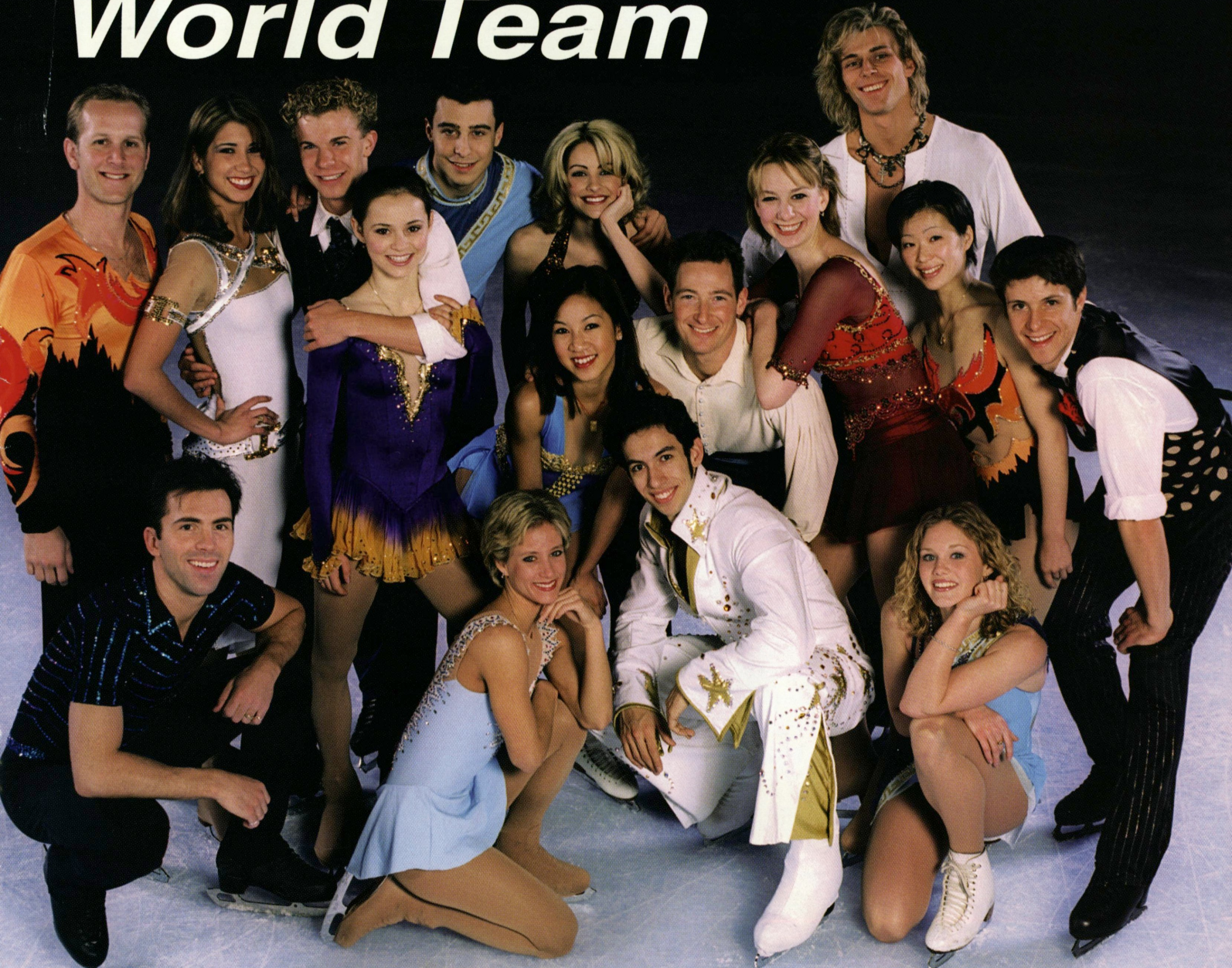


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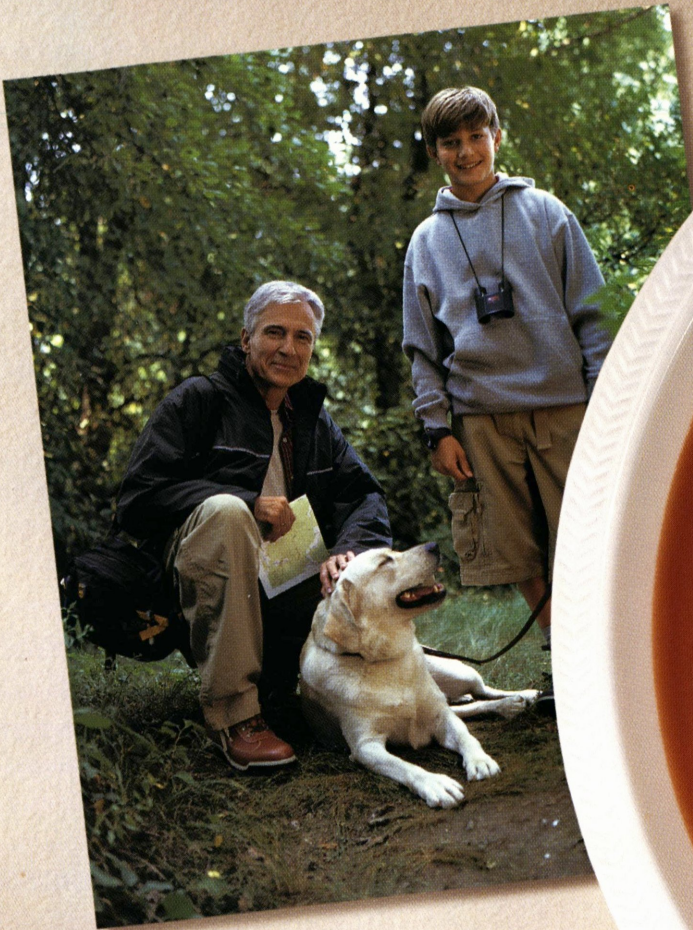
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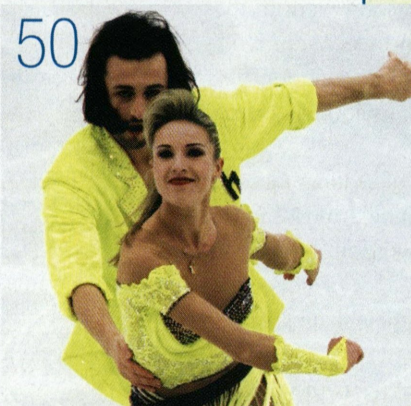
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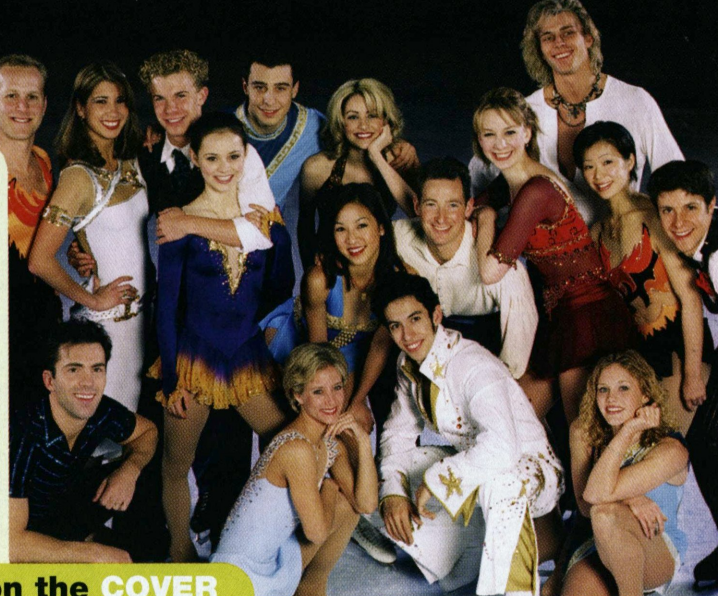
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A Dream Job

All kids dream about what they want to be when they grow up. Firefighter, pilot, famous figure skater. Like most, I went through numerous phases over what my future job would be, but as a freshman in high school I settled on the occupation of my future – journalism. Unlike most, I never strayed from that focus and never changed my major in college. Journalism just seemed like the right fit. It would allow me to meet interesting people and it would satisfy my intense curiosity by helping me be “in the know.”

The last 10 years have proved me right about journalism being the perfect fit for me. I’ve worked at both newspapers and magazines, and my job has led me into some interesting situations and places.

I’ve interviewed the man who found the gun that shot John F. Kennedy in Dallas and a woman who was a contestant on Who Wants to be a Millionaire. I’ve done lots of articles about the dreams and aspirations of kids in three different states. And my writing even helped accomplish positive social changes in a small town in Arkansas. It’s hard for me to imagine doing anything else.

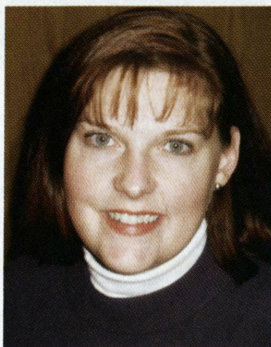
While I’ve done news coverage on the job, sports have been an important part of my life, mostly as a fan since I’m not highly athletic. But sports took on a larger presence in my life when I married my husband, who is a sports editor. With both of us working as journalists, there were many times early in our marriage when we only saw each other at high school sporting events – he was covering the event while I took pictures for him.

Now two of my loves, journalism and sports, have come together in one of the most interesting places my career has taken me – the U.S. Figure Skating Association as editor of SKATING magazine.

I call this job one of the best presents I received in 2002, having accepted the job a week before Christmas. After only two weeks on the job I went to the State Farm U.S. Championships in Dallas. It was a whirlwind week, but it was one of the best learning experiences I could have. I learned more about the sport and how the championships work in that one week than I could have learned in a month just being in the office.

With the television broadcasts and performance aspect of skating, there is little doubt that this is a glamorous sport. And while that is exciting, I must say that the part of this job that I’m most looking forward to is the opportunity to encourage people of all ages to pursue their dreams. I met a lot of skaters at the U.S. Championships, and I’m now excited to see how their skating careers progress in the coming years.

It is an exciting time to be working with U.S. Figure Skating as the sport continues to grow in popularity, and U.S. skaters continue to find success at all levels of competition. I feel blessed to be a part of this exciting time in figure skating, and look forward to meeting more of you at future competitions.



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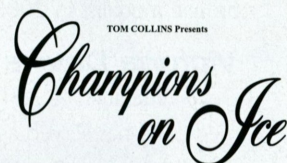
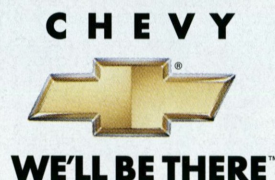
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2003 Chevrolet/USFSA Scholastic Honors Team

It has been said that success breeds success. That seems to be the case with the 2003 Chevrolet/USFSA Scholastic Honors Team. The team was created by the USFSA Program Development Committee to recognize high school athletes who excel in the classroom and on the ice.

The award is available to USFSA members of all disciplines who are

juniors or seniors in an accredited high school. They must be full-time students with a GPA of 3.4 or higher. In skating, they must have competed at the novice, junior or senior level within the past two years.

To be considered, candidates submit an application and an essay. A panel reviews the applications and selects 12 members and 10 honorable mentions

for the team. Team members were recognized at a ceremony during the 2003 State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Dallas, Texas.

This marks the seventh year of Chevrolet's involvement in the program. In conjunction with the USFSA, Chevrolet will provide scholarships to team members, as well as a team letter jacket. This year's team members are:

Felicia Beck (Lake Arrowhead, Calif./Los Angeles FSC) – Beck is a member of the National Honor Society and has maintained a 4.0 GPA for the last four years. She was the U.S. junior bronze medalist in 2002.

Victoria Devins (Skaneateles, N.Y./SC of Boston) – Devins maintains a 3.81 GPA and is active in student government. She has served as a volunteer for her local Red Cross blood drive and was the 2001 U.S. novice dance champion with her partner, Kevin O'Keefe.

Lisa Horstman (Glen Ellyn, Ill./DuPage FSC) – Horstman maintains a weighted GPA of 5.8125 and earned honor roll status in her freshman, sophomore and junior years. She has competed in the U.S. Championships.

Sarah Hughes (Great Neck N.Y./SC of New York) – Hughes maintains a 3.9 GPA and recently gained acceptance to Harvard University. She serves as national spokesperson for the Campbell Soup's "Labels for Education" program and claimed the gold medal at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City.

Tatiana Klunchoo (Mission Viejo, Calif./Orange County FSC) – Klunchoo maintains an overall 4.4 GPA, is a member of the National Honor Society and has received the Presidential Education Award. She finished eighth at the 2002 U.S. Championships in the novice pairs with partner Manny Gardner.

Meghan McCullough (Alexandria, Va./Washington FSC) – McCullough carries a weighted 4.2 GPA while staying involved with her local Special Olympics program. She is a volunteer instructor for "Kids on Ice," a program for underprivileged children. She and her ice dancing partner, Joel Dear, won the novice silver medal at the 2003 U.S. Championships.

John Serpe (Richmond, Va./Washington FSC) – Serpe is active in a variety of school clubs including Student Council and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and maintains a GPA of 3.9. He qualified for the 2002 U.S. Championships.

Leo Ungar (Palo Alto, Calif./Peninsula SC) – Ungar maintains a weighted GPA of 4.167. With his former partner, he claimed the U.S. silver medal in ice dancing as a novice competitor in 2001. He competed in the 2003 U.S. Championships in the junior ice dancing competition with his new partner, Carly Donowick.

Tiffany Vise (Colorado Springs, Colo./Broadmoor SC) – Vise is a member of her school's honor roll and carries a GPA of 3.69. In her spare time, she is a volunteer coach in her club's Basic Skills program and is active in numerous school activities. In 2002 she and her former partner, Larry Ibarra, claimed the bronze medal at the U.S. Championships in junior pairs. @



Members of the 2003 Chevrolet/USFSA Scholastic Honors Team pose with their awards during a ceremony at U.S. Championships.

Jennifer Don (Sugar Land, Texas/Texas Gulf Coast FSC) – Last season Don achieved a weighted GPA of 4.592 and was a member of the 2002 Chevrolet/USFSA Scholastic Honors Team. She competes in the senior ladies event and in the senior pairs event with her partner, Jonathon Hunt.

Loren Galler-Rabinowitz (Brookline, Mass./SC of Boston) – Galler-Rabinowitz maintains a 3.8 overall GPA and earned her school's Citation of Honor. An accomplished concert pianist, she has received state and national recognition. She claimed the 2002 U.S. junior dance title with David Mitchell.

Alicia Heelan (Vail, Colo./SC of Vail) – Heelan is involved in numerous school activities and maintains a 4.0 GPA. She volunteers with numerous organizations including the Colorado State Games. She has competed at the U.S. Championships as both a singles and pairs competitor.

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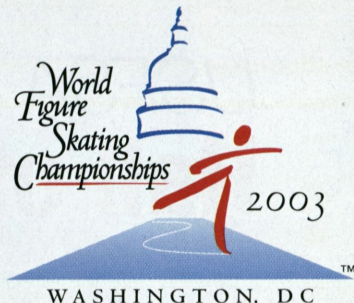
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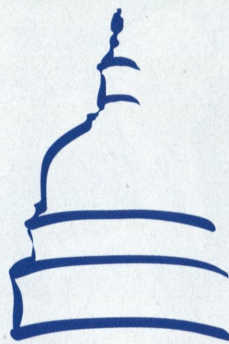
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USFSA honors new Hall of Fame class

The USFSA has inducted four new members into the U.S. Figure Skating Hall of Fame in Colorado Springs, Colo. The 2003 inductees are Elaine Zayak, Charles "Chuck" Foster, Doug Wilson and Skippy Baxter.

The "Class of 2003" was formally inducted during an on-ice presentation at the 2003 State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships, Friday, Jan. 17, in Dallas following the championship pairs competition. The inductees were also honored at an U.S. Hall of Fame reception following the presentation. Choeleen Loundagin, one of Baxter's former pupils who coaches with him at Redwood Ice Arena, accepted the honor on behalf of Baxter.

Elaine Zayak

Most athletes would be content with a career that included a U.S. junior title (1979), U.S. senior title (1981) and World title (1982) and a top 10 Olympic finish.

But Elaine Zayak, a professional skater for five years and retired in 1989, returned to the sport she loved in 1994 when the ISU allowed professionals to be reinstated. At the age of 28, Zayak competed in the 1994 U.S. Championships exactly 10 years after her last U.S. Championships appearance. Zayak placed fourth and was an alternate for the 1994 U.S. Olympic Team.

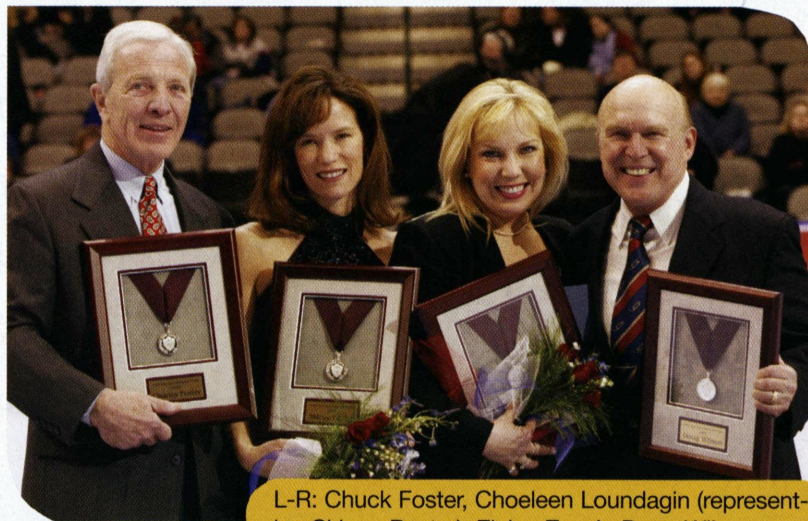
"I wanted to prove to myself that I could do it as well or even better than I had before," she said. "I wanted to show other people that a 28-year-old woman can still compete."

Zayak returned to the professional ranks following the 1994 season before turning her attention to coaching and family life. Today, she resides in River Vale, N.J., with her husband, John Berg. The couple had their first child, John Brendan Berg, in August 2002.

Charles "Chuck" Foster

Chuck Foster has been involved in the sport of figure skating in the United States on all levels since childhood. Foster was the 1955 U.S. junior pairs champion with partner Maribel Y. Owen.

A graduate of Harvard University, Foster stayed involved in the sport following his competitive skating career as a judge and a referee. Attaining the level of world judge, he continues to preside over numerous international competitions. As a world-level referee, he has worked



L-R: Chuck Foster, Choeleen Loundagin (representing Skippy Baxter), Elaine Zayak, Doug Wilson.

the 1981, '87, '98 and '99 World Championships and recently served as assistant referee of the ladies competition at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games.

Outside of the arena, Foster served as USFSA vice president from 1988-89 and was a member of the USFSA Board of Directors for 17 years. Foster currently resides Duxbury, Mass.

Doug Wilson

Wilson is the longtime producer/director of the U.S. Figure Skating Championships for ABC Sports. He has worked in the television production of 10 Olympic Winter Games, beginning in Innsbruck in 1964, and co-produced the 20th and 25th anniversary specials of ABC's Wide World of Sports.

He is the winner of 17 Emmys and the Lifetime Achievement Award for Sports Directing from the Directors Guild of America. The USFSA selected him for the Spirit of Giving Award, and he was honored by the Ice Theater of New York for his contributions to the art of figure skating.

A graduate of Colgate University, he has lectured at Colgate, Ithaca College, the University of Southern California, the Naval War College, American University in Washington, D.C., and at IBM where he taught "The Creative Process."

Wilson resides in Irvington, N.Y., with his wife, Betsy.

Skippy Baxter

Born in Weldon, Saskatchewan, Canada, in 1919, Baxter began skating at the age of 9 when his family moved to Oakland, Calif., in the late 1920s. In addition to figure skating, he was a speed skater, losing the national title by one-tenth of a second when he was 17.

He won the Pacific Coast Championships in 1929, but with the start of World War II, he turned professional. Baxter served with the 10th Mountain Division in Italy during the war.

Following the war, he skated with Sonja Henie's ice show for many years and also had a lead role at Rockefeller Center ice shows. He was one of the first skaters to do a double Axel and a triple Salchow in shows.

Baxter continues to teach figure skating on a daily basis at Redwood Empire Ice Arena in Santa Rosa, Calif., where he resides with his wife, Phyllis. Baxter has a son, David, and a daughter, Debbie. ©

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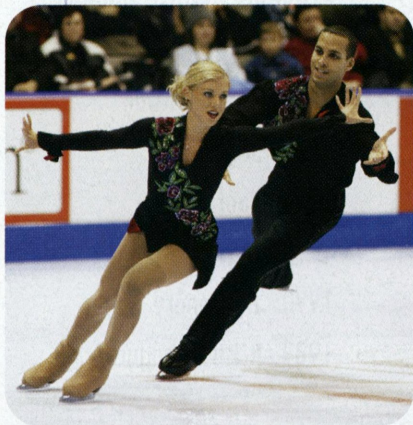
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2003 READERS' CHOICE ELIGIBLE SKATER(S) OF THE YEAR AWARD

Skaters announce end, beginning of partnerships

Late January and early February brought the announcements of ended partnerships by three skating teams, and the announcement of a new dance team that will compete next season.



Kalesavich and Parchem

The U.S. senior pairs team of Stephanie Kalesavich of Rochester Hills, Mich., and Aaron Parchem of Oakland Park, Ill., announced the end to their four-year partnership on Feb. 3.

"Stephanie and I have decided to end our careers with each other," Parchem said. "Any big change in life is hard, but what was more important to us is that we left each other on good terms. We are both undecided as to whether or not we will continue skating or pursue other goals."

The duo, which most recently placed fifth at the 2003 State Farm U.S. Championships, began skating together in March 1999 and claimed the 2000 U.S. junior pairs title in their first full season together.

Nussear and Gates to Nussear and Forsyth

The former ice dancing team of Emilie Nussear of Clearwater, Fla., and Brandon Forsyth of Lexington, Mass., announced in late January that they will train together again with hopes of competing in the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy.

In 2000, the duo ended their two-year partnership that included silver medals as juniors at the 1999 and 2000 U.S. Championships and a silver medal at the 2000 World Junior Championships.

The announcement about Nussear and Forsyth came a week after Nussear announced the end of her partnership with Mathew Gates. Nussear and Gates placed fifth in the ice dancing competition at the 2003 U.S. Championships.

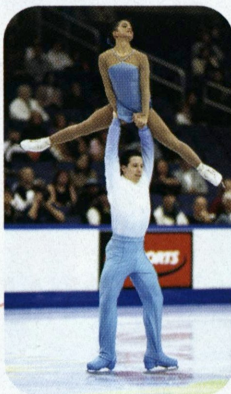
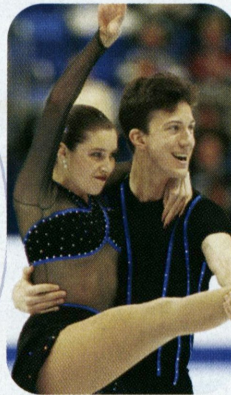
At press time, Gates had not announced his plans.

Forsyth did not compete during the 2002-03 season after ending his two-year partnership with Jessica Joseph in the spring of 2002.

Nussear, 20, and Forsyth, 23, will train in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., under coaches Igor Shpilband and Marina Zoueva at the Detroit Skating Club.

Vise and Ibarra

After finishing their second season together, the pairs team of Tiffany Vise and Larry Ibarra have decided to end their on-ice partnership. Vise and Ibarra placed 11th at the 2003 U.S. Championships. Last season they were the junior bronze medalists at the 2002 U.S. Championships and finished sixth at the World Junior Championships. Neither Vise nor Ibarra have announced future plans. @@



USFSA announces Nu Skin as an official supplier

The U.S. Figure Skating Association has announced that Nu Skin, a leading company in the creation and distribution of personal care products in the world, has agreed to become

an official supplier of the USFSA. Nu Skin was an official sponsor of the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City.

As an official supplier to the USFSA, Nu Skin provided a full line of products and an athlete salon at the 2003 State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Dallas, Texas, in January. Nu Skin also has created a unique fund-raising campaign to benefit participating USFSA member clubs by redirecting a percentage of Nu Skin purchases directly to the clubs to assist with athlete training costs.

USFSA President Phyllis Howard said, "Nu Skin is a proven supporter of Olympic-level athletes, and we are pleased to welcome their support."

Nu Skin spokesperson Rosalynn Sumners, 1984 Olympic silver medalist and three-time U.S. ladies champion, will contribute columns to appear in SKATING magazine. @@



CORRECTIONS

NPRC Results

The In Photos section of the 2003 Northwest Pacific Regional Championships results (p. 50, February 2003) incorrectly listed the event's location, date and photographer. The Northwest Pacific Regionals were held Oct. 8-12, 2002, in Great Falls, Mont. Photo Plus provided the photos.

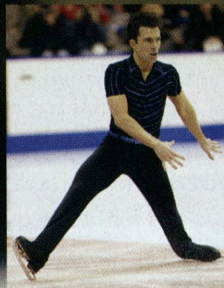
Rising to the Top

In the "Rising to the Top" article (p. 18, February 2003) the year Debi Thomas won the World title was incorrectly stated. Thomas won the title in 1986. @@

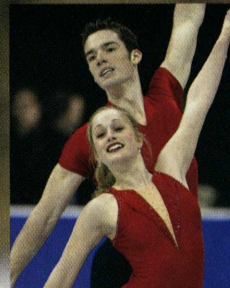
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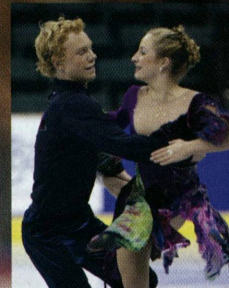
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Grace and elegance. Thrills and spills. The senior competition at the 2003 State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships had it all. Michelle Kwan won her seventh U.S. title. Michael Weiss jumped from fourth place to win the men's title after the top three men had major problems in the free skate. Tiffany Scott and Philip Dulebohn won the gold in the pairs competition for the first time despite not skating a clean free skate, while Naomi Lang and Peter Tchernyshev won their fifth straight title in the ice dancing competition.

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new and old **champions** alike shine in **Dallas**

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Ladies

For a post-Olympic year, the field of ladies was strong and a bit unusual. Olympic champion Sarah Hughes returned to competition — she is the first U.S. woman to return to the U.S. Championships the year after winning an Olympic gold medal.

Michelle Kwan, the 2002 Olympic bronze medalist, also returned. When asked early in the week about being considered an underdog going into the competition, Kwan said it didn't matter because she felt prepared.

"I've been the favorite, the underdog, the little jumping bean," she said. "Any one you choose will be fine with me. I've had my ups and downs at nationals, but I feel mentally and physically prepared this time. I don't feel like I'm hanging on."

And with two solid performances earning her the title, Kwan proved that she's not just hanging on — she's once again the one to beat. It was her sixth consecutive U.S. title, and she is now on the heels of skating legends such as Maribel Vinson, who won nine titles in the 1920s and '30s.

"To be mentioned in the same breath as all the legends of figure skating is overwhelming," Kwan said. "I still feel at my prime. I feel strong still. This is where the intensity is. If you love it, stay with it. It's not so much the medals anymore; it's just being able to feel good. Last year someone said, 'You are the most decorated U.S. female skater.' It just doesn't sound right, especially when you're still competing."

Kwan placed herself in a good position to capture the title by winning the short program, which she skated to Peter Gabriel's "The Feeling Begins." Going first in the last group, Kwan skated a clean program that garnered 5.7s and 5.8s for required elements and 5.8s and 5.9s for presentation.

But a strong group of ladies was hot on Kwan's heels. Sasha Cohen, 2002 U.S. silver medalist, sat in second after the short. Other than two-footing the landing on her triple Lutz-double toe, Cohen skated a clean program.

In her first competition in 11 months, Hughes looked a little shaky but fought hard and stuck all of her landings in the short program. She received a wide range of scores for her required elements (from 5.1 to 5.7), but her

presentation marks were more consistent ranging from 5.5 to 5.8, including five 5.7s. It was good enough to earn third place after the short program.

The remainder of the top six ladies also had good showings in the short program. Jennifer Kirk landed all of her elements and was in fourth place. Perhaps Yebin Mok had the hardest job of the night — skating last while many fans headed for the door. But she didn't let that get to her. Instead she skated a beautiful program, earning fifth place and a standing ovation from the crowd.

A shaky landing on her triple Lutz and a fall on the double Axel left Ann Patrice McDonough in sixth.

With the free skate counting for two-thirds of the total score, the title was still anyone's to win. As is her habit, Kwan drew to skate first in the final group of ladies in the free skate, and she set the pace for the rest of the top six.

The crowd's appreciation of Kwan was evident. When she took the ice for her free skate, the cheering was considerably louder than it had been throughout the competition.

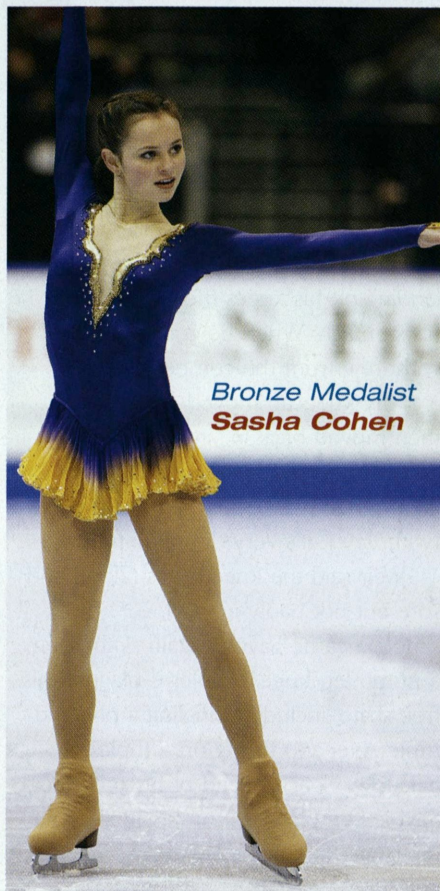
"The crowd was so loud," Kwan said. "I had to take a few minutes after they announced my name just to calm myself down and gather my thoughts. I would think after so many years of competing, I would be used to it out there."

Taking those extra minutes to calm down must have worked. The intensity of her free skate was moving, and in skating circles it was compared to one of her best performances ever at the U.S. Championships — her 1998 free skate in Philadelphia. In Dallas, she landed six solid triple jumps,



Silver Medalist
**Sarah
Hughes**

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*Bronze Medalist
Sasha Cohen*

triple Salchow before her footwork, but she two-footed that landing as well. Toward the end of her program she struggled on landing her double Axel.

Cohen's scores for technical merit ranged from 5.5 to 5.7, but her marks for presentation were higher with six 5.8s and three 5.7s.

"I felt like I started well but didn't hold it together," Cohen said. "I had a good, strong first half, and I was disappointed with the end."

Many considered Cohen the favorite to the win the title this year, since she was the only one to consistently compete this season. Her performance and her third-place finish upset her. Cohen struggled to hold back tears during the press conference following the free skate.

"I should have done it," she said. "I wish I could go out and do it again, but I can't. Next time."

Hughes skated last and completed five triples in her free skate to take the silver medal. She completed a triple Salchow but didn't do a planned triple loop in combination with it. She said she is glad to be competing again and to move up a spot on the podium from last year's third-place finish.

"It was a respectable skate, but I know I can do a lot better," she said.

"Nationals used to be the biggest event for me. Coming off the Olympics, it definitely doesn't have the same feeling."

McDonough wowed the crowd with her free skate. The program started off a little shaky when she singled a planned double Axel — the first element of the program. But things only got better from there as she proceeded to complete seven triple

jumps, including two combinations (triple Lutz-double toe and triple flip-double toe).

The judges were equally impressed, and her marks were good enough to move her from sixth after the short program to fourth overall.

Kirk and Mok struggled in the free skate. Early in the program Kirk fell on her triple flip, which caused her to miss the planned combination. But she seemed to get back on track landing a triple Lutz-double toe and a triple toe-double toe. Then later in the program she fell again on a triple toe, and dropped from fourth to fifth overall.

Mok had trouble on a planned triple flip, instead doubling it, and singled a planned triple Lutz. She ended up in sixth place overall.

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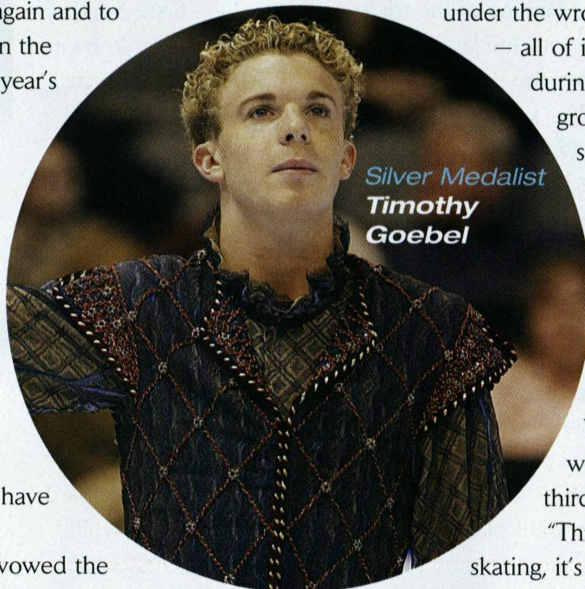
The men's free skate was a bizarre afternoon of skating mishaps and technical difficulties. Hitting the boards, restarts, costume problems, bumping into the flower sweepers, falls, withdrawals, and scores being posted

under the wrong name

— all of it happened during the last group of skaters. The results led to several shifts in the standings and Michael Weiss winning his third U.S. title.

"This is figure skating, it's drama. We provided it tonight," Weiss said. "All the karma and drama and craziness we've lacked in the last 10 years all happened at this one event."

The short program went off a couple of days earlier with only minor prob-



*Silver Medalist
Timothy
Goebel*

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including a triple Lutz-double toe and a triple toe-double toe. Kwan left out a seventh triple — a triple toe — that she had planned at the end of the program.

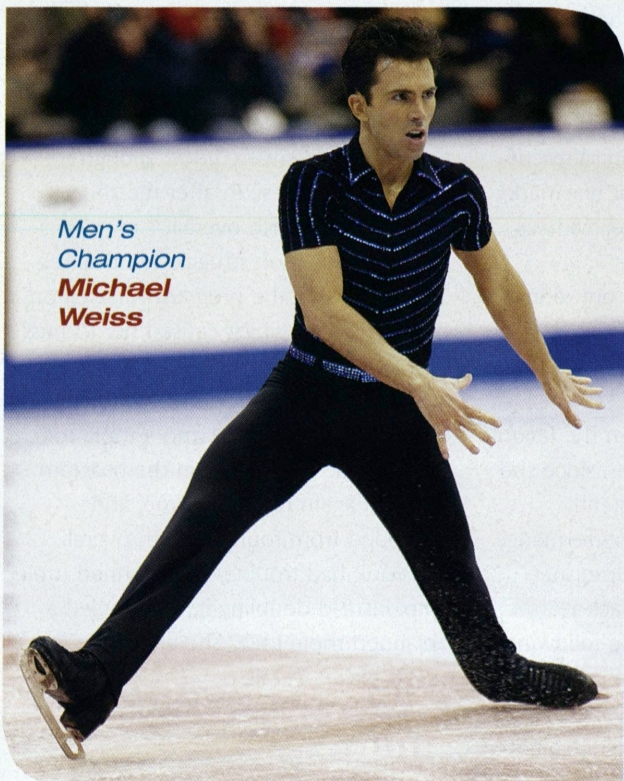
"It's overwhelming sometimes," she said. "You prepare for so long, and you hope to have a performance like that. It was blood, sweat and tears, that's for sure. The last two minutes, I let it all go and skated my heart out. I felt so alive."

Her marks for technical merit were seven 5.8s and two 5.7s, while her presentation marks were mostly 5.9s but included one 6.0. Her win was decisive with all nine judges placing her first after the free skate.

One by one the ladies who followed Kwan couldn't quite match her magic. Cohen struggled through her routine. Early in the program she two-footed the second half of her triple Lutz-triple toe combination. Then she fell on a triple toe that was supposed to be a combination of triple toe-half loop-triple Salchow. To make up for the fall, Cohen added a

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Men's
Champion
**Michael
Weiss**

lems. Timothy Goebel skated a new short program to "Romeo and Juliet." He completed a combination that included a quad Salchow but doubled the second jump, a planned triple toe, then struggled with the landing of the triple Axel just hanging onto the landing. He held first place after the short program.

Johnny Weir was the talk of the short program. Skating to music from Cirque du Soleil, he performed a flawless program that included a triple Lutz-triple toe combination putting him in second.

Skating on a leg that was partially numb, Matt Savoie fought through tendinitis in his left knee to skate a clean short program. Doubling a planned triple toe in combination with a triple flip meant his program wasn't as difficult as Weir's, but it was enough to put Savoie in third place.

After the short program, Michael Weiss was in fourth place having struggled on a couple of his jumps. He two-footed the landing of his quad toe but was able to complete the combination with a triple toe. Then he had an awkward landing on his triple Axel with

one knee hitting the ice. He received marks from 5.0 to 5.4 for required elements, but his marks for presentation were higher ranging from 5.6 to 5.8.

So coming into the free skate as the top four were Goebel, Weir, Savoie and Weiss, but by the end of the event, two of them wouldn't be in the top four.

Skating to music from "Shrek," Scott Smith led off the final group of men and had only minor problems in his program compared to what was to come. He missed a combination jump after a shaky

landing on his triple Axel, then two-footed the landings on both his quad Salchow and his triple flip.

"I always like to skate first," Smith said. "After knowing the circumstances, I'm really happy I got to skate first."

Smith's marks would be enough to land him in fourth place overall.

Then the bizarre afternoon began. Just 23 seconds into his free skate Weir's blade got stuck between the boards and the ice while doing crossovers.

"I got too close to the boards, my blade got stuck, and I fell," Weir said. "I twisted my back when I hit the

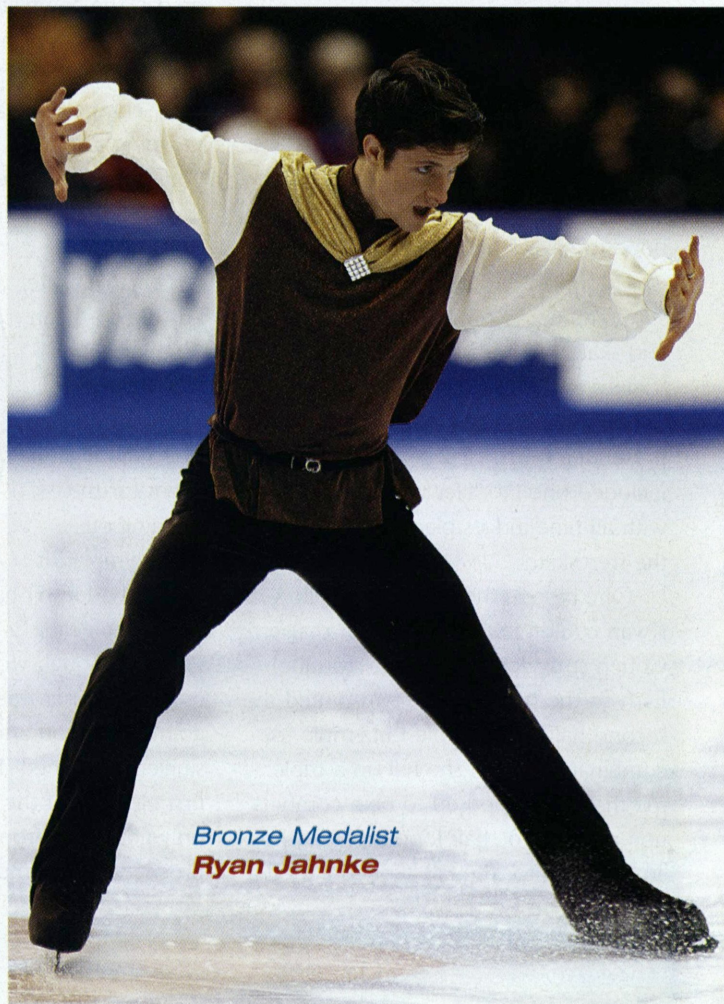
boards — just wrenched it kind of funny. I knew I should go over and see what I should do. It was hurting me."

Event referee Kathleen Flaherty allowed Weir to restart his program from the point where he fell. Things seemed to be OK, but on the third element of his program, a triple Axel, Weir fell landing on his knees then falling onto his stomach. When he got up, he withdrew from the competition.

"My kneecap moved out of place, then moved back in," he said. "I really believed I could do well. I was skating great when I came in, then to have to [withdraw]; it's very disappointing."

Weir said the knee was strained and sore but not badly injured.

Next came Savoie, again skating on a numb left knee. Problems plagued his free skate, including singling a planned triple Axel and falling on a triple Salchow. Near the end of his program, Savoie completed a combination triple flip-triple toe but hit the boards coming



Bronze Medalist
Ryan Jahnke

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out of the second jump, which loosened the strap on his pants leg.

The referee whistled to stop the program, but Savoie didn't hear the whistle until after he completed a triple Lutz with the strap hanging near his blade. Finally he stopped, fixed the stirrup and restarted his program from the point at which he stopped.

"It really wasn't going well at that point," he said. "I only had done one or two triples. I should have done a lot more by then."

Then Savoie had to wait longer than normal for his scores because of a technical problem. When the marks were finally posted, they came up under Weiss' name, and more time had to be taken to correct that mistake. Savoie's scores reflected his shaky performance. He placed sixth in the free skate and dropped to fifth overall.

The tendinitis in his left knee kept Savoie from practicing most of the week and required injections to numb the knee before both programs.

"My knee was completely numb," he said after the free skate. "I practiced only one time on Thursday before the short, and one time today. I don't think that was enough for me to feel comfortable in a high-pressure event like nationals."

Weiss was next, and as he stepped onto the ice he bumped into one of the flower sweepers who had been picking up items thrown onto the ice for Savoie. Because of the technical problems with Savoie's scores, Weiss waited on the ice for more than seven minutes before beginning his program.

Skating to "Malaguena," Weiss fell on his first element, a quad Lutz, but had only minor problems in the rest of the program. He two-footed the landing on his quad toe but still managed to complete the combination with a triple toe. Then he doubled a planned triple Axel and didn't do the triple toe that was to be tacked on as a combination.

Weiss' scores ranged from 5.4 to 5.6 for technical merit and 5.4 to 5.7 for

presentation leaving plenty of room for the final two skaters.

Ryan Jahnke followed Weiss skating to "Cinderella." He completed one triple Axel, a jump that has consistently given him problems, only to fall on another triple Axel midway through his program. However, he didn't let the fall get him down, and by the end of his program he had completed six clean triples. He received scores ranging from 5.2 to 5.7 for technical merit and 5.5 to 5.8 for presentation. Three judges awarded him first-place ordinals. He placed third overall, moving up from sixth in the short after placing second in the free skate.

"This is just incredible, being here for the first time," Jahnke said of being in the top three.

"It's something I've looked forward to for a long time."

Jahnke had skated at the U.S. Championships five times but had never placed higher than fifth.

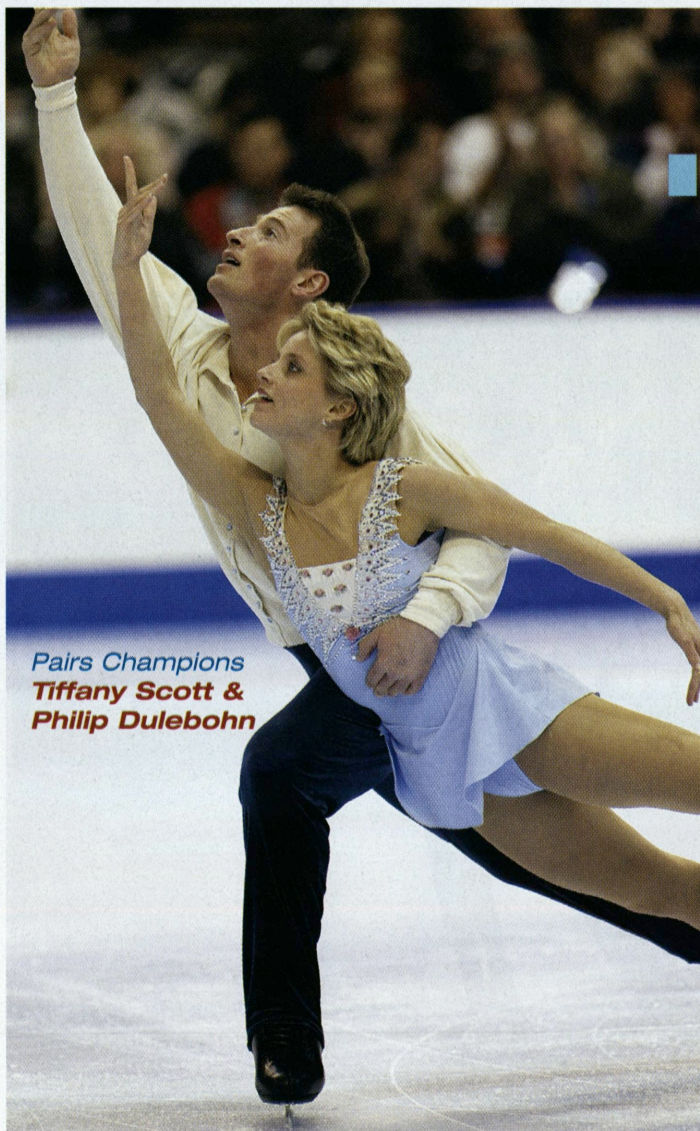
Goebel, known for his quadruple jumps, was unable to land even one quad during his free skate. He had planned four quads, and if he had landed them, he would have been the first man to complete four quadruple jumps in competition.

His first two quadruple jumps — a Salchow and a toe — were

planned as combinations, so when he fell on the quads he missed the chance to complete the second jumps. He stepped out of another quad toe, then tripled a planned quad Salchow. In an attempt to put something back in, Goebel added a double toe to his triple flip but stepped out of the toe.

"To be honest, I have no idea what happened," Goebel said after the free skate. "There is no excuse for what happened today. It was an embarrassment. I don't think I've ever under these circumstances performed that poorly."

Goebel said he had been doing the program well in practice, either cleanly or with one or two small mistakes. A week before the competition, Goebel



Pairs Champions
Tiffany Scott & Phillip Dulebohn

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said he had done a clean runthrough with all four quads.

"Coming into this event, I was in good shape, and one thing went wrong after another," Goebel said. "The only thing I can say is that I fought through the whole program. There wasn't one point where I gave up. I just couldn't get the job done."

With a solid, clean free skate, Parker Pennington placed fifth in the free skate moving him up to sixth overall.

pairs

In the absence of Kyoko Ina and John Zimmerman, who retired from eligible competition last year, Tiffany Scott and Philip Dulebohn were ready to make their mark. Scott and Dulebohn had been the U.S. silver medalists for the last three years behind Ina and Zimmerman.

Their short program to "Heartbreak Hotel" went well with small deductions for loss of unison on the side-by-side spins and a minor collision coming out

of the split double twist. But other parts of the program made up for those minor mistakes.

"We did feel very confident. It felt easy," Dulebohn said after the short program. "I tried to feed off that confidence. We had a difficult time doing [the short program] well in the Grand Prix season. I was really happy we went out there and stuck it like I know we can do."

Stephanie Kalesavich and Aaron Parchem skated their short program to El Conquistador. They performed a huge split double twist and showed perfect unison on their side-by-side

spins. The program put them in second place after the short program.

In third place going into the free skate were Larisa Spielberg and Craig Joeright. She stepped out of her side-by-side triple toe but had no problem landing the throw triple loop. A highlight of their short program was a complex overhead lift.

Again things seemed to come undone in the

free skate. The pairs free skate ended much like the men's with two pairs moving up after mistakes were made by the top skaters.

The problems started before the top four pairs took the ice. On Rena Inoue and John Baldwin Jr.'s throw triple loop, Inoue slid into the boards and came up with a gash on her knee that

would require five stitches.

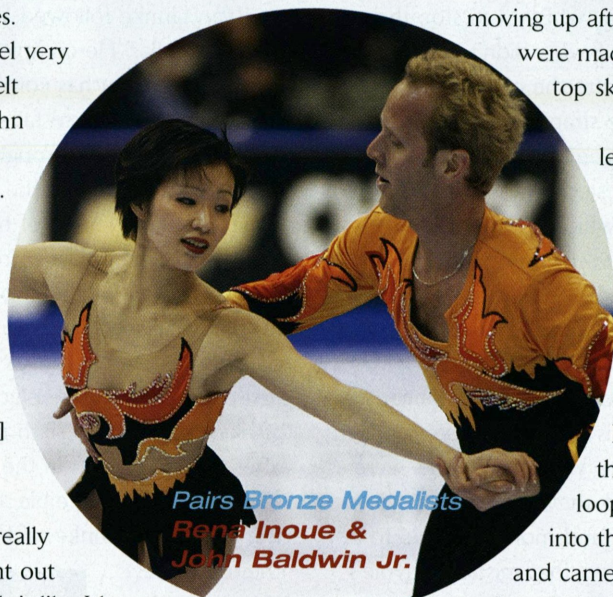
Despite the injury, Inoue and Baldwin continued their free skate and landed a nice side-by-side double Axel-half loop-double flip jump sequence. By the end of the evening, Inoue and Baldwin moved up from fifth after the short to claim the bronze medal.

"Going into this event, Rena and I were confident in our abilities because of the way we skated in the Grand Prix Series," said Baldwin, 29, who has competed at nearly every U.S. Championships since 1986. "We've had some good competitions. We're surprised at the way things turned out, but we feel like we deserve to be here. We'll take it."

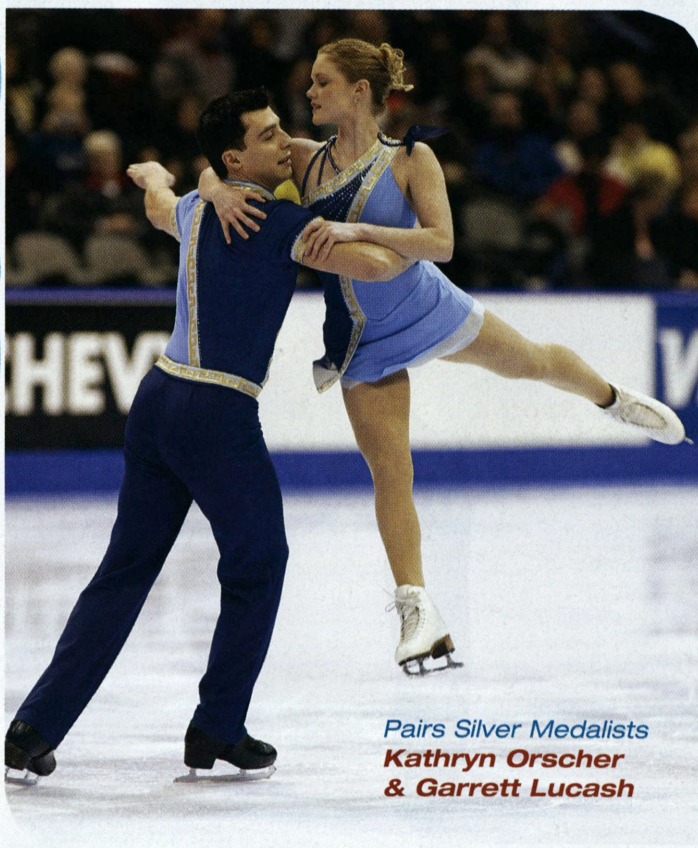
Baldwin competed for 14 years as a singles skater and won the novice men's title in 1997. He has competed in the pairs event for the last three years with Inoue.

"It's like hitting a good shot when you're playing a game of golf," Baldwin said. "Think of how many bad shots you've hit, but that one shot keeps you coming back."

It was Scott and Dulebohn's event to win. Going into the free skate as the leaders, Scott fell on their side-by-side triple toe loops, then fell on the throw



**Pairs Bronze Medalists
Rena Inoue &
John Baldwin Jr.**



**Pairs Silver Medalists
Kathryn Orscher
& Garrett Lucash**

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triple toe. The pair had other problems including Scott bumping Dulebohn's chest exiting the split triple twist and lack of unison on their spins.

"It was a little shaky for us, not quite the program we hoped to put out," Dulebohn said. "I was expecting to go out and do a perfect, clean program. We put too much emphasis on trying to be perfect."

Only Scott and Dulebohn had straight ordinals, with the three teams below them sharing second through fourth place. The stage was set for flip-flops, but it would take help from the teams still left to skate.

A string of errors plagued Kalesavich and Parchem's free skate. She stepped out of the landing on the throw triple Salchow, then there was a fall on both their side-by-side triple Salchows and the side-by-side triple toes, and Kalesavich put her hand down on the landing of the throw triple loop. Their scores dropped them to fifth place overall.

A few weeks after the U.S. Championships, Kalesavich and Parchem ended their skating partnership (see p. 10).

Problems for Spielberg and Joeright included errors on their side-by-side jumps and a crash into the boards on a throw jump. Their marks, ranging from 5.0 to 5.4 for technical merit and 5.1 to 5.5 for presentation, resulted in the ordinal swap that pushed Kalesavich and Parchem to fourth for the time being and brought Inoue and Baldwin up to the podium.

At the 2000 U.S. Championships Spielberg and Joeright placed third, but haven't placed in the top three since.

"Injuries set us back for a while," Spielberg said. "We had to build up and get our confidence back. Our main goal is to skate how we're skating in practice."

Kathryn Orscher and Garrett Lucash, who were fourth after the short program, didn't have any falls but still had minor deductions. She doubled their side-by-side jumps and put a hand down on the double Axel. Still, their solid

marks ranging from 5.3 to 5.5 for technical merit and presentation earned them second in the free skate and moved them up to second overall.

"After we skated I was pretty emotional," Orscher said. "I thought I was going to cry. Everything went so fast."

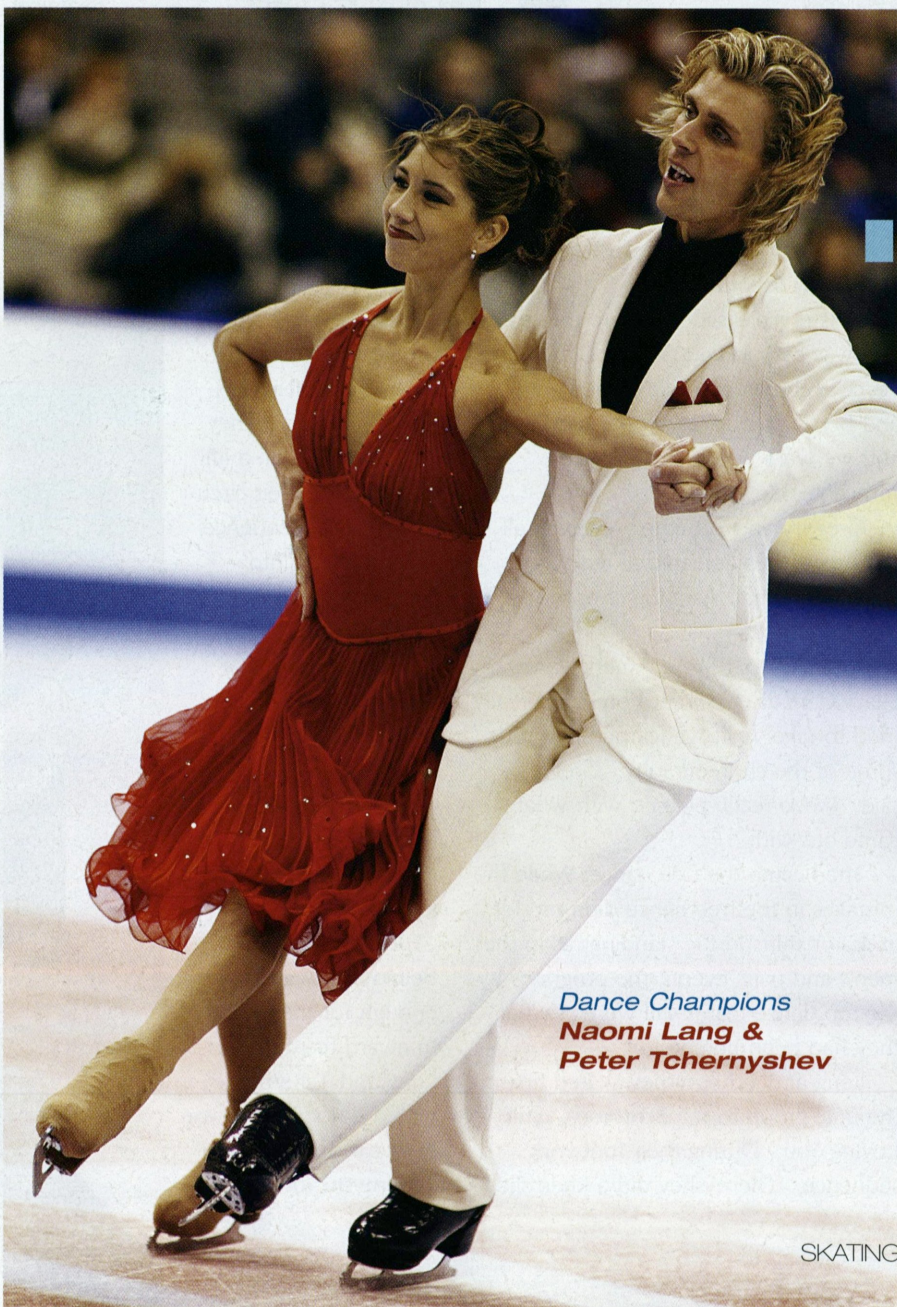
Lucash said the mistakes that plagued the pairs free skate isn't that unusual given the difficulty of the elements they must perform.

"Pairs is a really tough event," Lucash said, "and there are almost always mistakes because of the difficulty. It's kind of expected to have mistakes here and there."

dance

The ice dancing competition started out normal enough with four-time defending champions Naomi Lang and Peter Tchernyshev leading after the compulsory dances, followed by Tanith Belbin and Ben Agosto in second and Melissa Gregory and Denis Petukhov in third.

Then a surprise came in the original dance with Belbin and Agosto winning that phase and Lang and Tchernyshev taking second. Skating to a waltz and a polka, Belbin and Agosto showed speed and polish in their original dance. The program featured difficult changes of handhold and side-by-side footwork.



Dance Champions
**Naomi Lang &
Peter Tchernyshev**

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"We were more excited about the way we skated than anything else," Belbin said. "We haven't skated that OD as well as we did tonight at all this season. To feel that progression is very good."

Lang and Tchernyshev skated their new original dance to a march and a waltz. He said the light-hearted dance tells the story of a military officer asking a beautiful lady for a dance.

Lang said they were happy with their performance, but Tchernyshev admitted it wasn't easy being second.

"It is not pleasant losing to the team that was behind you the last three years," Tchernyshev said. "But Tanith and Ben skated an awesome program, and we were not as sharp as we should've been."

Gregory and Petukhov received all but one third-place ordinal but were happy with their standing after the original dance.

"After we did Skate America and Skate Canada, we went home and really tried to take what we learned and redo some of the choreography," Gregory said. "We're really pleased with what we came out with."

Then came the free dance. While the mistakes in the free dance didn't result in major shifts in the standings as in the men's and pairs events, the programs by the top dance teams still weren't what they had been hoping for.

Lang and Tchernyshev skated first in the final group to the Scorpions' "Still Loving You." During their footwork sequence, Tchernyshev did a knee slide

and collided with Lang, causing her to stumble.

"I tripped her," he said. "I have a knee slide and she skated into my knee.

I think she covered it up well — it was not a major deduction."

While not major, the mistake, which led to scores ranging from 5.4 to 5.6 for technical merit and 5.7 to 5.8 for presentation, still opened the door for Belbin and Agosto.

But the two-time silver medalists couldn't take advantage of the mistake and instead had problems of their own.

Early in their Elvis medley program, they had a mistake on a lift. Then during their circular footwork sequence, they bumped into each other.

"Obviously there was a very large mistake," Belbin said. "Definitely the mistake made the difference. It was like a fluke. Unfortunately it happened during the competition. We were just a little bit off."

The mistake by Belbin and Agosto was enough for the judges to award first place to Lang and Tchernyshev with a 5-4 split. The win this year put Lang and Tchernyshev in a group

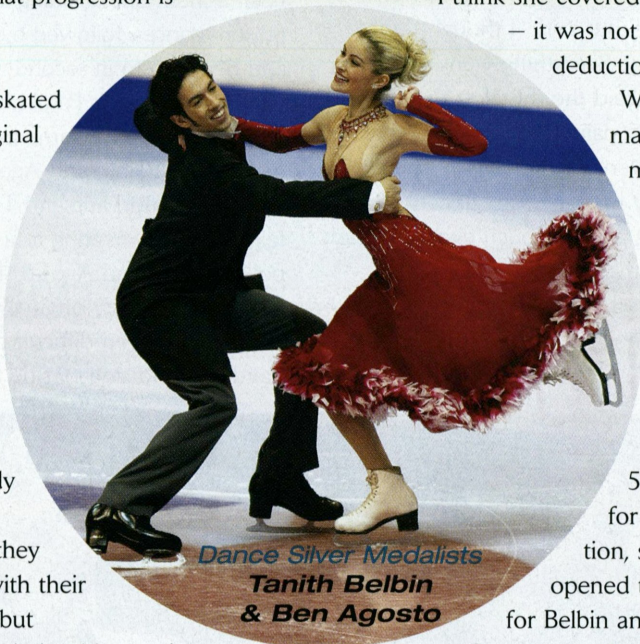
of only five U.S. dance teams to have won five titles. Included in that five are Elizabeth Punsalan and Jerod Swallow, and Judy Blumberg and Michael Seibert.

"When I saw the results, I picked up anything I could find and threw it in the air," Lang said. "This was a really stressful week for us, and it's been a stressful season. It was really emotional for us."

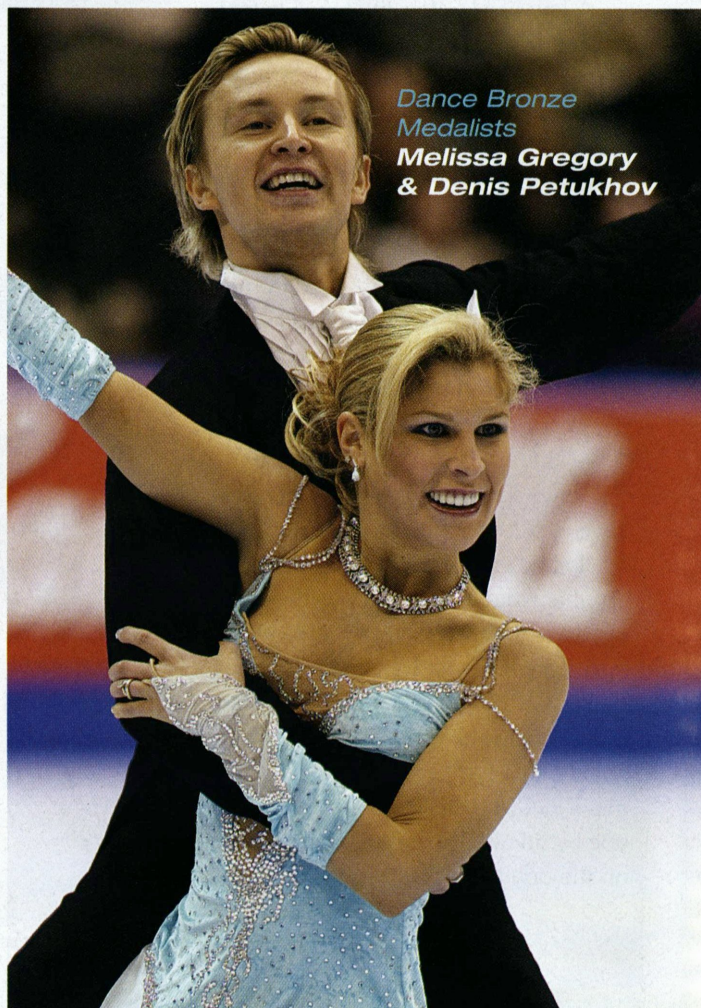
Lang had been off the ice for six weeks because of a cyst on her Achilles' tendon. She will need surgery to have the cyst removed, but not before the team skates in Washington, D.C., at the World Championships in March.

Gregory and Petukhov received all third-place ordinals for their free dance skated to "Snow." The program included gentle moves but not much speed. Their footwork sequence got close to the boards but didn't result in a stumble.

Loren Galler-Rabinowitz and David Mitchell, 2002 U.S. junior champions, were solid throughout the competition and finished in fourth place. @@



Dance Silver Medalists
Tanith Belbin & Ben Agosto



Dance Bronze Medalists
Melissa Gregory & Denis Petukhov

I have always loved skating, and I'm very proud of my accomplishments on the ice. I still remember landing my first axel when I was 7 years old. But it was my double axel that gave me the most difficulty. I worked for nearly a year to hit my first double axel. I just didn't feel comfortable on the ice—my feet hurt and my skates weren't performing. My coach recommended using Riedells. So I switched to a pair of Riedell Elite Royal 900s—and I couldn't believe the difference. The boots fit my foot perfectly, I had better control, and in a short time, was finally able to hit my double axel. Since then, my skating has taken off. My proudest moment was skating at Nationals last year.

My next goal is to make the United States Olympic Team for the 2006 Olympics in Turin, Italy. I know it will be a lot of hard work, but I have confidence in myself—and my Riedells.

-Lindsey Wilson, Age 13

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Making Their Mark

Shifting standings were the story of the junior event at the 2003 State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships. Only the pairs who were in first after the short program held on to win after the free skate.



Dance Champions
Morgan Matthews & Maxim Zavozin

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Ladies

Erica Archambault (SC of Boston) captured the gold in the junior ladies event after landing four triples in her free skate to “Madame Butterfly.”

“I think this is the best program I have ever done,” said Archambault of her free skate. “I prefer skating to classical music because I really feel it when I am out there performing.”

Archambault, who trains with Mark Mitchell and Peter Johansson in Boston, Mass., went into the free skate in second place after a close decision by the judges. She received four first-place ordinals for her short program to “Reverie,” just missing out on first place.

Musicality, style and technique were evident in both of Archambault’s programs. But the programs had less difficulty because Archambault didn’t attempt a triple Lutz or triple flip in either program.

“Our goal was a clean program,” Mitchell said. “We put everything in that she can do well, but we didn’t throw in elements that we knew she might not be able to complete.”

In her first year at the junior level, Natalie Mecher (Wagon Wheel FSC) took home the silver medal and completed big triple jumps.

In her free skate to music by Led Zeppelin, Mecher landed five triples including a triple Lutz (the first one she had landed in competition).

“I was excited to land my triple Lutz,” Mecher said.

Mecher, who trains with Alexander Ouriashev in Vernon Hills, Ill., led after the short program. She skated a clean program to “Kismet” with good speed and landed a triple flip-double toe combination, double Axel and double Lutz.

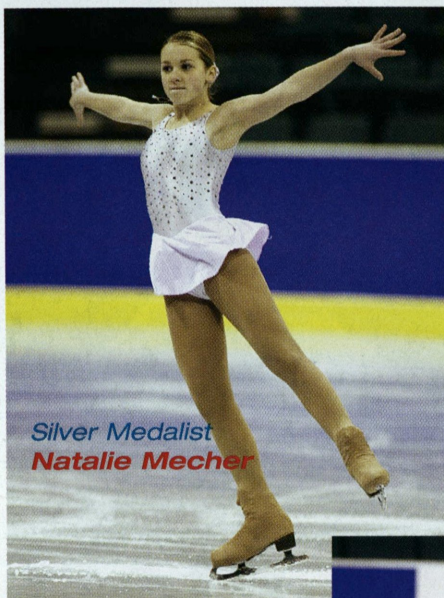
Danielle Kahle (All Year FSC) moved up from seventh after the short program to win the bronze medal.

Her strong free skate to “Concerto for Piano and Orchestra” included six completed triples — a triple flip, triple toe, triple toe combination, triple loop,



Ladies Champion
Erica Archambault

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Silver Medalist
Natalie Mecher

Adriana DeSanctis (Glissad Academy at Ice Land) was the only competitor to cleanly land a triple Lutz in the short program, and she sat in third place at the midway point. But after having problems on several jumps in the free skate, she slipped to sixth overall.

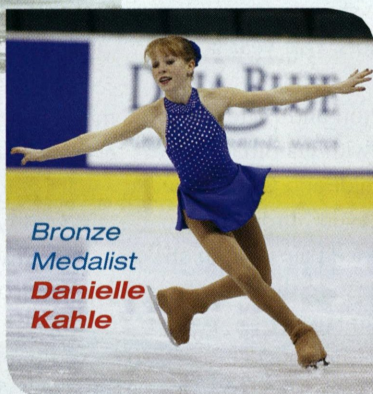
men

Technical skills made the difference for Dennis Phan (Los Angeles SC), who won the men's title landing seven triples in the free skate. He received six first-place ordinals, which moved him up from second place.

triple Lutz and a triple Salchow combination.

"Today I felt really good, and I have been skating good long programs all season," she said. "It was my goal to skate a clean long, and I was hoping to pull up to the top three."

Kahle, who trains with Frank Carroll and Ken Congemi in Los Angeles, had problems in her short falling on her triple flip and stepping out of a triple Lutz.



Bronze Medalist
Danielle Kahle

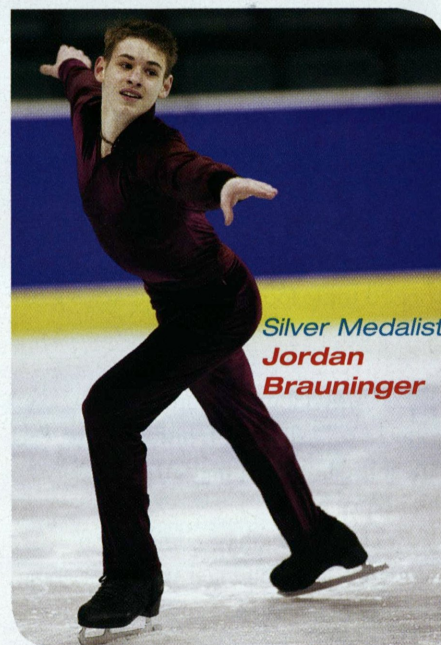
"Being in second in the short program got me to work harder and concentrate more for the free skate," Phan said. "I was a little nervous at the beginning but then I relaxed and got into it."

Phan landed a triple loop-triple loop combination with just a turn-out on the second jump in his "Three Musketeers" free skate.

This is Phan's third year in the junior ranks. He placed ninth in 2001 and eighth in 2002. His coach, Tammy Gambill, felt the experience helped him in the competition this year.

"Dennis has great flow and presence," she said. "He was more confident this time, getting down to business and attacking the program."

In the short program, Jordan Brauning (Northern Kentucky SC) had confidence, strong musicality to "Fire" by Kennedy Experience and the only clean triple-triple combination (triple Lutz-



Silver Medalist
Jordan Brauning

triple toe). That program landed him in first place at the midway point.

But Brauning's seven triples in the free skate to "In the South Overture" weren't enough for him to hold on to the lead, and he took home the silver medal. He is only in his second year competing at the junior level.

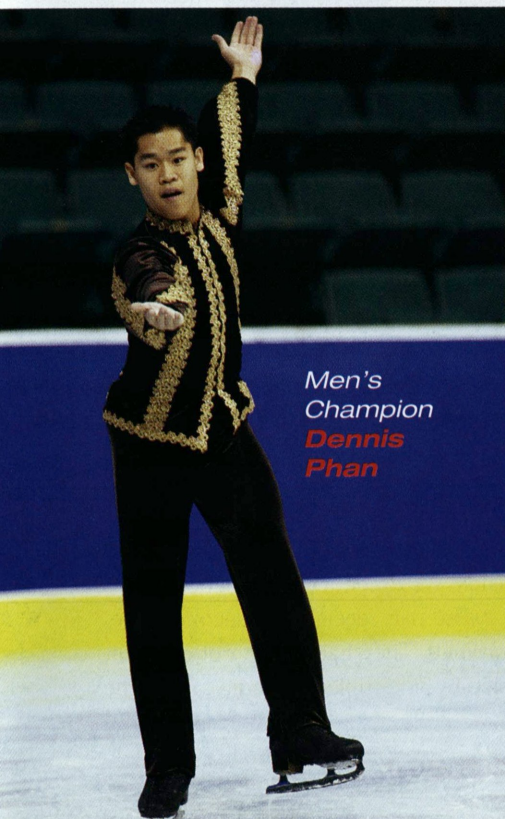
"I am pleased to be here to represent my club," Brauning said. "I had a lot of fun out there, and I am still pleased with my performance."

Adam Aronowitz (American Academy FSC) wasn't in the top three after the short program but moved up with a strong free skate to win the bronze medal.

It was the third U.S. Championships medal for Aronowitz, who won the silver medal in the novice men's competition

in 2001 and took the novice bronze medal in 2000.

"The medal was a surprise today," said his coach Craig Maurizi. "The best ones are always the ones you don't expect."



Men's Champion
Dennis Phan



Bronze Medalist
Adam Aronowitz

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A missed double Axel in his short program left Aronowitz in fifth place.

"I hadn't missed a double Axel, even a step out, in the past six months, so that really surprised me," he said after his short program.

His free skate to Rachmaninoff Concerto #2 was clean except for a popped triple loop.

pairs

For Amy Howerton and Steven Pottenger (Dallas FSC), history didn't repeat itself. Instead they made history of another kind.

At last year's junior competition Howerton and Pottenger were first going into the free skate but ended up in fifth place overall. This year they were again the leaders after the short program,

skating to a Neil Diamond compilation. But instead of losing ground in the free skate, they had a convincing win — taking eight of the nine first-place ordinals — despite some small mistakes.

"Honestly, yes, I thought about last year," Howerton said. "But I thought how much more prepared we were this year."

Their free skate to the "Forrest Gump" soundtrack included a huge throw double Axel that wowed the hometown crowd.

"We tried to learn from last year and not get too excited over first place in the short," Pottenger said. "We hadn't expected to win the short last year in our first year as juniors. Last year it distracted us; this year it didn't."

This year Howerton and Pottenger made history along with teammates

Sydney Schmidt and Christopher Pottenger, Steven's brother, who were the novice pairs champions. The Pottengers are the first siblings to win titles at different levels in pairs at the same national championships.

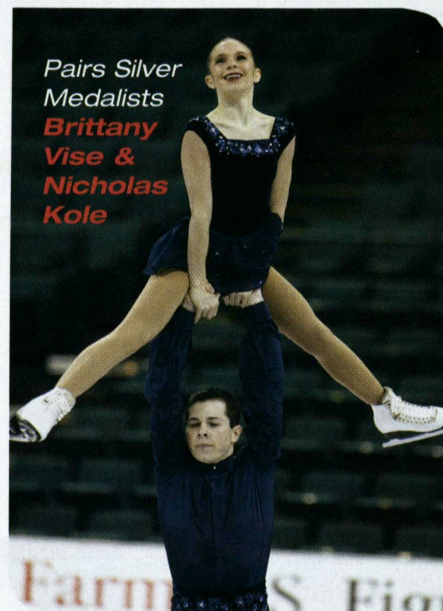
Both teams train with coach David Kirby.

"All five of us went into this as a team and that's what helped us achieve what we wanted to accomplish," Kirby said.

He said the teams have been concentrating on the elements they perform cleanly, which attributed to their success.

"We avoided difficult moves that could cause problems, like the triple twist," Kirby said. "It was a calculated decision as unison counts this year on both the first and second marks."

If their success continues, someday the Pottenger brothers



Pairs Silver Medalists
Brittany Vise & Nicholas Kole

may have to compete against one another on the senior level.

"It's going to be a unique situation in this country," Kirby said. "Not often do we have two brothers competing (in pairs) at that level. Dick Button and Peggy

Fleming will love it."

For now the brothers are excited about what both teams accomplished this year.

"We all help motivate each other," Steven Pottenger said. "It's a special feeling."

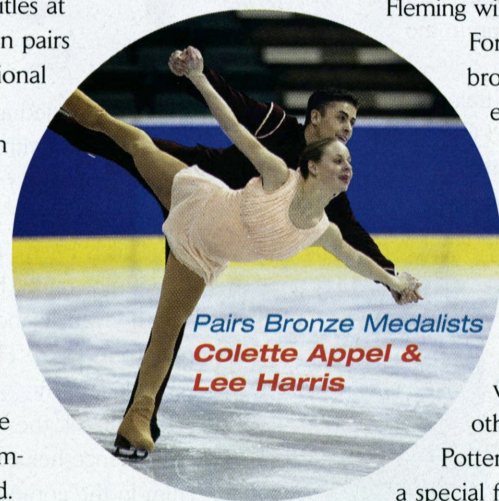
Last year's novice pairs bronze medalists Brittany Vise and Nicholas Kole (Broadmoor SC) moved up to the junior level this year and moved up on the medal stand — taking the silver.

"I was so excited and happy to medal at nationals again this year," Vise said. "We exceeded our goal of top six."

The pair received six second-place ordinals. They had a step out on their side-by-side triple toe and a fall on the



Pairs Champions
Amy Howerton & Steven Pottenger



Pairs Bronze Medalists
Colette Appel & Lee Harris

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double Axels during their "Titanic" free skate, but they completed a nice throw triple Salchow and throw double Axel.

Vise and Kole, who train with Tom Zakrajsek and Dalilah Sappenfield, skated a clean short program to "Six Days, Seven Nights." It included side-by-side double Lutz jumps and a throw triple loop, which was a highlight for the pair.

"I was really excited that we landed our throw triple," Kole said.

Colette Appel (Individual Member) and Lee Harris (Detroit SC) earned the bronze medal with their "Pearl Harbor" free skate. They moved up from fourth place after the short program in which they had problems on their side-by-side double Lutz jumps.

Even as last year's junior pairs champions, Appel said the team did not feel pressure coming into the 2003 U.S. Championships.

"We never felt pressure to defend our title," she said. "We are happy that we are a stronger team and now have one more year's experience."

After the short program the new team of Chelsea Meador and Josh Martin (Los Angeles FSC) sat in third place. But unison problems and a fall on the side-by-side double Axels in their free skate left them in fourth place.

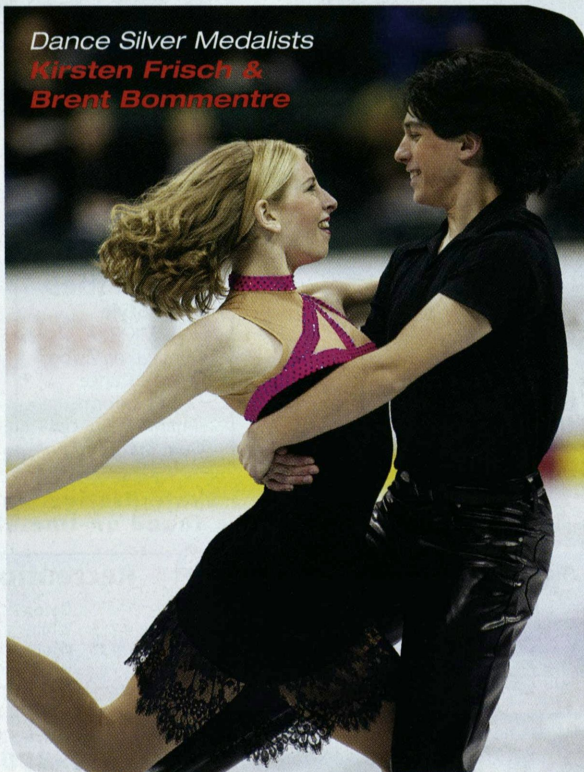
dance

Despite finishing fourth in the two compulsory rounds (worth 20 percent of the total score), Morgan Matthews and Maxim Zavozin (SC of New York) captured the gold medal.

They won the original dance (worth 30 percent), which put them in second place overall going into the free dance. Their original dance utilized polka and waltz rhythms, and they took five first-place ordinals at this stage.

Then Matthews and Zavozin won the free dance, taking eight of the nine first-place ordinals with their dramatic

*Dance Silver Medalists
Kirsten Frisch &
Brent Bommentre*



and elegant "Phantom of the Opera" program. The free dance climaxed with a multilevel lift near the program's end.

"We are trying to put a more European style out there," Matthews said.

The team is coached in Florida by Elena Geranina, Zavozin's mother, who also choreographs their programs.

Although his father, Igor Zavozin, and his mother skated for Russia, Zavozin, 17, only began skating at age 13.

"I've been working really hard to get to this level the past four years," he said.

For the first two rounds of competition, Kirsten Frisch (SC of Morris) and Brent Bommentre (Wissahickon SC) sat in first place. They won the compulsory dance rounds, and remained in the lead after a second-place finish in the original dance, using march and waltz rhythms for this year's "Memories to the Grand Ball" themed original dance. Frisch and Bommentre skated their "Hotel Costes" free dance without any glitches but slipped to second overall.

"This is the best we have ever skated this program," Frisch said. "We felt we put it all out there."

Bommentre agreed. "We played our hand and skated the best we could. Things are then out of our power and up to the judges."

Hometown skaters Flo Steed (Texas Gulf Coast FSC) and Augie Hill (Dallas FSC) finished with the bronze medal.

Steed and Hill also finished third in the original dance in a close decision.

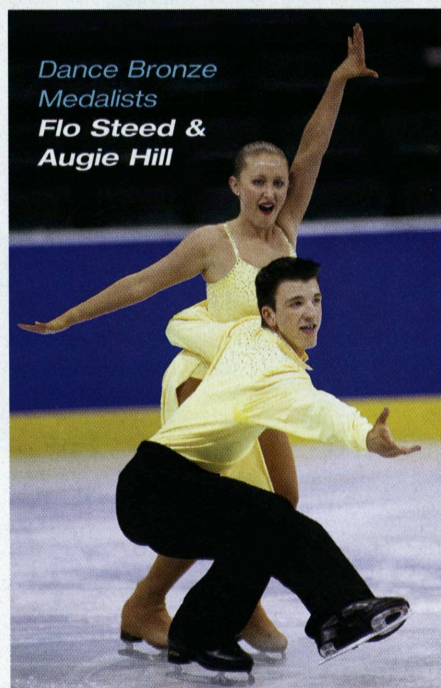
All three of the top couples had three first-place ordinals in the original dance, but final placement was made on the second-place ordinals. Steed and Hill received only one second-place mark.

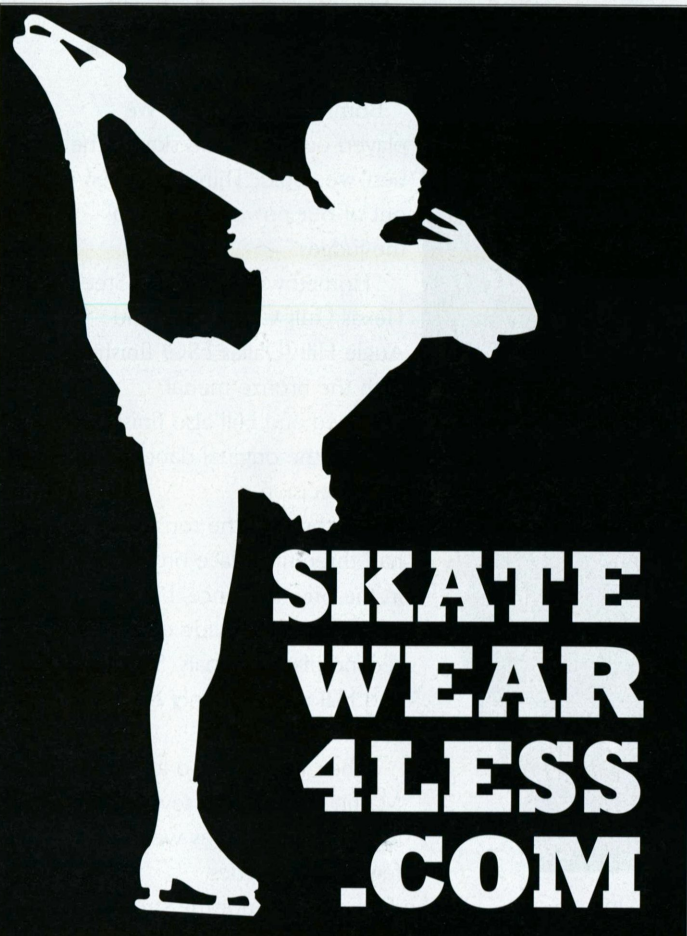
Their free skate to a Ricky Martin medley had several innovative moves as well as a few minor glitches.

"The free dance is not the strongest part of our repertoire," Hill said. "But we did the best we could and showed a lot of energy, so I'm happy with what we did." @

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Flo Steed &
Augie Hill*





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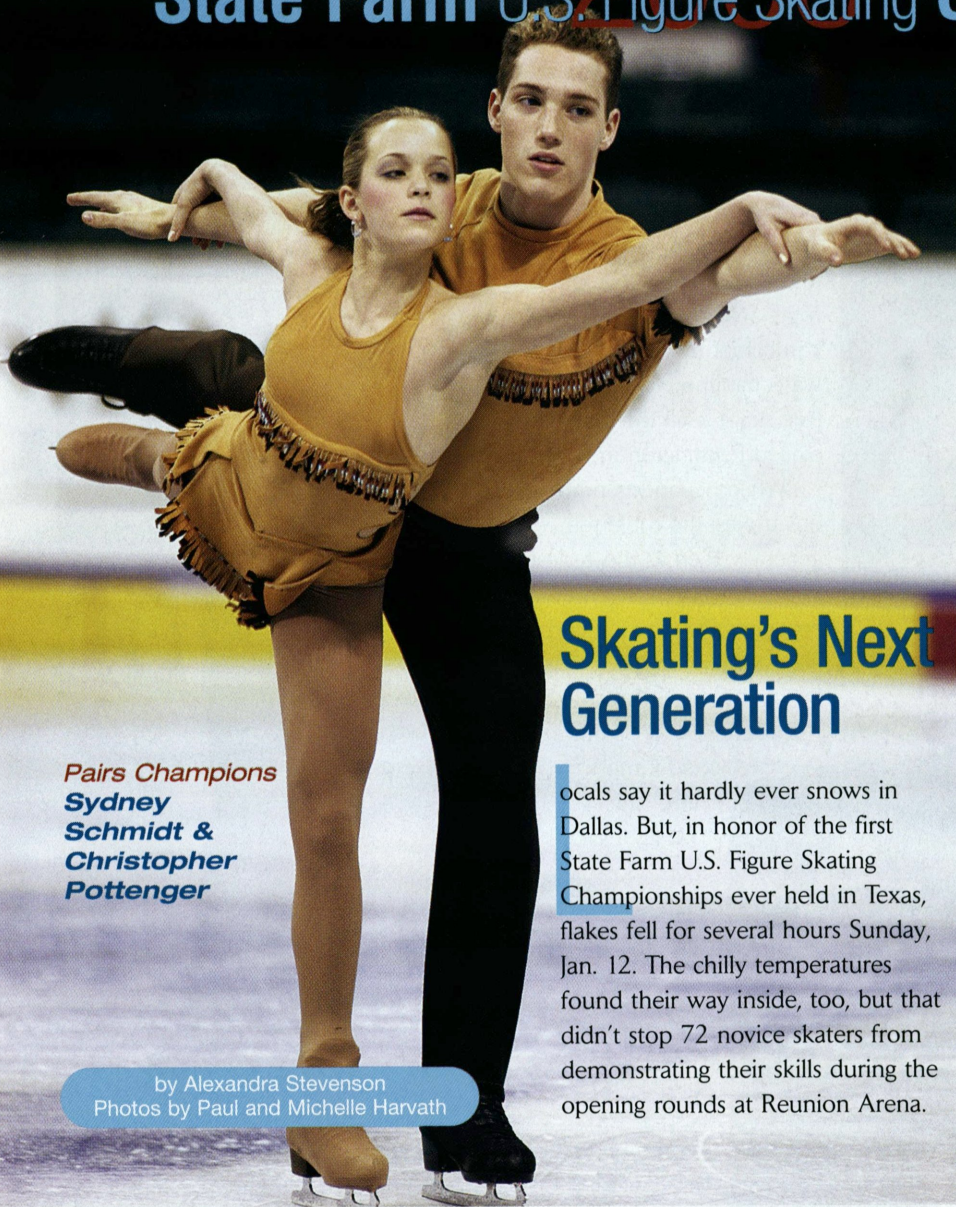


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Pairs Champions
Sydney Schmidt & Christopher Pottenger

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Skating's Next Generation

Locals say it hardly ever snows in Dallas. But, in honor of the first State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships ever held in Texas, flakes fell for several hours Sunday, Jan. 12. The chilly temperatures found their way inside, too, but that didn't stop 72 novice skaters from demonstrating their skills during the opening rounds at Reunion Arena.

Ladies

Thirteen-year-olds ruled the novice ladies competition at the U.S. Championships, as they took the top four places in the event.

Kimberly Meissner (University of Delaware FSC), who trains with Pamela Gregory and Tracey Poletis, won the ladies title. In the short program, Meissner soared through a triple Salchow-double toe combination then tossed off an excellent double Axel.

Her short program dazzled, but she won the free skate in a more striking fashion. She began with a solid triple Lutz, a jump none of her competitors attempted. Next came a triple flip, then

a triple Salchow and double Axel. Her only error was singling a planned second triple Salchow. Meissner said she felt "wobbly" going into the jump and didn't get the height she needed.

The mistake didn't shake her, though. She recovered and ended the program with an impressive three-jump sequence (double Axel-double toe-double loop).

"I wasn't exhausted at the end of this program," Meissner said. "I was so excited about this competition."

Poletis praised Meissner, who started skating when her family made a tiny rink in their backyard one winter.

"This year she's really developed her own personality on the ice," Poletis said.

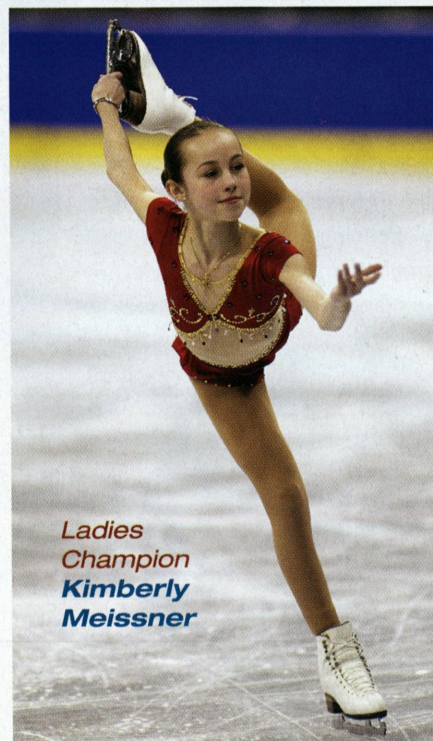
Katy Taylor (Texas Gulf Coast FSC) sat in fourth after the short, but a second-place finish in the free skate gave her the silver medal. During the short program she executed a double Axel, triple Salchow-double toe and double Lutz.

The jumps didn't stop during her free skate. The program included a double Axel-double toe-double loop combination, followed by combinations of double Lutz-double toe and triple Salchow-double toe. Taylor struggled on the landing of her triple loop but followed it with a first-rate double Axel.

"I felt comfortable out there," Taylor said. "Except for the bobble on the loop, I hit everything and it felt strong. This is a dream come true. I was hoping for maybe fourth place, but second is so much better."

Jessica Houston (SC of Boston) ended up third overall. Her short program included a double Axel, double Lutz and a triple toe-double toe combination.

Her free skate contained interesting moves including an Ina Bauer and a spread eagle into a double Axel. Houston said a little pep talk from her



Ladies Champion
Kimberly Meissner

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coach Mark Mitchell, a tradition before competitions, keeps her positive.

"I was a little nervous but excited," she said. "When I'm waiting to skate, my coach says, 'Can you do it?' and I say, 'I can do it!'"

Brianna Perry (Colonial FSC) placed second in the short program, but falls in the free skate on a triple toe and a triple loop dropped her to fourth overall.



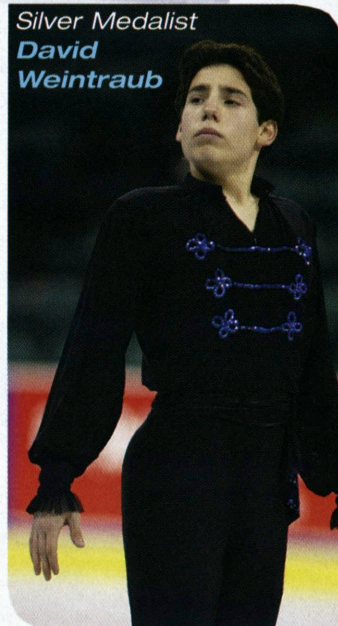
Silver Medalist
Katy Taylor

judges and audience. Even popping a loop jump didn't deter Pennington. He changed gears and tried the jump again successfully landing the second loop. Then Pennington soared into a double Axel, and a triple Salchow-double toe combination. The decision was unanimous after the free skate — all the judges placed Pennington in first.

While he landed numerous triples, the triple toe, generally seen as the easiest triple, was absent from both programs. Pennington and Heiss Jenkins admitted that he can't do the triple toe.

"The triple toe is not a good jump for him," she said. "Finally I said, 'Let's work on it after we get the Lutz and flip,' and now we will."

A fall on a triple Lutz didn't keep David Weintraub (SC of New York) off the medal stand. The 14-year-old bounced up from the fall in his free skate and advanced from fourth after

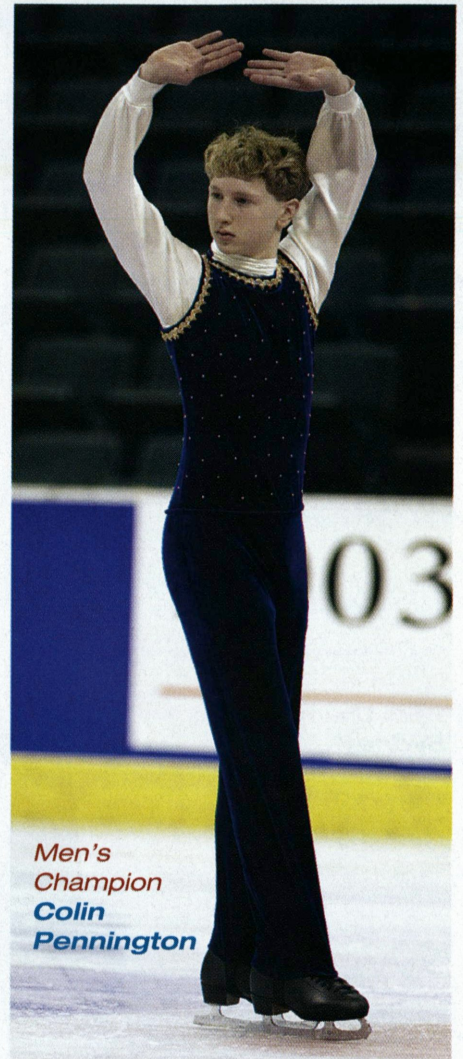


Silver Medalist
David Weintraub

the short to win the silver medal. It was an improvement over his 10th-place finish at the U.S. Championships last year.

In the free skate, Weintraub said he waited too long entering the triple Lutz, which caused the fall. He then opted instead for a clean skate and didn't attempt a planned triple Axel.

"Overall I think I skated better than I ever have in competition," he said. "But I was more relaxed for the long."



Men's
Champion
Colin Pennington

Tommy Steenberg (SC of Northern Virginia) finished third, but he wasn't disappointed with his bronze medal.

"I wasn't completely happy with how I skated," he said after the free skate, "but I wasn't completely disappointed either. My goal was to come to nationals and win a medal, so I'm pretty happy about the bronze."

Steenberg, 14, won the short program despite spraining his right ankle playing basketball with friends just before Christmas. He even completed a triple Lutz-double toe combination for the first time in competition.

"[After spraining my ankle] it hurt to do the Axel and toe, so I spent more time on the loop, flip and Lutz because it didn't hurt," he said. "So spraining my ankle turned out to be a good thing."

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men

Colin Pennington (SC of New York) may be following in his brother's skate tracings, but he is definitely his own man. Pennington emerged from the 2003 U.S. Championships as the novice men's champion, a title his brother Parker captured in 1998. While they are brothers who share the same coach, Carol Heiss Jenkins, their skating styles are quite different.

"My style is more like ballet," Pennington said. "I just like to be different."

Pennington's lyrical short program showed off his style, and landed Pennington in second place

going into the free skate.

The first jump of his free skate — a triple Lutz followed by a triple flip — got the attention of the



Bronze Medalist
Jessica Houston

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His coach Audrey Weisiger said they were especially happy about Steenberg's completed triple Lutz in both programs.

"Tommy was the only boy to land it in both the short and long programs," she said.

pairs

Competing at a major competition in your hometown can put extra pressure on young skaters not used to being scrutinized by local press and television. That was the case for Sydney Schmidt and Christopher Pottenger (Dallas FSC), who led an impressive field of pairs skaters during the U.S. Championships.

"I was shocked because I had no idea that many people would be here," said Schmidt, 14, about the crowd of 3,200 watching their event.

Schmidt and Pottenger placed first in the short program in which they completed all of the required elements with confidence and ease.

That attitude carried into the free skate, which they won with a program that included two solid lifts, two double throws (loop and Salchow), two death spirals and side-by-side double Lutzes.

"I think this was the performance we were dreaming about," said Pottenger, 15. "We prepared hard for this. I feel blessed to have had this experience."

Coach David Kirby teamed up Schmidt and Pottenger a year and a half ago. He thought they both had a remarkable ability to glide over the ice. That is a trait Kirby said they accentuate in the pair's Romeo and Juliet free skate. Though they won easily, Kirby said he realized the pair needs to gain more height in their split double twist.

"Our first goal was to show off their speed and unison," he said. "Unison is

important because it counts in both marks. Sydney and Christopher have a very sophisticated look, and nice line and style for their age."

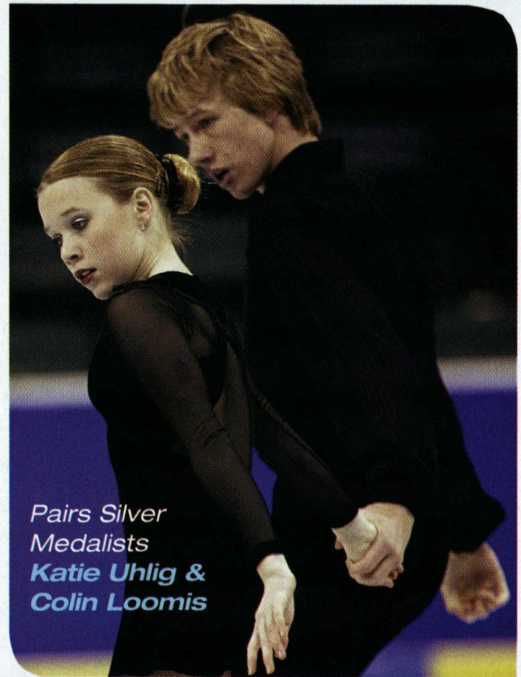
No matter where they finished at the 2003

U.S. Championships, Katie Uhlig and Colin Loomis (Ann Arbor FSC) knew they would move to the junior level of competition.

But their second-place finish overall has to give them confidence to make the move.

Uhlig, 15, and Loomis, 17, who are coached by Joe Mero, have been together for two-and-a-half years.

Their short program garnered a spread of ordinals including three seconds and two sixths, which may be attributed to the lack of unison in their side-by-side double Lutz jumps.



*Pairs Silver Medalists
Katie Uhlig & Colin Loomis*

The judges were more in agreement on Uhlig and Loomis's free skate. Seven of the nine judges put them in second. Their split triple twist was impressive.

"The triple twist was one of the best we've done in competition," he said.

Jenna Yount and Grant Marron (Coyotes SC of Arizona) won the bronze medal, climbing from fifth.

Their coach Doug Ladret, former Canadian pairs champion, said the pair was disappointed after the short program. Sitting in fifth, Yount, 15, and Marron, 18, just missed skating in the final group.

"Yesterday's short was their best of the season, so they were disappointed to be in fifth and miss the final group," he said. "That put them behind, but they handled the pressure well. Jenna was the only girl to stand up on a throw triple."

dance

A car accident less than two weeks before the U.S. Championships nearly kept Trina Pratt and Todd Gilles (Broadmoor SC) from making the trip to Dallas.

"I was driving to a 7:30 a.m. practice and I fell asleep," Pratt said. "My car rolled over a small cliff. I was lucky not to have been severely injured."



*Bronze Medalist
Tommy Steenberg*



*Pairs Bronze Medalists
Jenna Yount & Grant Marron*

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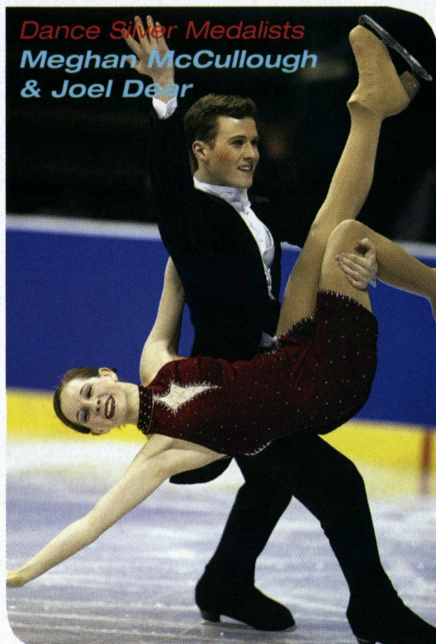
She needed three stitches in her chest and sustained bruises to her back and neck. Pratt said her body still hurt after the free dance, but the accident didn't stop the two 16-year-olds from winning the title. Pratt and Gilles took second in the first compulsory dance, the European Waltz, then won the second compulsory dance, the Blues, by a narrow margin. That put them in a tie for first going into the free dance.

Toward the end of the routine they had a slight bobble but demonstrated a maturity generally lacking in a team that has been together less than a year.

"We missed a handhold and improvised for about five seconds but no one seemed to notice," Gilles said.

Meghan McCullough (Washington FSC) and Joel Dear (Indiana World Skate Academy) won the first compulsory dance, the European Waltz, which consists of alternating three turns and dates back to the 19th century.

McCullough, 17, and Dear, 21, placed second in the Blues, a half sequence compulsory.



Dance Silver Medalists
Meghan McCullough
& Joel Dear

"We had a bobble in the beginning of the Blues, but our second and third patterns were strong," Dear said.

Their coach Scott Myers said they

skated the Waltz solid, fast and close. Then on the Blues, he said, McCullough got ahead of Dear for a few beats.

McCullough and Dear dropped from being tied for first after the compulsory dances to second overall when they placed third in the free dance. For their free dance, they skated a classic Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire program, which included the piece "Let's Face the Music and Dance."

McCullough and Dear admitted that a fall in warm-up broke their concentration, and they had a hard time getting it back. But for a such a young team — they've only been together since June 2002 — they are pleased with how they are progressing.

"It's interesting to see how much we've come together in such a short time," McCullough said.

The couple met at the USFSA Pair and Dance Partner Search in April 2002 and teamed together in June. Dear has moved from Chicago to the Washington, D.C., area to train with McCullough.

"Things have clicked really well," he said. "We're working hard and we're each making a conscious effort to skate like the other person."

Sixteen-year-old Samantha Cepican (Skokie Valley SC) and 19-year-old Phillip Lichtor (SC of Boston) played see-saw with Shannon Wingle and James Warren (Detroit SC). Cepican and Lichtor placed third in the Waltz and fourth in the Blues, while Wingle and Warren took fourth place in the Waltz and third in the Blues. That meant the two teams were tied for third going into the free dance.

Wingle and Warren presented an energetic free dance to swing and blues music. They placed second in the free dance despite a momentary hesitation

after a ribbon in Wingle's hair fell to the ice blocking their path.

"I didn't want to trip over it ... so we kind of stopped our footwork for a few seconds," said Wingle, 13.

Warren, 18, is a former British novice champion from Stockport in the northeast of England.

Cepican and Lichtor, who are coached by Ron Kravette, used Dixie music for their lively free dance. A fourth place in the free dance gave them fourth overall. @

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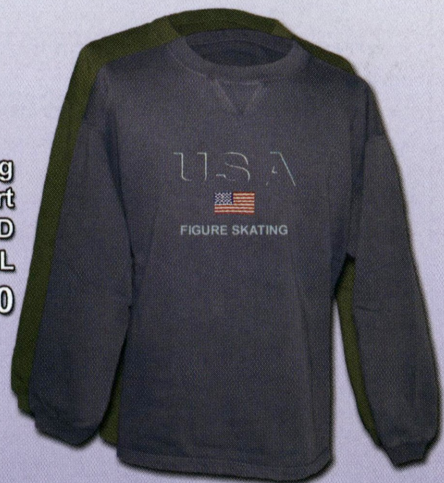


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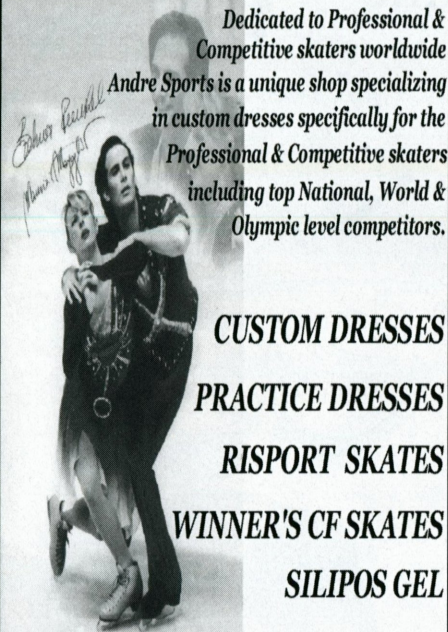
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Test abbreviations are as follows: PRE Preliminary Figure; 1=First Figure; 2=Second Figure; 3=Third Figure; 4=Fourth Figure; 5 or 5C=Fifth Figure; 6 or 6C=Sixth Figure; 7 or 7C=Seventh Figure; PPF=Pre-Preliminary Free; PF=Preliminary Free; PJF=Pre Juvenile Free; JF=Juvenile Free; IF=Intermediate Free; NF=Novice Free; JRF=Junior Free; PPM=Pre-Preliminary Moves; PM=Preliminary Moves; PJM=Pre-Juvenile Moves; JM=Juvenile Moves; IM=Intermediate Moves; NM=Novice Moves; JRM=Junior Moves; SRM=Senior Moves; PPR=Preliminary Pair; JVP=Juvenile Pair; IPR=Intermediate Pair; NPR=Novice Pair; JPR=Junior Pair; PDT=Preliminary Dance Test; PFD=Preliminary Free Dance; PBR DT=Pre-Bronze Dance Test; BR DT=Bronze Dance Test; BFD=Bronze Free Dance; PS DT=Pre-Silver Dance Test; SDT=Silver Dance Test; SFD=Silver Free Dance; PG DT=Pre-Gold Dance Test; G DT=Gold Dance Test; JI DT=Junior International Dance Test; SI DT=Senior International Dance Test; ABFI=Adult Bronze Figure; ASFI=Adult Silver Figure; APBFS=Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skating; ABFS=Adult Bronze Free Skating; ASFS=Adult Silver Free Skating; PS ADT=Adult Pre-Silver Dance Test; S ADT=Adult Silver Dance Test; PG ADT=Adult Pre-Gold Dance Test; G ADT=Adult Gold Dance Test; JI ADT=Junior International Adult Dance Test; SI ADT=Senior International Adult Dance Test; PBR MDT = Masters Pre-Bronze Dance Test; BR MDT=Masters Bronze Dance Test; PS MDT=Masters Pre-Silver Dance Test; S MDT= Masters Silver Dance Test; PG MDT=Masters Pre-Gold Dance Test; G MDT=Masters Gold Dance Test; JI MDT=Masters Junior International Dance Test; SI MDT=Masters Senior International Dance Test; MBFD=Masters Bronze Free Dance; MSFD=Masters Silver Free Dance; P SDT=Special Olympic Preliminary Dance Test; PBR SDT=Special Olympic Pre-Bronze Dance Test; BR SDT=Special Olympic Bronze Dance Test; PS SDT=Special Olympic Pre-Silver Dance Test; SPD=Solo Preliminary Dance Test; SPBD= Solo Pre- Bronze Dance Test; SBD= Solo Bronze Dance Test; PS SD= Solo Pre-Silver Dance Test; SSD= Solo Silver Dance Test; SPGD= Solo Pre-Gold Dance Test; SGD= Solo Gold Dance Test.

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Gilbert. PJF-Chelsea K. Boyer. JF-Chelsea K. Boyer, Olivia J. McNamara, Sarah Jeanne Lefave. IF-Ashley Marie Leavitt, Jeanette Rachelle Rohrhoff. NF-Siobhan P. Boismier. PPF-Ally G. Sikora. PBR DT-Brittany Lyn Carlson, Erica M. Almerico.

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Texas Gulf Coast FSC: PPM-Ashton Renee Marsh. PM-Erin Kaufman, Stephanie A. Do. PJM-Tracy A. Scholz, Yvette M. Deming. JM-Alise Anderson, Hannah E. Bisewski. IM-Anthony L T Lo. PJF-Catherine B. Tran, Fallon Racine, Jennifer Graham. JF-Axel C. Severs, Meghan K Rooney, Rebecca L. Barkley. IF-Axel C. Severs, Meghan K Rooney, Miss Stephanie Allison. NF-Patricia A Stuckey. PPF-Ashton Renee Marsh. PDT-Celia M Holmes.

Thoroughbred FSC: JM-Sonya A. Hildebrand. IM-Abbey Giurgevich. JRM-Ashley R Pekrul.

Timberline SC: PM-Celie Ann Koth. PJM-Andrea M Galkin. JM-Alexandra R Stieber. IM-Amanda O Beard. PF-Andrea M Galkin, Kaitlin M Statz. JF-Amanda O Beard. JRF-Brittany E Carlson. ABFS-Michael J Mollet. JVP-Cody S Blaubach, Reanna L Blaubach. PDT-Rebecca L Oelke. PBR DT-Claire A Brodjjeski, Elizabeth M Hoppe, Heather E. Johnson. BR DT-Andrea M Galkin. PS DT-Elizabeth C Hovda. PG DT-Noah Zimonick.

Timpanogos FSC: PPM-Jessica C. Barson. PPF-Chloe Amanda Barnes, Shea Stone.

Trenton FSC: PPM-Amy M. Volk. PM-Kellie C Woodward, Molli M. Keller. JM-Danielle K Hanley. PF-Kellie C Woodward. JF-Alison T. Legut, Danielle K Hanley, Kate E Schmoekel. PPF-Amy M. Volk, Molli M. Keller. PBR DT-Kate E Schmoekel.

Tri-Cities FSC: PPM-Megan R. Freeman, Rebecca A. Lloyd. PM-Kirsten M. Hale. IM-Caitlyn C. Hatch. PF-Aimee G Higdon, Kirsten M. Hale. JF-Caitlyn C. Hatch, Jennifer L. Dawson. PPF-Janae V. Calaway, Amelia A. Junt, Megan R. Freeman, Rebecca A. Lloyd.

Tri-Valley FSC: PPF-Tania A. Liu.

Tulsa FSC, Inc: PPM-Krysta L. Camp. PJM-Lauren E. Ferrell. IM-Lani M. Laplante, Danelle A. Doerr. PPF-Caitrin K. Sneed. PJF-Callie D. Snellgroves, Hope E. Abernathy, Lauren E. Ferrell, Mercedes M. Owens, Sarah E. Palik. IF-Miss Danelle A. Doerr. JRF-Alexis Page Russell, Megan M White.

Twin Bays SC: PPM-Jennifer L. Benson. PM-Ashley M. Larson, Leslie J. Green, Kerry E Chereskin, Suzanne K. Hardy, Tess A Kohler. PJM-Hallie Kohler, Josie M. Trafelet. JM-Allison Vanderkolk, Pine C. Kopka-Ross. JRM-Cynthia K Prust. JF-Lauren A Kelly, Meghann C Deering, Pine C. Kopka-Ross. PPF-Ashley M. Larson, Jennifer C. Rautiola, Judith R Wieske, Leslie J. Green. PDT-Lauren J Christopherson. PBR DT-Amy Manning, Kerry E Chereskin. **University of Denver SC:** PJM-Sara Macias. PF-Keola N Apio. PJF-Sara Macias. JF-Chaz T. Shanley.

Utah FSC: ASFS-Mary Ann Wilcox. BR DT-Josiah K. Smith. PS DT-Keith Munden.

Vacationland FSC, Inc.: PBR DT-Logan T Mohs.

Valley FSC: PPM-Emily A. Nelson, Jacqueline Sue Centner, Kristen D. Passehl. PJM-Kassandra L. Sperl, Robyn A Mitchler. NM-Miss Nicole S Bammel. JF-Rebekah L Goerl. PPF-Emily A. Nelson, Erika K. Walburg, Kristen D. Passehl.

Wagon Wheel FSC: PM-Skylar L. Cordell. JM-Erica Berger. JRM-Ann Davis. PF-Dani L. Reeder, Jacki L. Debb, Miss Jessica L. Curran. PJF-Erica Berger, Lauren C. Montblanc, Lucinda J Blanco. NF-Lindsay A Walczak. PPF-Amy Melissa Stricker, Christine E. Schultz, Jacqueline Claire Rose, Leigh Darby McDonald, Marissa A. Eisen, Meredith M. Eisen.

Warwick Figure Skaters: PPM-Jennifer R. Losardo, Kaitlin A. Armstrong, Victoria Lillian Johnson. PM-Victoria Lillian Johnson. PJM-Kimberlee R Ross. IM-Alexandra D Grande. PF-Kimberlee R Ross, Shannon M. Gorman. PPF-Jennifer R. Losardo, Kaitlin A. Armstrong, Victoria Lillian Johnson.

Wasatch FSC: PPM-Danielle E. Albrecht, Meghan Van Kampen. PM-Sabrina A Robinson. PJM-Anna Lily Hodshire, Jesse D Hodshire, Melissa Ong. PPR-Jesse D Hodshire, Shanna C Lee.

Washington FSC: PPM-Sarah V. Chase-Walsh, Timothy J.

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1. Louann M Donovan, The SC of Boston, 1-1-1.5
2. Jennifer Don, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, 2-2-3.0
3. Patricia M Mansfield, River's Edge FSC, 4-3-5.0
4. Krissa L Miller, The SC of Lake Placid, 3-4-5.5
5. Andrea Varraux, Univ of Delaware FSC, 5-5-7.5
6. Kristin L Tudisco, The SC of Boston, 7-6-9.5
7. Jennifer Park, SC of Northern Virginia, 8-7-11.0
8. Megan L Doyle, Rye FSC, 6-8-11.0
9. Lauren K Thomas, Johnstown FSC, 12-9-15.0
10. Netta Rizea, The SC of New York, 9-11-15.5
11. Tiffany A St Bernard, Charter Oak FSC, 14-10-17.0
12. Kristen C Ward, The SC of Lake Placid, 11-12-17.5
13. Alexa C Ainsworth, North Atlantic FSC, 10-13-18.0
14. Katie M Beriau, New England FSC, 13-14-20.5
15. Ashley P Kabino, Univ of Delaware FSC, 15-15-22.5

Jennifer Kirk, The SC of Boston, - withdrew
Sara A Wheat, Univ of Delaware FSC, - withdrew

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1. Parker B Pennington, The SC of New York, 1-1-1.5
 2. Shaun Rogers, Univ of Delaware FSC, 2-2-3.0
 3. Shepherd W Clark, The SC of Boston, 5-3-5.5
 4. Kurt Fromknecht, Westminster FSC of Erie, 4-4-6.0
 5. Matthew W Lind, Colonial FSC, 3-5-6.5
 6. Bradford I Griffies, Atlanta FSC, 6-6-9.0
 7. Richard A Reyor, The SC of Lake Placid, 9-7-11.5
 8. Ian W Macadam, Iorio Ice Club, 7-8-11.5
- Christopher G Vaeth, IceWorks SC, 7- - withdrew
Brian J Bednarz, The SC of New Hartford, - withdrew
Derrick C Delmore, Washington FSC, - withdrew

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1. Jennifer Don, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, Jonathon A Hunt, Univ of Delaware FSC, 4-1-3.0
 2. Laura L Handy, Univ of Delaware FSC, Jeremy T Allen, Univ of Delaware FSC, 2-2-3.0
 3. Amanda C Evora, Southwest Florida FSC, Mark S Ladwig, Red River Valley FSC, 3-3-4.5
 4. Stacey E Pensgen, Genesee FSC, Derek Trent, Broadmoor SC, 5-4-6.5
- Kathryn E Orscher, SC of Hartford, Garrett Lucash, Charter Oak FSC, 1- - withdrew

SENIOR DANCE

JUDGES – COMP DANCE 1: 1 Glenn Cummings, Charlottesville, VA; 2 Patricia French, Mitchellville, MD; 3 H. Elaine F. Hickman, West Chester, P; 4 Theodore Clarke, North Weymouth, MA; 5 John Cole, Hunt Valley, MD; 6 Shawn Rettstatt, New York, NY; 7 John Millier, New York, NY; REFEREE:

Petrie. PM-Samantha P. Shoemaker. IM-Kathryn L. Eldrup-Jorgensen. JRM-Kathryn Hurdcarillo. JF-Stephanie L J Damren. IF-Kathryn Hurdcarillo. PPF-Lauren B Gluck. PDT-Abigail T. Boyle, Brennan R. Balog, Kelly M. Keyser. BR DT-Katrina M. Reyes, Timothy J. Petrie.

Wenatchee FSC: JM-Jessica Anne Stoehr.

Western Michigan University SC: PDT-Lindsay Nardella, Brett N Dery.

SC of Western New York: PM-Leanne I. Schroeder. PJM-Rachel Marie Norton. JM-Ariel K. Fredrick, Paulina M. Webber. IM-Alison Gillmeister, Ashley A. Norton, Michael A Zuber. JF-Ariel K. Fredrick, Chelsea Ann Maisano, Nicole E Jeziorowski, Paulina M. Webber. NF-Jessica L Gregoire. PPF-Amanda Rose Mount. JFD-Chelsea Ann Maisano, Michael A Zuber.

Westminster FSC of Erie: PPM-Hollianne Kaye. PM-Lindsey Hepinger. PJM-Bethany Hepinger. IM-Christie Turak. PF-Bethany Hepinger, Erin Weaver, Karalyn Bajoras. JF-Jillian Calabrese, Sarah Dylewski. IF-Christie Turak. PPF-Lindsey Hepinger. PDT-Christie Turak. PS DT-Jenny Turak. SDT-Kelly Dombrowski.

White Rose FSC: PPM-Karen R. Darby, Kelsey E. Woltman, Lauren E. Gebhart. PM-Kelly E. Crowe, Mary E. Panos. PJM-Alisha J. Yingling, Kelsey R. Riley, Rebecca M. Schrom. PF-Kelsey R. Riley, Mary E. Panos, Rebecca M. Schrom. PJF-Alisha J. Yingling, Laura L. Benesch. IF-Carianne L Attig. PPF-Kate A. Darby, Kelly E. Crowe.

Wichita FSC, Inc.: JM-Brock Jacobs. IM-Jennifer E Schechter. JF-Katie Donaldson. IFD-Brock Jacobs, Kellyn M Koepfingler. JFD-Brock Jacobs, Kellyn M Koepfingler.

Willowbrook-Champions FSC: PPM-Jacquelin M Rangel. PJM-Annie Lee Lehman, Kelsey B. McLellan. JM-Julie M. Turner. PF-Annie Lee Lehman, Julie Herlithy, Julie M. Turner. JF-Haley A. Campbell. PPF-Jacquelin M Rangel. PDT-Taryn E. Steely.

The SC of Wilmington, Inc: PPM-Alexandria P. Browne-Tome, Alyn C. O'Brien, Julia A. Horwitz, Kathy B. Metzler. PJM-Lauren E Hamilton. PF-Aili Elizabeth Nagode, Jennifer L. Potts. ABFS-Karen A Honigsberg. PPF-Amanda Jules Nagode, Jennifer L. Potts, Julia A. Horwitz. IPR-Hannah M. Stratton. IFD-Michelle E Scott. JFD-Kirsten A. Seagers, Nicholas R Taylor. NFD-Michelle E Scott. PDT-Julie Beth Markowitz. PS ADT-Sharon Leigh Rzasza.

Wilmington FSC: PPM-Sarah M Ward. JM-Julianne E Parece, Michelle B Menezes. IM-Brittany L DiCredico, Elisa M Marinella, Kelly E Sennott. PPF-Sarah M Ward.

Winchester FSC: PPM-Peter Kotiuga. PM-Jenna E. Bly. NM-Rachel E Caplan. PF-Madeleine Kotiuga. PJF-Jenny Buttaro, Kiet T. Le. JF-Kiet T. Le. IF-Caroline M. Marrocco. PPF-Peter Kotiuga.

Windy City FSC: PPM-Jessica A. Burbano, Susan J. Ganbarg. PM-Arianna Vasser Nagaro, Elizabeth A Ischkum. APBFS-Susan J. Ganbarg. PPF-Jennifer L. Hybl. PBR DT-Florence E Krieger.

Winterhurst FSC: JRF-Caroline Krassen.

Wisconsin FSC, Inc.: JRM-Alyssa M Mueller, Nanooha Sato.

Wissahickon SC: PJM-Alyssa D. Nowak. PPF-Nicole K. Gordon.

Woodbury FSC: PDT-Jennifer M Ross, Melanie Jeanne Ross. BR DT-Rami N. Johnson.

Wyandotte FSC: PPM-Gabrielle L. Czarny. PM-Erica Ann Porzondek. PJM-Stacy Catherine Porzondek. JRM-Rachael R Boonie. PF-Erica Ann Porzondek. PJF-Stacy Catherine Porzondek. IF-Kimberly L Diehl. NF-Christopher Gagnier. JRF-Rachael R Boonie. PPF-Gabrielle L. Czarny.

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JUDGES – FREE DANCE: 1 Vicki Merten, South Salem, NY; 2 Glenn Cummings, Charlottesville, VA; 3 Robert Horen, New Hope, PA; 4 John Cole, Hunt Valley, MD; 5 Theodore Clarke, North Weymouth, MA; 6 John Millier, New York, NY; 7 Patricia French, Mitchellville, MD; REFEREE: Sharon Rogers, Ivins, UT; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Shirley M. Kreppel, Williamsville, NY; ACCOUNTANT: J. Wixson Smith, North Chili, NY

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 1. Emilie C Nussear, Individual Member, Mathew E Gates, Dallas FSC, 2-2-1-1-2.4
 2. Loren Galler-Rabinowitz, The SC of Boston, David S Mitchell, The SC of Boston, 3-3-2-2-4.4
 3. Christie Moxley, Univ of Delaware FSC, Aleksandre S Kirsanov, Univ of Delaware, 1-1-3-3-5.2
 4. Lydia R Manon, Detroit SC, Vitaliy Shalin, Washington FSC, 4-4-4-4-8.0
 5. Mackenzie T Moliver, The SC of New York, Vitaly Novikov, The SC of New York, 5-5-5-5-10.0
 Rosann J Heisler, Washington FSC, Andriy Baka, Washington FSC, - withdrew

JUNIOR LADIES

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1. Erica D Archambault, The SC of Boston, 1-1-1.5
 2. Emily A Hughes, The SC of New York, 4-2-4.0
 3. Jane Bugaeva, SC of North Carolina, 3-3-4.5
 4. Megan Williams-Stewart, River's Edge FSC, 2-5-6.0
 5. Katherine M Hadford, Univ of Delaware Fs, 5-4-6.5
 6. Anna Peng, Univ of Delaware FSC, 7-6-9.5
 7. Amy S Bobrick, New England FSC, 6-7-10.0
 8. Chynna B Pope, The SC of Boston, 9-8-12.5
 9. Alexandra S Tregre, Atlanta FSC, 11-9-14.5
 10. Leah G Agler, The SC of New York, 8-11-15.0
 11. Joelle V Forte, The SC of New York, 12-10-16.0
 12. Sarah A Farley, New England FSC, 10-12-17.0
 Adriana DeSanctis, Glissad Academy At Ice Land, 13- -withdrew
 Kristine Lee, Colonial FSC, - withdrew

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1. Jason Wong, The SC of Boston, 1-1-1.5
 2. Mauro J Bruni, The SC of New York, 3-2-3.5
 3. Adam Aronowitz, American Academy FSC, 2-3-4.0
 4. Nathan D Evancho, Penn State FSC, 5-4-6.5
 5. Craig A Ratterree, Washington FSC, 6-5-8.0
 6. Mark A McLeod, Univ of Delaware FSC, 4-6-8.0
 7. Robert R Dierking, FSC of Erie, 9-7-11.5
 8. Michael J Solonoski, Univ of Delaware FSC, 8-8-12.0
 9. Noah A Abrahams, The SC of Boston, 7-9-12.5
 10. Joseph Gazzola, Charter Oak FSC, 11-10-15.5
 11. Nicholas A Santillo, New England FSC, 12-11-17.0
 Matthew Blumenfeld, Charter Oak FSC, 13- -withdrew
 David J Pelletier, Univ of Delaware FSC, 10- -withdrew
 Joseph Lynch, Cantiague FSC, - withdrew

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1. Colette Appel, Individual Member, Lee S Harris, Detroit SC, 1-1-1.5
 2. Andrea Varraux, Univ of Delaware FSC, David J Pelletier, Univ of Delaware FSC, 3-2-3.5
 3. Shantel R Jordan, Southwest Florida FSC, Jeremy J Barrett, Southwest Florida FSC, 4-3-5.0
 4. Catherine F Rigoulot, Charter Oak FSC, Andrea Livi, Charter Oak FSC, 2-4-5.0
 Renee A Laverdiere, The SC of Boston, Chad W Brennan, The SC of Boston, - withdrew
 Melanie I Maltby, Denver FSC, Joshua Murphy, American Academy FSC, - withdrew

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 3. Victoria R Devins, The SC of Boston, Kevin B O'Keefe, The SC of Boston, 3-2-3-3-5.8
 4. Sarah R Solomon, Washington FSC, Benjamin Y Cohen, Washington FSC, 2-3-4-4-7.4

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1. Kimberly Meissner, Univ of Delaware FSC, 3-1-2.5
2. Brianna J Perry, Colonial FSC, 2-2-3.0
3. Jessica R Houston, The SC of Boston, 1-3-3.5
4. Felicia M Gostisbehere, The Panthers FSC, 6-4-7.0
5. Erika C Smith, Univ of Delaware FSC, 4-6-8.0
6. Katie E Thordarson, The SC of Boston, 7-5-8.5
7. Christine T Zukowski, Univ of Delaware FSC, 5-8-10.5
8. Kelly F O'Grady, The SC of New York, 9-7-11.5
9. Ami Parekh, Princeton SC, 10-9-14.0
10. Michelle A Boulos, Yarmouth Ice Club, 8-11-15.0
11. Naomi K Hine, The SC of New York, 12-10-16.0
12. Florence R Dethy, The SC of New York, 11-12-17.5

NOVICE MEN

JUDGES – SHORT PROGRAM: 1 Deborah Currie, Fairview, PA; 2 Dawn Eyerly, Los Angeles, CA; 3 Alexander Enzmann, Stow, MA; 4 Patricia French, Mitchellville, MD; 5 Heather Nemier, Syracuse, NY; 6 Kathaleen Kelly Cutone, Reading, MA; 7 Robert Rosenbluth, New York, NY; REFEREE: Taffy Holliday, Greenwich, CT; ACCOUNTANT: Paul Kreppel, Williamsville, NY

JUDGES – FREE SKATE: 1 Alexander Enzmann, Stow, MA; 2 Robert Rosenbluth, New York, NY; 3 Heather Nemier, Syracuse, NY; 4 Patricia French, Mitchellville, MD; 5 Kathaleen Kelly Cutone, Reading, MA; 6 Deborah Currie, Fairview, PA; 7 Dawn Eyerly, Los Angeles, CA; REFEREE: Taffy Holliday, Greenwich, CT; ACCOUNTANT: Paul Kreppel, Williamsville, NY

NAME, CLUB NAME, SP-FS-PLACES

1. David P Weintraub, The SC of New York, 1-1-1.5
2. Tommy J Steenberg, SC of Northern Virgin, 2-2-3.0
3. Colin B Pennington, The SC of New York, 3-3-4.5
4. Daniel T Raad, Southwest Florida FSC, 4-4-6.0
5. Lenny M Raney, The SC of New York, 5-5-7.5
6. Allen S Davis, Atlanta FSC, 6-6-9.0
7. Daniel S Eison, American Academy FSC, 9-7-11.5
8. Steven M Elefante, SC of North Carolina, 8-8-12.0
9. Peter C Kozodoy, The SC of Boston, 7-9-12.5
10. Brad J Vigorito, Pawtucket & Providence FSC, 11-10-15.5
11. Patrick J David, New England FSC, 12-11-17.0
12. Robert D Flynn, SC of Boston, 10-12-17.0

NOVICE PAIRS

JUDGES – SHORT PROGRAM: 1 Deveny Deck, Arlington, VA; 2 Bette Snuggerud, Minnetonka, MN; 3 Aimee Wilkins, Lake Placid, NY; 4 Dann Krueger, Minneapolis, MN; 5 Allison Duarte,

Cumberland, RI; 6 Colette Nygren, Sudbury, MA; 7 Scott Cormier, Providence, RI; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush, NY; ACCOUNTANT: J. Wixson Smith, North Chili, NY

JUDGES – FREE SKATE: 1 Deveny Deck, Arlington, VA; 2 Allison Duarte, Cumberland, RI; 3 Bette Snuggerud, Minnetonka, MN; 4 Colette Nygren, Sudbury, MA; 5 Scott Cormier, Providence, RI; 6 Aimee Wilkins, Lake Placid, NY; 7 Dann Krueger, Minneapolis, MN; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush, NY; ACCOUNTANT: J. Wixson Smith, North Chili, NY

NAME, CLUB NAME, SP-FS-PLACES

1. Bridget L Namiotka, The SC of Wilmington, Alex Merritt, Denver FSC, 1-1-1.5
2. Julia Vlassov, New England FSC, Drew P Meekins, Colonial FSC, 2-2-3.0
3. Lindsey M Seitz, Southwest Florida FSC, Andy A Seitz, Southwest Florida FSC, 3-3-4.5
4. Kaile M Eison, American Academy FSC, Daniel S Eison, American Academy FSC, 4-4-6.0
5. Kelly E Settelen, Univ of Delaware FSC, Andrew S Goldman, IceWorks SC, 7-5-8.5
6. Chloe M Katz, The SC of New York, Joseph Lynch, Cantiague FSC, 5-6-8.5
7. Laurie Krein, SC of New York, Michael Jorgens, Washington FSC, 6-7-10.0
8. Meredith A Zuber, The SC of Wilmington, David R Aretz, Charter Oak FSC, 8-8-12.0
9. Ashley V Wong, Charter Oak FSC, John T Pfoh, Rye FSC, 9-9-13.5
10. Joanna L Canny, The SC of Lake Placid, Peter C Biver, The SC of Lake Placid, 10-10-15.0
- Aubrey G Clifford, Atlanta FSC, Matthew Hart, Atlanta FSC, - withdrew

NOVICE DANCE

JUDGES – COMP DANCE 1: 1 Shirley M. Kreppel, Williamsville, NY; 2 Glenn Cummings, Charlottesville, VA; 3 John Millier, New York, NY; 4 Patricia French, Mitchellville, MD; 5 H. Elaine F. Hickman, West Chester, P; 6 Shawn Rettstatt, New York, NY; 7 Theodore Clarke, North Weymouth, MA; REFEREE: Sharon Rogers, Ivins, UT; ACCOUNTANT: Joanne Nipple, Harrisburg, PA

JUDGES – COMP DANCE 2: 1 Shirley M. Kreppel, Williamsville, NY; 2 Glenn Cummings, Charlottesville, VA; 3 John Millier, New York, NY; 4 Patricia French, Mitchellville, MD; 5 H. Elaine F. Hickman, West Chester, P; 6 Shawn Rettstatt, New York, NY; 7 Theodore Clarke, North Weymouth, MA; REFEREE: Sharon Rogers, Ivins, UT; ACCOUNTANT: Joanne Nipple, Harrisburg, PA

JUDGES – FREE DANCE: 1 Robert Horen, New Hope, PA; 2 John Cole, Hunt Valley, MD; 3 Glenn Cummings, Charlottesville, VA; 4 Shirley M. Kreppel, Williamsville, NY; 5 Theodore Clarke, North Weymouth, MA; 6 Shawn Rettstatt, New York, NY; 7 John Millier, New York, NY; REFEREE: Sharon Rogers, Ivins, UT; ACCOUNTANT: Joanne Nipple, Harrisburg, PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, D1-D2-FD-PLACES

1. Meghan C McCullough, Washington FSC, Joel Dear, Indiana/World Sk Acad FSC, 1-1-1-4.0
2. Michelle E Scott, The SC of Wilmington, Alex R Clark, The SC of Wilmington, 3-2-2-9.0

3. Katherine L Copely, Univ of Delaware FSC, Duke M Wensel, The SC of Wilmington, 2-4-3-12.0
4. Caitlin E Dail, Washington FSC, Matthew T Dail, Washington FSC, 4-5-4-17.0
5. Holly Nadeau, Pawtucket & Providence FSC, Jared T Ramsdell, The SC of Boston, 6-3-6-21.0
6. Isabel Elliman, The SC of New York, Dmitriy Serebrenik, The SC of New York, 5-7-5-22.0
7. Lisa Mancuso, Pavilion SC of Cleveland Heights, Brice M Wonders, Philadelphia SC & HS, 7-8-7-29.0
8. Stacy S McClellan, SC of Mt Lebanon, Peter M Fischl, SC of Mt Lebanon, 8-6-8-30.0
9. Taylor K Davis, Charter Oak FSC, James C Elwell, Charter Oak FSC, 9-9-9-36.0

In Photos

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senior ladies

(L-R): Patricia Mansfield, third; Louann Donovan, first; Jennifer Don, second; Krissa Miller, fourth.



senior men

(L-R): Shepherd Clark, third; Parker Pennington, first; Shaun Rogers, second; Kurt Fromknecht, fourth.



senior pairs

(L-R): Amanda Evora/Mark Ladwig, third; Jennifer Don/Jonathon Hunt, first; Laura Handy/Jeremy Allen, second; Stacey Pensgen/Derek Trent, fourth.



junior pairs

(L-R): Shantel Jordan/Jeremy Barrett, third; Colette Appel/Lee Harris, first; Andrea Varraux/David Pelletier, second; Catherine Rigoulot/Andrea Livi, fourth.



novice pairs

(L-R): Lindsey Seitz/Andy Seitz, third; Bridget Namiotka/Alex Merritt, first; Julia Vlassov/Drew Meekins, second; Kaile Eison/Daniel Eison, fourth.



senior dance

(L-R): Christie Moxley/Aleksandre Kirsanov, third; Emilie Nussear/Mathew Gates, first; Loren Galler-Rabinowitz/David Mitchell, second; Lydia Manon/Vitaliy Shalin, fourth.



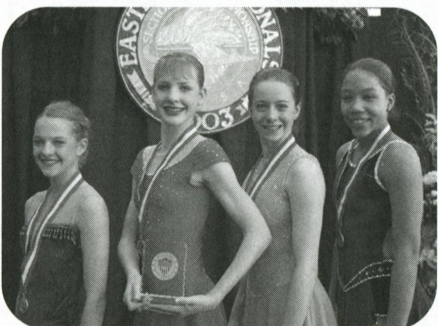
junior dance

(L-R): Victoria Devins/Kevin O'Keefe, third; Morgan Matthews/Maxim Zavozin, first; Kirsten Frisch/Brent Bommentre, second; Sarah Solomon/Benjamin Cohen, fourth.



novice dance

(L-R): Katherine Copely/Duke Wensel, third; Meghan McCullough/Joel Dear, first; Michelle Scott/Alex Clark, second; Caitlin Dail/Matthew Dail, fourth.



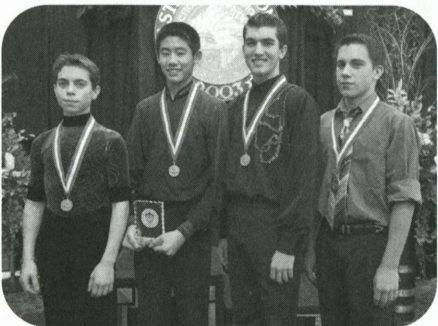
junior ladies

(L-R): Jane Bugaeva, third; Erica Archambault, first; Emily Hughes, second; Megan Williams-Stewart, fourth.



novice ladies

(L-R): Jessica Houston, third; Kimberly Meissner, first; Brianna Perry, second; Felicia Gostisbehere, fourth.



junior men

(L-R): Adam Aronowitz, third; Jason Wong, first; Mauro Bruni, second; Nathan Evancho, fourth.



novice men

(L-R): Colin Pennington, third; David Weintraub, first; Tommy Steenberg, second; Daniel Raad, fourth.

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Dec. 10-14, 2002

INTERMEDIATE LADIES

JUDGES – SHORT PROGRAM: 1 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 2 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 3 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 4 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; 5 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; 6 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 7 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 8 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 9 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton,MS

JUDGES – FREE SKATE: 1 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 2 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 3 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; 4 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; 5 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 6 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 7 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 8 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 9 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton,MS

NAME, CLUB NAME, SP-FS-PLACES

1. Melanie Drogseth, The SC of Boston, 2-2-3.0
2. Juliana Cannarozzo, The SC of Boston, 6-1-4.0
3. Courtney Layton, Ann Arbor FSC, 3-3-4.5
4. Kaysi Kitsell, Atlanta FSC, 1-6-6.5
5. Nicole Tahtouh, Univ of Delaware FSC, 7-4-7.5
6. Rebecca Hughes, All Year FSC, 5-5-7.5
7. Michelle Trinh, All Year FSC, 8-8-12.0
8. Danielle Shepard, New England FSC, 14-7-14.0
9. Tenile Victorsen, Rim of the World FSC, 13-9-15.5
10. Katie Stricker, Skokie Valley SC, 11-10-15.5
11. Chelsea Meador, Los Angeles FSC, 10-11-16.0
12. Christa Solorio, DuPage FSC, 4-14-16.0
13. Samantha Kinney, DuPage FSC, 17-12-20.5
14. Jenna Syken, Iceworks SC, 9-17-21.5
15. Becky Bereswill, Houston FSC, 18-13-22.0
16. Laura Lepzinski, Greater Grand Rapids FSC, 15-15-22.5
17. Ashley Wagner, Anchorage FSC, 16-16-24.0
18. Brittany Peltz, The SC of Boston, 12- withdrew

INTERMEDIATE LADIES 1A (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 2 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 3 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 4 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; 5 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 6 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 7 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 8 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 9 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush,NY; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Kaysi Kitsell, Atlanta FSC, 7/1
2. Michelle Trinh, All Year FSC, 5/2
3. Christa Solorio, DuPage FSC, 8/3
4. Melanie Drogseth, The SC of Boston, 9/4
5. Ashley Wagner, Anchorage FSC, 8/7
6. Brittany Peltz, The SC of Boston, 7/7
7. Milakirstie Kulsa, The SC of New York, 5/7
8. Jessica Chon, St. Moritz ISC, 7/8

9. Ameena Sheikh, Northern Kentucky SC, 5/8
10. Lilly Pixley, Fort Wayne ISC, 6/10
11. Stephanie Sosa, St. Moritz ISC, 5/10
12. Michelle Elkins, Broadmoor SC, 9/12

INTERMEDIATE LADIES 1B (QR)

JUDGES: 1 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; 2 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; 3 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby,OH; 4 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 5 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 6 Judith Reiner, Arlington,VA; 7 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 8 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley,CA; 9 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr,WA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Juliana Cannarozzo, The SC of Boston, 6/1
2. Jenna Syken, Iceworks SC, 7/2
3. Rebecca Hughes, All Year FSC, 6/3
4. Becky Bereswill, Houston FSC, 5/5
5. Katie Stricker, Skokie Valley SC, 6/6
6. Laura Lepzinski, Greater Grand Rapids FSC, 5/6
7. Victoria Muniz, Vaca Valley FSC, 6/7
8. Annemarie Basile, The SC of New York, 6/8
9. Sydney Schmidt, Dallas FSC, 6/9
10. Chrissy Hughes, Highland SC, 5/9
11. Allison Krein, The SC of New York, 6/11
12. Ashley Beekman, Lilac City FSC, 9/12

INTERMEDIATE LADIES 1C (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 2 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 3 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 4 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 5 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 6 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 7 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 8 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 9 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Maxine Ganter, Oakdale,PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Samantha Kinney, DuPage FSC, 8/2
2. Nicole Tahtouh, Univ of Delaware FSC, 6/2
3. Chelsea Meador, Los Angeles FSC, 7/4
4. Tenile Victorsen, Rim of the World FSC, 8/5
5. Courtney Layton, Ann Arbor FSC, 5/6
6. Danielle Shepard, New England FSC, 7/7
7. Jacquelyn Garces, Peninsula SC, 5/7
8. Alexandra Gengler, Univ of Delaware FSC, 6/8
9. Megan Oster, Southport SC, 5/8
10. Ali Smith, Colorado SC, 6/9
11. Kaela Pflumm, The SC of New York, 8/11
12. Brianna Hatch, Tri-Cities FSC, 9/12

INTERMEDIATE MEN

JUDGES – SHORT PROGRAM: 1 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 2 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 3 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 4 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 5 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 6 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 7 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 8 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 9 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush,NY; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

JUDGES – FREE SKATE: 1 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 2 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 3 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 4 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 5 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 6 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 7 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 8 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 9 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush,NY; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

NAME, CLUB NAME, SP-FS-PLACES

1. William Brewster, Detroit SC, 1-2-2.5
2. Princeton Kwong, Peninsula SC, 4-1-3.0
3. Andrew Gonzales, All Year FSC, 2-4-5.0
4. Douglas Razzano, Coyotes SC of Arizona, 3-5-6.5
5. Daisuke Murakami, Los Angeles FSC, 5-6-8.5
6. Stephen Carriere, The SC of Boston, 13-3-9.5
7. Frank Huber, Skating Acad of Plymouth, 7-8-11.5
8. Paul Tran, Columbia FSC, 9-9-13.5
9. Timothy Ho, All Year FSC, 8-10-14.0
10. Oliver Yost, Iceworks SC, 6-11-14.0
11. Brandon Mroz, St. Louis SC, 16-7-15.0
12. Paul Wood, Rochester FSC, 12-12-18.0
13. Victor Travis, Pavilion SC of Cleveland Hgts, 10-16-21.0
14. Roger Corvasce, Broadmoor SC, 17-13-21.5
15. Mark Vaillant, Philadelphia SC & HS, 15-14-21.5
16. William Nottingham, Alaska Assoc of FS, 14-15-22.0
17. Jeremy Anderson, The SC of New York, Inc, 11-17-22.5
18. Nicholas Roby, Peninsula SC, 18-18-27.0

INTERMEDIATE MEN 1A (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 2 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 3 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; 4 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 5 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 6 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 7 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; 8 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 9 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley,CA; REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr,WA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Stephen Carriere, The SC of Boston, 9/1
2. Princeton Kwong, Peninsula SC, 7/2
3. Daisuke Murakami, Los Angeles FSC, 9/4
4. Paul Tran, Columbia FSC, 7/4
5. Nicholas Roby, Peninsula SC, 6/6
6. Victor Travis, Pavilion SC of Cleveland Hgts, 5/7
7. Ruston Kelly, Ann Arbor FSC, 7/8
8. Andrew Golbienio, Seattle SC, 5/8
9. Jaymes Schneider, DuPage FSC, 6/9
10. Thomas Jones, Charter Oak FSC, 6/9
11. Nicholas Girardi, ISC of Fort Collins, 9/11
12. Michael Quadrino, The SC of New York - withdrew

INTERMEDIATE MEN 1B (QR)

JUDGES – FREE SKATE: 1 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 2 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; 3 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 4 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 5 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; 6 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 7 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 8 Judith Reiner, Arlington,VA; 9 Sara Kastner,

Minneapolis, MN; REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles, CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank, CA; ACCOUNTANT: Maxine Ganter, Oakdale, PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Roger Corvasce, Broadmoor SC, 6/1
2. Andrew Gonzales, All Year FSC, 7/2
3. William Nottingham, Alaska Assoc of FS, 6/3
4. Paul Wood, Rochester FSC, 5/5
5. Jeremy Anderson, The SC of New York, 5/5
6. William Brewster, Detroit SC, 7/6
7. Ryan Hillstrom, Peninsula SC, 5/7
8. Zachary DeWulf, Washington FSC, 5/7
9. Q. Kelvin Vu, New England FSC, 5/9
10. Nathan Miller, Broadmoor SC, 6/10
11. Daniel Innamorati, The SC of New York, 5/10
12. Jeffrey Smith, Lilac City FSC, 5/11

INTERMEDIATE MEN 1C (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach, FL; 2 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham, NY; 3 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby, OH; 4 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco, CA; 5 William Nelson, San Mateo, CA; 6 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights, IL; 7 Wayne Hundley, Riverside, CA; 8 Scott Cormier, Providence, RI; 9 Kathy Slack, Troy, OH; REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving, TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando, FL; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton, MS

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Oliver Yost, Iceworks SC, 6/1
2. Brandon Mroz, St. Louis SC, 6/2
3. Douglas Razzano, Coyotes SC of Arizona, 7/3
4. Frank Huber, Sktng Acad of Plymouth, 6/5
5. Mark Vaillant, Philadelphia SC & HS, 6/6
6. Timothy Ho, All Year FSC, 5/6
7. Colin Specht, St. Moritz ISC, 7/7
8. Daniyel Cohen, The SC of Boston, 8/8
9. Joshua Reagan, Lone Star FSC, 7/9
10. Woody Woods, FSC of Billings, 7/11
11. Brady Chin, The SC of New York, 6/11
12. Scott Lichter, FSC of the Quad-Cities, 5/11

INTERMEDIATE PAIRS

JUDGES: 1 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring, MD; 2 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada, CO; 3 Alexander Enzmann, Stow, MA; 4 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno, CA; 5 Wayne Hundley, Riverside, CA; 6 Richard Perez, Mountain View, CA; 7 Kathy Slack, Troy, OH; 8 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis, MN; 9 Scott Cormier, Providence, RI; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush, NY; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando, FL; ACCOUNTANT: Maxine Ganter, Oakdale, PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Kylie Gleason, The SC of Boston, Taylor Toth, Pittsburgh FSC, 9/1
2. Stephanie Gaumont, Denver FSC, Justin Gaumont, Denver FSC, 7/3
3. Molly Aaron, Coyotes SC of Arizona, Daniel Curzon, Coyotes SC of Arizona, 6/5
4. Megan Marsh, Escondido FSC, William Avila, Escondido FSC, 6/5
5. Alexandria Dody-Hettler, ISC of Fort Collins, Nicholas Girardi, ISC of Fort Collins, 6/5
6. Molly Schleicher, Colonial FSC, Christopher Schleicher, Colonial FSC, 8/7
7. Andrea Best, Detroit SC, Daniel Best, Detroit SC, 5/7
8. Anna Simoni, Kalamazoo FSC, Eric Smith,

Kalamazoo FSC, 6/8

9. Kristin Zinsmeister, Twin Ponds FSC, Evert Bergstrom-Croul, Twin Ponds FSC, 5/8
10. Alyssa Murray, SC of Mt Lebanon, Anthony Giunipero, SC of Mt Lebanon, 6/9
11. Lara Shelton, Colonial FSC, Neill Shelton, Colonial FSC, 6/10
12. Courtney Wetterich, Queen City FSC, Paul Thomson, Queen City FSC, 6/13
13. Ashley Lupo, DuPage FSC, Kevin Fenske, DuPage FSC, 5/13
14. Holly Lovasik, SC of Mt Lebanon, Michael Ferlic, SC of Mt Lebanon, 7/14
15. Olivia Fabian, Fort Wayne ISC, Ryan Berning, Fort Wayne ISC, 7/15
16. Marion Pennington, Univ of Delaware FSC, Stephen Quinn, Univ of Delaware FSC, 9/16
17. Lacey Bohner, Washington FSC, James Bohner, Washington FSC, 9/17
- Jena Fujimoto, Peninsula SC, Jeffrey McGowan, Peninsula SC, - withdrew
- Jenna Leffert, Lincoln Center FSC, Daren Johnson, Lincoln Center FSC, - withdrew
- Karissa Strong, Ann Arbor FSC, R.J. Westfall, Ann Arbor FSC, - withdrew

INTERMEDIATE DANCE

JUDGES – COMP DANCE 1: 1 Michael Bauer, Olympia, WA; 2 Judith Reiner, Arlington, VA; 3 Janice Benoit, Lisle, IL; 4 Janis Engel, Valencia, CA; 5 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley, CA; 6 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester, PA; 7 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City, MO; 8 Richard Kern, Peoria, IL; 9 John Cole, Hunt Valley, MD; REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord, TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank, CA; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr, WA

JUDGES – COMP DANCE 2: 1 Michael Bauer, Olympia, WA; 2 Judith Reiner, Arlington, VA; 3 Janice Benoit, Lisle, IL; 4 Janis Engel, Valencia, CA; 5 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley, CA; 6 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester, PA; 7 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City, MO; 8 Richard Kern, Peoria, IL; 9 John Cole, Hunt Valley, MD; REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord, TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank, CA; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr, WA

JUDGES – FREE DANCE: 1 Janis Engel, Valencia, CA; 2 Judith Reiner, Arlington, VA; 3 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester, PA; 4 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley, CA; 5 Michael Bauer, Olympia, WA; 6 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby, OH; 7 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City, MO; 8 Richard Kern, Peoria, IL; 9 Janice Benoit, Lisle, IL; REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord, TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank, CA; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr, WA

NAME, CLUB NAME, D1-D2-FD-PLACES

1. Blake Rosenthal, SC of Wilmington, Calvin Taylor, SC of Wilmington, 1-2-1-5.0
2. Michael Scario, Saratoga Springs Fs, Justin Morrow, Saratoga Springs FSC, 3-1-2-8.0
3. Marion Pennington, Univ of Delaware FSC, Zachary Varraux, Univ of Delaware FSC, 2-3-3-11.0
4. Isabella Tobias, The SC of New York, Kurt Lingenfelter, Detroit SC, 5-8-4-21.0
5. Fiona Donegan, North Atlantic FSC, Ian Comee, The SC of Boston, 4-7-5-21.0
6. Kaitlyn Weaver, Charter Oak FSC, Charles

Clavey, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, 7-5-6-24.0

7. Mary Wyble, SC of Mt Lebanon, Chad Reinhold, SC of Mt Lebanon, 9-6-7-29.0
8. Thea Von Zabern, Glacier Falls FSC, Lucas Marquardt, Glacier Falls FSC, 6-4-13-36.0
9. Lindsay Cohen, Univ of Delaware FSC, Evan Roberts, Univ of Delaware FSC, 11-10-8-37.0
10. Marissa Marschall, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, Torsten Joerger, Univ of Delaware FSC, 8-11-9-37.0
11. Christina Chitwood, Broadmoor SC, Harry Schroeder, Centennial SC, 12-9-10-41.0
12. Emma Cyders, Seattle SC, Jonathan Ng, Seattle SC, 13-12-12-49.0
13. Pilar Bosley, Stoneham FSC, Peter Cook, The Baltimore FSC, 10-13-14-51.0
14. Katie Oleski, Detroit SC, Daniel Schmitz, Detroit SC, 14-16-11-52.0
15. Lauren Chrien, Cleveland SC, Stuart Lange, Cleveland SC, 16-14-15-60.0
16. Laura Kearns, SC of Bridgewater, Daniel Kogan, Raritan Valley FSC, 15-15-16-62.0
17. Kim Deveaux, Hickory Hill FSC, Sam Mortimer, Rye FSC, 18-18-17-70.0
18. Kellyn Koeppinger, Wichita FSC, Brock Jacobs, Wichita FSC, 17-17-18-70.0

INTERMEDIATE DANCE 1A (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City, MO; 2 John Cole, Hunt Valley, MD; 3 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley, CA; 4 Michael Bauer, Olympia, WA; 5 Janis Engel, Valencia, CA; 6 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester, PA; 7 Judith Reiner, Arlington, VA; 8 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby, OH; 9 Janice Benoit, Lisle, IL; REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord, TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank, CA; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton, MS

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Blake Rosenthal, SC of Wilmington, Calvin Taylor, SC of Wilmington, 7/2
2. Fiona Donegan, North Atlantic FSC, Ian Comee, The SC of Boston, 6/2
3. Katie Oleski, Detroit SC, Daniel Schmitz, Detroit SC, 5/3
4. Kaitlyn Weaver, Charter Oak FSC, Charles Clavey, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, 6/4
5. Lindsay Cohen, Univ of Delaware FSC, Evan Roberts, Univ of Delaware FSC, 8/5
6. Thea Von Zabern, Glacier Falls FSC, Lucas Marquardt, Glacier Falls FSC, 6/6
7. Ashton Blust, Philadelphia SC & HS, John Corona, Philadelphia SC & HS, 8/7
8. Ann Hulme, Cleveland SC, Daniel King, Winterhurst FSC, 9/8

INTERMEDIATE DANCE 1B (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Janis Engel, Valencia, CA; 2 Richard Kern, Peoria, IL; 3 Judith Reiner, Arlington, VA; 4 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley, CA; 5 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester, PA; 6 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City, MO; 7 Michael Bauer, Olympia, WA; 8 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby, OH; 9 Janice Benoit, Lisle, IL; REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank, CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord, TX; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix, AZ

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Isabella Tobias, The SC of New York, Kurt Lingenfelter, Detroit SC, 5/1
2. Michael Scario, Saratoga Springs FSC, Justin Morrow, Saratoga Springs FSC, 6/2
3. Marissa Marschall, Texas Gulf Coast FSC,

- Torsten Joerger, Univ of Delaware FSC, 5/3
 4. Christina Chitwood, Broadmoor SC, Harry Schroeder, Centennial SC, 5/4
 5. Pilar Bosley, Stoneham FSC, Peter Cook, The Baltimore FSC, 5/4
 6. Kellyn Koepflinger, Wichita FSC, Brock Jacobs, Wichita FSC, 5/6
 7. Kathryn Sears, Kansas City FSC, Robert Crowder, Kansas City FSC, 9/7
 Alyssa Rose, Desert Ice FSC, Kelly Torres, Albuquerque FSC, - withdrew

INTERMEDIATE DANCE 1C (QR)

- JUDGES: 1 Judith Reiner, Arlington,VA; 2 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; 3 Janice Benoit, Lisle,IL; 4 Michael Bauer, Olympia,WA; 5 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby,OH; 6 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley,CA; 7 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City,MO; 8 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester,PA; 9 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord,TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr,WA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Marion Pennington, Univ of Delaware FSC, Zachary Varraux, Univ of Delaware FSC, 9/1
2. Mary Wyble, SC of Mt Lebanon, Chad Reinhold, SC of Mt Lebanon, 8/2
3. Lauren Chrien, Cleveland SC, Stuart Lange, Cleveland SC, 8/4
4. Emma Cyders, Seattle SC, Jonathan Ng, Seattle SC, 5/4
5. Laura Kearns, SC of Bridgewater, Daniel Kogan, Raritan Valley FSC, 8/5
6. Kim Deveaux, Hickory Hill FSC, Sam Mortimer, Rye FSC, 7/7
7. Hannah Jannicelli, Saratoga Springs FSC, Joseph Sabanos, Individual Member, 6/7
8. Logan Manley, Diamond Edge FSC, Jay Lilly, Diamond Edge FSC, 5/7

JUVENILE GIRLS

- JUDGES: 1 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 2 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 3 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; 4 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 5 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 6 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 7 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 8 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 9 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush,NY; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr,WA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Julia Vlassov, New England FSC, 9/1
2. Rhiana Brammeier, St. Paul FSC, 6/2
3. Kendra Moyle, Ann Arbor FSC, 5/4
4. Caroline Zhang, All Year FSC, 5/4
5. Kelsey Traunero, Greenville FSC, 5/6
6. Rachael Flatt, Rocky Mountain FSC, 5/7
7. Brittney Rizo, The SC of Boston, 5/7
8. Deanna Vicari, SC of Morris, 5/8
9. Janessa Cammarata, The SC of Boston, 5/9
10. Lindsey Hoeg, Univ of Delaware FSC, 7/10
11. Karalee Calaway, Tri-Cities FSC, 7/11
12. Stacy Kim, Broadmoor SC, 5/11
13. Hilary Ho, DuPage FSC, 6/13
14. Lauren Tong, St. Moritz ISC, 5/13
15. Mary-Catherine Beck, Skokie Valley SC, 5/13
16. Meghan Byrne, Univ of Delaware FSC, 5/16
17. Hannah Benet, All Year FSC, 5/16

18. Rebecca Tran, Columbia FSC, 9/18

JUVENILE GIRLS 1A (QR)

- JUDGES: 1 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 2 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 3 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 4 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 5 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 6 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 7 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 8 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 9 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush,NY; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton,MS

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Julia Vlassov, New England FSC, 6/1
2. Kendra Moyle, Ann Arbor FSC, 8/2
3. Rachael Flatt, Rocky Mountain FSC, 7/4
4. Hilary Ho, DuPage FSC, 6/4
5. Janessa Cammarata, The SC of Boston, 7/5
6. Meghan Byrne, Univ of Delaware FSC, 5/6
7. Ashley-Marie Venegas, Orange County FSC, 5/7
8. Lindsay Quon, St. Moritz ISC, 8/8
9. Michaellee Scarincio, Saratoga Springs FSC, 8/9
10. Erica Ransford, Skating Acad of Plymouth, 7/10
11. Emily Schrader, Treasure Valley FSC, 6/11
12. Pamela Imperiale-Hagerman, Peninsula SC, 9/12

JUVENILE GIRLS 1B (QR)

- JUDGES: 1 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 2 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 3 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 4 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; 5 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 6 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 7 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 8 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 9 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Caroline Zhang, All Year FSC, 5/1
2. Stacy Kim, Broadmoor SC, 5/2
2. Deanna Vicari, SC of Morris, 5/2
4. Kelsey Traunero, Greenville FSC, 6/5
5. Karalee Calaway, Tri-Cities FSC, 6/5
6. Mary-Catherine Beck, Skokie Valley SC, 5/5
7. Christine Mozer, Cantiague FSC, 5/7
8. Shanda Dewitt, Detroit SC, 7/8
9. Amanda Blanchard, Little Sun Valley SC, 5/8
10. Maki McConnell, Alpine SC, 8/10
11. Maddison Bullock, Peninsula SC, 6/11
12. Jennifer Liao, Highland SC, 9/12

JUVENILE GIRLS 1C (QR)

- JUDGES: 1 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 2 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 3 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 4 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 5 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; 6 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 7 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 8 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 9 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby,OH; REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Maxine Ganter, Oakdale,PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Brittney Rizo, The SC of Boston, 6/1
2. Rhiana Brammeier, St. Paul FSC, 7/2
3. Lauren Tong, St. Moritz ISC, 5/5
4. Rebecca Tran, Columbia FSC, 5/5
5. Lindsey Hoeg, Univ of Delaware FSC, 6/6

6. Hannah Benet, All Year FSC, 5/6
7. Elyse Oskvarek, DuPage FSC, 6/7
8. Margot Haglund, Jamestown SC, 6/7
9. Britney Torreon, San Diego FSC, 6/7
10. Megan Marschall, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, 7/10
11. Jane Ruan, Ann Arbor FSC, 6/11
12. Brett McCoubrey, Highland SC, 9/12

JUVENILE BOYS

- JUDGES: 1 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 2 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 3 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 4 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 5 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 6 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 7 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 8 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 9 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton,MS

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Richard Dornbush, Los Angeles FSC, 6/1
2. Mike Huber, Skating Acad of Plymouth, 7/2
3. Eliot Halverson, St. Paul FSC, 8/3
4. Allen Gaghinjian, All Year FSC, 6/5
5. Eric Newbold, Utah FSC, 5/6
6. Curran Oi, The SC of Boston, 5/7
7. Adam Rippon, Univ of Delaware FSC, 5/7
8. Brent Mercado, Los Angeles FSC, 5/7
9. Alexander Zahradnicek, Greenville FSC, 5/7
10. Grant Hochstein, St. Clair Shores FSC, 6/10
11. Christopher Caluza, Escondido FSC, 5/10
12. Alexander Johnson, Braemar-City of Lakes FSC, 5/12
13. Anthony Dang, Washington FSC, 5/12
14. Kevin Sun, Washington FSC, 5/13
15. John Lomazzi, Peninsula SC, 5/14
16. Andrew Charrier, Tulsa FSC, 9/16
17. Adam Randall, Capital City FSC, 5/17
18. Amar Mehta, Princeton SC, 9/18

JUVENILE BOYS 1A (QR)

- JUDGES: 1 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 2 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 3 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 4 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 5 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 6 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 7 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 8 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 9 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton,MS

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Curran Oi, The SC of Boston, 8/1
2. Eric Newbold, Utah FSC, 7/3
3. Alexander Zahradnicek, Greenville FSC, 6/3
4. Brent Mercado, Los Angeles FSC, 5/4
5. Mike Huber, Skating Acad of Plymouth, 7/5
6. John Lomazzi, Peninsula SC, 5/6
7. Michael Chau, Starlight Ice Dance Club, 7/7
8. Matthew Julyan, Spokane FSC, 5/8
9. Kurt Weiss, Detroit SC, 5/8
10. Joshua Dale, Colonial FSC, 8/10
11. Jonathan Nelson, Precise Ice FSC, 9/11
12. Kenneth Nakazawa, The SC of New York, 9/12

JUVENILE BOYS 1B (QR)

- JUDGES: 1 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 2 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 3 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; 4 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 5 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington

Heights,IL; 6 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 7 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 8 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 9 Scott Cormier, Providence,RI; REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush,NY; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Christopher Caluza, Escondido FSC, 6/1
2. Kevin Sun, Washington FSC, 8/2
3. Alexander Johnson, Braemar-City of Lakes FSC, 6/3
4. Adam Randall, Capital City FSC, 6/5
5. Amar Mehta, Princeton SC, 5/5
6. Andrew Charrier, Tulsa FSC, 8/6
7. Ross Miner, Vermont SC, 5/6
8. Keegan Messing, Anchorage FSC, 5/8
9. Jeremy Steeger, Glissad Acad Ice Land, 5/8
10. Anthony Lo, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, 8/10
11. Eric Groth, Winterhurst FSC, 9/11
12. Corey Jewell, FSC of Billings, 9/12

JUVENILE BOYS 1C (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 2 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 3 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 4 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 5 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 6 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 7 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 8 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 9 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr,WA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Richard Dornbush, Los Angeles FSC, 7/1
2. Adam Rippon, Univ of Delaware FSC, 7/3
3. Eliot Halverson, St. Paul FSC, 6/3
4. Allen Gaghinjian, All Year FSC, 5/3
5. Grant Hochstein, St. Clair Shores FSC, 6/5
6. Anthony Dang, Washington FSC, 8/6
7. John McKenna, Colonial FSC, 5/7
8. Sam Koch, Peninsula SC, 7/8
9. Justin Brachat, DuPage FSC, 5/8
10. David Julia, Denver FSC, 8/11
10. Patrick Scognamiglio, The SC of New York, 8/11
12. Otto Berkes, Seattle SC, 9/12

JUVENILE PAIRS

JUDGES: Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 2 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; 3 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 4 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 5 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 6 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; 7 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; 8 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 9 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ACCOUNTANT: Maxine Ganter, Oakdale,PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Lauren-Marie Simm, Glacier Falls FSC, Brian Simm, Glacier Falls FSC, 7/2
2. Rachael Flatt, Rocky Mountain FSC, Andrew Speroff, Broadmoor SC, 5/2
3. Kendra Moyle, Ann Arbor FSC, Reed Minney, St. Clair Shores FSC, 6/4
4. Megan Marschall, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, Peter Briccotto, Univ of Delaware FSC, 6/4
5. Kristin Nuss, Broadmoor SC, Jon Nuss, Broadmoor SC, 5/5
6. Caitlin Wilson, Detroit SC, Trevor Young, Detroit

SC, 5/5

7. Chelsea Foster, Broadmoor SC, Nathan Miller, Broadmoor SC, 6/8
8. Jane Mongkolvipakul, Los Angeles FSC, Galvani Hopson, Los Angeles FSC, 6/8
9. Melissa Bedell, SC of Novi, Ruston Kelly, Ann Arbor FSC, 6/8
10. Tanya Aziz, The SC of Boston, Simon Shnapir, Colonial FSC, 6/11
11. Lauren Beckler, Springfield FSC, Owen Irwin, Springfield FSC, 6/11
12. Kaela Pflumm, The SC of New York, Brady Chin, The SC of New York, 7/12
13. Ashley Kuehl, Detroit SC, Ken Workings, Detroit SC, 5/14
14. Hilary Ho, DuPage FSC, Matthew Ho, DuPage FSC, 5/14
15. Chelsea Roach, Glacier Falls FSC, Sean Rabbitt, Glacier Falls FSC, 8/15
16. Elizabeth Cruikshank, Rye FSC, Daniel Innamorati, The SC of New York, 6/16
17. Kaylyn Patitucci, St. Moritz ISC, Christopher Trefil, St. Moritz ISC, 5/16
18. Madeline Moyer, Rocky Mountain FSC, Ryan Gutzmer, Rocky Mountain FSC, 5/17

JUVENILE PAIRS 1A (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Deborah Weidman, Silver Spring,MD; 2 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 3 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 4 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 5 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; 6 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby,OH; 7 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 8 Kathleen McBride, San Francisco,CA; 9 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; REFEREE: Carolyn Haman, Irving,TX; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ACCOUNTANT: Anita Conrad, Mountlake Terr,WA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Kendra Moyle, Ann Arbor FSC, Reed Minney, St. Clair Shores FSC, 9/1
2. Ashley Kuehl, Detroit SC, Ken Workings, Detroit SC, 5/2
3. Tanya Aziz, The SC of Boston, Simon Shnapir, Colonial FSC, 6/3
4. Kaylyn Patitucci, St. Moritz ISC, Christopher Trefil, St. Moritz ISC, 5/4
5. Madeline Moyer, Rocky Mountain FSC, Ryan Gutzmer, Rocky Mountain FSC, 5/5
6. Hilary Ho, DuPage FSC, Matthew Ho, DuPage FSC, 5/6
7. Christina Guterres, All Year FSC, Antonio Guterres, All Year FSC, 7/7
8. Arielle Trujillo, SC of Nevada, Zachary Sidhu, Las Vegas FSC, 5/7
9. Kaley Maher, Citrus FSC, John Walden, Citrus FSC, 5/9
10. Cali Fujimoto, Peninsula SC, Nicholas Barsi-Rhyne, Peninsula SC, 6/10
11. Michelle Collins, Ice World FSC, Drew Swantak, Individual Member, 5/11
12. Cassidy Gietl, Springfield FSC, Sean Hickey, Springfield FSC, 6/12
13. Elise Noble, Birmingham FSC, Alexander Noble, Birmingham FSC, 5/12

JUVENILE PAIRS 1B (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Lauren Jackson, Shoreham,NY; 2 Sara Kastner, Minneapolis,MN; 3 Kathleen Krieger, Arlington Heights,IL; 4 Wayne Hundley, Riverside,CA; 5 Kevin Rosenstein, Fresno,CA; 6 William Nelson, San Mateo,CA; 7 Scott Cormier,

Providence,RI; 8 Gregory Cannon, Boynton Beach,FL; 9 Kitty DeLio, Denver,CO; REFEREE: Doug Williams, Los Angeles,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Robert Wagner, Orlando,FL; ACCOUNTANT: Maxine Ganter, Oakdale,PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Caitlin Wilson, Detroit SC, Trevor Young, Detroit SC, 5/1
2. Lauren-Marie Simm, Glacier Falls FSC, In, Brian Simm, Glacier Falls FSC, 7/2
3. Kaela Pflumm, The SC of New York, Brady Chin, The SC of New York, 5/3
4. Kristin Nuss, Broadmoor SC, Jon Nuss, Broadmoor SC, 6/4
5. Melissa Bedell, SC of Novi, Ruston Kelly, Ann Arbor FSC, 6/4
6. Chelsea Roach, Glacier Falls FSC, Sean Rabbitt, Glacier Falls FSC, 6/6
7. Gabrielle Friedenberg, Washington FSC, Brett Dunie-Neustadt, Washington FSC, 5/6
8. Chelsea Rebroy, Dallas FSC, C. Eric Varian, Dallas FSC, 8/8
9. Jennifer Tingley, Rochester SC, Michael Donovan, Rochester SC, 8/10
10. Emily Glassberg, Detroit SC, Stephen Johnson, Detroit SC, 6/10
11. Una Donegan, North Atlantic FSC, William Yerxa, SC of Brunswick, 5/11
12. Emilia Owen, BC Winter Club, Christopher Owen, BC Winter Club, 5/11

JUVENILE PAIRS 1C (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Lawrence Mondschein, East Windsor,NJ; 2 Kelly Shipstad, Arvada,CO; 3 Richard Perez, Mountain View,CA; 4 Kathy Slack, Troy,OH; 5 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; 6 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley,CA; 7 Alexander Enzmann, Stow,MA; 8 Joyce Burden, San Carlos,CA; 9 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; REFEREE: Anne Cammett, Rush,NY; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ACCOUNTANT: Rebecca Watford, Canton,MS

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Rachael Flatt, Rocky Mountain FSC, Andrew Speroff, Broadmoor SC, 8/1
2. Megan Marschall, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, Peter Briccotto, Univ of Delaware FSC, 9/2
3. Jane Mongkolvipakul, Los Angeles FSC, Galvani Hopson, Los Angeles FSC, 5/3
4. Chelsea Foster, Broadmoor SC, Nathan Miller, Broadmoor SC, 6/4
5. Lauren Beckler, Springfield FSC, Owen Irwin, Springfield FSC, 7/5
6. Elizabeth Cruikshank, Rye FSC, Daniel Innamorati, The SC of New York, 5/6
7. Kelsey Fabian, Hershey FSC, Tyler Harris, Princeton SC, 7/7
8. Mariclaire Vaillant, Philadelphia SC & HS, Mark Vaillant, Philadelphia SC & HS, 7/8
9. Katrina Thibert, ISC of Fort Collins, Shane Mari, ISC of Fort Collins, 6/9
10. Kara Vick, Cape Fear FSC, Joseph Navarro, SC of North Carolina, 5/10
11. Amy Sims, San Diego FSC, Justin Schumann, San Diego FSC, 9/11
12. Reanna Blaubach, Timberline SC, Cody Blaubach, Timberline SC, 9/12

JUVENILE DANCE

JUDGES – COMP DANCE 1: 1 Marilyn Whelan,

Castro Valley,CA; 2 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester,PA; 3 Judith Reiner, Arlington,VA; 4 Janice Benoit, Lisle,IL; 5 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City,MO; 6 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby,OH; 7 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; 8 Michael Bauer, Olympia,WA; 9 Janis Engel, Valencia,CA; REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

JUDGES – COMP DANCE 2: 1 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley,CA; 2 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester,PA; 3 Judith Reiner, Arlington,VA; 4 Janice Benoit, Lisle,IL; 5 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City,MO; 6 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby,OH; 7 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; 8 Michael Bauer, Olympia,WA; 9 Janis Engel, Valencia,CA; REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

JUDGES – FREE DANCE: 1 Karen Snoddy, Willoughby,OH; 2 Janis Engel, Valencia,CA; 3 Judith Reiner, Arlington,VA; 4 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester,PA; 5 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley,CA; 6 Janice Benoit, Lisle,IL; 7 Carol Wooley, Alvord,TX; 8 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City,MO; 9 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Susan Magalnick, Phoenix,AZ

NAME, CLUB NAME, D1-D2-FD-PLACES

1. Madison Hubbell, Lansing SC, Keiffer Hubbell, Lansing SC, 1-2-1-5.0
2. Emily Blynn, Philadelphia SC & HS, Geoffrey Drayton, Philadelphia SC & HS, 3-1-3-10.0
3. Lauren Wlazelek, Univ of Delaware FSC, Kyle Herring, Washington FSC, 2-5-2-11.0
4. Charlotte Maxwell, Dallas FSC, Michael Coulter, Dallas FSC, 4-3-4-15.0
5. Ashley Foy, The SC of New York, Dean Copely, Univ of Delaware FSC, 6-4-5-20.0
6. Brooke Frieling, The SC of Boston, Buckley Withrow, The SC of Boston, 5-6-7-25.0
7. Stephanie Segien, Dallas FSC, Stanislav Sidorov, Dallas FSC, 8-7-6-27.0
8. Chloe Wolf, North Atlantic FSC, Rhys Ainsworth, North Atlantic FSC, 7-8-9-33.0
9. Anastasia Olson, Detroit SC, Greg Zuerlein, Detroit SC, 9-9-8-34.0
10. Gianna Katsaros, The Strongsville SC, Daniel Witt, Winterhurst FSC, 10-11-10-41.0
11. Laurel Schwab, Iceworks SC, Jonathan Kaiser, Philadelphia SC & HS, 11-12-12-47.0
12. Casey Smith, Washington FSC, Boris Nouchtaev, Washington FSC, 15-14-11-51.0
13. Lillian Taylor, Haverford SC, Joshua Philips, Philadelphia SC & HS, 12-10-15-52.0
14. Kayla Hale, Dallas FSC, Cooper Johnston, Dallas FSC, 16-13-13-55.0
15. Kayta Timko, Ind/World Sk Acad FSC, Patrick Timko, Colorado SC, 13-15-14-56.0
16. Mirielle Chambers, Wichita FSC, Jason Urban, Wichita FSC, 14-16-17-64.0
17. Catherine Heath, Hickory Hill FSC, Eric Karnani, Rye FSC, 17-17-16-66.0
18. Morgan Winchell, Capital City FSC, Dustin Frankel, Dallas FSC, 18-18-18-72.0

JUVENILE DANCE 1A (QR)

JUDGES: 1 Michael Bauer, Olympia,WA; 2 Janice

Benoit, Lisle,IL; 3 Judith Reiner, Arlington,VA; 4 Richard Kern, Peoria,IL; 5 John Cole, Hunt Valley,MD; 6 Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley,CA; 7 Janis Engel, Valencia,CA; 8 H Elaine Hickman, W Chester,PA; 9 Katherine Williamson, Kansas City,MO; REFEREE: Kathleen Flaherty, Burbank,CA; ASSISTANT REFEREE: Carol Wooley, Alvord,TX; ACCOUNTANT: Maxine Ganter, Oakdale,PA

NAME, CLUB NAME, MAJORITY-TIE BREAKER

1. Madison Hubbell, Lansing SC, Keiffer Hubbell, Lansing SC, 7/1
2. Anastasia Olson, Detroit SC, Greg Zuerlein, Detroit SC, 7/3
3. Brooke Frieling, The SC of Boston, Buckley Withrow, The SC of Boston, 5/3
4. Mirielle Chambers, Wichita FSC, Jason Urban, Wichita FSC, 5/4
5. Chloe Wolf, North Atlantic FSC, Rhys Ainsworth, North Atlantic FSC, 5/4
6. Lillian Taylor, Haverford SC, Joshua Philips, Philadelphia SC & HS, 5/6
7. Brianna Bertlaney, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, Christopher Schoennagel, Texas Gulf Coast FSC, 6/7
8. Melissa Johnson, SC of Mt Lebanon, Ryan Devereaux, Pittsburgh FSC, 7/8
9. Brielle O'Connor, Space Coast FSC, Daniel Eaton, Detroit SC, 6/9
10. Bianca Zuckerman, Fairbanks FSC, Baxter Burbank, Fairbanks FSC, 7/10
11. Kyla Jewell, FSC of Billings, Corey Jewell, FSC of Billings, 9/11

JUVENILE DANCE 1B (QR)

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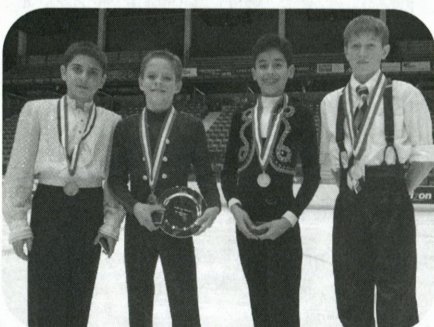
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14-16 **Denver Figure Skating Club's Annual March Competition** sponsored by the Denver FSC at the South Suburban Ice Arena, 6580 South Vine St., Littleton, CO 80121. For more information contact Maryalyce Allery at 303.794.7280 or e-mail her at Maryalycee@aol.com.

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15-16 **Lee Ann Miele SyS Open** sponsored by the Pawtucket & Providence FSC at the Lynch Arena, 25 Andrew Ferland Way, Pawtucket, RI 02860. For more information contact Gina Welch, 16 Starbrook Drive, Barryton, RI 02806, 401.247.0544.

15-17 **Cleveland Invitational Challenge** sponsored by the Winterhurst FSC at the Winterhurst Ice Rink, 14740 Lakewood Heights Blvd, Lakewood, OH 44107. For more information contact Kathie Janowich at kjanowich@aol.com.

16 **Michigan High School Series** sponsored by the Detroit Metro Skating Council at the Garden City Civic Arena, 200 Log Cabin, Garden City, MI 48135. For more information contact Michelle Dittmer, 3012 Glenview, Royal Oak, MI 48073, 248.288.5771.

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21-23 **Skate Houston 2003** sponsored by the Texas Gulf Coast FSC at the Sugar Land Aerodrome (outside of Houston).

For more information contact 713.97SKATE or tgcfsc@yahoo.com or the club web site at tgcfsc.homestead.com.

21-23 **28th Biennial Niagara Invitational Competition** sponsored by the Buffalo SC at the Buffalo State College Ice Arena, 1300 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14222. For more information contact Jennifer Wozniak at jenmarathon@hotmail.com or visit www.buffaloskatingclub.org.

21-23 **Princeton Open Skating Competition** sponsored by the Princeton SC at the McGraw Rink/Baker Rink in Princeton, NJ 08540. For more information contact Christina L. Hartman, 296 Pennington Lawrenceville Road, Pennington, NJ 08534, 609.936.2600.

22 **Cleveland Challenge Synchronized Competition** sponsored by the Strongsville SC at the Ice Land USA, 15381 Royalton Road, Strongsville, OH 44136. For more information contact Lynne Ford, 2970 Coleridge Road, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118, 216.321.1120.

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22 **Berkley Royal Skate Festival** sponsored by the Berkley Royal Blades FSC at the Berkley Ice Arena, 2300 Robina, Berkley, MI 48072. For more information contact Lisa Dupuie, 1054 W. Lewiston, Ferndale, MI 48220, 248.546.9038.

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22 **Skate Cincinnati** sponsored by the FSC of Cincinnati at the Sports Plus, 10765 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45241. For more information contact Kelly Bixby at 513.248.2796 or www.skatecincinnati.org.

22 **20th Annual Garren Invitational** sponsored by the Hudson Mohawk FSC at the RPI Houston Field House in Troy, N.Y. For more information e-mail mcstrnr@aol.com.

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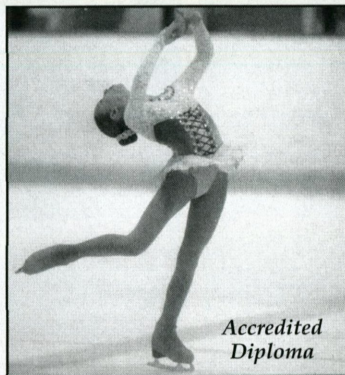
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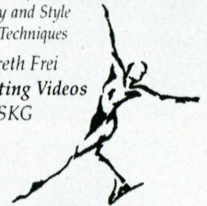
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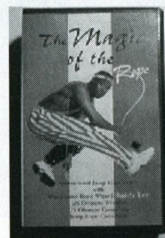
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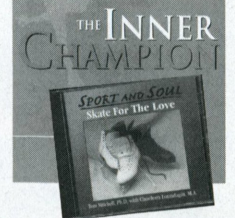
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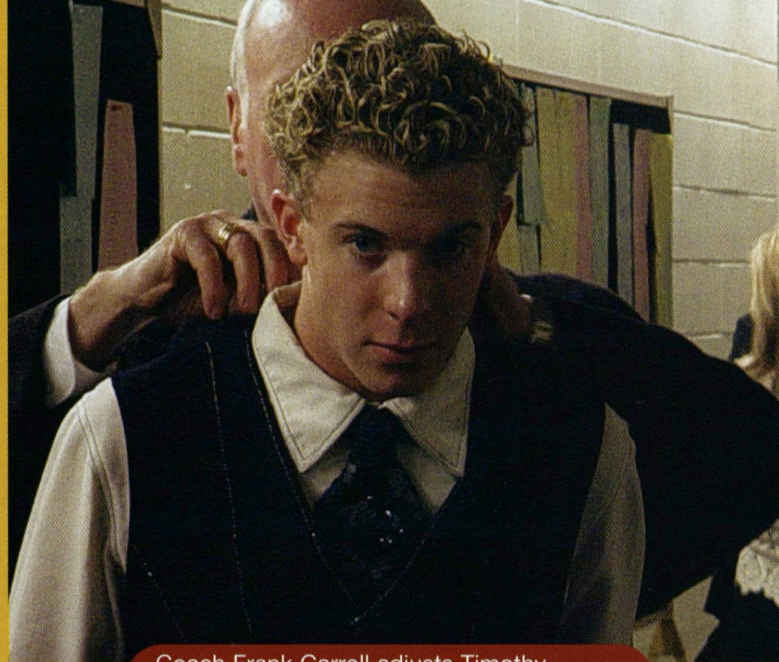
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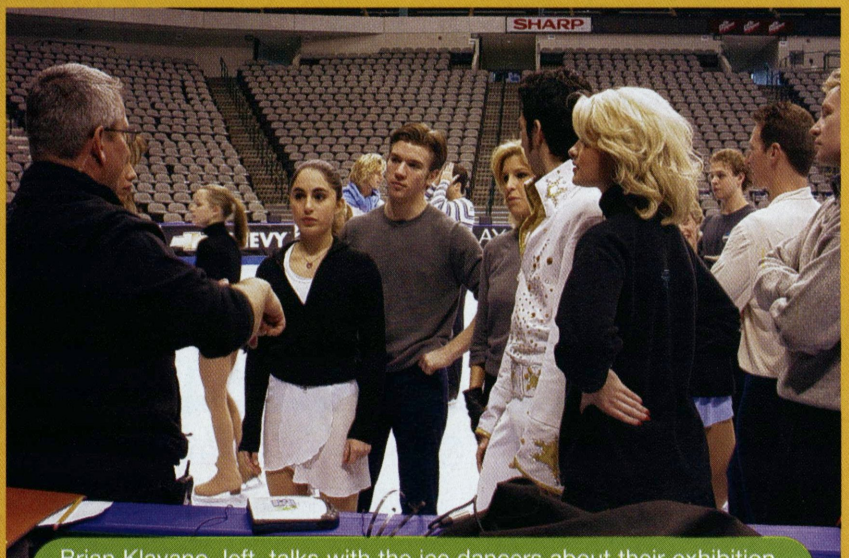
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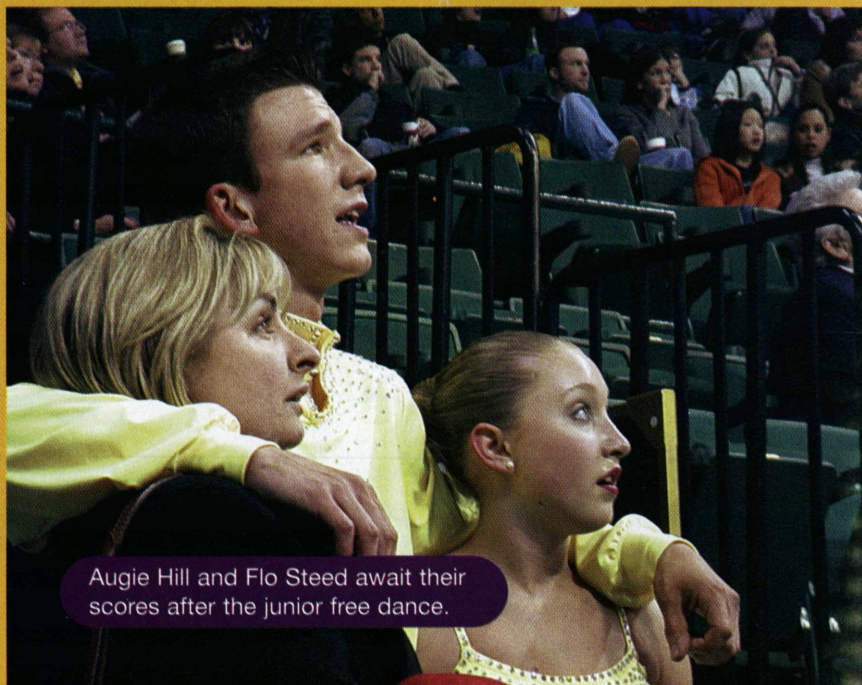
Coach Frank Carroll adjusts Timothy Goebel's collar before the men's free skate.



Sarah Hughes is interviewed by ABC commentator Peter Carruthers after the ladies short program.



Brian Klavano, left, talks with the ice dancers about their exhibition performances during practice for the Chevy Skating Spectacular.



Augie Hill and Flo Steed await their scores after the junior free dance.

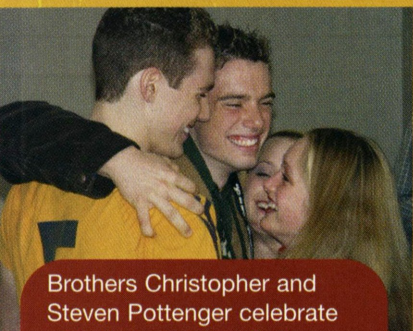
Michael Weiss laughs with reporters during a press conference.



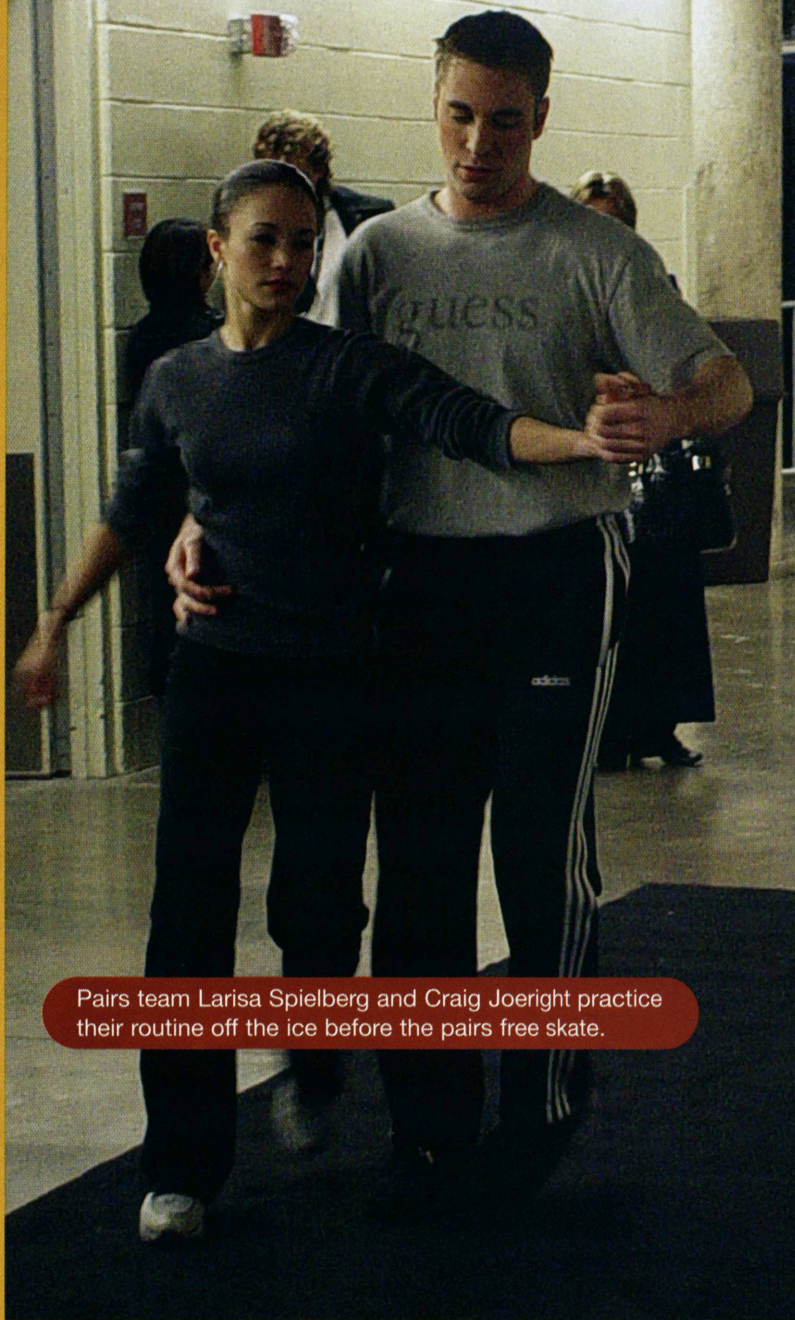
Sasha Cohen signs autographs after the senior ladies award ceremony.



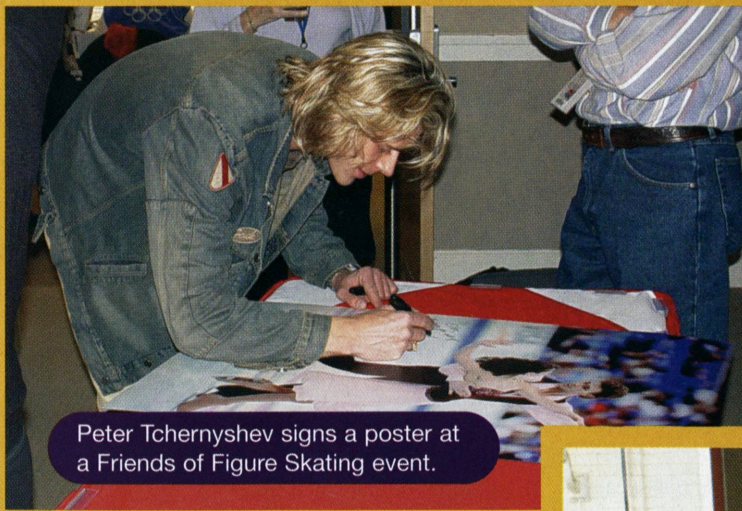
Brothers Christopher and Steven Pottenger celebrate with their partners Sydney Schmidt and Amy Howerton.



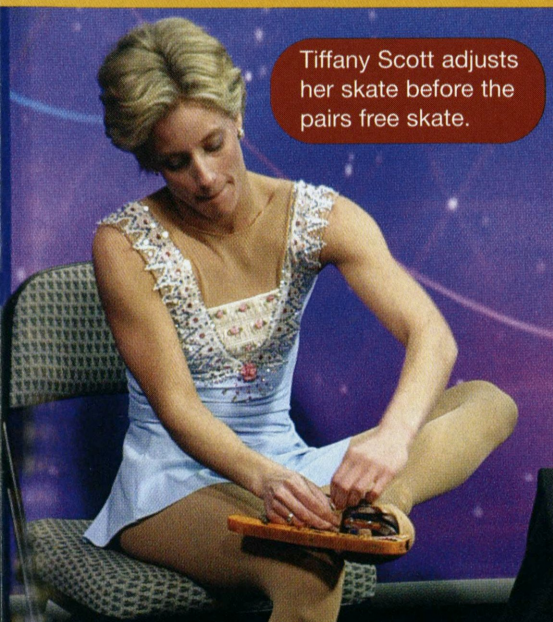
Pairs team Larisa Spielberg and Craig Joeright practice their routine off the ice before the pairs free skate.



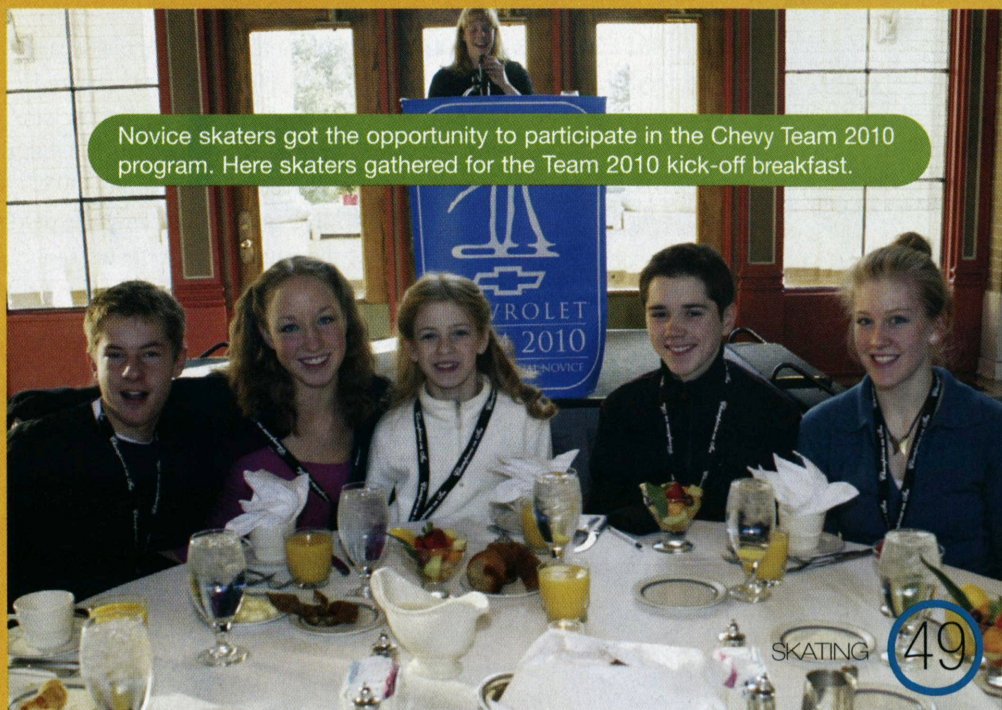
Peter Tchernyshev signs a poster at a Friends of Figure Skating event.



Tiffany Scott adjusts her skate before the pairs free skate.



Novice skaters got the opportunity to participate in the Chevy Team 2010 program. Here skaters gathered for the Team 2010 kick-off breakfast.



EUROPEANS

By Salvatore Zanca

The more things change, the more they stay the same. Entering the 2003 European Championships this year in Malmo, Sweden, the buzz was about changes in the post-Olympic period.

How many of the top skaters would retire? How would the interim scoring system affect the competition? Would the improvement of skaters from France, Bulgaria and even Russia challenge the established Russian champions?

By the time Evgeny Plushenko won his third title, the answers to the questions were simple. Nothing much has changed. Russia swept all four titles just as it did from 1997 to 1999.

LADIES

Irina Slutskaya looked around the practice ice and saw the future. There was Carolina Kostner, 15, doing two triple-triple combinations just as Slutskaya did in her early days.

There was Elena Sokolova, 22, only a year younger than Slutskaya, but in her first Europeans and trying four triple-triple combinations.

Elena Sokolova made a comeback and finished second.

But in the end it was experience that would prevail. Slutskaya took her fifth European title,

putting her within one win of the record held by Sonia Henie and Katarina Witt.

Ironically it was Slutskaya's first win of the season after losses in two Grand Prix

events and the Russian championship, which she lost to Sokolova.

After touring and battling bronchitis in September, Slutskaya was not in shape for the early season. She faltered in qualifying round in Sweden, messing up two jumps while Sokolova landed seven triples.

Sokolova won the short program using a triple Lutz-triple toe combination, but Slutskaya was excited about her skate — her best performance of the season.

Then it was down to the free skate, and Sokolova blinked. She underrotated a triple-triple combination, bailed out of another, and added only a double jump to another triple when she needed more.

Slutskaya had been here before, so even a fall on her triple Salchow-triple loop combination didn't faze her. She came up smiling and went on to match Sokolova with six completed triples and outperformed her in presentation. As Slutskaya watched the marks, it took a while for her to realize that she had won.

"It's hard to be at the top for eight or nine years," Slutskaya said. "There is a lot of pressure. I see all these young girls in practice doing the triples like that. They are only 15, 16 years old."

Sokolova took the loss realistically.

"I made a few mistakes," she said. "Irina was better and deserved to win."

Sokolova may not have won, but she was back. After making the 1998 Olympic and World Teams, she didn't make the national team the next four years. But she persevered, changing coaches and training under Alexei Mishin for a time. When that didn't work she returned to Victor Kudryavtsev. She was a different skater and became more consistent with her jumps.

"I'm not a little girl anymore," said Sokolova on the difference between her in 1998 and 2003. "I am a lot smarter."

Behind the top two was Hungarian Julia Sebestyen, doing huge triple Lutzes in every phase. She had the home crowd behind her — in an indirect way.

"I train in Sweden in [the] summer," she said. "Therefore the people know me and are clapping for me."

MEN

Alexei Yagudin was present at the Europeans, sort of. He was there on an audio-visual screen with his 2002 World Championships program to illustrate the proposed system of scoring. His coach, Tatiana Tarasova, was present. His former choreographer was there. Even his agent. If only Yagudin was there to add spark to the competition.

Evgeny Plushenko didn't need much to win the European title for the third time. His only error was a misstep into a hole in the ice in the short program causing him to abort the second part of his combination.

He didn't really extend himself in the free, doing a quad-triple combination but not a second quad. His routine included eight triples, and he made an attempt at a new artistic side with programs choreographed in part by a dancer at the Kirov ballet. The effort got him 5.9s and a pair of 6.0s in presentation.

"We are developing it a lot," Plushenko said. "We are a balletic country. I feel the music, and I think I can interpret it well."

Frenchmen won second and third, taking advantage of the Russian substitutes for Yagudin and Alexander Abt.

Brian Joubert, last year's unexpected bronze medalist, finished second, despite a fall in the short program on his quad. In the free skate he had the cleanest quad of the competition and added seven triples.

"Last year nobody knew me," Joubert said. "It came as a surprise."



J. Barry Mittan

He was 14th in the French nationals in 2001, then placed third at the 2002 European Championships.

Stanick Jeannette was third, rebounding from a poor 2002 when he failed to make the Olympic Team after winning a bronze medal at the Europeans in 2001.

"Last year was a nightmare for me not to go to the Olympics," Jeannette said. "I changed many things in my life."

He did seven triples in an interpretive program to music based on "The Little Prince" choreographed by Olympic dance champion Gwendal Peizerat.

PAIRS

Russians win the event, and there was a question over the judging. Well, it is pairs, isn't it?

Winners Tatiana Totmianina and Maxim Marinin were criticized at the start of their senior career for skating with little feeling. But this year's free skate to "Cotton Club" showed a new side. They were more relaxed, perhaps helped by the choreography that resembled dance.

She was nearly parallel to the ice in the triple twist, and he looked like a show-off when he used her to do weight repetitions in an overhead lift.

Their only miss was when he stepped out of a triple toe in the short program, which put them in second. When he landed the jump in the free skate, he punched the air and shouted in excitement.

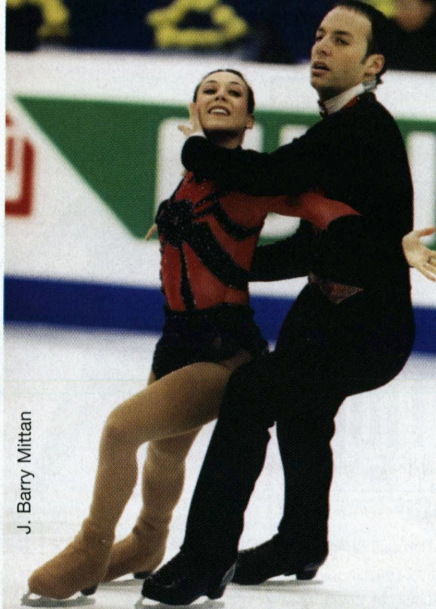
"I always miss the triple toe loop in the short or free program," he said. "It was kind of an emotional explosion at the end."

France's Sarah Abitbol and Stephane Bernadis took home the silver medal with what might be considered an easier routine than those of past years. She shied away from difficult jumps, scaling triples to doubles and singling an Axel.

Still it was a victory for Abitbol, who tore her Achilles tendon just before the Olympics and took six months to get back on the ice.

"The triple toe loop is psychologically still difficult for me because the injury occurred on that jump," she said.

After leading the short program, Maria Petrova and Alexei Tikhonov of Russia



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France's Sarah Abitbol and Stephane Bernadis took the silver medal in pairs.

made some glaring mistakes even if they tried a tough sequence of a triple twist almost directly into a triple throw. They dropped to third after the free skate.

Or did they? It depends on where you looked. When reporters left their press seats, the results had the Russians, French and Russians receiving medals with the Polish team of Dorota Zagorska and Mariusz Siudek in fourth.

But when the reporters arrived at the press center they saw different results. The results posted there had Zagorska and Siudek in second instead of fourth.

The situation sent International Skating Union officials and programmers scurrying to check how the interim system was calculating the results — especially since it was the first final of the championships.

The ISU said the correct pairs got the medals. Later, officials said the incorrect results shown at the press center were test data used by the system to check internal circuits before a competition.

In the end the top four teams were the same as last season, and a team from Russia has won 36 of the last 39 years.

DANCE

She had a ponytail and a dress straight out of "Grease." He had a yellow-green jacket over a black T-shirt and a one-day-old beard.

Dressed for a party, Russians Irina Lobacheva and Ilia Averbukh looked

ready for a good time. In the end they had that good time and brought the audience along with them.

Skating together for more than 10 years, Lobacheva and Averbukh pondered whether to continue competing after winning the Olympic silver medal and the World title in Japan last year. But they had an agenda. With a 6.0 in the original dance and two 6.0s in the free dance, they got what they wanted — a convincing win. They also sent a message.

"We want ice dancing to be more dancing again," Averbukh said. "Now it is becoming a not-so-good pairs with crossovers and power lifts."

They flew down the ice to Little Richard's "Tutti Frutti" and included a helicopter spin with her turning perched on his head. After a middle section of controlled but difficult steps, they returned to a rapid finale with her flipping over him in a back-to-back move usually seen in dance contests.

Albena Denkova and Maxim Staviyski took the silver, winning the first medal for Bulgaria in a major figure skating championship. They did something different in the original dance with a minuet-theme and a weaving step sequence.

"It was our coaches' idea," Denkova said. "They're trying to put as many steps as they [can] in."

Third went to Russia's Tatiana Navka and Roman Kostomarov, who this year captured the Russian title when the top team of Lobacheva and Averbukh skipped their nationals. @@

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Irina Lobacheva and Ilia Averbukh of Russia danced their way to gold.



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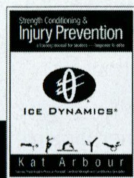
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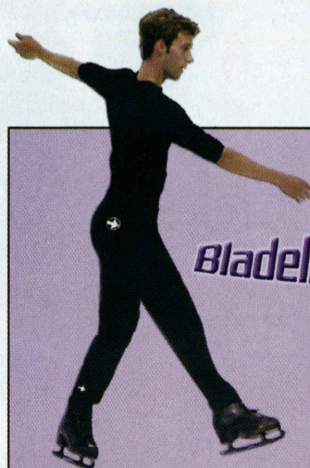
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Leveling the Playing Field:

by Amy G. Partain

Proposed Changes in the Competition Map

A few years of work will culminate this May when the 2003 Governing Council of the U.S. Figure Skating Association considers a proposal to restructure the U.S. Figure Skating qualifying competition system.

The need for a restructure came to light during focus groups held in the fall of 2000, according to Sharon Watson, then chairperson of the Strategic Planning Committee and current secretary of the USFSA.

"This was an issue that had been bubbling and brewing for a couple of decades," Watson said. "And it ended up being the major issue to come out of those focus groups."

Watson said the current 9 region, 3 section competition qualifying structure was created in 1962 when the association had 569 members in the country.

Now with more than 3,000 competitive figure skating members, some

regional qualifying competitions are crowded with competitors.

Jessica Gaynor, current chair of the Strategic Planning Committee, said the 9/3 plan has served the sport well, helping to promote skating and to advance the best skaters to national, international, world and Olympic competitions. But changes are needed.

"There have been significant shifts in the skating population over the years, which has resulted in uneven entries at the regional level of competition," she said.

In 2002 the Governing Council mandated that the Strategic Planning

Committee "continue to develop a restructuring proposal" for its qualifying competition system.

The three major goals of creating an equitable qualifying competition structure are:

- An equal chance for success;
- Advancing the best skaters forward; and
- A feasible and cost-effective competition system for the local organizing committee, skaters, coaches, officials and parents.

been in place for more than 40 years.

The 9/3 plan with the percentage system of qualification adds the following changes to the current qualifying competition structure:

- All juvenile and intermediate classes will skate sectionals;
- Advancement from regionals to sectionals will be based on the PSQ;
- Advancement from sectionals to U.S. Junior Championships will be based on the PSQ.

The following example shows the

disparity in the number of entries throughout the regions. In 2002 the South Atlantic and Upper Great Lakes regional competitions each had 380 entries in qualifying competition categories, while the Pacific Northwest region was at 109 entries.

This resulted in 75 hours of competition for Upper Great Lakes region, as opposed to 18 hours of competition for the Pacific Northwest.

The difference in numbers of juvenile and

intermediate girls when comparing regions is also considerable. There were 120 juvenile girls in New England, compared to 22 in the Pacific Northwest. Also, there were 121 intermediate ladies in both South Atlantic and in Upper Great Lakes regions, compared to 28 in the Pacific Northwest.

The revised 9/3 plan will correct the uneven number of juvenile girls and intermediate ladies in regions across the country. This will be done by basing advancement on the total number of entries for each class in the entire country. Skaters will advance from regionals to sectionals and from sectionals to U.S.



Toward this end, during the past two years several studies have been done to determine options for a fair and reasonable qualifying competition structure.

The two options being proposed are:

1. A 9 region, 3 section plan, (9/3 plan), where a percentage system of qualification (PSQ) is applied to advance a proportional number of juvenile girls and intermediate ladies.
2. A 12 region, 4 section plan (12/4 plan), which is shown on the map.

9/3 Plan with PSQ

This plan is essentially the current qualifying competition structure that has

Junior Championships by applying a percentage system of qualification (PSQ) equation, where the proportion of each regional entry is calculated against the total number of entries across the country.

Gaynor said each region will have a base of four entries. Then the percentage equation would determine the number of additional entries each region can advance.

For example, in 2002 the Pacific Northwest had 28 entries in intermediate ladies event, and the South Atlantic and Upper Great Lakes regions each had 121 entries.

The total number of entries for intermediate ladies was 760. So applying the PSQ, four of the 28 entries in intermediate ladies would advance from the Northwest region and six of the 121 would advance from both the South Atlantic and Upper Great Lakes regions.

The 12/4 Plan

In 2001 there was a large-scale research project involving a cross section of officials, athletes, coaches and parents that resulted in creating a new map for the qualifying competition structure.

This map contains 12 regions and 4 divisions or sections. The chart shown below outlines the states and divisions.

The 12/4 plan proposes the following

changes to the current qualifying competition structure:

- Redrawing the regional and section boundaries, adding three new regions and one new section;
- All juvenile and intermediate classes will skate sectionals;
- Four skaters will advance from regionals to sectionals;
- Four skaters will advance from sectionals to U.S. Junior Championships;
- Three skaters from sectionals will advance to the State Farm U.S. Championships.

The specific geographic changes will be that one new region is added in the east and two will be added in the midwest, and one new section will be added to the midwest. The divisions on the Pacific Coast, especially Northern California and the Pacific Northwest, are also reconfigured in the 12/4 plan.

“By adding more regions we would level the playing field by reducing the size of the regions,” Gaynor said.

She said that the research project continued in 2002 with an analysis estimating the population shifts in competition entries for the 12 regions.

In addition, Gaynor said an analysis was conducted to determine whether staffing was possible for these 12 regional competitions.

“The studies I’ve done show that we have enough resources, including officials, to cover the new regions,” Gaynor said. “But some resources will have to be shifted to cover the new regions.”

On the average, under the 12/4 plan most regional competitions will be shorter and can be run on one ice surface. A preliminary profit and loss analysis indicates that costs will decrease for each regional competition, but so will the base revenue (based on the number of entries). Profits for most regional competitions will depend on the continuation of grants from the USFSA.

Studies done suggested that a routine review of competition entries by region should be conducted, perhaps every 10 years, so that shifts can be tracked and census lines for regions can be evaluated and adjusted accordingly.

Synchronized Skating

In considering the 12/4 plan, an analysis was conducted to see what the impact of moving to a 12/4 plan would be on synchronized skating.

Under the 9/3 plan, 2002 sectional entries showed 105 teams in the East, 145 teams in the Midwest, and 45 teams in the Pacific Coast.

Under the 12/4 plan the number of entries in each division would be more evenly distributed. Again using the 2002 sectional entry numbers as an example, there would have been 95 entries in Division A, 95 entries in Division B, 45 entries in Division C, and 45 entries in Division D.

Feedback

Watson said the process of looking at a restructure and developing the proposals has been a good one for the association.

“It’s exciting because it’s got people talking and feeling that they are a part of the association,” Watson said.

So now is the time to review this proposal and evaluate the impact of the two options. Then make your feelings known. Contact Jessica Gaynor (Drjess49@aol.com) with questions, comments and concerns. @@

12/4 plan

Division A	Division B	Division C	Division D
Region 1 Massachusetts Maine New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont	Region 4 District of Columbia Florida Georgia Maryland North Carolina South Carolina Virginia	Region 7 Iowa Minnesota North Dakota Nebraska South Dakota Wisconsin	Region 10 Arizona Colorado New Mexico Nevada Utah Wyoming
Region 2 Connecticut New York	Region 5 Michigan	Region 8 Illinois Kansas Missouri	Region 11 Alaska Northern California Hawaii Idaho Montana Oregon Washington
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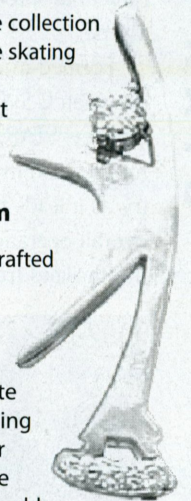
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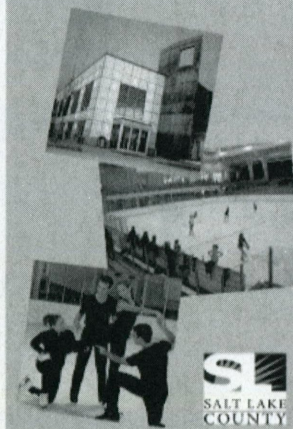
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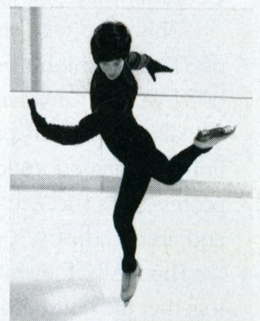
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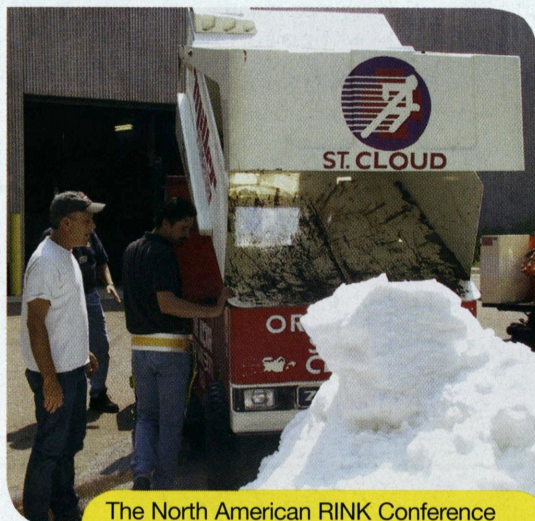
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by Pat Kelleher

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To reach a larger audience, STAR is teaming up with RINK Magazine to offer the first North American RINK Conference and Expo (NARCE) May 12–15 at the Rosemont Convention Center in Chicago.

"This is the next step in the growth of STAR," said John Beadle, president of STAR. "Our involvement in NARCE will allow the STAR program to continue offering education that helps rink professionals succeed in the U.S. rink and arena industry."

The NARCE event will bring together the entire rink and arena industry for a conference focusing on various educational programs provided by STAR, the Chevy/U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills Program and USA Hockey.

Working in conjunction with the Ontario Recreation Facilities Association, STAR will offer three technical training courses: Ice Maintenance and Equip-

ment Operation, Ice Making and Painting Technologies, and Basic Refrigeration.

In addition to teaching the nuts and bolts of arena operations, two new management courses will be added: Operations and Risk Management; and Programming, Marketing and Promotions.

The USFSA will provide education targeted for skating instructors and program administrators.

"NARCE allows us to show the rink industry the value of using U.S. Figure Skating programs within their facilities," said Susi Wehrl, director of Membership Development for the USFSA.

Educational programs will kick off May 12. The trade show gets underway the following evening with a reception and concludes with a six-hour session on May 14.

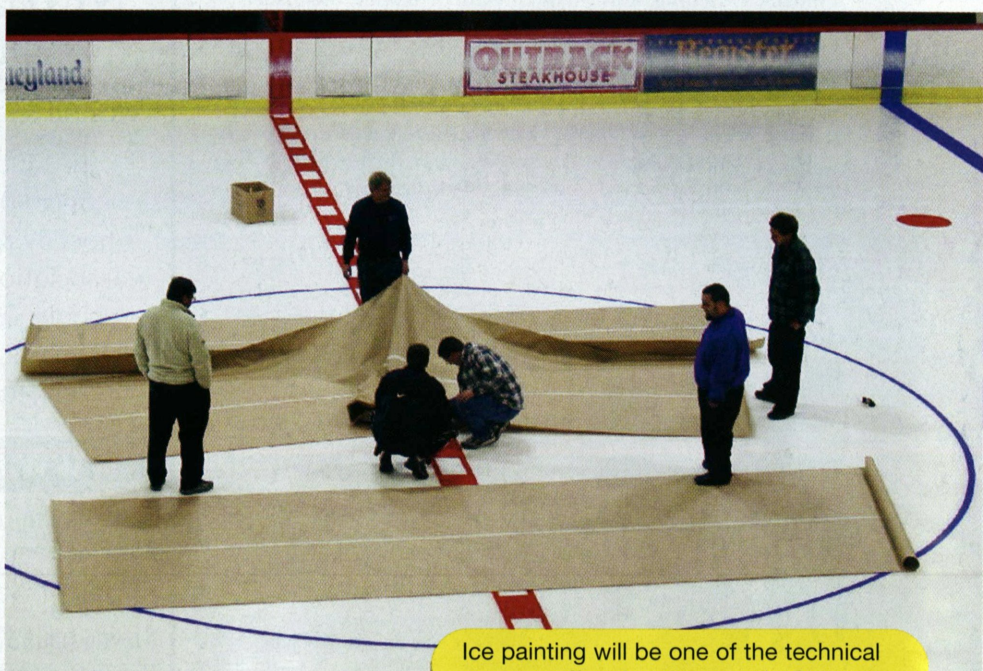
More than half the booth space has been purchased, and the remaining sales are building momentum.

"The rink industry has been lacking a show that combines all aspects of rink operations," said Lewis Liebert, publisher of RINK Magazine and president of NARCE. "By offering programming from STAR, conference attendees will have the option of becoming certified in rink operations and rink management or attending informational sessions.

"The USFSA and USA Hockey programs will provide training for instructors and program directors," Liebert continued. "These partnerships bring all the leaders together to create the ultimate forum for information and education in the industry."

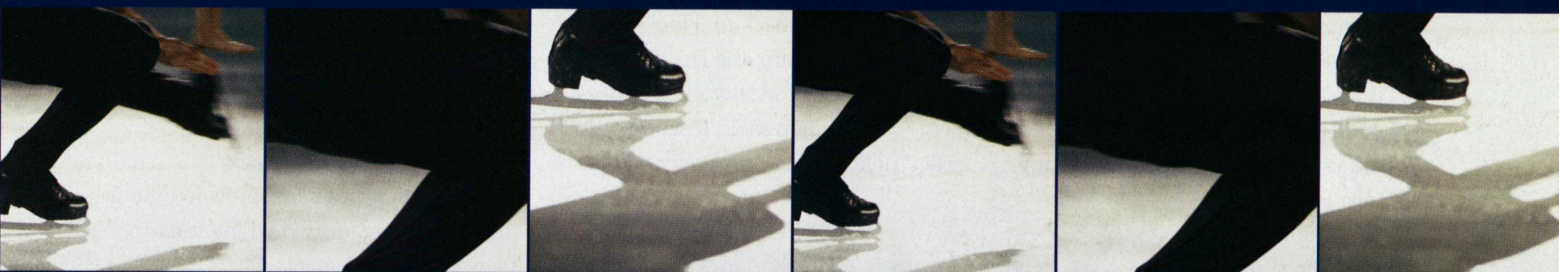
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2003 North American International Synchronized Skating Competition

by Kelly Hodge

The United States had the honor of hosting the first ISU synchronized skating competition of the 2002–03 season with the North American International Synchronized Skating Competition in Detroit, Mich., Jan. 9–10. The event showcased a new short program for both the junior and senior divisions and new rules in the senior free skate that now allow lifts.

The event featured some outstanding teams, but it was Marigold Ice Unity of Finland, the reigning World champions who last season broke Sweden’s winning trend, that everyone was waiting to see.

JUNIOR

This year’s new junior short program is similar to last season’s senior short program. The teams seemed to have no difficulties adjusting to the changes.

Finland’s Muskeeters started their lead early by earning all first-place ordinals for their short program set to a Las Vegas theme. This team had quick, crisp footwork throughout the program and a light skating style that set them apart. The performance was clean except for a minor fall in their block.

The Muskeeters stole the show again in the free skate where they skated to

“Tinkerbell.” The team completed a nice circle with a three-jump combination and synchronized split jumps.

They had a fall in a block and five skaters went down, but the quality of their program still earned them scores in the mid 5s for technical merit and marks of 5.1–5.8 for presentation.

Jaaskelainen decided on the Tinkerbell theme in celebration of her anniversary of coaching the team.

“To celebrate my 10th year coaching my teams, I went back to ‘Hook’ for the senior short program, the last piece that the team used before I worked with them,” Jaaskelainen said. “It seemed fitting to do ‘Tinkerbell’ for my juniors and

even my novice team is skating to ‘Peter Pan.’”

Canada’s Les Supremes skated an elegant yet powerful short program marred only by a fall in their required

block, giving them a third-place finish in the short program.

Fellow Canadian team Gold Ice used their short to show off speed, crisp lines and a no-hold block that had good spacing and unison.

The free skate saw little movement at the top with both Canadian teams holding onto their spots to take the silver and bronze medals. Les Supremes’ program included interesting free skate elements but difficulties near the end led to several small falls. Gold Ice skated a clean program highlighted with pairs elements, two difficult intersections and synchronized attitude-type spins.

The U.S. teams put out a strong effort but couldn’t match the fluidity of the Finnish and Canadian programs. Chicago Jazz led the U.S. teams earning fifth place for their powerful program to “Spy Games.”

The Chicago Jazz performed a clean free skate that opened with a no-hold block that transitioned into two back intersections. They continued to a four-spoke with spread eagles.

The Jazz held onto fifth place while the Hockettes moved up to sixth and Fraser Eclipse overtook Sweden’s Team Rhapsody to finish eighth. Fraser didn’t medal, but just being there counted.

“The team was so excited to compete; it was just the highlight of their year so far,” said coach Lori Guolla on the team’s last-minute invitation to compete on their home ice. “I’m so proud of their skate.”

SENIOR

The senior programs provided the first look at how teams would interpret the new required elements.

“I really enjoy the creative freedom that this new program allows,” said Nancy Rossi, Superettes coach. “It was such a great opportunity to see how it was perceived, see what the judges were looking for and how the U.S. compared with teams everywhere.”

With spins, moves-in-the-field sequences and intersections without a center point, the event proved to be one of the most exciting short programs ever.

The free skate was no less exciting, and the stands were packed since the Detroit area is a hot bed for U.S. synchronized skating.

Finland’s Marigold Ice Unity went home with the gold medal. Skating to “Hook” in the short program, they had quick transitions, excellent unison and an unusual half-flip jump.



Chicago Jazz

FUN facts

- Number of teams: 17
- Number of competitors: 408
- Number of back flips performed by skaters on senior teams: . . . 8
- Number of reigning national champions: 4
- Number of Finnish programs set to Disney music: 3
- Number of video games in the Crystalletes free skate: 6



Marigold Ice Unity

Synchronized spotlight

Each month SKATING will spotlight a different synchronized team.

When they took the ice again as the final team in the free skate, the crowd welcomed the Finns with no less enthusiasm than they did their own countrymen. Starting in poses portraying five animals of the African Savannah, they brought these characters to life the instant Disney's "The Circle of Life" began to play.

For Jaaskelainen and the team, it was an emotional experience.

"I was debating between this music and another piece when a skater on our team, Sanna, unexpectedly passed away over the summer," Jaaskelainen said. "That's when the story of 'The Circle of Life' became so meaningful. It's an emotional program for us, and it's a tribute to Sanna."

They skated with great technique and even better expression, performing a three-spoke pinwheel and a fast no-hold block with quick footwork. And, they even took their bows in the character of animals.

"On the way to Detroit, we spent a few days in New York City and went to see 'The Lion King' on Broadway," Jaaskelainen said. "It was great inspiration, and in the first practice here, the team surprised me by adding in a bow that actors in the play had performed."

Silver medalists Les Supremes from Canada skated a clean short program that put them in second place after the short. Their "mime" theme free skate was entertaining as they stayed in character, highlighting elements with perfect facial expression.

Their Canadian teammates, NEXXICE, earned the bronze medal. Their short program to "Fly Me to the Moon" included a moves-in-the-field sequence with variety, while their free skate had interesting pair elements including throw look jumps.

Team Elan of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., took fourth place with a free skate that included a variety of free skating elements, a unique circle with a lift and good flow.

The Crystallettes held onto fifth place with their "Welcome to the Arcade" program, which was a crowd favorite. The University of Michigan team pulled ahead of the Superettes to finish sixth in their first international competition. @@

Team Volant

Club/Level: Steamboat Springs FSC (Teen Introductory)

Coaches: Courtney Q. Gill

Team members:
 Jessica Cannon,
 Mackenzie Frank, Katie Hansen, Jamie Jones, Elise Krueger, Katie Krueger, Allison Lewis, Carlee McLaughlin, Sabra Severinghaus, Brittainy Slade, Ariel Tredway, Lauren Ventruodo



Team rituals: We love to go to a pasta restaurant the night before competing. The day of the performance we dance around to our favorite team song, "Boom, Boom, Boom," to help get us psyched up. Before we leave the locker room, we stand in a circle and give each other shoulder rubs while our coach adds glitter to our cheeks so we "shine" even more on the ice.

What makes Team Volant special? Vo'lant means flying or capable of flying; moving quickly or nimbly; agile. It is also the name of a ski, and we live in Ski Town USA. The team was started last year and after only 10 weeks of being together, we placed second in our division at sectionals. We then performed for the USA Womens Hockey Team while they stopped in Steamboat on their way to the Olympics. This year we captured the gold medal in our division at sectionals.

Team goals: Team Volant was started so we could have a fun, rewarding and confidence-building experience. Since we are such a new team, our on-ice goal this season was to add harder elements with more speed to our program. We also did off-ice activities to build team camaraderie. We hope to continue to grow in this way. Synchronized skating has given the team the opportunity to compete in levels higher than we would be able to accomplish as single skaters.

What is the best part of being on a synchronized team? It's nerve-racking to perform alone, so it's nice to have your friends on the ice with you. We learn so many life lessons while getting to travel and compete as a team.

What are some of your favorite memories? Arriving at sectionals last year and thinking we were the worst team ever because we didn't have matching practice dresses or pins to trade. Having secret sisters. Making the team van shake at stoplights. Our coach letting us leave off-ice practice to watch a high school boys hockey game. There are so many memories, such as funny names to help us remember certain facial expressions in our program. @@

Rink Relations

by Pat Kelleher

One of the most essential components of any successful club operation is the ability to work well with your local rink. The relationship that the club develops with the rink is a true partnership and should be approached this way.

The club and the rink have many of the same goals and objectives. Together they can provide a greater overall service to the paying customer while achieving these goals.

Included in these common goals is the desire to have a large and consistent flow of customers into the facility to support all skating programs. This will allow for a steady revenue flow for the rink and a continuous source of new members for the club. It can bring long-term financial benefits to both the club and the rink.

Each rink operation will be different and offer unique opportunities. Some rinks rent the ice to the club and let the club operate figure skating programs, sometimes including the Basic Skills program. Other rinks operate their own figure skating and Basic Skills sessions, allowing the club to conduct the test sessions and competitions.

It is up to the rink manager to select the mode of operation. Either way, the club and the rink need to establish a positive working relationship. Both methods can work well for the club, provided there is a good relationship.

Communication with the rink management is essential to establishing the team approach. Developing this relationship may take some nurturing. Many rink managers do not understand the needs of figure skating and must be educated. This is where a positive and helpful attitude can assist in the club developing this positive relationship.

Communication between the club and rink management must be kept at a high level. Being involved with the management team of your facility is the only way to ensure good communication and a solid working relationship.

In almost every negative situation, the issues come down to a lack of understanding of each other's concerns. Invite members of the rink management to attend the club's board meetings. If rink managers take an interest in your club and learn more about your issues, the club officers can help the managers understand the way you operate.

Be aware that the rink manager has to deal with other ice users in the facility. Hockey and public skating are strong revenue streams for most rink operations. The rink manager will protect these areas of strong revenue. As a result, you should be realistic in the approach to obtain figure skating ice time.

It is also important to establish a relationship with the other user groups within your facility, including the youth hockey club. A strong relationship will benefit the club when seeking extra ice time for competitions or test sessions, and it will also help the club when trying to unload excess ice time.

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The USFSA, in a joint venture with USA Hockey, formed Serving The American Rinks (STAR) as a rink-membership association to serve the rink industry in the United States. This organization provides services for rink owners and operators, and promotes programs for the national governing

RINK management

What Good Management can do for Your rink:

A good approach with the rink manager is to demonstrate the benefits having a strong club provides to a rink. These benefits include the following:

- **A conduit to the national governing body for the sport of figure skating (USFSA membership);**
- **A conduit to competitive figure skating through the USFSA;**
- **The ability to conduct official USFSA test sessions and competitions;**
- **The ability to provide continued opportunity for figure skaters;**
- **The programs available for the development of figure skaters from the basic level to the top competitive levels, including a "bridge" program to move skaters to higher levels;**
- **The knowledge that clubs and coaches have in managing figure skating programs;**
- **The ability to bring additional skaters into the rink and programs to keep them returning;**
- **Business to the pro shop and concession stand;**
- **Advice for the pro shop about selected supplies to stock.**

The rink manager also may need to be educated about the needs of figure skaters. These could include:

- **Adequate and consistent scheduling of free skating, dance and pairs;**
- **Synchronized team and Basic Skills sessions;**
- **Quality ice conditions, free of ruts and holes;**
- **A quality sound system;**
- **A jump harness and other potential aids;**
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Skating activities are promoted and relationships with rink operators are strengthened through STAR.

bodies to rink management. STAR works with the facilities around the country to strengthen the rink and arena industry.

One of the primary objectives of this organization is to help strengthen the relationship between user groups and

facility operators to achieve full cooperation in the interest of promoting skating activities. This spirit of cooperation should exist at both the national and club levels.

STAR's mission is to be "the premier

national organization designed to foster the development, growth and success of ice skating rinks and in-line facilities in the United States."

Clubs should be aware of the many ways to be supportive of these programs and should also try to link its home facility into these programs.

By working together and having good communication, the rink/user group relationship will be a positive one and will help to strengthen the skating industry as a whole.


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Kids' Questions

U.S. ladies competitor Andrea Gardiner answers your questions.

To ask Parker Pennington a question for May, see page 5.

Q: Your skating costumes are always so pretty. Does someone help you select them or do you select them by yourself? *Hayley Thurman, 8, Columbia, Tenn.*

A: I design them, then I have someone who makes them. I come up with designs I like. I'm very particular about costumes, so I develop the designs that suit me best.

Q: What do you do to relieve the pressure you feel due to the competitors and the TV cameras all around you? How do you handle your nerves before you go out on the ice? *Julia, 14, Huntsville; Micaela Werman, 12, Hamden, Conn.*

A: I listen to a CD Walkman and get back into my own regiment. I remember what I've practiced at home and go into what makes me relax instead of worrying about the cameras.

Q: What is your favorite skating move and why do you enjoy doing this move? Is it more difficult to do as you get older? *Georgina Oliveira, 10, Ludlow, Mass.*

A: I like jumping, and my favorite triple is the triple toe. It is the first one I got and it's my best triple. It gets easier with more practice, and I don't think age has anything to do with it. You do it over and over, and it just comes naturally to you.

Q: What are your biggest skating and non-skating accomplishments? *Chani Woodward, 15, Indianapolis, Ind.; Margaret, 15, Buffalo, N.Y.*

A: My biggest skating accomplishments are when I won the junior national title in 1997 and last year at the Staples Center (in Los Angeles at the 2002 U.S. Championships) when I got a standing ovation. Graduating from high school would be a non-skating accomplishment. Others would be winning a solo ensemble contest when I played violin, and when the city of Baytown where I live declared it Andrea Gardiner day because of my accomplishments.



Paul Harvath

Q: How old are you when you first got into skating? What inspired you to work toward competing at the national level and to strive to be the best? *Camille Shepherd, 15, Denton, Texas; Lanna Gallo, 14, Newark, Del.*

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Age: 12 **Hometown:** South Carolina **Skating level:** Pre-preliminary freestyle and juvenile moves in the field

How long I've been skating: I have been skating since I was 8 years old.

How often I skate: I skate five times a week, Tuesday through Saturday.

Favorite skaters: My favorite skaters are Michelle Kwan and Sasha Cohen. I like Michelle because of her confidence and positive attitude, and Sasha because of her grace and flexibility.

Favorite jumps/moves: I like the Axel, even though I can barely land it, and I love any kind of spin. My favorite spins are the layback and the flying camel. **Favorite skating moments:** I skated my freestyle three program in Georgia to a song called "Gabriel's Oboe." I really liked the music because it was soft and pretty, and I got first place!

What I like about skating: It gets everything off my mind that I'm thinking about. I also like it because it's not a common sport like soccer. It's different, and I like being different. Nobody else in my whole school (lower, middle, and upper schools) figure skates, so it makes me different. **What else you should know**

about me: I like to read, and I have been playing the piano for four years. Also, I just changed from a great coach, Nicole, who moved to North Carolina, and now I have another great coach, Cheryl!

A: I started skating when I was 4 and started taking lessons when I was 6. When I was 4 I saw a Christmas ice show at The Galleria (in Houston) and that's how I got into doing it. As soon as I saw that ice show, I knew that this was something I wanted to do. I was good at it, and I really enjoyed skating. Never in my wildest dreams did I think I was going to go all the way to nationals. The first time I made it was in 1995, and that was a big experience. I skated on the novice level. That's when I decided that I wanted to come back and keep going because I really enjoyed doing it.

Q: Who do you admire most and why? *Nadine Joy Abad, 10, San Diego, Calif.*

A: I would say I admire Kristi Yamaguchi most because she's a hard worker. Also Brian Boitano. They've both continued to skate at a high level even though they are older now and they're performers. They're skaters who don't just do hard elements; they perform for the audience, and I really enjoy watching them. [Outside the skating world] I would have to say my mother because she has made a lot of sacrifices for me, and she's stuck by me through both the good times and the bad.

Q: What is your daily schedule and training schedule? *Rachael Syswerda, 15, Grand Rapids; Abbey Guirgevich, 14, Lexington, Ky.; Alex Johnson, 12, Minnetonka, Minn.*

A: Normally I get up and do some stretching and Pilates. Then I brush my teeth and do all that stuff. I get out the door and get to practice around noon and I'm there until around 4 p.m., but we have some breaks in between. I live an hour away, so I leave the rink and usually get home around 5:30 p.m. Then I go to the gym.

Q: I'm an African-American skater. For many years, I never had anyone to relate to in this sport other than Debi Thomas, then I discovered you on a nationals broadcast. You are very inspirational. How does it feel to be a trailblazer in this sport? *La Shondra, 16, Chicago*

A: Wow! That's so nice. When I skate, and particularly when I won juniors, I never thought about myself as an African-American. I thought of myself as a skater. I'm honored to be admired, but I don't see the color thing — it's never been an issue in my skating. I believe if you skate well, you get what you deserve. You just have to stick in there. Sometimes the marks are not always what you want when you have skated well. And there are times when you think you've skated awful and you get higher marks. You just remember that you worked hard for it and in the end you should feel good about what you did.

Q: I skate and play the violin, just like you. Do you think your violin playing helps you with skating to music? *Melanie Gravenstede, 7, Rochester, N.Y.*

A: Yes, I really do. I started [playing violin] in junior high school from sixth grade on up, and I believe that it has a lot to do with musicality because when I pick a piece of music I have to be able to feel it from within. I always pick what I want to skate to because a skater should be able to relate to it and feel it, rather than having someone tell you this is what you have to skate to even when you don't want to. So I really do feel that having a little bit of musical background has something to do with it.

Q: At which competition were you the happiest about your performance? *Alisha Poonja, 11, Calgary*

How much do you know about the World Figure Skating Championships?

Take this quiz and find out! Find the answers at the bottom of page 64. Give yourself one point for each correct answer and five points for the correct extra credit answer.

1. The number of skaters a country can send to Worlds is based on results from the previous Worlds. True or False
2. Michelle Kwan has the most World medals of any U.S. skater. True or False
3. Competitors must be 17 years old to compete at the World Championships. True or False
4. A top-three finish at the U.S. Championships guarantees a skater a place on the World Team. True or False
5. U.S. skaters have captured a total of 48 World titles. True or False
6. Skaters at Worlds do not receive prize money. True or False
7. Todd Eldredge was the last U.S. man to win the gold medal at Worlds. True or False

Extra Credit: Counting this year, how many times has the United States hosted the Worlds, and in what cities were those events held?

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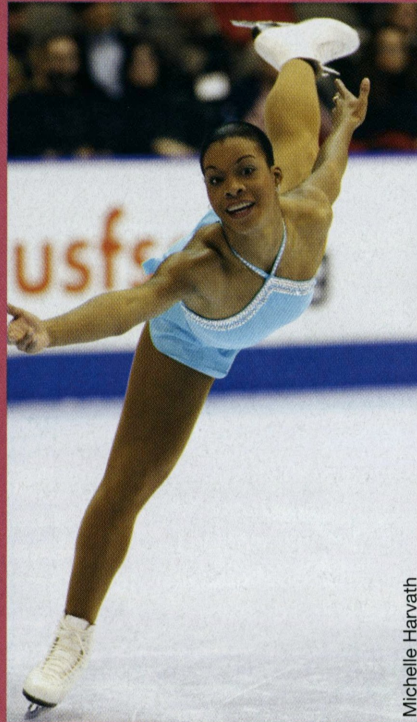
A. L.A. (2002 U.S. Championships) was good. There are so many. I was happy when I won the junior national title. I was also happy in Cleveland (2000 U.S. Championships) when I got a standing ovation there and skated a clean performance. The medal means a great deal, but now I've gotten to a point that the standing ovation means a lot to me. It's important to have everyone in the building with you.

Q. How long do you plan to remain in eligible skating?
David Devico, 18, Salt Lake City

A. As long as I can. I have no intention of leaving right now. I have a lot I want to accomplish, so until those things are done I'm not leaving.

Q. What do you want to accomplish in the immediate future?
Garrett Kling, 12, Minn.

A. There's a long list, but my main one is to one day make it to Worlds. Outside of skating I want to start college, finish college and try to be pre-med to be a cardiovascular surgeon. I've got a lot of work to do!



Michelle Harvath

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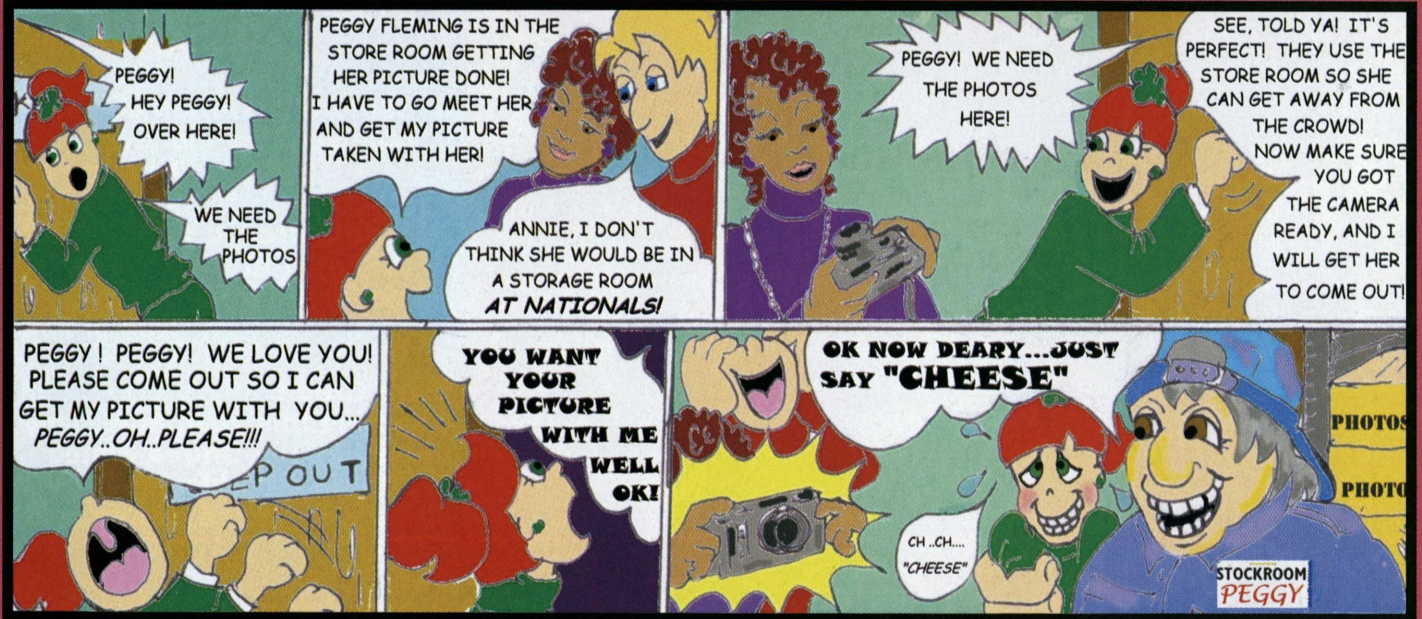
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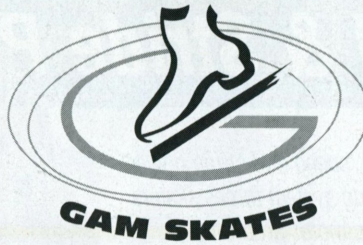
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Answers: 1. True. Each ISU member country can enter one competitor in each event. Additional entries are based on the results and a country's total points scored in the previous year's competition. 2. True. Michelle Kwan has seven total medals — four gold and three silver. 3. False. Competitors must be 15 years old by July 1 of the previous year to be eligible to compete. 4. False. Only the U.S. champion in each event is guaranteed a spot on the World Team. The remaining skaters are selected based on the results of the last two U.S. Championships, the most recent World Championships, all international events and the International Committee Ranking System placements. However, the International Committee can consider extenuating circumstances. 5. True. By event the number of titles are: ladies, 24; men, 22; and pairs, 2. 6. False. Prize money is awarded to all competitors at Worlds, with the amount determined by place. 7. True. He won the title in 1996. Extra Credit: The United States has hosted the World Championships 11 times. Those events were held in the following cities: Washington, D.C.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Oakland, Calif.; Hartford, Conn.; Colorado Springs, Colo. — five times; New York, N.Y.

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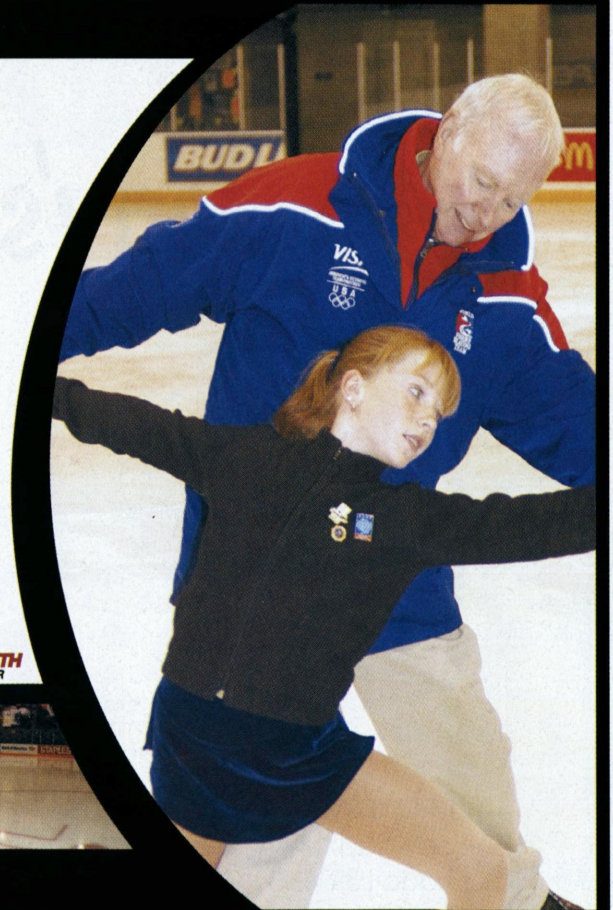
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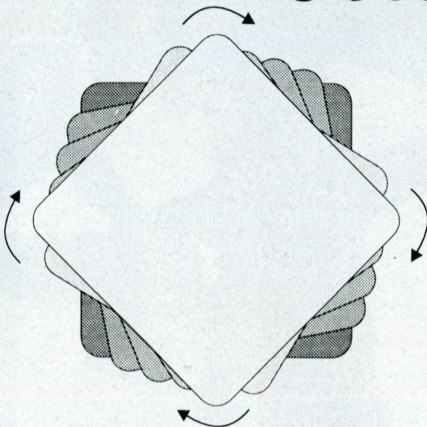
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Power Sleep *and* Peak Performance

by James B. Maas, Ph.D., Oriel FeldmanHall and Kate Boyles

Olympic champion Sarah Hughes was 14 years old and sleeping about seven-and-a-half hours per night when I gave her a copy of my book, "Power Sleep."

After reading the book, Sarah changed to a routine of sleeping nine-and-a-half hours a night and cut out caffeine. Her outstanding record speaks volumes as to the importance of sleep in competitive skating.

Maybe you are experiencing similar sleep problems. You spend hours at the rink perfecting your routines. You exercise with strength and conditioning workouts. You watch what you eat.

You think you've done everything to prepare for competition, yet peak performance seems to be elusive. At times you're "in the zone," but more often than not errors mar your presentation. Your problem could be as fundamental as the quality and quantity of your sleep.



Olympic champion Sarah Hughes changed her sleep habits after reading "Power Sleep."

David A. Hughes

NECESSITY OF SLEEP

To be fully alert and energetic, you must accept the fact that sleep is a necessity, not a luxury. While 43 percent of adults are moderately to severely sleep deprived, nearly every middle school, high school and college student is a walking zombie.

The average teenager needs nine-and-a-quarter hours of sleep every night to be fully alert, yet typically gets only six hours. This is a recipe for disaster, particularly when it comes to scholastic and athletic performance.

Here's what happens when you don't get enough sleep:

- **Daytime drowsiness** – This is the inability to get through the day without a temporary loss in energy and alertness, usually in the mid-afternoon. Feelings of inattentiveness and grogginess occur, often after a heavy meal, when sitting in a warm room, listening to a boring lecture or participating in a dull meeting. These factors don't cause sleepiness, but they unmask the sleepiness in your body.

- **Stress, anxiety and loss of coping skills** – Overwhelming feelings of not being able to cope, even with simple problems or moderate work loads. Worry, frustration and nervousness increase, as does an inability to maintain perspective or to relax under even moderate pressure.

- **Microsleeps** – Brief episodes of sleep, lasting a few seconds, which produce inattention and can result in accidents and mistakes on the ice.

- **Feelings of lethargy** – Loss of motivation to maintain present tasks or pursue new endeavors.

- **Mood shifts including depression, increased irritability, and loss of sense of humor** – Mood is one of the first traits to be affected by sleep loss. With even minimal sleep loss, our threshold for anger is lowered. We can quickly lose friends, anger coaches and make enemies.

SLEEP Quotient

What is Your Sleep Quotient

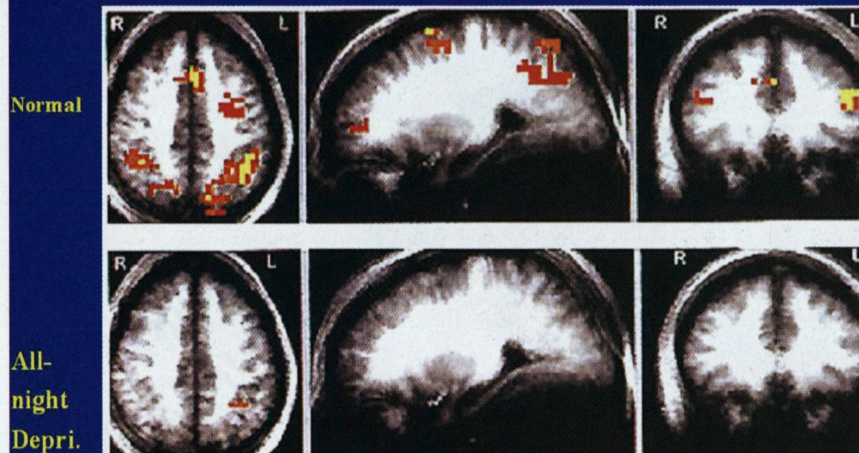
To figure out how to achieve a peak performance, determine your personal sleep quotient. Here's how:

1. Start by selecting a bedtime when you will be able to fall asleep quickly. Make sure the time is at least nine hours before you need to get up. Maintain that bedtime for a week and keep track of the time you rise.

You might wake up too early for a few days if you are conditioned to a short sleep schedule, but if you're sleep deprived, that conditioning will give way to longer periods of sleep. If you need an alarm clock to wake you up, if you find it hard to get out of bed in the morning, or if you're tired during the day, you haven't slept enough.

2. To make sure you have found the correct bedtime, try waking up 15 minutes earlier. If drowsiness ensues then you'll know for sure if you've identified your individual sleep requirement.

Effect of sleep deprivation on brain activation (Subtraction task)



Here, brain activation is shown during an arithmetic task after a normal night's sleep (top) and following sleep deprivation (bottom). Brain regions activated in rested subjects were not activated in sleep-deprived subjects.

- **Lack of interest in socializing** – Wanting to avoid group participation or interacting with others. Desire to disengage from the outside world.
- **Weight gain** – Consumption of beverages and foods high in sugar content used as a “remedy” to keep awake when sleep deprived.
- **Feelings of being chilled** – This is often the result of trying to stay awake late at night, after the circadian rhythm ebbs causing body temperature to plummet.
- **Reduced immunity to disease and viral infection** – Natural killer immune cells stop functioning as sleep deprivation increases, which leads to colds and health problems.
- **Reduced productivity** – Cognitive functioning and reaction time decrease, including reduced abilities to remember, handle complex tasks, think logically, analyze new information, think critically, make decisions, use full vocabulary and communication skills, be creative, and use full motor skills and coordination.

Imagine trying to skate well if any of the above detriments to performance occur because you are sleep deprived. You might think it's macho to get by on less sleep, but even modest sleep deprivation slows you down and can affect your health and longevity.

GOLDEN RULES OF SLEEP

If you want to perform at your best, there are four golden rules of sleep that you have to follow.

1. Get an adequate amount of sleep every night. Identify the amount of sleep you need to be fully alert all day long, and get that amount every night. It will change your mood, your ability to think critically and creatively, and your on-ice performance. It also will improve your memory, perception, reaction time and motor coordination.

Recent research has found a huge calcium push occurs in the motor cortex of the brain between the sixth and eighth hour of nocturnal sleep. This influx of calcium is crucial for improving motor performance and reaction time. If you are not getting eight to nine hours of sleep each night, it is difficult to learn routines and commit them to memory.

Most people need to obtain at least 60 to 90 minutes more sleep a night. In support of this rule of thumb, when volunteers in a study were allowed to sleep as long as they wished, they consistently slept an extra hour or more.

2. Establish a regular sleep schedule. Go to bed at the same time every night, and wake up (without an alarm clock) at the same time every morning, including

weekends. That's seven days a week, 365 days a year. Regularity is important for setting and stabilizing your internal sleep-wake biological clock.

Within four weeks, the hours you spend in bed will begin to synchronize with the sleepy phase of your biological clock, and conversely the hours you spend out of bed will correspond to the time when you feel most alert and refreshed.

Within a few weeks such regularity will actually reduce the total sleep time required for full daytime alertness.

3. Avoid Sunday night insomnia.

Many people try to catch up on lost weekday sleep by sleeping in on the weekends. If you sleep late on Sunday, you won't be tired at your regular bedtime that night and won't fall asleep until later. Within a few hours your alarm clock will jerk you back into consciousness and you'll crawl to school or work with the Monday morning blahs. You've given yourself jet lag without leaving home.

The brain does not have a different biological clock for weekdays and weekends. Changing your bedtime and/or rising time on the weekends will disturb your sleep rhythms. So if you stay up late, still get up at your usual time.

To make up for lost sleep you might consider taking a power nap. These naps should be taken midday and should be limited to 20 minutes. If you are exhausted, a one-hour nap will improve your performance, but you might be groggy when awakening, or even have difficulty falling asleep that night.

No one wakes up “bright eyed and bushy tailed.” Instead, you gradually become more alert, reaching a high point in the late morning and again in the early evening. So if you have to compete “first thing in the morning,” you'd better plan on getting up a little earlier (having already enjoyed a sleep of optimal length).

3. Get continuous sleep. For sleep to be rejuvenating, you should get your

required amount of sleep in one continuous block. Disrupted nocturnal sleep is not restorative and will cause you to be drowsy during the day.

Caffeine after 2 p.m. and alcohol within three hours of bedtime will disrupt your rapid eye movement sleep, which occurs every 90 minutes throughout the night. Six hours of good, solid sleep is often more restorative than eight hours of poor, fragmented sleep.

4. Make up for lost sleep. Everyone has a sleep back account that keeps track of sleep needed to be alert. For every two hours awake, you add an hour of debt to your back account.

Late competitions, long trips, family obligations, school and social events can lead to long days and short nights, and debt in your sleep bank account. Make up for lost sleep as soon as possible.

GREAT SLEEP STRATEGIES

In addition to the four golden rules, there are several other things you can do to improve the quantity and quality of your sleep.

• **Maintain a proper bedroom atmosphere.** Keep your bedroom quiet, dark, cool (about 67 degrees) and free of clutter. Make sure you sleep on a great surface, ideally an interspring mattress with

individual pocketed coils that reduce motion transfer, or a foam mattress designed to properly support your back.

Your pillow must support your head, neck and spinal cord, keeping them in proper alignment as if you were standing. A high-quality down pillow is ideal for maintaining proper support as you turn during the night.

Do not watch TV or surf the Internet within two hours of bedtime. Turn your alarm clock around so that the numbers won't reduce the depth of your sleep or awaken you during the night.

• **Reduce the amount of stress you experience as much as possible.** Stress is the No. 1 cause of insomnia. Even if you are sleep deprived, anxiety can delay sleep onset. Relaxation exercises may help (see SKATING, May 2002).

If you are anxious or troubled, have a "worry time" before going to sleep. Keep a notebook beside your bed and write down your concerns. By doing this, your worries won't interfere with sleep onset or wake you up in the middle of the night. Reading for pleasure before turning off the lights will also ease you into sleep.

• **Take a warm bath before bed.** Not only will this help to relax your mind and body as you wind down, it can also

help ease sore muscles after a hard workout. Keep the water temperature at about 100 degrees Fahrenheit and try scenting the water with relaxing oils (such as lavender) or lighting candles to help you relax.

ALL YOU NEED IS SLEEP

So, you see, if you want to be wide awake, creative and dynamic all day, and more likely to

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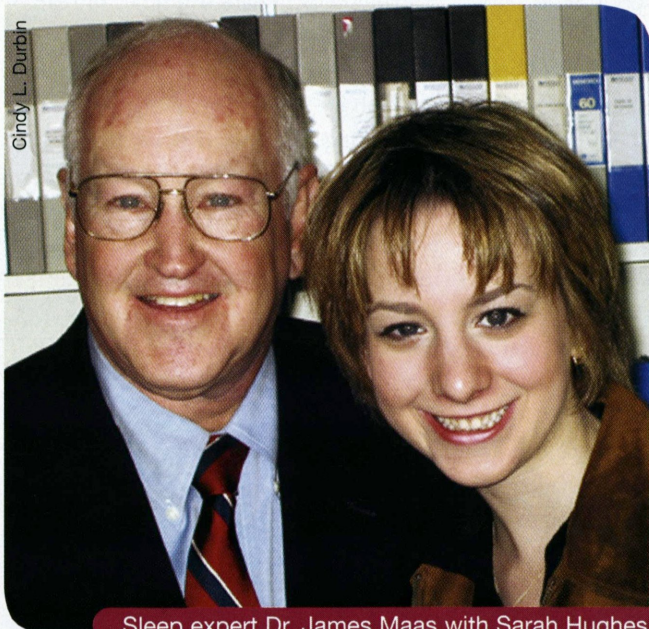
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3. I feel tired, irritable and stressed out during the week.
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5. I feel slow with critical thinking, problem solving and being creative.
6. I often fall asleep watching TV.
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8. I often fall asleep after heavy meals and while relaxing after dinner.
9. I often fall asleep within five minutes of getting into bed.
10. I often feel drowsy while driving.
11. I often sleep extra hours on weekend mornings.
12. I often need a nap to get through the day.
13. I have dark circles around my eyes.

If three or more of the above questions describe you, you probably need to get more sleep!

deliver one of your peak performances on the ice, be sure to follow the golden rules and get more sleep! @

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Sleep expert Dr. James Maas with Sarah Hughes

What is Risk Management?

by Trish Beyer

Providing a safe environment for athletes while continuing to promote figure skating in the United States is a big part of figure skating clubs, which is why it is important for club officers to understand risk management.

Risk management not only helps promote a safe environment but also helps strengthen the ability of U.S. Figure Skating to maintain affordable and comprehensive insurance coverage for their clubs, members and events.

As most people are aware, insurance premiums continue to escalate and are a direct reflection on the number and severity (ultimate cost) of claims. It is our intent to make positive improvements to programs in an ongoing effort to maintain the integrity of vital insurance programs for you.

Four-Step Process

The sole purpose of risk management is to safeguard people, assets and the reputation of an organization. It is a continuing four-step process of:

- Analyzing loss exposures by trying to determine what risks a club faces;
- Reviewing and selecting the best techniques to manage loss exposures.

WATCH out!

Common Reasons Losses Occur

1. Inadequate management due to lack of communication, proper training and policy.
2. Inadequate planning including no written operating plan and lack of assigned responsibility.
3. Unsafe acts by volunteers and employees, including failure to wear protective gear.
4. Unsafe conditions including poor housekeeping and crowd control.
5. Other situations, such as weather-related incidents.

This can, and often does, include the purchase of insurance and discontinuance of certain practices that could potentially cause injuries and claims;

- Implementing appropriate techniques by putting certain practices into place to mitigate injuries and claims; and
- Monitoring and evaluating those techniques for effectiveness by reviewing to see if substantial reductions in injuries and claims have occurred as a result of the processes which were implemented.

Why Losses Occur

In order to fully understand the risk management process, you must first understand the elements of financial loss and why they occur. Typically, financial losses facing a business organization arise from one of the following activities.

Inadequate management: This includes poor communication, lack of procedures and policies, and lack of proper training.

Inadequate planning: This includes a lack of a written operating plan and a lack of assigning responsibilities to others in a management capacity.

Unsafe acts of employees or volunteers: This includes failure to wear protective gear and consumption of alcohol or drugs during an activity.

Unsafe conditions: This includes poor housekeeping in the ice arena or at an event and lack of crowd control, including insufficient security.

Out-of-your-control situations: This includes weather incidents such as storms, hurricanes, and earthquakes and non-weather incidents such as riots.

Successful Risk Management

Of the various elements necessary to implement a successful risk management program, some will be easy to begin, while others may be more difficult. The following items are elements of a successful risk management program.

Risk avoidance: This is accomplished by eliminating an activity that causes loss. This is a difficult task considering the nature of the sport being conducted.

Risk prevention: This is accomplished by minimizing, reducing or eliminating the "frequency" of activities that cause injuries or claims (i.e., making sure your athletes are not skating on an ice surface that is not properly maintained).

Risk retention: This is accomplished by retaining a portion of the risk and handling it as a business expense (i.e., a dollar deductible for each and every claim that is submitted).

Risk transfer: This is accomplished by contractually transferring the risk to another entity (i.e., buying insurance, using waiver and release of liability forms to mitigate claims from athletes and contractually transferring the risk of facilities to building owners).

Examples of Claims

In an effort to provide you with the best information to promote risk management within your clubs and Basic Skills organizations, here is information regarding previous injuries that have given rise to claims.

The following are examples of real injuries that have occurred.

Negligent supervision: A skater is on the club ice practicing various moves and during a backward skate, runs into another skater on the ice. Her coach is present, but not wearing skates, and the allegation from the attorney for the injured skater who was hit is that the coach was negligent in not instructing her student to watch where she was skating and who was on the ice.

It is important that all students be instructed in proper etiquette while on the ice, including looking where they are going, knowing who else is around and paying attention to their environment. The coaches and pros need to be cognizant of the surroundings as well.

GET THE facts

Four Steps of Risk Management

1. Determine the risks that your club or organization faces.
2. Review and select the best techniques to manage exposure to loss, including purchasing insurance or if necessary discontinuing certain programs.
3. Put practices into place to mitigate injuries and claims.
4. Monitor and evaluate risk management techniques to see if reductions in injuries and claims have occurred.

Conditions of the ice: A Basic Skills program is beginning. The ice arena, which was named as an additional insured under the policy, neglected to send the ice resurfer out prior to the session. The ice was not in proper condition, and a novice skater fell due to the condition of the ice.

It is important that the ice be inspected prior to anyone skating, either during

a club session or a Basic Skills session, to prevent injuries due to ice that is not suitable for skating.

Spectator slips and falls: The mother of a Basic Skills student is sitting in the bleachers watching her child during the lesson. The facility is cold (in an effort to keep the ice in good condition). She attempts to walk down the step (with her hands in her pockets) and slips on a wet step, hitting her head and falling down the remainder of the steps.

While this should be the responsibility of the ice arena, the Basic Skills organization is named as a defendant, and costs to investigate and defend the allegations become the responsibility of the USFSA insurance.

It is important to carefully review any contracts with facilities to ensure that negligence of the facility remains with the facility and is not transferred to the club or Basic Skills organization. (Both ESIX, the USFSA's risk manager, and

American Specialty insurance can assist you in contract review prior to the execution of the contract.)

Skaters performing moves above their ability: A Basic Skills student falls during an early lesson, breaking her arm. The allegation is that she should not have been performing the activity she was attempting at the time of the fall because it was too advanced for her limited ability and time on the ice.

Be sure to follow procedures as outlined and described by the USFSA with regard to curriculum.

Use common sense to recognize that not all students progress at the same level and may not be ready for more advanced moves. @@

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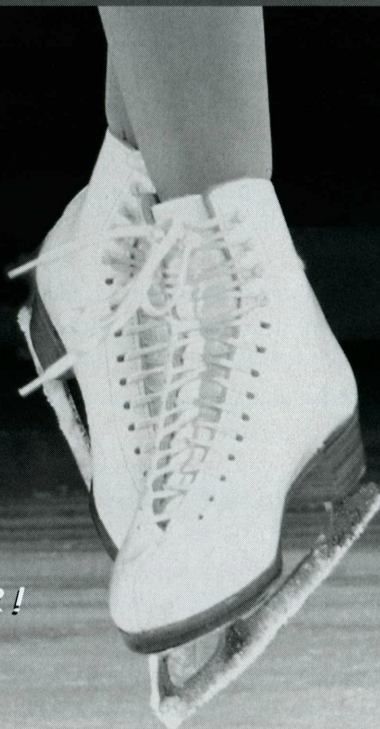
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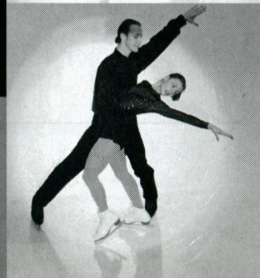
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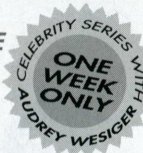
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ell, here we go again skating fans. Springtime is just around the corner! I hope that everyone enjoyed this year's State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships. I sure did!

Once again I want to thank everyone for all those fabulous e-mails I've received this past month. Please be patient with me as I've been busy and have fallen a little behind in answering them. This has been a record month for the number of e-mails I've received!

Speaking of reminders, here's a quick tip for keeping your blade edges just a little bit sharper for a longer period of time.

Get yourself an India oil stone (medium or fine), place some oil on the stone (honing or machine oil), then lightly run the stone over the edges of your skates.

In most cases you'll find that this will bring up the edges, making them a little sharper. Keep in mind, though, that this is not meant to replace a sharpening — it only helps hold you over just a little bit longer.

And now, it's that time again.



Q: I just received a new pair of Riedell Silver Star boots. Before this I was using a Jackson Artiste but was told that I needed much more support. I'm not used to such stiff boots. What can I do to break them in? I've been wearing them in my house and using wet socks and doing some bending and stretching. I've skated in them twice. How long should it take to break them in?

really help. Is there anything else I could do?

SKATER HEIGHTS

A: You need to approach this in a couple of different ways. First, I would see a podiatrist about possibly having some custom orthotics made especially for your skates.

Next, check to see that the soles and heels of your skates are level. To do this, turn your skates upside down and see if the blades are straight or if they lean to one side or the other.

Try these two corrective measures and I'm sure you'll be pleased with the results. However, if this doesn't help with your problem, you may be skating with an ongoing injury of one sort or another. To know for sure, I would suggest you consult with a sports medicine physician.

MILTION

A: Well, it sounds like you have a slight problem. Nothing to fret about, though. You have a couple of options.

The first is to keep doing what you are doing. However, this may take a long time before you break in your boots.

Secondly, you could send your boots back to Riedell and have them take out some of the support. This would be my best suggestion for you. Riedell is great when it comes to customer satisfaction, and they will return them to you ASAP.

Next you could soak the insides of your boots with some sort of leather softener or conditioner, such as Lexol or Mink Oil. This also will take some time before it really starts to work.

Lastly, you could take them to a shoe repair shop and have them cut a V wedge below the bottom hook. This will allow you to bend easier.

Q: I recently had a new pair of boots and blades mounted. I didn't like the heel height so I took it to a shoe repair shop and had the heels heightened. I made the mistake of remounting the blades and am not satisfied. My boots now have holes in the incorrect places. Any suggestions?

TORONTO, CANADA

A: It's OK to plug the holes using an epoxy or some wood pegs. No damage has been done to your boots. Just be sure you sand over the holes after they have been plugged.

Well, moms, dads, kids and anyone else reading this — till next time, take care and have a great skate! @@

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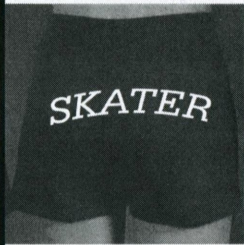

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Helen McLoraine

Helen Myers McLoraine never asked for thank you's, but the figure skating world owes her many. McLoraine, a longtime supporter of figure skating, died Jan. 23 after suffering a fall while attending the 2003 State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Dallas, Texas. She was 84.

Over the years, McLoraine and her late husband, Frank, provided financial support and inspiration to many skaters, most notably Scott Hamilton, who without their help would have admittedly never become an Olympic champion.

Not only did the McLoraines help cover his figure skating expenses, but they also became like second parents to him. Hamilton, who captured the 1984 Olympic gold medal, said he would have had to quit skating if the McLoraines had not offered their support.

"She was a very important person in many, many people's lives," Hamilton said. "I think I only know a sliver of what an impact she made."

Hamilton was scheduled to make a guest appearance in the Smucker's Stars on Ice show in Anaheim, Calif., when he heard that McLoraine was in the hospital. Instead, he headed to Dallas to be with her.

The night before she died he performed the show in Denver. McLoraine had planned to be at that performance, but in her honor Hamilton left an empty chair with a dozen roses. The next day, he returned to Dallas and was with her when she died.

"She was very profound, yet very quiet," Hamilton said. "She didn't want the recognition and that's the purist form of philanthropy — helping others without any of the hurrah."

McLoraine, a native of Valparaiso, Ind., was a successful business woman in the gas and oil industries. She and her husband were investors in the Colorado Ice Arena in Denver, Colo., in the late 1970s.

Memorials can be sent to: Urban Peak, 1630 S. Acoma, Denver, CO 80223; St. Andrew Building Fund, 6325 S. University Blvd., Centennial, CO, 80121; or Scott Hamilton C.A.R.E.S. Initiative c/o Cleveland Clinic Foundation, 9500 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44195. @@

— Amy Rosewater

Ann Adair

Ann Robinson Adair of Farmington, Conn., died Jan. 3, 2003. Ann was a direct descendant of Jackson Haines, the "Father of Figure Skating."

She was the 1943 U.S. novice ladies champion and had star billing skating professionally with Ice Capades, Ice Follies and Ice Cycles. Adair coached for many years with the Charter Oak FSC and later for the town of West Hartford at the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink.

Her love for the sport continued through her son Donald Adair. Donald won numerous competitions and was the 1986 U.S. dance champion with Rene Rocca. He now resides in Indianapolis, Ind., with his wife Kelley Morris-Adair, former silver dance champion with Michael Seibert.

Adair was a member of the PSA and continued to teach spreading her passion for figure skating. In addition to Donald and his family, Adair is survived by son Paul Adair of California and daughter Laurie Winograd of Connecticut. Donations may be made to the USFSA Memorial Fund or to the American Cancer Society. @@

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