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The Philadelphia Skating Club & Humane Society
610-642-8700

October

- 1 Sk8 to Eliminate Cancer, 10am-4pm
- 6 Member Admissions Meet & Greet
- 7 Regional Send-Off Exhibition, 5:15 pm
- 9 Winter Session Begins
- 9 Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm
- 11-15 South Atlantic Regional Figure Skating Championships, Aston, PA
- 23 Deadline for applications for November 5 Test Session
- 29 Great Skate Cocktail Party, 5-7 pm

November

- 5 USFSA Test Session @ PSC&HS
- 11 Tea & Sectional Send-Off Exhibitions
- 11 Ice Party (5/6 grades), 8-9:30 pm
- 13 Deadline for applications for 12/3 Test Session
- 13 Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm
- 15-19 Eastern Sectional Figure Skating Championships, Boxborough, MA
- 23 Club Closed - Happy Thanksgiving!

December

- 3 USFSA Test Session @ PSC&HS
- 8 Holiday Party & Show Rehearsal
- 9 Holiday Show
- 15 Member Admissions Meet & Greet
- 17 Skate w/Santa @ 1:00 pm
- 24 Club closed @ 1:00 pm
- 25 Club closed - Merry Christmas!
- 31 Club closed @ 1:00 PM

January

- 1 Club Closed - Happy New Year!
- 7 Member Admissions Meet & Greet
- 8 Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm
- 13 Tea & Exhibitions
- 14 Member Guest Sunday
- 20 Ice Party (5/6 grades), 8-9:30 pm
- 21 Member Guest Sunday
- 22 Deadline for applications for Feb 4 Test Session
- 26 Member Admissions Meet & Greet
- 28 Member Guest Sunday

February

- 4 USFSA Test Session @ PSC&HS
- 9 Spaghetti Dinner
- 10 Tea & Exhibitions
- 12 Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm
- 23 Parent's Night Out Event
- 24 Ice Party (5/6 grades), 8-9:30 pm

March

- 2 Member Admissions Meet & Greet
- 3 Tea & Adult Sectionals Send-Off Exhibition
- 9-11 2018 Eastern Adult Sectional Skating Championships @ PSC&HS
- 12 Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm
- 19 Deadline for applications for April 8 Test Session
- 31 Winter Season Ends

April

- 1 Club Closed - Happy Easter!
- 2 Spring Session Begins
- 7 Ice Party (5/6 grades), 8-9:30 pm
- 8 USFSA Test Session @ PSC&HS
- 9 Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm
- 23 Deadline for applications for May 6 Test Session

May

- 6 USFSA Test Session @ PSC&HS
- 12 Ice Party (5/6 grades), 8-9:30 pm
- 14 Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm
- 18 Spring Show Rehearsal
- 19 Spring Show, 6:00 pm
- 20 Spring Show, 1:00 pm
- 21 Deadline for applications for June 10 Test Session
- 28 Club Closed - Memorial Day

Barbara Camp
TWIST Honorary Editor

Marcia Wiker
TWIST Editor

Update Your E-Mail Addresses!

Don't forget to advise us of any change in your e-mail address!

Articles for the October issue of the TWIST should be submitted to the office no later than Tuesday, October 17th @ 5:00 pm.



Welcome back!! Although we're sad to say goodbye to summer, we are also delighted to say hello again to our fellow PSC&HS members as we look forward to the 2017-2018 season. And, we have much to look forward to!

The season got off to a great start with Challenge Cup. Many thanks to the organizing committee as well as those who provided hospitality and/or volunteered their time to help out, and of course to our Director of Skating, and our wonderful rink management and staff who made the event go off without a hitch! It was such a pleasure to watch our own club members, and welcome visiting competitors from all over the country. Congratulations to all who participated.

Next up on Sunday, October 1, is the Frozen 5K Sk8 to Eliminate Cancer/Sk8 for David event being presented by the adult Philly Spirit Synchronized Skating team and hosted at our club. This promises to be a fun day for everyone, all while raising \$ for a great cause, the Scott Hamilton CARES Foundation. Please see the article in this issue of the Twist for more details on all of the activities of the day, and how to sign up to register and/or donate to this very worthy cause.

Then it's onto our annual Winter season kick-off event, the Great Skate, on October 29. The entertainment committee has been hard at work planning a really fun evening for club members of all ages. You won't want to miss this one!

Be sure to keep an eye on the PSC&HS Events, 2017-2018 Year at a Glance calendar that was included in your mailing earlier this month, and to add these, and the other events listed, to your personal calendars. The more we as members participate and attend these events together, the closer we grow as members of our wonderful PSC&HS family.

We look forward to seeing everyone on the ice and/or at the planned events soon to give you a personal "welcome back!"

Eileen Cannon and Janet Rosen



TESTS PASSED

Bergeron, Andrea (Adult Bronze Free)

Chung, Seryna (Senior Moves)

GOLD MEDAL - CONGRATULATIONS!

Cordova, Mary-Evelina (Novice Free Dance)

Emerson, Rosalie (Cha-Cha Congelado)

Emerson, Spencer (Cha-Cha Congelado)

Erdman, Lydia (Senior Free Dance)

GOLD MEDAL - CONGRATULATIONS!

Fraiman, Cory (Westminster Waltz)

GOLD MEDAL - CONGRATULATIONS!

Ginn, Eden (Novice Moves)

Gissibl, Anna (Rocker Foxtrot, Tango)

Godin, Gabriela (Junior Free)

Hao, Eleanor (Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango,
Rhythm Blues, Cha-Cha)

Hollin, Allie (Rocker Foxtrot, Tango, American
Waltz, Senior Moves)

GOLD MEDAL - CONGRATULATIONS!

Hollin, Nina (Paso Doble, Kilian, Senior Moves)

GOLD MEDAL - CONGRATULATIONS!

Jaworski, Laura (Adult Quickstep)

Jones, Julia (Novice Moves)

Kim, Claudia (Fiesta Tango, Rhythm Blues)

Knutson, Karen (Masters Blues)

LaFiandra, Nicole (American Waltz)

Lawless, Benjamin (Quickstep, Argentine
Tango)

Lee, Amy (Pre-Juvenile Free, Novice Moves)

LeFebvre, Christina (Junior Moves)

Libonati, Olivia (Junior Moves, Novice Free)

Lu, Claire (Novice Moves, Tango)

Mackey, Aubyn (Novices Moves)

Mariani, Anna Lisa (Solo Dutch Waltz, Solo
Canasta Tango, Solo Rhythm Blues)

Medveckus, Justine (Preliminary Free,
Pre-Juvenile Free, Juvenile Free, Paso
Doble, Kilian)

Michel, J.T. (Junior Free Dance)

Popova, Draia (Junior Free Dance)

Sandor, Eva (Preliminary Free, Juvenile
Moves, Pre-Juvenile Free)

Schneider, Yasmin (Pre-Preliminary Moves)

Shchepetov, Alexey (Viennese Waltz,
Argentine Tango, Westminster Waltz,
Quickstep, Senior Free Dance)

TWO GOLD MEDALS - CONGRATULATIONS!

Sniffen, Cristina (Blues, Kilian, Juvenile
Free)

Stolker, Rebecca (Pre-Preliminary Moves)

Thompson, Olivia (10Fox, Willow Waltz)

Walton, Grace (Quickstep)

From U.S. Figure Skating

Congratulations to Susan Miller on her
Sectional Dance Referee judging appointment!

Congratulations also to Adrienne Koob-Doddy
on her appointment as a National Dance
Technical Specialist and a Sectional
Singles/pairs/Dance Data Operator.

COMPETITION RESULTS

Chesapeake Open, June 22-24, Laurel, MD

Anna Bogdashevsky - No Test Girls Freeskate
Group A, 2nd

Maggie Conly-Farnham - Preliminary Girls
Freeskate Group B, 7th

Mary-Evelina Cordova and Evan Walter -
Novice Dance Pattern Dance, 5th; Novice
Dance Free Dance, 11th

Julia Epps and Blake Gilman - Juvenile Pattern
Dance, 5th; Free Dance, 2nd

Annya Gissibl and Alexander Colucci -
Intermediate Free Dance, 6th

Sophie Green - Pre-Preliminary Girls
Freeskate Group A, 9th

Sydney Horenstein - Novice Ladies Short
Program, 14th; Novice Ladies Freeskate, 2nd

Aurelija Ippolito and Malcolm Jones - Senior
Dance Short Dance, 2nd

Kristen Marvel - Intermediate Ladies Short
Program Group B, 6th; Intermediate Ladies
Freeskate Group B, 12th

Katherine Mitchell - Novice Ladies Short
Program, 5th; Novice Ladies Freeskate, 3rd

Anika Olson - Juvenile Girls Freeskate Group B, 15th

Julia Olson - Junior Ladies Short Program, 8th; Junior Ladies Freeskate, 5th; Novice Solo Combined Dance Group A, 5th for Pattern Dance, 2nd for Free Dance, 4th Overall

Daria Popova and Cameron Colucci - Junior Dance Short Dance, 11th; Junior Dance Free Dance, 12th

Cordelia Pride and Ben Lawless - Novice Dance Pattern Dance, 8th; Novice Dance Free Dance, 6th

Allie Rose and J.T. Michel - Junior Dance Short Dance, 12th; Junior Dance Free Dance, 9th

Eva Sandor - Preliminary Girls Freeskate Group B, 1st

Juliette Schad - Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group A, 14th; Intermediate Ladies Freeskate Group A, 9th

Skate Wilmington 2017, July 20-23, Wilmington, DE

Amelia Boerner - Junior Solo Combined Dance- Original Dance, 3rd, Free Dance 7th, Overall, 5th; Gold Solo Pattern Dance, 2nd

Maureen Carrigan - Adult Gold Ladies, 1st

Mary-Evelina Cordova & Evan Walter - Novice Dance Pattern Dance, 1st

Delila DeLaura - Juvenile/Open Juvenile Spins, 1st; Juvenile Shadow Dance Cha-Cha, 4th; Juvenile Girls Freeskate Group A, 4th

Devyn Delaura - Juvenile/Open Juvenile Spins, 2nd; Juvenile Shadow Dance Cha-Cha, 4th

Eleanor Hao - Pre-Preliminary Girls Freeskate Group A, 3rd; Juvenile Girls Freeskate Group B, 2nd

Grace Ge - Novice Ladies Short Program, 13th

Aurelija Ippolito & Malcolm Jones - Senior Dance Short Dance, 3rd; Senior Dance Free Dance, 2nd

Amy Lee - Pre-Juvenile Girls Freeskate Group A, 5th

Kristen Marvel - Intermediate Ladies Short Program Group A, 7th; Intermediate Ladies Freeskate Group B, 4th

Monica Nicosia - Adult Silver Showcase, 1st; Adult Gold Ladies, 2nd

Anika Olson - Juvenile Girls Freeskate Group B, 14th

Daria Popova & Cameron Colucci - Junior Dance Short Dance, 3rd

Cordelia Pride & Ben Lawless - Novice Dance Pattern Dance, 2nd; Novice Dance Free Dance, 1st

Allie Rose & J.T. Michel - Junior Dance Short Dance, 2nd; Junior Dance Free Dance, 2nd

Sofia Rose - Novice Ladies Short Program, 14th; Novice Ladies Freeskate, 12th

Grace Walton - Novice Ladies Short Program, 3rd; Novice Ladies Freeskate, 13th

Lake Placid Ice Dance Championships, July 26-29, Lake Placid, NY'

Amelia Boerner - Gold Solo Pattern Dance, 2nd; Junior Solo Combined Dance Group A Original Dance, 4th; Free Dance, 6th, Overall, 4th; Open Rhumba (w/Baxter Burbank), 4th; Open Cha-Cha Congelado, 4th; Open Cha-Cha Congelado (w/Spencer Emerson), 3rd

Mary-Evelina Cordova & Evan Walter - Novice Dance Pattern Dance, 7th; Novice Dance Free Dance, 7th

Rosalie Emerson & Spencer Emerson - Open Cha-Cha Congelado, 2nd

Julia Epps & Blake Gilman - Juvenile Dance
Pattern Dance, 8th; Juvenile Dance Free
Dance, 5th

Blake Gilman w/Adrienne Koob-Doddy - Open
Willow Waltz, 1st; Open Fourteenstep, 1st

Kathleen McGowan w/Baxter Burbank - Open
Foxtrot, 4th; Open Tango, 3rd; Open Paso
Doble, 2nd

Maria Persaud w/Chuen Gun Lee - Open
Foxtrot, 2nd; Open Tango, 2nd

Daria Popova & Cameron Colucci - Junior
Dance Short Dance, 10th; Junior Dance Free
Dance, 9th

Cordelia Pride & Ben Lawless - Novice Dance
Pattern Dance, 6th

2017 International Adult Figure Skating
Competition, August 21-26, Vancouver,
Canada

Beth Delano - Masters Women III Freeskate,
1st; Masters Women III Artistic, 1st

Monica Nicosia - Silver Women III Freeskate,
1st; Silver Women III Artistic, 4th

Deborah Spence - Masters Woman II
Freeskate, 1st



PSC&HS Adult skaters, Monica Nicosia, Beth Delano and Debi
Spence showing off their Gold Medals at the 2017 International
Adult Figure Skating Competition in Vancouver.
Congratulations!

2017 National Solo Dance Finals, September
6-9, Colorado Springs, CO

Amelia Boerner - Gold Pattern Dance
Championship Round, 9th

Challenge Cup, September 14-17, PSC&HS

Maureen Carrigan - Adult Gold Ladies
Freeskate, 3rd

Mary-Evelina Cordova & Evan Walter - Novice
Dance Pattern Dance, 3rd; Novice Dance Free
Dance, 4th

Dalila DeLaura - Juvenile Girls Group B
Freeskate, 6th

Devyn DeLaura - Juvenile Girls Group A
Freeskate, 3rd

Julia Epps & Blake Gilman - Juvenile Dance
Pattern Dance, 4th; Juvenile Dance Free
Dance, 2nd

Grace Ge - Novice Ladies Short Program, 13th;
Novice Ladies Freeskate Group A, 5th

Eleanor Hao - Pre-Preliminary Girls Freeskate,
4th

Sydney Horenstein - Novice Ladies Short
Program, 6th

Aurelija Ippolito & Malcolm Jones - Senior
Dance Free Dance, 2nd

Laura Jaworski - Adult Gold Ladies Freeskate,
1st

Farah Jiminez - Adult Silver Ladies Freeskate,
2nd

Claudia Kim - High Beginner Freeskate, 1st

Olivia Libonati - Novice Ladies Freeskate
Group B, 7th

Kristen Marvel - Intermediate Ladies Group A
Short Program, 2nd; Intermediate Ladies Group
A Freeskate, 2nd

Katherine Mitchell - Novice Ladies Short Program, 4th; Novice Ladies Freeskate Group A, 2nd

Monica Nicosia - Adult Silver Ladies Freeskate, 5th

Daria Popova & Cameron Colucci - Junior Dance Short Dance, 2nd; Junior Dance Free Dance, 3rd

Cordelia Pride & Ben Lawless - Novice Dance Pattern Dance, 2nd; Novice Dance Free Dance, 2nd

Eileen Rong - Pre-Preliminary Girls Freeskate, 2nd

Allie Rose & J.T. Michel - Junior Dance Short Dance, 4th; Junior Dance Free Dance, 4th

Sofia Rose - Novice Ladies Short Program, 11th; Novice Ladies Freeskate Group B, 8th

Juliette Schad - Intermediate Ladies Group A Short Program, 3rd; Intermediate Ladies Group A Freeskate, 6th

Grace Walton - Novice Ladies Short Program, 2nd; Novice Ladies Freeskate Group A, 1st

A stylized, handwritten-style word 'Congratulations!' in black ink. The word is written in a cursive font with a large, decorative flourish under the 'C'. Several five-pointed stars of varying sizes are scattered around the word, some above and some below.

J. Walter Harrington, III
Husband of Jane Harrington
Passed away May 2017

Carl Mosely
Club Member since 1953

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Please join the Member Admissions Committee in welcoming our new members to PSC&HS:

Risa Stolker

And thank you to the members who were instrumental in bringing the new members to us:

Bethanne Kagan

Sk8 to Elimin8 Cancer
Sk8 for David Frozen 5K
Sunday, October 1, 10AM-4PM

The Philly Spirit Adult Synchronized Skating team is hosting a Sk8 to Elimin8 Cancer event at our club. These events are held at rinks all over the country to raise money for the Scott Hamilton CARES Foundation which funds cancer research. This is the first Sk8 event being held in the Philadelphia region.

We have dedicated this event to long-time club members Emily and David Batista, after learning in April that David was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Participating and/or donating to this event is a great way to give back and support these members who have given so much to our club, and synchro program, over the years. There are also several other club members who are currently struggling with this disease as well, what a great way for our PSCHS family to come together for all who are fighting this battle, as well as in memory of the club members we have lost over the years to this terrible disease.

20% of funds raised at Sk8 events may be donated to a local charity of choice. David and Emily have chosen the American Association for Cancer Research, which is based in Philadelphia. We are

delighted to be contributing to this local organization, which also does great work in the field of cancer research.

Now, for the fun part!! This event is a Frozen 5K, which means that everyone skates 5K, or 33 laps around. There will be off-ice activities as well including a DJ (12-2), Kona Ice Truck (2PM), face-painting and glitter tattoos, a bake sale and a silent auction. Items being auctioned include a signed copy of Scott Hamilton's book "The Great Eight," autographed items from the Phillies and the Flyers, a "Basket of Beer," a 5K recovery basket of Arbonne products, and 2 tickets to see Glen Macnow and Ray Didinger's WIP radio show live in the studio, including the pre-show brainstorming session.

To sign up, go to:
<https://www.crowdrise.com/Sk8PhiladelphiaSC>.

You can register a team (in honor/memory of someone, perhaps?), join one of the teams already registered, or register as an individual. Once you have registered, put the word out and get people to join your team and Sk8 with you, or sponsor you by giving a donation in support of your Sk8. Skaters of all skill levels and ages are welcome!

Our Sk8 event will be featured in the next issue of Skating Magazine, and if you follow the Scott Hamilton CARES organization on social media, you will see the individual stories of why the members of Philly Spirit Sk8.

The Philly Spirit synchro team looks forward to the support of its PSCHS family for this fun, and important event, honoring our own club members.

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PSC&HS is INVITING YOU!

PSC&HS Great Skate
Family Skating & Opening Party
Sunday, October 29th
5:00-7:00 pm

For the Adults (in the upper lounge)
Cocktails and Light fare
Silent Auction (benefits Competitors Fund)

For the Junior Skaters (in the lower lounge)
A SPOOKTACULAR costume party....
No tricks, just treats!

We will also be celebrating Fran Mycek's 40th year
anniversary with the Club!

Please RSVP to the Club Office by
October 19th

610-642-8700 or pschs@pschs.org

Development Committee News

I am extremely privileged to announce that a lead gift from the Simpson Family provides us with the opportunity to renovate our current warm-up room and to transform it into The Mary Lea Simpson Memorial Training Center.

Mary had been a club member since birth. Her parents, Starr and Zach are members, as were her grandparents, George and Flipper Harris, her great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Butcher Jr., and her great-aunt and great-uncle, Polly and Julian Hill. Mary’s grandfather, George B. Harris Jr., was President of the club from 1972 -1974. Her great-uncle Julian W. Hill was President from 1957-60. Aunt Polly started the family skating and, indeed, Mary’s grandmother and grandfather were avid skaters and regular attendees at the weekly Program Dance and Teas. Mary’s grandmother participated in all the shows and organized many an event for the club. The tradition continues with her mother Starr.

Mary died tragically in the collapse of the Salvation Army Building in Center City on June 5, 2013. She was dropping off clothes with her best friend Anne Bryant, something they liked to do together. They had a day planned in the city.

Receiving this gift and naming the room for Mary is an honor for the club. We will remember Mary: her youthfulness, happy smiling face, her sweet disposition, and her many talents.

As of September 2017, we have received leadership gifts from Mary’s brother George B. Simpson, and the following club members: Lucinda (Pinky) Hamilton, Hollye and Jonathan Jacoby, Stephen R. Kamp, Nancy and Ed Metcalf, Lindsey and Peter Pierce, Carolyn Rhodes, Susan Ricciardi, and Elizabeth Royer.

Plans for the Development Committee this year include the creation of our Legacy Circle.

Ensuring our Future: the Legacy Circle will play a significant role in continuing our mission to preserve and promote the sport, art, and history of figure skating for recreation and competition at PSCHS. If you are interested in joining our Legacy Circle and leave the Philadelphia Skating Club an estate gift, please contact me.

Charlotte Martin, Development Chair

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***YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!!  
COMPETITORS FUND SILENT  
AUCTION DONATIONS***

Do you have...

- Concert, theater or sports events tickets you can’t use?
- Creative talents to share?
- Skating memorabilia?
- Fashion accessories never worn?
- New holiday decorations?
- Babysitting hours to offer?
- Bottle of cheer?

All donations are welcome for this year’s Competitors Fund Silent Auction!! (Competitive skater expenses are not insignificant, so the club prides itself on being able to generate some funds to help defray some of the expenses of those members representing PSC&HS in qualifying competition events nationally and internationally.)

**Please bring donations to the club office by Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**  
(Tax receipts are available)

Then come BID HIGH at the auction held during the GREAT SKATE Cocktail Party on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>

If you have questions, feel free to email Steffie Crowther at [steffiec@yahoo.com](mailto:steffiec@yahoo.com) or Ellen Funk @ [sk8erinafunk@aol.com](mailto:sk8erinafunk@aol.com)