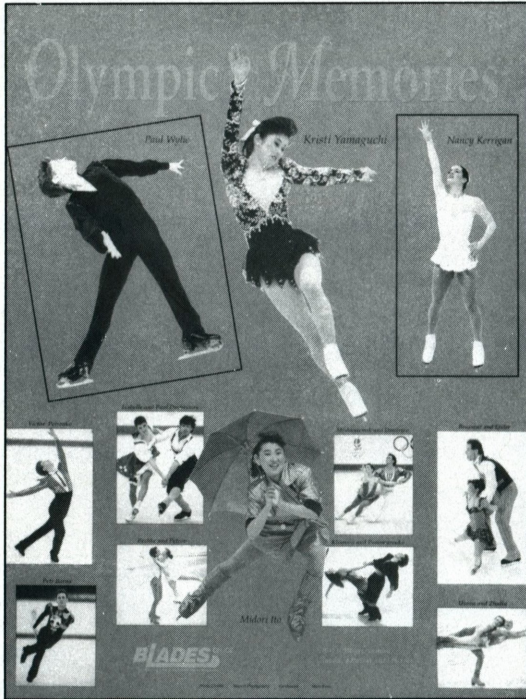
As if Floridians haven't had their share of disaster lately, the **Florida Suncoast FSC's** 10th Annual Skate Sun Coast Competition, scheduled October 2-4 at the Sun Blades Ice Arena in Clearwater, Fla., was never allowed to conclude. Chief Referee Dorothy G. Dodson explained the unusual event best when she responded in what is often a mundane (non-qualifying) competition report to the Regional Vice Chair of the USFSA Competitions Committee. In

response to the question, "Any protests, accidents, or unusual happenings?" Dodson gave this reply:

YES. Most unusual happening—a tropical depression was approaching from the Gulf of Mexico. We had endured heavy rain commencing Thursday afternoon. Saturday morning the intensity increased. It seemed as if the heavens just "opened up." The roof began to leak in places causing holes in the ice over which cones were placed. The area for judging was "rained out." The bleachers (in front of large windows) on the opposite side of the rink became the judging stand. At approximately 11:30 a.m. the power went off, including the emergency lighting. Outside it was very dark and one could see debris swirling in the air. At that point all 100 skaters, their parents, coaches, officials, and workers were ushered quickly to solid walls and steel arches and instructed to crouch down. Suddenly, it became very quiet except for the whining and rumbling noises of the wind. A tornado moved in a matter of seconds over the arena. A steel back door was blown off causing the Zamboni door to open—a blessing, as it equalized the pressure and kept the building intact. After the "all clear" was given, viewing the destruction around the rink and surrounding areas, everyone realized it was truly an act of God that the rink with all the young children was spared.

Needless to say, the tornado ended the competition. It was uncertain when the ice would be suitable to use and the hotel had to be evacuated. Most all the parents, many of whom had experienced Hurricane Andrew, just wanted to get to their homes. As Chief Referee, I cannot say enough praise for the staff, members from Florida Suncoast FSC working on the competition, parents, coaches, skaters, and also officials for their conduct during this disaster.

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Michael Chack: Pulling the Plug on Pressure

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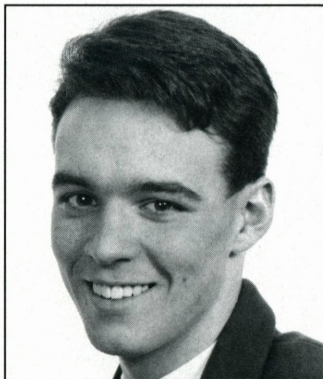
Dealing with success—and the resultant expectations of more success—is not always easy. But after a few years of struggling to cope with the pressure of expectations from himself and others, 21-year-old Michael Chack believes he has figured out how to handle it.

Heading into the 1992-93 season, pressures are under control and he is anxious to get on the ice and begin competing. “I feel very good about this year,” said Chack earlier this fall. “I’ve worked very hard. I’ve got a new choreographer and I’ve worked a lot on off-ice as well as on-ice training. I’ve just got a better attitude. There’s not as much pressure.”

Pressure began early in his career, mostly because the talented young skater from New Jersey found success early and often in skating. He began skating at age 5, the hyper little brother tagging after his older sister to the rink. He started in hockey, but he was small and was injured frequently so he eventually moved into figure skating.

He trained near his home until he was 10 when he quit skating for a year because, training in an area that lacked other top skaters, his motivation suffered. A year later, after the death of his father, Andrew, he decided he still wanted to skate. With the support of his mother, Joan, and his two sisters, he moved to Monsey, N.Y. to train with Peter Burrows at Sport-O-Rama. “That was scary, moving away from home at 11.

But when I got to New York and saw how good everyone was, I really wanted to keep going—I wanted to be as good as the kids there. Then I found myself competing and it was going really well,” Chack recalled.



It went well enough that five years later, when Chack entered North Atlantic Regionals (his first qualifying competition), he won the Intermediate men’s title and went on to finish third at Eastern Sectionals.

He spent the next two years in Novice events. He won North Atlantics his first year (1987) and finished fourth in his initial trip to Nationals. That improved to second overall—with a first place in the free skate—at 1988 Nationals.

He then moved into Juniors and won Easterns before running into his first real snag, a seventh-place finish at Nationals. “I had strep throat that week. I could hardly skate,” Chack remembered.

Despite that setback, Chack found himself facing some big expectations as he approached 1990 Nationals in Salt Lake City. “It got scary. It all happened so quickly. I mean, you see people take years to get to international events. You hear about how people have to wait, politically, for a long time. But it seemed like I just went out and did my job and I got to internationals,” he said.

“And then there was the media. I didn’t know how to handle it. After ’89 they were saying things like, ‘next year Michael will



INGRID BUTT

win Junior Nationals and go to Junior Worlds. He'll win this medal or that medal.' And I thought 'Don't do that—don't put those placements on me.' It was scary."

Not placement enough to stop Chack's rise, however. After a sixth-place finish in Junior men's figures, he was second in the original program to pull into third going into the long program. Chack had "one of those nights" in the free skate to win that portion of the competition and pull up to second overall behind Scott Davis. That tabbed him as a promising up-and-comer as he headed into his first year in Seniors.

Once again, success came immediately and noticeably. He debuted on the Senior scene with a fifth-place finish at the 1991 U.S. Nationals in Minneapolis. "I was so surprised in 1991," he said. "I really didn't expect to finish that high. I was hoping just for a top 10 finish. To be fifth my first year, it was like, 'you've got to be kidding.'"

Nobody was kidding. After finishing fifth in his Senior debut, Chack suddenly found the media pointing to him as a skater with an outside chance at making the 1992 U.S. Olympic Team. And while he wasn't exactly expecting to make the three-man squad, Chack said he was putting some pressure on himself. After finishing fifth in his Senior debut, he felt he couldn't accept anything lower than fifth in 1992. "Really, that year (1991-92) was the hardest year I've ever been through, mentally and physically, because I felt a lot of pressure," he said.

That pressure manifested itself at the 1992 U.S. Championships in Orlando, Fla. where a place on the Olympic Team was at stake. He finished fifth in the original program, then skated "a terrible long program" to finish ninth in the free skate and seventh overall. "I skated last, but that wasn't an excuse because I skated last the year before, too," he said. "But I just felt like I couldn't make any mistakes at all. That made me nervous and what I ended up doing was doubling everything. I felt a little off all week, and I'd been

having trouble with the triple Axel and my coach took it out, which frustrated me because I felt I couldn't really compete without one. It was just a very tough week."

That experience shook his confidence, but also helped him develop a new attitude and a new perspective on skating. "I did a lot of thinking after Nationals," Chack said. "And the best thing for me to do was to get right back on the ice. So I only took two weeks off and went back to work. It was hard. After an experience like that, you wonder if you can really do those things anymore. That's why I want to get back into competition as soon as I can. I want to prove to myself I can still do it."

To that end, Chack has created a new classical long program, worked on several big tricks and worked harder than ever on off-ice training to make sure he's in the best shape possible. "I'm working with Michael Seibert, and he's a great choreographer," Chack said. "We decided to go to a very strong classical program. I really like what he's done."

In addition, Chack said he's been working on a quadruple toe loop and quadruple Salchow, along with a triple Axel-triple toe loop, triple Salchow-triple toe and "every other triple." However, Chack isn't claiming all those jumps will be in his program. The triple Axel-triple toe is in, along with the triple Salchow-triple toe "right at the end of the program, because we thought it would be exciting to have a triple-triple at the end."

But the quads are on hold. Chack said he doesn't want a program based only on quads, plus he wants to make sure any jump he includes is consistent. "You have to play it smart," noted Chack, who fell on a one-foot Axel into quad Salchow attempt at the 1991 Nationals. "I'm working on them, but I'm not sure exactly what I'll do with them."

One thing he's committed to doing is training hard. Chack is convinced that rigorous off-ice training is necessary in order to be physically able to pull off internation-

ally-competitive programs. So he trains at the health club next to the Sport-O-Rama rink to help him achieve the level of fitness he wants. His workouts include aerobics, exercise routines to help flexibility and endurance, weightlifting, and jumping. He even enlists the aid of his sister, Beth, a physical therapist who acts as his trainer when he competes.

Knowing he is physically prepared diminishes some of the feelings of pressure, Chuck said. Expanding other areas of his life helps, too. Off the ice, Chuck is a full-time student at Rockland Community College, aiming toward medical school. His interest is in cardiology. "I like school because it can get you away from the rink, so you don't just skate, skate, skate," he said.

In addition, Chuck said he has come to grips with dealing with expectations. The only thing Chuck expects of himself this season is to perform up to his ability and be consistent. And he's confident he can do that. "I'm working on my consistency. That's what I really want. I respect Kristi Yamaguchi so much for her consistency. I remember when she wasn't consistent, but she worked hard and became consistent and that's what I want to be," he said.

"I'm not thinking about the World Team this year or the Olympics or anything like that," he continued. "I'm just thinking of doing my job, doing what I can do. I plan to stay eligible as long as I'm doing well. Maybe after 1998—that will be an Olympic year—maybe by then I'd be ready to retire. But I just want to do the best I can."

If the past is any indication, Chuck's best will produce a lot of success.

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President's Message

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and time to assist the volunteer committee chairs in their efforts.

Ice costs are also escalating. In some of our more expensive areas, it's been that way for awhile. But now I'm hearing that even in the areas where it has not been a problem, it now is becoming one. It may be here that the Association will be able to help with a proper business approach. The Events Manager could negotiate with rink management at these various Regional and Sectional sites so that we may be able to help clubs work out a better contract.

SKATING: Do you feel that the USFSA should be funding these events? Is it possible or even necessary?

FERGUSON: Yes, it is very necessary. As I said before, nothing is more important than our qualifying competitions—our grassroots level.

The USFSA does fund a portion of these events already. Each LOC for Regionals and Sectionals receives an \$8,000 grant to help offset expenses. They also earn income through souvenir sales and skaters' entry fees. The USFSA reimburses the skater for a portion of Regionals entry fees, and for 100 percent of the Sectionals and Precision Nationals entry fees.

A study is currently underway by the Competitions Committee and the Budget Review Committee to determine the trend that is happening with rink management and the ability for a club to afford to put on the event.

SKATING: What role do the television people and sponsors play or should they play in site selection? What considerations do we need to make?

FERGUSON: I think that without harming the qualifying system, we can certainly accommodate sponsors and television and it would be foolish for us not to understand that this is the way we pay our rent. With the proper combination of clubs and rink management, and an Events Manager from headquarters, we should be able to improve on that sponsorship money. The USFSA now has a five million dollar budget that we must continue to fund. We don't just subsidize competitions, but membership dues, the Basic Skills skating program, our museum, and our headquarters office and staff.

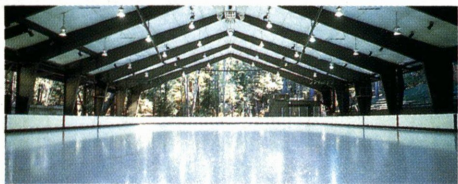
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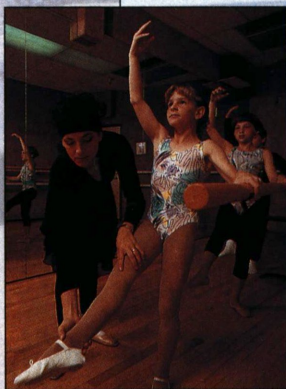
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7. Alexander Abt, RUS, 14-5-12.0
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16. Szaboles Vidrai, HUN, 18-12-21.0
17. Fumihiro Oikawa, JPN, 12-17-23.0
18. Marius Negrea, ROM, 17-16-24.5
19. Balazs Grenzner, HUN, 19-19-28.5

LADIES

JUDGES: 1 Helena Srnankova, CZE; 2 Julianna Beke, HUN; 3 Nenad Orban, CRO; 4 Ziva Mejak, SLO; 5 Tatjana Danilenko, RUS; 6 Liliana Dozeva, BUL; 7 Hermann Schulz, GER; 8 Karin Ehrhardt, AUT; 9 Bettina Meier, SWI. SUBSTITUTE JUDGE: Florea Gamulea, ROM. REFEREE: John McKay, ISU. ASSISTANT REFEREE: Linda Petersen, ISU.

NAME, COUNTRY, TP-FS-PLACES

1. Tatjana Rachova, RUS, 1-1-1.5
2. Nancy Lemieux, CAN, 2-2-3.0
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8. Krisztina Czako, HUN, 12-6-12.0
9. Susanne Mildenerger, GER, 7-9-12.5
10. Shara Aibitol, FRA, 3-12-13.5
11. Viktoria Dimitrova, BUL, 10-11-16.0
12. Uliya Lavrenchuk, UKR, 17-10-18.5
13. **Jennifer Itoh, USA, 9-14-18.5**
14. Mari Kobayashi, JPN, 13-13-19.5
15. Emma Warmington, GBR, 14-15-22.0
16. Andrea Kus, AUT, 15-16-23.5
17. Melita Juratek, CRO, 16-17-25.0
18. Eva Sonleitner, AUT, 18-18-27.0

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JUDGES: 1 Mary Parry, GRB; 2 Jaqueline Trilhe-Dor, FRA; 3 Rolf Schmitz, GER; 4 Tünde Kerekne, HUN; 5 William McLachlan, CAN; 6 **John Lefevre, USA**; 7 Helena Srnankova, CZE; 8 la Evlanova, RUS; 9 Christl Heidler, AUT. SUBSTITUTE JUDGE: Ludmila Mihailovskaya, RUS. REFEREE: Pal Vasarhelyi, ISU. ASSISTANT REFEREE: Halina Gordon-Poltorak, ISU.

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1. Dara Bailey & Rock Lemay, CAN, 1-1-1-2.0
2. Olga Pershankova & Petr Chernishov, RUS, 3-2-2-4.4
3. Yelena Gruschina & Ruslan Goncharov, UKR, 2-3-3-5.6
4. Virginie Soustelle & David Molina, FRA, 4-4-4-8.0
5. Sylvie Pecheur & Fabienne Coulon, FRA, 5-5-5-10.0
6. Agnieszka Domanska & Marcin Glowacki, POL, 6-6-6-12.0
7. **Mimi Wacholder & Collin Sullivan, USA, 7-7-7-14.0**
8. Viera Poracova & Pavol Porac, CZE, 9-9-8-17.0
9. Angelika Führung & Peter Wilczek, AUT, 10-10-9-19.0
10. Eva Possart & Stephan Possart, GER, 11-11-10-21.0
11. Eniko Berkes & Szilad Toth, HUN, 12-12-11-23.0
- Lynn Burton & Duncan Lenard, GDR, withdrew

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1. **Todd Eldredge, USA, 1-2-2.5**
2. **Scott Davis, USA, 2-3-4.0**
3. **Mark Mitchell, USA, 7-1-4.5**
4. Viacheslav Zagorodniuk, UKR, 3-4-5.5
5. Philippe Candeloro, FRA, 5-5-7.5
6. Corneli Gheorghie, ROM, 8-6-10.0
7. David Liu, TPE, 4-8-10.0
8. Steven Cousins, GRB, 10-7-12.0
9. Ronny Winkler, GER, 6-9-12.0
10. Patrick Brault, CAN, 9-10-14.5

LADIES

JUDGES: 1 Vanessa S. Riley, GRB; 2 **Steve Winkler, USA**; 3 Hideo Sugita, JPN; 4 Dennis McFarlane, CAN; 5 Josette Betsch, FRA; 6 Judith Furst-Tombour, HUN; 7 Jiasheng Yang, CHN. SUBSTITUTE JUDGE: Donald McKnight, AUS. REFEREE: Charles U. Foster, ISU. ASSISTANT REFEREE: Junko Hiramatsu, ISU.

NAME, COUNTRY, TP-FS-PLACES

1. Yuka Sato, JPN, 1-2-2.5
2. **Nancy Kerrigan, USA, 4-1-3.0**
3. Lu Chen, CHN, 2-3-4.0
4. Lisa Sargeant-Driscoll, CAN, 8-4-8.0
5. Charlene Von Saher, GRB, 6-6-9.0
6. **Nicole Bobek, USA, 5-7-9.5**
7. Laetitia Hubert, FRA, 10-5-10.0
8. **Lisa Ervin, USA, 3-9-10.5**
9. Zuzanna Szwed, POL, 9-8-12.5
10. Krisztina Czako, HUN, 7-10-13.5

PAIRS

JUDGES: 1 Hideo Sugita, JPN; 2 Jarmila Portova, CZE; 3 **William S. Smith, USA**; 4 Sheena Meurin, CAN; 5 Gunter Teichmann, GER; 6 Alexander Lakernik, RUS; 7 Donald McKnight, AUS. SUBSTITUTE JUDGE: **Roger A. Glenn, USA**. REFEREE: Lucy J. Brennan, ISU. ASSISTANT REFEREE: Hugh C. Graham, M.D., ISU.

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Precise Analysis Part 2

by Paul Harvath

Part One of this series appeared in the May 1992 issue of Skating and was a look at the development of precision skating from its inception to its present status as a competitive event.

Where Are We Going?

Keeping in mind that the major goal of precision skating is participation, a logical step of the USFSA should be the expansion of the club base supporting precision. There are many clubs with teams registered at headquarters that never participate in qualifying competitions. In my experience, major deterrents to this participation are the exorbitant travel costs associated with precision teams, and fear of competing with very experienced teams. Let's examine each of these deterrents and evaluate possible alternatives to the current rules that may entice these clubs to participate.

Anyone associated with a precision team that has attended Precision Nationals is aware of the significant financial responsibilities associated with the sport. In our club, travel is the dominant portion of the precision bill and usually approaches \$1,000 to \$1,500 per skater per year. We establish our travel schedule early in the season (August/September) to allow time for fundraising programs. This is where the current USFSA system has room for improvement. In the current system

teams cannot be sure of their participation in the National event until they have competed in their sectional event which is held four to five weeks before the national event. Furthermore, the uneven participation across the sections allows many teams to be invited to Nationals who did not place in the top four of their section. The process of inviting these teams is tedious and time consuming. Since the national event is usually the longest trip in time commitment and distance, parents and skaters may be suddenly faced with a large unexpected financial and time burden. This is especially a problem for new teams who unexpectedly qualify.

The intimidation factor of competing with established teams can prevent new teams from entering the USFSA qualifying competition arena. New teams need to be competing against teams of similar levels or they simply will not continue. At the same time, the potential for development is unparalleled. Our current system appears to bias national participation based on the location of the team rather than the team's experience; high quality experienced teams are left at home while inexperienced teams are forced to compete with international level teams at the National Championships.

An initial attempt to remedy these deterrents occurred in 1989 when Eastern Sectionals, Midwestern Sectionals, and Precision Nationals were combined and held in Warwick, Rhode Island over a three day period. This plan reduced the number of trips a team had to make that year and also allowed all participating teams to plan their travel commitments early in the season. Additionally teams that did not qualify for the national competition were allowed to compete in a Silver Round competition. The negative side of this plan was the elimination of any time between Sectionals and Nationals. Many teams felt they needed that time to improve their programs between Sectionals and Nationals. Although the combined event was well executed, the majority consensus was to return to the separate sectional and national competitions.

One proposed change currently under initial evaluation by the USFSA Precision Com-

mittee is to simply eliminate the placement qualification from Sectionals to Nationals. In other words, simply invite all teams that attend and compete in Sectionals to the National Precision Championships. The major affect of this change is to allow teams to plan their travel commitments early in the season. Additionally, the current invitation process after Sectionals would be eliminated and we would hopefully see more teams and clubs attending the National Championships. This change should have no affect on the determination of the nation's top precision teams but an additional elimination round may be needed in some divisions. This additional sorting should place teams of similar talent levels in the final rounds at the National Championships. Perhaps the top two sectional teams may be given a bye in the initial round to reward their sectional performance and eliminate the possibility of highly experienced international teams competing against the newer inexperienced teams. The overall benefit of this solution is that new teams can attend and compete at Nationals and gain valuable competitive experience and have the entire season to make the necessary travel and financial plans. Additionally, no major change is made in our current competitive structure and our current base of clubs can continue to compete and improve as they always have.

Precision skating is important to the growth and maintenance of the membership of the USFSA. This evaluation is based on one person's involvement in, and interpretation of, this fascinating realm of figure skating. I hope this article may somehow inspire teams to form and become involved in USFSA Precision Skating.

Paul Harvath coaches the Ann Arbor Hockettes (Intermediate level) and Debonaires (Adult level) precision teams. He is also a member of the USFSA precision committee.

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1. Marina Eitsova & Andrei Bushkov, RUS, 2-1-2.0
2. Radka Kovarikova & Rene Novotny, CZE, 1-2-2.5
3. Evgenia Shishkova & Vadim Naumov, RUS, 3-3-4.5
4. **Calla Urbanski & Rocky Marval, USA, 4-4-6.0**
5. **Tristen Vega & Richard Alexander, USA, 6-5-8.0**
6. **Karen Courtland & R. Todd Reynolds, USA, 5-7-9.0**
7. Jamie Sale & Jason Turner, CAN, 8-6-10.0
8. Danielle Carr & Stephen Carr, AUS, 7-8-11.5
9. **Laura Murphy & Brian Wells, USA, 9-9-13.5**
10. Elaine Asanakis & Mark Naylor, GRE, 10-10-15.0

DANCE

JUDGES: 1 **Nancy Meiss, USA**; 2 Jarmila Portova, CZE; 3 Dennis McFarlane, CAN; 4 Ute Villwock, GER; 5 Mireille Dubois, FRA; 6 Mark Gurevitch, RUS; 7 Judit Furst-Tombor, HUN. SUBSTITUTE JUDGE: **Ronald T. Pfennig, USA**. REFEREE: Joyce Hisey, ISU. ASSISTANT REFEREE: James W. Disbrow, ISU.

NAME, COUNTRY, D1-D2-OD-FD-PLACES

1. Maia Usova & Alexander Zhulin, RUS, 1-1-1-1-2.0
 2. Sophie Moniotte & Pascal Lavanchy, FRA, 2-2-2-2-4.0
 3. **Elizabeth Punsalan & Jerod Swallow, USA, 3-3-3-3-6.0**
 4. J. Goolsbee & H. Schamberger, GER, 4-4-4-4-8.0
 5. Y. Nechaeva & Y. Chesnichenko, RUS, 5-5-5-5-10.0
 6. E. Stekolnikova & D. Kazarlenga, KZK, 6-6-6-6-12.0
 7. Radmila Chrobokova & Milan Brzy, CZE, 7-8-7-7-14.2
 8. M. Drobiazko & P. Vanagas, LIT, 9-7-9-8-16.6
 9. **Mimi Wacholder & Collin Sullivan, USA, 10-10-10-9-19.0**
- Jennifer Boyce & Michel Brunet, CAN, withdrew

Calendar

OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 1-5 **1993 Midwestern Sectional Championships**, hosted by the FSC of Rockford, at the Riverview Ice House, 324 North Madison St., Rockford, IL 61107. For information contact: Gary Edgren, 6311 Penguin Dr. Rockford, IL 61109, B: 815-397-2166, H: 815-874-5782 or Jerry Finley, 6766 Happy Acres Rd., Rockford, IL 61101, 815-963-6820.
- 6-12 **1993 Pacific Coast Sectional Championships**, hosted by the Arctic Blades FSC, at the Santa Fe Ice Arena, 4949 No. Rancho Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130. For information contact: Marge Heslin, 1636 Gates Ave., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266, 310-372-3120.
- 7-12 **1993 Eastern Sectional Championships**, hosted by the University of Delaware FSC, at the University of Delaware Ice Arena, South College Ave., Newark, DE 19716. For information contact: John S. Love, 1122 Creekside Dr., Wilmington, DE 19804, 302-633-4260 or Judy Binnebose, 4 Festival Ct., Newark, DE 19711, 302-737-7540.
- 12-13 **1992 Holiday Season Competition**, sponsored by the Columbus FSC, at the Ohio State University Ice Rink, Columbus, OH. Compulsory and freestyle events for beginners through Juvenile Freestyle, Adult Freestyle, Showcase, Solo, and Team Dance (through Bronze, plus open events). Adult participation encouraged in all

events. Application deadline is November 11. For information contact: Mary Hiser, 5753 Rue Royale, Columbus, OH 43229, 614-898-6964 or Mimzi Staten, 3011 Norton Road, Grove City, OH 43123, 614-853-1925.

- 28-30 **Holiday Jump Clinic**, held by the Indiana/World Skating Academy, Pan American Plaza, 201 South Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46225. Designed for skaters who desire to produce better double jumps. For information call: Kristi S. Petruzzi, 317-237-5565.

JANUARY 1993

- 9-10 **6th Lake Placid Open Precision Classic**, sponsored by the SC of Lake Placid and the Olympic Regional Development Authority, at the Olympic Center, Lake Placid, NY 12946. For information contact: Colleen Duffy, Director of Figure Skating O.R.D.A., 518-523-1655.
- 17-24 **1993 U.S. Figure Skating Championships**, hosted by the SC of Phoenix and the Arizona FSC, at the America West Arena, 201 E. Jefferson, Phoenix, AZ 85004. For tickets contact: 1993 All Event Tickets, 120 South Ash Ave., Tempe, AZ 85281, 602-968-1993.
- 30 **Fraser Mid America Precision Team Championships**, sponsored by the Fraser FSC, at the Fraser Ice Arena, 34400 Utica Rd., Fraser, MI 48026. Preliminary, Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior, and Adult events. For information contact: Russ or Sharon Brown, 43110 Ulman, Sterling Heights, MI 48313, 313-247-5915.

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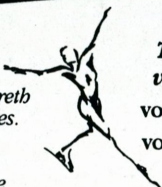
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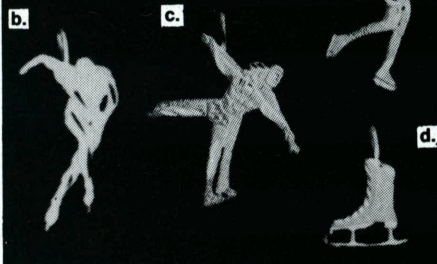
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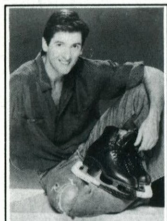
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GARDEN STATE SC: PRE-Kevin Cintorino, Lisa Hornak. PF-Kevin Cintorino. P DT-Anna Brodetsky. PBR DT-Ruth Amato.

GARFIELD HEIGHTS FSC: PRE-Jacqueline Glinka, Jennifer Sikon, Kristen Colasi, Sarah Ruszkiewicz. PF-Ann Wilks, Bridget Kaselak, Jennifer Martino, Jennifer Nawalanic, Kristen Colasi, Lisa Sanuk, Nichole Straight, Sarah Pickering, Sarah Ruszkiewicz, Traci Burton. JF-Julia LaManna, Lindsay Yee.

GENESE FSC: PRE-Allison Adams. 1-Jennifer Ware, John Schultz. 2-Kerry Bryan, Marissa Moccia, Meredith Vacca. 3-Marcy McClain. PF-Allison Adams. JF-Amanda Maskiell, Kerry Bryan, Lea Vacca, Meredith Vacca, Nathan Pensgen, Stacey Pensgen. IF-Erica Lynn Vance. IPR-Nathan Pensgen, Stacey Pensgen. P DT-Colette Scott, Erika Archambeau. PBR DT-Sarah Newman. BR DT-Linda Forward, Nathan Pensgen, Sarah Banach. PS DT-Sacha Van Vliet.

GLENS FALLS FSC: 1-Carol Minor. IF-Carol Minor.

GLENSWOOD FSC: PRE-Kelly Synder, Natalie Fantetti, Nicole Hogan. 1-Christophe Cundari, Maria Dourous, Sarah Felinski. 2-Ashley Wegele. 3-Rebecca Seeman. 5-Bridget Beddigs. PF-Kelly Synder, Natalie Fantetti, Nicole Hogan. JF-Angela Casiano, Brittney Wegele, Sarah Felinski. IF-Rebecca Seeman, Rebecca McNicholas. NF-Carrie Jilek. P DT-Laura Sicks, Stefanie Swanson, Trish Cazeau. PBR DT-Brooke Scobbie, Kimberly Hollwedel. BR DT-Lindsay Eickhoff. PG DT-Jennifer Longawa. PFD-Kari Downey. BFD-Erin McCabe, Kari Downey. SFD-Erin McCabe, Kari Downey.

GREAT BAY FSC, INC.: JF-Antonia Foster.

GREAT LAKES FSC: PF-Erich Mehnert. S DT-Christine Ray.

GREATER MILWAUKEE FSC: 1-Becky McKendry. 2-Joscelyne Dracca. 4-Kristen Bednar. JF-Joscelyne Dracca. NF-Kristen Bednar.

GREENFIELD AREA FSC: 1-Julie Zelenakas.

GREENSBORO ISC, INC.: PRE-Kirsten Elleby. 1-Kendell McPherson. PF-Kirsten Elleby. JF-Natasha Smith. NF-Angela Thomas.

HAMDEN FIGURE SKATING ASSC INC: IF-Tracey Hyduk. NF-Amy Salinger. PFD-Kathi Hochberg.

SC OF HARTFORD: PRE-Svea Nelson. 4-Allyson Kalafut. P DT-Hillary Magee, Valerie Pare.

HERSHEY FSC: PRE-Gregory Moreland-Hooke, Julie Beth Packman, Melissa Jacobs, Meredith Thorpe, Monett Roberto. 1-Jenny Kegerise. 3-Melinda Ormsbee. 6C-Tracey Librandi. PF-Melissa Jacobs, Meredith Thorpe. JF-Jillian Gladfelder. IF-Melinda Ormsbee. NF-Michelle Nipple. IPR-Pamela Erisman. P DT-Carol Ficco, Meredith Thorpe. PBR DT-Jenifer Gephart. BR DT-Jenny Kegerise. BFD-Julie Bentz, Melinda Ormsbee, Susan Martin. SFD-Jodi Weindel.

HIBBING FSC: 4-Sarah Dungan.

HICKORY HILL FSC: 3-Jeanne Goldman, Lauren Rackow. PF-Mary Hauck. P DT-Armando Lupion.

HIGHLAND SC: ASFS-Jenny Thompson.

SC OF HINGHAM, INC.: PRE-Catherine Keough. 1-Courtney Lane, Jeanine Mickevich. JF-Elizabeth Monahan, Jennifer Parent, Jessica Parent, Kristen Bedford, Laurie Casna, Megan Lindholm. IF-Jeanine Mickevich, Jennifer Robson. NF-Julie Slodden, Kerry Wehter.

FSC OF HOMESTEAD: PRE-Laura McCready, Mindy Hammer. PF-Laura McCready, Mindy Hammer.

HOUSTON FSC: PBR DT-Erin Rex.

HUDSON-MOHAWK FSC: PRE-Laura Mahoney. 1-Jennifer Burrell, Laura DeLuca. PF-Dimitra Hanser, Kathryn Repas. IF-Angela Farina. BR DT-Laura DeLuca. S DT-Kelly Ryan.

HUNTSVILLE FSC: 1-Megan Sierk. NPR-Charles Bernhard IV, Donita Roal.

ICE CRYSTALS FSC: SFD-Kurt Dreger.

INDIANA/WORLD SKATING ACADEMY: 1-Heather Poole. IF-Jesse Powell. NF-Jeff Ryan Burke. PBR DT-Marte Siebenhar. PS DT-Katy Sparks. SFD-Kate Black, Kevin Spada.

ISC OF INDIANAPOLIS, INC.: 3-Abigail Dean. IF-Megan Quigley. ASFS-Janet Sawchuk. IPR-Robyn Lane. NPR-Robyn Lane. S DT-Erin Schuler.

WINTER CLUB INDIANAPOLIS, INC.: P DT-Ashley Farrar. PBR DT-Cari Mutz, Katie Patterson, Megan Stayton. PS ADT-Marianne Petersen.

INTERNATIONAL FALLS FSC: PRE-Kimberly Sundin, Krystall Gustavson. PF-Kimberly Sundin, Krystall Gustavson.

JAMESRIVER FSC: 2-Jonathan Herseth.

JAMESTOWN SC: 1-Sarah Walker. JF-Bridget McErlane.

JANESVILLE FSC: JF-Lauren Teetzen.

KENT SC: 2-Sarah Hawkins. 4-Darla Kimak. JF-Sarah Hawkins. NF-Darla Kimak.

LA JOLLA FSC: PRE-Clarisa Mondejar. PF-Clarisa Mondejar. P DT-Tania Tilton. PBR DT-Tania Tilton.

THE SC OF LAKE PLACID: PRE-Allegra Uzielli. 4-Sara Walrath. 6-Felicity Faucher. BR DT-Amy Hajrulla. PS DT-Mary Anderson.

LAKEWOOD WINTER CLUB: PRE-Alexis Nolte, Hope Hermanson. 1-Bethanie Swendsen. 3-Amanda Banks. PF-Alexis Nolte, Hope Hermanson. IF-Kacy Nottingham. NF-Megan Wendt. PBR DT-Valerie Larsen.

LANSING SC: 1-Katherine Bryant. PF-Jessica Lock. IF-Brooke Winston. P DT-Tessie Svec. PBR DT-Bradley Newman, Carrie Harris. PS DT-Amy Grondin.

LINCOLN CENTER FSC: 2-Emily Lynn Caudill. JF-Emily Lynn Caudill. NF-Heather Calvert.

LITTLE SUN VALLEY SC, INC.: JRF-Kristen Vangness.

LONE STAR FSC: PRE-Jimmy Toth. PF-Jimmy Toth. NF-Alissa Cline. BFD-Hillary Rabun, James White.

LONG ISLAND FSC: PF-Latease Adams. PPR-Robert Rochford, Jr..

LOS ANGELES FSC: PRE-Crystal Ho. 2-Christina Teresa, Johnnie Stiegler, Sara Ocheltree. 4-Angela Meadows, Lina Chmiel. PF-Crystal Ho. JF-Christina Teresa, Johnnie Stiegler, Sara Ocheltree. NF-Angela Meadows, Lina Chmiel. ABFS-Andrea Lewis. ASFS-Linda Scott. IPR-Julie Shott. NPR-Julie Shott. JPR-Stephanie Stiegler. S DT-John Wagner.

SC OF MAINE: PRE-Courtney Russell. PF-Laurie McLellan. JF-Laurie McLellan. PBR DT-Courtney Russell. PFD-Courtney Russell.

MARQUETTE FSC: PS DT-Maggy Cowell. PFD-Cameron Contois, Eric Hampton, Jennifer Farrell, Jennifer Cote, Margot Contois. BFD-Eric Hampton, Jennifer Cote.

MARTHA'S VINEYARD FSC: 5-Beth Blankenship. NF-Beth Blankenship.

MEADVILLE FSC: PRE-Catherine Fedorka, Chanelle Sherry. 1-Marcus Bittman. PF-Catherine Fedorka. P DT-Chanelle Sherry. BR DT-Lauren Bittman.

METROPOLITAN FSC, INC.: PRE-Christine Ajudua. 1-Jennifer Jaffe, Nancy Tay. 4-Rachel Frankel. PF-Brynde Berkowitz. JF-Nancy Tay, Noreen Van der Waag. IF-Elisa Argota. NF-Rachel Frankel.

MICHIGAN TECH SKATING ACADEMY: PRE-Lindy Fox, Samantha Ex, Stephen Soldan. 1-Jessica Maki, Patricia Summersett. 2-Jada Comfort. 3-Angela Ligon. PF-Lindy Fox, Samantha Ex, Stephen Soldan. JF-Jada Comfort. P DT-Jason Karnosky, Michael Seely, Michele Asiala, Nathan McKimpson, Sarah Kempke, Stephanie Newton, Stephen Soldan. PBR DT-John Ellenich, Lindy Fox, Samantha Ex, Stephanie Newton. BR DT-Camille Kukkonen. PG DT-Jada Comfort.

MIDLAND FSC: PRE-Jessica Palmer, Laci Owens. 1-Matthew Barnes. PF-Jessica Palmer. IF-Amber Spence. P DT-Rachel May. PBR DT-Christine Handt, Karin Konrad, Samantha Eaton. BR DT-Matthew Barnes, Susan Jarvela. S DT-Hilary McInally. PFD-Ann-Marie Horcher.

FSC OF MINNEAPOLIS: PRE-Alyssa Nelson, Calico Hutchison, Cassandra Banta, Jennifer Schei, Kimberly Balmer, Rachel Nelson, Randie Schinzel. 1-Carolyn Ly, Jamie Resch, Laura Ignatowicz. 2-Lindsey Titus. 3-Karen Torgerson. PF-Alyssa Nelson, Calico Hutchison, Cassandra Banta, Jennifer Schei, Kimberly Balmer, Rachel Nelson, Randie Schinzel. P DT-Natalie Alto, Steven Pappas. S ADT-Marianne Yoshida.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FSC: PF-Melissa Rigsby. JF-Joy Winter.

SC OF MORRIS NJ, INC.: 3-Cathlin Rozman. JRF-Beth Allen. P DT-Kate Langer. PG DT-Jennifer Mulvihill.

NASHVILLE FSC: PPR-Arnold Mylnt.

SC OF NATICK: PRE-Shawna Ratcliffe. 1-Cortney Kasuba. PF-Kate Williams.

NEW CANAAN WINTER CLUB: 1-Danielle Derbes.

NEW HAVEN SC, INC.: 2-Corinne Towle.

NEW ULM FSC: PRE-Alicia Krzmarzick. PF-Ashley Portner, Aunie Gieseke, Kristen Johnson, Marisa Sunderman, Staci Ciarnelli.

THE SC OF NEW YORK, INC.: PRE-Cara Thomas. 2-Katharine Flynn. 6-Jessica Rubin. PF-Cara Thomas, Ginger Shields, Jennifer Shields. BR DT-Ginger Shields, Jennifer Shields. PG DT-Jessica Betts.

NEWBURYPORT FSC: 1-Lisa Montibello. P DT-Jessica Leonard.

SC OF NORTH CAROLINA: PRE-Blake Boyd, Brittany Foote, Sheila Blum. 1-Beth Carroll, Janelle Headen, Jenny McLean, Julie Beall, Kristen Bowen, Melissa Marino, Minda Lee Phinney, Shelby Scott. 3-Meredith Bentley. 4-Heather King. 7-Shannon Stacy. PF-Blake Boyd, Brittany Foote, Sheila Blum. JF-Cathlin Waters. IF-Meredith Bentley. NF-Heather King. JRF-Shannon Stacy. ASFS-Jeanna Raye. P DT-Todd Hitch. PBR DT-Blake Boyd. BR DT-Bonnie Parr, Shannon Stacy. PFD-Bonnie Parr, Randi Wagner.

NORTH JERSEY FSC INC: PF-Stephanie Rinaldi.

NORTH SHORE SC: 1-Courtney Lyons, Cynthia Annis, Stephanie Dallaire. 3-Meaghan Hall. PF-Brian Fitzgibbin. JF-Elizabeth Sloutsky. IF-Lisbeth Rowinski. ABFS-Faye Greel, Theresa Lee. P DT-Lisbeth Rowinski.

NORTH SUBURBAN FSC: PRE-Lori Wetzel, Noelle Paguibitan. 1-Amber Johnson, Danielle Willcock. 3-Leslie Miesch. PF-Lori Wetzel, Noelle Paguibitan. P DT-Christophe Delaney, Jennifer Smith. PBR DT-Melissa George.

SC OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA: JF-Stephanie Yoo.

NORTHWOODS FSC: PRE-Jessica Canfield. PF-Jessica Canfield.

OKLAHOMA CITY FSC, INC.: PRE-Carolyn Sherrill, Christi Johnson, Denver Tracy, Jenny Stevens, Katherine Pratt. PF-Carolyn Sherrill, Christi Johnson, Denver Tracy, Jenny Stevens, Katherine Pratt.

OLD YORK ROAD SC: PS DT-Christina Rafa, Sarah Trager.

ORANGE COUNTY FSC: JF-Candice Carella.

ORLANDO FSC, INC.: JF-Christine McElwain, Rhiannon Cordy. PBR DT-Meghan Schenker. PFD-Meghan Schenker.

INTERNATIONAL SC ORLANDO, INC.: PRE-Erin Elmore. PF-Erin Elmore. P DT-Julie Eldridge.

OSWEGO FSC, INC.: 2-Erin Banta. JF-Mollie Barnes. IF-Shelby Lyons.

OWATONNA FSC: JF-Erika Rietz.

OWENSBORO FSC: S DT-Kathleen Knott.

PALACE FSC: 1-Summer Heinze. P DT-Amelia Cates, Summer Heinze.

PASADENA FSC: PRE-Amy Lou Ferrer. 2-Talia Roth. PF-Amy Lou Ferrer. JF-Talia Roth.

PATRIOT FSC: JF-Debbie Wood.

PAVILION SC OF CLEVELAND HGTS: PRE-Nadia Greenhalgh. 1-Naomi White. 3-Corinne Miller, Tai Chizmar. 4-Renee Wilson. JF-Katie Pollock. IF-Corinne Miller. BR DT-Felicia Price.

PAWTUCKET & PROVIDENCE FS: PRE-Aimee Aunchman. PF-Erin Gouin, Michelle Hardy, Nicole Chaput, Timothy Bachand. P DT-Erika Hoffman, Lynn Midgley, Nancy Ann Rosse, Patricia Godlewski, Susan Godlewski, Tammie Heron.

PENGUIN FSC, INC.: 2-Pikai Oh. 4-Jenna Lansek.

PENASULA FSC: PRE-Alicia Piscatelli, Bess Pope, Cathy Borck, Jessica Aronstam, Kimberly Luzzi, Miwa Watanabe, Robert Pierret. 1-Amy Kalivoda, Andrea Piscatelli, Carolyn Prieto, Jessica Nelson. 2-Jayne Miyao. 3-Jamie Rose, Jennifer Lee, Maria Smith, Melisa Medalle. 4-Tonya Douglas. PF-Alicia Piscatelli, Bess Pope, Cathy Borck, Jessica Aronstam, Kimberly Luzzi, Miwa Watanabe, Robert Pierret. JF-Christine Blanco, Jayne Miyao, Jeanne Prieto. IF-Jennifer Lee, Joel Vinson, Maria Smith, Melisa Medalle, Sheila Ganjei. NF-Amaal Islam, Tonya Douglas. JRF-Jennifer Nathan, Shirley Pang. P DT-Amaal Islam, Emily Bobel, Robert Pierret. PBR DT-Andrea Piscatelli. BR DT-Paul Appelblom.

PHILADELPHIA SC & HS: IF-Jennifer Williams. PS DT-Alice Fetter.

SC OF PHOENIX: JF-Elizabeth Gullickson.

PITTSBURGH FSC, INC.: 2-Jamie Silverstein. JF-Annie Strasbaugh. PBR MDT-Jean Lang.

PITTSFIELD FSC: 3-Meagan Soutier, Melisa Krzysztof, Tracy Fancher. PS DT-Caitlin Murray. S DT-Meagan Soutier.

PLYMOUTH FSC: 1-Marya Bak, Rachel Brown. 7-Brian Scherle. PF-Robin Ireland. JF-Caroline Mason. IF-Sarah Ann Lesar.

PORT HURON FSC: PRE-Danny Whipple. 1-Meredith Whipple. 2-Randi Kettlewell. 4-Anne Turner. PF-Danny Whipple. JF-Randi Kettlewell.

PORTAGE LAKE FSC: PRE-Katie Kolb. 3-Melissa Archambeau. PS DT-Allison Brown.

PUEBLO FSC: 2-Suh Won Lee.

QUEEN CITY FSC: PRE-Amy Tisdell, Natalie Bonati. 1-Beth Ann Luman. 2-Melissa Harris, Shanna Hayes. PF-Amy Tisdell, Natalie Bonati. JF-Melissa Harris, Shanna Hayes. NF-Bjorn Herman. P DT-Laura Lynn Fischer, Meredith Bockelman. PBR DT-Kelly Rexroad.

RARITAN VALLEY FSC, INC.: PRE-Kelly Laughlin.

RED RIVER VALLEY FSC: PRE-Angela Marquart, Nichole Mather. 1-Aanna Letnes, Betsy Steele, Kimberly Veiss, Sara Christianson, Sarah Shellito. 2-Barbara Bjerken. PF-Laura Hovland. P DT-Ann Marie Shotwell, Laura Hovland. PBR DT-Alison Johnson, Heather Sjurseth, Michelle Hapka, Regan Smith, Tawny Wadeson. BR DT-Aanna Letnes. PS DT-Kimberly Veiss, Lisa Svaleson.

RIM OF THE WORLD FSC: P DT-Jon Wright.

FSC OF ROCKFORD, INC: 2-Jennifer Schultz, Kirsten Osborn. 3-Angela Diller, Stephanie Rogers. JF-Bethany Magill, Jennifer Schultz. IF-Angela Diller, Garrett Krug, Jamie Walzer, Stephanie Rogers. NF-Kelly Pipitone, Stephanie Anderson.

SC OF ROCKLAND NEW YORK: 1-Jessica Park, Sabrina Nunes. PF-Lauren Stewart, Rheema Ricks. IF-Heidi Tinter, Priscilla Obletz, Samantha Chaifetz. JRF-Nickie Andrews. ASFS-Terry Walters. PPR-Julie Maguire. P DT-Andrea Tufo.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN FSC: PRE-Vincent Wilson. 2-Misty Wilson. JF-Misty Wilson.

ROSEVILLE FSC: 1-Jennifer Kane, Lisa Rassel. 2-Jeremy Allen, Megan Halvorsen. 3-Danielle Olein. 5-Leah Morstad. PF-Elizabeth Larntz, Kathryn Lee, Niki Carrier. JF-Alko Muro, Tina Morri. NF-Stacie Ferrazzo. BR MDT-Beverly Eberhard.

RYE FSC, INC.: 3-Megan Stifel. 7-Lindsay Pickard. NF-Christie Maria. JRF-Evelyn Sprigg.

SALT CITY FIGURE SKATERS, INC.: PRE-Liza Bailey, Tara Haug. 3-Brandy Donovan. ABFI-Jeanne Denti.

SAN ANTONIO FSC: PRE-Amanda Vann, Anna Olds, Jason Shevokas. PF-Amanda Vann, Anna Olds, Delilah Fleming, Jason Shevokas, Sonia Mickler.

SAN DIEGO FSC: PRE-Chelsey Grindle. 4-Jennifer Henz. PF-Chelsey Grindle. NF-Jennifer Henz. P DT-Jennifer Berry, Jessica Van Pelt. PBR DT-Amy Lovejoy, Caroline Green, Chelsey Grindle, Jennifer Berry, Julia Cappelli. BR DT-Erin Green. PS DT-Devrea Jewell. S DT-Claire Carrillo, Ken DeBit. PFD-Claire Carrillo, Devrea Jewell, Judy F Clinton, Ken DeBit. BFD-Claire Carrillo, Ken DeBit.

SANTA ROSA FSC: PRE-Jamie Castle, Jennifer Winter, Jodi Castle, Maureen Fuller, Stephanie Brewer. 1-Laurie O'Neill, Lisa Offenbacher, Sarah Salaz. 3-Duna Herman. PF-Jamie Castle, Jennifer Winter, Jodi Castle, Stephanie Brewer, Tillie Johnson. JF-Amy Jordan, Dawn Pizzini.

SEATTLE SC: PRE-Curtis Zettlemoyer, Linda Lin. 1-Kenneth Metzger, Melissa Shdo, Tami Brown. 2-Inga Giske. 3-Lara Malpass. 4-Margaret Evich, Trina Pierre. 5-Daniel Gray. PF-Brendan Rossiter, Linda Lin. JF-Jessica Biringier. JRF-Anika Ryan. PFD-Nicholas Hart. BFD-Christophe Rossiter. SFD-Christophe Rossiter, Daniel Gray.

SHAKER FSC: PRE-Annise Lewis, Melissa Duncan. 1-Ross Kinder, Sarah Levin. 2-Kristen Carter. 6-Kim Butler. PF-Annise Lewis, Hannah Stern, Melissa Duncan. JF-Kristen Carter. NF-J Leigh Burditt. PPR-Erin Wolf, Ross Kinder. P DT-Lorin Flournoy, Ross Kinder. PBR DT-Alicia Kelley, Anne McGinness, Lindsay Karfeld, Whitney Karfeld. BR DT-Kristen Carter. PG DT-Lisa Bodnar.

SILVER BLADES FSC OF KC: PRE-Karen Sturgeon, Krista Stuchlik, Lisa Coester, Lynn Brabender, Meghann Milliken, Michelle Kunzel. 1-Angela Currie, Jomarie Mirabile, Malinda Baehr, Robbie Kleitz. 2-Amber Makalous, Elaine Perll, Kristen Devlin. 3-Jackie Bender, Sean Tilley. 4-Lindsay Hall, Shawndra Beauchamp. PF-Karen Sturgeon, Krista Stuchlik, Lisa Coester, Lynn Brabender, Meghann Milliken, Michelle Kunzel. JF-Amber Makalous, Heather Elenbass, Kristen Devlin, Lacy Hecker. IF-Jackie Bender. NF-Lindsay Hall. ABFS-Gayle Lowe. ASFS-Barbara Bruemmer. PPR-Lindsay Hall, Sean Tilley. IPR-Lindsay Hall, Robyn Brilliantine, Sean Tilley. P DT-Ashley Smith, Jomarie Mirabile. PS DT-Sara Douthat.

SILVER STREAKS SC: JF-Joseph Walsh.

SKOKIE VALLEY SC: PRE-Chrissy Hochstein, T Murphy. 1-Kristin Searle, Rebecca Sternberg. 6-Laura Emma. PF-Betty Wise, Chrissy Hochstein, T Murphy. P DT-Jennifer Hufnagel. BR DT-Jennifer Naiman, Kristin Searle.

SMITHFIELD FSC: PRE-Cheryl Thibeault. PF-Amanda Dailey, Cheryl Thibeault, Jessica Meiners, Karen Short, Sarah Procaccini. JF-Jessica Di Paolo.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN FSC, INC.: 3-Stephanie Roth. 6-Carrie Ann Skinner. 7-Cari Bleckner. PF-Rachel Wartski. PPR-Samantha Safer. P DT-Christy Friedson.

SC OF SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND: PRE-Christine Hall, Rottisha Newborn. 2-Stacey Gagliardi, Stephanie Czech. 4-Kristen Strojny. JF-Stacey Gagliardi. IF-Cindy Lee Mattos. Suzanne Mattos.

SOUTHPORT SC: PRE-Jackie Hutchison. 1-Christine Gucwa, Mary Benetti, Stacy Letsom. 3-Stacey Beth. PF-Jackie Hutchison. JF-Heather Picolo, Heather Eckert, Liana Rothermel, Shawna Dulan. NF-Kelly Beth.

SPOKANE FSC, INC: SFD-Courtney Callahan.

ST. CLAIR SHORES FSC: PRE-Jennifer Jakey. 2-Andrea Mousseau. 6-Ryan Jahnke. PF-Darllynn Deneweth. NF-Kristie Kolozsvary. P DT-Elizabeth De Vleeschouwer. BR DT-Samantha Jarecki. PS DT-Kristen Klenner.

ST. CLOUD FSC: PRE-Erin Schiefelbein, Kristina Kremers. 2-Kara Long, Kim Brusseau. 3-Elizabeth Bancroft, Lori Kicker, Missy Lake. PF-Erin Schiefelbein. IF-Missy Lake. BR DT-Katie Rothstein.

ST. MORITZ ISC, INC.: 2-Ferris Monge. JF-Ferris Monge. IF-Whitney Reck. BR DT-Robert Eads. PFD-Michele Silak. SFD-Kanae Tagawa.

ST. PAUL FSC, INC: PRE-Amanda Peterschick. 2-Kelly Burk. PF-Amanda Peterschick. JF-Lindsay Halleckson. IF-Mary Lombardo. NF-Nicole Crassweller, Sarah Frost.

STAR OF THE NORTH SC: PRE-Bridget Jahn. PF-Bridget Jahn.

STOCKTON FSC: JRF-Janelle Loberg.

STONE MOUNTAIN FSC: 2-Danielle Carroll.

STONEHAM FSC: 2-Jenny Washburn. JF-Jenny Washburn.

STOWE SC, INC: PRE-Holly Sedutto. PF-Holly Sedutto.

SUN VALLEY FSC, INC.: PRE-Kirston Bradley, Leah Taylor, Rae Schweizer. 1-Colleen Bathen, Esti Milam. JRF-Susan Pereira. P DT-Hollyn Sanders, Mary Bathen, Michael Klus. BR DT-Leah Taylor, Tiffany Barnett. PFD-Brianna Rego Keffer, Kristyn Starr, Michael Klus.

SC SUNRISE: 2-Dezra Samuelson. JF-Lorianne Solms. P DT-Marisa Miner.

SUPERIOR FSC: PRE-Andrea Filteau. 3-Anna Cirilli. 4-Kalli Erickson.

SYCAMORE ISC: S DT-Karen Krampe.

SYMMETRIC FSC: PF-Nicole Armstrong.

TAMPA BAY SC: PRE-Julia Coulmas. 1-Candice Erickson, David F Vaughn, Dolores Wood, Jennifer Humphrey, Michelle Kurigonis. 2-James Ward Jr. 3-Elizabeth Leroux, Tara Bulzone. PF-Julia Coulmas. JF-Elizabeth Shane, James Ward Jr. IF-Tara Bulzone. PBR DT-Hope Heisler. PS DT-Shannon Edens.

THOROUGHBRED FS TEAM: PRE-Andrea Doyle, Vincent Liu. 2-Elizabeth Spencer. 4-Sarah Stodola. 5-Thida Chokliokaew. PF-Andrea Doyle, Vincent Liu. JF-Allison Spencer, Elizabeth Spencer, Jaime Anne Spencer, Kathryn Henderson. P DT-Martha Russell, Paige McGraw. PBR DT-Destin Judy, Elizabeth Bush, Sarah Stodola, Thida Chokliokaew.

TIDEWATER FSC: PRE-Natalie Frieden. 1-Caitlin Stine. PF-Natalie Frieden. JF-Natalie Frieden. P DT-Natalie Frieden. PBR DT-Natalie Frieden.

TIMBERLINE SC: 1-Jessica Gall.

TRI-CITIES FSC: 2-Mary Braun. JF-Mary Braun.

TRI-COUNTY FSC: 1-Debbie Tonsager. 2-Karin Feig, Matthew Buck. JF-Julie Yorks, Kari Frederickson, Matthew Buck.

TROY SC: 2-Janine Elefante, Jennifer Dunbar. 3-Allison Hartmann. 4-Courtney Barnhart, Matthew Hartmann. JF-Erin Wagner. IF-Allison Hartmann. NF-Courtney Barnhart, Mary Anne Bayat.

TULSA FSC, INC: 2-Karen Pasco. PF-Autumn York, Stefanie Horton. JF-Audrey Kindell.

TWIN BAYS SC: PRE-Libby Giannestras. 1-Christine Pangborn. PF-Libby Giannestras. P DT-Catherine Wagner, Holly Giannestras. PBR DT-Christine Pangborn.

UNCLE SAM SKATING CLUB: 1-Christine Cedilotte. PF-Kristen Kelts. JF-Christine Cedilotte. IF-Joy Marie Anderson. P DT-Christine Cedilotte, Erika Haegele. BR DT-Kristen Scheu.

UTAH FSC: PFD-Kahrin Sharp. BFD-Kahrin Sharp. SFD-Kahrin Sharp.

VACATIONLAND FSC, INC.: PRE-Kelly Aase, Robin Lindstam. PF-Kelly Aase, Robin Lindstam.

SC OF VAIL INC: 2-Jennifer Dulski, Megan Loughlin, Parke Cogswell. 3-Christophe Malato. JF-Jennifer Dulski, Megan Loughlin, Parke Cogswell. IF-Christophe Malato.

VALLEY FSC: 1-Angela Seckar. 3-Shannon Ort.

THE SC OF VAN NUYS: 1-Leah Cole.

WAGON WHEEL FSC: PRE-Carrie Blomquist, Lisa Polus, Nicole Vieille, Reyna Brook. 1-Alexis Williamson, Kristen Black. 2-Cheryl Klemmer, Megan Young. 3-Amy Prekel, Tiffany Scurto. 7-Melissa Phelps. PF-Carrie Blomquist, Emily Werner, Lisa Polus, Nicole Vieille, Reyna Brook. JF-Amy Bakos, Cheryl Klemmer, Elizabeth Sloan, Janiese Potempa, Megan Young, Sarah Solberg. IF-Amy Prekel, Clare Jones, Tiffany Scurto, Valerie Brackett. NF-Sara Jack.

WARWICK FIGURE SKATERS: PRE-Susan Raymond. 3-Helen Harrison. PF-Megan Thurber, Susan Raymond. PPR-Patrice Corrente, William Raymond. P DT-Bonnie Lury, Olivia Boyle, Sarah Chacko, William Raymond. PBR DT-Caroline Boggs, Heather Huang. BR DT-Jessica O'Brien. S DT-Stacey Thurston. PFD-Stacey Thurston.

WASHINGTON FSC: PRE-Benjamin Cohen, Emanuela Marino, Emily Morris, Peggy Bourjaily. 1-Jennifer Goebel, Lauren Howell, Noelle Mercer, Victoria Rose. 2-Angelique Yavari, Elizabeth Rhoads, Melissa Weberman, Rebecca Adams. 3-Elizabeth Ollapally, Samantha Mazo. 4-Aliisa Barrett. 5-Latoya Barnett. 6-Barbara Chen, Derrick Delmore. PF-Benjamin Cohen, Emanuela Marino, Emily Morris, Erica Rhinehart, Peggy Bourjaily. JF-Grace Cheng, Melissa Weberman, Rebecca Adams. PS DT-Amanda Carpenter. S DT-Amanda Carpenter. I DT-David Hold.

WATERTOWN SC INC: PRE-Johanna Goldfeld, Michelle LaPointe. PF-Johanna Goldfeld, Michelle LaPointe. P DT-Johanna Goldfeld, Michelle LaPointe.

SC OF WAYNE: 4-Stephanie Olive. PF-Anne Sulkowski, Charlotte Whitaker, Marlene Donner. NF-Stephanie Olive.

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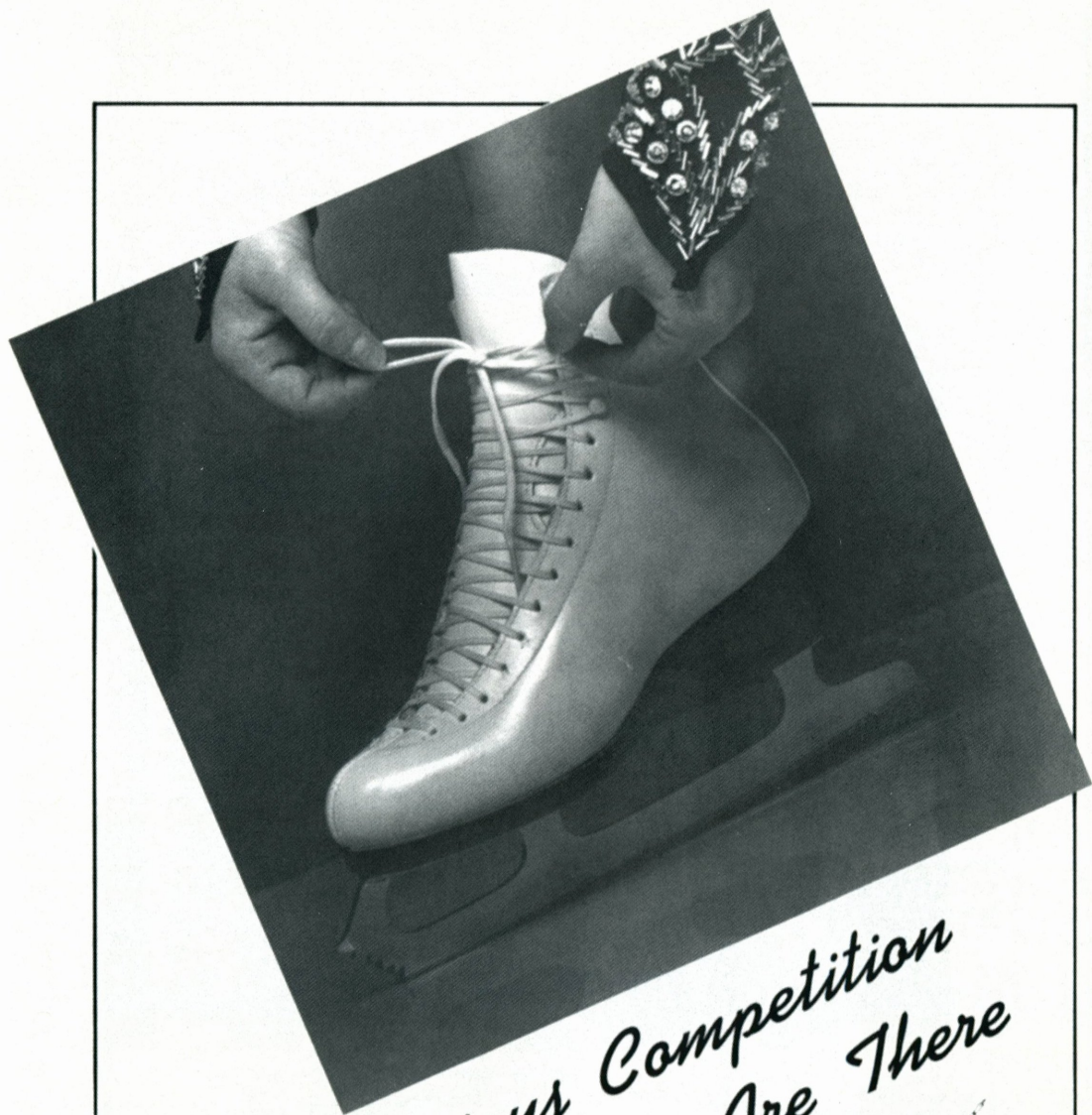
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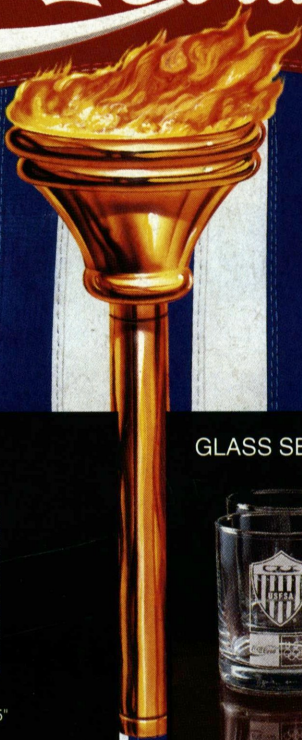
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